

Greetings, today our manna is from Deut. 4; Psalm 114, 115; Isaiah 51; Revelation 21.

June 19 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective

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Deuteronomy 24

Laws Concerning Divorce

Deu 24:1 “When a man takes a wife and shall marry her, then it shall be, if she finds no favour in his eyes because he has found a matter of **uncoveredness^a** in her, and he shall write her a certificate of divorce, and put it in her hand, and send her out of his house, **Footnote: ^aProof that she is not a maiden, indicating that she had previously been fornicating. See also [Mat 5:32](#) and [Mat 19:9](#).**

Deu 24:2 and if she left his house and went and became another man’s wife,

Deu 24:3 and the latter husband shall hate her and write her a certificate of divorce, and put it in her hand, and send her out of his house, or when the latter husband dies who took her to be his wife,

Deu 24:4 then her former husband who sent her away is not allowed to take her back to be his wife after she has been defiled, for that would be an abomination before יהוה. And do not bring sin on the land which יהוה your Elohim is giving you as an inheritance.

YHWH divorces Israel:

YHWH divorced Israel because of her whoring. She had defiled the land by committing adultery with stones and wood, other gods. In essence, she became betrothed to another. He knew the only way He would be able to take her back would be to lay down His life; and take His life back up again. As bad as Israel was, she had shown herself more righteous than treacherous Judah.

Jer 3:8 “And I saw that for all the causes for which backsliding Yisra’el had committed adultery, I had put her away and given her a certificate of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Yehudah did not fear, but went and committed whoring too.

Jer 3:9 “And it came to be, through her frivolous whoring, that she defiled the land and committed adultery with stones and wood.

Jer 3:10 “And yet for all this her treacherous sister Yehudah has not turned to Me with all her heart, but falsely,” declares יהוה.

Jer 3:11 And יהוה said to me, “Backsliding Yisra’el has shown herself more righteous than treacherous Yehudah.

New covenant laws concerning divorce:

Mat 19:7 They said to Him, “Why then did Mosheh command to **give a certificate of divorce**, [Deu 24:1](#), [Deu 24:3](#) and to put her away?”

Mat 19:8 He said to them, “Because of the hardness of your hearts, Mosheh allowed you to put

away your wives, but from the beginning it was not so.

Mat 19:9 “And I say to you, whoever puts away his wife, except on the ground of whoring, and marries another, commits adultery. And whoever marries her who has been put away commits adultery.”^a Footnote: ^aSee footnote [Mat_5:32](#).

Miscellaneous Laws

Deu 24:5 “When a man has taken a new wife, let him not go out into the army nor let any matter be imposed upon him. He shall be exempt one year for the sake of his home, to rejoice with his wife whom he has taken.

Eph 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, [as Messiah also did love the assembly and gave Himself for it.](#)

Eph 5:26 in order to set it apart and cleanse it with the washing of water by the Word,^f Footnote: ^f [Rev_19:8-9](#).

Eph 5:27 [in order to present it to Himself a splendid assembly, not having spot or wrinkle or any of this sort, but that it might be set-apart and blameless.](#)

Eph 5:28 In this way husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

Eph 5:29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but feeds and cherishes it, as also the [Master does the assembly.](#)

Eph 5:30 [Because we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones.](#)

Eph 5:31 **“For this cause a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.”** [Gen_2:24](#).

Eph 5:32 [This secret is great, but I speak concerning Messiah and the assembly.](#)

Deu 24:6 “No one takes in pledge the lower or the upper millstone, for he would be taking a life in pledge.

Exo 22:26 “If you take your neighbour’s garment as a pledge at all, you are to return it to him before the sun goes down.

Exo 22:27 “For that is his only covering, it is his garment for his skin. What does he sleep in? And it shall be that when he cries to Me, I shall hear, for I show favour.

Luk 12:15 And He said to them, “Mind, and beware of greed, because one’s life does not consist in the excess of his possessions.”

Deu 24:7 “When a man is found kidnapping any of his brothers of the children of Yisra’ël, and treats him harshly or sells him, then that kidnapper shall die. Thus you shall purge the evil from your midst.

