Greetings, today our manna is from 2Chron 31; Zechariah 13:2-9; Rev. 17; John 16.

December 26 - Melchizedek Devotional Perspective

[Note: I have added emphasis with underlines, highlights, and [brackets] to Scripture for teaching purposes only.]

2Chron 31

In 2Chron 30, the people had gathered and celebrated Passover in the alternative 2nd month and they all had greatly rejoiced. Now we see those that had attended go out into the cities of Judah and tear down associated pillars and high places of pagan worship.

Hezekiah Organizes the Priests

2Ch 31:1 And at the completion of all this, all Yisra'ěl who were present went out to the cities of Yehudah and broke down the pillars, and cut down the Ashěrim, and tore down the high places and the slaughter-places, from all Yehudah, and Binyamin, and in Ephrayim and Menashsheh, even to completion. Then all the children of Yisra'ěl returned to their own cities, each to his possession.

2Ch 31:2 And Ḥizqiyahu appointed the divisions of the priests and of the Lewites according to their divisions, each according to his service of the priests and Lewites for ascending offerings and peace offerings, to serve and to give thanks, and to praise in the gates of the camp of יהוה.

2Ch 31:3 And the sovereign portioned of his possessions for the ascending offerings, for the morning and evening ascending offerings, and the ascending offerings for the sabbaths and for the new *moons* and for the appointed times, as it is written in the Torah of יהוה.

2Ch 31:4 And he said to the people, those who dwelt in Yerushalayim, to give the portion for the priests and the Lewites, so that they are strengthened in the Torah of 'הוה.'

2Ch 31:5 And as the word spread, the children of Yisra'ěl brought large quantities of the first-fruits of grain and wine, and oil and honey, and of all the increase of the field. And they brought in the tithe of all, a large amount.

2Ch 31:6 And the children of Yisra'ěl and Yehudah, those who dwelt in the cities of Yehudah, brought the tithe of cattle and sheep. Even the tithe of set-apart gifts which were set apart to יהוה their Elohim were brought in, and they gave heaps, heaps.

2Ch 31:7 In the third new *moon* they began to pile up the heaps, and they finished in the seventh new *moon*.

2Ch 31:8 And Ḥizqiyahu and the leaders came and saw the heaps, and they blessed and His people Yisra'ěl.

2Ch 31:9 And Ḥizqiyahu asked the priests and the Lewites about the heaps.

- 2Ch 31:10 And Azaryahu the chief priest, from the house of Tsadoq, answered him and said, "Since they began to bring the offerings into the House of יהוה, we have had enough to eat and have plenty left, for יהוה has blessed His people. And this great amount is left over."
- 2Ch 31:11 And Ḥizqiyahu ordered them to prepare rooms in the House of יהוה, and they prepared them.
- 2Ch 31:12 Then they brought in the contribution, and the tithes, and the set-apart gifts, trustworthily. And Konanyahu the Lewite was leader over them, and Shim'i his brother was the next.
- 2Ch 31:13 And Yeḥi'ĕl, and Azazyahu, and Naḥath, and Asah'ĕl, and Yerimoth, and Yozaḇaḏ, and Eli'ĕl, and Yismakyahu, and Maḥath, and Benayahu were overseers under the hand of Konanyahu and Shim'i his brother, by order of Ḥizqiyahu the sovereign and Azaryahu the ruler of the House of Elohim.
- 2Ch 31:14 And Qorě son of Yimnah the Lěwite, the keeper of the East Gate, was over the voluntary offerings to Elohim, to distribute the offerings of יהוה and the most setapart gifts.
- 2Ch 31:15 And under his hand were Eden, and Minyamin, and Yeshua, and Shemayahu, Amaryahu, and Shekanyahu, in the cities of the priests, to distribute trustworthily to their brothers by divisions, to the great as well as the small.
- 2Ch 31:16 Besides those males from three years old and up who were written in the genealogy, they distributed to everyone who entered the House of יהוה his daily portion for the work of his service, by his division,
- 2Ch 31:17 and to the priests who were written in the genealogy according to their father's house, and to the Lewites from twenty years old upward, by their duties in their divisions,
- 2Ch 31:18 and to all listed in the genealogy, their little ones and their wives, their sons and daughters, all the company of them. For in their trustworthiness they set themselves apart in set-apartness.
- 2Ch 31:19 And for the sons of Aharon the priests, who were in the fields of the open land of their cities, in each and every city, there were men who were called by name to distribute portions to all the males among the priests and to all who were listed by genealogies among the Lewites.
- 2Ch 31:20 And Ḥizqiyahu did this in all Yehudah, and he did what was good and what was right and what was true before יהוה his Elohim.
- 2Ch 31:21 And in every work that he began in the service of the House of Elohim, in the Torah and in the command, to seek his Elohim, with all his heart, he did and prospered.

