

Greetings, today our manna is from Exodus 37; Proverbs 13; John 16; Ephesians 6

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Exodus 37

Who knew Exodus 37 would be so rich and full. We now read about the Tabernacle furnishings being skillfully made. Betsalel is making the furnishings for the **Holy of Holies**, which is the Dwelling Place; and the furnishings for the **Holy Place**, which is the Tent of Appointment.

Yesterday's devotional clearly explained that the earthly tabernacle was a parable. It reflected the heavenly dwelling and the greater Tabernacle to come; Yahusha HaMashiach. Not only does it reflect Yahusha's first coming; but also, His second; when He will literally 'tabernacle' with us, His bride.

Heb 9:7 But into the second part the high priest went alone once a year, not without blood, which he offered for himself and for sins of ignorance of the people,⁸ the Set-apart Spirit signifying this, **that the way into the Most Set-apart Place was not yet made manifest while the first Tent has a standing**, ⁹ which was a parable for the present time in which both gifts and slaughters are offered which are unable to perfect the one serving, as to his conscience,

Is it no wonder that in Exodus 34, Moses is instructed again on the Sabbaths and the Feasts of YHWH that the children of Israel are to keep? The instructions for His feasts had also been given in Exodus 23. What are His feasts about anyway? Why are they so important to keep?

Shabbats and His Feasts Days are His appointment times when He meets with His Beloved. It is best to view them as 'bridal rehearsals.' What bride would want to 'wing it' on the day of her wedding without any rehearsal? Those that accept the Groom's proposal, become betrothed to Him. Passover reminds us of our betrothal to Him; then follows the Feasts of Unleavened Bread representing living in the will of Our Father and ridding ourselves of false doctrine; and then the feast of First Fruits follows. Yahusha was the First Fruit offering opening the door in Rev. 4:1 so that believers would be gathered to His presence.

The bride is young and immature at first; but each year she counts the days until she is ready and mature; this is symbolized by the counting of the Omer; the 50-day count unto Pentecost. This is our time of maturing through the Ruach HaKodesh that guides us to all

truth. Each year we seek what is pleasing to our Groom; and focus on those qualities; the fruit of the Spirit. We move from the lesser Barley grain harvest of the spring, to the fullness and richness of the Wheat Harvest of the summer; called Shavuot or Pentecost. Then at the beginning of the seventh month we observe the Feast of Trumpets (Yom Teruah) that will usher in our King of kings; then 10 days later we arrive at the Day of Atonement – (Yom Kippur) when now we can praise Him for making full ‘at-one-ment’ for His bride; yet the nations are yet to be judged. Finally, we ‘tabernacle’ with Him at the Feast of Tabernacles or Sukkot, the ingathering. The bride and groom consummate the marriage as they tabernacle together in the marriage tent. His feasts also keep His people on His calendar for His soon return. We want to be ready and watching for when He once again rescues His people out of Egypt [Isaiah 11:11-16].

So why did I briefly go over His feasts? Because, the tabernacle, is a 3-dimensional living parable of the greatest multi-dimensional love story ever told! Tony Badillo beautifully describes the **Holy of Holies** as the place our Groom dwells; and **the Holy Place** as the place where His Bride comes and meets with Him. Betsalel makes the furnishings in Exodus 37, that reflect YHWH’s Presence as Groom and Israel’s Presence as the bride. No wonder Joshua would stay in the ‘Tent of Appointment’ or meeting.

Exo 33:11 Thus **הָנָה** spoke to Mosheh face to face, as a man speaks to his friend. And he would return to the camp, but his servant **Yehoshua son of Nun, a young man, did not leave the Tent.**

Let's read some **excerpts from Tony Badillo**. <http://www.templesecrets.info/holyplace.html>

"The Tabernacle (Mishkan) was in essence a royal marriage tent and its design signified God's marriage to Israel. In the Floor Plan above (see link), God is the Husband and the Head; Israel is the wife and his body (torso). The Tabernacle was also called 'the tent of meeting' because there Israel communed with her God who was also her husband. That it was not an ordinary tent but a royal one is indicated by its materials which included gold plated boards, bases ('sockets') of silver, fine curtains, and a special multi-colored dividing curtain called a 'paroket'." [emphasis mine]

We know now that we are the temple, and His Spirit dwells in us. Much of the parable of the tabernacle has been manifested, but there is still much to be revealed.