1Ti 1:8 And we know that the Torah is good if one uses it legitimately,

1Ti 1:9 knowing this: that Torah is not laid down for a righteous being, but for the lawless and unruly, for the wicked and for sinners, for the wrong-doers and profane, for those who kill their fathers or mothers, for murderers,

1Ti 1:10 for those who whore, for sodomites, for kidnappers, for liars, for perjurers, and

for whatever else that is contrary to sound teaching,
 1Ti 1:11 according to the esteemed Good News of the blessed Elohim which was entrusted to me.

Deu 24:8 “Take heed, in an outbreak of leprosy, to diligently guard and do according to all that the priests, the Lēwites, teach you. As I have commanded them, so you shall guard to do.

Deu 24:9 “Remember what יהוה your Elohim did to Miryam on the way when you came out of Mitsrayim.

Luk 17:12 And as He was entering into a certain village, He was met by ten leprous men, who stood at a distance.

Luk 17:13 And they lifted up their voices, saying, “יהושע, Master, have compassion on us!”

Luk 17:14 And having seen *them*, He said to them, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” And it came to be, that as they were going, they were cleansed.

Deu 24:10 “When you lend your brother a loan, do not go into his house to get his pledge.

Deu 24:11 “Stand outside, and let the man to whom you lend bring the pledge out to you.

Deu 24:12 “And if the man is poor, do not sleep with his pledge.

Deu 24:13 “By all means return the pledge to him at sundown, and he shall sleep in his own garment, and shall bless you. And it shall be righteousness to you before יהוה your Elohim.

Deu 24:14 “Do not oppress a hired servant who is poor and needy, of your brothers or of your strangers who are in your land within your gates.

Deu 24:15 “Give him his wages on the same day, and do not let the sun go down on it, for he is poor and lifts up his being to it, so that he does not cry out against you to יהוה, and it shall be sin in you.

Deu 24:16 “Fathers are not put to death for their children, and children are not put to death for their fathers, each is to die for his own sin.

Deu 24:17 “Do not twist the right-ruling of a stranger or the fatherless, nor take the garment of a widow.

Deu 24:18 “But you shall remember that you were a slave in Mitsrayim, and that יהוה your Elohim ransomed you from there. Therefore I am commanding you to do this word.

Luk 14:13 “But when you give a feast, invite poor ones, crippled ones, lame ones, blind ones,

Luk 14:14 and you shall be blessed, because they do not have to repay you. For you shall be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

Deu 24:19 “When you reap your harvest in your field, and have forgotten a sheaf in the field, do not go back to get it. Let it be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow, so that יהוה your Elohim might bless you in all the work of your hands.

1Jn 3:16 By this we have known love, because He laid down His life for us. And we ought to lay down *our* lives for the brothers.

1Jn 3:17 But whoever has this world’s goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his tender affections from him, how does the love of Elohim stay in him?

1Jn 3:18 My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.

1Jn 3:19 And by this we know that we are of the truth, and shall set our hearts at rest before Him,

1Jn 3:20 that if our heart condemns us, Elohim is greater than our heart, and knows all.

Deu 24:20 “When you beat your olive trees, do not examine the branch behind you. Let it be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow.

Deu 24:21 “When you gather the grapes of your vineyard, do not glean behind you. Let it be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow.

Deu 24:22 “And you shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Mitsrayim. Therefore I am commanding you to do this word.

Jas 5:1 Come now, rich ones, weep, crying aloud over the hardships coming upon you!

Jas 5:2 Your riches have rotted, and your garments have become moth-eaten.

Jas 5:3 Your gold and silver have become rusty, and their rust shall be a witness against you and shall eat your flesh like fire. You have laid up treasure in the last days.

Jas 5:4 See, the wages of the workmen who mowed your fields, which you kept back, cry out.

And the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of יהוה of hosts.^a Footnote: ^a [Jer 22:13](#).

Jas 5:5 You have lived on the earth in pleasure and luxury, you have fattened your hearts, as in a day of slaughter.

Jas 5:6 You have condemned, you have murdered the righteous – he does not resist you.

Psalm 114 & 115

All creation responded to YHWH as He led His people out of Egypt. Creation knows their Creator.

By just **observing His creation**; people can also obtain much wisdom about the Omnipotent; Omniscient; and Omnipresent YHWH. All of creation stands as witnesses to who He is. The heavens declare His glory!

