

Greetings, today our manna is from 1Chron. 15; Amos 9; James 2; Luke 4.

November 20 – Melchizedek Devotional Perspective

[Note: **For teaching purposes only**, underlines, bold font, and highlights have been added to Scripture text. Version TS2009]

1Chron. 15

The Ark Brought to Jerusalem

1Ch 15:1 And he built houses for himself in the City of Dawid. And he prepared a place for the ark of Elohim, and pitched a tent for it.

1Ch 15:2 Then Dawid said, “No one is to lift the ark of Elohim but the Lěwites, for יהוה has chosen them to lift the ark of Elohim and to serve Him forever.”

1Ch 15:3 And Dawid assembled all Yisra’ěl at Yerushalayim, to bring up the ark of יהוה to its place, which he had prepared for it.

1Ch 15:4 And Dawid gathered the children of Aharon and the Lěwites;

- 1Ch 15:5 of the sons of Qeath: **Uri’ěl the chief**, and one hundred and twenty of his brothers;
- 1Ch 15:6 of the sons of Merari: **Asayah the chief**, and two hundred and twenty of his brothers;
- 1Ch 15:7 of the sons of Gěreshom: **Yo’ěl the chief**, and one hundred and thirty of his brothers;
- 1Ch 15:8 of the sons of Elitsaphan: **Shemayah the chief**, and two hundred of his brothers;
- 1Ch 15:9 of the sons of Hēbron: **Eli’ěl the chief**, and eighty of his brothers;
- 1Ch 15:10 of the sons of Uzzi’ěl: **Amminadab the chief**, and one hundred and twelve of his brothers.

1Ch 15:11 And Dawid called for

- ✚ Tsadoq and Ebyathar the priests,
- ✚ and for the Lěwites, for
- ✚ Uri’ěl,
- ✚ Asayah, and
- ✚ Yo’ěl,
- ✚ Shemayah, and
- ✚ Eli’ěl, and
- ✚ Amminadab,

1Ch 15:12 and said to them,

- ✚ “You are the heads of the fathers’ *houses* of the Lěwites. Set yourselves apart, you and your brothers, then you shall bring up the ark of יהוה Elohim of Yisra’ěl to the place I have prepared for it.

- ✚ 1Ch 15:13 “Because you did not do it the first time, יהוה our Elohim broke out against us, because we did not ask Him about the right-ruling.”
- ✚ 1Ch 15:14 So the priests and the Lěwites set themselves apart, to bring up the ark of יהוה Elohim of Yisra’ěl.
- ✚ 1Ch 15:15 And the children of the Lěwites bore the ark of Elohim on their shoulders, by its poles, as Mosheh had commanded according to the word of יהוה.

1Ch 15:16 And Dawid spoke to the leaders of the Lěwites to appoint their brothers the singers with instruments of song, harps, and lyres, and cymbals, to lift up the voice with joy.

- ❖ 1Ch 15:17 And the Lěwites appointed Hěman son of Yo’ěl, and of his brothers, Asaph son of Berekyahu; and of their brothers, the sons of Merari, Ęythan son of Qushayahu;
- ❖ 1Ch 15:18 and with them their brothers of the second rank: Zeḱaryahu, Běn, and Ya’azi’ěl, and Shemiramoth, and Yeḥi’ěl, and Unni, Eliyaḅ, and Benayahu, and Ma’asěyahu, and Mattithyahu, and Eliphelěhu, and Miqněyahu, and Oḅěḍ-Eḍom, and Ye’i’ěl, the gatekeepers;
- ❖ 1Ch 15:19 and the singers Hěman, Asaph, and Ęythan, were to sound the cymbals of bronze;
- ❖ 1Ch 15:20 and Zeḱaryah, and Azi’ěl, and Shemiramoth, and Yeḥi’ěl, and Unni, and Eliyaḅ, and Ma’asěyahu, and Benayahu, with harps according to Alamoḥ;
- ❖ 1Ch 15:21 and Mattithyahu, and Eliphelěhu, and Miqněyahu, and Oḅěḍ-Eḍom, and Ye’i’ěl, and Azazyahu, to lead with lyres on the Sheminith;
- ❖ 1Ch 15:22 and Kenanyahu, leader of the Lěwites in the song, instructed in the song because he was skilled;
- ❖ 1Ch 15:23 and Berekyah and Elqanah were doorkeepers for the ark;
- ❖ 1Ch 15:24 and Sheḅanyahu, and Yoshaphat, and Nethan’ěl, and Amasai, and Zeḱaryahu, and Benayahu, and Eli’ezer, the priests, were to blow the trumpets before the ark of Elohim.
- ❖ And Oḅěḍ-Eḍom and Yeḥiyah, were doorkeepers for the ark.

