



*Eliakim
is Pleiades*

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Foreword

Spirit... Revelation... Discernment... Truth...

We are to know God in Spirit and in truth. Paul said in 1 Corinthians 2:14, that the natural man does not understand the things of the Spirit because they are spiritually discerned. Basically, we cannot understand spiritual things in our own intellect, our own natural mind. We must be in the Spirit to hear and understand what the Lord is communicating.

Today, because of worldly mindsets and man-made religious orders and ceremonies, the church lives in blind dimensions far from God's truth. The church has lost sight of God's original plan for mankind. Like Adam, the heart of the church body has become compromised. The church body would rather believe the lies of the enemy in order to fulfill the desires of their carnal ambitions rather than live by the truth of God's word.

God wants His children, the church, to follow Jesus, our forerunner and pattern son, beyond the veil, beyond the flesh of the physical dimension, into the Holy of Holies. He wants us to live in, to move in and to have our being in the resurrected Christ. This is the place where the flesh of the first Adam, the harlot systems of ceremonies and traditions of men, has been eradicated because of the revelation of the power of the cross. Christ overcame, nullified, and destroyed death, hell and the grave! He wants us to arise, to have faith in His finished work of the cross and to live in our true identity in Him. Jesus said "In that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you." In this hour God is calling a people for His name. Christ the life giving Spirit is summoning His overcomers to grow up into the full measure of the stature of Christ. That means complete salvation of their spirits, souls and bodies. The overcomers will see the redemption of their bodies so that they will become the manifested sons and daughters of God. Once His overcomers, His true government, come into their true identity, the world will never be the same because the knowledge of His glory will fill the earth and His Kingdom will come and His will be done.

In the next pages, you will discover God's divine purpose for His sons and daughters. Through patterns, types, similes and metaphors spiritual truths will be

revealed. These truths were so graciously given to me by our Lord. My greatest desire is to share God's treasures with all people so that His truths will penetrate hearts and minds. My greatest burden is to see the body of Christ arise and grow up into the full stature of Christ just as Ephesians 4:13 states. God's greatest desire is that His children come into agreement with the work He has already completed on the cross and that they, you, walk in freedom, power and authority; He set the captives free and has given His children the keys to His Kingdom.

I humbly recognize that I have touched only a small portion of our omnipotent God's wonderful love and revealing power for humanity. I pray that the treasures God imparted, during the greatest times in the earth, bring you wisdom and illumination. Most of all I pray that God's truths will open your heart and that you will be blessed by the enrichment of His precious Word. God's word changed my life. I pray it changes yours and it sets you on fire to become one of His messengers of flames of fire!

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And the Lord said to me...your birth is not effective unless you fulfill your purpose.

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Eliakim is Pleiades

Chapter One

The Heavens Declare the Glory of God

One night the Lord spoke to me and said, “**Eliakim is Pleiades.**” Eliakim and his purpose are first mentioned in Isaiah 22:20-23 where it says,

Isaiah 22:20-23 (NASB) – "Then it will come about in that day, That I will summon My servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiyah, 21 And I will clothe him with your tunic And tie your sash securely about him. **I will entrust him with your authority, and he will become a father** to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the house of Judah. 22 "Then I will set the **key of the house of David on his shoulder**, when he opens no one will shut, when he shuts no one will open. 23 "**I will drive him like a peg in a firm place, and HE WILL BECOME A THRONE OF GLORY TO HIS FATHER'S HOUSE.**

Eliakim means, *God of raising in judgment, whom God established, a ram, a tree, a strong power and chief.* God is raising up a group of people like Eliakim who will execute His judgment and justice in the earth. This group of people is also symbolic of Pleiades. The word **Pleiades**¹ means, *the congregation of the Judge, an assembly, host and army of the Judge, the Seven Stars, Succoth or Booths* (symbolic of the Feast of Tabernacles). So, we see that Eliakim is an example of the congregation or assembly of judges who will execute the judgments of the Judge, Christ Jesus. Jesus is King of kings and Lord of lords therefore, He is **The Judge of the judges.**

The Bible uses different patterns, types, and similes of people, places and things to reveal God’s creative power. It gives us examples and patterns of the heavens

¹ Pleiades, known astrologically as the “Seven Stars”, is found in the constellation of Taurus the Bull.

declaring God's glory, God's plans and His purposes for all eternity (*Job 9:9, 38:31-32, Amos 5:8, Rev. 1:16*). Psalms 147:4 states that God "*counts the number of the stars; He calls them all by their name.*" God named everything according to its function and character. Even the stars reveal His purpose and tell of His wondrous works for all humanity. Psalms 97:6 (AMP) "*The heavens declare His righteousness, and all the peoples see His glory.*" Psalm 19:1 "*The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows (reveals) and proclaims His handiwork.*" The constellations declare in the heavens His glory and His marvelous purposes for His creation in order to show us how to overcome and possess them in Him.

We find examples of this in the patriarchs of old who denied themselves the pleasures of this world, trusting and obeying God, so they would be qualified to rule and reign with Christ Jesus in the millennium. In the beginning God commanded man to have dominion and authority and to subdue all things. He has never changed His mind. This is why He sent His Son to die for us, to be the pattern Son, giving us full access to follow Him beyond the veil, beyond our flesh, into the Holy of Holies. By following His pattern we can grow up into the full measure of the stature of Christ (Eph. 4:13). So we can see Eliakim is symbolic of a people who God is raising up to be judges who have first learned to judge themselves and to live by the Spirit. The "Eliakims" make up the congregation or assembly of Pleiades that is also the congregation of the Judge.

Through the twelve zodiac constellations God gave us the complete Bible written in the sky. This is why the scripture says, "*The heavens declare the glory of God.*" It was through the twelve constellations that He gave revelation to His children, the patriarchs of old², revealing His eternal plan and purposes for complete salvation. Because of the corruption of man's heart this revelation has been perverted and the true meaning has been hidden. However, to those who pursue God's truth there are a wealth of unseen treasures we can glean from. In the beginning, the heavens declared the glory of God. With His mighty hand He placed the stars in the sky and named them all. Think of that. How awesome is our God!

The Lord taught me many years ago that the only way to prove anything is through His Word. His Word will confirm His Word. This is why you see so many prophesies, confirmed through so many different patriarchs who were given the

² The patriarchs studied astronomy not astrology (predictions and fortune telling) to understand the purposes of God.

same Word but lived in different locations and in different times in history; some hundreds of years apart. It was a sign of God’s all-knowing infinite power orchestrated by His divine hands. Just think, He has numbered every hair on your head. He has divinely given you your birthdate, your geographic land settlement and abode at this given time in history to orchestrate His divine plan for all eternity.

The Constellations Are For Signs

Genesis 1:14 (KJV) – And God 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.

“Let them be for signs and seasons and days and years.” The Hebrew word for “signs” in the Strong’s Concordance is OT: 225 – *uth*. The word *uth* means “to come; to assent.” A sign represents something or someone to come or to assent (to come into agreement). **The heavens tell the story of things to come—they prophesy.** Those who understand the signs are enlightened by them. The ancient Hebrew root word for “signs” in the Strong’s Concordance is OT: 226 – *oht*. It comes from three Hebrew letters that were pictograms,³ *aleph*, *vav* and *tav*. The first letter *aleph* was represented as a picture of a bull’s head. The bull’s head symbolized strength, authority and power. It also meant “head” or “chief.” When the letters *aleph* and *tav* stood alone they represented and spoke of God as the Beginning and the End (*aleph – the first letter of the Hebrew alphabet and tav – the last letter of the Hebrew alphabet*). In the middle of the word “sign” (*oht*) is the Hebrew letter *vav*, which represents “a nail” or “peg” that Isaiah 22:23 references. It is a conjunction that nails two things together. Isn’t that why God sent His Son so that you and I would be joined to Him as one body?

The word “sign” also represents “a mark, seal, stamp, imprint, beacon, appearing or proof of the living God.” In the Book of Revelation, we see a “seal” or “mark” is going to be given to the overcomers, His bondservants, His first fruits.

³ Pictograms are pictures which resemble what they signify, a symbol that represents an object or concept of illustration.

Revelation 7:3 (NASB) – saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees until we have **sealed the bond-servants of our God on their foreheads.**"

Revelation 14:3-4 – And they sang a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders; and no one could learn the song except the one hundred and forty-four thousand who had been purchased from the earth. (4) These are the ones who have not been defiled with women, for they have kept themselves chaste. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These have been purchased from among men as **first fruits to God and to the Lamb.**

Those who manifest that “sealing” are no longer bound by time or space. Jesus was able to move from earth to heaven without limitation. So it will be with those who have overcome and are qualified for the first resurrection and who receive their glorified bodies to implement the beginning of the millennium. We see this example in Jacob’s dream of a ladder with angels (messengers) ascending and descending from earth to heaven and from heaven to earth.

The Zodiac

The Persian and Arabian traditions all ascribe the Zodiac to Adam, Seth and Enoch. Josephus in his writings asserts that the Zodiac originated in the family of Seth, the righteous line from Adam to Noah. The word Zodiac comes from the Greek word ‘*Zodiakos*’ meaning “a CIRCLE.” The meaning of *Zodiakos* comes to life in the constellations Virgo the Virgin and Leo the Lion. Virgo is the first constellation and Leo is the last. The lion’s tail of Leo reaches over and touches the head of Virgo making a full circle. Its meaning is also represented in the image of the Sphinx. The Sphinx has the head of a woman (Virgo the Virgin) and the body of a lion (Leo the Lion). It represents the birth of Christ and His offspring coming full circle to bring forth the knowledge of the glory of God to cover the earth. This picture represents the completion of the first and second coming of the Lord who conquers and overcomes every adversary and opposition. It also represents the birthing of His multiplied seed coming forth ruling and reigning with Him. Zodiac comes from the primitive root ‘*zoad*’ which denotes, “a way or a path or going by

steps.” The Zodiac means “the degrees or steps which mark the stages of the sun’s (Son’s) path through the heavens, corresponding with the twelve months.”

Job 38:32 states, “*Can you bring out MAZZAROTH in its season?*” *Mazzaroth* is a Hebrew word, which means “the Constellations” or “Zodiac;” it also means “**lights of the sky**”. The Amplified Bible reads in Job 38: 31-33, “*Can you bind the chains of [the cluster of stars called] **Pleiades** (congregation of the Judge, Seven stars, Seven Sisters, Succoth, and Tabernacles) or loose the cords of [the constellation] **Orion**?*” (Orion means – coming forth as Light, the Glorious One, He who triumphs, the Coming Prince.) *Can you lead forth the SIGNS OF THE ZODIAC in their season? Or can you guide [the stars of] the **Bear** (also known as Arcturus), with her young? Do you know the ordinances of heavens? Can you establish THEIR RULE (sphere) upon the earth?*

As you can see there is a great revelation being declared of God’s glory, in His purpose and in His overcoming power coming forth through His creation.

The Bear - Arcturus

Job 9:9 (NKJV) – He made the **Bear**, (Arcturus-The Coming One who rules, subdues and governs) **Orion**, and the **Pleiades**, and the chambers of the south;

In Job 9:9 the **Bear**, known as **Arcturus**, is symbolic of “**The Coming One**” who rules, subdues and governs. The Coming One is depicted as “**a warrior coming to harvest.**” Arcturus is located in the zodiac sign of Virgo “the Virgin” in the third decan Bootes. It was given its name because of the nearness to the sky “bears.” These “bears” are called Ursa Major and the Ursa Minor. Arcturus rules and reigns over both “bears.”

Ursa Minor means the lesser sheepfold. Who is the lesser sheepfold? The lesser sheepfold Ursa Minor represents the overcomers, Eliakims and Pleiades. It represents those who qualify for the first resurrection and who become the judges who sit on thrones in authority as one with Christ as His lambkins (Rev. 20:4-6).

Ezekiel 34:11 (KJV) - For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, even I, will both search my sheep, and seek them out.

The Lord says I will demand back BOTH my sheep. The members of the first group Ursa Minor, the lesser sheepfold, receive their glorified bodies in order to minister to the Lord and to His people in the earth. The second group Ursa Major, the larger sheepfold, represents the woman; the church who will serve Him as ministers but do not qualify to receive their glorified bodies at the first resurrection.

Ezekiel 34:14 (AMP) - I will feed them in a good (better) pasture (to rule with pleasure), and upon the high (height of the elevated nobles, noble ones) mountains (authority, power, government of God) of Israel (Zion, God prevails) shall their fold (abode, habitation) be: there shall they lie in a good (better) fold, (habitation) and in a fat (rich) pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel.

The good, the better pasture is the better resurrection. (Heb. 11:35) The noble Shepherd is examining, investigating and weighing hearts to see if we will pay the price to be a part of the Ursa Minor sheepfold! The best part of this sheepfold is that they do not think of themselves but they think to bring their brethren into the fold also! Their purpose is to execute the eternal gospel to bring all mankind into that place of rest.

Revelation 14:6 (NASV) - And I saw another angel flying in midheaven, having an eternal gospel to preach to those who live on the earth, and to every nation and tribe and tongue and people;

Joshua 1:14-15 (NASV) - "Your wives, your little ones, and your cattle shall remain in the land which Moses gave you beyond the Jordan, but you shall cross before your brothers in battle array, all your valiant warriors, and shall help them, 15 until the Lord gives your brothers rest, as He gives you, and they also possess the land which the Lord your God is giving them. Then you shall return to your own land, and possess that which Moses the servant of the Lord gave you beyond the Jordan toward the sunrise."

These are His overcomers, Eliakims, Pleiades. They become living sacrifices; denying their fleshly desires in order to rule and reign with Christ in the first resurrection. These are those who "qualify to rule" with Him. They come to bring

in the rest of the “bears”, the Ursa Majors. Ursa Major is the larger assembly of the sheepfold that is resurrected at the end of the millennium.

Ezekiel 34:16 (KJV) - I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind (hold, encircle the flock,- Ursa Major) up that which was broken, and will strengthen that which was sick: but I will destroy the fat (not hear, fleshly, carnal) and the strong (obstinate); I will feed them with judgment.

The “judgment” spoken of in Ezekiel 34:16 is God’s judgment. It speaks of the justice we see represented by and through the congregation of the judge, which is Pleiades, also known as the Seven Stars and the Eliakims that God is raising in judgment.

Hebrews 9:28 says, that the second time Christ comes He is coming to bring full salvation. “A Warrior coming to harvest” is portrayed by the decan Bootes. The heavens that are declaring the very Word of God bring forth salvation in the earth as Christ the Warrior comes to harvest His chosen, His harvesters who have laid down their lives as living sacrifices.

Arcturus is illustrated as a man holding a spear in one hand while in the other hand, which is over his head, he holds a sickle. The Egyptians called him *Smat*, which means, “one who rules, subdues and governs.” He comes as a great conqueror! The astronomers call Bootes *Beta* but the true name of it is *Nakkar*, which means, “pierced.” We see both **Arcturus** and the **Bear** used in translations of the Bible. This also gives us greater insight on what we have been studying and what God has been revealing to us through the examples of Eliakim and Pleiades.

Jeremiah 16:16 (AMP) – Behold, **I will send for many fishers**, says the Lord, and they will fish them out; and afterward **I will send for many hunters**, and they will hunt them from every mountain and from every hill and out of the clefts of the rocks.

Later we will see more patterns and examples of overcomers, Pleiades, Eliakim, lambkins and the 153 fishes (John 21:11). They all reveal Christ’s overcoming power in a people who have chosen to carry their own cross; who deny their flesh and the things of this world so they may qualify to rule and reign with Christ in the first resurrection. (Rev. 20:4-6) We will also see in this study how these types and

patterns give us clarity of the purposes and plans of God in the earth and His governmental rule for His kings and priesthood.

The Zodiac is the earliest revelation to mankind from their Creator. The twelve signs represent a prophetic event unfolding the plans and purpose of God's redemption for creation. Each sign portrays a dimension of SPIRITUAL REALITY brought forth first by the life of our blessed FORERUNNER, JESUS CHRIST, then individually in the life of each believer, and then corporately in the people of God - His body. Christ did not leave us in the Outer Court or in the Holy Place. He brought us beyond the veil into the Holy of Holies and He gave us dominion and authority with Him over all things. Christ is waiting for us to believe it and walk in it! (Heb. 6:19-20; Heb. 2:8, 4:3)

As men cried out to their Creator to know Him, God revealed Himself in the heavens through His divine inspiration. God created man to have relationship with His creation. He made man in His likeness and image to manifest His glory, His purposes, His Kingdom and to have dominion in the earth so that the knowledge of the glory of God will cover the earth.

The Difference Between Astronomy and Astrology

We must understand the difference between astronomy and astrology. Astronomy is the study of the stars and solar system, a scientific study of the universe and the objects in it, including stars, planets, nebulae and galaxies. Astrology is divination, fortune telling and superstition for predicting the future; the art or act of foretelling future events or revealing knowledge by means of augury or an alleged counterfeit agency. Astrology is the study of the positions and aspects of celestial bodies in the belief that they have an influence on the course of natural earthly occurrences and human affairs. It is a product of the mind of man and not God.

The greatest distractions we have are the influences of the world and the forces of seduction and temptation from our fleshly desires. We look to man for answers to everything instead of having faith in the power of the Lord Jesus Christ who is the only one who can set us free and bring us into true freedom and liberty. We would rather take short cuts and get quick fixes instead of following the divine blueprint,

which is the Living Word of God. It is only the Word of the Lord that brings us into complete victory and solves any problem or situation we find ourselves in. He is truly the Way, the Truth and the life. What is so sad is that most of the time we have to run out of all our resources before we turn to God. For us to be delivered from our flesh we need to understand what flesh is and what is spirit.

Hebrews 4:12 (NASB) – *“For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the **division of soul and spirit**, of both joints and marrow, and able **to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.**”*

We must understand the influence and seduction that the world and our flesh have over us that blindly veils us from living by the Spirit of God. When we depend on the external realm to dictate our circumstances we live in a counterfeit atmosphere that produces death. We must learn to live according to the Spirit which is the life of the Word of God. There are no opinions, reasons or assumptions; the Word is yes and amen.

The reason there are so many denominations and different religious doctrines is because man has interpreted the Word from his own point of view instead of by the Spirit of God. Thus God’s Word is brought into a physical realm, a lower dimension of man’s knowledge instead of Spirit led. So man is back to where he started, doing the very thing that removed him from God’s presence in the first place. He is still doing it today. As a result, man’s logic and religious doctrines have caused division. Division involves the use of a denominator. You can see where the word “denomination” originates! Jesus Christ, “The Word,” interprets Himself and will always confirm Himself with His Word; not with man’s opinions and logic. In Acts 17:29 we see clearly that God’s ways are higher than man’s. Man’s thoughts and plans are human works which are inferior to God’s. In this scripture it gives us a clear understanding and great wisdom on what separates us from God.

Acts 17:29 (NASB) – *“Being then the children of God, we ought not to think that the Divine Nature is like gold or silver or stone, an **image formed** by the **art and thought of man’s devices.**”*

More insight of the meaning of this scripture is below. The words in parentheses are definitions.

Acts 17:29 – "Being then the children of God, we ought not to think that the Divine Nature (*Godhead, Deity*) is like gold or silver or stone, an **image** (*something not real or present, opinion or concept of something held by the public*) **formed** (*representation, stamp, mark as a badge of servitude*) by the **art** (*human skill, to produce, self-works of man, occupation, craft, trades or mechanics of men*) **and thought** (*imaginations, speculation, prognosis, devices, inward reasoning, surmising, supposition, production*) **of man's devices** (*human mechanics*).

The term "of man" referenced in the above verse refers to man's devices. **Devices** are the inward reasoning, surmising and suppositions of man's speculation, projection and production of thoughts and images of human mechanics. This is why the Word of God in 2 Corinthians 5:10 says to cast down imaginations, speculations and inclinations, and refute theories and arguments that exalt themselves above God. Why? Because they have no substance, no power, and are only a product of the carnal mind of man that is a form of godliness that denies the power of God (2 Tim. 3:5). As Colossians 1:21 says, we are separated from God in the hostility of our mind. I love Proverbs 23:7. It says as a man thinks, so he is. The influence, the disposition of our mind and our thoughts need to be God-conscious. **God reveals His plans and purposes by divine inspiration not by human skills or imaginations.**

Revelation 19:10 (NASB) – For the **testimony** (*witness, evidence*) of Jesus is the **spirit** (*mental, disposition, influence of mind*) of **prophecy** (*Divine inspiration*).

The First Constellation - Virgo the Virgin

The first of the twelve constellations is Virgo which in Latin means "virgin." In Hebrew she was called *Bethulah* which also means "Virgin." Who was the virgin? Mary was the virgin who birthed the Son of God. In the first coming the Lord looked for a pure virgin in the physical realm to bring forth the incorruptible Seed

through and by His Son. In His second coming He is also calling forth a people who are virgin. He is calling those who have become one with Him in Spirit and in Truth. Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God, was spiritually birthed into our hearts so that we would also be a true offspring of the Most High God and we would also be able to call Him Abba Father (Gal. 4:6). It is out of a transformed life through a virgin soul prophetically bringing forth a *manchild* the manifested sons will rule and reign in the earth as priests and kings. (Rom. 8:21-23; Rev. 12:2, 14:4) They are also represented through adoption or sonship (*huios* - a mature son) as we see in the following scriptures.

Romans 8:19 (AMP) – For [even the whole] creation (all nature) waits expectantly and longs earnestly for **God's sons to be made known [waits for the revealing, the disclosing of their sonship]**.

Romans 8:23 – And not only the creation, but we ourselves too, who have and enjoy the firstfruits of the [Holy] Spirit [a foretaste of the blissful things to come] groan inwardly as we wait for the redemption of our bodies [from sensuality and the grave, which will reveal] **our adoption (our manifestation as God's sons)**.

The Law of Adoption

Roman law required that the adopter be a male and childless. The one to be adopted had to be an independent adult, able to agree to be adopted. In the eyes of the law the adopted one became a new creature and was regarded as being born again into the new family. The Greek word **adoption** literally means “placing as a son.” The placement of sons is called *huiotesia* in Greek. In the KJV Bible it is translated “adoption of sons.” It means the legal practice of a father formally placing a son, when he comes of full age, in a position of authority. From that point on the son’s signature is legally binding and he represents his father in full authority. The son is only placed in authority when the father trusts the son to do everything that he himself would do. The son served and now he is ready to rule.

These “sons” are no longer governed or controlled by their soul, their senses, feelings, emotions or intellect. Now their soul is married to their spirit and has

become one with the Spirit of the Lord. The “sons” are eagerly and anxiously waiting for the redemption of their bodies to rule and reign with Christ in the earth (Rom. 8:23). This is also an example of the church without **spot** (*stain, blemish, mar of character, a fault, defect, disgrace*) or **wrinkle** (*flux-flow of blood-soul; imperfection, especially on face (identity) issue, clever trick, method, (device- plan or scheme) ridge or crease on a normally smooth surface or wrinkle*) a prepared bride (Eph. 5:27, Rev. 19:7, 21:2).

2 Corinthians 11:2-3 (NKJV) – For I am jealous for you with godly jealousy. For **I have betrothed you to one husband**, that **I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ**.

The chaste virgins are the overcomers; like the examples we see in Paul and the patriarchs who pressed toward the goal of the high call that they might obtain a better resurrection (Heb. 11:35). They are not governed or controlled by their soulish realm (feelings, emotions, will and intellect) but are completely ruled by the last Adam, Christ the life-giving Spirit. These are the overcomers, the Eliakims, Pleiades and the lambkins.

The Last Constellation - Leo the Lion

The last constellation is Leo the Lion. It is symbolic of Christ, the Lion of the tribe of Judah. Like the Lion He is the aggressor, the conqueror, the overcomer that executes justice. In the constellation Aries He is depicted as the Lamb that becomes a Ram. He is the procreator who protects and defends the sheep. The constellations Leo and Aries are symbolic of the mature masculine side of God. Even in His masculine side as the Lion, His love is justice, He makes what is wrong right and He brings restoration and reconciliation.

Napoleon said if one could interpret the riddle of the Sphinx, one would know and understand eternal salvation. The Sphinx has the head of a woman (Virgo the Virgin), which is the first constellation, and the body of a lion (Leo the Lion), which is the twelfth constellation. Our Lord brings us full circle into completion. We see this in the Lion’s tail that touches the head of Virgo in the Sphinx. Virgo the Virgin is symbolic of the virgin church, just as Mary was a virgin, chosen of

God to give birth to God's Son, the incorruptible Seed. God sent His Son to be birthed through a virgin to destroy the influence of the seed of the serpent. In Galatians 4:6 it tells us that God sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts that we would also crush Satan under our feet (Rom. 16:20). Virgo is holding branches in her right hand (Christ is the vine and we are the branches, first harvest) and wheat (second harvest) in the other. The body of the Lion is symbolic of Christ, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the twelfth constellation, who has overcome, triumphed and prevailed over death, hell and the grave. We see in Leo the Lion an offspring who has come into maturity in His character and nature. "*Christ in us the hope of glory*" has transformed a people from an adolescent stage of immaturity to become an aggressor of the procreative power of the life of Christ. His power brings forth the fullness of His character within you and me to conquer and overcome all enemies and bring forth righteousness as we are transformed from glory to glory, strength to strength and faith to faith (2 Cor. 3:18; Ps. 84:7; Rom. 1:17). The twelve constellations reveal the complete story of Christ's coming, ruling and overcoming death, hell and the grave and overcoming Satan, stepping on his head, (destroying the influence in our mind) which bruises our heel (Gen. 3:15). We overcome by the blood of the Lamb and the Word of our testimony for the accuser of the brethren has been cast down and he is under our feet (Rev. 12:10; Rom.16:20). Thus, Satan's influence no longer has power over our minds.

The Lord told the serpent that the **seed of the woman** would bruise the serpent's head. The Women, the church, who are virgins (whose soul and spirit are one, governed by the Spirit) put Satan under their feet destroying the power of influence (Gen. 3:15). Why did He say, "*the seed of the woman*" and not the seed of man? The Lord was speaking of His bride – His Church (the Woman) who would bruise Satan's head. How can we bruise Satan's head? First, we must understand that Satan's head represents his influence to destroy the Christ within and pervert the truth of the Word so that we do not find our true identity. The only place Satan can tempt us is in our minds, our imaginations and our doctrines of error. The Word states we are alienated - separated from God in the hostile attitude of our mind (Col.1:21). The way a man thinks in his heart, so he is! Until we realize that we are heirs of the Father and joint heirs with Christ, we are living in lack and in a defeated state of mind.

This is why the Word says in Romans 16:20, *“That the God of peace will soon crush Satan under YOUR feet.”* There is a progression going on in you, but you are complete in Christ. You are finished in Christ. In Hebrews 2:8 it says that all things have been subject to man, but man hasn’t comprehended it or seen it yet. This doesn’t mean it hasn’t been done in you. Christ took you beyond the veil, into the Holy of Holies, before the foundation of the earth. His Word says that you have the mind of Christ, not that you are going to have, but it says you *have* it (1 Cor. 2:16).

Therefore if any man be in Christ he is a new creature, old things have passed away and all things become new (2 Cor. 5:17). The Word states you are the righteousness of Christ Jesus. It states you have been justified, and you have been glorified (Rom.8:30). All mankind has been redeemed by the blood of the Lamb. Whether they believe it or not, it does not take away from the fact that Jesus Christ’s blood paid the price for all humanity. So it is with the entire Word of God, which states, *“If you believe you will see (perceive, behold, experience, understand and discern clearly) the glory (manifestation of God’s presence, light and fire) of God”* (John 11:40). Even though we have not been transformed into the glorified state, the promise was implemented at the cross and will surely come to pass (Phil. 3:10-11). Colossians 1:18 (AMP) states, *“He also is the Head of [His] body, the church; seeing He is the Beginning, the Firstborn from among the dead, so that He alone in everything and in every respect might occupy the chief place [stand first and be preeminent].”* Jesus was the first one to overcome death, our last enemy. Since He is our pattern and forerunner, we are to follow Him; we too are to overcome death. We are to be anxiously awaiting the evidence and reality of full salvation, the redemption of our bodies (Heb. 9:28; Rom. 8:23 Amp). He’s Alpha and Omega and the Alpha and Omega is within you. Praise God! All things have been subject to you, but you haven’t comprehended it yet. (Heb. 2:8) You are being molded into the image of the Son (Rom. 8:29) so that you become one with Him. This is Christ in you the hope of glory (Col. 1:26-27).

Chapter 2

Aries the Lamb

The sign of **Aries represents the Lamb that was sacrificed**. The Hebrew name *Taleh* means “The Lamb is sent forth.” The Arabic name *Hamai*, means “sheep, gentle, merciful.” Aries represents Christ the Lamb that was slain who was sacrificed for all humanity and for the church; the church who is being adorned and prepared as His bride. In Latin Aries means “the Lamb, the Chief and the Head”. It also signifies “the Lamb is a sacrifice,” which is represented by the brightest star in Aries which is called *Elnath*, “**the wounded or the slain.**” Nearby the star Elnath is another star named *Sheretan* which means “**bruised.**”

Who does this sound like? Who was wounded for our transgression and bruised for our iniquity? Who bore the chastisement for our sins so that by His stripes we are healed? Yes, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (Is. 53). The ancient Akkadians⁴ called Aries *Barzegar*. *Bara* means “**the altar or sacrifice**” and *zegar* means “**making right.**” The full meaning is “**The altar of the sacrifice making things right.**” All these signs in the heavens declare the overcoming victory of our Lord and Savior who defeated death, hell and the grave so that we would also overcome and be victorious in Him. God wrote His Word in the heavens to declare His power and authority so that the knowledge of His glory would cover the earth in order that a people would believe it, possess it and walk in it.

Cassiopeia - The Enthroned Woman

One of the main decans in the constellation Aries is **Cassiopeia**. It means “**the enthroned woman**”; she signifies the church that is lifted up, enthroned and glorified. The enthroned woman is the Bride of Christ, the Lamb’s wife, the New Jerusalem whom John spoke about in Revelations 19:7. **Cassiopeia** is represented as a figure of a queenly woman arrayed in beauty seated in exalted dignity. She is

⁴ Akkadians – earliest known people who spoke a Semitic language. Hebrew and Arabic stem from the Akkadian language.

seated enthroned upon a chair, high and lifted up. This sounds like the Church, the Bride of Christ, who has become one with their Lord. He is high and lifted up and His train fills the temple. Aren't we the temple of the Holy Spirit? Cassiopeia with one hand is arranging her robe – she is being prepared, she is being put in order. The Bride, the Church, is being adorned in Christ for His purposes with His mind, His power and His strength to come into the full measure of the stature of Christ, which is the order of the fullness of His Spirit (Eph. 4:13).

In the constellation **Pisces** the woman (**Cassiopeia**) is symbolic of the church that was bound, but is now freed, delivered, exalted and enthroned in **Aries**. The woman (the church) has now made herself ready, prepared to reign with her Husband, the King of kings and Lord of lords (Rev. 19:7, 21:2-3). We are the temple, the tabernacle and dwelling place of God. As the Word says “*Christ in you the hope of glory.*” (Col. 1:27). We will see that **Pleiades**, also known as the **Seven Stars** (*seven - perfected and completed; stars - messengers of light and illumination*) represents a bride coming forth in glory. We see this confirmation in Ephesians 4:13 (KJV) which states, “*Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a **perfect** (complete) **man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.***” This pretty well says it all!

Just as we have seen in the examples of Eliakim and Pleiades, in chapter 12 we will discover another confirmation of a pattern and type of people who are being molded into Christ's image and likeness. The pattern will emerge when we study the Thummim and Urim. The Thummim and Urim were located behind the breast plate, over the heart of the High Priests. The Thummim represents perfection and completion (as in the number seven). The Urim represents lights, illumination and manifestation (as in the stars).

From the foundation of the world dominion and authority have been planned for a people who would love Christ Jesus with their whole heart, who would walk in and be led by His Spirit. It is exciting to know that God has plans and purposes for His children to give them peace and victory for their future and not destruction (Jer. 29:11).

2 Thessalonians 1:10 (NKJV) – When He comes, in that day, **to be glorified in His saints** and to be admired among all those who believe, because our testimony among you was believed.

Did you get that? It states when He comes to be glorified in His saints. What did we fall short of? Yes, glory! Hebrews 2:10 states, “*For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.*”

Through sufferings and trials we are perfected and come into maturity. We are learning how to distinguish what is God and what is not. In ourselves we could never be perfect but when we are totally dependent and living in Him, we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us. We are to be molded into His image and likeness and grow up in the full measure of the stature of Christ so that “*as He is, so are we in the earth today*” (1 John 4:17b).

Matthew 5:48 – Therefore you shall **be perfect**, just as your Father in heaven is perfect.

1 Corinthians 13:9-10 – For we know in part and we prophesy in part. (10) But when that which is **perfect has come**, then that which is in part will be done away.

Our goal and destiny is to press toward the high call to reach the full stature of the fullness of Christ and then the knowledge of the glory of God will fill the earth.

In Ephesians 4:12-13 we see that the fivefold ministry was given for the equipping of the saints for the work of service to the building up of the body of Christ, until we all attain the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ. We can see a depiction of this ministry in Cassiopeia, revealing the government of God.

Colossians 3:4 (AMP) – When Christ, Who is our life, **appears**, (to manifest, be visible, to be made known) **then you also will appear** (to manifest, be visible, to be made known) **with Him in** [the splendor of His] **glory**.

So **Cassiopeia** the enthroned woman, representing the adorned church, has one hand arranging her robe (her garment) and with the other hand she holds a branch. Jesus is the *Branch (Vine)* and we are the *branches* (Isa. 11:1; Jer. 23:5; Zech. 6:12; John 15:5). Praise God, we are the extension of Christ in the earth! She holds a branch of victory and is also arranging her hair. The hair is symbolic of glory. ***Christ in you the hope of glory!*** Christ is setting up His government in the earth,

and it is not by man's direction and instruction, instead He is arranging and executing His government by His Spirit. *"Not by might, not by power, but by My Spirit says the Lord"* (Zech. 4:6). In order to understand and comprehend the things of the Lord, we have to be in the Spirit, amen? John was in the Spirit on the Lord's day and had a revelation, a revealing of the Christ in him. Every time you are in the presence, in the Spirit of the Lord, you're going to get a revelation of the Christ within you. I love what Ephesians 1:18 (Amp) says, *"By having the eyes of your heart flooded with light, so that you can know and understand the hope to which He has called you, and how rich is His glorious inheritance in the saints"* (His set-apart ones).

1 John 3:2 (NASB) – Beloved, now we are children of God, and **it has not appeared as yet what we will be**. We know that **when He appears**, (to manifest, be visible, to be made known) **we will be like Him**, because we will see Him just as He is.

Chapter 3

Taurus the Bull

Messiah, the Coming Judge of All the Earth

In the next zodiac constellation we see that Aries, the Lamb that was sent forth, now becomes **Taurus the Bull – Ox**. Taurus is the picture of a bull rushing forward with mighty energy and fierce wrath. It represents a conquering force that rules and reigns in righteous judgment and justice, to subdue all enemies under His feet. The slain Lamb represented in Aries is bringing forth an overcoming people to rule and reign. The character of the Bull or Ox in Taurus the Bull represents Christ coming in judgment and justice to bring forth His kingdom.

The twelve tribes of Israel were all given different ensigns⁵ or banners to signify what they represented. Before Jacob died he blessed Joseph, giving him the birthright through his two sons (Gen. 48:5). Joseph's sign was the Bull or "Taurus the bull" as seen in the constellations. (Deut. 33:13-17). The two powerful horns of the Ox/Bull are symbolic of Ephraim and Manasseh, Joseph's two sons. They are symbolic of the overcomers who are pushing and piercing the enemy to bring righteousness and justice to the earth. It is a prophecy of Christ the coming Judge and Ruler and "Lord of all the earth." We also see this same example in Pleiades (congregation of the Judge).

Deuteronomy 33:17 (ERV) – "The firstling of his bullock majesty is His, and his **horns** (*power*) are the **horns** (*power*) **of the wild-ox: (Reem)** (*to rise*), with them (*Ephraim and Manasseh*) He shall **PUSH** (*pierce, to war against*)

⁵ Ensign - A national flag displayed on ships and aircraft, often with the special insignia of a branch or unit of the armed forces.

the peoples all of them, even to the ends of the earth. And they are the ten thousands of **Ephraim**, and they are the thousands of **Manasseh**."

2 Thessalonians 1:8-10 - dealing out retribution to those who do not know God and to those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. 9 These will pay the penalty of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, 10 when He comes to be glorified in His saints on that day, and to be marveled at among all who have believed — for our testimony to you was believed.

This sounds like Jude 1:14-15 when Christ comes with His Holy saints, His elect, His overcomers, and the Eliakim's to execute justice and convict all the ungodly to bring justice to the earth.