The nations observing the exodus generation, saw the mighty acts of the One true living Elohim, YHWH. To the Name of YHWH give esteem! The pagan nations worship idols of silver and gold made by men’s hands; pagan idols having no ability to even speak nor hear. Only the Name of YHWH should be given esteem; Him and Him only.

Psa 114:1 When Yisra’ël went out of Mitsrayim, The house of Ya’aqoḇ from a people of strange language,

Psa 114:2 Yehuḏah became His set-apart place, And Yisra’ël His rule.

Psa 114:3 The sea saw it and fled; The Yardēn turned back.

Psa 114:4 The mountains skipped like rams, The little hills like lambs.

Psa 114:5 Why was it, O sea, that you fled? O Yardēn, that you turned back?

Psa 114:6 O mountains, that you skipped like rams? O little hills, like lambs?

Psa 114:7 Tremble, O earth, from the face of the Master, From the face of the Eloah of Ya'aqob,

Psa 114:8 Who turned the rock into a pool of water, The flint into a fountain of water.

To Your Name Give Glory

Psa 115:1 Not to us, O יהוה, not to us, But to Your Name give esteem, For Your loving-commitment, For Your truth.

Psa 115:2 Why should the nations say, "Where now is their Elohim?"

Psa 115:3 But our Elohim is in the heavens; Whatever pleased Him, He has done.

Psa 115:4 Their idols are silver and gold, The work of men's hands.

Psa 115:5 They have mouths, but they do not speak; They have eyes, but they do not see;

Psa 115:6 They have ears, but they do not hear; They have noses, but they do not smell;

Psa 115:7 They have hands, but they do not handle; They have feet, but they do not walk; They make no sound through their throat.

Psa 115:8 The ones who make them, shall become like them – All who trust in them.

Psa 115:9 O Yisra'el, trust in יהוה; He is their help and their shield.

Psa 115:10 O house of Aharon, trust in יהוה; He is their help and their shield.

Psa 115:11 You who fear יהוה, trust in יהוה; He is their help and their shield.

Psa 115:12 יהוה has remembered us; He blesses us; He blesses the house of Yisra'el; He blesses the house of Aharon.

Psa 115:13 He blesses those who fear יהוה, The small and the great.

Psa 115:14 יהוה gives you increase more and more, You and your children.

Psa 115:15 You are blessed by יהוה, Who made the heavens and earth.

Psa 115:16 The heavens are the heavens of יהוה; But He has given the earth to the children of men.

Psa 115:17 The dead do not praise Yah, Nor any going down to silence.

Psa 115:18 But we, we bless Yah Now and forever. Praise Yah!

Isaiah 51

YHWH proclaims: Awake, awake! Listen! Rise up! We surely can relate to this scene. We call out to our friends and family members, but it appears they are asleep to the days we live in and they are satisfied with doing 'church' or 'living life' their way and not His. For many, it will take the birth pangs and even the tribulation to jar them awake.

Isa 51:1 “Listen to Me, you who pursue righteousness, seeking יהוה: Look to the rock you were hewn from, and to the hole of the pit you were dug from.”

Isa 51:2 “Look to Abraham your father, and to Sarah who bore you. For he was alone when I called him, and I blessed him and increased him.”

Isa 51:3 “For יהוה shall comfort Tsiyon, He shall comfort all her waste places. **For He makes her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of יהוה.** Joy and gladness are found in it, thanksgiving and the voice of song.”

Isa 51:4 “Listen to Me, My people, and give ear to Me, O My nation, for the Torah goes forth from Me, and My right-ruling I set as a light to peoples.”

Isa 51:5 “My righteousness is near, My deliverance shall go forth, and My arms judge peoples. Coastlands wait upon Me, and for My arm they wait expectantly.”

Isa 51:6 “Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look on the earth beneath, **for the heavens shall vanish like smoke, and the earth wear out like a garment, and those who dwell in it die as gnats. But My deliverance is forever, and My righteousness is not broken.**”

Isa 51:7 “Listen to Me, you who know righteousness, a people in whose heart is My Torah: **do not fear the reproach of men, nor be afraid of their revilings.**”

Isa 51:8 “**For a moth eats them like a garment, and a worm eats them like wool; but My righteousness is forever, and My deliverance to all generations.**”

Isa 51:9 Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of יהוה! Awake as in days of old, everlasting generations. Was it not You who cut Rahab apart, and pierced the Crocodile?