Zechariah 13:2-9

Zec 13:1 "In that day a fountain shall be opened for the house of Dawig and for the inhabitants of Yerushalayim, for sin and for uncleanness.

Idolatry Cut Off

Zec 13:2 "And it shall be in that day," declares יהוה of hosts, "that I cut off the names of the idols from the earth, a and they shall be remembered no more, and I shall also remove the prophets and the unclean spirit from the earth. Footnote: a Exo_23:13, Deu_12:3, Jos_23:7, Hos_2:17, Zep_3:9.

Rev 19:20 And the beast was seized, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he led astray those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshipped his image. The two were thrown alive into the lake of fire burning with sulphur.

Rev 20:1 And I saw a messenger coming down from the heaven, having the key to the pit of the deep and a great chain in his hand.

Rev 20:2 And he seized the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years,

Rev 20:3 and he threw him into the pit of the deep, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should lead the nations no more astray until the thousand years were ended. And after that he has to be released for a little while.

Zec 13:3 "And it shall be, when one prophesies again, then his father and mother who brought him forth shall say to him, 'You shall not live, because you have spoken falsehood in the Name of יהוה.' And his father and mother who brought him forth shall pierce him through when he prophesies.

Zec 13:4 "And it shall be in that day that the prophets shall be ashamed, everyone of his vision when he prophesies, and not put a hairy robe on in order to deceive,

Zec 13:5 but shall say, 'I am no prophet, I am a farmer, for a man sold me as a slave in my youth.'

Zec 13:6 "And one shall say to him, 'What are these wounds in your hands?' And he shall say, 'Because I was struck at home by those who love me.'

F.B. Meyer Notes: This Fountain was opened, when the soldier pierced the Savior's side. But it is not enough for God to forgive; He must deal drastically with the waywardness of his people. And so thorough would be the work, that parents would rather their son should die than assume for filthy lucre and without the divine call, the lucrative profession of a prophet. A township would arise against a man suspected of being a prophet, who, in his terror, would pretend that he was a tiller of the ground. And if they discovered marks in his body which indicated that he had been previously branded as a false prophet, he would rather assert that his friends had been the cause of his affliction, than that he had any sympathy with the prophetic office.

The Shepherd Struck

Zec 13:7 "O sword, awake against My Shepherd, against the Man who is My Companion," declares יהוה of hosts. "Strike the Shepherd, and let the sheep be scattered. But I shall turn My hand upon the little ones.

Presently, all twelve tribes have been dispersed world-wide since our Shepherd, Yahusha HaMashiach, was struck. Those that are of the southern House of Judah or even those that 'proclaim to be of the southern House of Judah'; have not yet recognized Yahusha as the Messiah.

As in Genesis, 'Judah' must rent his heart before 'Joseph' [the house of Israel] for the love of the Father in whom sent His Son to lay down His life to make full atonement for our sins. Then, when, then the two sticks will become one in the hand of YHWH and Israel will be one stick once again. That stick will be those that believe and receive Yahusha HaMashiach as their Savior from every TRIBE, tongue, people, and nation.

Zec 13:8 And it shall be throughout all the soil," declares יהוה, "that two thirds therein are cut off and die, and one third is left therein.

Yet, once more Jerusalem will be attacked and 2/3rds will be cut off and die and 1/3rd left. YHWH awaits to hear repentant hearts cry out 'Blessed is He who is coming in the Name of YHWH!'

1Th 2:14 For you, brothers, became imitators of the assemblies of Elohim which are in Yehudah in Messiah יהושע, because you also suffered the same *treatment* from your own countrymen as they also from the Yehudim,

1Th 2:15 who killed both the Master יהושע and their own prophets, and have persecuted us, and who displease Elohim and are hostile to all men,

1Th 2:16 forbidding us to speak to the nations that they might be saved, so as to fill up their sins always. But the wrath has come upon them to the utmost.