Jude 14-15 (AMP) – It was of these people, moreover, that Enoch in the seventh [generation] from Adam prophesied when he said, Behold, **the Lord comes with His myriads of holy ones** (ten thousands of His saints) (15) **To execute judgment upon all and to convict all the impious** (unholy ones) **of all their ungodly deeds** which they have committed [in such an] ungodly [way], and of all the severe (abusive, jarring) things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him.

In Chaldee, the name of the sign **Taurus the Bull** is *Tor*. In Arabic it is *Al Thaur*, in Greek it is *Tauros*, and in Latin it is *Taurus*. **Taurus's** name in Hebrew was *Shur*, which is from a root word which means both "**coming**" and "**ruling**." There are several Hebrew words for bulls and oxen; the common term is *reem*, which represents loftiness, exaltation, power, and pre-eminence. We find the same root in other kindred languages of Etruscan and Sanskrit. It can be found in the name of Abram which means "Pre-eminent or high father, Ramah, high place, etc." In Deuteronomy 33:17 the "**wild ox**" is *reem* and means, "to push, gore, or thrust through" (Is. 13:11-15, 34:2-8).

Psalm 44:4-5 (KJV) – "Thou art my King, O GOD... **through Thee** (*Word and Spirit*) will we **push** (*pierce, tread down, desecrate*) down our enemies: **through Thy Name** (*Name above all names, Jesus Christ's authority and power*) will we **tread** (*beneath your feet*) them under that rise up against us."

Genesis 3:15 (KJV) – And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise your head and you shall bruise His heel.

On the next page, I have included more detail of this scripture.

Genesis 3:15 – And I will put enmity between **you** (*Satan-carnal influences*) and the **woman** (*soul, emotions, senses*), and **between your** (*Satan-offspring*) **seed and her** (*Church*) **Seed** (*Christ's offspring*); **He** (*Christ and His church*) shall **bruise your head** (*Satan's power of carnal influences of thoughts*) and **you** (*Satan's influences*) shall **bruise His** (*Christ's and His church*) **heel.**"

Plainly, Genesis 3:15 is stating that God is putting enmity between Satan's carnal influences (you) and the soul, emotions, senses (woman) and between Satan's offspring and the church, Christ's offspring; Christ and His church shall bruise Satan's power of carnal influences of thoughts and Satan's influences shall bruise Christ and His church. The only place Satan can have any influence over us, in our behavior and in our interactions with others, is through our senses, the external influence of our soul, ambitions. Recognizing that we live above with the last Adam, Christ's life Spirit, and not the first Adam, allows us to have victory over Satan's influence.

Here we see the body of Christ declaring the power of the blood of Jesus who triumphed over Satan and his influences. Christ's offspring, His Seed, His bride, His church crushes Satan's carnal influences of the mind by lifting up their (church) heel and putting Satan's head (influence of thoughts) under their (church) feet, symbolic of destroying the power of Satan's influence in the mind. Like the Word says, casting down all imaginations and everything that exalts itself against Christ, destroying the power of influence in the mind (2 Cor. 10:5; Col. 1:21; Rom. 8:7).

Romans 16:20 (NASU) – The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet.

Isaiah 13:11, 15 (KJV) – "I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; I will cause the arrogance of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible... (15) Every one that is found

shall be **thrust through**; and every one that is joined unto them shall fall by the sword.

This is the declaration of the Sword of the Spirit to slay the enemy with the Word in our mouth (Is. 11:4; Heb. 4:12). You notice this Word says to slay the enemy with the Word not a physical sword! Greater is He (Christ in you) than he that is in the world. JESUS CHRIST THE LIVING WORD SUPERSEDES ALL DIMENSIONS, POWERS, AND AUTHORITY!

Christ is the head of the body, the church, and He is the beginning, the first born from the dead. Oh, don't we have something to look forward to! Overcoming death, oh wow! For He Himself will come to have first place, **preeminence in everything**. Jesus is the central Shaft of the lampstand in the Holy Place. He is ever **preeminently central and supreme**, the only begotten Son of the Living God and we are the **branches of the preeminence of God**. Oh you've got to see this! We are the branches who are to abide in Him. This reveals the union between Christ and His body, His church, in the midst... I want you to remember this word:

Revelation 1:12-13 (AMP) – Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on **turning** (*return, turn around, to change one's mind, turn oneself, transition*) I saw seven golden lampstands, (13) And **in the midst of the lampstands [One] like a Son of Man**, clothed with a robe which reached to His feet and with a girdle of gold about His breast. [Daniel 7:13; 10:5.]

In the midst of the lampstand, in the midst of Christ, the central shaft holds in His right hand the Seven Stars, "the congregation of judges," the overcomers. We see in this metaphor the six branches flowing into the central shaft Christ Jesus – this is a picture of Christ and His body as one. The Seven Stars Christ is holding in His right hand, gives us a picture of those branches in the lampstand having become the Seven (perfected) Stars (light and illumination) as His congregation of judges.

We see this through the example of Eliakim one who becomes the throne (seat of authority and power) of glory to his father house (Is. 22:23).

Christ is preeminent. Preeminence means majestic, superior, highest order, superior above all others and position of great distinction or superiority. He is preeminent, He is superior, He is majestic and He is the excellence of excellence.

He is the highest order, the highest rank or degree. One night the Lord said to me “stratosphere church.” Stratosphere comes from *stratia* in Strong’s Concordance (NT: 4756). It is derived from *stratus*, and refers to “an encamped army, including an army of angels, messengers, host of heaven, the celestial luminaries serving as God’s spiritual military hosts”. I want you to know, that the congregation of the judges when they are transformed become those luminaries, messengers of covenant. They have obtained the better resurrection like the patriarchs who were spoken of in Hebrews 11. Luke 20:35-36 tells us regarding those who attain to the resurrection from the dead, “*they are like angels...sons of the resurrection.*” The Lord says He is calling forth a stratosphere church, a church of pre-eminence, a church of excellence, a church of authority and of power executing Christ’s purposes in the earth to bring forth righteousness and justice. They are a people who are humble, servants of servants, dead to all selfish ambition and desires, and only alive to Christ the life-giving Spirit, so that the knowledge of the glory of God will fill the earth.

The Ox-Bull was also seen as one of the faces of the cherubim. The Ox–Bull, the burden bearer found in Ezekiel 1:10, transforms into a cherub in Ezekiel 14:10. We will see in the next chapter how the twelve (government) oxen, (one of the faces of the cherubim) of God’s burden bearers which are also symbolic of the overcomers, Eliakim and Pleiades held up the Molten Sea which was symbolic of lost humanity. The cherubim were images (mental effort, to think, conceive, cunning) woven into the veil which is symbolic of images of the FLESH – man’s thoughts that must be renewed, and transformed into Christ’s mind, His thoughts, His will and purpose. Christ went through the veil of flesh and became the mediator between God and man (1 Tim.2:5) giving us entrance beyond the veil (flesh, man’s mental images and thoughts) into the Holy of Holies, to become one with Christ (His mind and thoughts), so that we also may stand in the gap for lost humanity.

Paul says in Colossians 1:21, we are alienated in the hostility of our minds from God. (Rom. 8:7) The way a man thinks so he is. The veil (flesh) was made with cherubim (images, thoughts) woven into it. Christ overcame death, hell and the grave and gave us access through the veil, beyond man’s thoughts, imaginations and opinions to have the mind of Christ. He restored us into our original purpose in which God created man to have dominion and authority and to rule and reign as kings and priests in the earth as we see in Adam before he fell.

In Ezekiel chapter 28 the king of Tyre is symbolic of a metaphor of Adam that is within all of us; self-governing, wanting to be a god in all areas of our lives. Because the chapter is speaking of the king of Tyre and not specifically of Adam, we will break down the verses to get an overall view. The king of Tyre is a simile or a metaphor of what he represents.

Ezekiel 28:1-2 (NASU) – The word of the LORD came again to me, saying, (2) "Son of man, say to the leader of Tyre (*rock, stone*), 'Thus says the Lord GOD,' because your heart is lifted up and you have said, ' I am a god, I sit in the seat of gods in the heart of the seas'; (unregenerate humanity) **yet you are a man and not God, although you make your heart like the heart of God.**

As we study this scripture we will see it is describing Adam before his fall. It represents all humanity. Ezekiel 28:2 states, yet you are a man and not God, you make your heart like the heart of God. Was this not Adam's mindset? Like the fall of Adam, man has fallen to a lower subservient level because of his self-gratification to be a god in his own rights instead of submitting and enjoying what God has already completed and prepared for those who love Him and obey. Through these different examples we can see ourselves and what separates us from God. In Ezekiel 28: 2 Tyre means a sharp stone, hostile and adversary. The Prince of Tyre is a metaphor, a type of Adam's fall into unrighteousness. We also become hostile and an adversary of God when we are self-righteous and self-serving. That type of mindset brings death; a death of the blessing and full potential of everything God created us to be because of our own selfish desires to rule and govern ourselves instead of submitting to our Lord and Savior. Submitting to the Lord brings freedom and liberty. Colossians 1:21 states we are alienated in the hostility of our mind.

Throughout chapter 28 of Ezekiel, we see king Tyre as a metaphor and an example of humanity's fallen state. It is a state of self-gratification, ambition and pride of his own success of merchandizing of his wisdom, his own glory, to his own demise and destruction. It is the same with us. In this chapter we witness the growth of sin, of Adam's rebellion and self-righteousness throughout history. We see man's selfishness within all stages of life. Selfishness corrupts and is self-destructive.

Also in Ezekiel chapter 28 we see a simile describing who we are in Christ as they explain who Adam was before he fell. God's original plan was for His creation, His offspring, to manifest His glory as he walked in the presence and glory of God in the garden. This was describing man in the very presence of God and in all his glory as he was created to be pure, holy and blameless in the sight of God. Remember the Lamb was slain before the foundation of the world. We are complete in God; we have been justified, sanctified and glorified! So cannot this relate to all of us? Can we not put our name in Prince Tyre's place? All things have been subject to man but man has not seen or comprehended yet (Heb. 2:8). We must understand that it doesn't mean we don't have it. It means that we have not understood our true identity in Christ Jesus YET! We have the DNA of our Lord and Savior even though we don't activate it. Whether it is the Prince of Tyre or King Nebuchadnezzar, they represent fallen man which is Adam. In all scenario's, however, God gives us access to His Truth through the Son of God who restored us. He sent His Son, His WORD of life into our hearts that we would cry Abba Father! Like the Word says we have been justified, we have been sanctified and glorified? Hello! The Word of God contains metaphors, similes, patterns and types of who we are to be in Him and reveals what separates us from our true identity of the Christ within. As I have said previously stated, whether it is the Prince of Tyra or Nebuchadnezzar the scriptures all represent mankind in the fall of Adam not the devil. The Word says the devil was evil from the beginning. Satan was not anointed, he was not a cherub, he was not holy, he was not a precious stone of fire and he was not blameless he was evil (1 John 3:8, John 8:44).

Ezekiel 28:11-13 (NASB) – Again the word of the LORD came to me saying, (12) "Son of man, take up a lamentation over the king of Tyre and say to him, 'Thus says the Lord GOD,' **you had the seal of perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty.** 13 "**You were in Eden, the garden of God; every precious stone was your covering:** the ruby, the topaz and the diamond; the beryl, the onyx and the jasper; the lapis lazuli, the turquoise and the emerald; and the gold, the workmanship of your settings and sockets, was in you. On the day that you were created they were prepared.

The precious stones were woven on the High Priest's Ephod and represent the twelve tribes of Israel. Each stone represents the character of the tribe that manifests Christ's. (The book Apprehended by His Glory provides more detail.)

Ezekiel 28:14-15 (NASB) – “You were the anointed cherub who covers, and I placed you there. You were on the holy mountain of God; you walked in the midst of the stones of fire. You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created until unrighteousness was found in you.”

More detail is provided in the scripture below to help you can get a better understanding of its meaning.

Ezekiel 28:14 – “**You were the anointed** (smear, consecrate, to spread over, to anoint with oil, a shield, to anoint one as sacred rite in his inauguration and consecration to an office, as priest) **cherub** (chariots of Jehovah, bearing the throne of God upon their wings through the clouds, (offspring) one who is near to God, ministers to Him, one admitted into His presence) **who covers** (to cover oneself, protector, weave together, CONSTRUCT A BOOTH, COVERED THYSELF WITH A CLOUD-HIS PRESENCE) **and I placed** (put, permit, consecrate, dedicate, appoint, entrust, deliver up, yield produce, designate, be assigned) **you there, you were on the holy** (dedicated, of places, of things, set apart and separate unto God, a sanctuary, inner most part of the temple, consecrate, holy tabernacle, a most holy thing) **mountain** (authority and power, abode of Jehovah, Zion) **of God**; (plural, rulers, judges, divine ones, elohim) **you walked in the midst** (among, between) **of the stones** (of tablets, precious stones, plummet (stones of destruction) also made of metal (covered stones) to build, establish, cause to continue, to be built up) **of fire** (flames, supernatural fire, splendor, brightness, burning, fiery, flaming, God’s anger).

In Ezekiel 1:10, one of the faces (identity) of the living creatures was an ox. The ox is symbolic of a burden bearer and a servant’s heart. In Ezekiel 10:14, the ox (bull) transformed into a cherub. The transformation from ox to cherub is another confirmation of what we become as we are enveloped in Christ’s character. Also, the ox is representative of the overcomers who have laid their life down as a living sacrifice and who have picked up their cross to intercede for lost humanity. We also see an example of this in the Molten Sea which is held up by twelve oxen, symbolic of the government of God holding up humanity as burden bearers facing north, south, east and west symbolic of covering the earth.

Ezekiel 28:15 – You were blameless (perfect, complete, whole, innocent) in your ways, for the day you were created,(form, shape, of individual man, transformed) until unrighteousness was found in you.”

Jesus Christ destroyed all barriers and walls from our separation to restore the pure perfect state God had intended for man from the beginning. Because we do not understand types and shadows of the Spirit, we continue to be prevented from entering the presence of God. It is the flaming sword within that prevents our entrance. It is the same flaming sword that withheld Adam from entering into Eden, the presence of God. The flaming sword within us blocks us from His glory, His blessing, His revelation because He will not share His glory with FLESH. When we allow Him to reveal His truth and seek Him with our whole heart, His Word and His life comes alive within us and revelation of our true identity births forth in us.

No longer is the entrance blocked, but through the precious blood that was shed on Calvary we now have access beyond the veil into the Holy of Holies. Our thoughts no longer rule us but we are ruled by Christ's mind; as seen in the transformation from the cherubim's (thoughts, images of man) that were woven in the veil to become the golden (divine) cherubim's (thoughts, mind of Christ) upon the mercy seat in the Holy of Holies. We are no longer banned from coming into His presence because Jesus Christ abolished all hindrances and tore down every wall of obscurity (veil, partition, fleshly carnal thought that exalts itself against the Lord) so that you and I would have total access. We are no longer bound by the tree of the knowledge of good and evil or by the tree of conscience. Now, having passed through the veil of flesh (imagination, logic and reasoning) into the presence of the Lord, we are transformed and our minds are renewed and we receive His divine nature and His mind.

The very thing Christ overcame and destroyed on the cross was the influence and temptation of the first Adam and the world. No longer I live but the Christ now lives in me. Beyond the veil of our flesh, we see in ourselves as Jacob, a trickster and schemer, who has been transformed into Israel (God rules). No longer does the first Adam rule and govern our mind, but now we have the mind of Christ, the thoughts of the last Adam, Christ Jesus the life-giving Spirit in the fullness of His divine nature. Remember the only place we are separated from God is in our mind (Col. 1:21).

Chapter 4

Orion

Orion is another Decan in the constellation Taurus, the bull. **Orion** means “*The Glorious Prince*”, “*Coming forth as Light*”, “*He who Triumphs*”.

Amos 5:8 (AMP) – **Seek Him Who made the** [cluster of stars called] **Pleiades** (*Seven stars, Congregation of the Judge, Succoth, Booths*) **and [the constellation] Orion,** (*Who comes forth as Light, The coming of a mighty triumphant, Glorious Prince, He who triumphs*) **Who turns** (*overturns*) **the shadow** (*dominating influence, image, phantom*) **of death or deep darkness into the morning** (*New Day*) **and darkens the day into night, Who calls for the waters of the sea and pours them out upon the face of the earth — the Lord is His name.**

We can see this scripture passage is speaking of our Lord and Savior who is Light and who is the Glorious One that triumphs over all things. He brings forth **His light** (illumination and understanding) and **darkness** (sin, error and ignorance) is abolished. Pleiades is symbolic of the congregation (assembly, body of Christ) of the Judge (Head, Christ Jesus). **Orion** is symbolic of Christ Himself – He is the Light, the glorious Prince who triumphs. So we see a picture of His body (His congregation) and the Head (Christ Jesus Himself) as One, overturning death. This is also perceived in another picture we’ve seen already; in the Lambkins demonstrating Christ and His body as one. Now again His purposes are revealed through this picture of Pleiades and Orion. We see the revealing of His overcoming body, His congregation, an assembly, as an army that has become one with the glorious Prince and is now triumphantly executing His purpose and implementing it in the earth.

Job 38:31 (AMP) – Can you bind the chains of [the cluster of stars called] **Pleiades,** or loose the cords of [the constellation] **Orion?**

Pleiades was symbolic of spring time and of the first harvest, the barley harvest, the time of the Feast of Passover. **Orion** was symbolic of winter time, the time of the Feast of Tabernacles.

In ancient times Orion was spelled Oarion. From the Hebrew root, Oarion means light. Orion means “Coming forth as Light”. In ancient Arkaddian Orion was Urania. It meant “The Light of heaven”. We are perfected in light – which is who our Lord and Savior is. God is light and we are sons of light. God is clothing His priesthood with the light and illumination of His glory so they shine like stars (John 12:36, 1 Thess. 5:5, Dan 12:3).

So Orion “The Coming Prince” is the “Light of heaven”. Revelation 21:24 states, “The kings will bring their light, their glory, into the city.” Ezekiel 43:2 states, “And behold the glory of the God of Israel came from the East and His voice was like the sound of many waters (peoples) and the earth shone with His glory.” Ezekiel 1:28 says, “Like the appearance of the bow (rainbow, promises) that is in the cloud...” Are we clouds, full of the presence of the Lord? So when we are full of water (Word and Spirit) we are going to rain! Do you know what rain is? Rain is symbolic of His Word, being fruitful and fertile, and of His presence and power in His offspring. He’s waiting for the latter and the former rain.

James 5:7 (KJV) – Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the **precious fruit** (mature sons) **of the earth**, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the **early** (former, fall, Sept.- Oct., prepares the soil of the heart) and **latter rain** (*spring, March-April, brings maturity, to gather, ripens the grain for harvest, full maturity*).

This is so exciting! The former and latter rains are connected with the Feast of Tabernacles because the Feast of Tabernacles points to the appearing of Jesus Christ, the glorious Prince first **IN** and through the saints (2 Thess. 1:10) and then appearing in the air **WITH** the saints (1 Thess. 3:13, 4:17, Col. 3:4). They are a people who will walk and minister in resurrection power, having put on incorruption which is immortality and who have received their glorified bodies. Then the Tabernacle of God will be **WITH** men and He will dwell **WITH** them (Rev. 21:3)!

We can see in Pleiades and Orion the development of the remnant coming forth in maturity to bear fruit. That remnant is overtaken by the glorious Prince of Light, Christ Jesus. The remnant, His overcomers, is being harvested to bring forth full salvation, executing His justice and judgment in the earth (Rev. 20:4-6).

Now we will see another scenario of Christ and His body manifesting His purposes and plans in the earth as the voice of a multitude. We can see in the scriptures below that it is the Lord and a host, a multitude that is **the voice that reveals His glory in the earth.**

ORION portrays the Lord coming forth as **LIGHT** confirming the prophet Ezekiel's vision of the presence of the "**One whose VOICE**" John described in Rev. 1:15.

Ezekiel 43:2 (AMP) – And behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the east and **His voice was like the sound of many waters**, (host, multitude) **and the earth shone with His glory** [Rev 1:15; 14:2].

Revelation 1:15 (AMP) – His feet glowed like burnished (bright) bronze (judgment and justice) as it is refined in a furnace, and **His voice was like the sound of many waters** (host, multitudes), (Dan. 10:6).

Orion consists of a cluster of nebulous stars. Orion beautifully set forth in the brilliancy and glory of that *Light* shall break forth when the moment comes for it to be said, "**Arise, shine, for your light has come and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.** For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people; but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee. And the gentiles shall come to thy light, kings to the brightness of thy rising" (Isaiah 60:1-3). This is "the glory of God" which the heavens constantly declare in Psalm 19:1. They tell of that blessed time when the whole earth shall be filled with His glory (Num. 14:21; Isa 11:9); when "the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together" (Isa 40:5). We see now the beauty of **Orion's** glory (coming forth in Light, Glorious Prince).

Orion presents us with "**the Light of the world**" (Christ Jesus). His left foot is placed upon the head of the enemy. He is girded with a glorious girdle, studded with **three brilliant stars**; and upon this girdle is hung a sharp sword. Its handle proves that this mighty Prince is come forth in a new character. He is again proved

to be "**the Lamb that was slain**," for the hilt of this sword is in the form of the head and body of a lamb. In his right hand he lifts on high his mighty club; while in his left he holds forth the token of his victory – the head and skin of the "roaring lion."

Christ Jesus, The Man, coming forth with His branches and coming forth in light crushes and destroys the influence of the enemy by stepping on his head. (Gen. 3:15) This is revealed in these three stars:

- (1) The brightest star (in the right shoulder of Taurus) is named ***Betelgeuz*** means ***the coming of the branch*** (Mal. 3:2).
- (2) In the left shoulder of Taurus a star called ***Bellatrix*** means ***quickly coming, or swiftly destroying***.
- (3) In the left foot a star named ***Rigel or Rigol*** means "***the foot that crushes***". His left foot is significantly placed upon the head of the enemy (Gen. 3:15, Rom. 16:20).

Isaiah 42:13, 14 (KJV) – "The LORD shall go forth as a mighty man, He shall stir up jealousy like a man of war: He shall cry, yea, roar; He shall prevail against His enemies. I have [He says] long time holden my peace; I have been still, and refrained myself: Now will I cry like a travailing woman; **I will destroy and devour at once.**"

Two things are happening simultaneously. First, the glory (the coming Light, Christ Jesus) of the Lord shall bring forth His elect, His chosen, His overcomers, as judges who will execute His justice and judgment in the earth. They are those who have been transformed, receiving their glorified bodies at His second coming. Secondly, Christ and His body, the congregation of the Judge, will bring forth righteousness and justice and will destroy the enemy (wickedness, lawlessness) with the breath (Spirit) of His mouth (declaration of the Word), with the brightness (presence, manifestation, appearing) of His coming (presence, present, being near) and the knowledge of God's glory will cover the earth. Then, as He is so are we in the earth today (1 John 4:17b).

2 Thessalonians 2:8 (KJV) – And then shall that wicked be revealed whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of His mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming:

To help you to better understand the scripture more detail is provided below.

2 Thessalonians 2:8 (KJV) – **And then shall that wicked** (*ánomos - lawless, transgressor, unlawful*) **be revealed** (*take off cover, disclose*) **whom the Lord shall consume** (*destroy, abolish, make void*) **with the spirit** (*mental disposition, mind, Christ*) **of His mouth** (*front or edge of a weapon, by a single stroke, sharper than any two edged sword*), **and shall destroy** (*abolish, loose, make void*) **with the brightness** (*manifestation, appearing*) **of His coming** (*being near, presence, present*). (Strong's Concordance Original Greek Text).

Chapter 5

Pleiades

The Seven Stars are known as **Pleiades**. The name Pleiades means the **congregation of the Judge**. Now Psalm 75:2 comes alive to us.

Psalm 75:2 (KJV) – “**WHEN I SHALL RECEIVE THE CONGREGATION** (*Pleiades, Seven Stars, Congregation of the Judge*) I will judge uprightly!”

When the Judge Christ Jesus receives His congregation, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness. We can see here that God’s judgment is not for destruction but rather to bring righteousness. His congregation is a company of judges who are known as Pleiades, Seven Stars and the congregation of the Judge to ***judge the world in righteousness***.

Isaiah 26:9 – When Your **judgments** are in the earth **the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness**.

Revelation 20:4 – **I saw thrones and they sat upon them and judgment was given to them**.

It states, I saw thrones (seat of authority and power) and they (Pleiades, Seven Stars, Overcomers, Elect, Chosen) sat upon them (the thrones of authority and power). Those who experience this are those who have received their glorified bodies and qualify for the first resurrection on the Feast of Tabernacles at the Father’s given timing (Rev. 20:4-6). In this scripture these are the people who qualify for the better resurrection. They are symbolic of Pleiades and of the Seven Stars.

In Isaiah 22:23 we see the example of “those” who have been given thrones as Eliakim who becomes a throne (seat of authority and power) to his father’s house.

Isaiah 22:23 (NASB) – “I will drive him (Eliakim) like a peg in a firm place, And he will become a throne of glory to his father’s house.”

It confirms a type, an example of Christ's chosen ones, His elect as overcomers like Eliakim, who are becoming the throne, a people of power and authority. We also see this pattern in Hebrews 6:20, which states, "Where Jesus has entered as a forerunner for us, having become a high priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek." In other words an order of Spirit, of the full measure of Christ for He was our forerunner who overcame death, hell and the grave. As He is so are we in the earth today (1 John 4:17).

Daniel 7:22 – Until the ancient of Days came and *judgment* was passed in favor of the saints and time arrived when the saints took possession of the kingdom.

1 Corinthians 6:2 – Do you not know that the saints will *judge* the world.

Let's give some more examples of types and patterns relating to God's overcomers. When the Lord spoke to me and said "Eliakim is Pleiades" this exploded my heart and confirmed so many things He had been speaking and showing me in the Word. With everything God speaks to you, He will always give you a double witness of His Word to confirm it and to bring clarification and understanding (Deut. 19:15). Remember, the Word will always prove the Word!

Eliakim's name means **raising up judgment**, whom God established, ram, tree, strong, power and chief. We see here a confirming witness with **Pleiades** which means "**The congregation of the Judge**" and which is also symbolic of Eliakim. As we see in Pleiades, Eliakim's are rising. This "group", assembly, congregation of overcomers, God's elect, that is rising up in judgment is to execute His judgment in the earth. This aligns with the Word in Zechariah 9:13 "***I will make you like a warriors sword***" and in Isaiah 11:4 "***He will strike the earth with the ROD*** (you are His branches, His offspring) ***of His mouth*** (His WORD) ***and with the breath*** (His Spirit) ***of His lips*** (His language in your mouth) ***He shall slay the wicked***". Through His Word and His Spirit the enemy will be slain by the declaration in your mouth.

I would encourage you study my book *Lambkins* which was also a Word He spoke to me and was another treasure of revelation and understanding that gives us more clarification of what He has called us to be. In the book of Revelation and in John 21:15 the Greek word for lamb is lambkins, which represents Christ and His body

as One. So you can even see in this how it reveals God's elect executing His purposes and bringing His righteousness through His people; His family that was predestined before the foundation of the earth – ***“whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be firstborn among many brethren”*** (Rom. 8:29).

Psalms 22:22 – I will declare Your name to my brethren; in the midst of the congregation will I praise You.

As discussed in chapter one, **Pleiades** is a decan in the constellation of Taurus the Bull. Pleiades is an example of the offspring of the pattern Son, Christ Jesus who came and tabernacled in a temporary body of flesh. With His precious blood that was shed for all humanity, Christ overcame death, hell and the grave giving His offspring access back into His presence so they could rule and reign with Him as priests and kings We see this example in Hebrews 6:19-20 where Christ is seen as the forerunner going beyond the veil into the Holy of Holies; making a way for a people to follow after Him. This is why God told the Israelites to celebrate the feasts and to keep them until they became a reality. We have experienced Passover, a passing from death to life where our spirit is born again into its true identity. We have also experienced Pentecost, being baptized in the Spirit which is a foretaste – an introduction of the Spirit until we have been enveloped and have grown up into the full measure of the stature of Christ. This qualifies us to receive **THE PROMISE** of full salvation, our glorified bodies, in the Feast of Tabernacles. This is why the Lord instructed the Israelites to make booths of branches outside, under the stars, to remind them that their permanent house was not made by hands, but was a dwelling made in the heavenly realm. They are like Abraham, a stranger in a foreign land who was looking for a city not made by hands, but was the Lord Himself, the New Jerusalem, which was the promise of perfection, the promise of full salvation, which is a glorified body(Romans 8:23).

Romans 8:22-23 (NASB) – For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now. 23 And not only this, but also we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, **waiting eagerly for our adoption as sons,** (Huios, mature sons) **the redemption of our body.**

Our spirit is saved, our soul is being saved and our body shall be saved from death, which is the last enemy to be overcome. What I want to prove unequivocally is that the promise given to Abraham and his descendants is the promise of full salvation, which is a glorified body. All of the patriarchs in Hebrews chapter eleven denied their flesh so that they would be qualified for a better resurrection (Heb. 11:35). Most of the church teaches that our goal or purpose is to go to heaven to be with Jesus. This sounds all well and good but it is not the intended purpose for which Jesus Christ died. He was the fulfillment of the promise that His Seed, when placed in the earth, would die so it could multiply in order to reinstate what the first Adam did not fulfill when he imputed death to all humanity instead of bringing forth life. Our goal is not just to go to heaven, but rather to be enveloped with the heavens, the Spirit.

Hebrews 11:9-10 (AMP) – [Prompted] by faith he dwelt as a **temporary resident** in the land which was **designated in the promise** [of God, though he was like a stranger] in a strange country, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, fellow heirs with him of the same promise. [Genesis 12:1-8.] 10 For he was [waiting expectantly and confidently] **looking forward to the city** which has fixed and firm foundations, **whose Architect and Builder is God.**

We see here in the eleventh chapter of Hebrews that Abraham was looking forward to the city whose architect and builder was God. In Revelation 21:2-3, John saw the holy city coming down out of the heavenly realm, the Spirit realm. The city, the New Jerusalem, was also symbolic of a bride adorned and made ready for her husband. She is being prepared, adorned in the heavenly realm, the Spirit realm, to be consummated as a virgin bride that the two shall become one (2 Cor. 11:2). This has been the Lord's purpose all along. Can we see that when Adam fell his soul and spirit were separated from being ruled by the Spirit of God? Adam submitted to a lower realm of the flesh – the earthy, physical dimension of the emotions and senses of the external realm. No longer was he living according the law of the Spirit but now he submitted to a lower realm, the law of flesh which births death, and was thus ruled by it.

The Lord's intention from the beginning was that we would be one with Him, not in temporary tents of skins, of mortality, but a true offspring of the most High God. He intends for us to rule and reign with Him in a glorified body that has access

from the heavens to the earth and from the earth to the heavens. Remember what His word says in Genesis, that He made us in His image and likeness to have dominion. He has never changed His mind. He is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow. We see in the following verses His intent and purpose for His children; that they would be clothed with a dwelling from heaven and that God would be one with His children. This is why God sent His Son and tabernacled in flesh, a mortal body. It was to destroy the power of death that the first Adam imputed when he submitted to his physical self to rule as God. By shedding His blood He overturned death and gave us life, to have access back into the very presence of our God so that through the Spirit of His Son we could also cry Abba Father! Jesus was the perfect sacrifice.

Revelation 21:2-3 (NASB) – And I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, **coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband.** 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, "**Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men,** and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them,

1 Peter 1:16-17 (AMP) – For it is written, You shall be holy, for I am holy. 17 And if you call upon Him as [your] Father Who judges each one impartially according to what he does, [then] you should conduct yourselves with true reverence throughout the time of your **temporary residence** [on the earth, whether long or short].

2 Corinthians 5:1-5 (NASB) – For we know that if the **earthly tent which is our house is torn down, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.** 2 For indeed in this house we groan, longing **to be clothed with our dwelling from heaven,** 3 inasmuch as we, having put it on, will not be found naked. 4 For indeed while we are in this tent, we groan, being burdened, because we do not want to be unclothed but to be clothed, so that what is mortal will be swallowed up by life. 5 **Now He who prepared us for this very purpose is God, who gave to us the Spirit as a pledge** (*Promise - redemption of our body*).

We are looking for a new heaven (new mind, the mind of Christ) and a new earth (new body, resurrected body, redeemed body) where righteousness dwells (2 Peter 3:13). As Philippians 3:10-11 states, “That I may know Him in the power of His

resurrection, being conformed to His death in order that I may attain to the resurrection from amongst the dead.” I also love Luke 20:35 which states, those who are counted worthy to attain the age and the RESURRECTION FROM THE DEAD neither marry nor are given in marriage.

This is what is happening in the Kingdom of God right now. God is preparing His judges, His lambkins, His Eliakims, His Pleiades and His 153 fishers of men. In Hebrew *Beni Ha-Elohim* means “sons of God” and has a numeric value of 153 (*See Chapter Eleven, Qualified to Rule*). He is harvesting His harvesters, His first fruits, those in His right hand who will rise up in His light and His perfection in the Feast of Tabernacles. These are represented by Pleiades (congregation of the Judge) or the Seven Stars (messengers of perfection and completion, fullness of light, illumination, understanding), who bring the knowledge of His glory to the earth. When He comes the second time He is not coming to remove sin, but to bring full salvation to a people who are eagerly awaiting the transformation of their bodies in order to rule and reign with Christ as priests and kings in the earth (Rev. 5:10).

Hebrews 9:28 (AMP) – Even so it is that Christ, having been offered to take upon Himself and bear as a burden the sins of many once and once for all, will **appear a second time**, not to carry any burden of sin nor to deal with sin, but **to bring to full salvation** those who are [eagerly, constantly, and patiently] waiting for and expecting Him.

The second time He comes it is to connect His head to His body. This is the reason Christ said He had no place to lay His head (Matt 8:10). He came to be married to His body, joined in union as one; a congregation, an assembly joined to the Head, Christ Jesus. He is looking for a body who will rise up in the full measure of His stature, His thoughts, His mind; to be as one, as His bride, bringing forth His offspring so that the knowledge of His glory will cover the earth (Hab. 2:14). The body is the body of all. If the body is attached to the head, then whatever the head is so is the body. If Christ, the Head, is the Savior then the body is a body of saviors. If Christ the head is King, then they are a body of kings. Christ the Head is the Judge, so then he has a body of judges. The purpose of the “first fruits” being judged is to prepare them to be qualified to judge. That is what we are all about right now. He is qualifying a people, a church without spot (stain, blemish, mar of character, a fault, defect, disgrace) or wrinkle (imperfection, issue, methods, plans,

schemes). He is shaking everything that can be shaken and that which remains will continue. In other words – what is of Him will remain and continue (Heb. 12:27).

Psalms 75:2 – When **I shall receive the congregation** (*the congregation of the Judge, Seven Stars, Pleiades, Succoth, Booth, Tabernacles and Eliakim*)
I will judge uprightly.

This scripture is a reference to the timing of the Lord; when a people will experience the reality of the Feast of Tabernacles, when His body has been consummated with the Head, Christ Jesus. These are His Eliakims, rising up in judgment and justice as Pleiades, who have been transformed into their immortal-glorified bodies and who rule and reign with Christ as priests and kings executing His purposes to bring righteousness and justice to the earth.

In the following scripture we see the congregation of the Judge (Pleiades) and Eliakims who are given the authority to act as judges who will qualify for the first resurrection.

Given Authority to Judge

Revelation 20:4-6 (AMP) – Then **I saw thrones**, and **sitting on them were those to whom authority to act as judges** (*judgment was given to them*) and to pass sentence was entrusted. Also I saw the souls of those who had been slain with axes [beheaded] for their witnessing of Jesus and [for preaching and testifying] of the Word of God, and who had refused to pay homage to the beast (*bestly nature of humanity, self, first Adam*) or his statue (*image, desires of man*) and had not accepted his mark (*seal, character, imprint, stamp*) or permitted it to be sealed on their foreheads (*thoughts, thinking*) or on their hands (*self-works*): and **they lived again and ruled with Christ a thousand years. This is the first resurrection.** (*Beginning of millennium*) (5) The remainder of the dead was not restored to life again until the thousand years were completed. (*This is at the end of millennium when the rest of the saints who did not make the first resurrection will receive their glorified bodies at the Great White Throne judgment - Rev. 20:11*). (6) Blessed and holy is the person who takes part (*shares*) in the first resurrection! Over them the second death exerts no power or authority, but they shall be ministers of God and of Christ (*the Messiah*), and **they shall rule along with Him a thousand years.**

Who was given the thrones and authority to judge? Those who overcame and received the mind of Christ and who believed the WORD and walked above the physical worldly atmosphere. They trusted and walked in the Spirit of what the Word said they were, and not according to the dictates of their flesh, the beastly nature. They did not allow their thoughts to govern their life nor did they serve their humanity by the works of their hands. Their deeds or works were a manifestation of the creative power of God representing Him in all that they did in Word and deed.