Isa 51:10 Was it not You who dried up the sea, the waters of the great deep, who made the depths of the sea a way for the redeemed to pass over?

Isa 51:11 And let the ransomed of יהוה return. And they shall come to Tsiyon with singing, with everlasting joy on their heads. Let them attain joy and gladness; sorrow and sighing shall flee away.”

Isa 51:12 “I, **I am He who comforts you.** Who are you that you should be afraid of man that dies, and of the son of man who is made like grass?”

Isa 51:13 “And you have forgotten יהוה your Maker who stretched out the heavens and laid the foundations of the earth, and you continually fear, all the day, because of the rage of the oppressor, as he has prepared to destroy. **And where is the rage of the oppressor?**”

Isa 51:14 “Bowed, he hastens to be loosened, that he should not die **in the pit,** and that his bread should not fail.”

Isa 51:15 “**But I am יהוה your Elohim, stirring up the sea, and its waves roar. יהוה of hosts is His Name.**”

Isa 51:16 “And **I have put My Words in your mouth,** and **with the shadow of My hand I have covered you,** to plant the heavens and lay the foundations of the earth, and to say to Tsiyon, **‘You are My people.’**”

Isa 51:17 Awake, awake yourself! Rise up, O Yerushalayim, you who have drunk at the hand of יהוה the cup of His wrath. You have drunk the dregs of the cup of reeling, and drained it out.

Isa 51:18 Of all the sons she bore, she has none to guide her. And of all the sons she has brought up, none is strengthening her hand.

Isa 51:19 **Both these are coming upon you** – who is sorry for you?: **Ruin and destruction, scarcity of food and sword.** How shall I comfort you?

Isa 51:20 Your sons have fainted, they lie at the head of all the streets, like a gazelle in a net. They are filled with the wrath of יהוה, the rebuke of your Elohim.

Isa 51:21 Therefore please hear this, you afflicted and drunk, but not with wine.

[Isa 51:22](#) Thus said your Master, יהוה and your Elohim, who pleads the cause of His people, “See, I shall take out of your hand the cup of reeling, the dregs of the cup of My wrath – never again shall you drink it.”

[Isa 51:23](#) “And I shall put it into the hand of those who afflict you, who have said to your being, ‘Bow down, and we pass over you.’ And you made your back like the ground, and as the street, to walk over.”

Revelation 21

The New Heaven and the New Earth

Rev 21:1 And I saw a **renewed heaven and a renewed earth**,^a [Isa 65:17](#) for the former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea is no more. Footnote: ^aAlso see [Isa 66:22](#).

Rev 21:2 And I, Yoḥanan, saw the set-apart city, renewed Yerushalayim, coming down out of the heaven from Elohim, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Rev 21:3 And I heard a loud voice from the heaven saying, “See, the Booth of Elohim is with men, and **He shall dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and Elohim Himself shall be with them and be their Elohim.**”^b [Lev 26:11-12](#) Footnote: ^bAlso see [Isa 7:14](#), [Isa 8:8](#), [Isa 8:10](#), [Jer 31:33](#), [Eze 37:27](#), [2Ch 6:18](#).

The first three verses of Revelation 21 seem to support that the New Jerusalem hovers above the old defiled earth until the new heaven and earth are made. It states the former earth and heaven are passed away and the sea was no more; then the New Jerusalem comes down.

Revelation 21:2-3 clearly tells us that the New Jerusalem comes down from heaven (possibly from the 1st heaven which is in our atmosphere), as a bride adorned for her husband. Then it is proclaimed that **the booth of Elohim now dwells with man**. This is a clear reference to the time period being the Feast of Booths; or the Feast of Tabernacles; also, referred to as the Feast of Ingathering.

Rev 21:4 “And Elohim shall wipe away every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, nor mourning, nor crying. And there shall be no more pain, for the former *matters* have passed away.”

Rev 21:5 And He who was sitting on the throne said, “See, I make all *matters* new.” And He said to me, “Write, for these words are true and trustworthy.”

Rev 21:6 And He said to me, “It is done! I am the ‘Aleph’ and the ‘Taw’, the Beginning and the End. To the one who thirsts I shall give of the fountain of the water of life without payment.

