



Book of Revelation Introduction

The Book of Revelation is one of the most mysterious and exciting books of the Bible; yet because of the symbology, it can be confusing at times to old and new believers alike. No matter what challenges we may have in understanding some aspects of Revelation, one must never forget that this is the only book that says **a person will be blessed** by **reading**; by **hearing** the words **of this prophecy**, and by **guarding** its written words.

The Book of Revelation was written by the disciple that Yahusha loved, John. John also wrote the Gospel of John; 1John; 2John; and 3John. John had been exiled to the isle of Patmos as a political prisoner and this writing is said to have been done around 95 A.D.

We will see Yahusha, like King David, in **all three of roles as Prophet, Priest, and King**. He foretold many prophecies inclusive of His crucifixion as the sacrificial Lamb of Elohim: death-burial-resurrection; He reigns as our High Priest of the Melchizedek Order and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He will come again as King of kings, the Lion of the tribe of Judah. We will see references to each role in the Book of Revelation.

The word 'revelation' means a disclosure or a manifestation of what is to come. **What was once veiled, is unveiled**. But if it is unveiled, why does it seem like it is still veiled by the symbolism? Remember:

Pro 25:2 It is the esteem of Elohim to hide a matter, And the esteem of sovereigns to search out a matter.

Each day we are amid spiritual warfare between good and evil. Like with any military operation, strategies need to be cloaked with code language. Otherwise, this message nor John, may have never made it off the isle of Patmos! Roman soldiers reading his writings would just think he had 'lost it.'

Yahusha, spoke to His people in parables, so that they would receive and understand the message, yet, the enemy and his minions would not; or at least not completely. The gospel message is even written in the heavens, displayed by the constellations. There is a woman, a 'virgin'; there is a 'lion' such as the Lion of Judah; there is a 'serpent' or dragon like Satan; etc.

Most people in John's day, understood more about the heavenly lights than we do; however, there are gifted believers and astronomers that have correlated these signs to the Bible. The study of 'astronomy' is not to be confused with the occult practices of 'astrology.' Satan always usurps things created by YHWH that are meant for good; and twists them into counterfeit perversions.

John's immediate audience may have more easily understood the symbology. In addition, upon his immediate release from Patmos; he could have deciphered the language to those he gave the Book of Revelation to. It is believed that John was released from Patmos by the successor of the Roman Emperor Domitian after his death. It is thought that John lived his last days in Ephesus. This would make huge sense in being able to 'deliver this prophetic message to the 7 assemblies mentioned.'

When studying the Book of Revelation, one can easily see that it incorporates many of the Old Testament prophetic books; the writings; and occurrences within the New Testament [Brit Hadasha]. Therefore, whenever possible, we will gain insight through cross-referencing Scripture throughout His Word; letting Scripture, interpret Scripture.

Why do some avoid the Book of Revelation? Because they may find it confusing; they may find it negative; maybe too hard to understand because of symbolism; and some even believe it has already been fulfilled.

There are 5 main viewpoints, of those that study the Book of Revelation:

1. Preterist Interpretation – prophetic events were fulfilled in the first century
2. Historical Interpretation – prophetic events have been fulfilled throughout history
3. Allegorical Interpretation – events are all allegorical stories; a battle between good and evil

4. Amillennial Interpretation – Revelation is just seven phases of church history; meaning ‘no’ millennium or ‘no’ 1000 year of reign.
5. Futuristic Interpretation – Chapters 4-22 are in the future; the time of the tribulation
 - a. Rev. 1 – has passed.
 - b. Rev. 2 & 3 – This was John’s prophetic present.
 - c. Rev. 4 – 22 – Is futuristic time of tribulation and more.

I will be taking the futuristic approach. The reason being is that the cataclysmic judgements found in Revelation have never happened before in history and Satan is definitely not bound! I also hold the view that the return of Yahusha is literal. (Rev. 19)

Yahusha told us in John 14 that:

Joh 14:3 “And if I go and prepare a place for you, I shall come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, you might be too.

We also know that He is coming in like-manner; as **those that witnessed Him as He ‘went up’** in Acts 1:10-11:

Act 1:10 And as they were gazing into the heaven as He went up, see, two men stood by them dressed in white,

Act 1:11 who also said, “Men of Galil, why do you stand looking up into the heaven? This same יהושע, who was taken up from you into the heaven, **shall come in the same way^d** as you saw Him go into the heaven.”

His return will be with a shout of an angel and with the trump of YHWH – 1Thes. 4:16-17.

1Th 4:16 Because the Master Himself shall come down from heaven with a shout, with the voice of a chief messenger, and with the trumpet of Elohim, and the dead in Messiah shall rise first.

1Th 4:17 Then we, the living who are left over, shall be caught away together with them in the clouds to meet the Master in the air – and so we shall always be with the Master.

1Th 4:18 So, then, encourage one another with these words.

With the last trump, we will be changed from mortality to immortality:

1Co 15:52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

1Co 15:53 For this corruptible has to put on incorruption, and this mortal to put on immortality.

This is a literal physical return of Messiah. It is spiritual but it is VERY VISIBLE. It is not a metaphor or an allegory.

Mat 24:30 “And then **the sign** of the Son of Ađam shall appear in the heaven, and then **all the tribes of the earth shall mourn**, [Zec 12:10](#), [Zec 12:14](#) and they shall see the **Son of Ađam coming on the clouds** [Dan 7:13](#) of the heaven with **power and much esteem**.^h Footnote: ^hAlso see [Dan 7:14](#).

Mat 24:31 “And He shall send His messengers with **a great sound of a trumpet**, [Isa 27:13](#) and they shall gather together His chosen ones from **the four winds**, [Dan 7:2](#) **from one end of the heavens to the other**. [Deu 4:32](#).

Zec 12:10 “And I shall pour on the house of Dawid and on the inhabitants of Yerushalayim a spirit of favor and prayers. And they shall look on Me whom they pierced, and they shall mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son. And they shall be in bitterness over Him as a bitterness over the first-born.

Dan 7:13 “I was looking in the night visions and saw One like the **Son of Enosh**,^a coming with the clouds of the heavens! And He came to the Ancient of Days, and they brought Him near before Him. Footnote: ^a*Son of Enosh - This Aramaic term is similar to the Hebrew ‘Ben Ađam,’ (Son of Ađam) but not the exact equivalent of it.*

Dan 7:14 “And to Him was given rulership and preciousness and a reign, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him. His rule is an everlasting rule which shall not pass away, and His reign that which shall not be destroyed.

Isa 27:13 And in that day it shall be that **a great shophar is blown**, and those who were perishing in the land of Ashshur and the outcasts in the land of Mitsrayim shall come, and shall worship יהוה on the set-apart mountain, in Yerushalayim.

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.’

Prophetic scriptures about His return:

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2Th 1:7 and to give you who are afflicted rest with us when the Master יהושע is revealed from heaven with His mighty messengers,

2Th 1:8 in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know Elohim, and on those who do not obey the Good News of our Master יהושע Messiah,

Zec 14:2 **And I shall gather all the nations to battle against Yerushalayim**.^a And the city shall be taken, the houses plundered, and the women ravished. Half of the city shall go into exile, but the remnant of the people shall not be cut off from the city. Footnote: ^a [Joe 3:2](#), [Zep 3:8](#), [Rev 16:14](#).

Zec 14:3 And יהוה shall go forth, and He shall fight against those nations, as He fights in the day of

battle.

Zec 14:4 And in that day His feet shall stand upon the Mount of Olives, which faces Yerushalayim on the east. And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two, from east to west, a very great valley, and half of the mountain shall move toward the north and half of it toward the south.

Rev 19:14 And the armies in the heaven, dressed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses.

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.

The 'trademark' of the 1000-year reign will BEGIN when Satan is bound for 1000 years. This has not happened. Today, we still see Satan and his minions very much at work.

1. The rule and reign for 1000 years on earth is a literal rule and reign.
 - a. **Rev 5:9** And they sang a renewed song, saying, "You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals, because You were slain, and have redeemed us to Elohim by Your blood out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,"^c Footnote: ^cThis fact is given in 6 other texts in the Book of Revelation.
Rev 5:10 and made us sovereigns and priests to our Elohim, and we shall reign upon the earth.^d Footnote: ^d Dan 7:18-27.
 - b. **Rev 20:6** Blessed and set-apart is the one having part in the first resurrection. The second death possesses no authority over these, but they shall be priests of Elohim and of Messiah, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.
Rev 20:7 And when the thousand years have ended, Satan shall be released from his prison,
Rev 20:8 and he shall go out to lead the nations astray which are in the four corners of the earth, **Goḡ and Maḡoḡ**, Eze 38:2 to gather them together for battle, whose number is as the sand of the sea.
2. We shall rule and reign with Him.
 - a. **2Ti 2:11** Trustworthy is the word: For if we died with Him, we shall also live with Him. **12** If we endure, we shall also reign with Him. If we deny Him, He also shall deny us.
3. There will be those that sit on thrones, inclusive of those that have been beheaded during the tribulation, that will rule and reign with Yahusha 1000 years.
 - a. **Rev 20:4** And I saw thrones – and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them –

and the lives of those who had been beheaded because of the witness they bore to יהושע and because of the Word of Elohim, and **who did not worship the beast, nor his image, and did not receive his mark upon their foreheads or upon their hands**. And they **lived and reigned with Messiah for a thousand years**

4. The reign shall last forever and ever.

- a. **Rev 22:5** And night shall be no more, and they shall have no need of a lamp or the light of the sun, because יהוה Elohim shall give them light. **And they shall reign forever and ever.**

5. **Rev. 20 repeatedly says we will rule and reign with Messiah on earth 1000 years. How will that look?** At this point in time, I see the New Jerusalem hovering in the air and clouds **just above earth's surface**, which is the 1st heaven inclusive of the earth's atmosphere we see every day; yet, **not 'touching' the earth's surface**. This will be like how the **pillar of cloud and the pillar of fire** hovered slightly above the earth's surface during the Exodus when YHWH was leading them out of Egypt.

I see the 'coming in the clouds and air' **different than;** when His feet touch down on the Mount of Olives prior to the creation of a new 'undefiled' earth and heaven.

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Rev 20:5 (and the rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended) – this is the first resurrection. [These parentheses may indicate words not in the original text]

Rev 20:6 **Blessed and set-apart is the one having part in the first resurrection.** The second death possesses no authority over these, **but they shall be priests of Elohim and of Messiah, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.**

Rev 20:7 And **when the thousand years have ended**, Satan shall be released from his prison,

So, my understanding to date is, that the rule and reign of Yahusha is literal; not an allegory, though within sections of Revelation there are allegories. It is not only a spiritual reign but includes Messiah being present with us. Again, these are MY insights and understanding to date.

Who will be caught up with Him? Those, who are in covenant with Him and are overcomers. They will:

1. Have access to the Tree of Life
 - a. **Rev 2:7** "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. **To him who overcomes^a** I shall give to eat from the **tree of life**, which is **in the midst of the paradise^b of Elohim.**" ^c[Gen 2:9](#), [Gen 3:22](#), [Gen 3:24](#) Footnotes: ^aThis word (and its noun) is used 17 times in the Book of Revelation. **The name Yisra'el means to overcome with Ēl.** ^bLit. garden. ^cSee [Rev 22:2](#) and [Rev 22:14](#).
2. Not be hurt in the second death
 - a. **Rev 2:11** "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. **He who overcomes shall by no means be harmed by the second death.**" ^dFootnote: ^dSee [Rev 20:6](#).
3. Be given a new name, on a white stone & hidden manna
 - a. **Rev 2:17** "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. To him who **overcomes** I shall give some of the **hidden manna** to eat. And I shall give him a **white stone, and on the stone a renewed Name** written which no one knows except him who receives it." '
4. Will have authority over the nations.
 - a. **Rev 2:26** "And he **who overcomes**, and guards My works until the end, **to him I shall give authority over the nations,** [Psa 2:8](#).

The overcomers are victorious, steadfast, persevere, they are profitable servants; they are ready and watching; they are praying; they are keeping their garments spotless by being washed by the blood of the Lamb; washing in the Word. These are those that make up His holy nation; His set-apart people; His kingdom of priests.

- We will see the woman, His set-apart bride, be taken into the wilderness for 3 ½ years; and Satan will make war with the seed of the woman. Could this 'seed of the woman' be inclusive of those that are still living on earth, the remnant bride, which could also be the 144,000?

- We will see in Rev. 11 that the two witnesses are the two olive trees and the two lampstands. The two witnesses will prophesy for 1,260 days [3 ½ years].
- We also will see the 7 assemblies called lampstands; therefore, we should consider that the two lampstands in Rev. 11, may be referring to those belonging to the assemblies of Philadelphia and Smyrna, the two assemblies without condemnation.
- The two witnesses [the two olive trees and lampstands] could also mean there are actually two prophets; yet, they may be with the two lampstands, the living assemblies of Philadelphia and Smyrna that profess the witness of Yahusha HaMashiach.
- In Revelation 11, the two witnesses are called up into the heaven in a cloud. We must keep in mind there are three layers of heaven. The 1st heaven is where we exist with the birds and the clouds; 2nd heaven is where the sun, moon, and planetary bodies exists; and the 3rd heaven is the realm of YHWH's throne room.

- In Revelation 12, the next scene viewed is the woman clothed with the sun and the moon at her feet with a crown of 12 stars. This is seen in the 2nd heavenly realm. Keep in mind, this follows chapter 11 with the two olive trees and the two lampstands. We know the two olive trees are to become one; and when that happens all 12 tribes will be together. Is it possible that the woman is a picture of the two sticks becoming one, since she is crowned with 12 stars? Therefore, the woman the bride gives birth to Israel, the male child with Yahusha as the head [Col 1:18]. The woman is the bride but is also a subsection of the child Israel; and, a living remnant of her seed on earth is persecuted by the dragon.

This multiplicity of roles is reflected as well in Miriam. Miriam [Mary] was the mother of Yahusha; yet, she is also part of Israel, the one new man, and through the Son has a living remnant on earth. I share all of this so we can simply keep these possibilities in mind.

- In the latter part of Revelation 12, we will see the dragon, Satan, is cast down to earth and goes to make war with the woman. So at this point, the scene shows the woman on the earth because the earth helps the woman and the woman is given two wings of a great eagle to fly to her place in the wilderness where she is nourished for 3 ½ years from the presence of the serpent. Wilderness experiences always go hand in hand with witnessing.
- Then, while still in Revelation 12, we see that the dragon goes to fight with the remnant of her seed, those guarding the commands of YHWH and possessing the witness of Messiah. For this reason, we must consider that this remnant may be inclusive of the 144,000 / the remnant bride.

That concludes my introduction and highlights to the Book of Revelation, so now we begin Chapter 1. Together, we will be walking through the Book of Revelation. I will share my thoughts and insights; but that does not mean they are without flaw. Each of us should hear, read, and guard the Book of Revelation; and hear what His Spirit is 'revealing.'

Revelation 1

Prologue

- ✚ **Rev 1:1 Revelation of יהושע Messiah,**
- ✚ **which Elohim gave Him** to show His servants what has to take place with speed.
- ✚ **And He signified it by sending His messenger**
- ✚ to **His servant Yoḥanan,**

Rev 1:2 who bore witness to **the Word of Elohim,** and **the witness of יהושע Messiah** – to all he saw.

Rev 1:3 Blessed is he **who reads** and those **who hear** the words of this prophecy, **and guard what is written in it**, for the time is near.

1. YHWH, Elohim, gives this revelation of Yahusha HaMashiach to show His servants.
2. Yahusha 'signified', or marked it, by sending this prophecy through His messenger to John.
3. John is who bore witness to the Word of Elohim and to Yahusha HaMashiach, and all that he saw. John had been a disciple in the inner circle closest to Yahusha. John was an eyewitness.

It records, that these events must 'take place with speed.' These events most certainly will happen and speedily. 'With speed' could refer to the timing of these events fast approaching, knowing 1000 years is as a day to YHWH; or, that when the events begin to happen, they will unfold speedily, like a whirlwind; or maybe both.

As mentioned before, whoever hears, reads, and guards the prophetic words written in Revelation, will be blessed.

Greeting to the Seven Churches

Rev 1:4 Yoḥanan, to the seven assemblies that are in Asia: Favour to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is coming, and from the seven Spirits that are before His throne,

John writes the greeting of favor and peace:

TO: the 7 (seven) assemblies which are in Asia. Why just these seven, because we know there were many more assemblies? Possibly, because when John got off the isle of Patmos, this would be the area where he would spend His last days and bring them the Book of Revelation. From there, it would be shared among other congregations.

FROM: ...from Him who is and who was and who is coming, and from the seven Spirits that are before His throne.

Rev 1:5 and from **יהושע** Messiah, the trustworthy witness, the first-born from the dead, and the ruler of the sovereigns of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood,

Rev 1:6 and has made us sovereigns and priests to His Elohim and Father, to Him be esteem and rule forever and ever. Amēn.







Rev 1:7 **See, He is coming with the clouds,** Dan 7:13 and every eye shall see Him,

even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth shall mourn because of Him. [Zec 12:10](#) Yes, Amēn.

FROM:

1. [Him who is and who was and who is coming](#) [This is YHWH identified in Rev. 1:4 & 1:8]
2. [the seven Spirits that are before His throne](#)
3. and [יהושע Messiah](#) [Jesus the Messiah]

Yahusha HaMashiach [Jesus the Messiah] is described as:

-  Trustworthy witness
-  First-born from the dead
-  Ruler of the sovereigns of the earth
-  Him who loved us
-  Him who washed us from our sins in His own blood
-  Him who has made us [kings and priests to His Elohim and Father](#), to Him be esteem and rule forever and ever. Amen

YHWH described as:

[Rev 1:8](#) “I am the ‘Aleph’ and the ‘Taw’, Beginning and End,” [says יהוה](#) “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

John identifies himself in Rev. 1:9 and tells how he came to be exiled to Patmos. John was a political prisoner being persecuted for His belief in Yahusha and the Word of YHWH. In Rev. 1:10, it appears he was taken in Spirit into the future; thereby [actually witnessing](#) the [Day of YHWH](#). [Cross-ref. below]

Vision of the Son of Man

[Rev 1:9](#) I, Yoḥanan, both your brother and co-sharer in pressure, and in the reign and endurance of [יהושע Messiah](#), came to be on the island that is called Patmos for the Word of Elohim and for the witness of [יהושע Messiah](#).

[Rev 1:10](#) I came to be in the Spirit on the [Day of יהוה](#),^a and I heard behind me a loud voice, as of a trumpet, [Footnote: ^aSee also \[Isa 13:6\]\(#\), \[Isa 13:9\]\(#\), \[Eze 13:5\]\(#\), \[Joe 1:15\]\(#\), \[Joe 2:1\]\(#\), \[Joe 2:11\]\(#\), \[Joe 2:31\]\(#\), \[Joe 3:14\]\(#\), \[Amo 5:16-20\]\(#\), \[Oba 1:15\]\(#\), \[Zep 1:7\]\(#\), \[Zep 1:14\]\(#\), \[Mal 4:5\]\(#\), \[Act 2:20\]\(#\), \[1Th 5:2\]\(#\), \[2Th 2:2\]\(#\), \[2Pe 3:10\]\(#\).](#)

He heard a loud voice as a trumpet saying:

Rev 1:11 saying, “I am the ‘Aleph’ and the ‘Taw’, the First and the Last,” and, “Write in a book what you see and send it to the seven assemblies of Asia – to Ephesos, and to Smurna, and to Pergamos, and to Thyatira, and to Sardis, and to Philadelphia, and to Laodikeia.”

Rev 1:12 And I turned to see the voice which spoke with me. And having turned, I saw **seven golden lampstands**, [Zec 4:2](#).

Rev 1:13 and in the midst of the seven lampstands **One like the Son of Adam**, [Dan 7:13](#) **dressed in a robe** down to the feet and **girded about the chest with a golden band**. [Dan 10:5](#).

Rev 1:14 And His head and hair were white as white wool, as snow, and **His eyes as a flame of fire**,










Rev 1:15 and His feet like burnished brass, [Dan 10:6](#) as if refined in a furnace, and **His voice as the sound of many waters**. [Eze 1:24](#), [Eze 43:2](#).