In Isaiah 22:23 Eliakim was symbolic of a people who become the throne, which is a seat of authority and power. Eliakim's name means, "rising up in judgment" as Pleiades, the congregation or assembly of the judges. They are symbolic of Christ the Head and His body as one, His brethren who have been molded into the image of the Son (Rom. 8:29, Eph. 4:13).

Daniel 12:3 (AMP) – And the teachers and **those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament**, and those who turn many to righteousness (*to uprightness and right standing with God*) [**shall give forth light**] like the stars forever and ever. [Matthew 13:43.]

Jude 1:14-15 (AMP) – It was of these people, moreover, that Enoch in the seventh [generation] from Adam prophesied when he said, Behold, **the Lord comes with His myriads of holy ones** (ten thousands of His saints) (15) **To execute judgment upon all and to convict all the impious** (unholy ones) **of all their ungodly deeds** which they have committed [in such an] ungodly [way], and of all the severe (abusive) things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him.

Isaiah 26:9 (NKJV) – For when Your judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness (uprightness and right standing with God).

Obadiah 1:21 (NASB) – The **deliverers** (*saviors*) will ascend **Mount Zion** (*redeemed of the Lord*) to judge the mountain of **Esau** (*red color of the earth, Edom, man of the field, ruddy*) and the kingdom will be the Lord's.

Esau's name means "red, earthy." He represents the first Adam which is ruled by the earthy fleshly realm. We know Christ died to overcome the flesh, the earthly

fleshly man of the field. Christ became the last Adam, the life-giving Spirit. So in Obadiah 1:21 we see that the deliverers of Mount Zion, those who have been redeemed and ruling and reigning with Christ, will judge Esau (the earthly, fleshly realm of man's nature). How did they qualify? They first learned to judge themselves, rightly dividing the soul from spirit, exposing the intents of the heart; not judging by the senses of the external physical realm but by the Spirit and the Word as the scripture says in Rev. 12:11, "They overcame by the blood of the Lamb and the Word of their testimony".

Isaiah 8:18 (NASB) – Behold, **I and the children whom the LORD has given me are for signs and wonders in Israel from the LORD of hosts, who dwells on Mount Zion.**

Zion speaks of the overcoming church, as seen in the army of Joel and in the priesthood after the order of Melchizedek, the order of Spirit. These overcomers walk according to the Spirit, as full grown, mature sons of the realm of perfection; a government of God in the earth represented by the man child (mature sons) that was birthed out of the woman (virgin church) in Revelation 12:1-6. The woman is clothed with the sun (*Son, Christ Jesus*) and the moon (*shadows, religious traditions, doctrines of man*) is under her feet (*complete subjection to His throne-seat of authority and power*) and a crown (*authority to rule and reign*) of twelve (*government*) stars (*light, illumination, understanding*) are on her head (*thoughts, mind of Christ*). Sounds like the Seven Stars, Pleiades, Eliakims who have become virgins (*soul married to spirit*), overcomers, are giving birth to the kingdom of God in the earth so that His knowledge, His power and His authority will overtake all peoples so that the knowledge of His glory will cover the earth. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Is this not what Jesus taught the disciples to pray?

Hebrews 12:22-23 (NASB) – But you have come to **Mount Zion** and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to myriads of angels, (23) to the general assembly and **church of the firstborn** who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the Judge of all, and to **the spirits of the righteous made perfect.**

These are the people who are the church of the **firstborn from amongst the dead** (Col.1:18-22), those who are enrolled; the righteous who will be perfected when

He comes to be glorified in His saints (2 Thess. 1:10) and who are anxiously awaiting the redemption of their bodies (Rom. 8:23).

Colossians 3:4 (NASB) – When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

Psalm 102:16 (KJV) – When the Lord shall build up Zion, He shall appear in His glory.

Psalm 102:20-21 is a powerful scripture that says, “...*to loose those who are appointed to death, so men may declare the name of the Lord in Zion!*”

This scripture in Psalms chapter 102 sounds like Amos 5:8 which is another great example of Pleiades - the congregation of judges, and of Orion who represents Christ coming forth in Light. It says they over turn the shadow of death into a new day.

Amos 5:8 (AMP) – **Seek Him Who made the** [cluster of stars called] **Pleiades** (*Seven stars, Congregation of the Judge, Succoth, Booths, Tabernacles*) **and** [the constellation] **Orion** (*Who comes forth as Light, The coming of a mighty triumphant, Glorious Prince, He who triumphs*), **Who turns** (*over turns*) **the shadow of death** or deep darkness into the **morning** (*new day, to break forth*) and darkens the day into night, Who calls for the waters of the sea and pours them out upon the face of the earth — **the Lord is His name.**

Shadow means “a dominating presence or influence, something existing in perception only, un-illuminated area, to shade from light, to become clouded, cast a shadow, non-existence, image, pestilence, ruin, calamity and phantom.”

Phantom gives us a more exclusive understanding of shadow; it means “something apparently seen, heard or sensed, but having no physical reality; an image that only appears in the mind.”

This is so powerful, listen to this Word! Seek Him who made Pleiades and Orion—**WHO OVERTURNS THE SHADOW OF DEATH INTO A NEW DAY!**

We can see the progression of power and authority through the scriptures as Pleiades, the overcomers who have come in agreement with the Word and power of the Lord who triumphed over death, hell and the grave, have learned to implement His authority and apply it to their lives. We see in Revelation 12:10 that

now they have cast down the accuser of the brethren, recognizing that Jesus Christ superseded all authority and dominion. He has given that authority to man (Heb. 2:8), to an overcoming people who have learned to cast down all imaginations, speculations and inclinations. These are a people who do not live in the perceptions, projections or delusions of man that have no power or reality but live upon the living lasting Word of God (2 Cor. 10:5).

Revelation 12:10-11 (NASB) – Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of **His Christ** have come, **for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down**, (cast down) he who accuses them before our God day and night. (11) "And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life even when faced with death.

Jesus Christ annulled, abolished death (2 Tim. 1:10); that I may know Him in the power of His resurrection (Phil.3:10-15). He came to restore lost humanity to our true identity in Christ; to His full stature, so that we may obtain the promises of complete salvation, glorification, and **perfection** (complete, blameless, fully grown, mature, having reached its end, finished) in Him (Matt. 5:48; Heb. 10:14; Col. 1:28; I John 4:17; I Thess. 5:23). We are in an in-part realm until His fullness, His character and nature, overtakes us and we become one with Him, molded into His image (Rom. 8:29).

1 Corinthians 13:9-10 (NKJV) – For we know in part and we prophesy in part; (10) but when that which is **perfect is come**, then that which is in part will be done away.

Ephesians 4:13 – till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, **TO A PERFECT MAN**, to the measure of the stature of the **FULLNESS OF CHRIST**.

John 17:21-23 (NASB) – that **they may all be one; even as You, Father, are in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us**, so that the world may believe that You sent Me. (22) **The glory which You have given Me I have given to them, that they may be one, just as We are one;** (23) **I in them and You in Me, that they may be perfected in unity**, so that the world may know that You sent Me, and loved them, even as You loved Me.

This is why all creation is groaning for the manifestation of the sons of God to arise in their true inheritance. This is what Abraham was looking for – a city, the New Jerusalem (Rev. 21:1-3). Abraham was seeking a Tabernacle not made by man’s hand but the true Tabernacle manifesting in a people, Christ in them the hope of glory. Creation is anxiously and eagerly awaiting the second coming of Christ so that He can implement His true Kingdom, His true Tabernacle in a people. A people no longer living in temporary booths but who become a permanent dwelling place of glory and honor to his father’s house – an Eliakim (Is. 22:23)!

Romans 8:19, 21-23 (AMP) – For [even the whole] creation (all nature) waits expectantly and longs earnestly for (the manifestation of) **God’s sons to be made known** [waits for the revealing, the disclosing of their sonship]...with the hope (*confident expectation*) (21) That nature (creation) itself will be set free from its bondage of decay and corruption [and gain an entrance] into the glorious freedom of God's children. (22) We know that the **whole creation** [of irrational creatures] has been moaning together in the pains of labor until now. (23) And **not only the creation**, but **we ourselves** too, who have and enjoy the firstfruits of the [Holy] Spirit [a foretaste of the blissful things to come] **groan inwardly as we wait for the redemption of our bodies** our adoption (our manifestation as God's sons).

This Word is so powerful! If we will rise up in the Truth (Christ Jesus) of His Word of light and illumination and believe, we will overcome all things. This is the purpose of the government of God, to equip the saints to grow up in the full measure of Christ (Eph. 4:13).

Stars That Proclaim His Second Coming

Pleiades (the congregation of the Judge) is also known as the Seven Stars, Booth, and Succoth which is also known as the Feast of Tabernacles in the constellation Taurus the Bull. The Hebrew **word for Pleiades is *kimah*** which means “*the heap or accumulation, group, congregation, assembly*” (Job 9:9; 38:31-32, Amos 5:8). In Rev. 1:16 we see another scriptural reference to the Seven Stars or Pleiades. The

Syriac name for the Pleiades is *Succoth*, meaning “booths or Tabernacle.” The Greeks named Pleiades, “the Seven Sisters.”

In **Taurus the Bull** the brightest star has a Chaldean name, *Al Debaran*. It is located in the bull’s eye and its name means “**The leader or the governor.**” Another star (at the tip of the left horn) has an Arabic name—*El Nath*, means “**wounded or slain.**” There is another star with the Hebrew name *Palilicium* which means “**belonging to the judge.**” There are a number of stars in the neck of Taurus, the brightest of which has an Arabic name, *Al Cyone* which means “**the center**” and *Hyades* (Greek) which means “**the congregated.**”

Many astronomers say this is the center of the whole universe. This center has such magnificent colors and brilliance and is so spectacular, so glorious and bright that they have never seen anything like it. They know that there is something supernatural about its splendor. All these stars are examples and patterns of the Bible that is written in the heavens declaring His glory, His plans and purposes for all eternity.

All of these stars prophesy of the Lord’s COMING TO RULE!

This is the central truth of all prophecy. "The testimony (declaration, witness) of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy." Prophecy is speaking forth the mind and counsel of God (Rev. 19:10).

All Creation is groaning for the manifestation of the SONS OF GOD. All hope for Israel, all hope for the Church, turns on this, that "Jesus is coming again" When He comes WITH (1 Thess. 3:13, 4:17) and IN His saints, "the Seven Stars" or “The Seven Sisters” also known as “Pleiades” will be with Him. The Lord is coming with thousands of His holy ones to execute judgment (justice) to convict all the ungodly (Jude 14-15). When He comes to be glorified **IN** His saints, on that day, He will be made more glorious among all who have believed (2 Thess. 1:10).

“This day” is the day of the Lord that we see in the Amplified version of Luke 4:18-21:

“The Spirit of the Lord [is] upon Me, because He has anointed Me [the Anointed One, the Messiah] to preach the good news (the Gospel) to the poor; He has sent Me to announce release to the captives and recovery of

sight to the blind, to send forth as delivered those who are oppressed [who are downtrodden, bruised, crushed, and broken down by calamity], (19) **To proclaim the accepted and acceptable year of the Lord** [the day when salvation abound.] (20) Then **He rolled up the book and gave it back to the attendant and sat down**; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were gazing [attentively] at Him. (21) And He began to speak to them: Today this Scripture has been fulfilled while you are present and hearing.

Jesus went to His hometown of Galilee where he entered the synagogue to teach on the Sabbath. The scripture states that He stood up and was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah to read from. Jesus then begins to read from Isaiah 61:1 through the first part of verse two.

This scripture is so powerful! Jesus declared that the purpose of His first coming was to set the captives free by bringing deliverance and freedom through the power of His shed blood on Calvary to all who believe. When He got to the place in Isaiah 61:2 where He had fulfilled and completed the purpose of His first coming, He closed the Book. He then sat down, proclaiming that all had been fulfilled up to that point and that His next coming would be the day of the Lord, the acceptable year of the Lord. This is also known as the day of vengeance of our God. The day of vengeance will be fulfilled at His second coming when he brings full salvation (Jude 14 & 15, Heb. 9:28).

Isaiah 61:2-4,6 (AMP) — **To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord** [the year of His favor] **and the day of vengeance of our God**, to comfort all who mourn, (3) To grant [consolation and joy] to those who mourn in Zion — to give them an ornament (a garland or diadem) of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, the garment [expressive] of praise instead of a heavy, burdened, and failing spirit — that they may be called oaks of righteousness [lofty, strong, and magnificent, distinguished for uprightness, justice, and right standing with God], the planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified. (4) And they shall rebuild the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former desolations and renew the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations. (6) **But you shall be called the priests of the Lord; people will speak of you as the ministers of our God.** You shall eat the wealth of the nations, and the glory [once that of your captors] shall be yours [Exodus 19:6; 1 Peter 2:5; Revelation 1:6; 5:10; 20:6].

There are two things happening simultaneously. It is a day of freedom and liberty of the favor of the glory of the Lord and at the same time a day of vengeance (judgment). We see in the Word that oaks of righteousness (overcomers, Pleiades, Seven Stars, Eliakims) are arising and the Lord is restoring former desolations and rebuilding ancient ruined cities of the devastation of many generations. On the other hand, He is bringing forth vengeance. This lines up with His second coming.. Hebrews 12:29 tells us the second time He comes He is bringing full salvation – this speaks of a people who have overcome, who receive their glorified bodies and who are His firstfruits to bring forth His justice in the earth (Rev. 20:4-6). We also see this in the first chapter of 2 Thessalonians that says: when the Lord Jesus will be revealed (unveiled) from heaven with His mighty angels (messengers) in flaming fire dealing out retribution, dispensing justice to those who do not know God and to those who do not obey the gospel, when He comes to be glorified in His saints on that day. This unveiling is revelation. In Greek revelation means apocalypse. It is defined in Strong's Concordance (NT 602) as a disclosure, appearing, coming, lighten, manifestation, to take the cover off. It also denotes separation, departure and completion. This will be a cosmic cataclysm of an upheaval that brings about fundamental change in which God destroys the ruling powers of evil. We see this in Daniel 7:22 that states: until the ancient of days came and judgment was passed in favor of the saints and time arrived when the saints took possession of the kingdom. I love Psalm 75:2 that states, "When I shall receive the congregation (Pleiades, Seven Stars, overcomers, Eliakims) I will judge uprightly". Of course Jude 1:14 says, "The Lord comes with His myriads of holy ones, (Saints, Pleiades, Eliakims, Seven Stars, overcomers) to execute judgment upon all and to convict all the ungodly".

2 Peter 3:7 (NASB) – But by His word the present heavens and earth are being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

Isaiah 26:9 (NKJV) – ...When your judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.

At Christ's second coming, His body will be connected and consummated to the Head Christ Jesus and that will set up a divine order of His government that will execute His word in the earth; the knowledge of His glory will cover the earth.

Then what is stated in Romans 8:21 will occur the creation is set free from its slavery to corruption into freedom of the glory of the children of God waiting eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our body.

We also see this same scenario in Revelation twelve. The manchild is being birthed out of the virgin church and caught up to God and to His throne to rule all nations. Then we see the battle of Satan, the dragon, the devil is thrown down, cast down and now salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down (Rev. 12:5-10).

Chapter 6

Seven Stars

Revelation 1:20 (AMP) – As to the hidden meaning (the mystery) of the **Seven Stars** which you saw on **My right hand** and the **seven lampstands of gold**: the **Seven Stars** are the **seven angels (messengers)** of the **seven assemblies** (churches) and the **seven lampstands** are the **seven churches**.

We must be quickened by the seven spirits of the Lamb to become the messenger of the Lamb, (represented by the Seven Stars, Pleiades, the congregation of the Judge and Tabernacles). All of these designations represent His remnant. The remnant is who we become when we are enveloped in His Spirit. Throughout the ages the remnant is gathered out. In Revelation 1:20 the mentioned seven churches are really a representation of “the church” through the ages. When He spoke the message, it was to and for all the ages of the church. Age for all eternity and out of the ages, out of these seven churches come the messengers, those who overcome by the word of their testimony and the blood of the Lamb. From out of the church, the called out ones, the elect, and the overcomers come forth and are resurrected and transformed. Praise God!

He’s qualifying a people, a church without spot (stain, blemish, mar of character, a fault, defect, disgrace) or wrinkle (imperfection, issue, methods, plans, schemes). He’s shaking everything that can be shaken and that which remains will continue. In other words – what is of Him will remain and continue (Heb. 12:27).

That which is hidden will be revealed. Praise God, He is revealing truth to a people who will seek His ways and deny themselves so that the knowledge of the glory of God will cover the earth.

As we have learned Pleiades means the congregation of the Judge, Succoth, Booths, Tabernacle and it also means the Seven Stars. The Seven Stars will give us more understanding of what God is saying by these types and patterns. They reveal who we become in Him. The pattern of the Seven Stars will reveal additional characteristics of whom and what they represent. Let’s break down the Seven Stars

to see more clarity of who we become as we rise up in our true identity in Christ Jesus.

Revelation 1:20 (AMP) – As to the hidden meaning (the mystery) of the Seven Stars which you saw on My right hand and the seven lampstands of gold: the seven stars are the seven angels (messengers) of the seven assemblies (churches) and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

Let's break down this scripture to find out what the Seven Stars represent.

- Seven – perfection and completion
- Stars – light, illumination, understanding, revelation
- Right – a company, a host that carries out His instructions; an instrument; a channel of power and authority of the Head Christ Jesus, who brings forth God's purposes and executes them in the earth.
- Hand – extension of the Head Christ Jesus in the earth, in the Hebrew alphabet Kaph, with the numeric value of twenty and it means the enabling of the Spirit to manifest in the physical realm.
- Lampstands – candlestick that gives light, illumination and understanding; it also means employ (by extension). Six branches (His body) flow into the central shaft which is symbolic of Christ Jesus, the Head. He is the Vine and we are the branches.
- Gold – divine nature
- Angels – messengers, ministers that bring forth the mind of Christ
- Churches – a people called out from the world; people of action that proceed (from out of), often of completion, calling out, a meeting, congregation or assembly; a corporate order to equip the body of Christ – Christ being the Head, united with the church, His body, as One.

God is raising up a perfected completed people of light and illumination (Seven Stars) in His divine nature (gold) who are His messengers of light, illumination, understanding and revelation that is in His right hand. These are a people, a right company, who carry out His instructions as instruments, vessels of power and authority by and through the Spirit. These people execute His purposes in the earth to manifest and to bring forth righteousness and justice. The Seven (perfected and completed) Lampstands are lamps full of oil (anointing), that give light,

illumination, understanding and revelation of Christ's divine nature (gold). The Seven Stars of light, illumination and understanding are those who have been perfected into the fullness of Christ, who are also His messengers of His Seven (perfect & complete) churches. They are His called out ones, who have become one with the Lord. They are the Seven (perfected) Lampstands (light, illumination, understanding) His Seven churches, His overcomers, His Eliakims that will become a throne (seat of authority and power) to his father's house (Is. 22:23).

Revelation 4:5 – Out from the throne (*seat of power and authority*) proceeds flashes of lightning (*sons of God, light, illumination, understanding, revelation*) and sounds and peals of thunder (*voice, proclamation, declaration*) and there were **SEVEN** (*perfected*) **LAMPS** (*light*) of fire burning before the throne (*seat of authority and power*) which are the **SEVEN SPIRITS** of GOD;

So not only is God raising up a company, a host of messengers of light, of His perfected and completed church, but in this scripture it reveals that the Seven Lamps or Lampstands are the Seven Spirits of God before the throne. So now we have an even greater picture of what the messengers of the Seven Stars have become. Now we understand what is stated in I John 4:17, "As He is so are we in the earth today." The Overcomers become one with Christ. In so doing, they become ministers, messengers of a flame of fire, with God's Spirit, His wisdom and knowledge, might and counsel, understanding and the fear of the Lord. These Seven Spirits of God are flowing through them because they are no longer governed by their carnality or by the world but they have been transformed into the sons of resurrection. Once transformed, they execute and manifest God's plans and purposes that He ordained before the foundation of the earth. We also see another confirmation in Revelation 20:4-6 that states, "Then I saw thrones (seat of power and authority) and they (overcomers, Seven Stars) sat on them (thrones) and judgment was given to them (overcomers, Seven Stars, Eliakim)." These are a part of the first resurrection. Psalm 75:2 states, "When I receive the congregation (assembly, congregation of the Judge which is the Seven Stars) I will judge uprightly. Then Jude 1:14-15 states, "The Lord comes with His myriads of holy ones (saints) to execute judgment upon all and to convict all the ungodly."

We are living in the greatest time in the history of the earth. What a blessing it is to see God's kingdom come and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven and to see the earth filled with His knowledge of His glory! Revelation 20:4-6 confirms that

these overcomers, also known as the Seven Stars or Pleiades, received thrones seats of power and authority. Wow, how exciting this is!

Let's take a closer look at the number seven to glean from its treasure. We know it represents perfection, completion and fullness but it is also represents a sword, a weapon, to cut, to sever oneself and to fill to satisfaction. In the Hebrew alphabet *Zayin* is the seventh letter and it has a numerical value of seven. *Zayin* means a weapon or sword (weapon of the Spirit). It comes from a root word that means substance or nourishment. Jesus is depicted here as the Shepherd who feeds His sheep and is represented as the nourishment of our life. *Zayin* also means completion, wholeness, blessing and rest.

The number seven is powerful and profound. In the Book of Revelation the number seven is found several times. Below are some of the associations.

- 7 Stars are Pleiades, congregation of the Judge, which is also represented by the **Feast of Tabernacles or Feast of His Appearing**, and Eliakim (raising in judgment) who becomes the throne (seat of power and authority) of glory in the house of his father Hilkiyah (Is. 22:23); whose name means *my portion is Jehovah!*
- 7 Stars are the 7 angels – Messengers of the sword of perfection, completion, light and illumination.
- 7 Lampstands are the 7 Churches - Assemblies
- 7 Lampstands are the 7 Spirits of God (Rev. 1:20, Rev. 4:5)
- 7 Stars are the 7 Messengers of the 7 Churches which are the 7 Lampstands of the 7 Spirits of God.

As we study the Lampstand/ Candlestick we will see a clearer picture of what all of this means as Christ is the central shaft – the Center of all, and we are the branches. Out of Him all things are made new and complete in Him so that the knowledge of His glory will cover the earth. The branches are His offspring, the true and living church without spot or blemish, washed in the blood of the Lamb; His offspring who have been prepared and adorned as a pure spotless bride (Rev. 21:3).

Revelation 1:16 (NASB) – In His right hand He held (*accompany, possess, reign*) **Seven Stars**, and from His (Christ and His body) **mouth** came a

sharp two-edged sword, and His face was like the sun shining in full power at **midday** (brightest time of light).

The word says, “I will make you like a warrior’s sword” (Zech. 9:13). Isaiah 49:2 states, “He has made my mouth like a sharp sword.” Joel 2:11 states, “The Lord utters His voice before His army, for His host is very great and strong and powerful who executes God’s word.”

The true church, as His offspring, executes the full knowledge of the glory of God in the earth. Ephesians 4:11-13 clarifies that the church’s purpose is to grow up into the full stature of Christ, into a perfect man who is light, perfection, illumination, revelation, wisdom, understanding, knowledge, counsel and might and has the fear of the Lord. The Lord Jesus did not leave us in the outer court but took us behind the veil into the Holy of Holies. He made all things subject to man. Our problem is we haven’t understood and seen it yet. He justified us and glorified us and He is waiting for us to believe (Heb. 2:8, 4:3).

In the book of Revelation, John has been caught up in the Spirit and is a messenger of the Spirit. When we rise up in the Spirit, we too become messengers of the Spirit (Rev. 19:10). It takes sitting at His feet, hungering to know Him, and being caught up in His presence to see and understand. The highest order of anything is to become it. The Seven (perfected and completed) messengers of the Golden (divine nature) Lampstands (light, illumination, understanding) who are the virgin church, the called out ones, those who deny themselves and pick up their cross and follow the Lamb wherever He goes, have become perfected and completed in the fullness of the Spirit and receive their glorified bodies on the first resurrection.

John was caught up into the Spirit realm in order to see and understand what God had in store for His body, the church. He received revelation and insight into our true identity and what God has called us to be. He saw Christ as the center of the Lampstand, and he saw the church, made up of His perfected and completed messengers who had been overtaken by the Spirit. This will be the consummation of the second coming of Christ, as we have seen in Rev. 20:4-6 of the first resurrection. This is a people who are married to the King of kings and Lord of lords, and who are no longer governed by their soul, but who live in complete subjection to the Spirit of the Lord.

The messengers are one with Christ and are molded into His image, having become one with their Creator. We see this in the example of Enoch who walked with God and then he was not. Christ overcame death, hell and the grave. Our problem is that we have been indoctrinated into an environment of the world system that caters to the appetites of the flesh and that separates us and keeps us distracted from our true identity of the transforming life of the Holy Spirit. This is where our problem exists – in our flesh that veils us from our true identity. Praise God He sent His Word, His thoughts and His mind in the person of Christ Jesus to destroy all limitations and hindrances through His precious blood. We now have access back into His very presence and are being changed from glory to glory, strength to strength and faith to faith, until we come to the full stature of the measure of Christ (Eph. 4:13).

As we see the types and patterns in the Word of God we will see how God uses different examples to explain the spiritual realities of what we are to be.

The Seven messengers of the Seven Lampstands which are the Seven Churches are the Seven Stars also known as Pleiades, Tabernacles. The Seven Stars (Pleiades) are the messengers of Tabernacles who have been resurrected in the first resurrection and who have received their glorified bodies at the Father's appointed time at the Feast of Tabernacles (Feast of His Appearing) celebrated in the seventh month. When Christ returns at the Father's appointed time Satan will be bound and those who have not worshiped the beast (*bestly nature, first Adam, self-works, governed by the soulish realm of emotions, feelings or desires of the world*) or his image (*likeness, character of system, idolatry*) and who have not received the mark (*character and nature*) upon their forehead (*thinking, thoughts*) and upon their hand (*works of hands, serving self-gain*) will reign with Christ for a thousand years. This is the first resurrection (Rev. 20:4-6). These are the first fruits of those who denied themselves the things of this world and picked up their cross to follow Jesus beyond the veil (flesh). They have overcome to rule and reign with Him in the millennium as sons of the resurrection (Luke 20:35, Phil. 3:11).

In the following scripture we will see that the sound of His voice is as a voice of many waters, which is also described in His Word as a multitude, an army or a host that are one with Christ.

Daniel 10:6 (AMP) – His body also was [a golden luster] like beryl, his face had the appearance of lightning, his eyes were like flaming torches, his arms and his feet like glowing burnished bronze, and the sound of His Words was like the noise of a multitude [of people or the roaring of the sea].

More clarity of the scripture is provided below.

Daniel 10:6 – **His body** (*His government has risen, triumphed*) **also was** [a golden luster] **like beryl** (*His living stones have risen in His light*), **his face** (*identity, presence*) **had the appearance of lightning** (*brings illumination and understanding*) **his eyes** (*vision, sight, revelation*) **were like flaming torches** (*His ministers flames of fire*), **his arms** (*extension of His government, authority and power*) **and his feet** (*foundation of Kingdom in earth as His footstool in complete submission to the King of kings and Lord of lords*) **like glowing burnished bronze** (*shining forth His glory of judgment and justice*), **and the sound** (*declaration and proclamation*) **of His Words was like the noise of a multitude** (*host, many waters, many peoples*) (Revelation 1:12-16; 19:6).

Revelation 1:13-16 – And in the **midst** of the **Lampstands** [One] like a Son of Man, clothed with a robe which reached to His feet and with a girdle of gold about His breast [Daniel 7:13; 10:5]. (14) His head and His hair were white like white wool, [as white] as snow, and His eyes [flashed] like a flame of fire [Daniel 7:9]. (15) His feet glowed like burnished (*bright*) bronze as it is refined in a furnace, and **His voice was like the sound of many waters** (*host, multitude* [Daniel 10:6]). (16) In **His right hand He held** (*accompany, possess, reign*) **Seven Stars**, (*Pleiades, Booths, Tabernacle*) and from His mouth there came forth a sharp two-edged sword, and His face was like the sun shining in full power at midday [Exodus 34:29].

Here is a picture of Christ and His body as pictured in the Lampstand with Christ, the central shaft, and His branches who have become ministers, a flame of fire in His right hand (power and authority). The overcomers who have become enveloped in the Seven Spirits, who have become the Seven (perfection) Stars (light, illumination, understanding, revelation) and who have been given their glorified bodies. They are His messengers of illumination and understanding that

shine like stars and are His voice of a multitude (many waters, host) and will be transformed and receive their glorified bodies at the first resurrection at Feast of Tabernacles.

Chapter 7

Feast of Tabernacles

The Lord's intention from the beginning of time was, and is, for His children to be the dwelling place, the habitation, the sanctuary of the Most High God as seen in the example and pattern of the Tabernacle. In Genesis, we see His purpose for man. He made man in His image and likeness to have dominion and rule over all the kingdoms of the earth.

God sent His Son to become flesh to tabernacle amongst man so that the glory of God that Adam lost would be restored through the Last Adam, Christ the life giving Spirit. Through our Lord and Savior's death we have access back into the very presence of God, beyond the veil into the Holy of Holies so we can know Him in the power of His resurrection! He died to multiply His Seed in a called out people that have been predestined before the foundation of the world. The called out people are to be consecrated for His purpose and they are to overcome and become one with Him so that the knowledge of His glory will cover the earth. Christ in you the hope of glory!

Exodus 25:8-10 (NASB) – “Let them construct a sanctuary (sanctify, consecrate) for Me, that I may dwell (habitation, jewels, abide) among them. 9 According to all that I am going to show you, as the pattern (model, resemblance, likeness, to build, obtain children, repair) of the tabernacle (abide, inhabit, dwelling place, habitation, temple) and the pattern of all its furniture, (vessel, instruments) just so you shall construct it.”

We, the called out ones, are the vessels, the instruments of the sanctuary, the dwelling place, the habitation of the Most High God that He is building, forming and molding into His image and likeness, who are to have dominion and rule and reign as priests and kings in the earth. We have read in the Word who He has called us to be, but how do we overcome and qualify to become those priests and kings who rule and reign with Him? Our journey begins with Exodus 23. This chapter gives us divine instructions that will lead us to the overcoming victory. In Exodus 23, The Lord commanded His children to come together and celebrate three feasts each year.

Exodus 23:14-17 (AMP) – Three times in the year you shall keep a feast to Me. (15) You shall keep the Feast of Unleavened Bread (Feast of Passover); seven days you shall eat unleavened bread (without strife, quarrel, contention, debate, without sin) as I commanded you, at the time appointed in the month of Abib (spring time of barley harvest), for in it you came out of Egypt (came out of bondage). None shall appear before Me empty-handed. (16) Also you shall keep the Feast of Harvest [Pentecost], [acknowledging] the firstfruits of your toil, of what you sow in the field. And [third] you shall keep the Feast of Ingathering [Booths or Tabernacles] at the end of the year, when you gather in the fruit of your labors from the field. (17) Three times in the year all your males (mankind will remember, memorial, record) shall appear before the Lord God.

The feasts represented agricultural harvests but were also symbolic of spiritual harvests of a people being transformed into the full measure of the stature of Christ who come into full salvation. The people who are alive will overcome death and those who have died will be transformed and receive their glorified body to rule and reign with Christ in the millennium bringing the Kingdom of God to the earth.

We will break down the three feasts to have a full understanding of the Feast of Tabernacles. Without the Feast of Passover we will not obtain the Feast of Pentecost and without the Feast of Pentecost we will not experience the Feast of Tabernacles.

Feast of Passover

Jesus was the Passover Lamb that overcame death, hell and the grave. He was our forerunner. It is our goal to follow our forerunner behind the veil into the Holy of Holies; not only to be born again but to anxiously await the redemption of our bodies (Rom. 8:23). Passover is symbolic of being born again of the Spirit into a new life of our salvation in Jesus Christ. Our journey does not stop there, as we are to move on into Pentecost, the foretaste of the Spirit. Then we are to move on into maturity, into the fullness of the Spirit, that is the experience of Tabernacles. I pray these truths bless you as they have me.

The Bible states in 1 Corinthians 15:26, the last enemy to be subdued and abolished is death. This is a revelation the church has yet to truly understand. Our

spirit is saved, our soul is being saved and our body shall be saved. As we will learn, salvation not only means asking Jesus into our heart, but it also means that He becomes Lord of our lives; not only in the born again experience of our spirit, but also in our willingness to submit our soul and body to the Lord so He becomes Ruler and Lord of all. Passover is our experience of Salvation. We must move with the cloud on to Pentecost. Our final goal/destination is the experience of Tabernacles.

Passover was implemented when God, in the time of Moses, sent the last plague upon Egypt. All the firstborn were to die unless Pharaoh obeyed God and let Israel go. Of course we know the rest of the story. Before God had sent the last plague He gave Israel instructions to anoint their doors with the blood of a sacrificed lamb that was without spot or blemish. The lamb represented our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who was the ultimate sacrificial LAMB for all humanity.

Exodus 12:13 (NASB) – The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live and when I see the blood I will pass over you.

Exodus 12:27 (KJV) – That ye shall say, It is the sacrifice of the Lord's Passover, who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, (bondage) when he smote the Egyptians, and delivered our houses. And the people bowed the head and worshipped.

Passover was also known as Feast of Unleavened bread. The feast lasted for seven (Sabbath rest, perfection) days. Unleavened means bread without yeast, without sin.

Feast of Pentecost

Pentecost is Feast of First Fruits; the first fruits of your labor from what you have sown. Agriculturally it was the harvest of wheat. It is symbolic of the baptism of the Holy Spirit. The baptism of the Holy Spirit is a foretaste of the Spirit. It is the spirit that we receive to enable us to grow up into the full measure of the stature of Christ (Eph. 4:13). Pentecost prepares us to learn and to hear God's voice. Our goal is to be completely enveloped with the fullness of the Spirit that prepares us to be qualified for the redemption of our bodies at the Feast of Tabernacles.

Feast of Tabernacles or Booths

Feast of Tabernacles or booths was also known as the Feast of Ingathering. It was a time when the Israelites, at year end, gathered in the fruit of their labor from the field. Feast of Tabernacles, also known as the Feast of His Appearing, is symbolic of the time of the redemption of our bodies, the fullness of the Spirit. It is symbolic of a people who have come into full maturity. The Feast of Tabernacles (Succoth, "booths") was to be kept for seven days, and then a final ceremony was to be celebrated on the morning of the eighth day.

The law of this feast is found in Lev. 23:33-44. In verse 39 it states that the first and eighth days are Sabbaths. During this week, the people of Israel were to cut down branches of trees and build booths in which they would camp for seven days and they were to rejoice before the Lord. In Leviticus 23:43 it states, "so that your generations may know that I had the sons of Israel live in booths when I brought them out from the land of Egypt."

It is significant that Israel left Egypt from a place called Sukkot; known also as booths or Tabernacle (Exodus 13:20). Sukkot, the very place from which they left would be the very place from which they were going to be fulfilled by and through the Spirit. It brought them full circle just as Ecclesiastes 3:15 states, "That which is has been already and that which will be has already been, for God seeks what has passed by."

The people of Israel were to live in booths for seven days as a reminder of how God delivered them out of Egypt. The temporary living arrangement was symbolic of a spiritual reality of living in temporary tents, mortal skins, until the timing of the Father to receive the people's glorified bodies. This was a metaphor, a type or shadow of what was to come and of what was to become a reality in our lives. Our bodies are our temporary tents. Our ultimate goal is the redemption of our bodies. As Romans 8:23 states, "we are waiting eagerly for our adoptions as sons, the redemption of our bodies." Jesus Christ was the forerunner who went beyond the veil into the Holy of Holies in order that a people would follow Him and would be transfigured to experience full salvation, the redemption of their bodies (Heb. 6:19-20). Christ Jesus brings us full circle, back to the very place which He planned for us from the beginning; in His presence to be ruled and governed by His Spirit. Our precious Lord is waiting for a people to come into agreement with what He has already done (Eccl. 3:15). Jesus said, "It is finished." He meant we are complete in Him even though we don't see it or comprehend it yet. Through the power of

Christ's death and resurrection the veil of separation was opened giving man access back into the very presence of God. The reality was finished and consummated by and through the Spirit of the Lord so we could receive full salvation and become an immortal tabernacle, Christ in you the hope of glory! Then as He is so are we in the earth today!

In the Israelites journey to the Promised Land, they were instructed to dwell in booths from the beginning to the end of their journey. They were not to get comfortable in a mortal life style but they were to remember that they were living in temporary houses. The temporary houses were not their true identity nor did they encompass their original purpose. We have lived so below our potential of our true identity. We are on a journey to live not die. Christ eradicated, nullified, demolished and abolished death, hell and the grave. Paul states in Phil. 3:10-11, that we may know Him in the power of His resurrection, from out of, from amongst the dead. He would have never said it, if we could not obtain it in Him!