Rev 21:7 “The one who overcomes shall inherit all this, and I shall be his Elohim and he shall be My son.

Rev 21:8 “But as for the cowardly, and untrustworthy, and abominable, and murderers, and those who whore, and drug sorcerers, and idolaters, and all the false, their part is in the lake which burns with fire and sulphur, which is the second death.”

This will be a time to praise YHWH! Every tear will be wiped away. No more death and mourning. The pain of the past has passed away. YHWH has made all things new. The Aleph and the Tav; the Beginning and the End proclaims, 'It is done!' No more thirst for there will be a mountain of living water freely given. Overcomers are to inherit all of this. We as Israel, will be His son with Yahusha as the head. The ones that do not overcome, will have their part in the lake of fire which is the second death.

The New Jerusalem

Rev 21:9 And one of the seven messengers who held the seven bowls filled with the seven last plagues came to me and spoke with me, saying, "Come, I shall show you the bride, the Lamb's wife."

Rev 21:10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great city, the set-apart Yerushalayim, descending out of the heaven from Elohim,

Rev 21:11 having the esteem of Elohim, and her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, clear as crystal,

Rev 21:12 and having a great and high wall, having twelve gates, and at the gates twelve messengers, and names written on them, which are *those of the twelve tribes of the children of Yisra'el*.^c Footnote: ^cSee [Eze 47:22-23](#), [Eze 48:31-34](#).

Rev 21:13 three gates on the east, three gates on the north, three gates on the south, and three gates on the west.

Rev 21:14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve emissaries of the Lamb.

One of the 7 messengers with the bowls of 7 plagues calls to John and says to come so he could show him, the bride. John is taken by the messenger to a very high mountain, which is probably equates to Mt. Zion; and to see the great city, the New Jerusalem descending out of heaven from Elohim; which heaven [1st, 2nd, 3rd], is not specified.

As we have done throughout the **Book of Revelation**, we must stay connected to the symbolism. We know the set-apart ones are His bride. We know we are living stones being built together as a spiritual house. Take time to read the following scriptures in 1Peter.

1Pe 2:4 Drawing near to **Him, a living Stone** – rejected indeed by men, but chosen by Elohim and precious –

1Pe 2:5 **you also, as living stones, are being built up, a spiritual house, a set-apart priesthood**, to offer up spiritual slaughter *offerings* acceptable to Elohim through **יהושע** Messiah.

1Pe 2:6 Because it is contained in the Scripture, **"See, I lay in Tsiyon a chief corner-stone, chosen, precious, and he who believes on Him shall by no means be put to shame."**
[Isa 28:16](#).

1Pe 2:7 This preciousness, then, is for you who believe; but to those who are disobedient,

“The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief corner-stone,” [Psa 118:22](#).

1Pe 2:8 and **“A stone of stumbling and a rock that makes for falling,”** [Isa 8:14](#) who stumble because they are [disobedient^a](#) to the Word, to which they also were appointed.

Footnote: ^aSee [Joh 3:36](#), [Heb 3:18](#).

1Pe 2:9 But you are a **chosen race**,^b [Deu 10:15](#) a **royal priesthood**,^c [Isa 61:6](#) a **set-apart nation**,^d [Exo 19:6](#) a **people for a possession**,^e [Isa 43:2](#) that you should proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvellous light, Footnotes: ^bAlso see [Isa 43:20](#). ^cAlso see [Isa 66:21](#). ^dAlso see [Deu 7:6](#). ^eAlso see [Exo 19:5](#), [Tit 2:14](#).

1Pe 2:10 who once were **not a people**,^f but now the **people of Elohim**;^f who had **not obtained compassion**,^f but now **obtained compassion**.^f [Hos 1:9-10](#), [Hos 2:23](#). Footnote: ^fAlso see [Isa 65:1](#), [Hos 1:9](#), [Isa 63:16](#), [Isa 64:8](#), [Rom 9:25-26](#).

We are told that there are **3 gates** positioned north-south-east-west, with the names of the 12 tribes. We are told that there are 12 foundations of the wall with the names of the emissaries or apostles of the Lamb.