Rev 1:16 And in His right hand He held seven stars, and out of His mouth went a sharp **two-edged sword**,^b and His face was as the sun shining in its strength. **Footnote:** ^bSee [Rev 2:16](#), [Isa 49:2](#), [Heb 4:12](#).

He turns toward the voice and sees:

1. Seven golden lampstands [Seven menorahs] [Rev. 1:12; Zec. 4:2]
2. One like the Son of Adam amid the seven lampstands [Rev. 1:13; Dan. 7:13; 10:5]

We are given a detailed description of the **One like the Son of Adam**. He appears to be dressed in His High Priestly garments down to his feet with his chest girded by a gold band; like Moses, his face shines in brightness; he is barefoot; He speaks the Word; He is pure, piercing, and powerful.

-  Dressed in a robe down to his feet
-  His chest girded with a gold band
-  His head and hair white as wool; as snow
-  His eyes like flames of fire
-  Feet like burnished brass [Dan. 10:6]
-  His voice like the sound of many waters [Eze. 1:24; 43:2]
-  His right hand held seven stars
-  Out of His mouth came a sharp two-edged sword
-  His face was like the sun shining in its strength [Rev. 2:16; Isaiah 49:2; Heb 4:12]

Yahusha is the **Lamb of Elohim**; Yahusha is our **High Priest of the Melchizedek order**; and now, soon in Revelation, we will see Yahusha functioning in His role as the coming **King of kings!**

John collapses at Yahusha's feet [YHWH in Son], and he tells John:

Rev 1:17 And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead, and He placed His right hand on me, saying, "Do not be afraid, **I am the First and the Last**, [Isa 44:6](#), [Isa 48:12](#).

Rev 1:18 and **the living One**. And I became dead, and see, I am living forever and ever. Amēn. And **I possess the keys of She'ol^c and of Death**. Footnote: ^cSee Explanatory Notes - She'ol.

Yahusha makes it clear that He holds **the keys of Sheol AND of Death**. Therefore, equating to the fact that **He is the Resurrection AND the Life**.

Rev 1:19 "Write therefore what you have seen, **both what is now** and **what shall take place after these**:

In Rev. 1:19 – John is instructed to write these things concerning:

1. What is now [for John's present time]
2. What shall take place after these

Then John is given the revelation of the seven stars in His right hand and the seven golden lampstands:

Rev 1:20 "The secret of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: The seven stars are messengers of the seven assemblies, and the seven lampstands which you saw are seven assemblies.

1. The seven stars are messengers of the seven assemblies
2. The seven lampstands are the seven assemblies

John was told to write down all these things he had seen.

Revelation 2

Before we begin **Revelation Chapters 2 & 3**, we need to define some terms: those terms are witness, lampstand, messenger, assembly 'church', light, and we need to discuss the symbology connected to the lampstands. Keep in mind, I am learning with you. I do not have this all figured out.

In Revelation 1, **the 7 lampstands were identified as the 7 assemblies**. John was given a current message for these assemblies that existed in his present-day reality. Their locations were relatively close together and were in Asia Minor, present day Turkey. [Just as a side note, I noticed if you start with Ephesus then go to Smyrna and Pergamum then downward, it forms a shepherd's staff.] Also notice, the proximity of the isle of Patmos to this region.



Lampstands – are menorahs [7 lamps]. We see in Exodus:

Exo 25:31 “And you shall make a **lampstand** of clean gold – **the lampstand** is made of beaten work. Its base and its shaft, its cups, its ornamental knobs and blossoms are from it,

Exo 25:32 and **six branches shall come 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 25:37 “And you shall **make seven lamps for it**, and they shall mount its lamps so that they give light in front of it.

Rev 1:20 “The secret of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: The seven stars are messengers of the seven assemblies, and **the seven lampstands which you saw are seven assemblies**.

Revelation 11 equates the two witnesses to two olive trees AND two lampstands. This could either be referring to two of the seven assemblies without ‘negative remarks;’ which we will see later are Smyrna & Philadelphia; or it may be two prophets such as Elijah & Moses, or there may be two witnesses AND two lampstands.

Rev 11:3 “**And I shall give unto my two witnesses**, and they shall prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clad in sackcloth.”

Rev 11:4 These are the **two olive trees** Eze 4:3 and **the two lampstands** that are standing before the Elohim of the earth.

Messenger Defined – G32 ἄγγελος *aggelos ang'-el-os* From ἀγγέλλω *aggellō* (probably derived from G71; compare G34; to *bring tidings*); **a messenger, especially an “angel”;** **by implication a pastor: - angel, messenger.**

As per this definition, these ‘stars’, messengers, could be heavenly messengers; or they could be His kingdom of priests. Within the context of the messages to the 7 assemblies; we have a **stronger clue** that these 7 messengers are ‘spiritual messengers’ such as those that stand before YHWH [Rev 8:2 And I saw the seven messengers who stand before Elohim...]. Why? Because of this repeated statement: “He who has an ear, let him hear **what the Spirit says** to the assemblies.

Malachi 2:7 defines messenger –

Mal 2:7 “For the lips of a priest should guard knowledge, and they seek the Torah from his mouth, **for he is the messenger** of יהוה of hosts.

Psalm 103:20 speaks of His people as messengers:

Psa 103:18 To those who guard His covenant, And to those who remember His orders to do them.

Psa 103:19 יהוה has established His throne in the heavens, And His reign shall rule over all.

Psa 103:20 Bless יהוה, **you His messengers**, Mighty in power, who do His Word, **Listening to the voice of His Word.**

Psa 103:21 Bless יהוה, all you His hosts, You His servants, who do His pleasure.

When we come into covenant with Yahusha HaMashiach, our High Priest of the Melchizedek Order, we become His kingdom of priests. If we use the definition for messenger in Malachi 2:7; then we are also messengers to the assemblies. His kingdom of priests, His overcomers, can be compared to the rib taken out of Adam to form Eve; thereby, **describing the bride within the greater body of the assembly.**

The point to keep in mind about ‘messengers’ is that there are various kinds of messengers: Angels; 7 Messengers before His throne; His kingdom of priests; Resurrected believers are ‘as messengers’ [Scriptures follow].

Mat 22:30 “For in the resurrection they do not marry, nor are they given in marriage, **but are as messengers** of Elohim in heaven.

Mar 12:25 “For when they rise from the dead, they neither marry nor are given in marriage, **but are as messengers** in the heavens.

Mar 12:26 “And concerning the dead, that they rise – have you not read in the book of Mosheh, at the bush, how Elohim spoke to him, saying, ‘**I am the Elohim of Abraham, and the Elohim of Yitshaq, and the Elohim of Ya’aqob**’? [Exo 3:6](#).

Mar 12:27 “**He is not the Elohim of the dead, but Elohim of the living.** You, then, go greatly astray.”

Acts 1:8 also points to His set-apart ones as His witnesses; His set-apart witnesses in the house of Israel [Ephraim] (10 tribes), Judah (2 tribes), including those grafted in; will one day be joined into one stick; **one body**.

Witnesses –

Act 1:8 “But you shall receive power when the Set-apart Spirit has come upon you, **and you shall be My witnesses** in Yerushalayim, and in all Yehudah and Shomeron, and to the end of the earth.”

Act 1:9 And having said this, while they were looking on, He was taken up, and a cloud hid Him from their sight.

Isa 43:10 “**You are My witnesses**,” declares יהוה, “And My servant whom I have chosen, so that you know and believe Me, and understand that I am He. Before Me there was no Ėl formed, nor after Me there is none.”

Isa 43:12 “I, I have declared and saved, and made known, and there was no foreign mighty one among you. And **you are My witnesses,**” declares יהוה, “**that I am Ėl.**”

Act 5:31 “Him, a Prince^b and a Savior, Elohim has exalted **to His right hand**, [Psa 110:1](#) to give repentance to Yisra’el and forgiveness of sins. Footnote: ^bSee [Act 3:15](#).

Act 5:32 “And **we are His witnesses** to these matters, and so also is the Set-apart Spirit whom Elohim has given to those who obey Him.”^c Footnote: ^cSee also [1Jn 3:24](#).

Strong’s defines witnesses as: G3144 μάρτυς martus mar’-toos Of uncertain affinity; a *witness* (literally [judicially] or figuratively [generally]); **by analogy a “martyr”**: - martyr, record, witness.

Again, lampstand and witnesses are connected:

Rev 11:3 “**And I shall give unto my two witnesses**, and they shall prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clad in sackcloth.”

Rev 11:4 These are the **two olive trees** Eze 4:3 and **the two lampstands** that are standing before the Elohim of the earth.

Assembly ‘Church’ – Assembly is not a ‘church’ building; the assembly is the ‘body’ of believers with Yahusha HaMashiach, our High Priest of the Melchizedek Order, as the head. In Him, we are living stones of many colors; in Him we are the temple housing the Holy Spirit, the Ruach HaKodesh.

Keep in mind however, that **John also went to the 7 physical assemblies** to impart the Book of Revelation. The Book of Revelation had a message for John’s present day and for the future.

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.

1Co 12:12 For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is the Messiah.

1Co 12:13 **For indeed by one Spirit we were all immersed into one body**, whether Yehudim or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink into one Spirit. 1Co 12:14 For indeed **the body is not one member but many**.

1Co 12:27 And you are a body of Messiah, and members individually.

Lampstands bear His Light –

Php 2:15 in order that you be blameless and faultless, children of Elohim without blemish in the midst of a **crooked and perverse generation**, Deu 32:5 among whom **you shine as lights in the world**,

Mat 5:15 “Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, **but on a lampstand**, and it shines to all those in the house.”

Mat 5:16 “Let your light so shine before men, so that they see your good works and praise your Father **who is in the heavens**.”

From the context of these defined terms; we have attempted to let Scripture define Scripture:

Believers make up the assembly, the ‘church.’ We are **one body** with Yahusha (Jesus) as the head. His light, His Word, shines in us and through us to the world; therefore, we are the lampstands, the menorahs, with Him being the center light; in our midst.

Each message given to the 7 assemblies spoke to their present-day circumstance; and prophetically to the condition of all future generations:

1. **John’s Present-day:** The 7 groupings of assemblies that served as a ‘core sample’ of the possible **victories and/or short comings of believers making up the assembly.** [the body]
2. **Prophetically:** The 7 strengths and/or weaknesses in each believer that make up the ‘one body’ or the ‘One New Man’, from that point forward.

Format of the messages to the **7 Messengers** of the Assemblies:

1. **Address of Message** – ‘To and From’ –

To: The Messengers

From: Yahusha HaMashiach – Each address shows Yahusha identified by the descriptions given in **Revelation 1**, without His Name being written out. These messages were addressed to the messengers of the 7 assemblies, which are either the kingdom of priests of Yahusha HaMashiach of the Melchizedek Priesthood of every tongue, tribe, people, and nation; **or** actual angelic messengers; and in John’s day they could be addressing the leaders of each of the 7 assemblies.

I strongly consider the messengers to be His kingdom of priests; His bride. My reason being, is that the Scripture says... ‘To the messenger **of the** assembly’. As mentioned before, the bride, is a rib of the assembly. A sub-group of set-apart believers.

Malachi 2:7 defines who the messengers are of YHWH.

Mal 2:7 “For the lips of a priest should guard knowledge, and they seek the Torah from his mouth, for he is the messenger of יהוה of hosts.

The spirit of Elijah, worked through John the Immerser, to usher in the transference of the reigning priesthood back to the Melchizedek Priesthood from the Aaronic Levitical Priesthood. Yahusha accomplished this; therefore, His Spirit was poured out at Pentecost. Those receiving His Spirit and coming into the new covenant with Him; now make up His 'kingdom of priests'; a 'kingdom of messengers' or witnesses.

This is my understanding, with the Melchizedek Priesthood reigning. However, like stated before, there could be two individual prophets AND His kingdom of priests [Smyrna & Philadelphia] as witnesses.

At the time Malachi was written, the reigning priesthood was the Aaronic Levitical Priesthood; a nation with a priest. John the Immerser was the true High Priest of the Aaronic Levitical Priesthood **functioning in the wilderness**. [NOTE: Keep in mind 'wilderness'. Will the bride be taken to the very wilderness where John the Immerser witnessed?]

Malachi 3:1 is speaking of John the Immerser:

Mal 3:1 "See, I am sending My messenger, and he shall prepare the way before Me. Then suddenly the Master you are seeking comes to His Hēkal, even the Messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight. See, He is coming," said יהוה of hosts.

Psalms 103:20 speaks of His people as messengers:

Psa 103:20 Bless יהוה, you His messengers, Mighty in power, who do His Word, Listening to the voice of His Word.

Let's recap the 1st aspect concerning the format of the letters since covering such a long narrative explanation:

1. Address of Message – 'To and From'
2. Positive/Strengths
3. Negative/Weaknesses [Note: Smyrna and Philadelphia are the only two without negative remarks]
4. Warning/Advice
5. Overcomers Reward [Note: Overcomers reward is stated after the 'Key Verse' for Ephesus; Smyrna; and Pergamos]
6. Key Verse – 'He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.' These messages are for anyone who has 'an ear.' So, some will have ears to hear; and some not.

We have now prepared ourselves, to look at the content of the messages and see the insights we will gain. Now we begin to look at the messages to the 7 assemblies [the 7 menorahs or candlesticks].

To the Assembly in Ephesus

Rev 2:1 “To the messenger of the assembly of Ephesus write, ‘He who is holding the seven stars in His right hand, who is walking in the midst of the seven golden lampstands, says this:

Rev 2:2 “I know your works, and your labour, and your endurance, and that you are not able to bear evil ones, and have tried those who say they are emissaries and are not, and have found them false;

Rev 2:3 and you have been bearing up and have endurance, and have laboured for My Name’s sake and have not become weary.

Rev 2:4 “But I hold this against you, that you have left your first love.

Rev 2:5 “So remember from where you have fallen, and repent and do the first works, or else I shall come to you speedily and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent.

Rev 2:6 “Yet this you have, that you hate the works of the Nicolaites, which I also hate.

Rev 2:7 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. To him who **overcomes^a** I shall give to eat from the **tree of life**, which is **in the midst of the paradise^b of Elohim.**” ^c[Gen 2:9](#), [Gen 3:22](#), [Gen 3:24](#) Footnotes: ^aThis word (and its noun) is used 17 times in the Book of Revelation. The name Yisra’el means to *overcome with Ėl*. ^bLit. garden. ^cSee [Rev 22:2](#) and [Rev 22:14](#).

To: The messenger of the assembly of Ephesus [Rev. 2:1-7]

From: He who is holding the seven stars in His right hand, who is walking in the midst of the seven golden lampstands

Positive/Strengths: [Rev 2:2](#) “I know your works, and your labor, and your endurance, and that you are not able to bear evil ones, and have tried those who say they are emissaries and are not, and have found them false; [Rev 2:3](#) and you have been bearing up and have endurance, and have labored for My Name’s sake and have not become weary. -----[Rev 2:6](#) “Yet this you have, that you hate the works of the Nicolaites, which I also hate.

Negative/Weaknesses: [Rev 2:4](#) “But I hold this against you, that you have left your first love.

Warning/Advice: Rev 2:5 So remember from where you have fallen, and repent and do the first works, or else I shall come to you speedily and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent.

Key Verse: Rev 2:7a “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.

Overcomer Rewards: Rev 2:7b To him who overcomes^a I shall give to eat from the **tree of life**, which is **in the midst of the paradise^b of Elohim.**” ^c [Gen 2:9](#), [Gen 3:22](#), [Gen 3:24](#)

Footnotes: ^aThis word (and its noun) is used 17 times in the Book of Revelation. **The name Yisra’ēl means to overcome with Ĕl.** ^bLit.

To the Assembly in Smyrna

Rev 2:8 “And to the messenger of the assembly in Smurna write, ‘This says the **First and the Last**, [Isa 44:6](#), [Isa 48:12](#) who became dead, and came to life:

Rev 2:9 “I know your works, and pressure, and poverty – yet you are rich – and the blasphemy of those who say they are Yehudim and are not, but are a congregation of Satan.

Rev 2:10 “Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. See, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, in order to try you, and you shall have pressure ten days. Be trustworthy until death, and I shall give you the crown of life.

Rev 2:11 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. He who overcomes shall by no means be harmed by the **second death.**” ^d **Footnote:** ^dSee [Rev 20:6](#).

To: The messenger of the assembly of Smyrna [Rev. 2:8-11]

From: ‘This says the First and the Last, [Isa 44:6](#), [Isa 48:12](#) who became dead, and came to life:

Positive/Strengths: Rev 2:9a “I know your works, and pressure, and poverty – yet you are rich...

Negative/Weaknesses: None mentioned

Warning/Advice: Rev 2:9b ...and the blasphemy of those who say they are Yehudim and are not but are a congregation of Satan. Rev 2:10 “Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. See, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, in order to try you, and you shall have pressure ten days. Be trustworthy until death, and I shall give you the crown of life.

Key Verse: Rev 2:11a “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.

Overcomer Rewards: Rev 2:11b He who overcomes shall by no means be harmed by the second death.” ’d Footnote: dSee Rev_20:6.

To the Assembly in Pergamum

Rev 2:12 “And to the messenger of the assembly in Pergamos write, ‘He who has the sharp two-edged sword, says this:

Rev 2:13 “I know your works, and where you dwell, where the throne of Satan is. And you hold fast to My Name, and did not deny the belief in Me, even in the days in which Antipas was My trustworthy witness, who was killed near you, where Satan dwells.

Rev 2:14 “But I hold a few *matters* against you, because you have there those who adhere to the teaching of Bil’am, who taught Balaq to put a stumbling-block before the children of Yisra’el, to eat *food* offered to idols, and to commit whoring.

Rev 2:15 “So you also have those who adhere to the teaching of the Nikolaites, which *teaching* I hate.

Rev 2:16 “Repent, or else I shall come to you speedily and fight against them with the sword of My mouth.

Rev 2:17 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. To him who overcomes I shall give some of the hidden manna to eat. And I shall give him a white stone, and on the stone a renewed Name written which no one knows except him who receives it.” ’

To: The messenger of the assembly of Pergamum [Rev. 2:12-17]

From: He who has the sharp two-edged sword

Positive/Strengths: Rev 2:13 “I know your works, and where you dwell, where the throne of Satan is. And you hold fast to My Name, and did not deny the belief in Me, even in the days in which Antipas was My trustworthy witness, who was killed near you, where Satan dwells.

Negative/Weaknesses: Rev 2:14 “But I hold a few matters against you, because you have there those who adhere to the teaching of Bil'am, who taught Balaq to put a stumbling-block before the children of Yisra'el, to eat food offered to idols, and to commit whoring. Rev 2:15 “So you also have those who adhere to the teaching of the Nicolaites, which teaching I hate.

[Excerpt on Nicolaitans: A sect or party of evil influence in early Christianity, especially in the 7 churches of Asia. **Their doctrine was similar to that of Balaam, "who taught Balak to cast a stumbling block before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols, and to commit fornication" (Revelation 2:14, 15).** Their practices were strongly condemned by John, who praised the church in Ephesus for "hating their works" (Revelation 2:6), and blamed the church in Pergamum for accepting in some measure their teaching (Revelation 2:15). Except that reference is probably made to their influence in the church at Thyatira also, where their leader was "the woman Jezebel, who calleth herself a prophetess" (Revelation 2:20; compare Revelation 2:14), no further direct information regarding them is given in Scripture.

Link: <https://biblehub.com/topical/n/nicolaitans.htm>

Warning/Advice: Rev 2:16 “Repent, or else I shall come to you speedily and fight against them with the sword of My mouth.

Key Verse: Rev 2:17a “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.

Overcomer Rewards: Rev 2:17b To him who overcomes I shall give some of the hidden manna to eat. And I shall give him a white stone, and on the stone a renewed Name written which no one knows except him who receives it.” ’

To the Assembly in Thyatira

Rev 2:18 “And to the messenger of the assembly in Thyatira write, ‘This says the Son of Elohim, who has **eyes like a flame of fire, and His feet like burnished brass:** [Dan 10:5-6](#).