This is why Paul said in Romans 8:19, 21-24, "For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God. (21) that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God. (22) For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now. (23) And not only this, but also we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our body."

This will be the time of the Feast of Tabernacles, the Feast of Appearing. This will be the time when a qualified people who have overcome their flesh, the first Adam, and who have received their glorified bodies, now live according to Christ the life giving Spirit, the last Adam. The qualified people rule and reign with Christ as priests and kings of the Most High God in the first resurrection (Rev. 20:4-6).

Passover

When we, by faith, become believers in the blood of the Lamb – that is, when we leave Egypt – self ambition, power and selfish desires and are set free from the bondages and temptation of the world we experience Passover, Salvation. Once we enter into Salvation, our goal is to experience Pentecost and ultimately The Feast of Tabernacles. Many Christians seem to think that our journey ends with Passover. They think once we get saved our next goal is to be raptured to the

Promised Land from the borders of Egypt (bondage) without learning to overcome Egypt. The reality is that the journey has just begun and there is a lot more of God to experience.

Pentecost

In Pentecost people are mostly taught to receive the baptism of the Spirit, to seek the gifts of the Spirit and to be faithful until Jesus comes to take them to heaven or until they are raptured. Pentecost is the empowerment of the earnestness of the Spirit. It is a foretaste, an introduction of His fullness. "Tongues" is one of the gifts of the Spirit but it is not what qualifies a person. It is submitting to the Spirit and learning to hear and obey the voice of the Lord with complete dependency on the Holy Spirit that qualifies a person. The Hebrew word *shema* "to hear," also means "to obey." Without learning obedience, one is not truly hearing. Pentecost was the time that Israel was to be equipped to enter the Promised Land. In Exodus 19:17 Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet God and they stood at the foot of the mountain. Pentecost prepares the believer to overcome their flesh, their soulish realm and the influences of the world and completely depend on the Spirit to hear and obey the voice of God.

In Exodus 20:18-20 the people perceived the thunder and the lightning flashes and the sound of the trumpet and the mountain smoking: and when the people saw it, they trembled and stood at a distance. (19) Then they said to Moses, speak to us yourself, and we will listen, but let not God speak to us lest we die. (20) Moses said to the people do not be afraid, for God has come in order to test you and in order that the fear of Him may remain with you, so that you may not sin. The people stood at a distance and told Moses to speak to them what God said because they were afraid that if God spoke to them personally they would die. Thus they refused to hear and obey God at Sinai which would have enabled them to have faith to overcome the giants of the land of promise. So they wandered in the wilderness for forty years.

Tabernacles

God told Moses to send the heads of the tribes of Israel into the Promised Land to spy out the land. The men who were sent out returned in forty days. Ten men gave a bad report but Joshua and Caleb gave a good report. Joshua and Caleb declared

that the land flowed with milk and honey and that God, as He promised, would go before them to remove any obstacles. Because the Israelites focused on the obstacles instead of the promises of God, they refused to enter into the land at the time of the Feast of Tabernacles. It was "the time of the first-ripe grapes" which signified the Jubilee. The people's refusal and lack of faith turned what should have been a day of Jubilee into a Day of Atonement, a day of mourning and fasting.

Their problem was that they had refused to hear His voice at Sinai (Ex. 20:18-21). Without the empowerment of Pentecost (hearing His voice and being led by the Spirit) the people were not equipped with the faith to enter the Promised Land. This account tells us that in order to be an overcomer and to qualify for the first resurrection one must be led by the Spirit and must hear the voice of God. If the people had had faith and had trusted God their hearts would have been prepared to enter the Promised Land at the designated time of Tabernacles. Unfortunately, it did not happen that way. Israel remained an additional 38 years in the wilderness before entering Canaan (Deut. 2:14). When they finally entered the Promised Land it was springtime; it was the time just before Passover (Joshua 4:19).

During the forty years of living in the wilderness, the people were directed by God to dwell in booths. A Booth was symbolic of a temporary dwelling place. God requested that the Israelites live in booths so that they would acknowledge and understand that the wilderness was not their inheritance and that they would always keep the Promised Land (Feast of Tabernacles) in mind as their goal. If people had built houses in the wilderness, they might have refused to move on when the pillar of cloud moved.

The wilderness is a place we learn to overcome our flesh, the external physical realm of our senses, and learn to completely live, move by and through the Spirit of the Lord. Christ went through the veil (flesh) to give us access into His divine presence where God rules and governs. We see this example in Jacob's transformation into Israel. Jacob's character was transformed from trickster, schemer and usurper of authority to Israel, God rules and governs.

We see a similar wilderness issue of the past occurring within today's Churches. Today, the problem is manifested through Church denominations, "houses", that claim to be "the true church." The churches have built permanent houses in the wilderness and have become comfortable with Salvation and Pentecost. They have lost the vision of the Feast of Tabernacles. Christians, within diverse denominational churches, have been taught that from their "house" (church) they will be raptured to the Promised Land. That is deception. We must always move

with the cloud. Revelation 18:4 states “Come out of her.” Why? Because when we reach a place of tolerance or comfort and stop growing we are setting up permanent dwelling places that stifle our growth. Tabernacles remind us not to get satisfied and distracted with the things around us, for they are temporary. Like the Word says, we are in this world but not of it. The “world” deals with everything man creates and establishes by and through his own strength and power; in other words, man’s own works not God’s. This is why we must set our minds on heavenly things not earthly things for we are not of the world but we are to be heavenly, spiritual minded.

The Lord told the Israelites to build booths, a tabernacle every year, so they would not forget their deliverance out of Egypt, out of bondage. They were to move with the cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night. The pillar of fire represented the light and illumination of the complete dependency on the Spirit. When we stop expecting and anticipating our development in the Lord, we become dormant and stagnant with no manifestation of the power and authority of God. We can see this represented in the five foolish virgins that did not have enough oil in their lamps when the bridegroom came. If we truly love the Lord we will have a constant hunger to know Him in the power of His resurrection.

To date, many churches are set up as organized country clubs with a myriad of social events instead of being set up like the church God intended it to be. Today’s church leaders and members should be getting on their knees to seek God’s face and to seek His plans and purpose for equipping and growing up His body in the full stature of Christ. The whole purpose of going to church is to be discipled in order to learn to hear and obey the voice of God and to be led by His Spirit. In religious settings of organized religion there is no real growth. Messages become nice little stories with no delivering power to set the people free. Those who do have the zeal and anointing are usually shut down and not developed in their callings and gifts. Praise God, He sees the hunger and will always give divine appointments to those who hunger and thirst for Him with all their hearts. Because of insecurity, leadership becomes jealous and paranoid thus stifling the Holy Spirit and hindering the growth of the body to develop their identity in Christ. So many Christians have never been taught that the anointing is in the cluster. It takes humble broken leadership to release God’s precious people and to help grow them up into the full measure of the stature of Christ. The Lord never called us to be a one man show but a body attached to the Head Christ Jesus. There is only one main Man; His name is Jesus Christ!

Religious traditions, ceremonies and the accolades of men have become substitutes in place of falling in the love with the King of kings and Lord of lords. We need to follow the cloud in order to be led by the Spirit so that only the Lord is glorified and not man.

Once people become comfortable and settled in their denominational "churches" their mentality is - this is where I live and die and get ready to go to heaven. This has been, and continues to be, the teaching and the mentality of the church.

We are to be enveloped in the heavens, the Spirit realm, and anxiously awaiting the redemption of our bodies (Rom. 8:23). We are never to be satisfied or settled where we are but always ready and willing to move when the cloud moves to a higher dimension of power and authority and illumination and revelation.

God promises us His protection, provision and pleasure when we obey and serve Him with our whole heart. This is His promise throughout His word for those who are obedient. However, for those who are not obedient, Jeremiah 2:19 states, your own wickedness will correct you and your own apostasies will reprove you. The church doors can be excellent protection from the wolves and the wind and the rain, but those same doors can also easily become a prison. Here in lies the danger, unless one knows how to obey God rather than man.

The Feast of Tabernacles is the feast of immortality. Paul makes this clear in 2 Corinthians 5:1-4. He describes that the "booths" made of living branches actually prophesy of being clothed with immortality. We no longer need to build booths as Christ became our booth, our tabernacle. The booths were teaching tools, a shadow, a pattern of better things to come which was Christ in you the hope of glory. Now we are anxiously awaiting the consummation of our salvation. Jesus Christ is the Tabernacle of God who dwells in us. Galatians 4:6 states, God sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts that we would cry Abba Father! God sent His Son, His thoughts, His will, His mind, into our hearts to tabernacle in us, that we would be one in Him (John 14:20,17:11).

2 Corinthians 5:1-4 (NASB) – For we know that if the earthly tent which is our house is torn down, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. (If we know our present, mortal body "house" is torn down, if we die, we have another house (glorified body) not made with hands awaiting us.) (2) For indeed in this [mortal] house we groan, longing to be clothed with our dwelling from heaven. (3) in as much as we, having put it on, shall not be found naked, (4) For indeed, while we

are in this [mortal] tent, we groan, being burdened, because we do not want to be unclothed [die] , but to be clothed, in order that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life.

Paul refers to the body as a house, a tent (tabernacle) and clothing. We have two of each, one mortal and one immortal. The one we live in today is mortal. The immortal body is reserved for us in heaven, just as the priestly garments were stored in the side chambers of the temple (Ezek. 44:19).

1 Peter 1:3-5 (NASB) – “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, (4) to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, (5) who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

The Feast of Tabernacles is the appointed time when the people receive their immortal bodies. These immortal bodies are not given when people die, but when their spirits return to God. The spirit has no need for immortality for, as the bible states, it never dies. Human beings are in need of an immortal BODY. The "Promised Land" is not symbolic of heaven, but it is symbolic of a glorified body as Jesus had after His resurrection. A body that could adapt to the heavenly realm and one that was suitable for the earthly realm. Jesus ate with the disciples but He also transitioned supernaturally from one dimension to another.

The Feast of Tabernacles is the set timing of the Father to implement the second coming of Christ and to have the overcomers who are qualified to receive their priestly garments, whose spirits are "clothed" with a new kind of spiritual flesh, a glorified redeemed body, rule and reign in the earth with Christ Jesus. The purpose of this “body” is to minister to the people on earth and also to minister unto the Lord for the next thousand years.

The duration of the Feast is a full seven days with an eighth day final Sabbath. Why? Because while we are in this mortal body, we are "touching a dead body" (mortality is a death realm, unclean from fallen state that Adam implemented when he was removed from the garden, the presence of God).

Before we can be lawfully presented to the Father on the morning of the **eighth day**, seven days of cleansing is required. Numbers 19:11-13 state, “The one who touches the corpse (death, mortality) of any person shall be unclean for seven days.

The law is prophetic because it reveals the divine plan and even the timing of these events so that we can prepare our hearts. In other words, we are not yet acceptable offerings to God in the fullest sense of the word. The Feast of Tabernacles is a time when all of this will change, for Christ will come to His temple – His body, His priesthood – to purify them, so that they may truly offer up an acceptable offering. Romans 12:1 states, I beseech you brethren by the mercies of God that you present your bodies as a living and holy sacrifice.

The divine law in Leviticus 2:11 states that no offering can be mixed with leaven (sin) and yet the Pentecostal offering was two loaves of bread baked with leaven (Lev. 23:17). This prophesies to us that as long as we remain in Pentecost, we are an unacceptable offering because we have a mixture of both the flesh and the Spirit of God operating in us. We see this in the Holy Place where the priest would bake the bread and fill the oil in the Lampstands, but once he went beyond the veil there was no more flesh for it was God who was ruling and at this point Jacob (trickster, schemer, usurper of authority) was transformed to Israel (God rules). It is now the same for us. Mixture must be removed and the Spirit of God must completely rule within us. We must move with the cloud to the Feast of Tabernacles, also known as the Feast of His Appearing!!

Chapter 8

The Eighth Day

The firstborn was to be given to the Lord on the eighth day.

Ex 22:29-30 (NASB) – "You shall not delay to offer the first of your ripe produce and your juices. **The firstborn of your sons you shall give to Me.** (30) Likewise you shall do with your oxen and your sheep. **It shall be with its mother SEVEN DAYS; on the EIGHTH day you shall give it to Me.**

The **firstborn** was to stay with its mother for **seven days** and on the **eighth day** it was to be given to the Lord. The mother is symbolic of the church. Paul refers to himself in **1 Thessalonians 2:7** as a "**nursing mother.**" He says in verses 7-8, "But we proved to be gentle among you, **as a nursing mother tenderly cares for her own children.**" (8) Having so fond an affection for you, we were well-pleased to impart to you not only the gospel of God but also our own lives, because you had become very dear to us. In Revelations 12, we see the results and purpose of the church that has come into full maturity (Eph. 4:11-13). It is to rule and reign in the throne (seat of power and authority) over the nations in order that the knowledge of the glory of God would cover the earth.

Revelation 12:5 (NASB) – And **she** (virgin church) **gave birth to a son, a male child**, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron; and **her child was caught up to God and to His throne.**

Hebrews 9:28 (AMP) – Even so it is that Christ, having been offered to take upon Himself and bear as a burden the sins of many once and once for all, will appear a second time, **not to carry any burden of sin nor to deal with sin**, but to **bring to full salvation** those who are [eagerly, constantly, and patiently] waiting for and expecting Him.

The first time Christ came He came to bear the burden of sin and to give us access back into His presence so that we could overcome as He overcame; through His blood that was shed to destroy death, hell and the grave. The second time He comes He will bring full salvation to a people, made in His likeness, who have

overcome by the Word of their testimony and the blood of the Lamb and who have followed Him beyond the veil into the Holy of Holies to overcome death and to bring forth His Kingdom in the earth.

The purpose of the church is to train its people and to minister the gospel to them in pursuance of nurturing and growing them up. Again, the **firstborn** was to stay with its mother **seven days**. We see the same pattern. **Seven days denotes completion and perfection to qualify His overcomers to be presented to the Lord**. The purpose of the church has always been to mature its members/body to be priests and kings of the Most High God.

The **eighth day** begins Christ's Millennial Reign with His overcomers, the Man-Child company, the Eliakims, the Lambkins. This correlates with Revelation 20:4-6.

Revelation 20:4-6 (NASB) – Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them... (5)...This is the first resurrection... (6)...over these the second death has no power, but they (overcomers, Eliakim's, Pleiades, Manchild) will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.”

Circumcision on the Eighth Day

Jesus was **circumcised** on the **eighth day** and was also presented in dedication to the Lord as the **firstborn**.

Luke 2:21-23 (AMP) – And at the end of **eight days**, when [the Baby] **was to be circumcised, He was called Jesus**, (Emanuel, God with us) the name given by the angel before He was conceived in the womb. 22 And when the time for their purification [the mother's purification and the Baby's dedication] came according to the Law of Moses, **they brought Him up to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord** — [Leviticus 12:1-4] 23 As it is written in the Law of the Lord, **Every [firstborn] male that opens the womb shall be set apart and dedicated and called holy to the Lord** — [Exodus 13:1, 2, 12; Numbers 8:17].

Romans 8:29 (NASB) – For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become **conformed to the image of His Son**, so that He would be the **firstborn among many brethren**;

Revelation 1:5 (NASB) – and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the **firstborn of the dead**, and the **ruler of the kings of the earth**. To Him who loves us and released us from our sins by His blood;

The Hebrew word *bekowr* not only means *firstborn but also, chief, eldest son*. It derives from another word meaning *to burst the womb, bear or make early fruit, first-fruits, to give the birthright*.

In the Greek language the word *firstborn* is made up of two words; *protos* meaning *first begotten, in front of, prior, superior, foremost in order or importance, chief(-est)* and *tikto* meaning *bring forth, bear, produce (fruit from the seed), as a woman giving birth, of the earth bringing forth its fruit*.

The firstborn is symbolic of the virgin church, made up of a people who have not been defiled by their flesh; a pure virgin state governed by the Holy Spirit because their soul no longer rules. The firstborn also represent “the woman,” the church as the bride, in complete union with her husband, Christ the bridegroom who will bring forth fruit of His incorruptible seed in the earth.

This is the Man Child, the Seed of Christ, His completed body of manifested sons coming together as ONE, manifesting His glory in the earth. Those who are called to be His first-fruits, the overcomers, are those who are willing to lay down their lives and pick up their cross and follow Christ beyond the veil (flesh) into the Holy of Holies. They are heirs of God and joint-heirs WITH Christ and are given the birthright as spiritual Israel, as priests and kings to rule with Christ in His kingdom in the earth. This is symbolized in the natural by the sons of Joseph (his name means a fruitful bough; he who adds). Joseph, a type/pattern of Christ, was given the birthright as Israel. Ephraim (God has made me fruitful in the land of my affliction) and Manasseh (God has made me forget) both speak of the principle of forgiveness and symbolize those who will bear Christ’s fruit first to bring forth His glory in the earth.

Leviticus 12:1-3 (NASB) – Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 2 "Speak to the sons of Israel, saying: 'When a woman gives birth and bears a male child, then **she shall be unclean for seven days**, as in the days of her menstruation

she shall be unclean. 3 **'On the EIGHTH day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.'**

Every male child was to be circumcised on the Eighth day!

Every male was to have the foreskin of his flesh circumcised on the **EIGHTH DAY**. **Circumcision** means to cut off and to destroy. The **foreskin** means *exposed, projecting loose, that which is uncircumcised (still having the prepuce (foreskin) uncurtailed)*. Curtail means *to place restrictions on*. The foreskin denotes a protective covering of the flesh, or our fleshly desires that have not been cut off and destroyed but are still ruling us. On the **eighth** day all flesh, all limitation will be destroyed in the overcomers!

Philippians 3:2-3 – “Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workers, **beware of the false circumcision;** (3) **for we are the true circumcision,** who **worship in the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh,**”

Deuteronomy 10:16 tells us to **circumcise our hearts**. **Jeremiah 4:4** states, “**Circumcise yourselves to the Lord and remove the foreskins (restrictions, fleshly desires) of your heart**, Men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem, or else My wrath will go forth like fire and burn with none to quench it, **because of the evil of your deeds.**” It is easy to see from these scriptures that God is speaking about our hearts. It is the heart that produces the evil deeds that need to be circumcised.

Colossians 2:11-12 (AMP) – **In Him** also you were **circumcised with a circumcision not made with hands**, but in a **[spiritual] circumcision [performed by] Christ by stripping off the body of the flesh (the whole corrupt, carnal nature with its passions and lusts)**. 12 [Thus you were circumcised when] you were buried with Him in [your] baptism, in which you were also raised with Him [to a new life] through [your] faith in the working of God [as displayed] when He raised Him up from the dead.”

Positional in Christ, the flesh of our hearts has already been circumcised when we were baptized; baptism signifying death to our old nature and signifying being raised up with Him to newness of life walking it out through faith. As the Word says, all things have been subject to man, but man has not seen all things yet (Hebrew 2:8). Although we declared in water baptism that our old self (first Adam) is dead, the **final removal** of the flesh **of the first Adam** will be consummated **on**

the eighth day, when we will receive our glorified bodies. We are learning to come into His perfect rest (the seventh day of His Sabbath Rest), denying our flesh until the flesh is completely destroyed and cut off. When this happens 1 Corinthians 15:50-56 will occur, “the dead (in Christ) will be raised imperishable (free and immune from decay), and we shall be changed (transformed). 54 And when this perishable puts on the imperishable and this that was capable of dying puts on freedom from death, then shall be fulfilled the Scripture that says, Death is swallowed up (utterly vanquished forever) in and unto victory.” This means immortality.

The Consecration of the Priesthood

Revelation 20:6 tells us that the overcomers who take part in the first resurrection will be priests: **“Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.”**

This priesthood will be one after the Order of Melchizedek. It is not a physical order as seen in the Levitical priesthood but a spiritual order with Christ as our High Priest (Heb. 6:20 & Heb. 7). Leviticus, chapters 8 and 9, gives us the basic principle for the consecration of the priesthood that applies spiritually to a new priesthood after the order of Melchizedek which will reveal the glory of God in the earth on the **EIGHTH DAY**.

Studying the pattern and the qualifications for the ordination of the priests in Leviticus chapter 8, we see that along with Aaron and his sons, the people were gathered together on the first day to witness the consecration of the priesthood. The priests were washed, dressed, and anointed with oil (Holy Spirit). Then the blood of the sacrifices was applied to their right ear lobe (what is heard), their right thumb (what is touched) and their right big toe (movement of walk).

Leviticus 8:33, 35 instructs the priests as follows: And you shall not go outside the doorway of the tent of meeting for seven days, until the period of your ordination is fulfilled; for he will ordain you through seven days...35 At the doorway of the tent of meeting, moreover, you shall remain day and night for seven days, and keep the charge of the Lord...]. This speaks of a complete consecration.

On the **eighth day** God called the people and His priests to assemble again to offer sacrifices to the Lord so **that the glory of the Lord would appear to them.**

Leviticus 9:1-4 (NASB) – “**Now it came about on the eighth day that Moses called Aaron and his sons and the elders of Israel;** ² and he said to Aaron, "Take for yourself a calf, a bull, for a sin offering and a ram for a burnt offering, *both without defect, and offer them before the LORD.* ³ "Then to the sons of Israel you shall speak, saying, 'Take a male goat for a sin offering, and a calf and a lamb, both one year old, **without defect,** for a **burnt** (consecrated) **offering,** ⁴ and an ox and a ram for peace offerings, to sacrifice before the LORD, and a grain offering mixed with oil; **for today the LORD SHALL appear to you.**”

In the above scripture we can see the Lord is calling forth a people without spot or wrinkle, without defects. Why? In Christ, by and through the WORD of God, we can overcome all things to live above in the heavenly realm in all authority and power of the Christ within. God’s number one priority was for a people called by His name to have dominion as His offspring so that the knowledge of His glory would cover the earth. As the Word says, He will not share His glory with flesh (I Cor. 1:29).

The next scripture captures one of the most important prophetic patterns of the appearing of Christ.

Leviticus 9:6 – Moses said, "This is the thing which the LORD has commanded you to do, **that the glory of the LORD may appear to you.**"

The scripture reveals to us that the main purpose of the **seven days consecration** of the priesthood was to **qualify** to offer the type of sacrifice that **God truly requires.** This is our pattern. We are to be complete consecrations, living sacrifices serving the One and only true God. Those who become an accepted sacrifice will manifest the glory of God in their resurrected bodies in the earth, once He accepts their offering. This is what must be done so “that the glory of the Lord may appear to you.”

Leviticus 9:7 – Moses then said to Aaron, "Come near to the altar and **offer your sin offering and your burnt offering,** that you **may make atonement for yourself and for the people;** then make the offering for the people, that you may make atonement for them, just as the LORD has commanded."

The glory of God will appear only when the priesthood becomes a pure sacrifice as a dedicated consecrated offering that is fully acceptable to God. This is why

Malachi 3:1-4 states that He will come as a refiner's fire to purify the "sons of Levi." In this context of the old order of priesthood, brings a New Testament prophetic significance. At the fulfillment of Tabernacles, there will be a seven-day cleansing of the priesthood. Once His overcomers, the elect, His Eliakims and His Pleiades of the Melchizedek priesthood have been refined, they become the offering dedicated to the Lord to be consumed by fire as an acceptable offering unto God on the eighth day of Tabernacles. God then accepts that offering by fire, and the glory of God is then manifested to the world, through the sons of the resurrection.

Luke 20:34-36 – Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, 35 but **those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and the resurrection from the dead**, neither marry nor are given in marriage; 36 for **they cannot even die anymore, because they are like angels, and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection.**

Leviticus 1:3-4 – **If his offering is a burnt (consecrated) offering from the herd, he shall offer it, a male without defect; he shall offer it at the doorway of the tent of meeting, that he may be accepted before the LORD. ⁴ He shall lay his hand on the head of the burnt offering, that it may be accepted for him to make atonement on his behalf.**

The burnt offering was a consecrated offering that was to be a "sweet savor to the Lord" (Lev. 1:9). Our character is to be a sweet aroma to the nostrils of the Lord to be a living sacrifice. As Paul says in Galatians 2:20, "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me." Also like Luke 22:42 says, "Not my will, but Thy will be done."

As a consecrated, offering we lay down our lives to qualify for the better resurrection. This is what the patriarchs did in Hebrews the eleventh chapter. The patriarchs are our examples. As Paul said in 1 Corinthians 9:27, he denied his flesh so that he may be qualified; "But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified." We see throughout the book of Acts how Paul was persecuted because he was preaching the message of the resurrection from amongst the dead. In Philippians 3:10-11 Paul says, "That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; (11) in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead." There is a greater dimension of salvation than just

being saved. When we accept Christ as our Savior, we are born again and our spirit is awakened. However, our soul is being saved and our body shall be saved. We must understand the consecrated life qualifies us to rule and reign with Christ as kings and priests to execute His purpose in the earth. Is that not how He taught His disciples to pray, Thy kingdom come Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven?

The priesthood that God is raising up is a government of Spirit. It is attained through laying down our lives as living sacrifices on the altar of sacrifice. This is why we must be baptized in His fire. We can be baptized in the Holy Spirit yet never experience the baptism of fire. We undergo the baptism of fire when our heart yearns to be purged and purified by His fire in order to truly be an offspring of the Most High God and manifest His power and authority in the earth. Jesus was the ultimate sacrifice. On the cross He said, "It is finished." That means we are complete in Him. As Ecclesiastes 3:15 says, "That which is has been already and that which will be has already been, for God seeks what has passed by."

It will be a baptism of fire that will completely transform the qualified priests and equip them to rule with Christ and manifest Him to the rest of the world.

Psalms 50:5 – "Gather My godly ones to Me, those who have made a covenant with Me by sacrifice."

Psalms 51:17 – The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.

When the consecrated priests of the Melchizedek Order (order of the Spirit) are transformed, and receive their glorified bodies at the end of the Feast of Tabernacles, one year at God's appointed time, they will be an extension of Christ's manifested body. It means that they will be overcomers, the Eliakims, the seven Stars that He holds in His right hand. They will be priests of the Priest, they will be kings of the King, and they will be the judges of the Judge. These priests are the ones who have followed the Lord Jesus beyond the veil into the Holy of Holies and who have become one with Him. As part of Christ's body and having His character, the consecrated priests will implement the work of bringing all things under Jesus' feet; the work that Jesus began in His first coming, "*for He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet*" (1 Cor. 15:25). In Jesus' second coming, He is coming to bring forth full salvation in the Feast of Tabernacles (Heb.9:28) which will implement the millennium reign in the earth.

Pentecost equipped the disciples to begin the work of world evangelism, so will the Feast of Tabernacles equip the overcomers to finish the work under a greater

anointing. Evangelism brought under the anointing of Pentecost has been leavened. That means it is brought with mixture of flesh and spirit. We see mixture in the Holy Place of the Tabernacle, the second room, where the priests still had to fill the lampstand with oil and had to bake the showbread. However, beyond the veil, in the third room of the “Holy of Holies”, flesh ceases and no longer is any human effort or work needed, God alone illuminates and rules and reigns. Our sins have been covered, and we have been imputed righteous (as if we were perfect). In the coming “Tabernacles Age” our salvation will be complete as we will become one with our Lord and will overcome death.

The consecrated priesthood will implement the purposes and plans of God in the Church and the rest of the world. Even as the priests in Moses' day offered up an acceptable sacrifice to God **on the eighth day**, so also will the overcomers, the priests of Melchizedek, offer up their bodies as a greater sacrifice to God on the **eighth day of Tabernacles**. This offering will be fully acceptable unto God, and He will answer by fire and manifest His glory. He will consume the sacrifice and transform our lowly earthly bodies into bodies of resurrection.

The Melchizedek priesthood, the overcomers, who experience a transformation on the **eighth day** of Tabernacles, will have the same type of physical body as Jesus attained after His resurrection. His body was not limited or subject to this earthly realm, but it transcended from the earth to the heavenly realm; we see this represented in the examples of Jacob’s ladder and the Zadok priesthood. John 20:19, 26 record this truth for us.

John 20:19, 26 (ASV) – “When therefore it was evening, on that day, the **first day** of the week, and when the **doors were shut** where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, **Jesus came and stood in the midst**, and said to them, "Peace be with you." 26 And **after eight days** again His disciples were inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the **doors having been shut**, and **stood in their midst**, and said, "Peace be with you."

Luke 24:36-39, 41-43 (NASB) – “And while they were telling these things, **He Himself stood in their midst** and said to them, “Peace be to you.” 37 But they were **startled and frightened and thought that they were seeing a spirit**. 38 And He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? 39 "See My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself; **touch Me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.**" ... 41 While they still could not believe it because of their joy and amazement, He said to them, "**Have you anything here to eat?**" 42

They gave Him a **piece of a broiled fish**; 43 and He **took it** and **ate it** before them.”

In the same way Jesus suddenly appeared in the midst of the disciples, although the doors were shut and locked, he also vanished from their sight. Another appearance is recorded in Luke 24:13-31. On the road to Emmaus, Jesus revealed Himself to the disciples. Luke 24:31 states, “And their eyes were opened and they recognized Him; and **He vanished from their sight**.” In the same like manner the overcomers will also be able to transition themselves from their **fleshly clothing** and then at will, minister to the Father in **spiritual clothing**.

God also gives us another prophetic picture of this in **Ezekiel 44**. It is pictured in the **Zadok priests**, who were a **type of the Melchizedek priesthood**.

Ezekiel 44:17 (NASB) – (speaks of the Melchizedek priesthood), “It shall be that when they enter at the gates of the inner court, they shall be clothed with **linen garments**; and **wool** shall not be on them while they are ministering in the gates of the inner court and in the house.”

The “linens” are symbolic of the immortal clothing that Paul refers to in 2 Corinthians 5:1-4, “wool” is symbolic of the physical natural realm. Ezekiel 44:18 tells us that these priests could not be dressed in anything that made them “sweat.” In other words they could not minister to the Lord in the mortality of their own human effort. Ezekiel 44:19 goes on to say, “When they go out into the outer court, into the outer court to the people, they shall **put off their garments (linens) in which they have been ministering and lay them in the holy chambers**; then they shall **put on other (wool) garments** so that they will not transmit holiness to the people with their (linen) garments.” These priests were required to be clothed in **spiritual garments when ministering to the Lord**, but then required to be clothed in physical garments **when ministering to the people in the outer court**.

This is what Jesus did after His resurrection. He suddenly appeared in the midst of His disciples proving to them that He was not a spirit by letting them see and touch his nail scarred hands, then in an instant disappeared from their sight. Jesus simply changed His earthly, “woolen” suit, and put on His “linens,” becoming spirit again.

There are two types of priests but only one type, the one of a higher spiritual order, who will rule and reign with Christ in His kingdom in the age to come. Priests who died, who did not qualify, will not have access to linen garments (their spiritual, glorified bodies) as does the Melchizedek priesthood. The disqualified priests will repent after the transformation takes place and the sons of God are manifested.

Their eyes will be opened to Truth and they will realize what they have missed by living according to their flesh instead of becoming a complete sacrifice. The “foolish Virgins” (Matt. 25:2), the oppressive servants (Luke 12:45) and the miracle workers who said “Lord, Lord” (Matthew 7:21), are illustrations of what is to come. Jesus will say to them, “I never knew you; depart from me you who practice lawlessness.” Jesus will say this to the priests who taught the people to worship idols of the heart. These priests are identified with the priesthood of Eli who was replaced by Zadok in the days of King Solomon (1 Kings 2:27, 35) and also with Shebna who was replaced by Eliakim (Isa. 22:15-24). The disqualified priests will serve as the Temple caretakers, taking charge of the maintenance work and performing general duties and do the works of the Tabernacles.

Ezekiel 44:13-14 (NLT) – They may not approach me to minister as priests. They may not touch any of my holy things or the holy offerings, for they must bear the shame of all the detestable sins they have committed. 14 They are to serve as the Temple caretakers, taking charge of the maintenance work and performing general duties.

The Eighth Day of the Feast of Tabernacles

The eighth Day of the Feast of Tabernacles is very significant. The very name of this festival, "Shemini Atzeret," literally means "**The Eighth Assembly.**" This is the **Eighth Day** that follows the Seventh day of the celebration of the Feast of Tabernacles (i.e. Sukkot).

In Hebrew the number **eight** means to make fat, cover with fat, to super-abound, one who abounds in strength, super-abundant fertility, and oil. Its root word means greasy, rich, fat, plenteous, to shine, be or make oily. It is associated with resurrection and regeneration, and the beginning of a new era or order.

To understand just how significant the **eighth day** is we must first understand the **significance of the seven days that precede it.** As we discover in the many examples below, a pattern emerges.

The consecration of Aaron and his sons as priests of God required seven days of being set apart (Lev.8:35), but it was on the "eighth day" that they were anointed as "priests," thus beginning a "new" ministry and office before God and the people.

David was the "eighth" son of Jesse, thus also beginning a "new dynasty" in Israel when he became king (I Sam.16:10-11; II Sam.17:12).

When the whole earth was covered with a flood, it was Noah 'the eighth person' who stepped out on to a new earth to commence a new order of things. 'Eight souls' passed through to the new or regenerated world (II Pet. 2:5, I Pet. 3:20).

As seen earlier, the firstborn son was to stay with its mother seven days and then on the eighth day was to be presented to the Lord. This pattern is seen in Revelations 12:5 when the woman (virgin church) gives birth to the Man Child, "who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron; her child will be caught up to God and to His throne." This will happen on the eighth day.

The "eighth day" signifies the fullness of the Holy Spirit that will be poured out through the transformation and completion of the overcomers. The "eighth day" is the consummation of the overcomers who will receive their glorified bodies. They will inaugurate the kingdom of God in the earth and will preach the eternal gospel that will fulfill the Lord's Prayer, "Thy kingdom come they will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

We can see an example of this when Jesus was transfigured on the **EIGHTH DAY** in front of Peter, James and John. Luke 9:32 states, "When they (Peter, James and John) **fully awoke**, they saw His glory."

Luke 9:28-32 (AMP) – Now about eight days after these teachings, **Jesus took with Him Peter and John and James** and went up on the mountain to pray. (29) And as **He was praying, the appearance of His countenance became altered (different), and His raiment became dazzling white** [flashing with the brilliance of lightning]. (30) And behold, **two men were conversing with Him — Moses and Elijah**, (31) Who appeared in splendor and majesty and brightness and were speaking of His exit [from life], which He was about to bring to realization at Jerusalem. (32) Now Peter and those with him were weighed down with sleep, but when they **fully awoke, they saw His glory** (splendor and majesty and brightness) and the two men who stood with Him.

It is on the **EIGHTH DAY** that the **manifested sons of God** will "fully awake" to experience the transformation and the full redemption of their bodies. The transformation will reveal and bring the glory of Christ in the earth.

Jesus taking only three disciples (Peter, James and John) to see His transfiguration reveals a pattern; only a remnant, a third of His disciples will go through the fire and be transfigured into His image.

Zechariah 13:9 (NASB) – "And I will bring the **third part through the fire, refine them as silver is refined, and test them as gold is tested.** They will call on My name, and I will answer them; I will say, 'They are My people, and they will say, 'The Lord is my God.'"

Also, in Ezekiel, the Temple of God was described as having seven steps that led into the outer court (Ezek.40:22, 26). However, there were eight steps that led from the outer court to the inner court (Ezek.40:31, 34, 37). **The first seven led from labor to rest,** but the **eight led from rest to intimate fellowship with God and pure worship!**

Prophetic Pattern Given to Moses

God gave Moses a prophetic pattern so generations of people to come could have a greater understanding for the purpose of the **first seven days of the Feast of Tabernacles**; the feast that leads us through to the completion of the feast on the eighth day.

Leviticus 23:33-36 (AMP) – And the Lord said to Moses, (34) Say to the Israelites, The fifteenth day of this seventh month, and ***for seven days, is the Feast of Tabernacles or Booths to the Lord.*** (35) On the first day shall be a holy convocation; you shall do no servile work on that day. (36) **For seven days you shall offer an offering made by fire to the Lord;** on the **eighth day shall be a holy convocation** (assembly, to call, come together) and you shall **present an offering made by fire to the Lord.** It is a solemn **assembly**; you shall do no laborious work on that day.

God's people were instructed to offer an offering "made by fire" to the Lord for the seven days of the feast. Fire in this passage is symbolic of the purging and the purifying that refines the overcomers to become an acceptable offering to the Lord. Paul urges us in Romans 12:1-2, "to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God..." (2) And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind". Seven days denotes a complete

purging and purifying process. It is a **baptism of fire**, to bring the overcomers into the fullness of the **eighth day** when they receive their glorified bodies, to manifest the glory of God, to rule and reign with Christ in the earth.