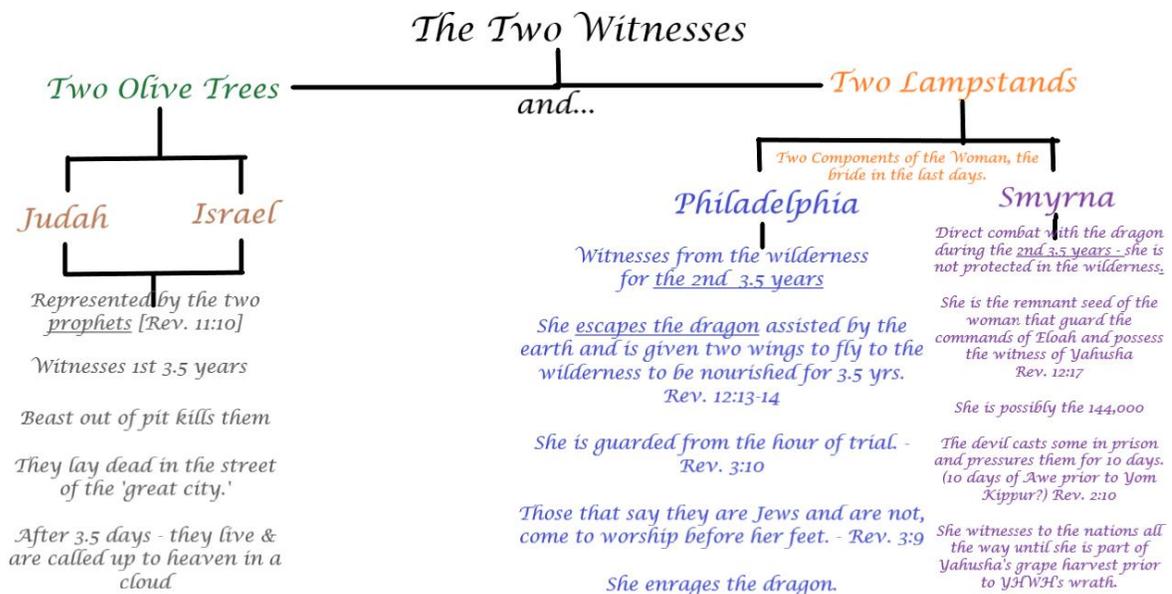
Prior we had the 4 living creatures giving us a similar square pattern. As I see it, the 4 living creatures represent the 4 sets of 3 tribal encampments around the Dwelling Place. The ‘square’ formation seems to be described here; however, there are several discussions as to various ‘shapes.’

What I want us to see are the patterns and the ‘players’ if you will.

- Yahusha stands in the midst of the assemblies [we are the assembly].
- He holds us, his messengers, in His hand.
- There are 7 flames of light, representing His 7 spirits before the throne.
- The 7 lights on a menorah correlate to His appointed times; His calendar.
- His appointed times correlate to the different harvests and the first fruits of each.
- The 24 elders – possibly are the 24 courses of priests that rotate.
- The 4 Living Creatures reflect the four lead banner tribes of each of the 3 tribal units north-south-east-west. The 3 tribal units are demonstrated by the 3 sets of wings on each lead banner ‘head’.

The two olives trees in Rev. 11 – the House of Israel / the House of Judah [Represented by the two prophets] & the two lampstands [Smyrna & Philadelphia]– the set-apart bride / kingdom of priests which possibly also equates to the woman, Philadelphia, that is taken to her place in the wilderness for 3 ½ years and nourished in Rev. 12 – we have discussed how witnesses throughout His Word, are often associated with the wilderness. We noticed the time frame of the two witnesses in Rev. 11 as 1,260 days equals the same time period as the woman in the wilderness, 3 ½ years. It is also noted that the dragon goes to fight with the remnant of the seed of the woman which may be Smyrna during that same time period.

The woman, in Rev. 12, is the virgin bride who gives birth to the male child [Yahusha being the head; and we are the body that follows in the 'birthing process.'] The child is the first-born, Israel; the one new man. The one-new man is represented by the two sticks, the house of Israel & Judah, having become one. The child is caught away after its birth, but we still see the woman back on the earth for 3 ½ years being nourished in the wilderness [Philadelphia]; we see the dragon go to make war with the remnant of the seed of the woman which could equate to [Smyrna] and may be synonymous with the 144,000. My diagram follows of what I am trying to communicate.