1Ch 15:25 And it was Dawid and the elders of Yisra’ěl, and the commanders over thousands, who went to bring up the ark of the covenant of יהוה from the house of Oḅěḍ-Eḍom with joy.

1Ch 15:26 And it came to be, when Elohim helped the Lěwites who bore the ark of the covenant of יהוה, that they slaughtered seven bulls and seven rams.

1Ch 15:27 And Dawid was dressed in a robe of fine linen, as were all the Lěwites who bore the ark, the singers, and Kenanyah the leader of the service with the singers. And Dawid wore a linen shoulder garment.

King David was an archetype leading up to Yahusha HaMashiach, our High Priest and King after the order of Melchizedek. David performed and dressed in both kingly and priestly garments; and many of the Psalms he wrote were prophetic. King David was of the righteous lineage that would prophetically lead to the Messiah, Yahusha HaMashiach.

1Ch 15:28 So all Yisra'el brought up the ark of the covenant of יהוה with shouting and with a voice of a shophar, with trumpets and with cymbals, sounding with harps and lyres.

1Ch 15:29 And it came to be, as the ark of the covenant of יהוה came to the City of Dawid, that Miḳal the daughter of Sha'ul, looking through a window, saw Sovereign Dawid dancing and playing. And she despised him in her heart.

It appears, all Israel brought up the ark and rejoiced except one, Mikal, the daughter of Saul. She viewed the joyous affair from a window and despised David in her heart for dancing and playing. The love she once held for David had grown cold. She had lived through the time of her father seeking to kill her husband David; her father, Saul, had then given her to another to marry; then she is retrieved from that marriage by David. She may have been feeling unhappy with little or no control over her life. She had been raised as the daughter of King Saul; and now was married to King David. At some point, she let 'bitterness' enter, and it poisoned her life and she missed the blessing.

David had returned to bless his household, and Mikal met him with bitter words leading to a bitter exchange. Haven't we all been there? We blurt out our frustrations that have built up inside of us; when first, we should take pause. This is what the book of James teaches about the tongue and being swift to hear; slow to speak; slow to wrath. The enemy is always trying to cause division within families and marriages. May we show grace and forgiveness instead of anger and strife. Sometimes that is easier said than done; and only Yahusha was perfect.

Jas 3:2 For we all stumble in many *matters*. If anyone does not stumble in word, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle the entire body.

Jas 3:3 Look, we put bits in the mouths of horses, for them to obey us, and we turn their body.

Jas 3:4 Look at the ships too: although they are so big and are driven by strong winds, they are turned by a very small rudder wherever the pilot intends.

Jas 3:5 So too the tongue is a little member, yet boasts greatly. See how a little fire kindles a great forest!

2Sa 6:20 And Dawid returned to bless his household, and Miḳal the daughter of Sha'ul came out to meet Dawid, and said, "How esteemed was the sovereign of Yisra'el today, uncovering himself today in the eyes of the female servants of his servants, as one of the foolish ones shamelessly uncovers himself!"

2Sa 6:21 So Dawid said to Miḳal, "Before יהוה, who chose me instead of your father and all his house, commanded me to be ruler over the people of יהוה, over Yisra'el, so I danced before יהוה."

2Sa 6:22 “And I shall be even more slight than this, and shall be humble in my own eyes. But as for the female servants of whom you have spoken, by them I am esteemed.”

2Sa 6:23 **And Miḳal the daughter of Sha’ul had no children to the day of her death.**

In the beginning of their union, there was love:

1Sa 18:20 And **Mikal, Sha’ul’s daughter, loved Dawid**. And they told Sha’ul, and the matter was right in his eyes.