Lev. 23:39-43 – Also on the fifteenth day of the seventh month [nearly October] **when you have gathered in the fruit of the land**, you shall **keep the feast of the Lord for seven days**, the first day and the **eighth day each a Sabbath**. (40) And on the **first day you shall take the fruit of pleasing trees** [and make booths of them], **branches of palm trees, and boughs of thick (leafy) trees, and willows of the brook; and you shall rejoice before the Lord your God for seven days**. (41) You shall keep it as a feast to the Lord for seven days in the year, a statute forever throughout your generations; you shall keep it in the seventh month. (42) **You shall dwell in booths (shelters) for seven days**: All native Israelites shall dwell in booths, (43) That your generations may know that I made the Israelites dwell in booths when I brought them out of the land of Egypt. I am the Lord your God.

The eighth day was the “last day” of the “great day of the feast.” However it is really representative of the first day or NEW BEGINNING of a new day or age. The “eighth day” is when the “knowledge of the glory of God will cover the earth as the waters cover the sea.” When this happens it will truly signify a NEW BEGINNING.

In John 7:37-39, Jesus, on the eighth day of Tabernacles, prophesied on the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

John 7:37-39 (NASB) – “Now on the **last day**, the **great day of the feast**, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If any man is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. 38 **"He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, 'From his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water.'**" 39 But this **He spoke of the Spirit**, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; for the Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.”

In those days it was customary for the priest of the **temple to pour out a drink offering of water each morning for seven days during the Feast of Tabernacles**. The water would be poured out **of a silver pitcher**. The priest did **not do this on the morning of the eighth day**. Therefore, when Jesus cried out for men to come to Him for drink, it signified a different kind of water that would be poured out on the **eighth day** of Tabernacles.

Pouring out the water at the Feast of Tabernacles was meant to depict **the Spirit of God being poured out**, as prophesied by Joel in chapter 2:23, 28. The people, however, viewed the ceremony as a time of prayer to ask for rain, which generally began to fall around the time of Tabernacles. This was, indeed, important to the planting of crops at that time of the year. But the people missed its real significance.

When Jesus proclaimed with a loud voice that men were to come to Him for drink, and as a result rivers of living water would flow from their innermost beings, Jesus was actually referring to Isaiah 12:2, 3.

Isaiah 12:2, 3 (NASB) – “Behold, God is my salvation [Yeshua], I will trust and not be afraid; for the LORD GOD [Yahweh] is my strength and song, and He has become my salvation [Yeshua].” 3 Therefore you will joyously draw water from the springs of salvation [Yeshua].”

Yeshua, or Joshua, was Jesus' Hebrew name. So Isaiah was actually prophesying that Yahweh has become my Yeshua. That is, Jesus Christ (Yeshua) was known as Yahweh in the Old Testament before His incarnation in the earth.

Further, Isaiah prophesies that we would "joyously draw water from the springs of Yeshua." Thus, when Jesus shouted to the people on the **eighth day of Tabernacles** that all who were thirsty were to come to HIM for drink, He was referring to **Isaiah 12:3**.

Solomon's temple was glorified on the eighth day of the Feast of Tabernacles. The fact that Jesus prophesied of the outpouring of the Spirit on the last great day of the Feast of Tabernacles shows that this is the appointed time for the fullness of the Spirit yet to come. Pentecost is only a down payment.

Prophetic Temple Ceremonies at Tabernacles

On each of the seven days of Tabernacles, the priests formed a procession and walked around the altar singing Psalm 118:25, "O then, now, work salvation, Yahweh! O Yahweh, give prosperity." On the last day of the feast, that is, **the seventh day, the priests walked around the altar seven times.** Alfred Edersheim

says in his book *The Temple*, page 280, "But on the seventh [day] . . . they made the circuit of the altar seven times, remembering how **Jericho** (moon, shadow) had fallen in similar circumstances, and anticipating how, by the direct interposition of God, **the walls of all barriers, bondages and opposition would fall before Jehovah, and the land lie open for His people to go in and possess it.**"

That day was also called the "**Day of Willows" or the "Day of Beating the Branches,**" because all the leaves were shaken off the willow boughs and the palm branches were beaten in pieces by the side of the altar." The imagery here portrays the destruction of the walls of Jericho and the judgment of the nations by which He brings all nations into subjection to Christ. **The circuit around the altar portrayed the battle of Jericho and the beating of the tree branches signified the conquest of Jericho**--and by extension, all nations, for Jericho was a type and shadow of the nations in general. The circuit around the altar prophesied the day when all nations would be conquered and Christ would rule all nations as His inheritance. This conquest is associated particularly with the Feast of Tabernacles, showing that the coming of Christ and the establishment of divine government will be the fulfillment of the Feast of Tabernacles.

This will begin, of course, with the overcomers, whose corruptible bodies (Jericho-walls- warfare of our flesh) and mortal natures will be "conquered" by Jesus Christ and fully ruled by divine law. These are the firstfruits of the creation, for whose manifestation all creation groans. Even as Jericho was the firstfruits of Canaan in its conquest, so also is the conquest of the overcomer's mortal body transformed to their glorified body, the firstfruits of the world.

The priests had another ceremony during the seven days of Tabernacles. The ceremony took place at the time of the evening sacrifice. **It was called the illumination of the temple.** At the close of the day, four young priests carrying pitchers of oil filled the four bowls of the **four large golden lampstands that had been set up.** The priests and Levites used their own worn out liturgical clothing for wicks.

This ceremony was intended to portray the glory of God in Jerusalem. The glory of God never came to that temple. The ceremony was **prophesying of the New Jerusalem and its New Temple made of living stones.** In John 8:12, as Jesus continued to teach the people the following day, He explained the significance of this practice. Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of

the world; he who follows Me shall not walk in the darkness, but shall have the light of life."

Even as the true water of life was to be drawn from Jesus, as He proclaimed on the last great day of the feast, so also must all come to Jesus to receive the true light of truth. The light of life comes when the fullness of the Spirit comes down to indwell the temple of our bodies. The illumination of the temple, then, prophesies of the glory and light of God filling His people at the time of the Feast of Tabernacles.

Chapter 9

Eridanus - River of the Judge

Years ago, The Lord gave me a dream and in it He said “you are invited to the Baltic’s in November.” With much searching and seeking His wisdom He gave me the interpretation. Baltic’s means white; strait, not man made. November means nine and in Hebrew Kislev is the ninth month. Nine in Hebrew means illumination, when spiritual darkness gives way to the light of godliness, preparing the way of the Lord. Nine also means judgment and work of the Holy Spirit to bring us into full agreement with God, visitation and the Spirit manifesting in the physical. I found another interesting treasure; one thousand years ago the Eridanus River was the original name of the Baltic’s Sea. Baltic which means white represents righteousness. November, which means nine in Hebrew, is a simile and pattern of the Eridanus River. The river of the Judge, the Holy Spirit will bring a people into righteousness so that they will manifest by and through the Spirit in the earth. Thy Kingdom come thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven so that the knowledge of His glory will cover the earth.

As discussed in previous chapters Orion, symbolic of coming forth in Light (Christ and His body), was an example of the glory of God rising and overtaking His overcomers in light. Now we see the overcomers becoming ministers of flames of fire, exemplified as the *ERIDANUS* River, the River of the Holy Spirit. We see different metaphors and similes of the overcomers from Pleiades (the congregation of the Judge) to Eliakim (rising up in judgment) who becomes the throne, the seat of authority and power to His father’s house. They are also exemplified in the Seven Stars (perfection, light, illumination and understanding) at Feast of Tabernacles (second coming of Christ) when the overcomers receive their glorified bodies at the beginning of the millennium and they become the River of the Judge of His fiery law- as the Eridanus River. These are His ministers, flames of fire that flow to bring righteousness to execute His justice and purposes in the earth as the congregation of the Judge (Pleiades). It is a metaphor, a simile that reveals the judgment and justice prepared for the enemies so they will learn righteousness as we will see in this chapter.

ERIDANUS is a decan in the constellation Taurus and the name means “**The River of the Judge.**” It is a river that is symbolic of the judgment and justice prepared for the enemy. Daniel, in his vision of the coming day of Christ’s glory, saw this very river as a fiery flame and as Christ’s fiery law.

Daniel 7:9-10 (NKJV) – **I watched till thrones were put in place**, and the Ancient of Days was seated; His garment was white as snow, and the hair of His head was like pure wool. **His throne was a fiery flame** (*fiery law*), its wheels a burning fire; (10) **A fiery stream** (river of fire) *issued and came forth from before Him*. A thousand thousands ministered to Him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him. The court was seated, and the books were opened.

Deuteronomy 33:2-3 (AMP) - He said, The Lord came from Sinai and beamed (rose up) upon us from Seir; He flashed (shined) forth from Mount Paran, from among ten thousands of holy ones, **a flaming fire, a law, at His right hand.** (3) Yes, He loves [the tribes] His people; **all those consecrated to Him are in Your hand.** They followed in Your steps; they [accepted Your word and] received direction from You.

In the previous verses we see the people at His right hand beamed forth as a river of fire as His fiery law. A confirmation of this verse is found in Psalms 104:2, 4 which states, “**You are covered with light as a garment**” and verse four states, “He makes the winds His messengers, **His ministers flames of fire.**” Jeremiah 5:14 states, “I will make My Words fire in your mouth”.

Matthew 25:34 speaks of those at His right hand, “Come, you who are blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.”

Wow, how exciting it is when we see the purposes and plans of God. He gives us hope and success for our future (Jer. 29:11)! And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love Him and are called according to His purpose (Rom. 8:29).

The overcomers are called as priests and kings to execute the purposes of God by speaking or declaring His Word of fire to bring justice and judgment to the ungodly (Jude 14-15). Just as 2 Thessalonians 2:8 tells us – His Spirit and His

Word pierce through and destroy the darkness at His appearing with the brightness of His light and His presence. So through this we get a better understanding of Isaiah 11:4 – that we the branches will declare His Word and slay the wicked with the breath of His Spirit by His lips (language, speech, His Word).

We are His branches and He is the Vine. Those who overcome and are qualified for the first resurrection will become the fiery river known as Eridanus (The River of the Holy Spirit). In Revelation 1:16 John says, “In His right hand He held (accompany, reign, possess) Seven Stars (Pleiades) and from His mouth there came forth a sharp two edged sword.”

(In my book “*Lambkins*” I clarify that there are only two books of the bible where the word *Lamb (arnion)* is used; John and Revelation. “Arnion” (G721) in Greek means lambkins. The first time the word Arnion is used is in John 21:15, when Jesus tells Peter to feed His *lambs*. The second time the word appears is in Revelation 5:6. In these instances “arnion” speaks of the mature, masculine lambs; Christ and His body as one. It also means to expiate sin. For more information on this topic refer to the book *Lambkins*.)

So we can see that in Christ’s right hand he holds His congregation, His lambkins, His judges, His overcomers also known as Pleiades. We will see more examples in the following scriptures showing that those who qualify become the river of His fire, which is Eridanus in the constellation Taurus the bull, which is the river of the Judge, the river of the Holy Spirit.

The Hebrew word for fire is *esh*. It is spelled with the Hebrew letters, *aleph* and *sheen*. *Aleph* means an ox and denotes strength and power. *Sheen* means teeth and represents to consume or devour. The word fire means a strong devourer. Our God is a consuming fire (Deut. 4:24, Heb. 12:29). The Hebrew word for man (male) is *ish*. It is spelled with the Hebrew letters *aleph*, *yod* and *sheen*. Man was the word fire with the yod in the middle. *Yod* literally means a deed or a work. Thus man was meant to manifest the fire (glory, light) of God in all His deeds and works. As we have seen Deut. 33:2-3 depicts the fire of God. The Greek word for fire is *pur* (Strong’s # G4442). The Greek word *pur* is the root of many of our English words; pure, purify, purge and purification. This same word for fire is used in Hebrews 12:29, it states that “our God is a consuming fire”. We can see God is not out to destroy humanity but to purify and purge us. Isaiah 26:9 really sums it up, “When

your judgments are in the earth the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.”

Daniel 12:10 (NIV) – Many will be purified, made spotless and refined, but the wicked will continue to be wicked. None of the wicked will understand, but those who are wise will understand.

Malachi 3:2-3 (NASB) – "But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? **For He is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap.** (3) "He will sit as a smelter and purifier of silver, and He will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, so that they may present to the LORD offerings in righteousness.

Matthew 3:11 – ...He will baptize you with the **Holy Spirit and fire.**

Psalm 97:3-5 (RV) – "**A FIRE GOES BEFORE HIM, and burns up His adversaries round about.** His **lightning's** (flashing sword, illumination, light, revelation, **torch**) lightened the world: the earth saw and trembled, the hills melted like wax at the presence of the LORD, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth."

Isaiah 62:1 – Zion's salvation like a burning torch

Gen. 15:17 – Flaming torch – the Son

Judges 7:16 – Gideon's 300 men with torches

Ezek. 1:13 – Bolts of lightning, living beings like torches, looked like burning coals of fire.

Isaiah 6:5-7 – touch my mouth with the coals (to burn, lightning, fire bolt, flame, spark)

Psalm 50:3 (KJV) – "Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence, **A FIRE SHALL DEVOUR BEFORE HIM, and it shall be very tempestuous round about Him.**"

Isaiah 66:15-16 – "For, behold, the LORD will come with fire, And with **His chariots** (vehicles, cavalry, multitude) like a whirlwind, to

render His anger with fury, and His rebuke with **FLAMES OF FIRE**. For **BY FIRE**, and by **His SWORD will the LORD plead with all flesh**: and the slain of the Lord shall be many."

"Who may abide the day of His coming and who shall stand when He appears" (**Mal 3:2**)? "Who can stand before His indignation," **when "His fury is poured out like fire"** (**Nahum 1:6**)?

2 Thessalonians 1:5-8 (NASB) – This is a plain indication of **God's righteous judgment so that you will be considered worthy of the kingdom of God**, for which indeed you are suffering. (6) For after all it is only just for God to **repay with affliction those who afflict you**, (7) and to **give relief to you who are afflicted** and to us as well **when the Lord Jesus will be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels** (messengers) **in flaming fire**, (8) dealing out retribution **to those who do not know God and to those who do not obey the gospel** of our Lord Jesus.

1 John 4:17 tells us, "By this, love is perfected with us, that we may have confidence in the Day of Judgment; because as He is, so also are we in this world." What was the beginning of that again? "By this, love is perfected with us, that we may have confidence in the Day of Judgment." Wow! "Love is perfected in us!" When your whole purpose and goal is love, you're not going to miss it. Just be in Him. Like the Word says, therefore if any man be in Christ he is a new creature, all things have passed away and all things become new (2 Cor. 5:17). What does it say about judgment? You have confidence in the Day of Judgment. Do you know why you have confidence in the Day of Judgment? Because you know that you have already been judged and so you don't have to be judged. When you judge yourself rightly and humble yourself in the sight of God, you don't have to be judged. God is only judging those things that separate us from Him. He is a God of love and His judgment is justice to bring forth righteousness.

God is coming to bring judgment to the church first. Why? Because the only way we are going to become a throne (seat of authority and power) is if we get *dethroned*. We cannot become a throne (seat of authority and power) until our "self" life is dethroned. Christ cannot have dominion and rule until we, His overcomers, Eliakims rise up in the full stature of the full measure of Christ; then as He is so are

we in the earth today. Why? Because no longer do we live, but the Christ now lives in us. Oh, is that good?

Jeremiah 33:15 (NASB) – ...I will cause a righteous **branch of David to spring forth**; and he shall **execute justice and righteousness on the earth.**

Isaiah 42:1 – Behold, My servant, whom I uphold; My chosen one... **He will bring forth justice to the nations.**

Jeremiah 1:9 – “Behold, I have put **My Words in your mouth**”

Jeremiah 5:14 (AMP) – ...“**I will make My Words fire in your mouth**”

Zechariah 9:13 (NASB) – ...**I will make you like a warrior’s sword.**

Revelation 1:16 (AMP) – In His right hand He **held** (accompany, possess, reign) **seven stars** (Pleiades) and from **His mouth** there came forth a **sharp two edged sword...**

Joel 2:11 – The Lord utters His **voice** before His army, for His host is very great, and [they are] strong and powerful **who execute [God’s] Word.**

Revelation 11:4-5 (NASB) – ...two (witness) olive (anointed) trees (pillars, peoples) and two (witness) lamp (light, illumination, and understanding) stands (uprightness) that stand before the Lord of the earth. And if anyone wants to harm them, **fire flows out of their mouth and devours their enemies...**

Revelation 19:15 (AMP) – From His **mouth** goes forth a **sharp sword** with which He can smite (afflict, strike) the nations.

Revelation 20:4 – **I saw thrones** (seat of authority and power) **and they** (overcomer, Pleiades, Congregation of the Judge, Eliakims) **sat upon them** (thrones) and **judgment** was given to them.

Daniel 7:22 (NASB) – Until the ancient of Days came and **judgment** was passed in favor of **the saints and time arrived when the saints took possession of the kingdom.**

Psalm 96:13 – He comes to *judge* and govern the **earth**. He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with His truth (faithfulness).

I Corinthians 6:2-3 – Do you not know that the saints will *judge* the world.

Malachi 3:1-3 (AMP) – BEHOLD, I send My messenger, and he shall prepare the way before Me. And the Lord [the Messiah], Whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple; **the messenger of the covenant**, Whom you desire, behold, He shall come, says the Lord of hosts. (2) But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? For He is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap: (3) He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and He will purify the priests, the sons of Levi, and refine them like gold and silver, that they may offer to the Lord offerings in righteousness.

God told Moses, “*I want you to raise up Bezalel, and Aholiab*” and He said, “They are craftsmen of Spirit”. They are craftsmen in **gold** (divine nature), **silver** (redemption), **stones** (living stones) and **wood** (humanity). The craftsmen are skillful in Spirit, manifesting Christ’s divine nature. They know how to minister redemption and how to bring deliverance to humanity (wood), the first Adam.

The highest order of anything is to become it. God does not want us to simply preach a message; He wants us to *become* the message. He doesn’t want us to simply sing nice songs; He wants us to become the song. Why? Because we are singing a love song to Him; we are singing a declaration to Him of His worthiness, His honor, His value. When we are in the Spirit and start to prophesy, the Word goes forth into the air waves and it breaks down strongholds, it destroys death and it brings forth life. Through worship you are creating an atmosphere for His glory!

We are spirit beings and when our proclamation goes forth it creates, and it declares that everything that is contradictory to God will come under complete subjection to Christ and that every knee will bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. Satan is slain and every stronghold is destroyed with the sword of the Spirit and the Word of God. When you know Jesus as Lord every cell and every membrane of your body will know that He is King of kings and Lord of lords! No weapon formed against you will prosper because out of your mouth the

Word shall go forth and slay the adversary, and you shall overcome by the Word of your testimony and the blood of the Lamb.

All we need to do is come into agreement with what He has already completed. He has destroyed every stronghold in you. He has defeated all lack. He has defeated every weakness. He has defeated all insecurities and fears. He has defeated every lie and deception. He has defeated all poverty. He is our provision, He is our pleasure, He is our protection, and when we are in Him all these things will flourish and every enemy is defeated.

Chapter 10

Eliakim - Shebna

As we have previously discussed in chapter one, *Eliakim* is a pattern, an example, a type of overcomer. Eliakim means “*God will raise up*”, “*Whom God established*”, “*God of raising in judgment*”. Eliakim also means ram, tree, strong, power and chief. Do you remember what Pleiades means? It means “*The congregation of the Judge*”.

Eliakim is being raised up to execute judgment as a part of the congregation of the Judge (Pleiades). Pleiades, as we know, is also known as the Seven Stars, Succoth, and Booths – which is Tabernacles. The Feast of Tabernacles is the consummation of the appearing of Christ in a people.

Let me ask you a couple of questions. Is Jesus King of kings? Is He Lord of lords? Hopefully you answered, yes, He is. Well, then He is the Judge of the judges. Are you seeing where I am going? When God said to Moses, “Go to Pharaoh, and tell him to let My people go”, Moses was ready to face the opposition. Why? Because while he was in the wilderness of adversity, God had trained him to trust Him with his whole heart. Moses knew that God would direct his pathway as he completely depended and relied on the Lord. Moses had to learn his true identity and his dependence on God through his own trials and tribulations. The same is true for the overcomers (Eliakims). Through adversity, trials and tribulations the overcomers are learning to completely trust God with their whole hearts, to rely solely on the Lord and to first judge themselves. God is raising Eliakims, a company of judges to execute His judgment and justice in the earth.

Now let us discover how Eliakim was established, how he received his position, and how his life account pertains to you and me in order for us to become the overcomers and judges who God is calling forth in this historic hour.

Shebna was the predecessor of Eliakim. He held a position of authority in the royal house. Because of his position, Shebna became full of himself. He let his position of authority go to his head, which led him to have a tomb hewn out for himself in order to be honored in the place where kings were buried. Shebna was disqualified

because of his self-righteousness and contemptible attitude. God removed Shebna from his office of authority because of his selfishness, arrogance and pride (Is. 22:14-15). Since God could not trust Shebna, He summoned Eliakim to take Shebna's place and gave Eliakim Shebna's priestly garments.

In Isaiah 22:19 God says *He will thrust Shebna from his office and He will pull him down from his station* (office, post). Shebna's name means growth, increase, fullness, and strength. The only problem was that he used the office that God gave him for his own selfish desires and ego instead of glorifying and honoring God. Therefore, God gave Shebna's increase, fullness and strength to Eliakim.

Isaiah 22:20-21 (NKJV) – **'Then it shall be in that day, that I will call My servant Eliakim** (*whom God established, God of raising in judgment, ram, tree, strong, power, chief*) **the son of Hilkiah** (*My portion is Jehovah*); (21) **I will clothe him** (*Eliakim*) **with your** (*Shebna's*) **robe and strengthen him with your** (*Shebna's*) **belt; I will commit your responsibility into his hand. He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the house of Judah.**

God says that He will clothe Eliakim with Shebna's robe and He will bind Shebna's girdle, his priestly garments, on him and He will commit Shebna's authority to Eliakim and Eliakim shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to the house of Judah.

God is going to clothe (cover, adorn) Eliakim with Shebna's garments of authority and strength. We see the same consecration of garments for Aaron and his sons when they were being dedicated to the Lord (Ex. 28:1-4). Their garments represented the spiritual characteristics of being enveloped and consecrated to minister exclusively by, and through, the Spirit; most of all to minister unto the Lord. We are to be clothed in Christ's character and nature, molded into His image, while anxiously awaiting the transformation of our fleshly body into a glorified body.

Exodus 28:2-3 - "You shall make **holy garments** for Aaron your brother, for **glory and for beauty**. (3). . . that **he may minister as priest to Me**.

2 Corinthians 5:2-4 (AMP) – Here indeed, in this [present abode, body], we sigh and groan inwardly, because **we yearn to be clothed over** [we yearn to put on our celestial body like a garment, to be fitted out] **with our heavenly dwelling**, (3) So that by putting it on we may not be found naked (without a body). (4) For while we are still in this tent, we groan under the burden and sigh deeply (weighed down, depressed, oppressed) — not that we want to put off the body (the clothing of the spirit), but rather that **we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal** (our dying body) **may be swallowed up by life [after the resurrection]**.

Colossians 3:10 (AMP) – And have **clothed yourselves with the new [spiritual self]**, which is [ever in the process of being] **renewed and remolded into** [fuller and more perfect knowledge upon] **knowledge after the image** (the likeness) **of Him Who created it**. [See also Genesis 1:26]

Isaiah 22:22 – Then I will set the Key of the house of David, I will lay it upon his shoulder; he shall open and no one shall shut, he shall shut and no one shall open.

Soak in the power and depth of Isaiah 22:22 as I break it down for you below.

Isaiah 22:22 – **Then I will set** (*consecrate, entrust, appoint, assign*) **the Key** (*access, authority, power of cross, self-denial*) **of the house** (*dwelling, habitation, family, temple*) **of David** (*door, gateway, entrance, fruitful, to multiply, divine truth, perfect unity of God*), **I will lay it** (*bring forth*) **upon his shoulder** (*extension of the head, government*) **he shall open and no one shall shut, he shall shut and no one shall open.**

The word “key” in the previous scripture also means stake or post, set upright, exposure to death, covenant, abide and establish. The key is a treasury of the king’s authority to loosen and to break forth. In the Hebrew alphabet the letter Tav means to fence in, hedge around the chamber, the inner chamber, sealed by covenant of a strong leader nailed to the cross who speaks the Word to destroy chaos. It also means completion, consummation of the cross as the seal (character, mark, image) of God.

In Isaiah 22:22 the Lord is setting (consecrating, appointing, assigning) His Key of the Kingdom on Eliakim's shoulder to give him access to his father's house; a temple, a habitation that has God's thoughts of authority and power to destroy chaos and to bring forth justice and judgment by revealing Truth; Christ Jesus. The meaning of "the key" in Hebrew gives us great insight into the qualifications needed to receive the kingly power and authority. Eliakim chose to apply the power of Christ's cross through self-denial, which in turn qualified him to become the throne (the seat of authority and power) to his father's house. Through our self-denial and our purposed death we learn to first judge ourselves and to rise up in righteousness. Once we accomplish that, Christ Jesus can give us the keys to His kingdom to declare His Word and to destroy chaos and darkness so that His light of His understanding and illumination will shine forth. Why would He do that? So that the knowledge of His glory will cover the earth.

As we have learned Pleiades was also known as the Seven Stars which are symbolic of perfected messengers coming forth in light and illumination. As we see in Amos 5:8, Pleiades, the Seven Stars, and the congregation of the Judge all represent the same manifestation as Eliakim. Eliakim received "the keys" to his "father's house". Those "keys" overturn the shadow of death. The shadow has no physical reality. When we are in Christ, the shadow is only an image that appears in our minds. The way a man thinks so he is! Christ overcame death, hell and the grave. He is the Resurrection and there is no death in a heart that has been resurrected in Christ Jesus. A resurrected heart is our goal, our conquest; Christ in us the hope of glory!

Paul said in Philippians 3:10, "That I may know Him in the power of His resurrection, being conformed to His image and likeness that I may attain to the resurrection out from amongst the dead". In other words, our goal is to follow Jesus beyond the veil into the Holy of Holies; to overcome death so that we will receive our glorified bodies in the first resurrection where we rule as priests and kings with Christ. Wow, that is powerful! "The key" is the key of light and illumination of the house of David. It is about being molded into the image of Christ and attaining the full measure of the stature of Christ. He shall open and no one shall shut. He will fasten. He will drive a nail, a tent peg that is a firm foundation that is established and perfected in Christ. No longer I live but the Christ now lives in me! As we are crucified in the likeness of His death so we shall

also be resurrected in His life. Remember, His death is our death. His burial is our burial. His resurrection is our resurrection. Now, we anxiously await the transformation of our glorified bodies (Romans 8:21-23).

The words that Jesus spoke to His Apostles in Matthew 16:18-19 allow us to understand that “the keys of the kingdom” that He spoke about and gave to his apostles, and to us, is the access to dominion, authority and power through agreement with the Spirit.

Matthew 16:19 (AMP) – **I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever you bind (declare to be improper and unlawful) on earth must be what is already bound in heaven; and whatever you loose (declare lawful) on earth must be what is already loosed in heaven [Isaiah 22:22].**

We can now comprehend the magnitude of truth and wisdom by which to overcome all things and comprehend how, through His Spirit, to truly walk in His power and authority. “The keys” are a covenant of a strong leader who is nailed to the cross, who speaks the Word of God to destroy chaos, to destroy everything that exalts itself against Christ. Oh what power and authority we see through these scriptures. The scriptures reveal truth and give us revelation and understanding of God’s heart.

Through our union and communion in prayer with Christ, we are learning to hear what the Lord is saying. We are also learning to declare it and to execute it so that what we declare will come to pass. “Thy kingdom come thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.” This has been God’s heart from the beginning of time. He wants His true offspring to rise up and take their rightful place to execute His purpose in the earth, as it is in heaven. The true key is to understand our identity in Christ; to learn to hear, believe and obey His voice and to come into agreement with what He has already done in order to declare and implement it in the earth. As the Word states in Romans 16:20, “And the God of peace will soon crush Satan under YOUR FEET.”

Matthew 18:18-19 (AMP) – **Truly I tell you, whatever you forbid (bind) and declare to be improper and unlawful on earth must be what is already forbidden (bound) in heaven, and whatever you permit (loose) and declare proper and lawful on earth must be what is already permitted**

(loosed) **in heaven.** (19) Again I tell you, if two (witness) of you on earth agree (harmonize together, make a symphony together) about whatever [anything and everything] they may ask, it will come to pass and be done for them by My Father in heaven.

Isaiah 22:23 (NASB) – “I will drive him *like* a peg in a firm place, And he will become a throne of glory to his father’s house.

Here is the scripture again but with a little more clarity.

Isaiah 22:23 – “**I will drive him** (*Eliakim*) **like a peg** (*nail, stake, a strong leader nailed to the cross*) **in a firm** (*sure, permanent, bind together, secure, binding heaven and earth*) **place,** (*station, office, post, the spirit in our heart*) **and he** (*Eliakim*) **will become a throne** (*seat of authority and power*) **of glory to his father's house.**

Firm, in Strong’s Concordance (OT: 529), means permanent, secure, faithful, to trust, to believe, established, stand firm, to bind together and a support.

In Isaiah 22:23 the **nail** that is fastened to a **firm place** is derived from the Hebrew root word *emun* which means craftsman. The word *emunah*, from the root word *emun*, means firmness. The word *Pistis*, in Strong’s Concordance (NT: 4102), means faith, conviction of the truth, belief. Faith is usually perceived as knowing, while *emunah* is a firm action. The word *action* means reproducing procreative power. It is also behavior or conduct – the action or reaction of a person to external or internal stimuli or a response to a person’s environment. To have faith in God not only means that one believes He exists or believes that He will act but it also means that one who lives in faith will act with firmness keeping God’s will and purpose in focus. Firm means resistant to external applied pressure; established beyond doubt, indication or possessed of determination or resolution; not yielding to pressure, not shakable, securely in position, enduring and steady, resolute, unbendable, and unwavering. One with faith is firm in their actions.

A craftsman is one who is firm and secure in his gifts and talents in Christ (Exodus 35:31). The Lord called Bezalel by name and He filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, in knowledge and in all manner of workmanship in gold (divine nature), silver (redemption), brass (judgment), stone (living stones), and wood (humanity), that he may teach. We see the firm, secure faith as a “craftsman of Spirit” reflected in Joshua the son of Nun, who was full of the Spirit

of wisdom (Deut. 34:9). We observe the firm faith in action in the life of Daniel. In Daniel 4:18 it states, “All the wise men of Nebuchadnezzar’s kingdom were not able to make known the interpretation, but Daniel was able; for the Spirit of the Holy God is in him.”

Faith is coming into agreement with what Christ has already said and done. Ecclesiastes 3:15 states, “That which is has been already (past tense) and that which will be has already been, for God seeks (requires) what has passed by.” We can have a better understanding of this scripture as we fully understand that true faith does not believe *for* something but rather it is an assured trust and reliance in the work already done by Christ Jesus (The Living Word). For us to really understand the truth of Ecclesiastes 3:15, that God’s plans and purposes for eternity have already been completed before the foundation of the world, we need to be in His presence to hear His voice and to be led by His Spirit.

Hebrews 4:3 declares, “ [His] works had been completed and prepared [and waiting for all who would believe] from the foundation of the world.” Christ is waiting for us to believe in what He has completed and for us to enter into His rest. To rest means to cease from our works of flesh, from trying to make things happen, and to come into the realization that everything that has been or ever will be has been instituted, completed from the foundation of the world, to bring about His kingdom. Our goal is to hear what God is saying and to come into full agreement with His plans and purposes that He implemented from the beginning of time.

To drive home this truth, let us look at Matthew 16:19 again, “I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever you bind (declare to be improper and unlawful) on earth must be what is already bound in heaven; and whatever you loose (declare lawful) on earth must be what is already loosed in heaven” [Isaiah 22:22 (AMP)]. What power and authority given to us by God! However, keep in mind we have a responsibility to know Him and to seek His face.

Most Christians think that when they ask Jesus into their hearts their goal is now to go to church, to be a good person, to help someone in need, to be the best they can be and to grow old gracefully and to die so they can go to heaven to be with Jesus. Don’t misunderstand me, those are good things to do but it’s not what the Word tells us we need to do in order to qualify to rule with Christ in the first resurrection. The Word says He is coming for a church without spots or wrinkles. I guess to

really understand if we qualify we first need to find out what spots and wrinkles represent. Spots are stains, blemishes, marred character, a fault, a defect or a disgrace. Wrinkles are a flux - (a flow) of blood (soul), imperfection, especially on the face (identity), issue, clever trick, method (device, plan or scheme), ridge or crease on a normally smooth surface. He is coming for a church with Christ's character, a representative of the King of kings and Lord of lords. This sounds like the overcomers – the Eliakim's whom we have been studying about; a people who are not ruled by their flesh, the first Adam, or the soulish realm of their emotions and feelings. This sounds like a church that has been perfected, full of mature overcoming people. Let us search the Word for the answer and let us see what God says about our purposes and goals and how to achieve them.

Hebrews chapter 11 proves that heaven is not the ultimate goal for His saints. Otherwise it would never have been written in verse twenty six that Moses was looking to the reward in order that they might attain a better resurrection. Verse 39 states, "all these having gained approval through their faith DID NOT RECEIVE WHAT WAS PROMISED". Verse 40 tells us why, "Because God had provided SOMETHING BETTER FOR US" (those who are reading this are obviously alive) "SO THAT APART FROM US" (those who are alive) "THEY SHOULD NOT BE MADE PERFECT." Those who have passed away cannot be made perfect or receive the promise, UNTIL there is a people who are alive who will qualify. So let's look at what the Word *perfect* means. It means finished, complete, full grown and mature, without flaws, defects or shortcomings. It also means a *perfect copy*. This sounds like Ephesians 4:13 which states, "till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ." Then, "as He is so are we in the earth today" (1 John 4:17). Romans 8:23 states, "Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body." There is a **firstfruit company**, a people who bear fruit first. What kind of fruit? The characteristics of Christ.

Romans 8:23 (NKJV) – Not only that, but **we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit**, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly **waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.**

James 5:7 – Therefore **be patient**, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the **precious fruit of the earth**, waiting patiently for it **until it receives the early and latter rain**.

Our goal is not going to heaven, but rather living in and being enveloped in the heavenly realm, the Spirit realm, by being overtaken by His presence, power and authority. This is the sole purpose for which Christ sent His Spirit, our Comforter, our Ability, and our Teacher. The Holy Spirit guides and directs us in all things until no longer we live but the Christ now lives in us. Why? I am so glad you asked. So that the knowledge of His glory will fill the earth.

Hebrews 11, the faith chapter, proves that all the patriarchs who died are anxiously awaiting the transformation of their bodies. This is the reward, the promise that **THEY DID NOT POSSESS YET**, even after they died (Heb. 11:39-40). All creation is anxiously waiting for the manifestation of the sons of God. To reiterate, going to heaven is not the reward or promise nor is it our goal. Our goal is to be enveloped in the heavenly realm, the atmosphere of the Most High God. The reward is ruling and reigning with Christ and with those who have qualified, like the patriarchs and like Paul who denied their flesh as overcomers for a better resurrection.

Today, most churches are social country clubs filled with nice stories rather than discipleship centers filled with the message of the transforming power of the blood of Jesus. I believe most ministers truly want people to be saved, but like I have said before, even most ministers do not understand “complete salvation.” Salvation not only awakens our spirit but it is also prepares our soul and body to be married to the Spirit of the Lord. This is complete salvation and this is why Christ Jesus died on the cross. He abolished death, hell and the grave. We need to understand what that truly means. Anything that causes death, torment, sickness or destruction in any dimension is a death realm. God sent forth the Spirit of His Son so that we also could live in His power and authority. We must follow in Christ’s steps and pick up our own cross; as we do we will see the victory that He has promised. Christ never directed the apostles to build a church. He did say to make disciples of all nations (Mat. 28:19). To be a disciple, a person has to be willing to submit to God’s authority, to be trained in the Spirit and to take full responsibility for their actions. There are very few people who are willing to do this and to submit to the purging of the Holy Spirit to do it God’s way.

Most Christians have no problem with going to church and paying their tithes, but when it comes to real faithfulness and taking responsibility that is a whole different issue. Many people say to themselves, “I will give you Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights and maybe some prayer meetings but I have to have time for myself.” So they structure their schedules for their convenience and according to what fits into their agenda. Oh, I thought the word states, Seek ye first the kingdom of God and all these things shall be added unto you. Oh that’s right, many people also say, “I am faithful, I go to church and I help when it doesn’t interfere with my schedule.” What’s that about putting God first and being a living sacrifice? “Oh, but I am faithful.” Let’s look at what dear old Mr. Webster says about faithfulness. Faithful means: devoted, steadfast to a faith or cause, constant, loyal, consistently reliable, dedicated and committed. Oh that’s right – you don’t get paid for it! So does that distinguish your faithfulness because it is not a paid job, really? So then who is it about and who are we really committed and faithful to? You got it – ourselves. What would happen if you only went to work when you wanted to or felt like it? Exactly! If we truly love our Lord and Savior how much more should our lives be built around Him and Him alone? In Him we live and move and have our being. Did not the tribes of Israel place their tents around the Tabernacle, which was symbolic of Jesus Christ? Now, instead of a temporary tent, He lives and abides in us. We are the temple of the Holy Spirit, the tabernacle, a habitation, a dwelling place, a sanctuary of the Most High God.