Rev 2:19 “I know your works, and love, and service, and belief, and your endurance. And as for your works, the last are more than the first.

Rev 2:20 “But I hold against you that you allow that woman Izebel, who calls herself a prophetess, to teach and lead My servants astray to commit whoring and to eat *food* offered to idols.

Rev 2:21 “And I gave her time to repent of her whoring, and she did not repent.

Rev 2:22 “See, I am throwing her into a sickbed, and those who commit adultery with her into great affliction, unless they repent of their works.

Rev 2:23 “And I shall slay her children with death. And all the assemblies shall know that I am the One searching the kidneys and hearts. And I shall give to each one of you according to your works.

Rev 2:24 “And to you I say, and to the rest in Thyatira, as many as do not possess this teaching, and who have not known the depths of Satan, as they call them, I am not putting on you another burden.

Rev 2:25 “But hold fast what you have until I come.

Rev 2:26 “And he who overcomes, and guards My works until the end, **to him I shall give authority over the nations, Psa 2:8.**

Rev 2:27 and he shall shepherd them **with a rod of iron, as the potter’s vessels shall be broken to pieces, Psa 2:9** as I also have received from My Father.

Rev 2:28 “And I shall give him the morning star.

Rev 2:29 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.” ’

To: The messenger of the assembly of Thyatira [Rev. 2:18-29]

From: ‘This says the Son of Elohim, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and His feet like burnished brass: Dan_10:5-6.

Positive/Strengths: Rev 2:19 “I know your works, and love, and service, and belief, and your endurance. And as for your works, the last are more than the first.

Rev 2:24 “And to you I say, and to the rest in Thyatira, as many as do not possess this teaching, and who have not known the depths of Satan, as they call them, I am not putting on you another burden.

Negative/Weaknesses: Rev 2:20 “But I hold against you that you allow that woman Izebel, who calls herself a prophetess, to teach and lead My servants astray to commit whoring and to eat food offered to idols. Rev 2:21 “And I gave her time to repent of her whoring, and she did not repent. Rev 2:22 “See, I am throwing her into a sickbed, and those who commit adultery with her into great affliction, unless they repent of their works. Rev 2:23 “And I shall slay her children with death. And all the assemblies shall know that I am the One searching the kidneys and hearts. And I shall give to each one of you according to your works.

[Excerpt Izebel (Jezebel): "that Jezebel of a woman alleging herself a prophetess." Some members of the church at Thyatira "under the sway of an influential woman refused to separate from the local guilds where moral interests, though not ostensibly defied, were often seriously compromised. Her lax principles or tendencies made for a connection with foreign and compromising associations which evidently exerted a dangerous influence upon some weaker Christians in the city." Her followers "prided themselves upon their enlightened liberalism ([Revelation 2:24](#))."] Link: <https://biblehub.com/topical/j/jezebel.htm>

Warning/Advice: Rev 2:25 “But hold fast what you have until I come.

Overcomer Rewards: Rev 2:26 “And he who overcomes, and guards My works until the end, to him I shall give authority over the nations, [Psa 2:8](#). Rev 2:27 and he shall shepherd them with a rod of iron, as the potter’s vessels shall be broken to pieces, [Psa 2:9](#) as I also have received from My Father.

Rev 2:28 “And I shall give him the morning star.

Key Verse: Rev 2:29 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.” ’

Revelation 3

To the Church in Sardis

Rev 3:1 “And to the messenger of the assembly in Sardis write, ‘He who has the seven Spirits of Elohim and the seven stars, says this, “I know your works, that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead.

Rev 3:2 “Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your works complete before Elohim.

Rev 3:3 “Remember, then, how you have received, and heard. And watch and repent. If, then, you do not wake up, I shall come upon you as a thief, and you shall not know at all what hour I come upon you.

Rev 3:4 “Nevertheless, you have a few names in Sardis who have not defiled their garments. And they shall walk with Me in white, because they are worthy.

Rev 3:5 “He who overcomes shall be dressed in white robes, and I shall by no means blot out his name from the Book of Life, but I shall confess his name before My Father and before His messengers.

Rev 3:6 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.” ’

To: The messenger of the assembly of Sardis [[Rev. 3:1-6](#)]

From: He who has the seven Spirits of Elohim and the seven stars

Negative/Weaknesses: Rev 3:1b “I know your works, that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead. Rev 3:2 “Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your works complete before Elohim.

Remarks/Advice: Rev 3:3 “Remember, then, how you have received, and heard. And watch and repent. If, then, you do not wake up, I shall come upon you as a thief, and you shall not know at all what hour I come upon you.

Positive/Strengths: Rev 3:4 “Nevertheless, you have a few names in Sardis who have not defiled their garments. And they shall walk with Me in white, because they are worthy.

Overcomer Rewards: Rev 3:5 “He who overcomes shall be dressed in white robes, and I shall by no means blot out his name from the Book of Life, but I shall confess his name before My Father and before His messengers.

Key Verse: Rev 3:6 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.”

To the Church in Philadelphia

Rev 3:7 “And to the messenger of the assembly in Philadelphia write, ‘He who is set-apart, He who is true, He who has **the key of Dawid, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens,** [Isa 22:22](#) says this:

Rev 3:8 “I know your works – see, I have set before you an open door, and no one is able to shut it – that you have little power, yet have guarded My Word, and have not denied My Name.

Rev 3:9 “See, I am giving up those of the congregation of Satan, who say they are Yehudim and are not, but lie. See, I am making them come and worship before your feet, and to know that I have loved you.

Rev 3:10 “Because you have guarded My Word of endurance, I also shall guard you from the hour of trial which shall come upon all the world, to try those who dwell on the earth.

Rev 3:11 “See, I am coming speedily! Hold what you have that no one take your crown.

Rev 3:12 “He who overcomes, I shall make him a supporting post in the Dwelling Place of My Elohim, and he shall by no means go out. And I shall write on him the Name of My Elohim and the name of the city of My Elohim, the renewed Yerushalayim, which comes down out of the heaven from My Elohim, and My renewed Name.

Rev 3:13 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.” ’

To: The messenger of the assembly of Philadelphia [Rev. 3:7-13]

From: ‘He who is set-apart, He who is true, He who has the key of Dawid, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens, [Isa_22:22](#)

Positive/Strengths: Rev 3:8 “I know your works – see, I have set before you an open door, and no one is able to shut it – that you have little power, yet have guarded My Word, and have not denied My Name. Rev 3:9 “See, I am giving up those of the congregation of Satan, who say they are Yehudim and are not, but lie. See, I am making them come and worship before your feet, and to know that I have loved you.

Warning/Advice: Rev 3:10 “Because you have guarded My Word of endurance, I also shall guard you from the hour of trial which shall come upon all the world, to try those who dwell on the earth. Rev 3:11 “See, I am coming speedily! Hold what you have that no one take your crown.

Negative/Weaknesses: None Mentioned

Overcomer Rewards: Rev 3:12 “He who overcomes, I shall make him a supporting post in the Dwelling Place of My Elohim, and he shall by no means go out. And I shall write on him the Name of My Elohim and the name of the city of My Elohim, the renewed Yerushalayim, which comes down out of the heaven from My Elohim, and My renewed Name.

Key Verse: Rev 3:13 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.”

To the Church in Laodicea

Rev 3:14 “And to the messenger of the assembly in Laodikeia write, ‘The Amēn, the Trustworthy and True Witness, the [Beginning of the creation of Elohim](#),^a says this:

Footnote: ^a [Col 1:15](#), [Heb 1:6](#).

Rev 3:15 “I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I would that you were cold or hot.

Rev 3:16 “So, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I am going to vomit you out of My mouth.

Rev 3:17 “Because you say, ‘**Rich I am, and I am made rich**, [Hos 12:8](#) and need none at all,’ and do not know that you are wretched, and pitiable, and poor, and blind, and naked.

Rev 3:18 “I advise you to buy from Me gold [refined in the fire](#),^b so that you become rich; and white garments, so that you become dressed, so that the shame of your nakedness might not be shown; and anoint your eyes with ointment, so that you see.

Footnote: ^b [Psa 19:10](#), [Psa 119:72](#) and [Psa 119:127](#), [Pro 30:5](#).

Rev 3:19 “As many as I love, I reprove and discipline. So be ardent and repent.

Rev 3:20 “See, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the

door, I shall come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.

Rev 3:21 “To him who overcomes I shall give to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.

Rev 3:22 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.” ’ ”

To: The messenger of the assembly in Laodikeia – [Rev. 3:14-22]

From: ‘The Amēn, the Trustworthy and True Witness, the Beginning of the creation of Elohim,a says this: Footnote: a Col_1:15, Heb_1:6.

Negative/Weaknesses: Rev 3:15 “I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I would that you were cold or hot. Rev 3:16 “So, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I am going to vomit you out of My mouth. Rev 3:17 “Because you say, ‘Rich I am, and I am made rich, Hos_12:8 and need none at all,’ and do not know that you are wretched, and pitiable, and poor, and blind, and naked.

Positive/Strengths: None mentioned.

Warning/Advice: Rev 3:18 “I advise you to buy from Me gold refined in the fire,b so that you become rich; and white garments, so that you become dressed, so that the shame of your nakedness might not be

shown; and anoint your eyes with ointment, so that you see. Footnote: b Psa_19:10, Psa_119:72 and Psa_119:127, Pro_30:5.

Rev 3:19 “As many as I love, I reprove and discipline. So be ardent and repent.

Rev 3:20 “See, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I shall come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.

Overcomer Rewards: Rev 3:21 “To him who overcomes I shall give to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.

Key Verse: Rev 3:22 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.”””

Here are my concluding thoughts about these assemblies. Again, we are walking through the Book of Revelation together, and we will all see more clearly as the days draw closer. I do not have this all figured out.

There were only two lampstands out of 7 lampstands, that were not rebuked. Those were Smyrna and Philadelphia. All 7 of these conditions within the assemblies will exist in the end of days.

Smyrna and Philadelphia held fast to their profession of Yahusha Messiah, the Word; and were both heavily persecuted by those that called themselves 'Jews' but were of the Synagogue of Satan.

We will read in Rev. 11:

Rev 11:4 These are the **two olive trees** Eze 4:3 and **the two lampstands** that are standing before the Elohim of the earth.

The two olive trees represent the **House of Israel** and the **House of Judah**, along with those grafted in. These, based on what we have looked at, appear to also be inclusive of the two lampstands reflected by the assemblies of faithful believers in **Smyrna and Philadelphia**. Would this also include the 144,000? Probably.

These are the zealous ones for Him. These are the faithful and true ones. These are those that have entered covenant with their Groom. These, as I see it are the bride, these are His kingdom of priests.

These are those that have been washed by His Word; observe His moedim inclusive of His Sabbaths; know their priestly duties; and have been purified and washed by the acting High Priest Yahusha HaMashiach; so that they may enter into the 'Tent of Appointment' to commune with Him and consummate the marriage. Rev. 11 states they are standing BEFORE the Elohim of earth. Only His sanctified priests can stand before Him. This is what we have been understanding through the Exodus Tabernacle system. These are those not only in the 'Book of Life' but are also in the 'Book of Remembrance' [Mal. 3:16-18].

The believers in the other five assemblies, appear to be those whose names may very well be in the Book of Life, they are 'saved', but do not take seriously his warnings and advice.

Rev 12:14 And **the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, to fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, Dan 7:25, Dan 12:7** from the presence of the serpent.

Rev 12:15 And out of his mouth the serpent spewed water like a river after the woman, to cause her to be swept away by the river.

Rev 12:16 And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed

up the river which the dragon had spewed out of his mouth.

Rev 12:17 And **the dragon** [Satan] was enraged with the woman, and he went to fight **with the remnant of her seed**, those guarding the commands of Elohim and possessing the witness of Messiah.

Wilderness is often associated with 'witnessing!'

- Where did John the Immerser 'witness' from? The wilderness
- Yahusha went into the wilderness for 40 days & 40 nights being tempted by Satan; and showed us how to be a powerful 'witness' by using His Word.
- The Israelites wandering in the wilderness were a powerful 'witness' of YHWH; to the surrounding nations.
- In Rev. 12, we see the woman flies to her place in the wilderness and is nourished for 3.5 years.

All 7 assemblies are encouraged to be His Overcomers; His Bride; His kingdom of priest of the Melchizedek Order; His Holy Nation; His set-apart ones.

Revelation 4

The Door Opened in Heaven – Exciting! [But which heaven? 1st-2nd-or 3rd or Paradise?]

Rev 4:1 **After this I looked and saw a door having been opened in the heaven. And the first voice which I heard was like a trumpet speaking with me, saying, "Come up here and I shall show you what has to take place after this."**

The partition of separation is now OPENED thru Yahusha, the Door! HalleluYah! The phrase 'having been opened' implies it had been shut.

Rev 4:2 And immediately **I came to be in the Spirit and saw a throne set in the heaven**, and One sat on the throne.

Psa 110:1 יהוה said to my Master, "**Sit at My right hand, Until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet.**"

Psa 110:2 יהוה sends **Your mighty sceptre out of Tsiyon**. Rule in the midst of Your enemies!

Psa 110:3 Your people volunteer in the day of Your might, In the splendors of set-apartness! From the womb, from the morning, You have the dew of Your youth!

Psa 110:4 יהוה has sworn and does not relent, "**You are a priest forever According to the order of Malkitsedeq.**"

Rev 4:3 **And He who sat there was like a jasper and a ruby stone in appearance. And there was a rainbow around the throne, like an emerald in appearance.**

Rev. 4:3 connects us directly back to the Book of the Covenant and the covenant confirming meal with YHWH Exodus 24:9-11!

Exo 24:8 And Mosheh took the blood and sprinkled it on the people, and said, "See, the **blood of the covenant** which יהוה has made with you concerning all these Words."

Exo 24:9 And Mosheh went up, also Aharon, Naḏab, and Aḇihu, and seventy of the elders of Yisra'ël,

Exo 24:10 **and they saw the Elohim of Yisra'ël, and under His feet like a paved work of sapphire stone, and like the heavens for brightness.**

Exo 24:11 Yet He did not stretch out His hand against the chiefs of the children of Yisra'ël! And they saw Elohim, and they ate and drank.

Then we see the direct connection to Ezekiel's Prophetic vision:

Eze 1:1 And it came to be in the thirtieth year, in the fourth *month*, on the fifth of the new *moon*, as I was among the exiles by the River Keḇar, **the heavens were opened and I saw visions of Elohim.**

Eze 1:26 And above the expanse over their heads was **the likeness of a throne, in appearance like a sapphire stone. And on the likeness of the throne was a likeness as the appearance of a man high above it.**

Eze 1:27 And from the appearance of **His waist and upward I saw what looked like glowing metal with the appearance of fire all around within it. And from the appearance of His waist and downward I saw what looked like fire, and brightness all around.**

Eze 1:28 As the **appearance of a rainbow in a cloud on a rainy day, so was the appearance of the brightness all around it. This was the appearance of the likeness of the esteem of יהוה.** And when I saw it, I fell on my face, and I heard a voice of One speaking.

We have several examples of His set-apart ones being in the Spirit and seeing the heavens open. There are **witnessed accounts of the 'door' being open in heaven**. Most were either an open vision; or a trance; or an 'out of body' type experience; or seen and heard.

Yahusha and John the Immerser

Mat 3:16 And having been immersed, יהושע went up immediately from the water, **and see, the heavens were opened**, and He saw the Spirit of Elohim descending like a dove and coming upon Him,

Mat 3:17 and **see, a voice out of the heavens, saying**, "This is My Son, the Beloved, in whom I delight."

Stephen before being stoned

Act 7:55 But he, being filled with the Set-apart Spirit, **looked steadily into the heaven and saw** the esteem of Elohim, and יהושע **standing at the right hand of Elohim**,

Act 7:56 and he said, "Look! I see **the heavens opened** and the Son of Aḏam **standing at the right hand of Elohim!**" Psa 110:1.

Peter's vision

Act 10:10 And he became hungry and wished to eat. But while they were preparing, he fell into **a trance**,

Act 10:11 and **he saw the heaven opened** and a certain vessel like a great sheet bound at the four corners, descending to him and let down to the earth,

IMPT: Rev. 4:1 does not cross-reference 2Cor. 12:2-4, but Paul's 'out of body' experience most certainly comes to mind. We ponder the below verses in 2Cor. to see the meaning of 'Paradise'. This scripture is KEY to understanding the 'Partitioning of Paradise!'

Partitioning off Paradise

'Paradise' goes through some changes just like the transferences between the priesthoods. We will see when Paradise was '**partitioned off**' and when the '**partition of separation**' was lifted or opened.

After the resurrection of Yahusha HaMashiach, Paul equates Paradise, 'the garden', to the 3rd heaven. So here the 'partition of separation' has been lifted or the 'door opened.'

Paul's experience is spoken of from a 3rd person perspective.

2Co 12:2 I know a man in Messiah who fourteen years ago – whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, Elohim knows – such a one was caught up to the third heaven.

2Co 12:3 And I know such a man – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, Elohim knows –

2Co 12:4 that **he was caught up into paradise^a** and heard unspeakable words, which it is not right for a man to speak. Footnote: ^aLit. garden.

- **Third Heaven = Paradise, a literal garden [2Co. 12:2-4]**

Rev 2:7 "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. **To him who overcomes^a I shall give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise^b of Elohim.**" ^cGen 2:9, Gen 3:22, Gen 3:24 Footnotes: ^aThis word (and its noun) is used 17

times in the Book of Revelation. The name *Yisra'el* means to *overcome with Ėl*. ^bLit. garden.

^cSee Rev 22:2 and Rev 22:14.

Paradise of Elohim = Location of the tree of life

Paradise was partitioned off after the fall of Adam & Eve

[Gen 3:24 and He drove the man out. And He placed kerubim at the east of the garden of Ēden, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life.]

Paradise = Location where overcomers, His Kingdom of Priests, His set-apart ones; shall eat from the **tree of life in the midst of paradise of Elohim**. [Rev. 2:7]

Rev 2:7 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. To him who overcomes^a I shall give to eat from the **tree of life**, which is **in the midst of the paradise^b of Elohim**.” ^cGen 2:9, Gen 3:22, Gen 3:24 Footnotes: ^aThis word (and its noun) is used 17 times in the Book of Revelation. **The name Yisra’el means to overcome with Ēl**. ^bLit. garden. ^cSee Rev 22:2 and Rev 22:14.

Paradise = garden

- [in Rev. 2:7 footnote b – (above), Paradise is no longer sectioned off] &
- [in Luke 23:43 footnote b – (below), Paradise was still partitioned off because Yahusha had not ascended to heaven; This ‘partitioned state’ has been described as the comfort side of Sheol, the grave.]

Overcomers = Israel = means to overcome with El. [Rev. 2:7 footnote (a) above]

Luk 23:42 And he said to יהושע, “Master, remember me when You come into Your reign.”

Luk 23:43 And יהושע said to him, “Truly, I say to you today, **you shall be with Me in paradise**.”^b
Footnote: ^bLit. garden.

Now, let’s shift gears and look at some key references of Scriptures in **Genesis and Ezekiel**. Please try to track with this process a little longer. YHWH has painted us a masterpiece and it takes a while to observe all the details and most importantly the PATTERNS. Keep the following points in mind:

- The first Adam was formed from the dust from the ground; however, he was created by YHWH. From YHWH came his breath. Adam was first clothed in light.
- Satan once was in Eden, the garden of Elohim
 - [Ezekiel 28:13 – Speaks of Satan’s breastplate of 9 precious stones. **Yahusha – Our High Priest of the Melchizedek order** has **12 precious stones** representing the **12 tribes of Israel** on His chest and **Shoham stones** [ref. Gen. 2:12] on His shoulders. Multi-precious stones also make up the 12 layered foundation of the New Jerusalem]
- In Eden, Elohim planted a garden [Defined as Paradise – garden Rev. 2:7 above] to the east **and there He put the first Adam**. [Gen. 2:8 below]
- The second Adam, Yahusha, was from the tribe of Judah; and the tribe of Judah

encamped 'East' of the 'Dwelling Place' in the wilderness. The second Adam, Yahusha, came in the 'likeness' of flesh; His flesh, bone, and blood came from heaven. [See: The Origin of the Flesh of Messiah – a Torah to the Tribes excerpt by Matthew Nolan - <https://youtu.be/Dq9MZkCp9b4>]

- We will begin to see a possible picture as we progress; a connection of dots.