1Sa 18:27 and Dawid arose and went, he and his men, and struck two hundred men of the Philistines. And Dawid brought their foreskins, and they set them before the sovereign, to become the sovereign’s son-in-law. And **Sha’ul gave him Mikal his daughter as a wife.**

1Sa 18:28 And Sha’ul saw and knew that יהוה was with Dawid, and **Mikal daughter of Sha’ul did love him.**

1Sa 25:42 And Aḇiḡayil hurried and rose, and rode on a donkey, with five of her female attendants. And she followed the messengers of Dawid, and became his wife.

1Sa 25:43 Dawid had also taken Aḥino’am of Yizre’el, and so both of them were his wives.

1Sa 25:44 **But Sha’ul had given Mikal his daughter, Dawid’s wife, to Palti son of Layish, who was from Galliym.**

David has Mikal retrieved from Palti son of Layish

2Sa 3:14 Dawid then sent messengers to Ishbosheth son of Sha’ul, saying, “Give me my wife Miḳal, to whom I became engaged for a hundred foreskins of the Philistines.”

2Sa 3:15 And Ishbosheth sent and took her from her husband, from Palti’el son of Layish.

2Sa 3:16 But her husband went with her to Baḥurim, going on and weeping behind her. And Aḇner said to him, “Go, turn back!” And he turned back.

Amos 9

YHWH had always wanted to bless Israel; but Israel had rejected Him; and by their abominable acts, showed that they despised Him in their hearts.

The Destruction of Israel

Amo 9:1 **I saw יהוה standing by the slaughter-place, and He said,**

✚ “Strike the column head, so that the thresholds shake, and break them off by the head, all of them. And the last of them I kill with the sword. Not one of them fleeing gets away, and no

✚ t one fugitive of them escapes.

✚ **Amo 9:2** “If they dig into She’ol, from there my hand does take them; and if they climb up to the heavens, from there I bring them down.

✚ **Amo 9:3** “And if they hide themselves on top of Karmel, from there I shall

search, and take them. And if they hide from before My eyes at the bottom of the sea, from there I shall command the serpent, and it shall bite them.

- ✚ Amos 9:4 “And if they go into captivity before their enemies, from there I shall command the sword, and it shall kill them. And I shall set My eyes on them for evil and not for good.”

Amo 9:5 And the Master יהוה of hosts is He who touches the earth so that it melts, and all who dwell in it mourn, and all of it come up like the River, and subside like the River of Mitsrayim –

- ✚ Amos 9:6 who is building His upper room in the heavens, and has founded His firmament on the earth, who is calling for the waters of the sea, and pours them out on the face of the earth – יהוה is His Name.
- ✚ Amos 9:7 “Are you not like the people of Kush to Me, O children of Yisra’el?” declares יהוה. **“Did I not bring up Yisra’el from the land of Mitsrayim, and the Philistines from Kaphtor, and Aram from Qir?”**

Amo 9:8 “Look, the eyes of the Master יהוה are on the **sinful reign,^a** and I shall destroy it from the face of the earth, except that, **I do not completely destroy the house of Ya’aqob,” declares יהוה.** Footnote: ^a [Isa 34:2](#), [Jer 30:11](#), [Jer 46:28](#), [Dan 2:44](#), [Zep 3:8](#), [Hag 2:22](#), [Luk 4:5-6](#).

- ✚ Amos 9:9 “For look, I am commanding, and I shall sift^b the house of Yisra’el among all the nations, as one sifts^b with a sieve, yet not a grain falls to the ground. Footnote: ^bOr *shake – shakes*.
- ✚ Amos 9:10 “All the sinners of My people are going to die by the sword, those who are saying, ‘Evil does not overtake us nor meet us.’”

In YHWH’s loving commitment toward us, He doesn’t completely destroy the house of Israel; He will, however, sift and separate the wheat from the chaff from among the nations. The house of Israel will one day rejoice again.

The Restoration of Israel

The restoration of the Booth of David will be achieved by YHWH, not by man. We are the ‘one new man’; the living stones of spiritual Israel. Yahusha is the repairer of the breach; He is the head.

- ✚ I shall raise up
- ✚ I shall repair
- ✚ I shall build it

Amo 9:11 “In that day **I shall raise up the Booth of Dawid which has fallen down.** And **I shall repair its breaches and raise up its ruins.** And **I shall build it as in the**

days of old,

Amo 9:12 so **that they possess** the remnant of Edom,^c and all the nations on whom My Name is called,”^d declares יהוה who does this. Footnotes: ^cThe vowels which the Massoretes added later on makes this read **Edom, but it was probably a mistake. It should be Adam, meaning mankind.** ^d [Act 15:16-17](#).