Our lives are not our own. The willingness to be a living sacrifice separates serious followers from those who are not. The serious followers welcome being a living sacrifice and look forward to being molded into the image of Christ. Being molded into his image is not for the faint of heart. It truly requires death of self and denial. It is a narrow path from which we pick up our cross to become a living sacrifice. Let’s take a look at the Word of God regarding the true meaning of the cross and its relationship to our walk.

The Cross means: exposure to death, self-denial, a covenant, to be established, active position. In Hebrew it means a leader nailed to the cross.

Luke 14:27 (NASB) – “Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple”.

Basically, our old self was nailed to the cross which made sin ineffective (Rom. 6:6). The question is? Is our old man, our desires, being nailed to the cross or are we only giving up what is convenient that doesn't cost us our reputation, time, talents and gifts? We were buried with Him in baptism – He disarmed rulers and authorities triumphing over them (Col. 2:12). So why is there still a struggle, conflict? If I am in Him, I'm a new creature and all things have passed away and all things have become new (2 Cor. 5:17). Galatians 2:20 states that - No longer I live, but the Christ lives in me. If the Word is alive and active and I no longer live but the Christ lives in me then I am in the highest order, the dimension that supersedes all other realms of opposition and conflict. He then is greater in me, no longer am I a slave to anything but all things have become subject to the Christ in me (Heb. 2:8)!

In Matthew 18:18-19 we discovered that when we are in agreement with what God is saying there is power. Through the power of agreement with God we receive access to the keys of the kingdom of heaven, which is the Spirit realm of dominion and authority and power. Isn't that the purpose of being baptized in His Spirit? As Acts 1:8 states, "You will receive power when the Holy Ghost comes upon you." Now we can see a magnitude of truth and wisdom to overcome all things and truly walk in His power and authority.

Which leads me to the next word of understanding; in Isaiah 22:23 it says Eliakim **will become a throne of glory to his father's house.**

In the Bible the word "Throne" means seat of honor, seat of authority and power. **"Throne" also means stool. A footstool supports the feet of one who is sitting.** This insight opens up a great understanding of revelation. When we rest in Christ we cease from our labor and rest in His finished work, which means everything is subordinate, subject to Him. Heaven is His throne (a place of subjection to the heavens, the Spirit realm). So we get a real revelation of the heavenly throne as a canopy that clothes us in His fullness until the appointed time when the Father consummates and transforms us, the sons of God, and gives us our glorified bodies to become the sons of the resurrection. We see this union symbolized in the lampstand contained in the Holy Place. The lampstand is a picture of Christ, the Central Shaft, and, the branches connected to the central shaft, His body. The perfect union represents His government coming forth in His power and authority, overcoming darkness so that the knowledge of His glory will cover this earth.

We see another pattern emerging in Isaiah 22:22-23. The verses state that God is setting the key of the house of David upon Eliakim's shoulder (extension of the Head Christ, His government of His body the branches); verse 23 - Eliakim will be fastened in a permanent place (office, post, region) and he will **BECOME A THRONE** (seat of authority and power, an elevated position, to govern, to rule where God manifests His power) of honor and glory to his father's house! In this instance the word *throne* is being used to represent a people who are becoming a throne, the seat of power and authority to their father's house. How powerful is that? Eliakim, whose name means *rising up in judgment* and *established by God*, also represents the congregation of the Judge (Pleiades, the Seven Stars - perfection and completion of the messengers of light and illumination). What an awesome picture of what we become in Him!

Remember – Aries the Lamb became the Ram which transformed into Taurus the Bull – Oxen. The Ox (burden bearer) of Ezekiel 1:10 was transformed into a Cherub in Ezekiel 10:14. This transformation is depicted in the veil (flesh) that our Lord passed through. In the veil, the cherubim (thoughts) are intricately woven into its fabric of blue (heavenly realm, spirit), white (righteousness), scarlet (sacrifice), and purple (kingly anointing of power and authority). When we become a living sacrifice and are enveloped and adorned in His Spirit and His righteousness we will manifest His authority and power and will be transformed into His likeness, His divine nature. Beyond the veil no longer are there threads of flesh and spirit woven together. Beyond the veil our minds and lives cease and Christ rules and reigns in and through us. Beyond the veil is the habitation of the mind of Christ. Jacob's transformation described in Genesis 32:22-31 is a wonderful example of what is meant to go beyond the veil. Jacob wrestled with God. No longer would he be ruled by his old character of being a trickster, a schemer, a usurper of authority. His choice and determination to be blessed (changed in character) resulted not only in a name change but an identity change. Jacob became Israel which means **God rules**.

Another illustration of transformation is found in the Mercy Seat. On each side of the Mercy Seat are found two golden cherubim whose wings extend to meet in the middle. The two golden (divine nature) cherubim (thoughts, mind of Christ) represent Christ and His church (body) as ONE. Through these examples we understand the transformative power of being living sacrifices that choose to be

enveloped in the presence of God and transformed into His likeness. Now Christ, the life giving Spirit, lives, moves and resides in us. Christ in us the hope of glory!

Isaiah 22:23 it states, “**I will fasten him like a peg or nail** (*stake, bind together, to add, secure, hook, binding heaven to earth*) **in a firm** (*sure, permanent*) **place** (*station, post, office, Zion the Spirit in our hearts*) **and he** (*Eliakim, judges, lambkins, overcomers, Jesus and His brethren, Rom. 8:29*) **will become a throne** (*seat of authority and power*) **of honor and glory to his father’s house”**.

Eliakim will become the throne of honor and glory to prevail in his father’s **house**. The word house means dwelling, temple, habitation and family. It also means two companions that never separate, God’s thoughts revealed, direction and purpose. God is building a habitation, a dwelling place within us in order that we, His sons and daughters of light and illumination in the earth, have dominion to expel the darkness.

John 12:36 (AMP) – While you have the Light, believe in the Light [have faith in it, hold to it, rely on it], **that you may become sons of the Light and be filled with Light**.

Daniel 12:3 (AMP) – And the teachers and those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament, and those who turn many to righteousness (to uprightness and right standing with God) [**shall give forth light**] **like the stars** forever and ever [See also Matthew 13:43].

In order to help you to fully understand the information we have covered, a little repetition is necessary. As we have already learned Eliakim’s name means **rising up in judgment**. He represents the congregation of judges in Pleiades. Pleiades represents the Seven Stars. The number Seven represents perfection and completion and the Stars are symbolic of light and illumination, understanding and revelation. We know Eliakim was a priest, a servant to the king, and a messenger. When we put it all together it means **messengers of perfection, completion, light and illumination and revelation**. These messengers of perfection, completion, light and illumination will become the throne (seat of authority), full of the glory of God, on the Feast of Tabernacles. Isn’t it awesome what God has in store for those who love Him and pursue Him with their whole heart?

1 John 4:17 states, “As He is so are we in the earth today.” There is a manchild (mature sons and daughters, manifested sons) being birthed in the earth as Eliakims, Pleiades, judges, lambkins, and overcomers. All of these represent the people who are rising up in the completion, perfection and authority of light and illumination of the Most High God. Out of the church age, the Lord is calling forth His Eliakims and is causing them to rise up and be illuminated in His light. What are we to be? Yes, SONS OF LIGHT. He is bringing forth His authoritative government through a people who are completely in love with Him; A people who have been delivered from external influences and from the seduction of the world. These people have become a living sacrifice eagerly awaiting the second coming of Christ who will bring full salvation to the earth (Heb. 9:28 Amp). I’m speaking to the Overcomer Company. I’m speaking to the people who understand that Pentecost is an introduction, a foretaste of the Spirit, but who also understand that their goal is to be filled up to the full measure of the stature of Christ; overflowing until *no longer they live but the Christ lives in them* (Eph. 4:13, Gal. 2:20).

Hebrews 2:10 (AMP) - For it was an act worthy [of God] and fitting [to the divine nature] that He, for Whose sake and by Whom all things have their existence, in bringing many sons into glory, should make the Pioneer of their salvation perfect [should bring to maturity the human experience necessary to be perfectly equipped for His offices as High Priest] through suffering.

Paul says in Romans 8:28, “God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose”; His purpose not our purpose. If we don’t understand that the adversary was defeated on the cross and we don’t know our true identity, the enemy can overtake and overpower us.

An example of what I am sharing with you is found in Acts 19:14-16. Paul had been doing extraordinary miracles by the power of the Holy Spirit. There were some Jewish exorcists who also wanted to perform the same miracles as Paul but when they tried to bring deliverance to a man who had an evil spirit the evil spirit spoke to them saying “Jesus I know, and Paul I know, but who are you?” In an instant, the evil spirit leaped on them and overpowered them and they fled out of the house naked and wounded.

God wants us to understand that we are the offspring of the Most High God. However, we also have to understand that we can do nothing without Christ Jesus. I don't need to *do* anything for God; it is not in the state of *doing*, it is the state of *being* in Him that brings us new life.

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NASB) – “Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.”

We need to fall in love with the King of kings and the Lord of lords. Out of that love and pure state of being in Him, everything we were created to be or to do will flow out of us and flourish because He is in us and we are ONE. It is out of His finished work that we come into agreement with what He has already done (Eccl. 3:15).

By being in His presence and seeking His face we learn to listen and to hear His voice so that we can declare and proclaim Him in the earth – then His Kingdom come and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

We must learn to come into agreement with what the Lord is saying. As we die to our fleshly desires and the temptations of the world, we become God-conscious. Once we become God conscious, we are able to discern what is of Him and what is not. As we transform we will observe our prayers transitioning from being all about us to being a declaration of His Word, His life and His purpose in order to manifest His healing, deliverance and freedom. This is what it means to be true disciples of His Word and to manifest His presence in the earth. As Christ Jesus said in John 10:27, “My sheep hear My voice, another they will not follow.”

Revelation 20:4 (AMP) – Then **I saw thrones**, and sitting on them were those to whom authority to **act as judges** and to pass sentence was entrusted.

Here is the verse again with a little added clarity.

Revelation 20:4-6 (NASB) – Then **I saw thrones**, and they sat on them, and **judgment** (*act as judges*) **was given to them**. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the **beast** (*bestly nature, carnal nature of first Adam*) or his image, and had not received the **mark** (*character, sign, seal*) on their **forehead** (*thoughts*) and on their **hand**

(works); and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. (5) The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed. **This is the first resurrection.** (6) Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the second death (*death itself has no power on them*) has no power, but **they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.**

John says “I saw *thrones*” (plural) and sitting on them were those to whom authority was given to act as judges. In Revelation 3:21 we see another example of the overcomers who are going to be seated on the thrones.

Revelation 3:21 (NASB) – **He who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.**

Daniel 7:22 (AMP) – **Until the Ancient of Days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the Most High [God], and the time came when the saints possessed the kingdom.**

Those who overcame by the WORD of their testimony became witnesses. They became manifestations of His power and grace by the blood of the Lamb (Rev. 12:10). Christ’s shed blood gave us, and continues to give us, the power to overcome our flesh and our self-works and to live in the finished work of His resurrection power. The overcomers are those who completely depend upon and live according to the WORD of God and the power of the resurrected Christ.

Eliakim’s life is an example, a type and pattern, of those who become the throne to their father’s house. Eliakim’s father was named Hilkiyah. The name Hilkiyah means **my portion is Jehovah!!!** Let’s continue to confirm who represents the congregation of the Judge in these following scriptures.

Isaiah 22:20 (ESV) – **In that day I will call My servant Eliakim** (*whom God established, God raising in judgment*) **the son of Hilkiyah** (*My portion is Jehovah*).

God is establishing His servants, who are rising up in justice and judgment, to bring righteousness and the eternal gospel (full salvation, completeness, glorified body) to the earth; revealing the true inheritance of Jehovah!

Revelation 14:6-7 (NASB) – And I saw another angel flying in mid heaven, having **an eternal gospel** (*full salvation of a people who have received their glorified bodies*) **to preach to those who live on the earth**, and to every nation and tribe and tongue and people; (7) and he said with a loud voice, "Fear God, and give Him glory, **because the hour of His judgment has come**; worship Him who made the heaven and the earth and sea and springs of waters."

Psalms 75:2 (KJV) – When **I shall receive the congregation I will judge uprightly.**

Did you get that? WHEN *I* receive! In that opportune time, in that kairos moment, there will be a people, His elect, His overcomers, His lambkins, His judges (Pleiades) who will judge uprightly. Those who become the congregation of the Judge (Christ) will be transformed into their glorified, redemptive bodies and will receive full salvation to rule and reign with Christ for a thousand years, executing His judgment and justice in the earth (Rev. 20:4-6, Heb. 9:28 Amp).

I love what Paul says in Hebrews 9:28 (AMP), "Even so it is that Christ, having been offered to take upon Himself and bear as a burden the sins of many once and once for all, **will appear a second time, not to carry any burden of sin** nor to deal with sin, **but to bring to full salvation** those who are [eagerly, constantly, and patiently] waiting for and expecting Him."

The first time Christ came, He overcame death, hell, sin and the grave. He became the forerunner to allow a people to follow Him. The second time Christ comes He is not coming to deal with sin but to bring FULL SALVATION. He will gather His elect, His rulers, those who have qualified as overcomers. With a SOUND OF ONE TRUMPET BEING BLOWN, in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye the overcomers shall behold Him and be transformed into their glorified bodies to ever be with the Lord ruling and reigning as priests and kings of the Most High God.

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 (AMP) – For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a loud cry of summons, with the shout of an archangel, and with the **blast of the trumpet** (*one trumpet blast*) of God. And those who have departed this life (*already died*) in Christ will **rise first**. (17) Then **we, the living ones who remain** [on the earth], **shall simultaneously be caught up**

along with [the resurrected dead] in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; and so always (*through the eternity of the eternities*) we shall be with the Lord!

Numbers 10:4 (KJV) – And if they blow but with ONE TRUMPET, then the **princes**, (rulers, chiefs, king, cloud, rising mist) **which are heads of the thousands of Israel**, shall gather themselves unto thee.

These “princes” of Israel are His priests and kings who will minister the eternal gospel as His elect, His lambkins, His judges and who will execute and bring forth His Kingdom in the earth. These are the people who have overcome, having no spot, defect or wrinkle (instability of the soul, imperfection) and have become one with the Lord. Remember what the Word says, He is coming for a church without spot or wrinkle.

Ephesians 5:27 (NASB) – That He might present to Himself the church in all her glory (*called out, called forth into completion*), **having no spot** (*stain, blemish, defect, disgrace*) **or wrinkle** (*flux of blood- unrest, instability of the soul, imperfection*) or any such thing; but that **she would be holy and blameless.**

This verse really gives us clarity about those who are going to be the overcomers and the bride of Christ in the first resurrection (Rev. 20:4-6). How can people of the church think that just because someone has been born again that qualifies them for the second coming of Christ? That thought is presumptuous and does not line up with the Word of God. The term “born again” is misunderstood. The new birth is the beginning of our salvation. Christ’s death, burial and resurrection redeemed us completely. He made provision for the deliverance of man’s spirit, soul and body.

1. Our spirit **has been** saved, born again of the incorruptible Seed. Salvation relates to the sinner being set free. We go from being spiritually dead to being spiritually alive. That means our relationship with God is restored, our sins are forgiven and we now have eternal life. Once we are born again of spirit, we must now learn to deny our flesh and the world system (external realm of works governed and controlled by man).

2. Our soul *is being* saved. As we come into agreement with Christ's finished work at Calvary, we no longer live according to the dictates of the flesh but have learned to live by and through the Spirit of God. We have learned not to be governed by the external realm of our soul, our feelings, emotions, intellect and will but by the internal realm of the power of the Spirit of God.
3. Our body *shall be* saved; shall overcome death. We eagerly await the redemption of our bodies to overcome death (Rom. 8:23). This means people will either be raised from the dead or, for those who qualifying overcomers who are alive, they will receive their glorified bodies at the time of the first resurrection. For those who do not qualify, they will receive their glorified bodies at the end of the millennium (Rev. 20:5).

Amos 5:8 states, "Seek Him who made Pleiades, the Seven (perfect, mature) Stars (messengers of light and illumination) and Orion (Coming forth as Light) **WHO OVERTURNED THE SHADOW OF DEATH**". The Word says Christ annulled and abolished death, hell and the grave (2 Tim. 1:10). If we are united with Him in the likeness of His death, then we will also be united with Him in the likeness of His resurrection (Rom. 6:5-9). We see a people represented here as messengers of light and illumination who overturn the shadow of death. They will preach the eternal Gospel of truth and destroy all shadows, which are counterfeits and substitutes, so that the church will see the true light and walk in it to overturn every obstacle and hindrance that produces death.

Chapter 11

Branch and Lampstand

Christ is the main “Branch.” The church is to be the extension of the Branch, the extension of His government, the five-fold ministry to equip the body of Christ to bring them into maturity (Eph. 4:11-13). The Glorious branch of Isaiah 4:2 is the Glorious Church of Ephesians 5:27, the many-membered body of Christ. God wants everyone to hear from Him for themselves. He wants everyone to find in Him their true identity and inheritance as priests and kings. People can only shine forth Christ’s light and life as His extensions (branches) by being in union with *the* Branch and by coming into agreement with the Word and the Spirit as **ONE NEW MAN. This truth is symbolized in the candlestick in the Holy Place (Eph. 2:15).**

Let’s look at Isaiah 22:22 again.

Isaiah 22:22 – Then I will set the Key of the house of David I will lay upon his shoulder, he shall open and no one shall shut.

Below is the verse with more clarity.

Isaiah 22:22 – Then I will set (*consecrate, entrust, appoint, assign*) **the Key** (*access, authority, power of cross, self-denial*) **of the house** (*dwelling, habitation, family, temple*) **of David** (*door, gateway, entrance, fruitful, to multiply, divine truth, perfect unity of God*) **I will lay** (*bring forth*) **upon his shoulder**, (*extension of the head, government*) **he shall open and no one shall shut.**

Isaiah 40:10 (NASB) – Behold, the Lord will come with might, and with **His arm** (*shoulder, extension of the Head*) ruling **for Him** (*Ps. (9:6, Government shall be upon His shoulder)*). Behold, **His reward** (*to govern, bear rule, have dominion, give power*) **is with Him**, and His recompense before Him.

The “**shoulders**” (*place of bearing burden, responsibility*) are the place of government. **The power and government** (*was set, placed, fixed, established, ordained*) of God flows from the shoulder down through the arm (*symbol of power*) and through the open hand.⁶ The **right shoulder** of the **ram** (*symbolic of the High Priest position of authority in Christ, mature sheep, overcomer*) of consecration was used for Aaron’s dedication (Ex. 29:22, 27). The **twelve** (*government*) **heads of tribes** (*leadership*) put memorial stones on their **shoulders** at the **Jordan** (*overcome, cross over death; Joshua 4:5*).

Isaiah 4:2-6 – In that day **the branch of the Lord** shall be beautiful and glorious. And the **fruit of the earth** shall be excellent and appealing for those of Israel who have escaped.

We are the **fruit** (His offspring, branches) of the earth who are overcoming and being enveloped by and through the Spirit.

James 5:7 (NKJV) – Therefore be patient, brethren, **until the coming** (*at hand, alongside, to be present, presence, denotes one who has already arrived*) of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for **the precious fruit of the earth**, waiting patiently for it until it receives **the early** (*spring, Orion, coming forth in light, beginning*) **and latter** (*fall, mature, Pleiades, Tabernacles*) **rain**.

This verse speaks of Christ coming in us and of the fullness of His Spirit maturing us. We mature when we allow God’s Word to transform us and to produce His character and nature in us until we come into His fullness and attain the unity of the full measure of Christ (Eph. 4:13). This verse also speaks of the early and latter rains. The early rain comes in the Spring. It is symbolic of the time when a disciple begins to be taught of the Holy Spirit, begins to hear the voice of the Lord and be led by the Spirit of God. The latter rain comes in the Fall and represents the time of Feast of Tabernacles. It is symbolic of our maturity; our time to bear fruit. It also speaks of a time when we will be ready to be harvested (transformed) to receive our glorified bodies at the Father’s time at the first resurrection (Rev. 20:4-6).

⁶ *Open hand – symbolizes heaven and earth coming into agreement, the laying of hands joins the heavens and the earth. God’s grace of His government to the church through the five-fold ministry of apostles, prophets, teachers, pastors and evangelists; the extension of the head Christ Jesus; the unseen realm of the heavens is manifested in the seen realm of the earth; Eph. 4:11 Amp.*

Colossians 3:4 (AMP) – When Christ, Who is our life, **appears** (*to manifest, be visible, to be made known*), then you also will **appear** with Him in [the splendor of His] glory.

David, who was an ancestor of the Branch, Christ Jesus, was instrumental in establishing the permanent tabernacle. God allowed David's son Solomon to build His house. Once the Lord's house was built, the Lord filled it with His glory (2 Chronicles 5:14). The infilling of the temple with His glory is an illustration of a pattern that would be fulfilled in us. We are the branches, a spiritual habitation and a sanctuary of our Lord. Our bodies are the temple of the Lord; an abode, a dwelling place that He wants filled with His presence. Just like His Word says, "As He is so are we in the earth today" (1 John 4:17). Christ in you the hope (confident expectation) of glory (Col.1:27)!

Isaiah 11:1-2 – Then a **rod** (*branch*) will spring from the **stem** (*David, root, stock*) of Jesse, and a **Branch** (*Christ Jesus, sprout, descendant*) from his roots will **bear fruit** (*fruitful, branch off, bring forth, producing, cause to be, increased, grow*). (2) And the Spirit of the Lord will rest on Him: The spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

We are the branches that will branch out from Christ Jesus, the main branch, and bear fruit as we become one with the Lord. We see this in the picture of the Lampstand. We represent the six (humanity) branches that are connected to the main shaft (Christ Jesus). The branches of the Lampstand also represent His seven Spirits, the attributes of His character and nature that will flow through us like oil, manifesting His presence and power in the earth.

Zechariah 6:12 (NASB) – Thus says the LORD of hosts, "Behold, a man whose name is **Branch** (*Christ Jesus*), for He will **branch out** (*we are the branches*) from where He is; and He will build the temple of the LORD.

Jeremiah 33:15 (NASB) – In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous **Branch** (*Christ Jesus*) of David **to spring forth**; (*sprout, make to grow, bud forth*) and He shall execute justice (*judgment*) and righteousness on the earth.

In John 15:5 we see another confirmation of God's purpose for Christ (the head) and His body (the branches) to spring forth and bud. (On the lampstand there was a bud, a flower and a fruit; signs of our growth and maturity in Christ to bear fruit.)

John 15:5 (AMP) – I am the **Vine** (*Christ Jesus*); **you are the branches**.

Whoever lives in Me and I in him bears much (*abundant*) fruit. However, apart from Me [cut off from vital union with Me] you can do nothing.

The scriptures are clear, **Christ is the Branch, the vine, and we branch out from Him and become one with Him**. Let's look at John 17:20-23. In these scriptures Christ Jesus himself gives us such wonderful clarity.

John 17:20-23 (NASB) – "I do not ask on behalf of these alone, but for those also who believe in Me through their word; (21) that they may all be one; even as You, Father, are in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may believe that You sent Me. (22) **"The glory which You have given Me I have given to them, that they may be one, just as We are one;** (23) **I in them and You in Me, that they may be perfected in unity,** so that the world may know that You sent Me, and loved them, even as You have loved Me.

The glory that Christ Jesus spoke of, that is to be seen in Pleiades (the Seven Stars⁷, Eliakim⁸), are His branches (the shoots, the buds that flower and bear fruit) who manifest His character and nature in the earth.

The pattern of unity is also depicted in the lampstand of the Holy place. The golden lampstand had a center column with three branches extending from it on each side. These arms resembled branches of an almond tree. Each arm of the lampstand was made with an ornamental bud, flower, and fruit; representing the growth of an almond tree. In the lampstand, the Central Shaft represents Christ Jesus. We, the branches are shown as an extension of the Central Shaft. Christ is our complete source for all power, all anointing and the Seven Spirits of God. When we become totally dependent on the Spirit of the Living God, guess what happens? We become an extension of who He is in the earth; His offspring, His branches!

⁷ Seven Stars (Pleiades) – Congregation of Judges

⁸ Eliakim – Rising up in judgment

Revelation 1:12-13 (AMP) – Then I turned to see [whose was] the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw **seven** (*perfection and completion*) **golden** (*divine nature*) **lampstands** (*light, lamps that shine forth in illumination and understanding*), (13) And **in the midst of the lampstands** [One] **like a Son of Man**, clothed with a robe which reached to His feet and with a girdle of gold about His breast [Daniel 7:13; 10:5].

Let's dig a little deeper to briefly discuss another pattern of unity in the next few verses of Revelation. In Revelation 1:16, the pattern of unity is depicted in the Seven Stars which are held by Christ's right hand. They are ONE with the main shaft, Christ Jesus. By being ONE with Christ, the Seven Stars (the overcomers) have the Seven Spirits of Christ flowing through them and become a voice in the earth.

Revelation 1:13-16 (NASB) – And in the **middle of the lampstands** I saw one like a son of man, clothed in a robe reaching to the feet, and girded across His chest with a golden sash. (14) His head and His hair were white like white wool, like snow; and His eyes were like a flame of fire. (15) His feet were like burnished bronze, when it has been made to glow in a furnace, and **His voice was like the sound of many waters** (*many people, a multitude*). (16) **In His right hand He held seven stars**, and out of His mouth came a sharp two-edged sword; and His face was like the sun shining in its strength.

Now let's get back to the golden lampstand. As previously mentioned the lampstand was fashioned after an almond tree. In order to understand another pattern and example of Christ, the head, and His body as one, let's take a look at the illustration of the almond. The almond reveals a beautiful example of our growth and development into being one with our Lord and Savior.

Numbers 17:5-8 (NASB) – It will come about that the rod of the man whom I **choose will sprout**. (6) Moses therefore spoke to the sons of Israel, and all their leaders gave him a rod apiece, for each leader according to their fathers' households, twelve rods, with the rod of Aaron among their rods. (7) So Moses deposited the rods before the LORD in the tent of the testimony. (8) Now on the next day Moses went into the tent of the testimony; and **behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of Levi had sprouted and put forth buds and produced blossoms, and it bore ripe almonds**.

The tribe of Levi represented the priesthood. Of all twelve tribes only the rod (branch) of Aaron budded, bringing forth life out of that which was dead. What a beautiful picture of Christ! When He died, God sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our heart that we would cry, Abba Father (Gal. 4:6)!! We must understand that the immortal, incorruptible Seed of Christ is within us and everything He is we are. Christ in us the hope of glory! As He is so are we in the earth today!

We are heirs of the Father and joint heirs with Christ. If His word is true, and we believe Him with our whole heart, then why don't we walk in Him and possess all of His promises? Because we live in the wrong identity. We have been living according to the flesh, the world systems and the ideologies of humanity instead of living according to our true character, the offspring of the Most High God. Praise God, we are hearing truth that sets us free to rise up into our true identity of the last Adam, the life-giving Spirit of God. If we believe, we will see the glory of God.

Jeremiah 1:11-12 (NASB) – The word of the LORD came to me saying, "What do you see, Jeremiah?" And I said, "**I see a rod (branch, offspring, descendants) of an almond tree.**" (12) Then the LORD said to me, "You have seen well, for **I am watching over My word to perform it.**"

The **Rod** is symbolic of God's chosen priesthood, kings and priests after the order of Melchizedek, which is the order of Spirit (Gen 14:18-20; Ps 110:4; Heb. 5:6, 10; 7:11; Rev 1:6, 5:10).

The **Almond tree** was the first tree to blossom in the Spring. It is representative of **FIRSTFRUITS, RESURRECTION LIFE and FRUITFULNESS**. The almonds were used for making oil and ointment for medicine.

Jesus Christ, the firstborn of those being raised from the dead, is the Branch that brought forth resurrection life out of death. He became the firstfruits of those that have fallen asleep in death (1 Cor. 15:20). He is the Head of the church and the Ruler of the kings of the earth (Col. 1:18, Rev. 1:5). Jesus was the firstborn among many brethren (Rom. 8:29). The brethren, the branches, represented by Orion (coming forth in Light) and Pleiades (congregation of the Judge), overturned the shadow of death into a New Day! Jesus is our example, being the firstborn from among the brethren. Those who follow Christ beyond the veil are exemplified in the congregation of judges. They are those who overturn death. They are the first

fruit company, as seen in the example of Aaron's rod that budded, representing life coming forth out of death. When Jesus went to the cross He went as ONE MAN. Jesus died as ONE MAN. However, when He arose He became a multiplied Incorruptible Seed of immortality. Jesus became the forerunner for a people to follow beyond the veil, beyond flesh, into the Holy of Holies, into a deathless immortal state, to rule and reign as priests and kings in the earth. Christ as the Head and His body the multiplied Seed – as ONE.

James 1:18 (AMP) – And it was of His own [free] will that He gave us birth [as sons] by [His] Word of Truth, so that we should be a kind **of firstfruits of His creatures** [a sample of what He created to be consecrated to Himself].

The Golden Lampstand is the virgin church, His overcomers, Eliakims, Pleiades that are His vessels, symbolic of the bowls filled with the oil of the Holy Spirit. We are destined to be sons of oil who stand with the Lord of the whole earth (Zech. 4:1-14, Rev. 11:3-6).

The two witnesses represent those who overcome and who qualify for the first resurrection. They will receive their glorified bodies; they will *empty themselves* into the church and in the earth to bring forth the **eternal Gospel**. The overcomers, in unity with Christ, will pour forth His Spirit and Truth and will manifest His power and authority as priests and kings of the Most High, to bring justice and righteousness to the earth (Rev. 14:6).

Revelation 14:4-7 (NASB) – These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. **These have been purchased from among men as first fruits to God and to the Lamb.** (5) And no lie was found in their mouth; they are blameless. (6) And I saw another angel flying in mid heaven, **having an eternal gospel to preach to those who live on the earth**, and to every nation and tribe and tongue and people; (7) and he said with a loud voice, " Fear God, and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come; worship Him who made the heaven and the earth and sea and springs of waters."

All of man's doctrines, theologies, customs and traditions that do not have power to transform and that do not exemplify Christ, will be exposed. All veils and

deceptions will be destroyed so that the true Gospel will be revealed. Once the true Gospel is revealed we can truly worship our Lord in SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH.

We see this picture in the Lampstand that was fashioned from ONE piece of pure gold (divine nature). As we have discussed, the number one signifies unity, being in one accord. All the truths revealed through the light and life of the Lampstand is to be taken to the four corners of the earth. Rev. 5:10 states, "You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to our God; and they will reign upon the earth."

Chapter 12

Urim and Thummim

The Bible provides us with many examples, similes and metaphors represented in **the Holy garments of the High Priest** which were given to Aaron and his sons by Moses upon their consecration into the priesthood. All of the pieces of the priestly garments were important, we, however, are going to focus on the breastplate. Understanding its significance gives us insight and confirmation of who we are; our identity in Christ.

The breastplate covered the heart of the High Priest who ministered unto the Lord in the Tent of Meeting, the Holy of Holies (Ex. 28:30). Included on the top of the breastplate were twelve precious stones. Found within the breastplate were the **Urim** and the **Thummim** that rested on the heart of the High Priest. The Urim and Thummim were used to reveal the will of God.

The word **Urim** means flame, fire (Strong's Concordance OT: 217). Its root means to be luminous, to illumine, to light up, to cause to shine, to enlighten. In the King James Version of the bible it is translated break of day, glorious, kindle and (be, give, show) light, set on fire, shine. The Greek Old Testament translates the word **Urim** as "the manifestation." Light means, set on fire. Fire does two things, it purifies and consumes.

The word **Thummim** in Hebrew means perfections (Strong's Concordance OT: 8550). It is an emblem of complete truth on the High Priest's breastplate. The root word of **Thummim** is *tom* (Strong's OT: 8537). It means completeness; figuratively it means prosperity, innocence, simplicity, integrity, uprightness, fullness, to complete. The Septuagint translates **Thummim** as "The Truth". The Greek word used is *aletheia* (Strong's NT: 225). It means truth as a personal excellence which is free from affections, pretense, simulation, falsehood and deceit. It is derived from *alethes* (NT: 27) which means true (as not concealing). I love this because it solidifies who Jesus is; He is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Leviticus 8:7-8 (NASB) – "He (*Moses*) put the **tunic** on him (*Aaron*) and girded him with the **sash**, and clothed him with the **robe**, and he put the **ephod** on him; and he girded him with the **artistic band of the ephod** with

which he tied it to him. (8) **He then placed the breast piece** (*covers the heart*) on him, and in the **breast piece** he put the **Urim** (*manifestation (completed, finished work of Christ), lights, illuminated, to enlighten*) and the **Thummin** (*completeness, fullness, perfection*).

Both words, **Urim** and **Thummim**, are plural. The LIGHTS and PERFECTIONS point to the SONS OF GOD, the many membered corporate overcomers created in the image and likeness of Jesus (Rev. 3:21, 21:7). The overcomers minister by the **Urim** and **Thummim** and receive all answers through Christ (Word of fire, 1 Kings 18:24). All the principles relating to the **Urim** (light and Illumination) and the **Thummim** (perfection and completion) are fulfilled in Jesus Christ our great High Priest who is LIGHT and PERFECTION. Jesus is the Light (understanding, illumination) of LIFE and reveals all that He is with His brethren, the priestly company, who follow Him beyond the Veil (flesh) into the Holy of Holies. The overcomers are transformed from Jacob to Israel and no longer do they live but now Christ, the life giving Spirit, rules and reigns (Heb. 6:19-20, Matt. 5:14, Eph. 4:13). These “Sons” manifest His **Urim** and **Thummim** in the earth.

The pattern of the Urim and Thummim is the clearest example of the revelation that God gave to me regarding the **Eliakim** company coming forth as His **Seven** (perfection and completeness) **Stars** (messengers of light and illumination). What do stars do? They shine, they give light, they illuminate. Christ is the Day Star, **He is light and He declares we are sons of light** (John 12:36, 1 Thess. 5:5).

This example is all about a priesthood who will stand up in completeness and perfection, the full measure of the stature of Christ. The priests will come as messengers of light and illumination and will execute His justice and judgment in the earth to make what is wrong right. They will bring forth the manifestation of Christ’s character so that all may experience Him and come into the knowledge of His glory.

Ezra 2:63 – [...**until a priest stands up** with the **Urim** and **Thummin** **no one should eat** (*partake*) **from the Most Holy things.** *[The fulfillment of God’s glory!]*

What an awesome example of God’s mighty army coming forth!

Here are a few more scriptures that confirm who we are.

Ps. 104:2, 4 – Who cover Yourself with light as with a garment.... Who makes winds His messengers flames of fire His ministers.

John 1:4, 9 – In Him was Life, and the Life was the Light of men. (9) True Light coming into the World that illuminates every man.

John 12:36-40 – Believe in the Light, that you may become sons of Light and be filled with Light.

Daniel 12:3 – And the **teachers and those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament**, and those **who turn many to righteousness** (to uprightness and right standing with God) [shall give forth light] **like the stars forever and ever.** [Matthew 13:43]

Philippians 2:13-16 – So that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which **you shine like stars.**”

Genesis 3:21 – The Lord God made **garments** (*to cover, robe*) **of skin** (*made naked*) for Adam and his wife, and clothed them.

In the Targumic⁹ translation it reads that before “the fall” Adam and Eve had garments of glory or garments of light. As part of the first resurrection, those who qualify will put off their earthly clothing of mortality and be adorned in a garment of light. Luke 20:35-36 states, “But those who are counted worthy to attain that age, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry nor are given in marriage; (36) nor can they die anymore, for they are equal to the angels, and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection.”

Believe in the Light, that you may become sons of light and be filled with light (John 12:36-40). I will make you a light to the nations so that My salvation may reach to the end of the earth. I love Daniel 12:3. The Amplified Bible states “And the teachers and those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament, and those who turn many to righteousness (to uprightness and right standing with God) [shall give forth light] like the stars forever and forever.”

⁹ Targum – Aramaic translations or paraphrasings of the Hebrew Scriptures.

Revelation 21:24 states, “The nations shall walk by its light, and the kings of the earth shall bring their glory into it.”