Making the Ark

Exo 37:1 And Betsal'ěl made the ark of acacia wood, two and a half cubits long, and a cubit and a half wide, and a cubit and a half high.

Exo 37:2 And he overlaid it with clean gold inside and outside, and made a moulding of gold all around it.

Exo 37:3 And he cast four rings of gold for it, for its four feet, two rings on its one side, and two rings on its other side.

Exo 37:4 And he made poles of acacia wood, and overlaid them with gold.

Exo 37:5 And he put the poles into the rings at the sides of the ark, to lift the ark.

Exo 37:6 And he made a lid of atonement of clean gold, two and a half cubits long and a cubit and a half wide.

Exo 37:7 And he made two kerubim of beaten gold. He made them from the two ends of the lid of atonement,

Exo 37:8 one kerub at one end on this side, and the other kerub at the other end on that side. He made the kerubim from the lid of atonement, from the two ends.

Exo 37:9 And the kerubim spread out their wings above, and covered the lid of atonement with their wings, with their faces toward each other, the faces of the kerubim were turned toward the lid of atonement.

Making the Table

Exo 37:10 And he made the table of acacia wood, two cubits long, and a cubit wide, and a cubit and a half high.

Exo 37:11 And he overlaid it with clean gold, and made a moulding of gold all around it.

Exo 37:12 And he made a rim of a handbreadth all around it, and made a moulding of gold for the rim all around it.

Exo 37:13 And he cast four rings of gold for it, and put the rings on the four corners that were at its four legs.

Exo 37:14 The rings were next to the rim, as holders for the poles to lift the table.

Exo 37:15 And he made the poles of acacia wood to lift the table, and overlaid them with gold.

Exo 37:16 And he made the utensils which were on the table, its dishes, and its cups, and its bowls, and its jars for pouring, of clean gold.

Making the Lampstand

Exo 37:17 And he made the lampstand of clean gold. He made the lampstand of beaten work, its base, and its shaft, its cups, its ornamental knobs, and its blossoms were from it.

Exo 37:18 And six branches came out of its sides: three branches of the lampstand out of one side, and three branches of the lampstand out of the other side.

Exo 37:19 There were three cups like almond flowers on one branch, with ornamental knob and blossom, and three cups like almond flowers on the other branch, a knob and a blossom – so for the six branches coming out of the lampstand.

Exo 37:20 And on the lampstand were four cups like almond flowers, its knobs and blossoms,

Exo 37:21 and a knob under the first two branches of the same, and a knob under the

second two branches of the same, and a knob under the third two branches of the same, for the six branches coming out of it.

Exo 37:22 Their knobs and their branches were of it, all of it was one beaten work of clean gold.

Exo 37:23 And he made its seven lamps, and its snuffers, and its trays, of clean gold.

Exo 37:24 He made it of a talent of clean gold, and all its utensils.

Making the Altar of Incense

Exo 37:25 And he made the incense slaughter-place of acacia wood, a cubit long and a cubit wide, square, and two cubits high. Its horns were of it.

Exo 37:26 And he overlaid it with clean gold, its top and its sides all around, and its horns. And he made a moulding for it of gold all around it.

Exo 37:27 And he made two rings of gold for it under its moulding, at its two corners on both sides, as holders for the poles with which to lift it.

Exo 37:28 And he made the poles of acacia wood, and overlaid them with gold.

Exo 37:29 And he made the set-apart anointing oil and the clean incense of sweet spices, according to the work of the perfumer.

Proverbs 13

Reading Proverbs is a beautiful way for His bride to gain wisdom and maturity.