Lament over Jerusalem

Mat 23:37 "Yerushalayim, Yerushalayim, killing the prophets and stoning those who are sent to her! How often I wished to gather your children together, the way a hen gathers her chickens under her wings, but you would not!

Mat 23:38 "See! Your house is left to you laid waste, <u>Jer_22:5</u>.

Mat 23:39 for I say to you, from now on you shall by no means see Me, until you say, 'Blessed is He who is coming in the Name of יוֹם: " Psa_118:26.

Zec 13:9 "And I shall bring the third into fire, and refine them as silver is refined, and try them as gold is tried. They shall call on My Name, b and I shall answer them. I shall say, 'This is My people,' while they say, 'הוה' is my Elohim.' " Footnote: b Zep 3:9.

Joe 2:32 "And it shall be that everyone who calls on the Name of יהוי shall be delivered.^b For on Mount Tsiyon and in Yerushalayim there shall be an escape^c as יהוה has said, and among the survivors whom יהוה calls. Footnotes: b Act 2:21, Rom 10:13. c Isa 4:2-3, Oba 1:17, Rev 14:1.

Revelation 17

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In Rev. 17:1 we see one of the seven messengers with the seven bowls of wrath speaking to John.

The message: The messenger speaks to John and tells him to come and he would show him the judgment of the great whore. The great whore is described as:

- ❖ Sitting on many waters defined by
 - Rev. 17:15 And he said to me, "The waters which you saw, where the whore sits, are peoples, and crowds, and nations, and tongues.
- Sovereigns of the earth have committed whoring with her.
- ❖ Inhabitants of the earth were made drunk with the wine of her whoring.

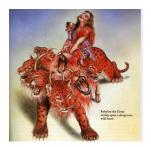
Rev 17:1 And <u>one of the seven messengers who had the seven bowls</u> came and spoke with me, saying to me, "Come, I shall show you the judgment of the great whore sitting on many waters,^a Footnote: ^aSee <u>Rev_17:15</u>.

Rev 17:2 with whom the sovereigns of the earth committed whoring, and the inhabitants of the earth were made drunk with the wine of her whoring." Footnote: b Jer_51:7.

<u>John is visually shown the great whore</u>. She sits on the beast with seven heads and 10 horns [10 sovereigns/kings that have not yet received a reign — Rev. 17:12].

Rev 17:3 And he carried me away in the Spirit into

the wilderness. And I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast covered with names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.



Woman defined: This woman is also said to be in the wilderness.

This woman is identified in the last verse of Rev. 17: Rev 17:18 "And the woman whom you saw is that great city having sovereignty over the sovereigns of the earth." [The defiled earthly Jerusalem is a very strong contender – It began with Jerusalem and it will end with Jerusalem.]

Rev 17:4 And the woman was dressed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, holding in her hand a golden cup filled with abominations and the filthiness of her whoring,^b Footnote: ^b Jer 51:7.

A change from a nation's regular attire / garments; to another set of foreign clothing, signifies submission to another's authority. It appears that the woman, the city of earthly Jerusalem, has taken on the colors we often associate with Vatican Rome. The only acceptable religion at this point is to worship the beast. The Anti-messiah and the False Prophet work in tandem. Babel the Great is called the 'Mother of Whores.' What great compromise had to be made by those to be considered a 'whore' under the umbrella of 'Mother of Whores?' The name written on her forehead indicates the woman riding the beast is probably connected to the Vatican papal priesthood. The band on her forehead is the clue. The enemy imitates the true priests that have 'Set apart to YHWH' written on their foreheads.

Rev 17:5 and upon her forehead a name written, a secret: BABEL THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF THE WHORES AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

Rev 17:6 And I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the set-apart ones, and with the blood of the witnesses of יהושע. And having seen her, I marvelled – greatly marvelled!

The reveal: The messenger explains the 'secret of the woman' and the beast she rides.

Rev 17:7 And the messenger said to me, "Why did you marvel? Let me explain to you the secret of the woman and of the beast she rides, which has the seven heads and the ten horns.