Now, let us look at a 'possible pattern connections' between the encampments in the wilderness in COMPARISON TO Eden, the garden east in Eden, and the 4 rivers.

In Gen 2:10 one river subdivided into 4; so, thinking 'outside the box', consider the initial river as being from an 'upper elevation' and pouring out N-S-E-W; like a 'fountain of living water'. I made a diagram below to help visualize so please read the following scriptures first in **Genesis and Ezekiel**; and then view the diagram beneath.

Gen 2:7 And יהוה Elohim formed the man out of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils breath of lives. And **the man became a living being**.

Gen 2:8 And יהוה Elohim planted a garden in Ĕden, to the east, and there **He put the man** whom He had formed.

Gen 2:9 And out of the ground יהוה Elohim made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, with **the tree of life in the midst of the garden** and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Gen 2:10 And **a river went out of Ĕden to water the garden**, and from there it divided and became **four heads**.

Gen 2:11 The name of the **first is Pishon**, it is the one surrounding the entire land of Ḥawilah, where there is gold.

Gen 2:12 And the gold of that land is good. Bdellium is there, and the **shoham stone**.

Gen 2:13 And the name of the **second river is Giḥon**, it is the one surrounding the entire land of Kush.

Gen 2:14 And the name of the **third river is Ḥiddeqel**, it is the one which goes toward the east of Ashshur. And the **fourth river is the Euphrates**. [**Ḥiddekel defn. = "rapid"**

one of the rivers of Eden which coursed east toward Assyria; better known as the **Tigris**]

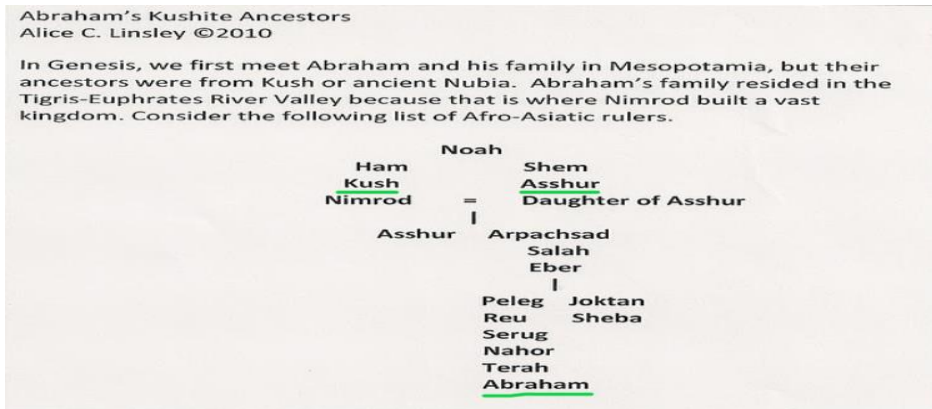
Gen 2:15 And יהוה Elohim **took the man and put him in the garden of Ĕden** to work it and to guard it.

Satan's background:

Eze 28:13 **"You were in Ĕden, the garden of Elohim**. Every precious stone was your covering: the ruby, topaz, and diamond, beryl, shoham, and jasper, sapphire, turquoise, and emerald and gold. The workmanship of your settings and mountings was prepared for you on the day you were created.

Eze 28:14 "You were the **anointed kerub** that covered. And **I placed you, you were on the set-apart mountain of Elohim**. You **walked up and down** in the midst of stones of fire.

Reference to Kush chart: This chart was included to connect Abraham as a descendant of Kush-Asshur with possible connections to the River Gihon in Genesis.



Mainly be mindful of the 4 Rivers that became 4 heads which mirror the encampment patterns around the Dwelling Place or 'Living Water' that were positioned N-S-E-W with 4 lead banners.



In the following verse in Gen. 4:16, we see where Cain departs from the presence of YHWH to the land of Nod **on the east of Eden**.

Gen 4:16 So Qayin went out from the presence of יהוה and dwelt in the land of Nod **on the east of Ĕden**.

In the diagram above of the wilderness encampments, the Aaronic Levitical Priesthood encamped closest to and were positioned N-S-E-W as an inner circle around the Dwelling place.

In Revelation 4:4 we read of others positioned close to the Dwelling Place.

Rev 4:4 And around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and on the thrones I saw twenty-four elders sitting, dressed in white robes. And they had crowns of gold on their heads.

Rev 1:6 and has made us sovereigns and priests to His Elohim and Father, to Him be esteem and rule forever and ever. Amēn.

Several Scriptures state He has made us ‘kings and priests’ or ‘kingdom priests.’ He of course is the King of kings. If there are servant ‘kings’, they would be in fewer number than the priests. The 24 elders sitting on the thrones have crowns and as far as I know, mainly kings have crowns.

Rev 4:5 And out of the throne came lightnings, and thunders, and voices. And seven lamps of fire were burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of Elohim.

Green section below references the meaning of:

Seven Stars – are messengers of the seven assemblies.

Seven Golden Lampstands – are the seven assemblies.

Seven Spirits of Elohim - seven lamps of fire burning before the throne.

Rev 1:20 “The secret of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: The seven stars are messengers of the seven assemblies, and the seven lampstands which you saw are seven assemblies.

- **Seven stars = messengers of the seven assemblies** [We have defined these as angels or His Melchizedek Kingdom of priests.] **Malachi 2:7** defines messenger - Mal 2:7 “For the lips of a priest should guard knowledge, and they seek the Torah from his mouth, **for he is the messenger** of יהוה of hosts.
- **Seven lampstands = seven assemblies**

Rev 3:1 “And to the messenger of the assembly in Sardis write, ‘He who has the seven Spirits of Elohim and the seven stars, says this, “I know your works, that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead.

- **Seven Spirits of Elohim = seven lamps of fire burning before the throne**. (Rev. 4:5) Here it just says ‘lamps’ not ‘lampstands’ – not sure of significance
- **Seven Stars = messengers of the seven assemblies** [See above definition.]

Rev 4:5 And out of the throne came lightnings, and thunders, and voices. And **seven lamps of fire were burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of Elohim.**

Rev 4:6 And before the throne there was a sea of glass, like crystal. And in the midst of the throne, and around the throne, **were four living creatures,** covered with eyes in front and in back.

Rev 4:7 And the first living creature was like a **lion**, and the second living creature like a **calves**, and the third living creature had a face like a **man**, and the fourth living creature was like a flying **eagle**. [Eze 1:10](#).

Rev 4:8 And the four living creatures, **each having six wings,** [Isa 6:2](#) were covered with eyes around and within. And they do not cease, day or night, saying, “**Set-apart, set-apart, set-apart,** יהוה **Ĕl Shaddai,** [Isa 6:3](#) who was, and who is, and who is coming!”

The four living creatures encompass:

- Four Covenant Confirming Gospel Accounts – Yahusha is glorified and exalted through the 4 Living Gospel Messages that are sent throughout the world by His Royal Ambassadors!
- Four ‘lead’ tribes of the East-South-West-North encampments – The mixed multitude, consisting of many ‘eyes’ [which I interpret the eyes representing the souls of those that have gone on before us], give thanks, praise, and honor for the salvation through the blood of the Lamb. They each have six wings which represent a pair of wings for each of the three tribes in each quadrant with the lead banner depicted by the lion, ox, man, and eagle.
- The Melchizedek Kingdom of Priests, also consisting of many ‘eyes’, from the 12 tribes and those grafted in of every tongue, tribe, people, and nation! **These are those encamped the closest to the Holy of Holies and can enter the Holy Place before His throne. These offer ascending offerings of prayers, praise, honor, glory, respect, thanksgiving, and when words fail the moaning of the Spirit within us glorifies Him who sits on the throne. These are the bride.**
- Israel! The One New Man! [Yisra’el means to overcome with Ĕl](#) - All of Israel, the One New Man, eventually are overcomers; but not all are the first fruit such as the two witnesses, the bride (the rib), of the two olive trees - Israel and Judah.



Rev 4:9 And when the **living creatures** give esteem and respect and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, who lives forever and ever,

Rev 4:10 the **twenty-four elders fall down before Him** who sits on the throne and bow before Him who lives forever and ever, and they **cast their crowns before the throne**, saying,

Rev 4:11 “You are worthy, O יהוה, to receive **esteem and respect and power**, **1Ch 29:11** for You have created all, and because of Your desire they are, and were created.”

The four living creatures represent the 4 lead banners of the 4 wilderness encampments of all 12 tribes; the lion, the ox, the man, and the eagle. Insights to this pattern is made clearer when reading Revelation Chapter 5.

Rev 5:8 And when He took the scroll, the **four living creatures and the twenty-four elders** fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls filled with incense, which are the prayers of the set-apart ones.

Rev 5:9 And **they sang a renewed song, saying**, “You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals, because You were slain, and have **redeemed us** to Elohim by Your blood out of **every tribe and tongue and people and nation**,^c Footnote: ^cThis fact is given in 6 other texts in the Book of Revelation.

Rev 5:10 and **made us sovereigns and priests to our Elohim**, and we shall reign upon the earth.”^d Footnote: ^d[Dan 7:18-27](#).

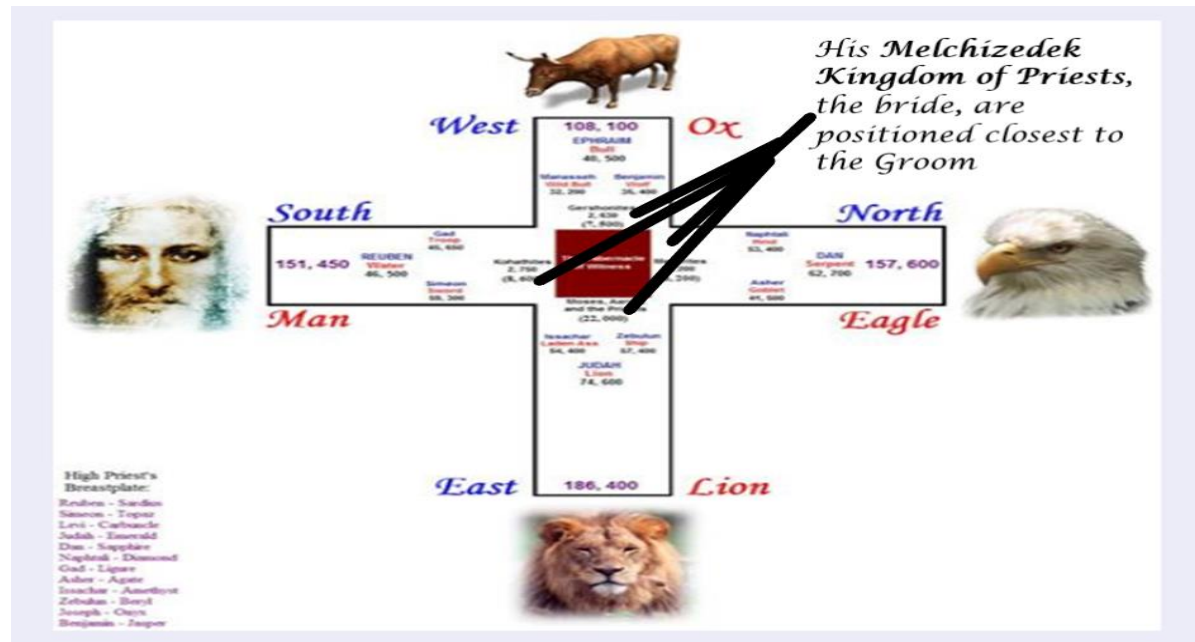
- Who are singing? The four living creatures and the 24 elders.
- What do they sing? You have REDEEMED US by your blood.
- Where are they from? Out of every tribe, tongue, people, and nation.
- What had the Lamb made them? Made 'us' kings and priests to our Elohim.
- What will the living creatures and 24 elders do? "We [living creatures & 24 elders] shall reign upon the earth.

Rev 5:11 And I looked, and I heard the voice of many messengers around the throne, and the living creatures, and the elders. And the number of them was myriads of myriads, and thousands of thousands,

- In Rev. 5:11 we now see messengers included around the throne along with the living creatures, and the elders. We will discuss this further in Rev. 5.

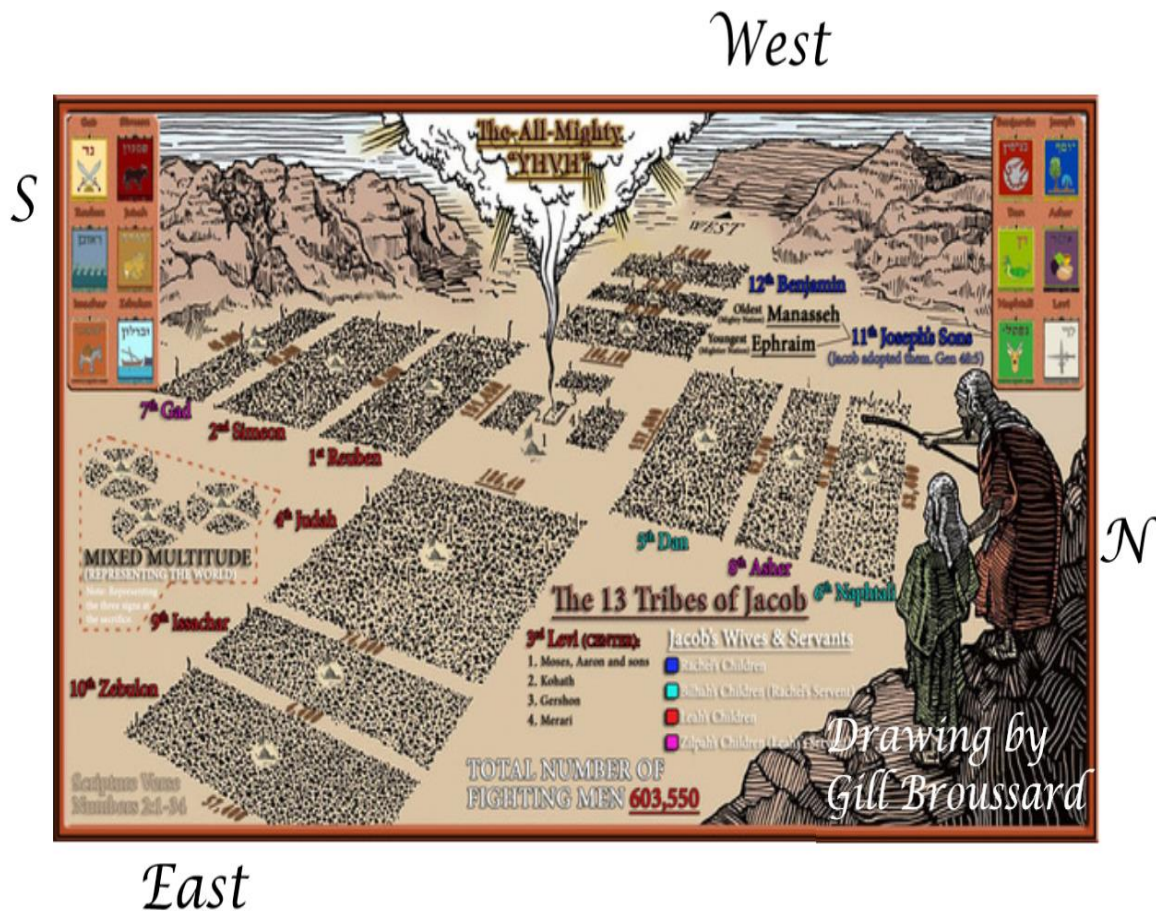
Here is my interpretation of Rev. 4:9-11. The four living creatures consist of the souls of the twelve tribes and those grafted in that have gone on before us; but have not yet received their glorified bodies at the resurrection. They are encamped around the heavenly Dwelling Place of YHWH. They offer up praise, honor, esteem (glory), respect and thanksgiving to Him our High Priest of the Melchizedek Order that sits on the throne; Yahusha [YHWH in Son]. More insights will be given as we proceed through Revelation.

When the four living creatures praise Him, the twenty-four elders, that appear to be 'kings' of the King; bow down before him and **cast their crowns!** What a joyful noise that must make in His throne room! This is what takes place when honor, glory, praise, thanksgiving, respect, trust, are given to Him. May those crowns be thrown constantly!!!



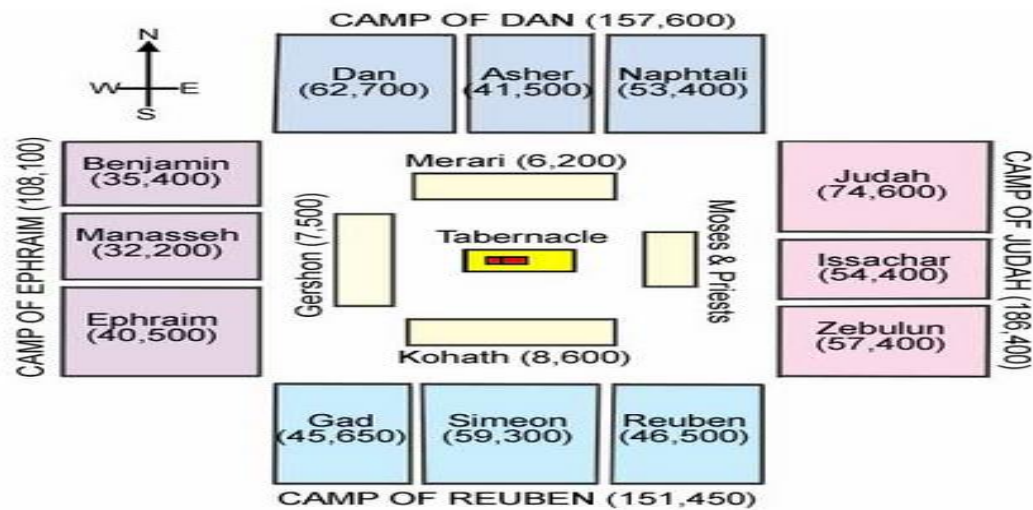
Each of the four camps was to be represented by the standard of their lead tribe. The image of the standard of the twelve tribes has been lost throughout history, yet rabbinical tradition has maintained the four lead tribes of the four camps. From what scholars can tell, the images of the 12 tribes were based on the twelve Zodiac signs and the blessings of Jacob in Gen. 49. The standard of Judah was the lion, of Reuben was the man, of Ephraim was an ox, and of Dan was originally the serpent but later (during Israel's wanderings) was changed to the eagle with a serpent in its mouth. These images are the same four faces of the cherubim that carried the throne and glory of Yahweh in Ezekiel's vision and, later, John's vision (Ezek. 1:10; Rev. 4:7). These are also the images of the four gospels of the Second Testament. Matthew emphasizes Jesus as the Messiah and king of Israel (lion); Mark portrays Him as the suffering servant of the Israel (ox); Luke portrays Him as the perfect man (man); and John portrays Him as fully divine (eagle). Thus Israel on earth, the cherubim in heaven, and the four gospels of Yahweh's Word all bear these images as a reflection and testimony of Christ.

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Above is one possible rendition of the four wilderness encampments. Below is another layout we must also consider for the encampment layout. The one below reflects more closely the description given in the Book of Revelation.

Yahweh's Presence in the Midst of His People (Numbers 2:1-3:39)



Arrangement of the Camp of Israel Numbers 2:1-3:39

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Revelation 5

‘Right of Redemption’ ~ Our Kinsman Redeemer

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

Rev 5:1 And I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne **a scroll written inside and on the back**, **Eze 2:10** having been sealed with seven seals.

Rev 5:2 And I saw a strong messenger proclaiming with a loud voice, “Who is worthy to open the scroll and to loosen its seals?”

Rev 5:3 And no one in the heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll, or to look at it.

Rev 5:4 And I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it.

Rev 5:5 And one of the elders said to me, “Do not weep. See, the **Lion of the tribe of Yehudah**,^a the **Root of Dawid**,^b overcame to open the scroll and to loosen its seven seals.” Footnotes: ^a [Gen 49:9-10](#), [Heb 7:14](#). ^b [Isa 11:1](#) and [Isa 11:10](#).