Pro 13:1 A wise son accepts his father's discipline, But a scoffer shall not listen to rebuke.

Pro 13:2 From the fruit of the mouth a man eats the good, But the desire of the treacherous is for violence.

Pro 13:3 He who watches over his mouth guards his being, But he who opens wide his lips comes to ruin.

Pro 13:4 The being of the lazy one craves, but has not; While the being of the hard workers are enriched.

Pro 13:5 A righteous one hates a lying word, But a wrong man is loathsome and comes to shame.

Pro 13:6 Righteousness watches over him who is perfect in the way, But wrongness overthrows the sinner.

Pro 13:7 There is one who makes himself rich, Yet has none at all. And one who makes himself poor, Yet has great riches.

Pro 13:8 The ransom of a man's life is his riches, But the poor does not hear rebuke.

Pro 13:9 The light of the righteous rejoices, But the lamp of the wrong is put out.

Pro 13:10 By pride comes only strife, But wisdom is with those who take advice.

Pro 13:11 Wealth from vanity diminishes, But he who gathers by hand increases.

Pro 13:12 Expectancy drawn out makes the heart sick, But a longing come true is a tree of life.

Pro 13:13 He who despises the Word is destroyed, But he who fears the command is rewarded.

Pro 13:14 The Torah of the wise is a fountain of life, Turning one away from the snares of death.

Pro 13:15 Good understanding gains favour, But the way of the treacherous is hard.

Pro 13:16 Every one with insight acts with knowledge, But a fool spreads folly.

Pro 13:17 A messenger that is wrong falls into evil, But a trustworthy envoy is a healing.

Pro 13:18 Poverty and shame are for him Who ignores discipline, But he who heeds reproof is esteemed.

Pro 13:19 A desire accomplished is sweet to the being, But to turn away from evil is an abomination to fools.

Pro 13:20 He who walks with the wise, shall be wise, But the companion of fools suffers evil.

Pro 13:21 Evil pursues sinners, But good is repaid to the righteous.

Pro 13:22 A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, But the wealth of the sinner is stored up for the righteous.

Pro 13:23 Much food is in the tillable ground of the poor, But lack of right-ruling sweeps it away.

Pro 13:24 He who spares his rod hates his son, But he who loves him, seeks him with discipline.

Pro 13:25 The righteous eats to the satisfying of his being, But the stomach of the wrong is lacking.

John 16

When reading the first few verses of John 16, we often think of those being dragged out of congregations and facing death mainly applied to the 1st century believers. However, now-a-days, there has been more information revealed about the Talmudic Seven Noahide Laws that were signed into Public Law 102-14 under George H. W. Bush in 1991. The Sanhedrin Council was re-established in 2004 who's desire is to replace the United Nations and be the international court system. These are just a few layers of the New World Order that will be used to usher in the false messiah and bring believers before Sanhedrin courts by false accusations by just one witness.

Persecution and the martyr of believers have existed throughout history. These verses were to be received by EVERY generation of believers in Yahusha; ours included.

The desire of those promoting the Talmudic Seven Noahide Laws is to make them international law. These laws would make it ‘illegal’ to read the Bible; and believe and/or speak the name of Yahusha or Jesus. The ‘crime’ would be punishable by decapitation. Understanding this, gives us a whole different perspective as we read verses 1-3:

Joh 16:1 “These *words* I have spoken to you, so that you do not stumble.

Joh 16:2 “They shall put you out of the congregations, but an hour is coming when everyone who kills you shall think he is rendering service to Elohim.

Joh 16:3 “And this they shall do to you because they did not know the Father, nor Me.

The Work of the Holy Spirit

Joh 16:4 “But I have said these *words* to you, so that when the hour comes you remember that I told them to you. And these *words* I did not say to you at the beginning, for I was with you.

Joh 16:5 “But now I go away to Him who sent Me, and not one of you asks Me, ‘Where are You going?’