Col 1:18 And **He is the Head of the body, the assembly**, who is the beginning, the first-born from the dead, that He might become the One who is first in all.

Col 1:19 Because in Him all the completeness was well pleased to dwell,

Col 1:20 and through Him to **completely restore to favor all unto Himself**, whether on earth or in the heavens, having made peace through the blood of His stake.

Col 1:21 And you, who once were estranged and enemies in the mind by wicked works, but now He has completely restored to favor

Col 1:22 in the body of His flesh through death, to present you set-apart, and blameless, and unproveable before Him,

‘Look, the days are coming’, when there will be great abundance.

Amo 9:13 **“Look, the days are coming,”** declares יהוה, “that the ploughman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him who sows seed. And the mountains shall drip new wine, and all the hills melt.

Amo 9:14 “And **I shall turn back the captivity of My people Yisra’ël.**

- ✚ And they shall build the waste cities and inhabit them.
- ✚ And they shall plant vineyards and drink wine from them,
- ✚ and shall make gardens
- ✚ and eat their fruit.

Amo 9:15 “And **I shall plant them on their own soil**, and **not uproot them any more** from their own soil I have given them,” said יהוה your Elohim!

James 2

James addresses a very important topic that is NOT to be found among the brethren:
Partiality.

The Sin of Partiality

Jas 2:1 My brothers, do not hold the belief of our Master יהושע Messiah, the Master of esteem, with partiality.

- ✚ **Jas 2:2** For if there should come into your meeting place a man with gold rings, in a splendid robe, and there should also come in a poor one dressed in rags,
- ✚ **Jas 2:3** and you pay attention to the one wearing the splendid robe and say to

him, "You sit here in a good place," and say to the poor one, "You stand there," or, "Sit here by my feet,"

- ✚ [Jas 2:4](#) have you not discriminated among yourselves, and become judges with wicked thoughts?

[Jas 2:5](#) **Listen, my beloved brothers:**

- ✚ Has Elohim not chosen the poor of this world, rich in belief and heirs of the reign which He promised to those who love Him?

[Jas 2:6](#) But you have shown disrespect towards the poor man. Do not the rich oppress you and drag you into the courts?

[Jas 2:7](#) Do they not blaspheme that good Name by which you are called?

[Jas 2:8](#) **If you truly accomplish the sovereign law according to the Scripture,**

- ✚ "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," [Lev 19:18](#) you do well,
- ✚ [Jas 2:9](#) but **if you show partiality**, you commit sin, being found guilty by the Torah as transgressors.
- ✚ [Jas 2:10](#) For whoever shall guard all the Torah, and yet stumble in one point, he is guilty of all.

[Jas 2:11](#) For He who said, "Do not commit adultery," [Exo 20:14](#) also said, "Do not murder." [Exo 20:13](#) Now if you do not commit adultery, but you do murder, you have become a transgressor of Torah.

[Jas 2:12](#) So speak and so do as those who are to be judged by a Torah of freedom.^a

Footnote: ^aSee [Jas 1:25](#) and [Joh 8:32-36](#).

[Jas 2:13](#) **For the judgment is without compassion to the one who has shown no compassion.** And compassion boasts over judgment.

Here we see the dichotomy between the Book of the Law and the 'Torah of freedom' [the Book of the Covenant or Covenant Torah]. This was the 1st generation of believers partaking in the restored reign of the Melchizedek Priesthood. They, like us, were having to 'unlearn' the doctrines of man and the twisting of the true Scriptures. Awakening to truth and unlearning the lies is a process. This is what is meant 'by getting the leaven out.' Leaven is the false or inaccurately taught doctrine, that should be cleansed out of our lives; the Ruach HaKodesh dwells in us; we are the 'priests' of our temple. We are responsible for keeping our temple clean and in order with His Word.

Faith Without Works Is Dead

[Jas 2:14](#) **My brothers, what use is it for anyone to say he has belief but does not have works? This belief is unable to save him.**

We know other believers by their fruit, their works. If they have no fruit, then they must not have true belief. A believer produces fruit. Belief and works go hand in hand; but belief comes first thereby producing the fruit unto righteousness. It is by grace through faith (belief) that we are saved.