The scriptures confirm that Adam exchanged the glory of God for garments of skin (mortality). God sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts to give us access back into His presence. As we rise up in Christ Jesus, in our true identity, and as we learn to be governed by the Spirit, we will no longer be ruled by our flesh; symbolic of the first Adam (the soul, senses, feelings, emotions). When Adam submitted to his own knowledge and desires (eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil), he sold his rights of dominion and authority to Satan. Adam’s fall allowed Satan to become the god of this world. However, Praise God for his mercy because He sent His Son who triumphed over death, hell and the grave, stripping Satan of his authority! Now we are in the process of taking back our land. We now have access back into the very presence of God and we are being purged and purified by His fire. God is a consuming fire. God is not trying to destroy or hurt us. He is resurrecting us. God is revealing those things that blind and hinder us from walking in His truth and that bring death to our lives. God is exposing all the deep hidden things that do not glorify Him. As Hebrews 2:10 states, “...in bringing many sons to glory, to perfect the author of their salvation through sufferings.” It is only when we suffer that we really survey the truth of our issues. If we are completely honest with ourselves we will see the real motives of our heart and repent for living in deception and selfishness. Ultimately, it is through the baptism of fire that our hidden motives are revealed. Once they are revealed they can be purged from us. Once they are purged from us we can glorify our Lord and Savior.

- Acts 1:8, Matt. 3:11 - Be baptized in the Holy Ghost and *fire*
- Daniel 12:10 - Purified in *fire*
- 1 Corinthians 3:13-15 - Each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by *fire*; and the *fire* will test each one's work, of what sort it is. (14) If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. (15) If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through *fire*.
- Jeremiah 23:29 - Is not my Word like *fire*?
- Malachi 3:1-3 - ...refiners *fire*, smelter and purifier of silver...

We see an example of purification in Genesis 35:2-4; Jacob said to his household, “Put away the foreign gods that are among you, purify yourselves, and change your

garments.” They were headed to Bethel (house of God) to build an altar to the Lord. We also see another pattern in Genesis 41:42-45 when Pharaoh took off the signet ring (mark, seal of authority) from his hand and put it on Joseph’s hand and clothed him in garments (to cover) of fine linen (righteousness) and put a gold (divine nature) necklace around his neck.

Joseph gave Benjamin **five changes of garments**. Benjamin means *son of my right hand* and five represents grace and the five-fold ministry; the extension of Christ to His church through His apostles, prophets, teachers, pastors and evangelists.

Exodus 28:2-3, 5 (NASB) – “You shall **make holy garments** for Aaron your brother, **for glory and for beauty**. (3) You shall speak to all **the skillful persons** whom **I have endowed with the spirit of wisdom**, that they make **Aaron’s garments to consecrate him**, that **he may minister as a priest to Me**. (5) They shall take the **gold** (divine nature) and the **blue** (heavenly, Spirit) and the **purple** (kingly authority and anointing) and the **scarlet** (sacrificial servant) material and the **fine linen** (righteousness)”.

We see the garments of Aaron, the high priest, are the same colors that are in the veil that separated the Holy Place from the Holy of Holies. We know the veil was symbolic of our flesh and that the cherubim were also woven into this material. This speaks of our thoughts being transformed to the mind of Christ as we follow our forerunner beyond the veil into the Holy of Holies. Then our thoughts become His thoughts, the mind of Christ. Then as He is so are we in the earth today (1 John 4:17b).

Light means - to show or make known one’s thoughts; to reveal, illumination, kindle, show light, shine, set on fire; light is the glory of God’s dwelling place, the nature of God; enlighten, to see, to view, unveiling, revelation, means of knowing.

John 5:35 – John was a lamp that burned and gave **light**.

1 Thessalonians 5:5 – You are the sons of **light**.

Philippians 2:15 – You shine like **stars** (bright lights)

Isaiah 60:3 – Nations will come to your **light** and kings to the brightness of your rising.

Acts 13:47 – I have made you a **light** for the nations that you will bring salvation to the ends of the earth.

Ephesians 1:18 – By having the eyes of your heart flooded with **light**, so that you can know and understand the hope to which He has called you, and how rich is His glorious inheritance in the saints (His set-apart ones).

Psalms 104:2, 4 – Who covers Yourself with **light** as with a garment. Who makes His messengers flames of fire His ministers.

John 1:4, 9 – In Him was Life and the Life was the **light** of men, (9) true **Light** coming into the world that illuminates every man.

John 8:12 – I am the **light** of the world. He who follows Me will not be walking in the dark, but will have the **light** which is Life.

John 12:36 – Believe in the **light**, that you may become sons of **light** and be filled with **light**.

Romans 13:12 – Put on the (full) armor of **light**.

Isaiah 49:6 – I will make you a **light** of the nations, so that My salvation may reach to the end of the earth.

Psalms 119:105 – Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a **light** to my path.

Proverbs 6:23 – The commandment is a lamp, and the whole teaching is **light** and reproofs of discipline are the way of life.

2 Corinthians 4:7 – We possess this precious treasure (the divine **light** of the Gospel) in vessels of earth that the grandeur and exceeding greatness of the power may be shown to be from God and not ourselves.

Psalms 2:7 – the Lord is my **light** and my Salvation whom shall I fear or dread?

Revelation 21:22-24 (NASB) – I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. (23) And the city has no need of the sun or of the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God has illumined it, and its lamp is the Lamb. (24) The nations will walk by its **light**, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it.

1 John 1:5-8 (NASB) – [...God is **light**, and in Him there is no darkness at all. (6) If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth; (7) but if we walk in the **light** as He Himself is in the **light**, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. (8) If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us.

1 Peter 2:9 – You are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people; that you should show forth the praises of Him who has called you out of darkness into his marvelous **light**:

Isaiah 62:1 – For Zion's sake I won't hold my peace and will not rest until righteousness and vindication come forth as brightness and her salvation radiates as a **burning torch**.

The scriptures say it all. I pray you see the truth in them.

Chapter 13

Eliakim Is Pleiades

Qualified To Rule

Five years ago if someone would have told me that the Lord was going to tell me that I was not to go shopping at any store unless I really needed something – meaning...not to shop to be shopping or because I just wanted to take a break, I would have probably said “You’ve got to be kidding. What’s wrong with that?” Well, God was revealing to me how shopping, a seemingly innocent thing, was robbing me of Him. When God opens our eyes to truth, we see the subtle seduction of the very things that take us out of the presence of God. 2 Corinthians 4:4 says that Satan is the god of this world. The world system originates in the humanistic ideologies of man and is birthed from the desires of man; all of which originate from the carnal mind that keeps us from our true identity in Christ.

Our flesh, our soul – our senses, emotions and feelings, keeps us in bondage to the physical realm and keeps us from the very presence of God. Remember, it was Adam’s flesh that took him out of the garden, out of the very presence of God; the external realm, the lust of the eyes, the lust of the flesh, and the pride of life. It is the same with us today. The fleshly appetites that make us feel good and that stimulate our sensual desire, ambition, fame, envy and self-righteousness keep us in bondage and in slavery to a realm of death. Our fleshly appetites are instruments of seduction; just like commercials on television. Most advertisements use sexual content to stimulate, allure, seduce and tempt our physical desires. Commercials lure us by using our hunger for food, clothing, ambition, lust and power to stir up our desires and keep us in bondage to the world system and to fleshy desires.

All of these things stimulate, distract and separate us from having a real relationship with God. They keep our mind and thoughts focused on the desire of our flesh instead of the desire of growing up in the Spirit to produce the life of God. When God created Adam and Eve, He was their provision, protection and

pleasure. If we truly love God with all of our hearts we will not share our hearts with the idols of this world that distract us from putting Him first in all things. Keep this in mind, anything you cannot give up easily, without a struggle, is an idol that you have become dependent on and enslaved to. Remember, we are to be in this world but not of it.

In our journey we are learning discernment and to distinguish between what is flesh and what is Spirit. I love what Paul says in 1 Corinthians 9:27 – he does not want to be disqualified. Disqualified from what? The book of Hebrews chapter 11 tells us that the patriarchs endured in order to obtain the better resurrection. Paul endured because he was pressing towards the mark of the high call (Phil. 3:14). His goal was to receive the resurrection out from amongst the dead so he could be conformed to the body of Christ's glory (Phil. 3:11, 21). Jesus Himself said in Luke 20:34, to join "those who are worthy to attain to that age and the resurrection from the dead". To put it simply, Paul and the patriarchs wanted **to be qualified to rule and reign with Christ in the first resurrection** (Rev. 20:4-6).

Why qualify? The qualification is not about dying to go to heaven to receive the promise or reward. The patriarchs all died in faith – **without receiving the promises** (Heb. 11:13). Hebrews 11:35-40 states that they gained approval through faith, but **did not receive the promise** because **God had something better for us and apart from us they could not be made perfect**. Our answer is in *perfection*.

I want to lay a solid foundation in this chapter to give you a greater understanding of your purpose and of what God intended for all humanity. Scripture states He had "something better for us", so let's find out what it is! It's about ruling and reigning with Christ during the millennium – setting up His Kingdom in the earth so that the knowledge of His glory will cover the earth in order that people will come to know Him.

Amos 3:7 states, "Surely the Lord God will do nothing without revealing His secret to His servants the prophets." This means that someone must receive His knowledge and receive a revelation of it so a people will be able to understand and walk in it. 1 Corinthians 2:16 states, "For who has known the mind of the LORD that he may instruct Him?" Believers have the mind of Christ. If you believe, you will see the glory of God (John 11:40)! The real issue is *what* we believe and if we are totally dependent on the Holy Spirit. We must keep our eyes on our Lord and

Savior, expectantly anticipating His return to bring forth justice and judgment. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

1 Corinthians 9:25, 27 (NASB) – Everyone who competes in the games exercises self-control in all things. They then do it to receive a **perishable** wreath, **but we an imperishable** (*incorruptible crown*) (27) but I discipline my body and make it my slave, so that, after I have preached to others, **I myself will not be disqualified.**

Hebrews 11:8-10 (NASB) – By faith Abraham, when he was called, obeyed by going out to a place which he was to receive for an inheritance; and he went out, not knowing where he was going. (9) By faith he lived as an alien in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, fellow heirs of the same promise; (10) for he was **looking for the city** which has foundations, whose architect and **builder is God.**

Abraham was looking for the city which has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. Revelation 21:3 describes the city. The city was the New Jerusalem; not the physical city but the Spiritual New Jerusalem. The city is the Temple. The temple of the Most High God was with man. We are the temple of the Holy Spirit (1 Cor. 6:19). Isaiah 60:18 states “the walls are salvation and the gates are praise”. We are the walls and the gates. I love Revelation 21:24, it states “the kings of the earth shall bring their glory into it”. Now we understand what is meant by ***Christ in you the hope of glory!*** Now we can understand Revelation 3:12-13 – “And He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he will not go out from it anymore; and I will write on him the name of My God, and the name of the **city of My God**, the new Jerusalem, which **comes down out of heaven** from My God, and My new name. Now we can get the full meaning of Hebrews 12:22-23 – “You have come to **Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem**, and to myriads of angels (messengers) and to the general assembly and **church of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven**, and to God, the Judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous **made perfect.**”

In the scriptures above, the city is the dwelling of the Lord in heaven (Spirit realm), and of the church of the firstborn who live in the heavenly (Spirit) realm who have been **made perfect**. In Romans 8:29-30 we see **a people who have been predestined to become conformed to the image of the Son because Christ was**

the firstborn among the brethren. The firstborn of what? I am glad you asked! The firstborn from amongst the dead (Col. 1:18). He was the first to manifest resurrection power. Jesus was the pattern Son. As Hebrews 6:19-20 reveals He was our forerunner to go beyond the veil into the Holy of Holies so that a people could follow! The very example of this pattern is made clear in Philippians 3:10-11; “That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; in order that **I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.**” The overcomers will be the first fruit because they deny their flesh in order to receive perfection. In Hebrews 2:10 we see that the overcomers are perfected through suffering.

Hebrews 2:10 (NASB) – For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, **in bringing many sons to glory, to perfect the author of their salvation through sufferings.**

Colossians 3:23-24 (NASB) – Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men, (24) **knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward** (*divine fullness and perfection*) **of the inheritance** (*to take possession, to succeed as heir*). It is the Lord Christ whom you serve.

Let’s break down a couple of words contained in Colossians 3:24.

Reward means - complete, whole, finished. In the Hebrew alphabet, the word “reward” is represented by the letter Gimmel which means divine fullness and perfection. The letter Gimmel signified to be lifted up, to be glorified or elevated to a position of authority.

Inheritance means to take possession of, to succeed as an heir.

The promise and the reward are for those who overcome. The overcomers will obtain the prize of **perfection**. The prize is the receipt of their glorified bodies; immortality, redeemed resurrected bodies. Hebrews 11:35 communicates that the patriarchs were pressing forth to receive a better resurrection. The better resurrection is the first resurrection (Revelation 20:6). In the first resurrection the overcomers not only receive their glorified bodies but also rule and reign with Christ as His manifested sons.

2 Timothy 1:8-10 (NASB) – Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord or of me His prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel according to the power of God, (9) who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was granted us in Christ Jesus from all eternity, (10) but now has been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, **who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.**

Hebrews 11:26 (NASB) – considering the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for **he was looking to the reward.**

Hebrews 10:35-36 (NASB) – Therefore, do not throw away your confidence, which has a **great reward.** (36) For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God, **you may receive what was promised.**

Hebrews 11:35-40 (NKJV) – Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that **they might obtain a better resurrection.** (36) Still others had trial of mocking and scourging, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. (37) They were stoned; they were sawn in two, were tempted, and were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented – (38) of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. (39) And all these, having GAINED APPROVAL THROUGH THEIR FAITH, **did not receive the promise,** (40) God having provided **something better for us,** that they should **not be made perfect apart from us.**

Well, who is the “us”? If you’re reading it, that’s **you!** It’s **us**, which means those who are alive during the second coming of Christ. Those who are dead cannot receive their reward or their promise of perfection until there is a people ready (the overcomers, lambkins, Eliakims, Pleiades – the messengers of light and illumination), who are alive at God’s divine timing, to execute the Feast of Tabernacles. The promise and reward is not going to heaven, the promise and reward is the fulfillment of perfection (Heb. 11:35, 39-40).

Hebrews 11:13, 16, 24-26 (NASB) – **All these died in faith, without receiving the promises**, but having seen them and having welcomed them from a distance and having confessed that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. (16)...for God has **prepared a city for them**. (24) By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter (25) choosing rather to endure ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin (26) considering the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he was looking to the **REWARD**.

In Hebrews chapter 11, it is clear that the patriarchs **did not receive the promise or reward**. They will not receive the promise until there is a generation that will arise in Christ; a people who deny themselves, who press toward the mark of the high call and who are counted worthy to be qualified for the better resurrection, the first resurrection.

Revelation 20:4-6 (NASB) – **Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them**. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and **those who had not worshiped the beast (beastly nature) or his image**, and had **not received the mark (character, nature) on their forehead (thinking, thoughts) and on their hand (dependent on fleshly works)**; and **they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years (first resurrection)**. (5) **The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed** (Rev. 20:11-15). (*The rest of the dead will receive their glorified bodies at the end of millennium at the great white throne judgment*). **This is the first resurrection** (Luke 20:34-36). (6) Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; **over these the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years**.

Revelation 2:11 (AMP) – He who is able to hear, let him listen to and heed what the Spirit says to the assemblies (churches). **He who overcomes** (is victorious) shall in no way be injured by the **second death**.

You are probably wondering what the difference is between the first and second death. Let me explain. First, Adam sinned and imputed death to all humanity. The

penalty for sin is death, which we know as “mortality.” Mortality was God’s judgment against Adam for his sin. Mortality is the *first* death. The second death is the judgment for our own sin. Romans 6:23 states, “The wages of sin is death.” Revelation 20:13 states, “*They were judged, every one of them according to their deeds.*”

We are "dying out" to the first death (mortality) via the process of overcoming the second death, the death of death; meaning that our whole being is rising up in the likeness of Christ’s resurrection. In the second death, the accuser of the brethren has been cast out, cast down and under the believer’s feet. The carnal mind’s hostility and the enmity against God cease causing the effects of the first death to be eradicated.

To the measure that we have identified with the cross of Christ, conformed to His death - molded into His image, is to the measure that we “die” to our Adamic (carnal, flesh) nature. Our goal is no longer to be ruled by our flesh but to live according to God’s will, it is no longer we who live but Christ who lives in us. Those who rise up in Christ and who qualify for the first resurrection will overcome death. Death is the last enemy for us to overcome.

Revelation 20:14 (NASB) – Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the **second death**, the lake of fire (Rev. 21:8).

The first Adam introduced, and became, the first death. He destroyed life. Christ, the last Adam, the life-giving Spirit, overcame death (second death). He was the final and complete second death; meaning, Christ not only took upon himself our sin but became sin (2 Cor. 5:21). Christ destroyed death and brought eternal life.

Revelation 20:6 (NASB) – Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the **second death has no power**, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 (NASB) – For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God, and **the dead in Christ will rise first.** (17) Then **we who are alive and remain will be caught up together with them in** (*the word “the” is not contained in the original text*) **clouds to meet the Lord in the air,** and so we shall always be with the Lord.

In 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17, the scriptures state that the dead arise first, and then those who are alive will be caught up. This correlates with the scriptures of Hebrews 11:39-40 which state that those who gained approval through their faith did not receive what was promised because God had something better. **They would not be made perfect** (receive their redemptive bodies, glorified bodies, changed into immortality) apart from a qualified people who are alive at the specified time.

Hebrews 9:28 states that the second time Christ comes He is coming to bring **full salvation**, which is the redemption of a people who overcome death and who receive their glorified bodies. 2 Thessalonians 1:10 states, “When He comes to be **GLORIFIED IN HIS SAINTS**. Romans 6:4-5 state, “We have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. (5) For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the **likeness of His resurrection.**”

Hebrews 9:28 (AMP) – Even so it is that Christ, having been offered to take upon Himself and bear as a burden the sins of many once and once for all, will appear a second time, not to carry any burden of sin nor to deal with sin, but to bring to full salvation those who are [eagerly, constantly, and patiently] waiting for and expecting Him.

These verses speak of a people who are eagerly awaiting and expecting Christ to bring full salvation so that the knowledge of His glory will fill the earth and God’s Kingdom will be brought forth. “Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”

Ephesians 1:14 (AMP) – That the Spirit is a guarantee of our inheritance... in anticipation of **FULL REDEMPTION**.

Philippians 3:21 (NKJV) – “Who will transform our lowly body **that it may be conformed to His glorious body...**”

Through these scriptures, we notice that the prize, the promise or the reward was not going to heaven. Rather, the goal of the high call was perfection; receipt of glorified bodies (full redemption) in the first resurrection in order to rule and reign with Christ as priests and kings.

As we read in Philippians 3:10-15, Paul wanted to be counted worthy to be qualified to attain to the age of the resurrection of the dead.

Philippians 3:10-15 (NASB) – that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; (11) in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead. (12) **Not that I have already obtained it or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus.** (13) Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of it yet; but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, (14) **I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.** (15) Let us therefore, **as many as are perfect**, have this attitude; and if in anything you have a different attitude, God will reveal that also to you;

Luke 20:34-36 (NKJV) – Jesus answered and said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage. (35) **But those who are counted worthy to attain that age, and the resurrection from the dead,** neither marry nor are given in marriage; (36) **nor can they die anymore, for they are equal to the angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection.**

Revelation 5:10 (NASB) – "You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to our God; and they will reign upon the earth."

Ephesians 4:11-13 tells us that the five-fold ministry is for the **perfecting of the saints**, until they all attain unto the unity of the faith, of **the knowledge of a full grown man, to the measure of the fullness of the stature of Christ Jesus**. The five-fold ministry is made up of the overcomers who have been molded into the image of the Son and eagerly await the redemption of their bodies. This is what all creation is groaning for – the manifestation of the sons of God (Rom. 8:23, 29). That means we overcome death, which is why Christ died; the **pioneer of our salvation is perfected through suffering** (Heb. 2:10).

The scriptures confirm that “perfection” is the fullness of Christ. They also confirm, He is coming for a church without *spot* (stain, blemish, defect, disgrace, fault of moral behavior) or *wrinkle* (imperfection) (Eph. 5:27). It sounds like He is

coming for a *perfected church*. We must understand that we in ourselves cannot be perfect, but in Him – we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us because “greater is He that is in us than He that is in the world.” “No longer do we live, but the Christ now lives in us.” One of the greatest problems with the church is that it has become more of a social club than a center to disciple people. The church was established to develop Christ’s character in God’s people, the disciples, in order that they would manifest His presence and power in the earth. In other words, the Church is supposed to help the people become “perfected”. Let’s take a look at the Word “perfect” in scripture.

Perfect means - excellent or complete, without flaws, defects or shortcomings; perfect copy, pure or unmixed; to bring to completion, finish; flawless, unblemished, to make fully skilled; blameless, having reached its end, finished, fully grown and mature. Sounds like a bride without spot or wrinkle?!

Colossians 1:28 – Present every man *perfect* in Christ Jesus

Job 36:4 – One who is *perfect* in knowledge is with you.

Matthew 5:48 – You shall be *perfect* just as your Father in heaven is *perfect*.

Ephesians 4:13 – To the full measure of the stature of Christ to a *perfect* man.

Hebrews 10:14 – He has *perfected* forever those who are being sanctified

1 Corinthians 13:10 – When that which is *perfect* has come, then that which is impart will be done away with.

Hebrews 12:23 – To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made *perfect*

Hebrews 2:10 – Make the pioneer of their salvation *perfect* through suffering

Hebrews 11:39-40 – And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, **did not receive the promise, (40) God having provided**

something better for us, that they (those who have already died and qualified) should not be made *perfect* apart from us. (Those who are alive and qualify for first resurrection.)

John 17:22-24 – And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: (23) I in them, and You in Me; that **they may be made perfect in one**, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.

The overcomers, Eliakims, Seven Stars (Pleiades), lambkins and the elect, will receive their glorified bodies to rule and reign with Christ for a thousand years; executing His judgments by divine intervention. An illustration of this pattern is presented in the account of Esau and Jacob. Esau and his army were on their way to confront Jacob for stealing his birthright. The hosts of heaven, the messengers of the Lord, showed up – and by the time Esau got to Jacob, his heart had changed. In the same way, the manifestation of the sons of God will arise in the earth to bring full salvation. They will make what is wrong right and will bring forth His justice to all peoples.

Jeremiah 33:15-16 – I will cause the righteous branch of David to spring forth; and He will execute justice and righteousness on the earth.

Isaiah 26:9 – When your judgments are in the earth the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.

Psalms 75:2 – When I shall receive the **congregation** (*Pleiades, Seven Stars, Eliakims*) I will judge uprightly.

Daniel 7:22 – Until the ancient of Days came, and judgment was passed in favor of the saints and **time arrived when the saints took possession of the kingdom.**

These scriptures speak of the second coming of Christ; when Christ and His overcomers (His Eliakims, Pleiades, His elect) will begin to implement the true Kingdom in the earth. The qualified overcomers will receive their glorified bodies in the first resurrection (Rev. 20:4-6). They will have God's mind and will have His seven spirits completely activated in them; executing His purposes – bringing justice and judgment on the earth. They will cast out the accuser of the brethren

and will bring forth revelation and truth that will prevail. All denominational walls will come down and the people will recognize that there is only one Church – the Church of the Living God. They will realize there is only one doctrine – the Word of God manifested without man’s opinions and traditions. There will be only one government – the government of God, whose corporate body is one with the head Christ Jesus. By His authority they will rule and reign in righteousness, destroying every hindrance and opposition that exalts itself against the Kingdom of God.

John 12:31 – Now the judgment of this world is coming on (*sentence is now being passed on this world*). **Now the ruler of this world shall be cast out (expelled).**

Revelation 12:10 (AMP) – Then I heard a strong (*loud*) voice in heaven, saying, “Now it has come — the salvation and the power and the kingdom (*the dominion, the reign*) of our God, and the power (*the sovereignty, the authority*) of His Christ (*the Messiah*); **for the accuser of our brethren**, he who keeps bringing before our God charges against them day and night, **has been cast out!**

When we cast down the accuser of the brethren every thought that has exalted itself against Christ comes into captivity. The accuser no longer has any dominion or authority; he is under our feet. Romans 16:20 states, “And the God of peace shall soon crush Satan under YOUR FEET”. How soon? As soon as you realize your authority in Christ!

Enoch was another type and pattern of our transformation. Enoch walked with God and **he was not** (Gen. 5:24). You’re learning to walk in the Spirit of God and not in the spirit of the god of the world. You’re learning to say “no” to your flesh, and “yes” to the Spirit. Amen? Just like the patriarchs – their promise, their reward, was perfection – a glorified body, full salvation. Do you remember what Hebrews 9:28 states? It states that at Christ’s second coming, He’s not coming to remove sin, but to implement full salvation. Where’s the focus? The focus is on being molded into the image of the Son so we can attain to the full measure of the stature of Christ; to bring the knowledge of His glory, in its fullness, to the earth. Wow! Is that exciting? We’re living in the greatest time in the history of the earth. Will there be destruction? The bible does affirm there will be wars, rumors of wars and

earthquakes (Matt.13:7). Everyone is looking for a sign; but what did Jesus say?
There will be no sign except – the sign of Jonah.

Chapter 14

Patterns and Types

Jonah - a Sign

If Jonah is the sign, then he will tell us what to expect in this hour. Let's look at what Jesus says in Luke 11:29-30.

Luke 11:29-30 (AMP) – Now as the crowds were [increasingly] thronging Him, He began to say, “This present generation is a wicked one; it seeks and demands a sign (miracle), but no sign shall be given to it except the sign of Jonah [the prophet] [Jonah 1:17; Matt 12:40]. (30) For [just] as Jonah became a sign to the people of Nineveh, so will also the Son of Man be [a sign] to this age and generation” [Jonah 3:4-10].

Malachi 4:5-6 (AMP) – Behold, **I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes** [Matt 11:14; 17:10-13]. (6) And he shall turn and reconcile the hearts of the [estranged] fathers to the [ungodly] children, and the hearts of the [rebellious] children to [the piety of] their fathers [a reconciliation produced by repentance of the ungodly], lest I come and smite the land with a curse and a ban of utter destruction [Luke 1:17].

Luke 1:17 (AMP) – And **he will [himself] go before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn back the hearts of the fathers to the children,** and the disobedient and incredulous and unpersuadable to the wisdom of the upright [which is the knowledge and holy love of the will of God] — **in order to make ready for the Lord a people [perfectly] prepared [in spirit, adjusted and disposed and placed in the right moral state]** [Isa 40:3; Mal 4:5,6].

Here's a quick overview of the story of Jonah. God called Jonah to go to Nineveh. However, Jonah did not want to go to Nineveh so he ran from God. He found a boat that was headed to Tarshish and he boarded it. Because of Jonah's rebellion, God sent a raging storm. The crew of the ship realized the storm was raging

because of Jonah so they tossed him overboard into the ocean. While in the ocean God sent a great fish that swallowed him. Jonah was in the belly of the fish for three days and nights (symbolic of Jesus' death and resurrection on the third day). In the belly of the fish, Jonah realized his error and repented. Once Jonah repented God made the fish spit him out.

I want you to see this picture – not only did God have the fish spit him out but Jonah was spit out right by Nineveh which was where he was originally supposed to go to preach in the first place! Some coincidence! Like the fish really knew right where to take him! Nineveh was a great fishing city. The name Nineveh means *city of fish*. In fact the people of Nineveh worshipped the fish god. No doubt Jonah's experience made the Ninevites think that he was a prophet sent to them by the fish god. It got their attention! God surely governs and controls all things, in order to make the greatest impact and to accomplish His purpose.

When the fish vomited Jonah out on shore his skin was bleached white from the stomach acid of the fish; this is a picture of transfiguration. In the bible, there are a couple of other examples of transfiguration. For instance, when Moses came back from receiving the commandments, his face shone brightly; when Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James and John His face shone clear and bright like the sun and His garment became white as light. The light of transfiguration is symbolic of God's presence, His righteousness, purity, holiness and most of all His glory and light, which we are to walk in as well. It is written God is light and we are sons of light. In Colossians 1:26-27 Paul said that it has been "hidden for ages and generations, Christ in you the hope of glory!" Philippians 3:10-11 state, "That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, **being conformed to His death; (11) in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.**

Matthew 17:2 (NASB) – And He (Jesus) was transfigured before them; and **His face shone like the sun, and His garments became as white as light.**

Exodus 34:29-30 (NASB) – It came about when Moses was coming down from Mount Sinai (and the two tablets of the testimony were in Moses' hand as he was coming down from the mountain), that **Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because of his speaking with Him. (30) So**

when Aaron and all the sons of Israel saw Moses, behold, **the skin of his face shone**, and they were afraid to come near him.

The accounts of transfiguration illustrate a pattern and type of what is to come; the transfiguration of the “overcomers” who will put on their garments of white and receive their glorified bodies.

After Jonah repented, God gave him a second call to preach in Nineveh. This time, Jonah went willingly to the city. The result was that the whole nation was saved. One hundred and twenty thousand people repented and got right with God. There is a two-fold meaning to the “second” call of Jonah. First, it is an example of the second work of Christ; who will come to bring full salvation to the nations. Second, it is symbolic of the impact that the overcomers (the Eliakim Company) will have in Christ’s second coming when the Feast of Tabernacles is fulfilled.

Hebrews 9:28 (AMP) - Even so it is that Christ, having been offered to take upon Himself and bear as a burden the sins of many once and once for all, **will appear a second time, not to carry any burden of sin nor to deal with sin**, but to **bring to full salvation those who are [eagerly, constantly, and patiently] waiting for and expecting Him**.

Had Jonah gone to Nineveh the first time God called him, the impact may not have been as great. It took a bleached white man being vomited out of the belly of a fish to get the attention of a nation. Keep in mind that when Jonah was “birthed” out of the fish, it was a resurrection into a new day in Nineveh. The impact of Jonah’s second call was evident; an entire nation repented and was transformed. Jonah’s life as a prophet, and life event, was a rare reflection of Christ’s second work; after transformation, **people will be full of His Spirit**. Through our complete death of self we are resurrected in Him; no longer do we live but Christ now lives in us.

One hundred twenty thousand Ninevites were saved in the day of Jonah. The number of Ninevites is significant because it correlates with the one hundred twenty people who, during the first coming of Christ, received the baptism of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost (Acts 1:15). **In Christ’s second coming we will see the fullness of the Spirit revealed, overtaking a people into the full stature of the measure of Christ, manifesting full salvation in a glorified body and filling cities and nations with the knowledge of His glory**. This is exemplified in Jonah 4:11, when all the people of Nineveh repented and were saved. When God sends His people to the nations, under the anointing of

Tabernacles, they will preach God's message and entire nations will be saved just like Nineveh.

Moses was 120 Years Old When He Died

In the life of Moses the number **one hundred and twenty is symbolic of the end of flesh life and the beginning of new life**. Moses' life was divided up into three, forty-year segments. The first forty years he spent living in Egypt in Pharaoh's palace. The next forty years he spent living on the backside of the desert, being prepared by God for the task of delivering Israel from slavery to Pharaoh. And the last forty years Moses spent leading the Israelites around in the wilderness, waiting for the day when he could bring them into the Promised Land. So he lived a total of 120 years and not a day longer (Deut. 34:7). As we know, because of rebellion, Moses never brought the people into the Promised Land. Moses rebelled by striking the rock twice instead of speaking to the rock as God directed him (Numbers 20:8-11). His rebellion cost him and kept him from being able to fulfill his mission. He died right before they were to cross over the Jordan into the Promised Land. The honor was then passed to his successor Joshua, who was Moses' right hand man.

I believe Moses' death was completely orchestrated by God because He was showing us that no "man" can receive his inheritance through the righteousness of the law, which Moses represented, but only through grace found in Jesus Christ.

John 1:17 (NASB) – For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ.

Moses' death **at the age of 120 signifies the "end of flesh"** (trusting in our own self effort) because **the works of the Law**, represented by the Ten Commandments, are only for **those who live according to the flesh, sin conscious**. Praise God, when Jesus died on the cross, He fulfilled the law and redeemed us by His grace.

Romans 8:6-8 (NASB) – For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace, (7) because the mind set on the flesh is

hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able to do so, (8) and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

The Law is not for the righteous but for the lawless and unruly, for the ungodly and sinful (1 Tim 1:9-10). If we go back and live according to our fleshly carnal nature, trying to receive our inheritance like Moses, we too will die in the wilderness.

The number **one hundred twenty** represents transitioning from flesh to Spirit. Moses' death symbolizes the crossing over from flesh (1st Adam, the law) to Spirit (Last Adam, the Christ life giving Spirit), from death to life and from the wilderness of man's uncultivated, unproductive self-life to the land of promise, of rest and inheritance. Now we understand the significance of Moses' lifespan.

Solomon's 120 Trumpets

2 Chronicles 5:12-14 (AMP) – ...with them **120 priests** (end of flesh life and beginning of Spirit life, declaring the Word of the Lord) blowing trumpets; 13 And when the trumpeters and singers were **joined in unison, making one sound** to be heard in praising and thanking the Lord, and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and other instruments for song and praised the Lord, saying, For He is good, for His mercy and loving-kindness endure forever, **then the house of the Lord was filled with a cloud**, 14 so that **the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud, for the glory of the Lord filled the house of God.**

This word continues to give us greater understanding of the end of all flesh and the beginning of life.

On the day the Ark of the Covenant was brought into the newly constructed temple on the Feast of Succoth (Tabernacles), there were **120 priests blowing trumpets in unison**. As the priests were blowing the trumpets, suddenly the **cloud of God's glory filled the temple**. This supernatural event is seen as a prophetic picture of the **end-time glorification of the completed body of Christ; the body is the new covenant temple of God**. In other words, the stone temple that was filled with God's glory points to the time when God will fill the human temple with His glory. "Christ in us, the hope of glory" (Col.

1:27). When that glorifying moment occurs, which will also be accompanied by the blast of a trumpet, we will step out of our Adamic flesh of mortality into immortality, into our new glorified bodies. We will be changed in a moment. The word *moment* comes from the Greek word *atomos*. Translated in English, the word is atom. It means indivisible or uncuttable; something that cannot be divided further; it describes the smallest particle of matter. When the overcomers are changed – in a moment (atoms), in an instant, in the twinkling of an eye – with the blast of a trumpet – the atomic structure of their bodies will be changed from water to wine (spirit). Isn't it remarkable that Jesus' first miracle was changing water to wine?

1 Corinthians 15:51-53 (NKJV) – Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed — ⁵² in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. ⁵³ For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortality.

Here is the verse with a little more clarity.

1 Corinthians 15:51-53 – Behold, I tell you a mystery (*hidden, concealed*): We shall not all **sleep**, (*die*) but we shall all be **changed** (*transformed, one thing to cease and another take the place*) (52) in a **moment** (*an “atom”*), in the **twinkling** (*a jerk*) of an **eye** (*vision, illumination, understanding; sudden motion, by extension, extended projection, by qualification, to deposit, to disperse*) at the **last** (*end, final, consummation*) **trumpet** (*voice, declaration, to shake, to rock, vibrate*). For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be **changed**. (53) **For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.**

1 Corinthians 15:51-53 speak of transformation. Through another life event of Jesus we witness the future transformation of the body of Christ. On the Mount of Transfiguration, Jesus was transformed and His Kingdom of power and glory revealed. Matthew 17:2-5 state, “And He was transfigured before them; and His face shown like the sun; and His garments became as white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him. Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, “Lord it is good for us to be here; if you wish, let us make here three tabernacles: one for you, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah. While he was still

speaking behold, a bright cloud enveloped them, and a voice from the cloud said, ‘This is My Beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him.’ Peter, thinking in the natural realm, offered to build them booths since the time was that of the Feast of Tabernacles. He didn’t realize that Christ was the Booth; He was the Tabernacle that came in flesh. Through His sacrifice His death and resurrection, He gave us access back into the very presence of God, so that we too could one day be transformed from this temporary tent of skins, to the redemption of our glorified bodies, to be with Christ for eternity.

The account of Transfiguration is similar to the account of the glory of God coming into Solomon’s temple; the cloud is present, the glory is present, the transforming moment is present – and the timing was, I’m sure, during the Feast of Tabernacles. Although there is no actual trumpet sound in the account of Transfiguration, the voice of God is present, and His voice is described in Revelation as a trumpet sound; “On the Lord’s day I was in the Spirit, and **I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet**” (Rev. 1:10).

In multiple accounts the number 120 appears prior to a prophetic, transforming event that signals the end of flesh. It is linked to the blast of a trumpet and a specific feast date, namely the Feast of Tabernacles. The scriptures give us a big clue as to the season when our Adamic flesh will transition to incorruptible flesh.

Firstfruits

The barley harvest was the first harvest to take place in the spring. In 2 Kings 4 we read of a man from Baal-shalisha who brought Elisha the prophet twenty barley loaves made from the first fruits of barley harvest.

Baal-Shalish means the God that presides over you; lord, gate of God, husband; borders Ephraim (double fruitful); captains, Lord of Shalish.