Rev 17:8 "The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about to come up out of the pit of the deep and goes to destruction. And those dwelling on the earth, whose names are not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world, c shall marvel when they see the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. Footnote: C Dan_12:1.

Seven heads defined:

Rev 17:9 "Here is the mind having wisdom: The seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sits.

A broader more feasible context would be that the '7 mountains' are the 7 continents which are also represented by 10 leaders or kings. We probably shouldn't limit ourselves to 7 actual mountains of Jerusalem or 7 mountains in Rome etc. This is a global cabal.

The 10 Horns Defined:

Rev 17:12 "And the ten horns which you saw are ten sovereigns who have not yet received a reign, but receive authority as sovereigns with the beast for one hour.

7 Heads equal 7 Continents



This is the eighth beast rising...

Above depiction shared by Kimberly Rogers-Brown

The current 'nation' called 'Israel' was NOT founded by those with the Ephraim BIRTHRIGHT; neither did they have the right to the 'name' of 'Israel'. The enemy usurped the land and the name 'Israel.' The man-made '3rd Temple' will be utilized by the Antimessiah and False Prophet – their New World Order and religious cabal that denies Yahusha HaMashiach; Jesus as the Messiah. So, ponder, what region is being considered for this man-driven '3rd Temple'? It began with Jerusalem and it will end with Jerusalem.

When Yahusha gathers the scattered southern tribes of Judah and the northern tribes of Israel TOGETHER; then the true holy nation of Israel will be one; the one new man.

These 10 horns or kings are probably represented by the 10 toes on the feet of the statue. Let's take a moment to discuss the east and west legs that feed into these 10 toes.

The Anti-messiah and the False Prophet will <u>eventually be</u> 'conquering' from the manmade temple in Jerusalem at some future date. Like with most nations, the enemy has worked its way into <u>governmental and religious leadership roles.</u> They are not who they 'say' they are. They are chameleons.

Let's talk for a moment about the legs of the statue mentioned in Daniel. <u>Most associate</u> the two legs of the statue in Daniel as follows:

- ❖ Western Empire Rome [Rome has an Edomite connection]
- Eastern Empire Constantinople [Turkey connects to Khazars that <u>adopted</u> Judaism excerpt below]

The '<u>west leg of the statue'</u> or Western Empire is associated with Roman Catholicism and the Vatican – this leg <u>leads to the western foot and five toes</u>.

What about the 'east leg'? – If the 'west leg' maintains an association with Rome; what relationship might be maintained with the 'east leg'; the Eastern Empire of Constantinople (Turkey); that may generate influence on the eastern foot and 5 toes?

What are the main man-made religions that flow in these two lower extremities? The Roman Western Empire would be mainly <u>Catholicism</u>. The Turkish Eastern Empire would be mainly <u>Islam</u> with Khazars that converted to <u>Judaism</u>.

With that in mind let's look at an excerpt from https://www.britannica.com/topic/Khazar

Khazar, member of a confederation of <u>Turkic-speaking tribes</u> that in the late 6th century ce established a major commercial empire covering the southeastern section of modern European <u>Russia</u>. Although the origin of the term Khazar and the early history of the Khazar people are obscure, it is fairly certain that the Khazars were originally located in the northern <u>Caucasus region</u> and were part of the western <u>Turkic empire</u> (in <u>Turkistan</u>). The <u>Khazars were in contact with the Persians in the mid-6th century</u> ce, and they aided the <u>Byzantine</u> emperor <u>Heraclius</u> (reigned 610–641) in his campaign against the Persians.

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Although basically <u>Turkic</u>, the <u>Khazar state bore little resemblance to the other Turkic empires</u> of central Eurasia. It was headed by <u>a secluded supreme ruler of semireligious</u> <u>character called a khagan</u>—who wielded little real power—and by tribal chieftains, each known as a *beg*. The state's military organization also seems to have lacked the forcefulness of those of the greater Turkic- Mongol empires. <u>The Khazars seem to have been more inclined to a sedentary way of life, building towns and fortresses, tilling the soil, and planting gardens and vineyards. Trade and the collection of tribute were major sources of income. <u>But the most striking characteristic of the Khazars was the apparent adoption of Judaism</u> by the khagan and the greater part of the ruling class in about 740. The circumstances of the</u>

conversion remain obscure, the depth of their adoption of Judaism difficult to assess; but the fact itself is undisputed and unparalleled in central Eurasian history. A few scholars have even asserted that the Judaized Khazars were the remote ancestors of many eastern European and Russian Jews. Whatever the case may be, religious tolerance was practiced in the Khazar empire, and paganism continued to flourish among the population.