Joh 16:6 “But because I have said these *words* to you, grief has filled your heart.

Joh 16:7 “But I say the truth to you. It is better for you that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper shall not come to you at all, but if I go, I shall send Him to you.

Joh 16:8 “And having come, He shall convict^a the world concerning sin,^b and concerning righteousness, and concerning judgment – Footnotes: ^aOr confute or prove wrong. ^b 2Ch 24:20, Neh 9:30, Eze 36:27, Mic 3:8, Act 28:25-27.

Joh 16:9 concerning sin because they do not believe in Me,

Joh 16:10 concerning righteousness because I go to My Father and you see Me no more,

Joh 16:11 concerning judgment because the ruler of this world^c is judged. Footnote: ^cSee Luk 4:6.

Yahusha knew his taught ones were grieved by His Words, as we are. He also knew it was very important for Him to forewarn us of these things to come. In addition, He told them (and us) He would send the Comforter. Believers must resolve in their minds to remain faithful to Him and to Him only. We can rest in Him knowing that the Comforter, His Ruach HaKodesh, is in us. Read the following verses:

Joh 16:12 “I still have many *words* to say to you, but you are not able to bear them now.

Joh 16:13 “But when He comes, the Spirit of the Truth, He shall guide you into all the

truth. For He shall not speak from Himself, but whatever He hears He shall speak, and He shall announce to you what is to come.

Joh 16:14 “He shall esteem Me, for He shall take of what is Mine and announce it to you.

Joh 16:15 “All that the Father has is Mine. That is why I said that He takes from what is Mine and announces it to you.

Your Sorrow Will Turn into Joy

Joh 16:16 “A little while, and you do not see Me, and again a little while, and you shall see Me.”

Joh 16:17 Therefore some of His taught ones said to one another, “What is this that He says to us, ‘A little while, and you do not see Me, and again a little while, and you shall see Me,’ and, ‘because I am going to the Father?’”

Joh 16:18 So they said, “What is this that He says, ‘A little while’? We do not know what He is saying.”

Joh 16:19 יְהוָה, therefore, knew that they were wishing to ask Him, and He said to them, “Are you asking one another about what I said, ‘A little while, and you do not see Me, and again a little while, and you shall see Me’?”

Joh 16:20 “Truly, truly, I say to you that you shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice. And you shall be grieved, but your grief shall become joy.

Joh 16:21 “The woman has grief when she is in labour, because her hour has come, but as soon as she has given birth to the child, she no longer remembers the affliction, for joy that a man was born into the world.

Joh 16:22 “And you, therefore, have grief now, but I shall see you again and your heart shall rejoice, and no one takes your joy away from you.

Joh 16:23 “And in that day you shall ask Me none at all. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask the Father in My Name He shall give you.

Joh 16:24 “Until now you have asked naught in My Name. Ask, and you shall receive, in order that your joy might be complete.

I Have Overcome the World

Joh 16:25 “These words I have spoken to you in figures of speech, but an hour is coming when I shall no longer speak to you in figures of speech, but I shall declare the Father plainly to you.

Joh 16:26 “In that day you shall ask in My Name, and I do not say to you that I shall pray the Father on your behalf,

Joh 16:27 for the Father Himself does love you, because you have loved Me, and have believed that I came forth from Elohim.

Joh 16:28 “I came forth from the Father and have come into the world. Again, I leave the world and go to the Father.”

Joh 16:29 His taught ones said to Him, “See, now You are speaking plainly, and not using figure of speech!”

Joh 16:30 “Now we know that You know all, and have no need that anyone should

question You. By this we believe that You came forth from Elohim.”

Joh 16:31 יְהוָשֻׁעַ answered them, “Do you now believe?

Joh 16:32 “See, an hour is coming, and has now come, that you are scattered, each to his own, and leave Me alone. Yet I am not alone, because the Father is with Me.

Joh 16:33 “These words I have spoken to you, that in Me you might have peace. In the world you have pressure, but take courage, I have overcome the world.”