Jas 2:15 And if a brother or sister is naked and in need of daily food,

Jas 2:16 but one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and be filled," but you do not give them the bodily needs, what use is it?

Jas 2:17 **So also belief, if it does not have works, is in itself dead.**

Jas 2:18 But someone might say, "You have belief, and I have works." Show me your belief without your works, and I shall show you my belief by my works.

Jas 2:19 You believe that **Elohim is one.** Deu 6:4 You do well. The demons also believe – and shudder!

Jas 2:20 But do you wish to know, O foolish man, that the belief without the works is dead?

Jas 2:21 Was not Abraham our father declared right by works when he offered Yitshaq his son on the slaughter-place?

Jas 2:22 **Do you see that the belief was working with his works, and by the works the belief was perfected?**

Jas 2:23 And the Scripture was filled which says, "**Abraham believed Elohim, and it was reckoned to him for righteousness.**" Gen 15:6 And He called him, "**he who loves Elohim.**" Isa 41:8, 2Ch 20:7.

Jas 2:24 You see, then, that **a man is declared right** by works, and not by belief alone.

Jas 2:25 In the same way, was not **Rahab the whore also declared right by works** when she received the messengers and sent them out another way?

Jas 2:26 **For as the body without the spirit is dead, so also the belief is dead without the works.**

Luke 4

The Temptation of Yahusha

Luk 4:1 **And יהושע, being filled with the Set-apart Spirit, returned from the Yardēn and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness,**

Yahusha had just been mikvah'd by John the Immerser and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness. Yahusha will prove Himself faithful and we will see His powerful wilderness witness for all to follow. His time in the wilderness was 40 days, which mindfully connects us to the 40 years of Israel wandering in the wilderness.

Luk 4:2 being **tried for forty days by the devil**. And in those days He did not eat at all, and afterward, when they had ended, He was hungry.

The enemy always tries to attack us when we are at our weakest point. Yahusha had fasted for 40 days and was hungry. This is when we must H-A-L-T, whenever we are **Hungry, Angry, Lonely, or Tired**. For this is when Satan attacks and tries to capitalize on our flesh. Instead, we must take pause.

Yahusha's wilderness witness is skillfully shown to us by how He uses the Word of YHWH which is sharper than any two-edged sword against Satan. He wields it with masterful precision.

Luk 4:3 And the devil said to Him,

- ✚ "If You are the Son of Elohim, command this stone to become bread."
- ✚ **Luk 4:4** But יהושע answered him, saying, "It has been written, **'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of Elohim.'**" Deu 8:3 Footnote: ^a Mat 4:4.

Luk 4:5 And the devil, taking Him up on a high mountain,

- ✚ **showed Him all the reigns of the world in a moment of time.**

Here we see Satan showing Him all the reigns of the world **in a moment of time**; or outside of 'time.' Satan at this point is powerful and still has access to the second and third heaven. Now, Satan is once again facing the One that is all powerful; all present; and all knowing. Yahusha faces Satan, the very one He came to destroy; and He does. Satan is a defeated foe.

- **Luk 4:6** And the devil said to Him, "All this authority I shall give You, and their esteem, for it has been delivered to me,^b and I give it to whomever I wish. Footnote: ^bSee 2Co 4:4, Joh 12:31, Joh 14:30, Joh 16:11, 1Jn 5:19
- **Luk 4:7** "If, then, You worship before me, all shall be Yours."
- ✚ **Luk 4:8** And יהושע answering him, said, "Get behind Me, Satan! For it has been written, **'You shall worship יהוה your Elohim, and Him only you shall serve.'**" Deu 6:13.

Luk 4:9 And he brought Him to Yerushalayim, set Him on the edge of the Set-apart Place, and said to Him,

- ✚ “If You are the Son of Elohim, throw Yourself down from here,
 - Luk 4:10 for it has been written, ‘He shall command His messengers concerning You, to guard over You,’ Psa 91:11.
 - Luk 4:11 and, ‘In their hands they shall bear You up, lest You dash Your foot against a stone.’ ” Psa 91:12.

Luk 4:12 And יהושע answering, said to him, “It has been said, **‘You shall not try יהוה your Elohim.’** ” Deu 6:16.