In the Book of Revelation, we will see Yahusha in all His power and glory! We will see Him as **King of kings and Master of masters**. We will see Him as the Lion; **the Lion of the tribe of Judah!** Yahusha (YHWH in Son) is Prophet; Priest; and King!

He is our High Priest after the order of Melchizedek (Psalm 110:4)

Heb 7:14 For it is perfectly clear that **our Master arose from Yehudah**, a tribe about which Mosheh never spoke of concerning priesthood,

Isa 11:10 And in that day there shall be a Root of Yishai, **standing as a banner to the people**. Unto Him the nations shall seek, and His rest shall be esteem.

In studying the wilderness encampments, we noticed that each tribe had a banner to designate location and formation; and **each grouping of three tribes had a 'lead banner.'** One day, **Yahusha will be our banner, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah** as He gathers His people together; the two sticks of Ephraim & Judah (and those grafted in) as the One New Man.

Rev 5:6 And I looked and saw in the **midst of the throne** and of the **four living creatures**, and in the midst of **the elders** a **Lamb standing, as having been slain**, having **seven horns and seven eyes**, **which are the seven Spirits of Elohim** sent out into all the earth.

Rev 5:7 And He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him sitting on the throne.

Rev 1:13 and in **the midst of the seven lampstands** **One like the Son of Adam**, Dan 7:13 dressed in a robe down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band.
Dan 10:5.

Yahusha HaMashiach – is obviously the Lamb standing, as having been slain, with seven horns and seven eyes. In Rev. 1:13 (above) he is described as **'One like the Son of Adam'** in the midst of the seven lampstands; which are the seven assemblies.

Lamb's 7 horns and 7 eyes = the seven Spirits of Elohim sent out into all the earth. The seven Spirits of Elohim are also described as 7 lamps of fire:

Rev 4:5 And out of the throne came lightnings, and thunders, and voices. And **seven lamps of fire were burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of Elohim.**

YHWH's 7 lamps together, could also be viewed as a Menorah. His 7 Spirits have been sent out into all the earth. We are on the earth; and we are in Him and He is in us. We are His royal ambassadors. We all have different gifts and functions in the One body with Yahusha as the head of the One body. The One body has many parts. All believers are represented in the 7 assemblies. The seven stars are the messengers to the assemblies; as stated before, they are either seven angelic messengers; or His kingdom of priests dispersed among the 7 types of assemblies.

The 24 Elders – The description of these elders in Revelation 4, tell us they are clothed in garments reflecting priests and kings.

Rev 4:4 And around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and on the thrones I saw twenty-four elders sitting, dressed in white robes. And they had crowns of gold on their heads.

Four Living Creatures – The four living creatures appear to represent the four quadrants of encampments of believers through-out time, encompassing all 12 tribes and those grafted in. This is based on the four-quadrant wilderness encampment around the Dwelling Place. These creatures represent the lead tribe banner of each quadrant; and they are covered with eyes and have six wings. One pair of wings per tribe in each quadrant. The eyes seem to be accounting for all the souls and spirits of believers grouped in each quadrant. This view seems totally supported by Rev. 5:8 to the end of the chapter – which we will get to shortly.

Recall, these living creatures give all kinds of praise to YHWH. Don't we as believers and set-apart ones fit this description?

Rev 4:9 And when the living creatures give esteem and respect and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, who lives forever and ever, ...

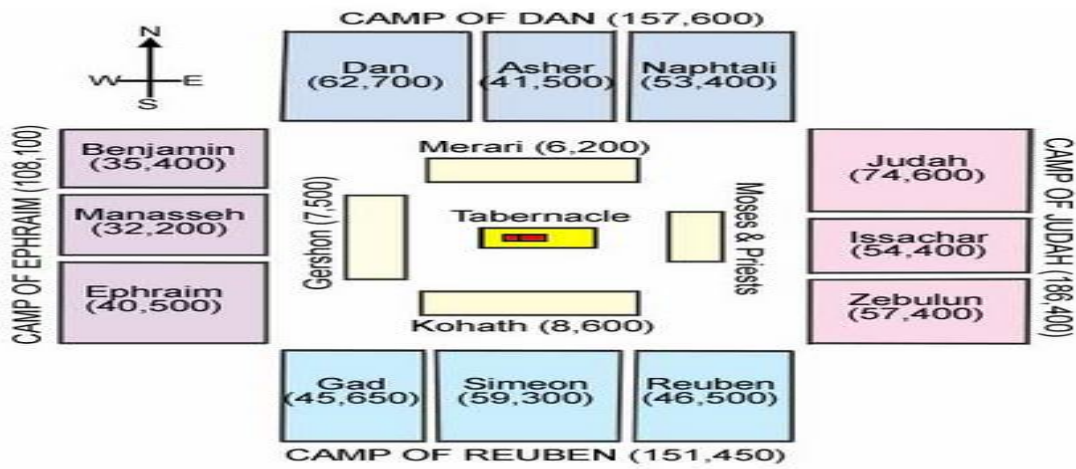
Remember the four creatures can also equate to the four covenant Gospels. We, as living believers, go out into the world to spread the Gospel message using our mouths speaking His Truth; and using our eyes to study and read His Word.



Gospel	Focus On Jesus	Revelation 4:7 Reference
Matthew	King	Lion
Mark	Servant	Calf
Luke	Man	Man
John	God	Eagle

Depictions of Wilderness Encampment

Yahweh's Presence in the Midst of His People (Numbers 2:1-3:39)



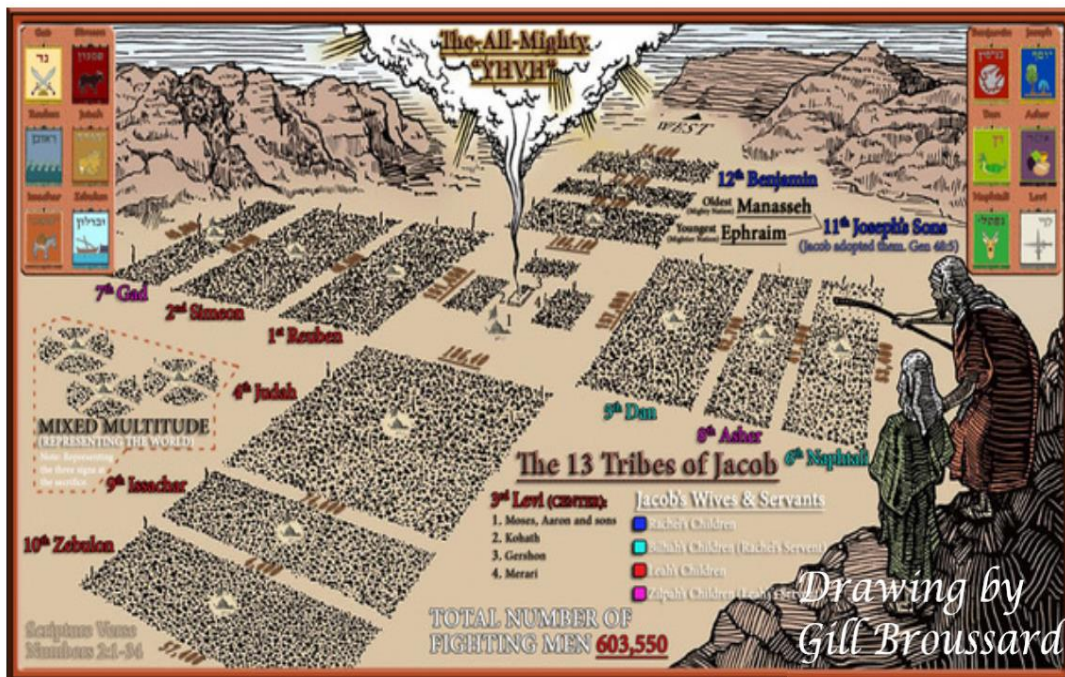
**Arrangement of the Camp of Israel
Numbers 2:1-3:39**

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The following depiction shows the banner emblems of the 12 tribes in the top corners.

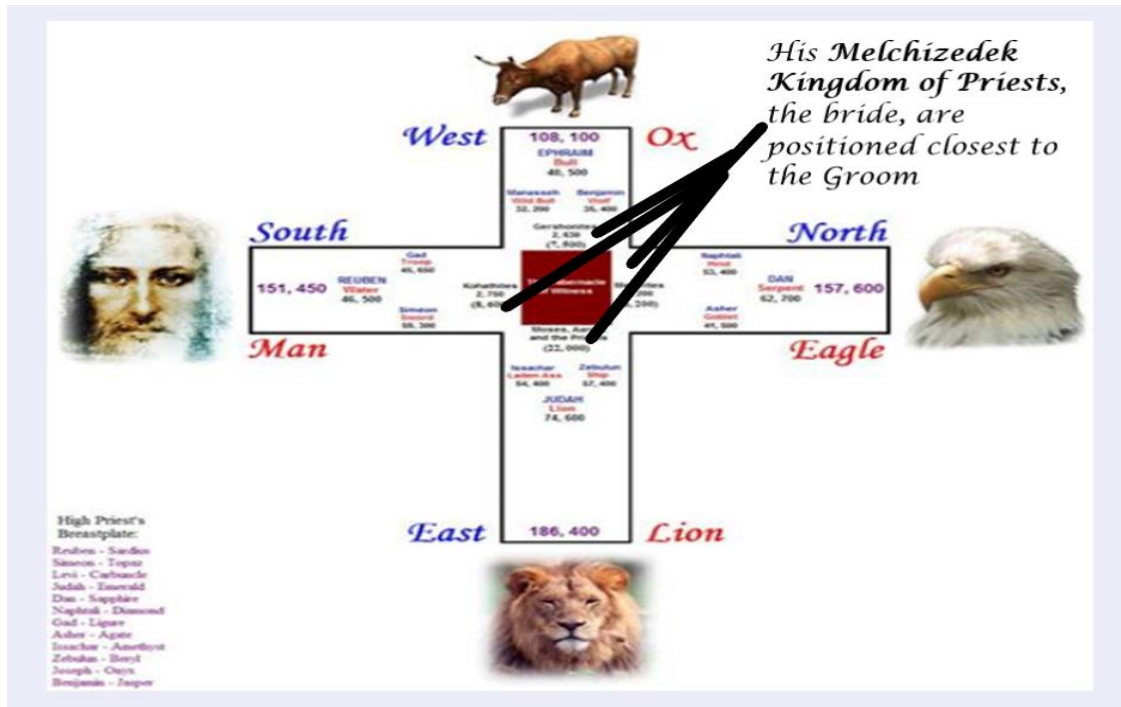
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Some might say, wasn't the lead tribe of Dan represented as a serpent? Yes, and Dan possibly may have had a total of 5 different emblems. I questioned that myself. **Again, I'm not saying I have this all figured out**, but more things are fitting together; than not fitting together. Here is an excerpt that 'possibly' explains and supports Dan being associated by an eagle.

The Tribe of Dan

Dan was the fifth son of Jacob and the firstborn of Bilhah (Rachel's maid). It can be reasoned from several sources that Dan adopted four, possibly five, tribal emblems. For the purpose of this article, our concentration will centre on the horse emblem.

Israel, the father of Dan (remember Jacob's name was changed to Israel) passed on this blessing: "Dan shall judge his people, as one of the tribes of Israel. Dan shall be a serpent by the way, an adder in the path, that bites the horses heel, so that his rider shall fall backward" (*GENESIS 49:16-17*).

During their sojourn in the wilderness the tribes were instructed to camp by the ensigns of their father's house. Considering his father's blessing, Dan was entitled to use a serpent, horse or even scales (symbolising judgement) on his standard. However, Moses' blessing to Dan before his death stated: "Dan is a lions whelp (a rampant young lion): he shall leap from Bashan" (*DEUTERONOMY 33:22*).



A silver coin struck by the Celts in Hungary in the second century B.C. As each tribe camped around the tabernacle (circa 1400 B.C.) they gathered under four main brigade emblems. Judah in the east, Reuben (south), Ephraim (west), and Dan to the north.

In a vision applicable to God's kingdom, both **Ezekiel and John described four living creatures that supported the throne. They were the man, lion, ox and eagle, which also represented the brigade emblems encompassing the tabernacle (See EZEKIEL 1:10; REVELATION 4:7).**

Reuben was identified with the man, Judah the lion, Ephraim the ox (or bullock) and Dan the eagle. The completion of the camp was established with two other tribes camped under these emblems also.

It is satisfactory to say that Dan has five emblems associated with its tribe - the horse, serpent (snake), lion's whelp, scales and the eagle. Each of these devices will enable the seeker of God's truth to identify Dan in these last days (*GENESIS 49:1*).
<https://www.cai.org/bible-studies/israels-emblems-then-and-now>

Rev 5:8 And when He took the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls filled with incense, which are the prayers of the set-apart ones.

Rev 5:9 And they sang a renewed song, saying, "You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals, because You were slain, and have redeemed us to Elohim by Your blood out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,^c Footnote: ^cThis fact is given in 6 other texts in the Book of Revelation.

Rev 5:10 and made us sovereigns and priests to our Elohim, and we shall reign upon the earth."^d Footnote: ^d[Dan 7:18-27](#).

Rev. 5:8 - The four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb each holding a harp AND they have golden bowls filled with incense, **which are the prayers of the set-apart ones!** They are presenting the prayers of the set-apart ones before His throne.

Rev. 5:9 – Look at the song **they** are singing! 'You were slain, and **have redeemed us** to Elohim by Your blood... Us equals the believers that have gone on before us! The elders and creatures are redeemed believers! Why else would they tell Yahusha [YHWH in Son], that He had **'redeemed us!'**

He is worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals! Yahusha has the 'right of redemption'; He is our kinsman redeemer. See details following.

Rev. 5:10 – He has made us kings and priests to our Elohim, and we shall reign upon the earth. This is being sung by the living creatures and the elders!

Right of Redemption (Rev. 5:9) to open the scroll – the sealed deed

Yahusha, the Lion of the tribe of Judah; the Lamb of Elohim was fully qualified to redeem:

1. His Bride
2. The Land
3. Creation

The Transaction Required is fully met by Yahusha; and meets all the conditions of such a transaction as laid out in Jeremiah.

[See this 'right of redemption' teaching by Matthew Nolan with T4 – start at one-hour mark for explaining the transaction requirements - <https://youtu.be/cvY80L-B76I>] Excerpts follow:

- **Right of Redemption - Rev 5:5** And one of the elders said to me, “Do not weep. See, the Lion of the tribe of Yehudah,^a the Root of Dawid,^b overcame to open the scroll and to loosen its seven seals.” Footnotes: ^a [Gen 49:9-10](#), [Heb 7:14](#). ^b [Isa 11:1](#) and [Isa 11:10](#).

Jer 32:6 And Yirmeyahu said, “The word of יהוה came to me, saying,

Jer 32:7 See, Ḥaname’ēl son of Shallum your uncle is coming to you, saying, “Buy my field which is in Anathoth, for the right of redemption is yours to buy it.”’

- **1 Cor.6:20 ...bought with a price – 30 pieces of silver**

Jer 32:9 “And I bought the field which was at Anathoth from Ḥaname’ēl, my uncle’s son, and weighed out to him the silver, seventeen sheqels of silver.

- **Bill of Sale** – evident by Judas being given a band of men and officers from the chief priests & Pharisees to retrieve Yahusha.

- **Deed sealed with a kiss**

Jer 32:10 “And I signed the deed and sealed it, took witnesses, and weighed the silver in the scales.

➤ **Notarized in Pilate's Court**

Jer 32:8 “So Ḥaname’ěl my uncle’s son came to me in the court of the guard according to the word of יהוה, and said to me, ‘Please buy my field that is in Anathoth, which is in the land of Binyamin, for the right of inheritance is yours, and the redemption. Buy it for yourself.’ And I knew that this was the word of יהוה’.

➤ **Public Transference – they chose Barabbas –**

Jer 32:12 and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruk son of Nĕriyah, son of Maḥsĕyah, in the presence of Haname’ěl my uncle’s son, and in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, before all the Yehudim who sat in the court of the guard.

➤ **Yahusha became accursed and shed His blood for redemption.**

Heb 9:11 But Messiah, having become a High Priest of the coming good *matters*, through the greater and more perfect Tent not made with hands, that is, not of this creation,

Heb 9:12 entered into the Most Set-apart Place once for all, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood, having obtained everlasting redemption.

Jer 32:10 “And I signed the deed and sealed it, took witnesses, and weighed the silver in the scales.

➤ **Deed then sealed and placed in earthen vessel.**

Joh 19:28 After this, יהושע, knowing that all had been accomplished, in order that the Scripture might be accomplished, said, “I thirst!”

Joh 19:29 A bowl of sour wine stood there, and they filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on hyssop, and held it to His mouth.

Joh 19:30 So when יהושע took the sour wine He said, “It has been accomplished!” And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

Jer 32:14 Thus said יהוה of hosts, the Elohim of Yisra’ěl, “Take these deeds, both this deed of purchase which is sealed and this deed which is open, and put them in an earthen vessel, so that they remain many days.”

(Transaction process recorded in Jer. 32:6-14)

Jer 32:15 For thus said יהוה of hosts, the Elohim of Yisra’ěl, “Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.”

[End point of the excerpts from 'right of redemption' teaching by Matthew Nolan with T4 – start at one-hour mark for explaining the transaction requirements - <https://youtu.be/cvY80L-B76I>]

Rev 5:11 And I looked, and I heard **the voice of many messengers** around the throne, and **the living creatures**, and **the elders**. And the number of them was myriads of myriads, and thousands of thousands,

Rev 5:12 **saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb having been slain to receive power and riches and wisdom, and strength and respect and esteem and blessing!"**

These last verses drive it home. All His redeemed people; the land; and creation are represented.

Rev 5:13 And **every creature** which is in the heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, **I heard saying**, "To Him sitting on the throne, and to the Lamb, be the blessing and the respect and the esteem and the might, forever and ever!"

Rev 5:14 And **the four living creatures said**, "Aměn!" And **the twenty-four elders fell down and bowed before Him who lives forever and ever.**

So again, ponder who was speaking in Rev. 5:13.

Revelation 6

Rev 6:1 And I saw when **the Lamb opened one of the seals**, and I heard one of the four living creatures saying, like a sound of thunder, "Come and see."

First Seal: 1st Living Creature says, 'Come and see' –

Rider on the white horse represents a conqueror: I see the rider on the white horse in Rev. 6:2 as being an Anti-messiah spirit.

Rev 6:2 And I looked and saw a **white horse^a**, and he who sat on it holding a bow. And a crown was given to him, and he went out overcoming and to overcome.

Footnote: ^a [Zec 6:3](#).

In Rev. 19, Yahusha is clearly the rider on a white horse. In comparison to Rev. 6:2, the rider is 'given a crown'; however, the rider in Rev. 19, Yahusha, has 'many crowns.' There is a clear distinction, therefore I see an Anti-messiah spirit as the rider in Rev. 6:2.

Rev 19:11 And I saw the heaven opened, and there was a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Trustworthy and True, and in righteousness He judges and fights.^a Footnote: ^aSee [Act 10:42](#).

Rev 19:12 And His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns, having a Name that had been written, which no one had perceived except Himself – ^b Footnote: ^bSee [Rev 2:17](#).

Rev 19:13 and having been dressed in a robe dipped in blood – and His Name is called: The Word of יהוה.^c Footnote: ^c [Joh 1:1](#) and [Joh 1:14](#).

Second Seal: 2nd Living Creature says, 'Come and see'

Rider on the red horse represents a great world war and death.

Rev 6:4 And another horse, fiery red,^b went out. And it was given to the one who sat on it to take peace from the earth, and that they should slay one another. And a great sword was given to him. Footnote: ^b [Zec 1:8](#), [Zec 6:2](#).

Third Seal: 3rd Living Creature says, 'Come and see'

Rider on the black horse represents famine; economic collapse; inflation.

Rev 6:5 And when He opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come and see." And I looked and saw a black horse,^c and he who sat on it holding a pair of scales in his hand.^d Footnotes: ^c [Zec 6:2](#). ^d [Eze 4:16](#).