2 Kings 4:42-43 (AMP) – ...a man from Baal-shalisha came and brought the man of God bread of the firstfruits, twenty loaves of barley, and fresh ears of grain [in the husk] in his sack. And Elisha said, Give to the men that they may eat. ⁴³ His servant said, How am I to set [only] this before a

hundred [hungry] men? He said, Give to the men that they may eat. For thus says the Lord: They shall be fed and have some left.

Here is the scripture with more detail.

2 Kings 4:42-43 (AMP) – A man from **BAAL-SHALISHA** came and brought the man of God (*Elisha*), **bread of the first fruits, twenty** (*government of perfection, power of Spirit to manifest in physical realm*) **loaves** (*bread baked in the furnace of affliction*) **of barley** (*first fruit to be harvested*) and **fresh** (*new*) **ears of grain** [in the husk] (*garments of fruitfulness, to build, obtain children, temple*) in his sack. And Elisha said, Give to the men that they may eat. (43) His servant said, how am I to set [*only*] this before a **hundred** (*children of promise*) [hungry] men? He said give to the men that they may eat. For thus says the Lord; They shall be fed and have some left over.

- **The number 20 represents:** government of perfection, holy
- Hebrew alphabet: Kaf, Kappa – to bend or bow down.
- Kaf enables the latent (*hidden and not yet developed within a person*) power of the Spirit (*the potential*) to be made manifest in the physical.
- This suggests the calling forth of that which is hidden and not yet developed within a person, to manifest in the natural realm by the power of the Holy Spirit within.
- **100 represents:** God's election of grace, children of promise

Revelation 14:3-4 (NKJV) – They sang as it were a new song before the throne, before the four living creatures, and the elders; and no one could learn that song except the **hundred and forty-four thousand** who were redeemed from the earth. (4) These are the ones who were not defiled with women, for they are virgins. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were redeemed from among men, **being first fruits to God and to the Lamb.**

“The number 144 is also associated with barley by the divine measurements in Scripture. The Mishnah, which is the first section of the ancient Jewish manuscripts known as the Talmud, says that 1 cubit was equal to 144 barley corns (grains of barley). Paul says in Ephesians 4:12-13 that the five-fold ministry was given "for the equipping of the saints for the work of service to the **building up** of

the body of Christ, until we all attain ...the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ." When "built up," people become spiritually mature and come to the **prophetic measure of Christ, pictured by the CUBIT, which is 144 grains of barley**" (Quoted from GKM).

The Hebrew word for **grow** is *tsamach* (Strong's OT: 6779). It has a numeric value of 144. According to the Strong's Concordance, **grow** means to bring forth, sprout, and branch; an example of this meaning is brought to us via the Golden Lampstand, we are the branches that bud, flower and then bring forth fruit. As we are connected with the main shaft, Christ Jesus, we mature and become one with Him until we come unto the full measure of the stature of Christ.

Solomon writes in Ecclesiastes 2:6, "*I made ponds of water for myself from which to irrigate a forest of **growing** [tsamach] trees.*" We are the planting of the Lord, but it takes time to grow up into the full measure of the stature of Christ – as represented by the cubit.

Revelation 21:17 (AMP) – He measured its wall (salvation) also — 144 cubits (about 72 yards) by a Man's measure..., which is [the measure] of the angel (Christ).

As we've read, the number 144 is associated with barley harvest, which is the first harvest, the first fruits; also known as the overcomers.

Romans 8:23 (NKJV) – Not only that, but we also **who have the firstfruits of the Spirit**, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.

1 Corinthians 15:20-23 (NKJV) – But now **Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.** (21) For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead. (22) For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. (23) But each one in his own order: **Christ the firstfruits**, afterward those who are Christ's at His coming.

- Barley represents the resurrected Christ.
- Barley was the first crop to harvest.
- Barley was symbolic of first fruits.

- Christ was resurrected on first fruits.
- We are the first fruits of His creation (James 1:18).
- Barley is sown in autumn and harvested in spring.
- Barley matures more quickly than wheat.
- Firstfruits of barley were offered in the Spring –at Passover.
- Firstfruits of wheat were offered 50 days after Passover - at Pentecost.
- Firstfruits of Orchard and Vineyard (grapes) were offered in fall at Tabernacles
- Barley harvest was a note of time!
- Fall is seed time!

James 1:18 (AMP) – And it was of His own [free] will that **He gave us birth** [as sons] by [His] word of Truth, so that **we should be a kind of firstfruits** of His creatures [*a sample of what He created to be consecrated to Himself*].

Former and Latter Rain

The early rain, first rain and autumn showers were all known as the **FORMER RAIN**, the rain that prepares the soil for the seed (the seed rain).

The **LATTER RAIN** is the spring rain, March and April rains, which mature the crops. The Hebrew root word for latter is *laqash* (Strong's OT: 3953). It means to gather the latter growth, to glean, ripen the grain and bring forward the crop toward harvest.

Hosea 6:3 (KJV) – Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord: His going forth is prepared as the morning; and He (Christ Jesus) shall come unto us as the rain, as the **LATTER AND FORMER RAIN** unto the earth.

Joel 2:23 (KJV) – and He will cause to come down for you the **RAIN**, the **FORMER RAIN AND THE LATTER RAIN** in the FIRST MONTH.

Haggai 2:9 (KJV) – The **GLORY** of this **LATTER HOUSE** shall be **GREATER** than of the **FORMER**, saith the Lord of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts.

Ruth

Ruth 3:2 – Naomi told Ruth to go down to **Boaz** (*kinsman redeemer*) for he is **winnowing** (*sifting*) **barley** (*first harvest, first fruit*) **tonight** (*time of transition from one age to another*) at the threshing floor.

The wife, the bride, is being purified and adorned at the threshing floor. Those who will submit and lay down at the feet of Jesus in humility will stand perfect and complete in Him, His first fruit company.

Ruth 3:7-8 (NKJV) – [...and she came softly, uncovered his feet, and lay down. 8 Now it happened at midnight...]

At midnight there is a transition at the threshing floor.

Ruth 2:17 – Ruth worked all day in the fields of Boaz and gathered an **omer** (one sheaf) of **barley**.

Ruth 3:15 – Ruth held out her apron and Boaz measured out **6** (*humanity*) **measures of barley** (*overcome as first fruit*) and gave it to her.

Ruth worked all day in the field of Boaz for one measure of barley. Boaz, symbolic of Christ Jesus our kinsman redeemer, gave Ruth a total of seven measures of barley (resurrection power to overcome). The total number of barley is significant as the number seven represents completion and the full measure of perfection in Christ. Because Ruth willingly gave up her old life, her humanity (six), Boaz completed her and brought her into His perfection.

Gideon

Gideon (warrior) represents the **barley** (overcoming, first fruit) **company** as the overcomers who will inherit the promise.

Judges 6:12 (NKJV) – And the Angel of the LORD appeared to him (Gideon), and said to him, "The LORD is with you, you mighty man of valor!"

The Angel of the Lord not only appeared to Gideon but directed him to tear down the altar of Baal. Since Gideon feared his father Joash, he and ten men tore down the idols of Baal at night. The next morning, the men of the city told his father what Gideon had done. His father then named him Jerubbaal which means controversy, contend, strife and adversary. Basically, Joash was stating that Gideon would have to contend with those who worshipped Baal himself.

Judges 6:32, 34 – Therefore on that day he called **Gideon** (*warrior, to hew down*) **Jerubbaal** (*a controversy, strive, contend*), let Baal contend against him, because he had pulled down his altar, (34) but **the Spirit of the Lord clothed Gideon with Himself and took possession of him**, and he (*Gideon*) **blew a trumpet** and **Abiezer** (*father of help, protect, aid*) was gathered to him.

Gideon called forth the army of the Lord to battle.

Judges 6:36-38 (KJV) – And Gideon said unto God, If thou wilt save Israel by mine hand, as thou hast said, (37) Behold, I will put a fleece of wool in the floor; and if the dew be on the fleece only, and it be dry upon all the earth beside, then shall I know that thou wilt save Israel by mine hand, as thou hast said. (38) And it was so: for he rose up early on the morrow, and thrust the fleece together, and wringed the dew out of the fleece, a bowl full of water.

Gideon wanted to make sure God was with Him so, once again, he asked God for proof. The first time Gideon asked for proof, he asked that the woolen fleece, as it was lying on dry ground, be the only thing that was wet with dew. In Judges 6:38, God fulfilled his request. In verse 39, Gideon asked for more proof. This time he requested that the fleece, while lying on wet ground, be dry. In verse forty, God answered his prayer, the fleece was dry and the ground had dew. So Gideon now trusting God, called together his army. The Lord said to Gideon, “The people who are with you are too many for Me to give the Midianites (*contention, discord, strife*) into their hands, lest Israel boast about themselves against Me, saying, my own hand has delivered me.” Gideon then said to his army, “Whoever is fearful and trembling, let him turn back and depart from mount Gilead,” and 22,000 returned while 10,000 remained. The Lord said, “There are still too many, bring them down to the water and everyone who laps up the water will be your army,”

and there were 300 (divine power, completeness and mastery through Christ) men who lapped up the water.

Now pay close attention, God directed Gideon to take the men to the water (*Word, place of separation*); everyone who consumes the water (*Word*) from the hand (*extension of the head Christ Jesus to His government, the five-fold ministry, Eph. 4:11*) will be in your army!

God gave Gideon instructions how to overcome the **Midianites** (contention, discord, strife) with a **trumpet** in one hand and a **pitcher, with a torch inside the pitcher**, in the other hand.

- **Trumpet** - voice of the Lord, all who could prophesy declaring the word of the Lord
- **Pitcher** - an earthen vessel, we are temple of Holy Spirit
- **Torch** inside the pitcher – Christ in us, the light of the world – sons of light

2 Corinthians 4:6-7 (NKJ) – For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, **to give the light** of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 7) But we have this **treasure in earthen vessels** that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

An army of the Lord, holding in their hands a trumpet (*His voice*) and a pitcher (*their earthen vessel*) with a torch (*the light of the Lord*) inside the pitcher), were instructed to blow their trumpets (*to declare His Word*) and to break their pitchers. When we are broken the light of the Lord comes forth and destroys all darkness as we declare and give God all the glory!

Breaking the pitchers was symbolic of our earthen vessels being broken – the death of our flesh. The first Adam has been overcome by the last Adam – Christ, the life-giving Spirit. We are no longer ruled or governed by our will, emotions, intellect or our senses, but now we are ruled by the Spirit of God.

In Judges 6:16 God told Gideon he would smite (defeat) the enemy as ONE MAN – Christ and His body as ONE. This is a picture of the barley loaf coming down

from Mt. Zion (the government of God in and through His overcomers) and destroying the tents of wickedness.

We are ONE BODY – THE BODY OF CHRIST!

1 Corinthians 10:17 (NKJ) – For we being many are one bread, and one body; for we are all partakers of that one bread.

Judges 7:13-14, 16, 18 (AMP) – When Gideon arrived, behold, a man was telling a dream to his comrade. And he said, Behold, I dreamed a dream and behold a cake of **barley bread** (*firstfruit company of the government of God declaring His Word*) tumbled into the camp of **Midian** (*contention, quarrel, discord, strife*) and came to the tent and struck it so that it fell and turned it upside down so that the tent lay flat. (14) And his comrade replied, this is nothing else but the **sword of Gideon** (*warrior, cut asunder, hew down*) son of **Joash** (*beacon, become, accomplished*), a man of **Israel** (*God rules*). Into his hand God has given Midian and all the host.

(16) And he divided the **300** (*divine completeness*) men into three companies, and he put into the hands of all of them trumpets and empty pitchers, with torches inside the pitchers.

(18) When I blow the trumpet, I and all who are with me, then you blow the trumpets also on every side of all the camp and shout, For the Lord and for Gideon!

Gideon was symbolic of the barley harvest, the firstfruits, but he also wanted to have an effect on the wheat harvest. Some of his own people with whom he was affiliated in Succoth and Penuel would not assist him or even give his men bread to eat, to strengthen them in time of battle.

Judges 8:4-7 (AMP) – And Gideon came to the Jordan and passed over, he and the **300 men** with him, faint yet pursuing. (5) And he said to the men of **Succoth**, “Give I pray you, loaves of bread to the people who follow me, for they are faint and I am pursuing **Zebah** (*deprived of protection, kill, offer, slay, sacrifice*) and **Zalmunna** (*defense, begin to be dark, idol, phantom, illusion*) kings of **Midian**” (*contention, quarrel, discord, strife*). (6) And the princes of **Succoth** said, “Are Zebah and Zalmunna already in your hand,

that we should give bread to your army?” (7) And Gideon said, “For that when the Lord has delivered them into my hand, **I will thresh your flesh with thorns and briers of the wilderness**”.

Succoth means Tabernacles, which represents a people who go beyond the veil into the Holy of Holies. These people deny themselves, pick up their cross and reckon Old Adam dead. No longer do emotions, feelings and senses rule them; now, the last Adam, the life-giving Spirit rules and reigns in their lives. In the account of Gideon, we are introduced to the princes of Succoth. It is evident that the princes of Succoth liked their titles and labels but did not have inner transformation nor did they have any manifestation of the characteristics of godliness. They knew of the overcoming power of God but refused to live in it. They had a form of godliness but denied the power thereof. The princes projected that they were overcomers in their appearance, going through the motions with lip service, but with none of the fruit of being in God. We see in Judges 8:7 that Gideon told them he would *thresh* their flesh. Wheat is threshed at Pentecost, the time of the wheat harvest.

As we read in Judges 8:8, after Gideon approached the princes of Succoth, he and his army went to Penuel. Gideon asked the leaders of Penuel for bread to feed his army. The leaders of Penuel gave Gideon the same answer as had the leaders of Succoth. Verse 9 says, And Gideon said to the men of Penuel, “When I come again in peace, **I will break down this tower**”.

Judges 8:14 (ESV) – And he caught a young man of **Succoth** and questioned him. And he **wrote down for him the officials of Succoth and its elders, seventy seven men.**

Judges 8:16 (NKJV) – And Gideon took the elders of the city, and thorns of the wilderness and briers, and with them he taught the men of Succoth a lesson.

Succoth speaks of the people who know about the Feast of Tabernacles, but who refuse to allow God to change their character and to become living sacrifices. They are lawless company of Matthew 7:22-23 who are disqualified for the first resurrection.

When Gideon returned from battle, he tore down the tower at Penuel. The men of Penuel represent people who put their trust and allegiance in buildings and in the

denominational systems of doctrines and customs of men, instead of building up and equipping Christ's body in His character and nature, to represent His agape love. They were just like the people who built the tower of Babel. God divided the people of Babel because they wanted to exhort and glorify themselves, their own achievements and ambitions instead of God's. Thus we see this same mindset today in denominational systems that divide the church into sects and schisms. Each group speaks different religious doctrines in the language of their own interpretation which causes factions and division. In the account of Gideon, the true hearts of the leaders of Succoth and of Penuel were revealed when Gideon asked them for their assistance and they refused. In other words, "What is in it for me? How will I benefit for helping you?" When the overcoming sons of God arise, manifesting Christ's power and His presence, the walls that divide the church will be destroyed. The overcomers will speak truth and set the captives free. They will help people understand the true eternal Gospel of the Living Word of God.

Years ago, I can remember when the Lord gave me an assignment. There was a young boy named Timmy in my Sunday school class. One day, while he was playing in his back yard, one of his toys got stuck on top of the utility shed. He climbed up to get it. While Timmy was on top of the utility shed, he slipped off and fell into a rebar stake that was cemented into a tire. The metal rebar went straight through his groin all the way to the center of his body just missing the aorta going to his heart. Needless to say the paramedics and the fire department came to remove Timmy from the rebar stake that he had straddled. Timmy was taken to the hospital. That night, his parents put out a plea for blood because Timmy had a rare blood type. Amazingly, three hundred people showed up at the hospital to give blood. The next morning someone from the church called to tell me what had happened. Of course, I immediately got in my car and went straight to the hospital to see Timmy.

The whole time I was driving to the hospital I prayed. I asked God for His direction and asked Him what He wanted me to say. When I saw Timmy's parents, they told me he had gone through eight to nine hours of surgery with eight doctors working intensely on him. As I went into intensive care to see him, I could see his legs and abdomen were all bandaged. Timmy's legs were in stirrups and were held in an immovable position. Fighting back my tears, I went over and hugged Timmy. I told him what the Lord had said to me – that God was going to heal him.

When I left I cried most of the way home because I felt so useless. The news of this tragic accident was all over the media. I went to bed that night still praying and asking God what I could do for Timmy. God spoke to me and said, "I want you to raise money for his family." I asked, "Lord, how can I do this?" That whole night all kinds of ideas started going through my head. I knew the newspaper was already covering his accident because so many had been involved with his rescue. So I proceeded to call the newspaper. When I made the call to the newspaper, instead of getting connected to the secretary I immediately got connected to the main editor who was doing the story. How incredible was that? He asked me who I was. I told him I was Timmy's Sunday school teacher and that I wanted to have a Timmy Lane Day charity event. I explained I wanted the kids to go house to house to get donations, and I wanted to have an auction and a pancake breakfast. As I rattled off all the ideas he wrote them down. To my surprise, he put my ideas in the newspaper along with my contact information and phone number.

As soon as the article was published, my phone rang off the hook with companies calling to donate their products. Everything was supernaturally provided; Pepsi Cola, Sunny Land hotdogs, hot dog buns from the bakeries, pancakes from Robbie's Pancake House. The Levitz Center space was donated to house the items that were donated for auction. The parking lot in front of Levitz Center was used to set up the tent that Smith Tents donated for the auction. We even had an auctioneer call to volunteer his time. My Dad and Ernie Thomas picked up all the auction materials and three precious ladies marked all the items.

The men's ministry volunteered to do the cooking for the Pancake Breakfast, and my dear friends Bob and Molly D'Andrea volunteered to work the Pepsi and hot dog stand. CTN donated all the canisters for the kids to collect donations for Timmy from their neighborhoods. The Fire Departments were our distribution centers. God even gave me wisdom on how to take care of the finances. At the bank, an account was opened for Timmy. Anyone who wanted to make a donation was able to put their donations directly into his account. I spoke out what was in my heart and God delivered! To think how we worry and fret over **minute** things. We serve an awesome God who is concerned with the smallest details. He provided the ketchup to the tent and everything in between. God was in control.

Well, the whole reason I am sharing this testimony with you is to tell you that with great victory there are some real challenges and truths that we learn along the way.

I discovered through this experience that the people that I thought would be excited to help me, like my peers, weren't there to support me nor did they even offer any help; that is – not until they found out that the fundraiser was successful, that everyone was getting involved and that the media was going to cover the pancake breakfast and auction. *Then* they decided to volunteer. HMMM... It's sad to say but I know exactly how Gideon felt. Hey, I thought the reason we went to church was to help others and to lift each other's arms up. Oh, that's right, it's not for me...“Unless I'm the main hot dog and I'm calling the shots and I get my face up front.” Here is another scenario, “They couldn't possibly have heard from God, because if God wanted to do something that big, He would have surely told *me* first”. Now is that the real character of God?

Thank God for all the people behind the scenes who are not in it for power or politics, but who are willing to do whatever it takes to truly love and help a brother or sister in need. They are truly servants of the Most High God who only want to please Him by loving and caring for others. I might as well tell you the rest of the story. We ended up raising over forty thousand dollars for Timmy's expenses. We presented the hospital the check. The hospital wrote off the rest of his bill which totaled over eighty thousand dollars. We serve a mighty God! By the way, God used this accident to thrust me into preaching. I received invitations to share about this great miracle and have been preaching ever since.

So God allowed Gideon to take his brothers from Succoth and Penuel to the woodshed – or I mean the wine press – and there he threshed them because they were only thinking of themselves and refused to represent the true character of God. This threshing of the wheat is what the manifested sons of God are going to do once they receive their glorified bodies. It's all part of how God is going to bring forth righteousness and justice to the earth so that the knowledge of His glory will cover the earth.

We can see in these examples three different types of harvest. Gideon is symbolic of barley, the overcomer who is sifted. Barley is sifted by being thrown into the air and separated by the wind. As we willingly submit to the Holy Spirit, He speaks to us, directs us and corrects us, so we grow into maturity without great opposition on our part. When wheat is harvested it is threshed or beaten, which is a more intense correction than being sifted. Then of course grapes, the most stubborn and hard headed, have to be crushed and pressed at the harvest in order for the pure juice to

flow. We can see the different levels of correction in these three harvests. We are harvested according to our willingness to obey and to submit, or according to our rebellion and stubbornness not to. I think Jeremiah 2:19 sums it all up.

Jeremiah 2:19 (AMP) – Your own wickedness shall chasten and correct you, and your backslidings and desertion of faith shall reprove you. Know therefore and recognize that this is an evil and bitter thing: [first,] you have forsaken the Lord your God; [second,] you are indifferent to Me and the fear of Me is not in you, says the Lord of hosts.

5 Barley Loaves and 2 Fish Fed the 5,000

The five-fold ministry of Christ's government – His disciples, His barley company, His firstfruits – will be dispensers of God's covenant of His word and power and of His divine completeness, to the multitudes

John 6:9 (AMP) – There is a little boy here, who has [with him] five barley loaves, and two small fish; but what are they among so many people?

Here is the verse again with added clarity.

John 6:9 – There is a little boy here, who has [with him] **five** (*extension of His hand, government*) **barley** (*harvest that matures first, firstfruit*) **loaves** (*Word that has been proven*), **and two** (*witness*) **small fish** (*to become numerous, multiply*); but what are they among so many people?

John 6:10 – ...about **5,000, in number** - *divine completeness and Father's glory of His grace and government being extended to the multitudes*. One thousand is symbolic of divine completeness.

John 6:11 – **Jesus took the barley loaves** (*Christ being the bread, the firstfruits of the harvest of those who mature first*) and when He had given thanks, **He distributed to the disciples** (*His government*) and the disciples to the reclining (*resting in Christ for provision*) people; so also [He did] with the **fish, as much as they wanted**.

John 6:12-13 – When they had all had enough, He said to His disciples, Gather up now the **fragments** (*the broken pieces that are left*), so that nothing may be lost or wasted. **(13)** So accordingly they gathered them up, and they filled **twelve** (*government*) **baskets** (*containers, vessels*) with **fragments** (*broken humanity*) left over by those who had eaten from the **five barley loaves** (*firstfruit, baked in the fire of affliction*).

These verses speak of the government of God that shall come forth out of the five-fold ministry that will teach the eternal Gospel.

In John 6:45 Jesus says, “**They shall all be taught of Me**”. Jesus is the true bread from heaven. When the **5,000** (*extension of God, grace, divine completeness, Father’s glory of His grace and government*) had been fed, they gathered the **leftovers into 12 baskets**. Jesus equates this to the resurrection of the dead in John 6:39-40.

Twice more, Jesus speaks of the resurrection of the dead in John 6:44 and 54. **The purpose of the manna** (Jesus is the Bread of Life) **from heaven and the feeding of the 5,000** are found in John 6:45 – “**It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught of God.’** Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father, comes to ME.”

Lambkins

I want to remind you of the message that the Lord gave me about Lambkins. In John 21:15 Jesus said to Peter, “feed my lambs”. In this passage, the first time Jesus uses the word “lambs” it is the Greek word *arnions*. The word *arnions* means little lambs or lambkins and is symbolic of Christ Jesus the Head and His body (elect, overcomers). Only in the books of John and Revelation is the word Lamb (*arnions*) referenced. All other scriptures that speak about the Lamb sacrificed are referring to “*The Lamb*,” the one and only Lamb, Jesus Christ Himself (Acts 8:32, John 1:29, 36, and 1 Peter 1:19).

Let’s look at John 21:15 again. Jesus said to Peter, “Feed My lambs.” In Jesus’ first instructions He directs Peter to feed His *arnions* – His lambkins, His overcomers, His rams, His leaders – who are mature and are who have overcome

all things. Jesus is saying, “I am harvesting My rams, My overcomers, My lambkins; I’m harvesting the harvesters. I am bringing forth my fishers of men.”

Jeremiah 16:16 (NASB) – "Behold, I am going to send for many fishermen," declares the LORD, "and they will fish for them; and afterwards I will send for many hunters, and they will hunt them from every mountain and every hill and from the clefts of the rocks”.

I am calling forth My elect, My lambkins to rise up into their offices as Eliakims to become the thrones of honor and glory (Is. 22:23).

153 Fishes

We read in John 21:1-13 that seven apostles went fishing. The seven apostles were strong men who were trained and experienced fishermen. They knew where to find the catch. However, on this day they could not find any fish. These seven men were chosen by God to be a part of this miracle. They were the chosen disciples – apostles, leaders – and not the multitudes. When fishing in their own strength, without accessing the power that was given to them by the Lord, they continued to toil uselessly. The apostles had returned to their old ways, their old habits and their old associations. In their own personal ignorance and darkness they labored under their own effort and strength. They worked through the night with no results. They were not prepared. The apostles sat in their boat powerless. The boat (vessel of transportation) on the sea (humanity, our carnal nature, self-reliance) could not sustain the weight of a great harvest.

These apostles failed to access the power of the resurrection that was available to them. They had no meat (life-giving Word), no substance, just stale bread with no transforming power beyond their own carnal religious strength. They had been given all authority and dominion over all things, but they failed to access it. The night had revealed the issues of their souls; the issues they had not dealt with.

In John 21:4-5 it was morning and the beginning of a NEW DAY (3rd revelation of Christ). Jesus was on the shore and He said to the men, “Children, have you any fish?” In another words do you have anything besides bread? Do you have

anything that will sustain you? You cannot live by bread alone (Matt. 4:4). Then they remembered what Jesus had recently told them when He met the Samaritan woman at the well; He said, “My food is to do the Father’s will” (John 4:34). Then Jesus said, “Cast your nets on the right side.” When they did, the net was full and exactly **153 fish** were caught; the 153 fish represent the ones who were called out, those who responded to Jesus, who were on His right side, His elect, His chosen (2 Tim. 2:10-13, Is. 65:9, Ob.21).

How many times had they fished without counting? But this time there was a specific number – **153**. Why? Because Jesus wanted to reveal something about a third-room company; a company called to go beyond the veil, into the Father’s presence. There are a people who are being prepared for the third feast, the Feast of Tabernacles. They are being prepared to go beyond the veil into the Holy of Holies in order to consummate with the Father. In the first room, the outer court, we meet Jesus (The WAY) our Salvation. In the second room we meet the Holy Spirit (The TRUTH). The Holy Spirit prepares us for door number three, the Holy of Holies, where we meet the Father (The LIFE).

The **153 fish** are representative of His mature seed being harvested on the Third Day –Third Room – which is the Feast of Tabernacles, the Feast of His Appearing. It is the time when the fullness of the Spirit is manifested, and harvested, in His mature seed. On the Third Day the Lord will call for a people to ascend to the high places in Him; the people will stop laboring and toiling in their own strength, and will ascend and live in His resurrection power. The same spirit that raised Jesus from the dead will quicken their mortal bodies (Rom. 8:11). Out into the sea the Lord is casting His net, drawing those on HIS RIGHT SIDE, and summoning them to become the **153 Sons of God**. In Hebrew, Beni Ha-Elohim means SONS OF GOD and has a numeric value of **153**.

Hosea 6:2 (NKJV) – After two days He will revive us; on the third day He will raise us up, that we may live in His sight.

Romans 8:19 – All creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the **SONS of GOD**.

Right Hand Company

Matthew 25:34 (NASB) – "Then the King will say **to those on His right**, 'Come, you who are blessed of My Father, **inherit** (*to take possession, to succeed as heir*) **the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.**

Right means company, carries out His instructions, accomplishes His will and purpose; an instrument, a channel, power, authority; to receive, accept, get hold of, seize; rainy season and winter.

Hand in the Hebrew alphabet is represented by the letter Kaph. The numerical value of Kaph is twenty. The word hand means - the enabling of the Spirit to manifest in the physical realm; power to rule, subdue, the crown on the head of a prostrating king. It also means to become, make, chiefly (specially) to grow, to form a group, tribe, assembly or union. The number twenty represents the government of perfection, the invisible manifesting in the visible. **The twenty pillars** in Exodus 27:10 surrounded the Tabernacle. The pillars anchored the curtains of the Tabernacle.

Pillars denote clouds, palm trees, a column, stand, platform, abide, appoint, arise, establish, ordain, make to be.

1 Samuel 2:8 (AMP) – He raises up the poor out of the dust and lifts up the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with nobles and **inherit the throne of glory**. **For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and He has set the world upon them.** (Refer to the Molten Sea, twelve oxen holding up the Molten Sea.)

1 Kings 7:21 – He erected the pillars before the temple, one on the right, the other on the left, and called the one on the right **Jachin** (*he shall establish, to set up, prepare, appoint, make provision, stand, perfect, order, ordain*) and the one on the left **Boaz** (*God established in strength, swiftness, be strong*).

Galatians 2:9 – ...grace that had been bestowed upon me, James, Peter and John who were reputed to be **pillars of the Jerusalem church...**

Benjamin was called “son of my right hand” by his father (Gen. 35:18). Joseph, his elder brother, gave him five changes of garments, symbolic of grace and of the five-fold ministry (Gen. 45:22). Joseph, symbolic of Christ Jesus, gave Benjamin **three hundred pieces of silver**. *Three hundred* symbolizes divine revelation, divine perfection, and the army of God. In the Hebrew alphabet, the numerical value of three hundred is assigned to the letter Shin which means to sharpen (as the sickle for the sheaves of harvest), change, a form of a flame. *Silver* represents redemption (Gen. 45:22). The Sons of My Right Hand are full of the Holy Spirit, of His perfection and grace representing Him as His army, His host (Rev. 1:16).

The **right hand**, representative of the **seven stars**, carries out God’s instructions, accomplishes His will and executes His purposes on the earth.

Revelation 1:16 states, **In His right hand, He held** (*accompany, reign, possess*) **seven** (*perfection, completion*) **stars** (*messengers of light & illumination, Pleiades, also known as Succoth or Booth, Tabernacles, congregation of the Judge*) **from His mouth there came forth a sharp two edged-sword.**

In **His right hand He held** perfected messengers of light and illumination. These “perfected messengers” will execute the Word of God. **Jesus says those at His right hand are going to inherit the kingdom** (Matt. 25:34). In His right hand, His instrument... Are you an instrument of His right hand? Are you His right hand company?

For a moment let’s shift our focus to the last sentence of Revelation 1:16 referenced above. John says that “from His mouth there came forth a sharp two-edged sword.” What does that mean? It means a covenant, to establish, to conceive from His **mouth** (weapon to cut). *Your* mouth is a weapon of warfare! Out of *your* mouth you speak life and death. Out of your mouth you bless or you curse.

- **Jeremiah 1:9** – Behold, I have put My *Words* in your *mouth*
- **Jeremiah 5:14** – I will make My *Words* fire in your *mouth*.
- **Zechariah 9:13** – I will make you like a *warrior’s sword*.

- **Isaiah 49:2** – He has made *my mouth like a sharp sword*.
- **Jeremiah 9:12** – to whom the mouth of the Lord has *spoken*, that he may *declare it?*

Let's use our mouths as weapons to slay the enemy and to declare God's Word in the earth.

Isaiah 11:4 (NASB) – But with righteousness He will judge the poor, and decide with fairness for the afflicted of the earth; and He will strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips He will slay the wicked.

Elohim

Elohim means God, judges, rulers, angels, divine ones, RAM, gods of the supreme God, strong tree, oak, post, to twist, the body (as being rolled together), mighty and power.

Genesis 1:26 (NASB) - Then God said, "Let Us make man in **Our** image, according to **Our** likeness;

We are made in the image and likeness of God; His offspring with His character and nature. Our relationship with God is apparent in Revelation 17:14. John said, "These (the enemy) will wage war against the **Lamb** (arnions in Greek - lambkins, mature rams, Christ and His body as One), and the **Lamb** (arnions) **will overcome them**, because He is **Lord of lords** and **King of kings**, and **those who are with Him** are the **called and chosen and faithful**."

Who are with THE KING? Who are with THE LORD? Those who are the chosen and faithful – His kings, His lords, His judges, His representatives, His body, His overcomers!

We see this example in Eliakim whose name not only means God raising in judgment, but it also means strong, power, to raise up and chief – this is the same word definition as the name Abraham. The word definitions of their names are the plural name of Elohim. They signify His overcomers who become the thrones (Is. 22:23).

In the Strong's Concordance and in the Hebrew Lexicon we learn that the name **Abram** means – **preeminent, most high, exalted father, to rise or raise**, exalt, chief, resemble, to be complete, to finish, to be at peace. In the Hebrew language bulls and oxen are known as **Reem**. The word **reem** also means exaltation, power, and pre-eminence. The words Abram and Reem both have a commonality. The common thread is their root word “ab.” It means pre-eminent or high father; Ramah, high place. The word “ab” is also the root word in other kindred languages such as Etruscan and Sanskrit.

In Deuteronomy 33:17, God changed Abram's name to Abraham. The name change was significant because at that moment his identity changed. Abraham (*Strong's OT:85*) became the father of the multitude, the chief father (*Strong's OT:1 – ab*) used of God as Father of His people.

Elohim is the “majestic plural” form of God meaning that He is absolute, preeminent, Most High. Exodus 22:8-9 uses the word “**elohim**” for “**judges**” but it is in plural form with the plural verb in agreement. As in this case the Bible refers to human rulers as gods.

Exodus 7:1-4 (KJV) – And the Lord said unto Moses, See, **I have made thee a god (elohim) to Pharaoh**: and Aaron thy brother shall be thy prophet. (2) Thou shall speak all that I command thee: and Aaron thy brother shall speak unto Pharaoh, that he sends the children of Israel out of his land. (3) And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply my signs and my wonders in the land of Egypt. (4) But Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you, that I may lay my hand upon Egypt, and bring forth mine armies, and my people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments.

Psalms 136:2-3 (AMP) – O give thanks to the **God (Elohim) of gods (elohim)**, for His mercy and loving-kindness endure forever. (3) O give thanks to the **Lord (Adon, Lord, Master, Prince, Priest) of lords**, (adon, lord, master, prince, priest) for His mercy and loving-kindness endure forever —

Psalms 82:6 (AMP) – I said, **You are gods (elohim)** [since you **judge** on My behalf, as My representatives]; indeed, all of you are children of the Most High. [John 10:34-36; Romans 13:1,2]

John 10:34-35 (AMP) – Jesus answered, “Is it not written in your Law, I said, **You are gods** (elohim)? (35) **So men are called gods** (elohim) [by the law], **men to whom God's message came** — and the Scripture cannot be set aside or cancelled or broken or annulled —

Romans 13:1-2 (AMP) – LET EVERY person be loyally subject to the governing (civil) authorities. **For there is no authority except from God** [by His permission, His sanction], **and those that exist do so by God's appointment.** [Proverbs 8:15] (2) Therefore he who resists and sets himself up against the authorities resists what God has appointed and arranged [in divine order]. And those who resist will bring down judgment upon themselves [receiving the penalty due them].

In Revelation 1:8, 21:6, 22:13 Jesus said, “I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end”. When Jesus spoke these words, He spoke them in His native tongue, Aramaic. The Aramaic language uses the same alphabet as the Hebrew alphabet. The Hebrew letters Aleph and Tav are the first and last letters of the alphabet, the beginning and the end. Therefore, Jesus said, “I am the Aleph and the Tav.”

In **Genesis 1:1** we read “In the beginning God **created** the heaven and the earth.” The Hebrew word for created is “bara” (H1254). Appearing right next to the word bara’ (created) is the Hebrew word ‘eth (H853). The word ‘eth is a word that appears hundreds of times in our Bibles. It is comprised of two Hebrew letters ALEPH and TAV. The letters, as we already know, represent the beginning and the end, the equivalent of Alpha and Omega in Greek. Substituting the Hebrew letters in Genesis 1:1 and reading it from right to left (as it is customarily read in Hebrew), the verse reads “– Earth and the heavens the Tav and Aleph created, God in the beginning.

John 1:1 (NASB) – In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Isaiah 46:10 (NASB) – [...declaring the end from the beginning.

Hebrews 4:3 (AMP) – For we who have believed (adhered to and trusted in and relied on God) do enter that rest, in accordance with His declaration that those [who did not believe] should not enter when He said, As I swore in My

wrath, They shall not enter My rest; and this **He said although [His] works had been completed and prepared [and waiting for all who would believe] from the foundation of the world.**

Revelation 21:5-6 (NASB) – And He who sits on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." And He said, "Write, for these words are faithful and true." (6) Then He said to me, "It is done. I am the **Alpha and the Omega** (Aleph and Tav), the beginning and the end. I will give to the one who thirsts from the spring of the water of life without cost.

Jesus is the Aleph Tav. In the Aramaic picture language Jesus is represented in Aleph as the strong leader, Ox, Bull, and in Tav as the covenant and seal in the sign of a cross! Aleph is a picture of the God-Man that is Yeshua. He is the Word of God who took on human form in order to be a servant for all of humanity. The Aleph – The Lord robed in flesh – died on a CROSS. He, the ultimate sacrifice, completed all things (The Tav).