We can rest assured, that when urgent and distressing times come; believers will CLEARLY hear from the Comforter. He will announce to us what is to come!

Yahusha then speaks to His disciples about what was next to come. They don't fully understand what He is saying, but they hear His Words. As time goes on and Yahusha fulfills the prophetic events; they will know and understand.

An epic war laid ahead. It would cost Yahusha His life. Yahusha wanted to make it clear to His taught Ones that in this world there would be great pressures; but **He wanted them to have peace knowing that He had overcome the world**; He would defeat death; He would return and receive us to Himself. He had spoken to them earlier in figures of speech, but now they were understanding Him clearly.

Ephesians 6

Ephesians 6 opens with relationship commandments. We read about the proper relationship between children and parents; parents and children; servants and masters; masters and servants. There are responsibilities on each side of any relationship. Our earthly relationships guided by His commands, teach us how to have a better relationship with Yahusha; as our Groom; as our Master; as our Savior and King. YHWH is our Father, our Abba. Our earthly relationship toward our parents is the first command with promise; so that things might go well, and one might live a long life on earth.

Paul then explains spiritual warfare. Not all relationships are pretty. Matter of fact, they can be pretty ugly or even evil. That is why we need to understand that we do not battle against flesh and blood but against principalities, powers, rulers of darkness in this world, and spiritual wickedness in the heavenlies. Just as we live in an orderly family hierarchy with YHWH; the enemy also has a hierarchy of wickedness.

Those that do wrong and evil deeds, are influenced and/or controlled by their father the devil, and demonic fallen spiritual influences. Though we should pray and witness to the lost, YHWH's children should not be a 'doormat' for such; but should put on and take up His full armor. Obedience and respect in our earthly relationships should coincide with and not violate His commandments. For instance, on earth we function within earthly laws, but we also know YHWH's laws trump earthly laws. We don't follow man-made laws that violate His Word.

For believers, the battlefield is in the mind. We are His and we know His voice and that is the voice that should guide our lives. Our own fleshly thoughts and the thoughts that the enemy wants to instill, contradict what is pleasing to YHWH. Our victory is in Him when we are obedient to His commands by having the 'mind' of Yahusha and doing the 'will' of the Father. That is why understanding proper relationships are so important. He is the Vine; we are the branches. Without Him, we can do nothing.

Non-believers live in a world of their own thoughts and their worldview is from the environment and culture in which they were raised. The enemy has great influence over those out-side the camp of YHWH. We are all born into this fallen world in which the enemy rules. It is not until we are born spiritually through Yahusha, that He makes all things new and fresh in our lives; by giving us a new beginning. A new walk on the narrow-path and no longer on the broad path that leads to destruction.

To stay on that narrow path, Paul instructs us to be clothed in Yahusha HaMashiach. He is our covering. He is our protector. The armor of YHWH are all the qualities and gifts provided through Yahusha, 'YHWH in Son'.

Paul first instructs us to gird our loins with Truth. TRUTH is EXTREMELY important because our enemy is a liar and a deceiver! We have been given His breastplate of righteousness; our feet are shod with the covenant confirming Gospel message; we take up the shield of faith to quench all the fiery darts of the evil one; we take up the helmet of salvation that guards our thoughts, words, deeds, what we hear, what we see, what we taste. Our salvation gives us a new way of thinking, His Way! Then we take up the sword of the Spirit, which is the living Word of YHWH and is sharper than any two-edged sword. Then, when we have done all we can do to stand, we stand therefore and pray and praise Him.

Children and Parents

Eph 6:1 Children, obey your parents in the Master, for this is right.

Eph 6:2 "Respect your father and mother," which is the first command with promise,

Eph 6:3 in order that it might be well with you, and you might live long on the earth.”
Exo 20:12, Deu 5:16.

Eph 6:4 And you, fathers, do not provoke your children, but bring them up in the instruction and admonition of the Master.