Rev 6:6 And **I heard a voice in the midst of the four living creatures** saying, "A measure of wheat for a denarius,^e and three measures of barley for a denarius.^e And do not harm the oil and the wine." Footnote: ^eRoman monetary unit - a day's wage. [See also [Zec. 3:10](#)]

Fourth Seal: 4th Living Creature says, 'Come and see'

The rider on the pale horse represents Death and Sheol, two. To 'them' were given over ¼ of the earth to kill with sword; hunger; death; and by beasts of the earth.

Rev 6:8 And I looked and saw a green horse.^f And he who sat on it had the name Death,^g and She'ol^g followed with him. And authority was given to them over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and by the beasts of the earth.^h Footnotes: ^fTraditionally rendered as pale; Gk. Chloros. [Zec 6:3](#). ^g

Hos 13:14. ^h Eze 5:12, Eze 5:17, Eze 14:13-19.

Hos 13:14 “From the power of She’ol I ransom them, from death I redeem them. Where is your plague, O Death? Where is your destruction, O She’ol? Repentance is hidden from My eyes.

Eze 5:12 **One-third of you shall die of pestilence, and be consumed with scarcity of food in your midst. And one-third shall fall by the sword all around you. And I shall scatter another third to all the winds, and draw out a sword after them.**

Eze 5:17 And I shall send against you **scarcity of food and evil beasts, and they shall bereave you. And pestilence and blood shall pass through you, while I bring the sword against you.** ו, יהוה, have spoken.’”

Eze 14:13 “Son of man, when a land sins against Me to commit a trespass, and I shall stretch out My hand against it, and cut off its supply of bread and send scarcity of food on it, and cut off man and beast from it,

Eze 14:14 even though these three men, Noah, Dani’ël, and Iyob, were in it, **they would deliver only themselves by their righteousness,**” declares the Master יהוה.

Eze 14:15 “If I cause an evil beast to pass through the land, and it shall bereave it, and it shall be a wasteland, so that no man passes through because of the beasts,

Eze 14:16 **even though these three men were in it,** as I live,” declares the Master יהוה, “they would deliver neither sons nor daughters. **They alone would be delivered,** but the land be a wasteland.

Eze 14:17 “Or if I bring a sword on that land, and I shall say, ‘Sword, go through the land,’ and I shall cut off man and beast from it,

Eze 14:18 **even though these three men were in** its midst, as I live,” declares the Master יהוה, “they would deliver neither sons nor daughters, **for they alone would be delivered.**”

Eze 14:19 “Or if I send a pestilence into that land, and I shall pour out My wrath on it in blood, to cut off from it man and beast,

Eze 14:20 even though **Noah, Dani’ël, and Iyob were in it,** as I live,” declares the Master יהוה, “they would deliver neither son nor daughter. **They would deliver their own lives by their righteousness.**”

Eze 14:21 For thus said the Master יהוה, “How much more it shall be when **send My four evil judgments on Yerushalayim:** the sword and scarcity of food and evil beasts and pestilence, to cut off man and beast from it?

Eze 14:22 **“But see, there shall be left in it a remnant who are brought out,** both sons and daughters. See, they are coming out to you, and you shall see their ways and their deeds, and shall be comforted concerning the evil which I have brought upon Yerushalayim – all that I have brought upon it.

Eze 14:23 “And they shall comfort you, when you see their ways and their deeds. **And you shall know that it was not for naught that I have done whatever I did in it.” declares the Master** יהוה.

Fifth Seal: The Lamb opens the 5th seal. This seems to be **a living the remnant** that face the tribulation and hold fast to the Word of Elohim and their witness that they held.

Rev 6:9 **And when He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the slaughter-place the beings [the souls] of those having been slain for the Word of Elohim and for the witness which they held,**

Rev 6:10 and they cried with a loud voice, saying, **“How long, O Master, set-apart and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?”**

Rev 6:11 And there was given to each one a white robe, and they were told that they should rest a little while longer, until both *the number of their fellow servants and their brothers, who would be killed as they were, was completed.*

Rev 12:11 “And they overcame him because of the Blood of the Lamb, and because of the Word of their witness, and they did not love their lives to the death.

Rev 12:12 “Because of this rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, knowing that he has little time.”

Rev 12:13 And when the dragon saw that he had been thrown to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male child.

Rev 12:14 And the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, to fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, Dan 7:25, Dan 12:7 from the presence of the serpent.

Rev 12:15 And out of his mouth the serpent spewed water like a river after the woman, to cause her to be swept away by the river.

Rev 12:16 And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the river which the dragon had spewed out of his mouth.

Rev 12:17 And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to fight with the remnant of her seed, those guarding the commands of Elohim and possessing the witness of יהושע Messiah.

Sixth Seal: The Lamb opens the sixth seal. Destruction greatly escalates.

Rev 6:12 **And I looked when He opened the sixth seal and saw**

- ✚ a great earthquake came to be.
- ✚ And the sun became black as sackcloth of hair,
- ✚ and the moon became as blood.
- ✚ Rev 6:13 And the stars of the heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its unripe figs, being shaken by a strong wind.
- ✚ Rev 6:14 And heaven departed like a scroll being rolled up,
- ✚ and every mountain and island was moved out of its place.
- ✚ Rev 6:15 And the sovereigns of the earth, and the great ones, and the rich ones, and the commanders, and the mighty, and every slave and every free one, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains,

- Rev 6:16 and **said to the mountains and rocks, “Fall on us and hide us Hos 10:8** from the face of Him sitting on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb,
- Rev 6:17 because the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?”

The **7th bowl judgement** seems to parallel this **6th seal**.

Rev 16:17 And the seventh messenger poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the Dwelling Place of the heaven, from the throne, saying, “It is done!”

Rev 16:18 And there came to be **noises and thunders and lightnings**. And there came to be a great earthquake, such a mighty and great earthquake as had not come to be since men were on the earth.

Rev 16:19 And the great city became divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell. And **great Babel** was remembered before Elohim, to give her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His **wrath**.

Rev 16:20 And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.

Rev 16:21 And **great hail** from the heaven fell upon men, **every hailstone about the weight of a talent**. And men blasphemed Elohim for the plague of the hail, because that plague was **exceedingly great**.

See chart on next page:

THE SEVEN SEALS OF REVELATION						
FIRST SEAL	SECOND SEAL	THIRD SEAL	FOURTH SEAL	FIFTH SEAL	SIXTH SEAL	SEVENTH SEAL
WHITE HORSE	RED HORSE	BLACK HORSE	PALE HORSE	MARTYRS CRY OUT	CELESTIAL SIGNS	RAPTURE
						
Rev 6: 2 Had a Bow Given a Crown Went out Conquering	Rev 6:4 Peace Removed Violence breaks out Has Sword	Rev 6:5-6 Balance Scales Huge Inflation Oil & Wine Spared	Rev 6:8 Death has Hades with him 1/4th earth Killed with sword, famine, death & beasts	Rev 6:9-11 Martyrs cry out How long? Not until number of brethren to be killed is complete	Rev 6:12-17 Earth quakes Sun darkens moon turns red Stars fall Sky Recedes like a scroll	Rev 8:1 Heaven silent about half hour

Rev 9:12 The first woe is past. See, two woes are still coming after this.

Rev 11:14 The second woe is past, and see, the third woe is coming speedily

Woe! Woe! Woe!

THE SEVEN TRUMPETS						
1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th
Green grass and 1/3 of the trees are burned up. Rev. 8:7	1/3 of sea becomes blood; 1/3 of ships and sea life destroyed. Rev. 8:8-9	1/3 of waters turn bitter. Rev. 8:1-11	1/3 of sun, moon, and stars do not shine. Rev. 8:12	"Locusts" wield the Beast's military power. Rev. 9:1-12	200-million-man army; a third of mankind killed. Rev. 9:13-21	The Kingdom of God is declared. Rev. 11:15-19

Rev 9:1 And the fifth messenger sounded, and I saw a star from the heaven which had fallen to the earth. And the key to the pit of the deep was given to him.

Rev 9:2 And he opened the pit of the deep, and smoke went up out of the pit like the smoke of a great furnace. And the sun was darkened, also the air, because of the smoke of the pit.

Rev 9:3 And out of the smoke locusts came upon the earth, and authority was given to them as the scorpions of the earth possess authority.

Rev 11:3 "And I shall give unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clad in sackcloth."

Rev 11:4 These are the two olive trees Eze. 4:3 and the two lampstands that are standing before the Elohim of the earth.

Rev 11:7 And when they have ended their witness, the beast coming up out of the pit of the deep shall fight against them, and overcome them, and kill them.

Rev 10:4 And when the seven thunders spoke their sounds, I was about to write, but I heard a voice from the heaven saying to me, "Seal up what the seven thunders spoke, and do not write them."

Rev 10:7 but in the days of the sounding of the seventh messenger, when he is about to sound, the secret of Elohim shall also be ended, as He declared to His servants the prophets.

The two olive trees & the two lampstands; the two 'sticks' become one! The woman!

Rev 12:1 And a great sign was seen in the heaven: a woman clad with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.

Rev 12:2 And being pregnant, she cried out in labour and in pain to give birth.

Rev 12:5 And she bore a male child who was to shepherd all nations with a rod of iron. Psa. 2:9 And her child was caught away to Elohim and to His throne.

Rev 9:11 And they have over them a sovereign, the messenger of the pit of the deep, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon, but in Greek he has the name Apollon

Rev 11:11 And after the three and a half days a spirit of life from Elohim entered into them, and they stood upon their feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them.

Rev 11:12 And they heard a loud voice from the heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they went up into the heaven in a cloud, and their enemies saw them.

Rev 12:12 "Because of this rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, knowing that he has little time."

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Revelation 7

The 144,000 Sealed of Israel

Eze 9:4 and יהוה said to him, "Pass on into the midst of the city, into the midst of Yerushalayim, and you shall put a mark on the foreheads of the men who sigh and cry over all the abominations that are done within it."

Eze 9:5 And to the others He said in my hearing, "Pass on into the city after him and strike, do not let your eye pardon nor spare.

Eze 9:6 "Kill to destruction old, young men, maidens and children and women, but do not come near anyone upon whom is the mark, and begin at My set-apart place." So they began with the elders who were in front of the House.

Rev 7:1 And after this I saw **four messengers standing at the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds** of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree. [Note the cross reference to 9:4]

Rev 7:2 And I saw **another messenger** coming up from the rising of the sun, **holding the seal of the living Elohim**. And he cried with a loud voice to the four messengers to whom it was given to harm the earth and the sea,

Rev 7:3 saying, "Do not harm the earth, nor the sea, nor the trees until **we have sealed** the servants of our Elohim upon their foreheads."^a Footnote: ^aSee [Rev 9:4](#), [Rev 14:1](#), [Rev 22:4](#).

Revelation 7 opens with four messengers. These I believe are four fallen messengers that are permitted to harm those without the seal of Elohim; the earth; sea; and trees; but, **ONLY AFTER** the messenger (with assistance as noted by the personal pronoun 'we'), holding the 'seal of Elohim,' has time to seal the servants of Elohim upon their foreheads.

John hears the number of servants that were sealed:

Rev 7:4 And I heard the number of those who were sealed, **one hundred and forty-four thousand**, sealed out of all the tribes of the children of Yisra'el:

Yehudah twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of **Re'ubĕn** twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of **Gad** twelve thousand were sealed, **Rev 7:6** of the tribe of **Ashĕr** twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of

Naphtali twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of

Menashsheh twelve thousand were sealed, [Rev 7:7](#) of the tribe of **Shim'on** twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of **Lěwi** twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of **Yissaskar** twelve thousand were sealed, [Rev 7:8](#) of the tribe of **Zebulun** twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of **Yosěph** twelve thousand were sealed, of the tribe of [\[Most associate this entry to Ephraim\]](#) **Binyamin** twelve thousand were sealed.

It is noted that the tribe of Dan is not represented here. So where is Dan? That seems to be a mystery. Most surmise it was because of idol worship. One of the golden calves had been placed in the northern city of Dan (Laish) by Jeroboam, King of the Northern House of Israel. The other golden calf had been placed in the southern city of Bethel. Pretty much all of the House of Israel practiced idolatry.

The tribe of Dan, on their own accord, decided to conquer and taken the land of Laish (meaning precious stone) which was west of [Mt. Hermon](#). Some even say that the anti-messiah will descend from Dan. Most all of this is speculation about Dan.

Some various excerpts about Dan follow for your review. At this point, [I have not found a strong answer as to why Dan is not listed](#). However, we do have [a pattern](#) with Yahusha and the 12 disciples with one that falls away, Judas Iscariot.

[Excerpt] Dan is called to be the "judge" of his people in Jacob's farewell speech to his sons, but why? Dan's name is actually from the Hebrew verb 'din' which means "to judge." When we think of a judge today, we often think of someone in a courtroom who wears a robe, carries a gavel, and gives a verdict on whether someone is guilty or innocent. But a **judge** in the Israelite sense was less involved with right or wrong and more involved with leadership, kind of like a tribal chief. Jacob telling Dan he would be the judge of his people looked forward to Dan's descendants acting as tribal chiefs for the Israelites as a whole, which happened.

In the Book of Judges, we read the story of **Samson**, one of Dan's descendants. During her pregnancy, Samson's mother took a **Nazirite vow**, consecrating Samson as someone set apart who would be given power by God in exchange for him not drinking alcohol or cutting his hair. If you know anything about this story, you know that Samson does not keep this vow: he is led astray by Delilah, a foreign woman whom he falls in love with, who tricks him and cuts his hair, losing him his strength and eventually resulting in his death. This idea of being led astray by foreign things continues in the story of the tribe of Dan as they begin worshipping idols instead of the Hebrew God.

What happens to the tribe after this is not clear. Like most of the other tribes of Israel, the

tribe of Dan is considered "lost" because nothing is known about what happened to the tribe after the destruction of Israel in 722 BCE. When the tribes of Israel are mentioned in the Book of Revelation, the tribe of Dan is mysteriously left out and replaced with one of Joseph's sons. The reason for this is not clear, but perhaps has to do with the tribe going off to worship idols.

<https://study.com/academy/lesson/tribe-of-dan-history-symbol-descendants.html>

Critical View: [Excerpt] Kuenen ("Theologisch Tijdschrift," v. 291) and others after him, such as Cheyne ("Encyc. Bibl." s.v.), have argued that "Dan" is the title of a deity. In the etymology adduced in the explanatory remarks attributed to Rachel (Gen. xxx. 6) nothing is said about the character of the child. The judgment referred to is by God, and is passed upon Rachel. The reference to the name "Daniel" and to the cuneiform name of a king, "Ashur-dan," in support of the critical view has not been regarded by conservative scholars as sufficient to prove the contention in issue. Still, the analogy with other names, both tribal (Gad) and personal, is strongly in favor of the views advanced by Kuenen and his successors. "Daniel," in all probability, means "Dan is El" (compare "Eliyahu") and not "God is my judge"; and "Ashur-dan" is also a combination of two names of deities.

<http://www.jewishencyclopedia.com/articles/4866-dan>

Leaving the mystery of missing Dan; we move on to another mystery of, 'Who are the 144,000?' For now, I will list various references to the 144,000 that we can review as we move forward through Revelation.

The Lamb and the 144,000 – Descriptions of the 144,000 given in scripture:

Rev 14:1 And I looked and saw a Lamb standing on Mount Tsiyon, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His Father's Name^a written upon their foreheads. Footnote: ^aSome texts read: having *His Name and His Father's Name*.

Note: We do know the High Priest in the Aaronic Priesthood would have 'Set-apart to YHWH' written on their head turban. Therefore, this may indicate that those that are set-apart to Him as His Kingdom of priests would also be marked as stated in Rev. 14:1.

Rev 14:2 And I heard a voice out of the heaven, like the voice of many waters, and like the voice of loud thunder, and I heard the sound of harpists playing their harps.

Rev 14:3 And they sang a renewed song before the throne, and before the four living creatures, and the elders. And no one was able to learn that song except the hundred and forty-four thousand who were redeemed from the earth.

Rev 3:12 "He who overcomes, I shall make him a supporting post in the Dwelling Place of My Elohim, and he shall by no means go out. And I shall write on him the Name of

My Elohim and the name of the city of My Elohim, the renewed Yerushalayim, which comes down out of the heaven from My Elohim, and My renewed Name.

To me, Rev. 14:3 gives us the biggest clues as to who the 144,000 may be.

They are not the elders. They are not the four living creatures. If my interpretation of the four living creatures is correct, the four living creatures could represent all the believers in all twelve tribes; depicted by the 4 lead banners of the wilderness encampments by the Lion; Ox; Eagle; and Man. Each group had a total of six wings, representing each quadrant having 3 tribes; thus, you would only see the ‘head’ of the lead ‘banner emblem’ followed by six wings.

They would be covered with eyes depicting the souls of the myriad of believers in each. This isn’t too far of a stretch when we view Yahusha himself as the Lamb of Elohim and the Lion of Judah. We also know in 2 Cor. 5:17 - Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* **a new creature**: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. KJV

The 144,000 are those set-apart. They are the first fruits to Elohim, the first fruit of one of the harvests whether the barley; wheat; or grape/olive harvest.

Rev 14:4 **They are those who were not defiled with women, for they are maidens. They are those following the Lamb wherever He leads them on. They were redeemed from among men, being first-fruits to Elohim and to the Lamb.**

Rev 14:5 **And in their mouth was found no falsehood, for they are blameless before the throne of Elohim.**

x-Ref Isaiah 56:4-5;

Isa 56:4 For thus said יהוה, “To the eunuchs who guard My Sabbaths, and have chosen what pleases Me, and are holding onto My covenant:

Isa 56:5 to them I shall give in My house and within My walls a place and a name better than that of sons and daughters – I give them an everlasting name that is not cut off.

Isa 56:6 “Also the sons of the foreigner who join themselves to יהוה, to serve Him, and to love the Name of יהוה, to be His servants, **all who guard the Sabbath, and not profane it, and are holding onto My covenant –**

Isa 56:7 **them I shall bring to My set-apart mountain, and let them rejoice in My house of prayer.** Their ascending offerings and their slaughterings are accepted on My slaughter-place, for My house is called a house of prayer for all the peoples.”

Mat 19:11 And He said to them, “Not all receive this word, but only those to whom it has been given,

Mat 19:12 **for there are eunuchs who were so born from their mother’s womb, and there are eunuchs who were made eunuchs by men, and there are eunuchs who have made themselves eunuchs for the sake of the reign of the heavens.** He who is able to receive it, let him receive it.”

 Maidens are described in 2Corinthians:

2Co 11:2 For I am jealous for you with a jealousy according to Elohim. **For I gave you in marriage to one husband, to present you as an innocent maiden to Messiah.**

Heb 12:22 But **you have drawn near to Mount Tsiyon** and to the city of the living Elohim, to the heavenly Yerushalayim, to myriads of messengers,

Heb 12:23 to **the entire gathering and assembly of the first-born having been enrolled in heaven**, and to Elohim the Judge of all, and to the spirits of righteous men made perfect,

Heb 12:24 and to יהושע the Mediator^d of a new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling which speaks better than *the blood* of Hebel. Footnote: ^dSee Heb_8:6.

We need to take pause here and see who are present in Heb. 12:22-24:

- ✚ The Living Elohim
- ✚ Myriads of messengers
- ✚ The entire gathering
- ✚ Assembly of the first-born having been enrolled in heaven –

Psa 87:5 And of Tsiyon it is said, “Each one was born in her; For the Most High Himself does establish her.”

Psa 87:6 יהוה **does write, In the register of the peoples, “This one was born there.”**
Selah.

- ✚ Elohim the Judge of all
- ✚ Spirits of Righteous men made perfect
- ✚ Yahusha the Mediator
- ✚ Blood of sprinkling

Eph 1:13 in whom you also, having heard the word of the truth, the Good News of your deliverance, in whom also, having believed, **you were sealed with the Set-apart Spirit of promise,**

Eph 1:14 who is the pledge of our inheritance, until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His esteem.

Revelation 21 describes the New Jerusalem as **the bride**. The bride or New Jerusalem is measured, and dimensions are given but also note that Jerusalem from above is **the mother** in Gal. 4:26.