Luk 4:13 And when the devil had ended every trial, he went away from Him until a convenient time.

Yahusha Begins His Ministry

Luk 4:14 And יהושע returned in the power of the Spirit to Galil, and news of Him went out through all the surrounding country.

Luk 4:15 And **He was teaching in their congregations**, being praised by all.

Yahusha Rejected at Nazareth

Luk 4:16 And He came to Natsareth, where He had been brought up. **And according to His practice, He went into the congregation on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read.**

Luk 4:17 And **the scroll of the prophet Yeshayahu was handed to Him**. And having unrolled the scroll, **He found the place where it was written:**

- Luk 4:18 **“The Spirit of יהוה is upon Me,^c because He has anointed Me to bring the Good News to the poor. He has sent Me to heal the broken-hearted, to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to send away crushed ones with a release, Footnote: ^cSee Isa 61:1-3.**
- Luk 4:19 **to proclaim the acceptable year of יהוה.”^d Isa 61:1-2 Footnote: ^dAlso see Isa 58:6.**

Yahusha quotes from Isa 61:1; but immediately adds parts of Isa 42:7.

Isa 61:1 The Spirit of the Master יהוה is upon Me, because יהוה has anointed Me to bring good news to the meek. He has sent Me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim release to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound,

Isa 61:2 to proclaim the acceptable year of יהוה, [He stops here] and the day of vengeance of our Elohim, to comfort all who mourn,

F. B. Meyer noted: Yahusha stopped at the comma, Isa 61:2, because the day of vengeance is not yet. See Luk 4:19. Mark that it is only for a day! YHWH not only delivers but anoints and crowns.

Isa 61:3 to appoint unto those who mourn in Tsiyon: to give them embellishment for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness. And they shall be called trees of righteousness, a planting of הַיְהוּה, to be adorned.

Isa 42:7 to open blind eyes, to bring out prisoners from the prison, those who sit in darkness from the prison house.

Luk 4:20 And having rolled up the scroll, He gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the congregation were fixed upon Him.

Luk 4:21 And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been filled in your hearing."

F. B. Meyer Excerpt: What a flutter in Mary's heart when she saw her son sitting in the teacher's place of His native synagogue! How gratified at the reception given to the opening sentences! What a sword pierced her heart at the sudden revulsion of feeling! They were jealous that He performed only a few private miracles; but He could not do more because of their unbelief. See [Mar 6:5](#).

Note that our Lord here sounded forth the silver trumpet of jubilee. Seizing on the imagery of the gladdest festival of Hebrew life, He likened Himself to a priest proclaiming *the acceptable year of the Lord*. Not yet the day of vengeance! Compare [Luk 4:19](#) with [Isa 61:1-2](#). This is Christ's program for the present age.

Luk 4:22 And all were bearing witness to Him, and marveled at the pleasant words that came out of His mouth. And they said, "Is this not the son of Yosēph?"

Luke 4:22 is a very key verse. We see how some doubted by saying, "Is this not the son of Joseph?" In other words, they were saying Yahusha was 'just a man.' So how could flesh and blood inherit the reign of Elohim? Answer. Because His flesh and bone were from heaven; not the flesh and bone made from the earth, clay. He came in the likeness of flesh. For this reason, we ourselves must be born of the Spirit; born anew.

1Co 15:50 And this I say, brothers, that flesh and blood is unable to inherit the reign of Elohim, neither does corruption inherit incorruption.

Yahusha was born of a virgin. Miriam was the chosen vessel that would provide the surrogate womb, that would birth Yahusha in the LIKENESS of flesh. She did not contribute her ovum; or else we would end up with another 'giant' scenario. Yahusha follows the laws of Kil'ayim; like kind after like kind, he doesn't mix.

Rom 8:3 For the Torah being powerless, in that it was weak through the flesh, Elohim, having sent His own Son in the likeness of flesh of sin, and concerning sin, condemned sin in the flesh,

Php 2:7 but emptied Himself, taking the form of a servant, and came to be in the likeness of

men.

Col 1:15 who **is the likeness of the invisible Elohim, the first-born of all creation.**^b Footnote: ^b [Heb 1:6](#), [Rev 3:14](#).

Yahusha most certainly came in the flesh and was born of a virgin; but He came in the LIKENESS of flesh from HEAVEN.