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We see Khazars, with fair certainty, were originally located in the <u>northern Caucasus</u> region and were part of the western Turkic empire in Turkistan. The <u>most striking</u> characteristic, however, was the fact that the Khazars adopted Judaism.

Now we have a possible link descending through the Turkish Eastern Empire Leg being associated with Turkish Khazars that ADOPTED JUDAISM and lived in eastern Europe and Russia. Many of which would have proclaimed to be Jews that would have 'returned' and populated the current man-proclaimed nation of 'Israel. This makes for a very interesting mixture.

We also know that when Judah returned from exile in Babylon, many had adopted the <u>Babylonian paganistic ways and birthed the Babylonian Talmud</u>. To this day, those that say they are 'Jews' and are not; cling to their Talmud rather than the true Torah. Hence the name 'Mystery Babylon' would make sense. They whored and brought Babylonian practices to Jerusalem.

The Sanhedrin were re-established in 2004. The Sanhedrin were those that accused Yahusha of blasphemy. These were those that Yahusha said were of the 'Synagogue of Satan.'

Now, back to the legs of the statue. We have identified three 'religions that have descended out of the legs to the feet, we have identified: Roman Catholicism; Islam; and Judaism.

- ♣ The False Prophet will probably be a Catholic Pope that denies Yahusha [Jesus]; they worship another 'Jesus'
- 🖶 The Anti-messiah obviously denies Yahusha [Jesus].
- ♣ Judaism also denies Yahusha [Jesus]
- ♣ All three deny Yahusha HaMashiach as the Son of YHWH.

It has been well noted that the only kind of leader capable of coalescing support from Eastern Muslim Nations would <u>be a Muslim</u>; <u>like the 'Twelvers' Mahdi they are expecting</u>. Their Mahdi would equate to whom most western believers would identify <u>as the Antimessiah</u>. The Mahdi / Anti-messiah would equate to the rider on the first apocalyptic 'white' horse going forth to conquer. It will be one that some may proclaimed as '<u>coming out of the desert</u>' or a '<u>secret chamber</u>' [possibly an underground bunker].

The Anti-messiah and the False Prophet work hand in hand. At some point, Satan will give his power to this Anti-messiah which I see as a hybrid man. The False Prophet as well may be <u>a modified man</u>; since it is also referred to as <u>a beast</u>. <u>Beasts are no longer human</u>. Beasts are those of corrupted flesh by cloning; artificial intelligence; souls that have been sold to Satan; fallen angel technology or transhumanism.

We know the <u>feet and toes are miry clay mixed with iron</u>. <u>Adam, man</u>, was made from the <u>earth, clay</u>. Iron could represent un-natural man or a beast. The clay and iron represent polar opposites; several combinations could 'fit the bill.' For example: Transhumanism; Fallen Angel Technology; Cloning; DNA splicing etc.

In Daniel 2:43 it says they are mixing themselves with the seed of men; but are not clinging to each other.

Dan 2:41 "Yet, as you saw the feet and toes, partly of potter's clay and partly of iron, the reign is to be divided. But some of the strength of the iron is to be in it, because you saw the iron mixed with muddy clay.

Dan 2:42 "And as the toes of the feet were partly of iron and partly of clay, so the reign is partly strong and partly brittle.

Dan 2:43 "And as you saw iron mixed with muddy clay, they are mixing themselves with the seed of men, but they are not clinging to each other, even as iron does not mix with clay.

Rev 17:10 "And there are seven sovereigns: five have fallen, and one is, and the other has not yet come. And when he comes, he has to remain a little while.

Rev 17:11 "And the beast that was, and is not, is himself also the eighth, and is of the seven, and goes to destruction

The seven heads/mountains also represent past kingdoms that have ruled over the Hebrew nation: 1) Egyptian, 2) Assyrian, 3) Babylonian, 4) Medo-Persian, 5) Grecian, 6) Roman, 7) Ottoman, Turk/<u>Islamic Caliphate</u>. As time draws closer and <u>with further study</u> this list may be modified.