Gal 4:26 But the Yerushalayim above is free, which is **the mother of us all**.

Therefore, the New Jerusalem above **is the 'bride' and the 'mother'** of us all.

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.

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.

We need to also remember that **'messenger'** can represent a man or an angel – like when John bowed down to the messenger and the messenger said do not do this for, I am a fellow servant. [Rev. 22:9] – We also need to be mindful about the 'wall' as in relation to Rev. 21:12-15 descriptions. We will get into Rev. 21 later, but for now make note of the possible connection between 144 forearms and the 144,000 witnesses.

Mat 22:30 "For in the resurrection they do not marry, nor are they given in marriage, but are as messengers of Elohim in heaven.

Dimensional view to scale: <http://www.tourofheaven.com/eternal/new-jerusalem/size.aspx>

The Mountain of YHWH

Isa 2:1 The word that Yeshayahu the son of Amots saw concerning Yehudāh and Yerushalayim:

Isa 2:2 And it shall be in the latter days that the mountain of the House of יהוה is established on the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills. And all nations shall flow to it.

Isa 2:3 And many peoples shall come and say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of יהוה, to the House of the Elohim of Ya'aqob, and let Him teach us His ways, and let us walk in His paths, for out of Tsiyon comes forth the Torah, and the Word of יהוה from Yerushalayim."

Isa 2:4 And He shall judge between the nations, and shall reprove many peoples. And they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither teach battle any more.

Isa 2:5 O house of Ya'aqob, come and let us walk in the light of יהוה.

We continue in Revelation 7. Know that when going through the Book of Revelation, it is not a 'speedy' process, for we must read; and hear the words of this prophecy; and guard what is written. [Rev. 1:3] True 'hearing' bears fruit of understanding.

A Great Multitude from Every Nation

Rev 7:9 After this I looked and saw a great crowd which no one was able to count, out of all nations and tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, dressed in white robes, and palm branches in their hands,

Rev 7:10 and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Deliverance belongs to our Elohim who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

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Rev 7:11 And all the messengers stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped Elohim, [same present in Rev. 5:11]

Rev 7:12 saying, "Aměn! The blessing, and the esteem, and the wisdom, and the thanksgiving, and the respect, and the power, and the might, to our Elohim forever and ever. Aměn."

Rev 7:13 And one of the elders responded, saying to me, "Who are these dressed in white robes, and where did they come from?"

Rev 7:14 And I said to him, "Master, you know." And he said to me, "These are those coming out of the great distress, having washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Those dressed in white are from every tongue, tribe, people, and nation, too numerous to count and have come out of the great distress [part of which could include the 144,000 which may be the bridal remnant?] Keep in mind the parable of the vineyard when workers are hired at diff. times. Some of these may have become true believers during the great tribulation.

The living bridal remnant may go through the tribulation on earth. They apparently are not 'the woman' gathered to the wilderness and nourished for 3 ½ years [Rev. 12]. They are 'the remnant of her seed', those who had proved themselves faithful by having washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

These are very special and positionally close to YHWH.

Rev 12:14 And **the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, to fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time**, [Dan 7:25](#), [Dan 12:7](#) from the presence of the serpent.

Rev 12:15 And out of his mouth the serpent spewed water like a river after the woman, to cause her to be swept away by the river.

Rev 12:16 And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the river which the dragon had spewed out of his mouth.

Rev 12:17 And **the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to fight with the remnant of her seed**, those guarding the commands of Elohim and possessing the witness of **יהושע** Messiah.

Rev 7:15 "Because of this they are before the throne of Elohim, and serve Him day and night in

His Dwelling Place. And He who sits on the throne shall spread *His* Tent over them.

Rev 7:16 "They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more, neither shall the sun strike them, nor any heat, [Isa 49:10](#).

Rev 7:17 because the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne **shall shepherd them** [Eze 34:23](#) and lead them to **fountains of waters of life**. [Jer 2:13](#), [Jer 17:13](#) And Elohim **shall wipe away every tear from their eyes.**" [Isa 25:8](#).

[Eze 34:23](#) "And I shall raise up over them one shepherd, My servant Dawid, and he shall feed them. He shall feed them and be their shepherd.

[Jer 2:13](#) "For My people have done two evils: they have forsaken Me, the fountain of living waters,^c to hew out for themselves cisterns, cracked cisterns, which do not hold water.

Footnote: ^cSee [Jer 17:13](#).

Jer 17:13 O יהוה, the expectation of Yisra'ël, all who forsake You are put to shame. "Those who depart from Me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken יהוה, the fountain of living waters." ^bFootnote: ^bSee [Jer 2:13](#).

Isa 25:8 He shall swallow up death forever, and the Master יהוה shall wipe away tears from all faces, and take away the reproach of His people from all the earth. For יהוה has spoken.

Artist depiction of the Book of Revelation to enjoy: <https://www.revelationillustrated.com/>

Revelation 8

The Seventh Seal and the Golden Censer

Rev 8:1 And when He opened the seventh seal, there came to be silence in the heaven for about half an hour.

Rev 8:2 And **I saw the seven messengers who stand before Elohim, and to them were given seven trumpets.**

Rev 8:3 And another messenger came and stood at the slaughter-place, holding a golden censer, and much incense was given to him, that he should offer it with the prayers of all the set-apart ones upon the golden slaughter-place which was before the throne.

Rev 8:4 And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the set-apart ones, went up before Elohim from the hand of the messenger.

Rev 8:5 And the messenger took the censer, and filled it with fire from the slaughter-place, and threw it to the earth. And there were noises, and thunders, and lightnings, and an earthquake.

Revelation 8 opens with the recording of what happens when the 7th seal of the deed is opened. There is silence for about a half hour. Then it records that the seven messengers that stand before YHWH were given seven trumpets. Therefore, the seven trumpets are tied to the opening of the 7th seal.

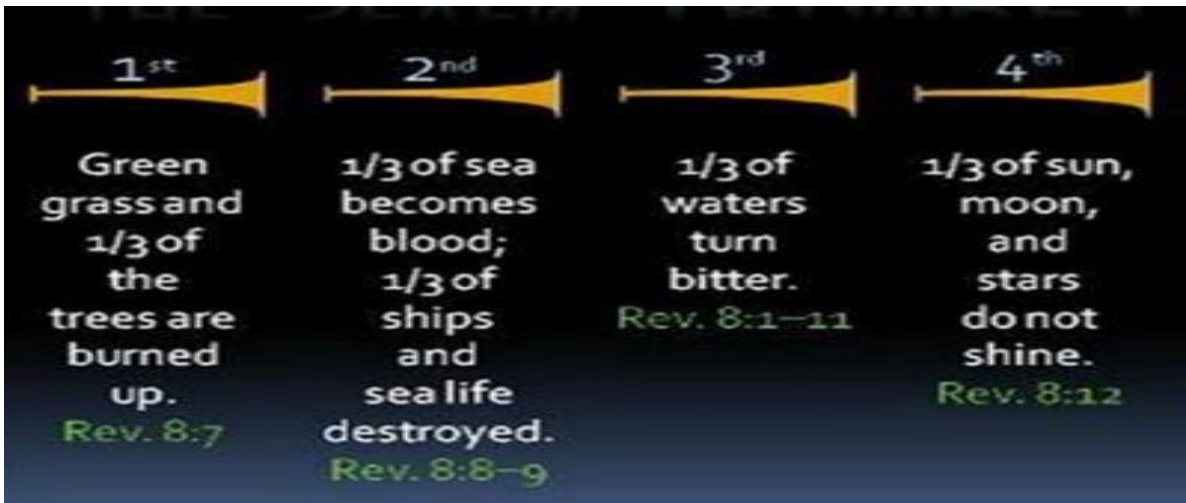
THE SEVEN SEALS OF REVELATION						
FIRST SEAL	SECOND SEAL	THIRD SEAL	FOURTH SEAL	FIFTH SEAL	SIXTH SEAL	SEVENTH SEAL
WHITE HORSE	RED HORSE	BLACK HORSE	PALE HORSE	MARTYRS CRY OUT	CELESTIAL SIGNS	RAPTURE
						
Rev 6: 2 Had a Bow Given a Crown Went out Conquering	Rev 6:4 Peace Removed Violence breaks out Has Sword	Rev 6:5-6 Balance Scales Huge Inflation Oil & Wine Spared	Rev 6:8 Death has Hades with him 1/4th earth Killed with sword, famine, death & beasts	Rev 6:9-11 Martyrs cry out How long? Not until number of brethren to be killed is complete	Rev 6:12-17 Earth quakes Sun darkens moon turns red Stars fall Sky Recedes like a scroll	Rev 8:1 Heaven silent about half hour

Another messenger comes with **the prayers of the set-apart ones** and this messenger is given much incense to offer with the prayers. This was done on the golden slaughter place which was before the throne of YHWH.

The smoke of the offering of the incense mixed with the prayer of the set-apart ones went up before YHWH by the hand of the messenger. The messenger then fills the censer with fire from the golden slaughter place and throws it to the earth. This causes noises, thunders, lightnings, and an earthquake.

There is much taking place in heaven and on earth. The spiritual warfare is abundantly overflowing to the physical realm. With this having been completed, the seven messengers holding the seven trumpets prepare to sound.

Now we read about the sounding and the events that are launched upon the earth by the first four trumpets:



The Seven Trumpets

Rev 8:6 And the seven messengers who held the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

Rev 8:7 And the first messenger sounded, and there came to be hail and fire mixed with blood, and they were thrown to the earth. And a third of the trees were burned up, and all green grass was burned up.

Rev 8:8 And the second messenger sounded, and *what looked* like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea, and a third of the sea became blood,

Rev 8:9 and a third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed.

Rev 8:10 And the third messenger sounded, and a great star fell from the heaven, burning like a torch, and it fell on a third of the rivers and on the fountains of water,

Rev 8:11 and the name of the star is called Wormwood. And a third of the waters became wormwood, and many men died from the waters, because they were made bitter.

Rev 8:12 And the fourth messenger sounded, and a third of the sun was struck, and a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of them were darkened. And a third of the day did not shine, and likewise the night.^a Footnote: ^aCompare with [Exo 10:21](#), [Isa 50:3](#), [Jer 4:23-29](#), [Zec 13:8](#), [Joe 2:10](#), [Joe 2:31](#), [Joe 3:15](#).

Rev 8:13 And I looked, and I heard an eagle flying in mid-heaven, crying with a loud voice, "Woe, woe, woe to those dwelling upon the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three messengers who are about to sound!"

These cause massive cataclysmic occurrences and **there are still MORE TO COME!**
Revelation chapter 8 closes with **Woe! Woe! Woe!**

Revelation 9

In Revelation 9, the 5th and 6th trumpets are sounded!

The 5th trumpet sounds:

Rev 9:1 And the fifth messenger sounded, and I saw a star from the heaven which had fallen to the earth. And the key to the pit of the deep was given to him.

Rev 9:2 And he opened the pit of the deep, and smoke went up out of the pit like the smoke of a great furnace. And the sun was darkened, also the air, because of the smoke of the pit.

Rev 9:3 And out of the smoke locusts came upon the earth, and authority was given to them as the scorpions of the earth possess authority.

Rev 9:4 And it was said to them that they shall not harm the grass of the earth, or any green *matter*, or any tree, but only those men who do not have the seal of Elohim upon their foreheads.

Rev 9:5 And it was given to them that they should not kill them, but to torture them for five months. And their torture was like the torture of a scorpion when it stings a man.

Rev 9:6 And in those days men shall seek death and shall not find it. And they shall long to die, but death shall flee from them.

Rev 9:7 And the locusts looked like horses prepared for battle, and on their heads were crowns like gold, and their faces were like the faces of men.

Rev 9:8 And they had hair like women's hair, and their teeth were like lions' teeth.

Rev 9:9 And they had breastplates like breastplates of iron, and the sound of their wings was like the sound of chariots of many horses running into battle.

Rev 9:10 And they have tails like scorpions, and stings. And in their tails is their authority to harm men five months.

Rev 9:11 And they have over them a sovereign, the messenger of the pit of the deep, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon, but in Greek he has the name Apolluon.

Rev 9:12 The first woe is past. See, two woes are still coming after this.



Rev 9:1 And the fifth messenger sounded, and I saw a star from the heaven which had fallen to the earth. And the key to the pit of the deep was given to him.

Who is this **star** that John sees?

John either sees Lucifer being kicked out of the heavens or possibly another demonic Principality such as Abaddon. In **Rev. 12:9** we clearly see the Devil, Satan, cast down from heaven.

Some believe that Abaddon and Satan are synonymous; and

others do not.

Rev 12:9 And the great dragon was thrown out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who leads all the world astray. He was thrown to the earth, and his messengers were thrown out with him.

In Rev. 9:11-12 we read:

Rev 9:11 And they have over them a sovereign, the messenger of the pit of the deep, whose name in Hebrew is **Abaddon**, but in Greek he has the name **Apolluon**.

Rev 9:12 The first woe is past. See, two woes are still coming after this.

When Satan is cast down, we see Satan mocked by his evil minions in Isaiah 14:10.

Isa 14:10 “All of them respond and say to you, **‘Have you also become as weak as we?’**
Have you become like us?

Isa 14:11 Your arrogance has been brought down to She’ol, and the sound of your stringed instruments; the maggot is spread under you, and worms cover you.’

Isa 14:12 “How you have fallen from the heavens, O Hēlēl,^c son of the morning! You have been cut down to the ground, you who laid low the nations! Footnote: ^cThe Shining One.

Let’s look at the definition of ‘Lucifer’:

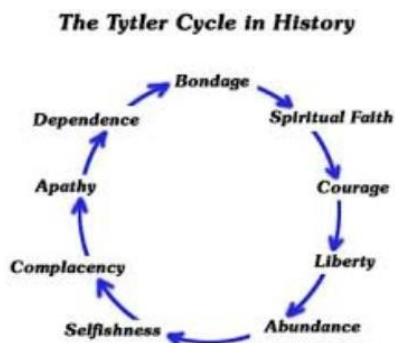
H1966 הלל הילל BDB Definition:

Lucifer = “light-bearer”

1) shining one, morning star, Lucifer

1a) of **the king of Babylon and Satan (figuratively)**

2) **‘Helel’ describing the king of Babylon**



History repeats itself in a cyclic fashion. What we saw happen in Hezekiah’s day; will happen again. Nations are fast approaching complete bondage by the global cabal. Nations just prior to bondage, experience complacency; apathy; and dependency. [See chart]

However, His kingdom of priests, His overcomers, are scattered throughout all the nations. We are His holy set-apart nation. Our brothers and sisters are world-wide.

The Book of Revelation reveals the collapse of worldly systems and bondage during the tribulation; but be of good cheer, for **YHWH [Yahusha in Son] has overcome the world.**

With **the fifth trump of Rev. 9:1**, the enemy, Satan or other Principality, is cast from heaven to earth and is given the key to the pit of the deep. When the pit is opened it isn’t pretty. It is a horrific scene for those left on this earth.

Rev 9:2 And he opened the pit of the deep, and smoke went up out of the pit like the smoke of a great furnace. And the sun was darkened, also the air, because of the smoke of the pit.

Rev 9:3 And out of the **smoke locusts came upon the earth**, and authority was given to them as the scorpions of the earth possess authority.

The locust receive orders:

Rev 9:4 And it was said to them that **they**

shall not harm the grass of the earth, or any green matter, or any tree, but only those men who do not have the seal of Elohim upon their foreheads.

Rev 9:5 And it was given to them that **they should not kill them, but to torture them for five months**. [Cross-ref Rev. 7:3] And their torture was like the torture of a scorpion when it stings a man.

Rev 9:6 And in those days **men shall seek death and shall not find it**. And they shall long to die, but death shall flee from them.

I contemplate that the Great Tribulation or Great Distress may begin when Satan has been cast down to earth (Rev. 12:13) as he goes to fight with the remnant of the seed of the woman. I understand that when Satan is cast down to earth; this would correlate to the 3rd 'Woe' which would not tie into Rev. 9:1 the sounding of the 5th Trumpet with the star falling from heaven.

Rev 9:1 And the **fifth messenger** sounded, and **I saw a star from the heaven which had fallen to the earth**. And the key to the pit of the deep was given to him.

The following is a list of groups based on Scripture, that I understand to be present on earth at the beginning of or during the 'Great Distress' or the 'Great Tribulation.'

1. **The woman** is given two wings of a great eagle and flies to her place in the wilderness where she is nourished for 3 ½ years from the presence of the serpent (Satan). (Rev. 12:14)
2. **The remnant of the seed of the woman**. Rev 12:17 And the dragon (Satan) was enraged with the woman, and he went to fight with the remnant of her seed, those guarding the commands of Elohim and possessing the witness of יהושע Messiah.
3. **The 144,000 that were sealed with the seal of Elohim**. Rev 7:14 And I said to him, "Master, you know." And he said to me, "These are those coming out of the great distress, having washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
4. The Unbelievers that do NOT have the seal of Elohim and either become believers or they don't.

When the 5th Trumpet is sounded:

- **Lucifer or a Principality or 'Beast' is cast down to earth**
- **Locust torment mankind for 5 months without the seal of Elohim – they seek death but cannot find it.** The descriptions of the locust are given in Rev. 9:7 – Rev. 9:11.
- **The messenger of the pit of the deep** is king over the locust, whose name in Hebrew is **Abaddon**, but in Greek he has the name **Apolluon**.

- **The First Woe Passes** – there are two more woes.

Rev 9:10 And they have tails like scorpions, and stings. And in their tails is their authority to **harm men five months.**

Rev 9:11 And they have over them a sovereign, the messenger of the pit of the deep, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon, but in Greek he has the name Apolluon. [Some define Abaddon as 'the destroyer angel of the Abyss' – others say he is Satan – At this point, I am keeping them as two separate entities.]

The 6th Trumpet is sounded:

Rev 9:13 And the sixth messenger sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden slaughter-place which is before Elohim,

Rev 9:14 saying to the sixth messenger who had the trumpet, **"Release the four messengers, those having been bound at the great river Euphrates."**

Rev 9:15 And the four messengers, those having been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released to kill a third of mankind.

Rev 9:16 And the number of the armies of the horsemen was two hundred million, and I heard the number of them.

Rev 9:17 And this is how I saw the horses in the vision and those who sat on them, having breastplates of fiery red, and hyacinth blue, and sulphur yellow. And the heads of the horses were like the heads of lions, and out of their mouths came fire, and smoke, and sulphur.

Rev 9:18 A third of mankind was killed by these three *plagues*, by the fire and the smoke and the sulphur which came out of their mouths.

Rev 9:19 For the authority of the horses is in their mouth and in their tails, for their tails are like serpents, having heads. And with them they do harm.

Rev 9:20 And the rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the **works of their hands**, that they should not worship the demons, and **idols of gold, and of silver, and of brass, and of stone, and of wood, which are neither able to see, nor to hear, nor to walk.** [Psa 115:4-7](#), [Psa 135:15-17](#), [Dan 5:23](#).

Rev 9:21 And they did not repent of their murders, nor of their drug sorceries, nor of their whoring, nor of their thefts.

- Four evil messengers are let loose that had been bound at the great river Euphrates. [These evil messengers possibly are the bound defeated Principalities that once were associated with Babylon; Medo-Persia; Greece; and Rome.]

Dan 10:13 "But the head of the rule of Persia withstood me twenty-one days. And see, Miḵa'ēl, one of the chief heads, came to help me, for I had been left alone there with the sovereigns of Persia.

- These four messengers had been prepared for the specific hour/day/month/year to kill 1/3 of mankind. [x-Ref. 7:1?]
- Their army consists of 200 million

Description:

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Method of Annihilation:

By **three plagues**, by the fire and the smoke and the sulphur which came out of their mouths.

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These descriptions definitely reflect weapons of warfare entities. The rest of mankind surviving do not repent of their idolatry; demon worship; murders; drug sorcery; thefts; whoring.

Revelation 10

The Angel and the Little Scroll

Rev 10:1 And I saw another strong messenger coming down from the heaven, **robed in a cloud**, and a rainbow on his head, and his face was like the sun, and his **feet like columns of fire**,

John sees a strong messenger from heaven; possibly the Angel of YHWH. I do list another possibility later that we can consider.