The gospel of John records Yahusha telling the congregation where He was from:

Joh 6:41 Therefore the Yehudim were grumbling against Him, because He said, **"I am the bread which came down out of the heaven."**

Joh 6:42 **And they said**, "Is not this יהושע, the son of Yosëph, whose father and mother we know? How is it then that He says, **'I have come down out of the heaven?'**"

Joh 6:58 **"This is the bread which came down out of the heaven**, not as your fathers ate the manna and died. He who eats this bread shall live forever."

Joh 6:59 He said this in a congregation, teaching in Kephah Naḥum.

When we hear the horrible cliché of men saying Yahusha was 100% man and 100% GOD; know that that is **wrong** and **not** even mathematically correct! We, like the first century believers of the Melchizedek Priestly Order, must unlearn incorrect representation of the Scripture. We are to be good Bereans; come together in His Word and 'see if these things be so.' When any of us are found in error; then, we correct course.

Luk 4:23 And He said to them, "No doubt, you shall say this proverb to Me, 'Physician, heal yourself! Whatever we have heard being done in Kephah Naḥum, do also here in Your country.' "

Luk 4:24 And He said, **"Truly, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own country.**

Luk 4:25 "But truly I say to you, many widows were in Yisra'ël in the days of Ēliyahu, when the heaven was shut up for **three years and six months**, and there was a great scarcity of food in all the land,

Luk 4:26 and **Ēliyahu was sent to none of them, but to Tsarephath of Tsidon, to a woman, a widow.**

Luk 4:27 "And many lepers were in Yisra'ël in the time of Elisha the prophet, and **none of them was cleansed except Na'aman the Aramean.**"

Luk 4:28 **And all those in the congregation**, when they heard this, **were filled with wrath.**

Luk 4:29 And rising up they drove Him out of the city, and brought Him to the brow of the hill on which their city was built, **in order to throw Him down.**

Luk 4:30 **But He, passing through the midst of them, went away.**

Those clinging to their 'positions' within the congregations under the Aaronic Levitical Priesthood, that should have known the Scriptures and the prophecies better than anyone; reject the Messiah and desire to kill him.

Yahusha Heals a Man with an Unclean Demon

Luk 4:31 And He came down to Kephar Naḥum, a city of Galil, and **was teaching them on the Sabbaths.**

Luk 4:32 And they were astonished at His teaching, for His word was with authority.

Luk 4:33 And **in the congregation was a man having a spirit of an unclean demon.**

And he cried out with a loud voice,

Luk 4:34 saying,

- ❖ “Ha! What have we to do with You, יהושע of Natsareth? Did You come to destroy us? I know You, who You are, the Set-apart One of Elohim!”
- ❖ **Luk 4:35** And יהושע rebuked him, saying, “Be silenced, and come out of him!”
And when the demon had thrown him in their midst, it came out of him without hurting him.

Yahusha took authority over the demon and did not converse with the demon.

Luk 4:36 And astonishment came on all, and they spoke to each other, saying, **“What is this word, that with authority and power He commands the unclean spirits, and they come out?”**

Luk 4:37 And the report about Him went out into every place of the neighborhood.

Yahusha Heals Many

Luk 4:38 **And rising up from the congregation He went into the house of Shim'on.** But the mother-in-law of Shim'on was sick with a severe inflammation, and they asked Him concerning her.

Luk 4:39 And standing over her **He rebuked the inflammation,** and it left her, and instantly rising up she served them.

Luk 4:40 And when the sun was setting, all who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to Him. And He laid His hands on each one of them and healed them.

Luk 4:41 And also demons were coming out of many, crying out and saying,

- ❖ “You are the Messiah, the Son of Elohim!”
- ❖ And rebuking them, **He did not allow them to speak, for they knew that He was the Messiah.**

Yahusha didn't need nor want demonic proclamations of who He was. Yes, He was the Messiah, but He was more than capable to proclaim and teach who He was.

Yahusha Preaches in Synagogues

Luk 4:42 And when day came, He went out and proceeded to a lonely place, but the crowds were seeking Him and came to Him, and tried to keep Him from leaving them.

Luk 4:43 And He said to them, **"To the other cities I also have to bring the Good News: the reign of Elohim, because for this I have been sent."**

Luk 4:44 And He was proclaiming in the congregations of Galil.

'Look, the days are coming...'

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