- The 144,000 are 12,000 from each of the 12 tribes listed in Revelation 7. These will go through the great tribulation; but these also will be given great rewards.
- The great mountain, Mt. Zion, is reflective of our gathering place.
- The great city, the New Jerusalem, is made up of Him, the living Stone, and we as the living stones.
- The foundational measurements N-S-E-W of the New Jerusalem and the wilderness encampments are similar; as well as the layout of Eden and the garden east of Eden with the One river that branches off in 4 directions. We should start to see these patterns aligning to the point that they become a perfect representational fit of one another.

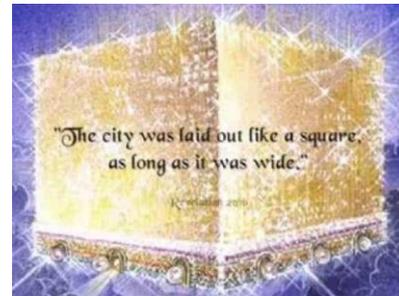
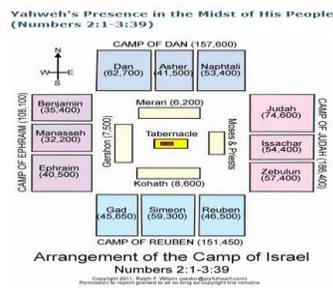
All these patterns and symbols are insights that we can envision as being ONE with Him. These are 3 dimensional descriptions for us to see the bigger picture! The picture that all twelve tribes are built around Him, Yahusha, the living Stone! This is so exciting to finally start seeing these symbols come together. We may still need to tweak a few things, but we are definitely making progress! Praise Yah!

Rev 21:15 And he who spoke with me had a golden measuring rod, to measure the city, and its gates, and its wall.

Rev 21:16 And the city lies four-cornered, and its length is as great as its breadth. And he measured the city with the rod: **twelve thousand stadia^d** – the length, and the breadth, and height of it are equal. Footnote: ^dApprox. 2216 kilometres or 1377 miles.

Rev 21:17 And he measured its wall: **hundred and forty-four forearms,^e** according to the measure of a man, that is, of a messenger. Footnote: ^eApprox. 66 metres or 216 feet.

These measurements seem to be describing a square. If that is the case, we must consider the possible square design of the wilderness encampments versus the cross design. The 144-forearm measurement of the wall must also have some connection to the 144,000 witnesses; but it is not clear to yet.



Rev 21:18 And the structure of its wall was jasper. And the city was clean gold, like clear glass.
 Rev 21:19 And the foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with all kinds of precious stones: the first foundation jasper, the second sapphire, the third agate, the fourth emerald,
 Rev 21:20 the fifth sardonyx, the sixth ruby, the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth chrysoprase, the eleventh jacinth, and the twelfth amethyst.
 Rev 21:21 And the twelve gates were twelve pearls – each one of the gates was a single pearl. And the street of the city was clean gold, like transparent glass.

We now see that there is no Dwelling Place, for YHWH Yahusha is its Dwelling Place; and the esteem of Elohim lightens it and the Lamb is its lamp.

Rev 21:22 And I saw no Dwelling Place in it, for יהוה El Shaddai is its Dwelling Place, and the Lamb.

Rev 21:23 And the city had no need of the sun, nor of the moon, to shine in it, for the esteem of Elohim lightened it, and the Lamb is its lamp.

What I see Rev. 21:24-27 saying, is that the nations shall walk in the light of the city of the New Jerusalem; but that does not necessarily mean in its midst. The sovereigns of the earth bring the esteem of the nations into the city. Only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life can enter the city.

Rev 21:24 And the nations, of those who are saved, shall walk in its light,^f and the sovereigns of the earth bring their esteem into it. Footnote: ^fSee [Isa 60:3](#).

Rev 21:25 And its gates shall not be shut at all by day, for night shall not be there.

Rev 21:26 And they shall bring the esteem and the appreciation of the nations into it.

Rev 21:27 And there shall by no means enter into it whatever is unclean, neither anyone doing abomination and falsehood,^g but only those **who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life**.

[Dan 12:1](#) Footnote: ^gSee [Rev 22:15](#), and [2Th 2:11](#).

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