It is interesting that the beast that was, and is not, is himself also the eighth. I never picked up on the fact that the term 'beast' is a great clue. Out of the above 7, which ones might stand alone as a beast?

I think of two beasts:

- 1. The Anti-messiah the anti-messiah that <u>may</u> be associated with Turkish Muslim / Khazars converted to Judaism
- 2. The False Prophet the false prophet <u>may</u> be associated with Vatican Rome.

Positionally, knowing that there is a connection between Turkey and the Turkish Khazars that have adopted Judaism and have 'returned' to Israel – coupled with the fact that when Judah returned from Babylon they brought with them leavened false doctrine of the Babylonian Talmud; leads me to ponder this very interesting mixture. It sounds like it has the perfect blend of ingredients to produce a beast; such as a revived Ottoman empire but from within Jerusalem in which the Anti-messiah could come; along with the false prophet associated with Rome.

We must also remember the Edomite connection; their color is red. Ultimately this is what the final battle boils down to: the battle between Esau and Jacob. In the final battle, Jacob [Israel], will be led by Yahusha HaMashiach. Esau is synonymous with Edom/ Seir / and Idumaeans.

The Idumaeans were at first not accepted as Jews. King Herod the Great, who had an Idumaean father and a Nabataean mother, was not really considered to be a king of the Jews - although this had to do with his pro-Roman policies too. After the death of his successor Herod Archelaus, the kingdom was annexed and Idumaea was now part of the Roman province Judaea. If ethnic divisions still existed, they slowly disappeared, and during the great war against the Romans that broke out in 66/67, the Idumaeans fought with the Jews.{{Josephus, Jewish War} 4.224.}} Their leader Simon bar Giora was one of the Jewish generals during the siege of Jerusalem.

After this war, Idumea disappears from our sources as an independent political unit. However, in rabbinical sources, the word <u>"Edom" was a code name for Rome</u>. This is a consequence of the following lines from *Numbers*:

I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near. A star shall come out of Jacob and a scepter will rise out of Israel. It shall crush the foreheads of Moab and break down all the sons of Sheth. Edom shall be dispossessed.

Since the second century BCE, these words have been interpreted as a Messianic prophecy; when Rome became a major player in the region, the interpretation of the last words was adapted to the situation. https://www.livius.org/articles/people/edomites/

We must keep in mind, any individual that comes to Yahusha from ANY nationality can cross-over into eternal life through accepting Yahusha HaMashiach as their Savior. This is the ONLY hope for any of us.

Rev 17:12 "And the <u>ten horns</u> which you saw are <u>ten sovereigns</u> who have not yet received a reign but receive authority as sovereigns with the beast for one hour.

Rev 17:13 "They have one mind, and they shall give their power and authority to the beast.

The ability of mankind to <u>having one mind</u>, is <u>total hive-mind AI controlled</u>. Again, these <u>10 sovereigns</u> are most probably demonically possessed or genetically modified. Their flesh totally corrupted. Artificial Intelligence on steroids; transhumanism.

Rev 17:14 "They shall fight with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them, for He is **Master of masters** Deu 10:17 and Sovereign of sovereigns. And those with Him are called, and chosen, and trustworthy."

Prior to this battle with the Lamb, we will see wars and rumors of wars and nations rise against nation. The final battle will be when the cabal nations rise to make war with the Lamb and His set-apart ones.

This should be a short battle.

Rev 17:15 And he said to me, "<u>The waters</u> which you saw, <u>where the whore sits, are peoples, and crowds, and nations, and tongues.</u>

Rev 17:16 "And the ten horns which you saw on the beast, these shall hate the whore, and lay her waste and naked, and eat her flesh and burn her with fire.

Rev 17:17 "For Elohim did give it into their hearts to do His mind, to be of one mind, and to give their reign to the beast, until the words of Elohim shall be accomplished.

Rev 17:18 "And the woman whom you saw is that great city having sovereignty over the sovereigns of the earth."

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 <u>international law.</u> 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 <u>Luk_4:6</u>.

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 יהושע, 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 יהושע 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.

Your Grief Shall Become Joy

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