Bondservants and Masters

Eph 6:5 Servants, obey your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in sincerity of heart, as to Messiah;

Eph 6:6 not with eye-service as men-pleasers, but as servants of Messiah, doing the desire of Elohim from the [inner self](#),^a [Footnote: a Rom 6:16-23.](#)

Eph 6:7 rendering service with pleasure, as to the Master, and not to men,

Eph 6:8 knowing that whatever good anyone does, he shall receive the same from the Master, whether he is slave or free.

Eph 6:9 And, masters, do the same to them, refrain from threatening, knowing that your own Master also is in the heavens, and there is no partiality with Him.

The Whole Armor of YHWH

Eph 6:10 For the rest, my brothers, be strong in the Master and in the mightiness of His strength.

Eph 6:11 Put on the complete armour of Elohim, for you to have power to stand against the schemes of the devil.

Eph 6:12 Because we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against authorities, against the world-rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *matters* of wickedness in the heavenlies.

Eph 6:13 Because of this, take up the complete armour of Elohim, so that you have power to withstand in the wicked day, and having done all, to stand.

Eph 6:14 Stand, then, **having girded your waist with truth**, [Isa 11:5](#) and having **put on the breastplate of righteousness**, [Isa 59:17](#).

Eph 6:15 and having fitted your **feet with the preparation of the Good News of peace**; [Isa 52:7](#).

Eph 6:16 above all, having taken up the shield of belief with which you shall have power to quench all the burning arrows of the wicked one.

Eph 6:17 Take also the **helmet of deliverance**, [Isa 59:17](#) and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of Elohim,

Eph 6:18 praying at all times, with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, watching in all perseverance and supplication for all the set-apart ones;

Eph 6:19 also for me, that a word might be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to be bold in making known the secret of the Good News,

Eph 6:20 for which I am an envoy in chains, that in it I might speak boldly, as I should speak.

Final Greetings

Eph 6:21 Now, in order that you also might know about me, how I am doing, Tuchikos, a beloved brother and trustworthy servant in the Master, shall make all *matters* known to you,

Eph 6:22 whom I did send to you for this same purpose, so that you know about us, and might encourage your hearts.

Eph 6:23 Peace to the brothers, and love, with belief, from Elohim the Father and the Master עִזּוֹתֵינוּ Messiah.

Eph 6:24 Favour be with all those who love our Master יְהוָשֻׁעַ Messiah, undecaying! Amén.



BIBLE WORKSHEET

ARMOR OF GOD

Read Ephesians 6: 11-17. Fill in the blanks with the words at the bottom of the page.

"Put on the whole _____ of God so you can stand against the wiles of the devil. For our fight is not against flesh and blood, but against principalities and _____ and rulers of the darkness of this age, and spiritual forces of wickedness in _____ places. Put on the whole armor of _____ that you can _____ in the evil day, and, having done all, to stand. Stand, having the belt of _____ buckled around your _____ with the _____ of righteousness, and having fitted your _____ with the preparation of the Good News of _____. Take up the shield of _____ with which you can quench the fiery _____ of the evil one. Take the _____ of salvation and the sword of the _____, which is the _____ of God."



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BIBLE QUIZ

ARMOR OF GOD

Read Ephesians 6: 10-20. Fill in the blanks with the answers on the right.

QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
____ Have your feet fitted with the gospel of ____ .	1. perseverance
____ Put on the breastplate of ____ .	2. The apostle Paul
____ Stand therefore, having the belt of ____ buckled around your waist.	3. truth
____ We do not wrestle against ____ and blood.	4. faith
____ Put on the whole ____ of God.	5. armor
____ Shoes for your ____ .	6. strong
____ Take the ____ of salvation.	7. helmet
____ Keep alert with all ____ .	8. peace
____ Finally, be ____ in God, and in the strength of His might.	9. feet
____ The ____ of the Spirit, which is the word of God.	10. sword
____ In all circumstances take up the shield of ____ .	11. flesh
____ Which apostle wrote the book of Ephesians?	12. righteousness



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