A rainbow is on his head and he is robed in a cloud. We know the rainbow is our covenant sign given to us by YHWH. Sadly, that covenant sign has been grossly abused and usurped by the enemy.

Gen 9:12 And Elohim said, "This is the sign of the covenant which I make between Me and you, and every living being that is with you, for all generations to come:

Gen 9:13 "I shall set My rainbow in the cloud, and it shall be for the sign of the covenant between Me and the earth.

YHWH was the pillar of cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night that led the captives free out of Egypt.

Rev 10:2 and having in his hand a little book opened. And he placed his right foot on the sea and his left foot on the land,

Isa 66:1 **Thus said יהוה**, "The heavens are My throne, and the earth is My footstool. Where is this house that you build for Me? And where is this place of My rest?"

Rev 10:3 and cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roars. **And when he cried out, seven thunders spoke their sounds.**

There are few things more 'bone chilling' than hearing the mighty roar of a lion. This seems to be the thundering voice heard from the Lion of the tribe of Judah!

Rev 10:4 And when the seven thunders spoke their sounds, I was about to write, but I heard a voice from the heaven saying to me, **"Seal up what the seven thunders spoke, and do not write them."**

Rev 10:5 And the messenger whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land **lifted up his right hand to the heaven**, Gen 14:22, Deu 32:40.

Rev 10:6 and swore by **Him who lives forever and ever**, Dan 12:7 **who created the heaven and what is in it, the earth and what is in it, and the sea and what is in it,**^a Neh 9:6 that there shall be no further delay, Footnote: ^aAlso see Exo 20:11, Psa 146:6, Rev 4:11.

Rev 10:7 **but in the days of the sounding of the seventh messenger, when he is about to sound, the secret of Elohim shall also be ended**, as He declared to His servants the prophets.

The Secret of Elohim:

1. *The nations to be co-heirs,*
2. *United in the same body, and*
3. *Partakers together in the promise*
4. *In Messiah through the Good News! HalleluYAH!*

Eph 3:3 that by revelation was made known to **me the secret**, as I wrote before briefly.

Eph 3:4 In reading this, then, you are able to understand my insight into the secret of Messiah,

Eph 3:5 which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His set-apart emissaries and prophets:

Eph 3:6 **The nations to be co-heirs, united in the same body, and partakers together^a in**

the promise in Messiah through the Good News, Footnote: ^aSee [Rom 11:17-24](#), [Isa 14:1](#).
 Eph 3:7 of which I became a servant according to the gift of the favour of Elohim given to me, according to the working of His power.
 Eph 3:8 To me, the very least of all the set-apart ones, this favour was given, to bring the Good News of the unsearchable riches of Messiah among the nations,
 Eph 3:9 and to make all see how this secret is administered, which for ages past has been hidden in Elohim who created all through **יהושע** Messiah,^b Footnote: ^bSee [Joh 1:3](#).

Our next devotional will look at Rev. 11 concerning the seventh trumpet, but for now here is an excerpt.

Rev 11:15 And the seventh messenger sounded, and there came to be loud voices in the heaven, saying, "The reign of this world has become *the reign* of our Master, and of His Messiah, and He shall reign forever and ever!"^a Footnote: ^aSee [Rev 12:10](#), [Psa 2:8](#), [Psa 22:28](#), [Dan 2:44](#), [Dan 7:13-14](#), [Oba 1:15-21](#), [Hag 2:22](#), [Zec 14:9](#).

Rev 11:16 And the twenty-four elders sitting before Elohim on their thrones fell on their faces and worshipped Elohim,

Rev 11:17 saying, "We give You thanks, O **יהוה** Ēl Shaddai, the **One who is and who was and who is coming, because You have taken Your great power and reigned.**

Rev 11:18 "And the **nations were enraged**, [Psa 2:1](#) and Your wrath has come, and the time of the **dead to be judged**, and to give the reward to Your servants the prophets and to the set-apart ones, and to those who fear Your Name, small and great, and to **destroy those who destroy the earth.**"

Rev 10:8 And the voice which I heard out of the heaven spoke to me again and said, "Go, take **the little book which is opened** in the hand of the messenger standing on the sea and on the earth."

Rev 10:9 And I went to the messenger and said to him, "Give me the little book." And he said to me, "**Take and eat it**,^b and it shall make your stomach bitter, but it shall be as sweet as honey in your mouth." Footnote: ^b [Eze 2:1-10](#) and [Eze 3:1-27](#). This is a Hebraism which means *to receive knowledge*.

Both Ezekiel and John went through the same process of eating the scroll or the little book to 'receive knowledge' directly linked to prophesying. It is important to note that the little book was open in the hand of the messenger! Let's look at when it may have been closed.

Dan 12:4 "But you, Dani'el, hide the words, and **seal the book** until the time of the end.^a Many shall diligently search and knowledge shall increase." Footnote: ^aSee [Dan 12:9](#).

Daniel was told to hide the words and seal the book until the end. That ‘charge’ was given to Daniel. That was Daniel’s responsibility. With that in mind, we should also consider that this ‘messenger’, may be Daniel.

Cross-references to Ezekiel:

Eze 2:1 And He said to me, “Son of man, stand on your feet, so that I speak to you.”

Eze 2:2 And the Spirit entered into me when He spoke to me, and set me on my feet. And I heard Him who was speaking to me.

Eze 2:3 And He said to me, “Son of man, **I am sending you to the children of Yisra’ël, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against Me. They and their fathers have transgressed against Me, until this day.**

Eze 2:4 “And the children are stiff of face and hard of heart to whom I am sending you, and you shall say to them, ‘Thus said the Master יהוה.’

Eze 2:5 **“And they – whether they hear or whether they refuse, for they are a rebellious house – shall know that a prophet has been in their midst.**

Eze 2:6 “And you, son of man, do not be afraid of them, nor be afraid of their words, though thistles and thorns are with you and you dwell among scorpions. Do not be afraid of their words or discouraged by their looks, for they are a rebellious house.

Eze 2:7 **“And you shall speak My words to them, whether they hear or whether they refuse, for they are rebellious.**

Eze 2:8 “And you, son of man, hear what I am speaking to you. **Do not be rebellious like that rebellious house, open your mouth and eat what I am giving you.”**

Eze 2:9 And I looked and saw a hand stretched out to me. And see, a scroll of a book was in it, Eze 2:10 and He spread it before me, and it was written on the inside and on the outside. **And written on it were lamentations and mourning and woe.**

Eze 3:1 And He said to me, “Son of man, eat what you find, **eat this scroll, and go, speak to the house of Yisra’ël.**”

Eze 3:2 And I opened my mouth, and He fed me the scroll.

Eze 3:3 And He said to me, “Son of man, feed your stomach, and fill your stomach with this scroll that I am giving you.” And I ate it, **and it was as sweet as honey in my mouth.**^a

Footnote: ^a Psa_ 19:10, Psa_ 119:103, Rev_ 10:9-10.

Eze 3:4 And He said to me, **“Son of man, go to the house of Yisra’ël, and you shall speak to them with My words.....**

Rev 10:10 And I took the little book out of the messenger’s hand and ate it, and **it was as sweet as honey in my mouth, Eze_3:3** but when I had eaten it, my stomach was made bitter.

Revelation 10 closes with this instruction to John:

Rev 10:11 And he said to me, **“You have to prophesy again concerning many peoples and nations and tongues and sovereigns.”**

Revelation 11

In the end of days, the earthly Jerusalem will once again be under siege. There is nothing new under the sun. What has been prophesied will unfold; and these prophesies usually unfold 2-3 times. They have many applications at different points in biblical history.

John is instructed to measure the dwelling place of Elohim from above, the slaughter place, and those worshipping in it. Measuring is a term that can denote the dimensions of something; and/or it is a term that can denote judgment. Here the word measure may include both. The outer courts will be trampled by the nations for 42 months.

We have all heard of what is called the earthly '3rd temple' plans. This temple is being promoted by those that 'say they are Jews and are not'; also, some secular Jews may be supporting the building of this temple; as well as deceived believers caught in the web of Christian Zionism. The messiah they are trying to usher in however; will be the anti-messiah.

The Two Witnesses

Rev 11:1 And a reed like a measuring rod was given to me, and the messenger stood, saying, "Rise and measure the Dwelling Place of Elohim, and the slaughter-place, and those worshipping in it.

Rev 11:2 "But cast out the court which is outside the Dwelling Place, and do not measure it, for it has been given to the nations, and they shall trample the set-apart city under foot for forty-two months.

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For 42 months, or 1,260 days, the nations will trample underfoot the outer court in the set-apart city; Jerusalem. During that time, YHWH will also call forth His two witnesses and they shall prophesy during that same time period.

As a woman in the process of labor, the birth pangs will increasingly progress into the time of tribulation. As I understand it, **there will be a 7 year 'peace/security' agreement made based on [Dan. 9:27]. From the onset of this 'peace/security' treaty, will begin the first 42 months of the tribulation; and simultaneously, the two witnesses shall prophesy.**

Dan 9:27 "And he **shall confirm a covenant with many for one week**. And **in the middle of the week he shall put an end to slaughtering and meal offering**. And on the wing of abominations he shall lay waste, even until the complete end and that which is decreed is poured out on the one who lays waste."^a Footnote: ^a [Mat_24:15](#).

East for talks on Washington's peace plan

Envoys Jared Kushner and Jason Greenblatt to visit Israel, Egypt, Jordan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates, starting from next week

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Rev 11:3 "And I shall give unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clad in sackcloth."

Rev 11:4 These are the **two olive trees** [Eze 4:3](#) and the two lampstands that are standing before the Elohim of the earth.

Rev 11:5 And if anyone wishes to harm them, fire comes out from their mouth and consumes their enemies. And if anyone wishes to harm them, he has to be killed in that way.

Rev 11:6 These possess authority to shut the heaven, so that no rain falls in the days of their prophecy. And they possess authority over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they wish.

The two witnesses equate to the two olive trees and the two lampstands that are standing before the Elohim of the earth based on Rev. 11:3-4. Therefore, it appears that the two witnesses are a combination of the two olive trees and the two lampstands which may be a combination of witnesses working together. This is my understanding; however, there are several points of view on this topic.

If for instance, the two witness are Moses and Elijah, they could be working hand in hand with the two lampstands. The assemblies in Revelation 1-3, are referred to as lampstands. There are only two lampstands that have no words spoken against them. They are Smyrna and Philadelphia. Those represent His people that have truly set themselves apart to Him.

These two witnesses are given supernatural powers bestowed by YHWH [possibly Joel 2:28-30]; much like Moses and Aaron were given YHWH's divine power before Pharaoh. For 42 months the unbelieving nations are enraged and tormented by their proclamations. They hate and despise these two witnesses.

At the end of 42 months; they are killed by the beast, probably the anti-messiah; and raised back to life after 3 ½ days by YHWH.

Rev 11:7 And when they have ended their witness, the beast coming up out of the pit of the deep shall fight against them, and overcome them, and kill them,

Rev 11:8 and their dead bodies *lie* in the street of **the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Mitsrayim, where also our Master was impaled**,

Rev 11:9 and some of the peoples and tribes and tongues and nations see their dead bodies for three and a half days, and not allow their dead bodies to be placed into tombs,

Rev 11:10 and **those dwelling on the earth** rejoice over them and exult. And they shall send gifts to each other, because **these two prophets** tortured those dwelling on the earth.

Rev 11:11 And after the three and a half days a spirit of life from Elohim entered into them, and they stood upon their feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them.

All the heathen nations rejoice over their deaths and don't even permit their bodies to be buried. YHWH even uses this for good! Why? Because in 3 ½ days, the bodies of the two witnesses are raised again to life! HalleluYah! Great fear comes upon the unbelieving nations.

After the witnesses complete prophesying 42 months + 3 ½ days – the second woe is past. There is one more woe. I see the 3rd woe possibly beginning in Revelation 12 when Satan is cast down to earth. I correlate Satan being cast down to earth, as being the start of the latter 3 ½ years described as the Great Tribulation. If I am correct, this would mean that the witnesses make their proclamations the FIRST half of the 7 years and are called up at the midway point of the 7-year tribulation.

Rev 11:12 **And they heard a loud voice from the heaven saying to them, "Come up**

here.” And they went up into the heaven in a cloud, and their enemies saw them.

Rev 11:13 And in that hour there came to **be a great earthquake**, and a tenth of the city fell. And in the earthquake seven thousand men were killed, and the rest became afraid and gave esteem to the Elohim of the heaven.

Rev 11:14 **The second woe is past, and see, the third woe is coming speedily.**

In Revelation 11:12-13 a voice from the heaven calls the two prophets to ‘Come up here.’ In Rev. 11:10 the witnesses are referred to as **two prophets** instead of two witnesses. And then it is recorded that they went up into the heaven in a cloud and their enemies saw them. The question is what heaven; 1st, 2nd, or 3rd? They are carried upward in a cloud within visual sight. The 1st heaven is in our atmosphere where the birds and clouds exists. Which heaven they ended up in remains to be known. In Rev. 12, we will see the woman depicted in the 2nd heaven – clothed in the sun with the moon at her feet and a crown of 12 stars.

Note there is a great earthquake in Rev. 11:13 and in Rev. 12:16 when the earth opens its mouth to help the woman. Are these denoting the same earthquake?

Possible connections between Revelation 11 & 12:

1. Prophecy of the witnesses and the woman in the wilderness both cover 42 months each; or 1,260 days, or time, times, and half-times.
2. The great earthquake in Rev. 11 and 1/10 of the city falls and 7,000 men die. [We make note of the 7,000 as we know Elijah was once told by YHWH that there were 7,000 that had not bowed their knees to Baal. – We need to keep this number connection in mind.]
3. In Rev. 12, the earth opens to consume the water spewed from the dragon’s mouth after the woman; this obviously also describes a mighty earthquake. Thereby, possibly connecting the two witnesses to the same timeline of the woman in Rev. 12.
4. Possibly, the woman in Rev. 12 seen in the 2nd heaven, has some connection to the two witnesses called up to heaven as the scene moves from the two witnesses in Revelation 11 to a complete picture of the woman clothed with the sun and the moon at her feet and a crown of 12 stars about to birth the ‘one new man’ with Yahusha as the head in Revelation 12.

The sounding of the 7th trumpet is recorded in the latter half of Revelation 11. The 7th trumpet announces the prophetic coming reign of YHWH and His Son, Yahusha HaMashiach.

At this point, heaven is rejoicing having Satan kicked out of heaven but woe to us on the earth.

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Rev 11:17 saying, "We give You thanks, O יהוה Ēl Shaddai, the One who is and who was and who is coming, because You have taken Your great power and reigned.

Then YHWH's wrath comes as He judges the nations, in the Great White Throne Judgment; and give rewards to His faithful ones at the Bema Seat Judgment. I see this taking place at the end of the 1000- year reign of Yahusha HaMashiach.

Rev 11:18 "And the **nations were enraged**, [Psa 2:1](#) and Your wrath has come, and the time of the **dead to be judged**, and to give the reward to Your servants the prophets and to the set-apart ones, and to those who fear Your Name, small and great, and to **destroy those who destroy the earth.**"

Rev 11:19 And the Dwelling Place of Elohim was opened in the heaven, and the **ark of His covenant** was seen in His Dwelling Place. And there came to be lightnings, and voices, and thunders, and an earthquake, and great hail.

The wording of Rev. 11:19, mirror the lightnings, voices, and thunders at Mt. Sinai, when He first proposed to His bride. Now, He is about to receive His bride and make all things new.

As we proceed, I will update and adjust our 'tentative' timeline of events to expect. I believe we are still in the period of the birth pangs and the following is my understanding.

- We may see WW3 before or as the tribulation begins; (This may be the war of Gog and Magog; but actually, I see two possible Gog and Magog wars. The first being WW3 among the nations and the second being the last stand of Satan gathering the nations against the Lamb.)
- The onset of tribulation begins with the 7-year peace/security covenant that will be broken after 3 ½ years. [Daniel 9:27]

- The 2 witnesses prophesy for 42 months; are killed by the beast out of the deep pit; and arise in 3 ½ days – they witness during the first half of the tribulation to mid-tribulation.
- The latter 3 ½ years may begin the great tribulation, the 3rd woe, when Satan is kicked out of heaven to earth.
- Now let's hit a few highlights:
 - We clearly see Lucifer is cast out of heaven to earth in Rev. 12; not sure if the star that falls out of heaven in Rev. 9:1 is Satan or another separate entity, Abaddon.
 - The woman gives birth to the male child around mid-tribulation.
 - I see this male child that the woman births as the one-new man or male child with Yahusha as the head.
 - The dragon, Satan that is cast down, is wroth with the woman and spews water after her.
 - The earth parts and consumes the water protecting the woman [earthquake]
 - 1/10 of the City of Jerusalem is destroyed and 7,000 die; the 6th trump ends, and this is the 2nd woe that has passed.
 - The woman is given two wings like an eagle and flies to her place in the wilderness for 3 ½ years possibly during the great tribulation. Wilderness is often associated with witnessing.
 - The dragon goes to fight the remnant of her seed; and in my opinion may very well be the 144,000. For the 144,000 guard the commands of YHWH; they possess the witness of Messiah; and they come out of the 'great distress' – Rev. 7:14.

Revelation 12

Revelation 12 appears to be the full-term birthing of the 'one new man', Israel. In Yahusha, we are 'born again' or 'born anew'. Yahusha is the head [Col. 1:18] of the 'one new man' and we are the _____. Correct. We are the body. When a child is delivered, the head comes first and then the body.

In Revelation 12, we will see the birthing process depicted in the heavenlies, as the woman gives birth to a male child, 'Israel'; made up of his descendants from the 12 Patriarchs. The 12 Patriarchs seem to be depicted by her crown of 12 stars. I see the woman as the bride. When the chaste bride, without spot or blemish, gives birth; we will see the true 'birthing' of the nation of Israel. The male child is made up of all believers in Yahusha, living stones from all around the world making up a coat of many colors. Within the congregation of believers, you have the bride, the attendants, and the wedding guests – but they are still one body.

The woman is still very much a part of the ‘one new man’; the woman is part of the child being birthed – Israel. She is represented in both. The bride and birth mother are ‘set apart’; yet, is still a member of the body, much like a rib, ‘within’ the child being born.

We see this same depiction through Miriam (Mary), the virgin who gave birth to Yahusha, Messiah. She was His earthly birth mother; yet, she is also His child; and part of the bride as well. We can see the same ‘shadow type’ in Eve.

Jerusalem from above is **the mother and **the bride****

Gal 4:26 But the Yerushalayim above is free, which is **the mother** of us all.

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,

For an additional example, we look at Yahusha as the Son of Elohim. But Yahusha is also the Groom. Yahusha is also the ‘head’ of the child being birthed as the ‘one new man’. The child represents Israel becoming one again, through Yahusha. We see the multi-faceted roles of Yahusha being in the Father and the Father in Him. Yahusha is YHWH in Son. Together we are all one body with many parts; roles; and functions!

No longer do we belong to a particular nation or people group; though we function on earth within those parameters. We belong to the body of believers that are coalescing into the one new man. No longer is our family, just within our immediate family. We have brothers and sisters in the U.S.; in Canada; in China; in India; in Australia; in Africa; etc. Together, we make up the TRUE Israel.

This is the secret of Elohim. The birth pangs and ‘false labor pains’, have begun as the ‘child’ is reaching full gestation or full term. The child will be ‘birthed’, as we will see in Revelation 12, BEFORE she labors; before the ‘great pains’ of the greater tribulation.

Isa 66:7 “**Before she labored, she gave birth; before a pain came to her, she was delivered of a male child.**

Today, there is an earthly nation that is 'called' Israel in the promise land. This nation is in the 'general area' of the promise land spoken of in Deuteronomy. Satan usurps 'names' and 'lands' to counterfeit events in the Bible and to confuse people; so much so, that many end up 'funding the enemy of YHWH'; and one could even say, they end up 'sleeping with the enemy.'

Because, believers have not always diligently studied His Word; and instead mainly have listened to various voices preaching His Word; we at times have gotten off course. Preaching and teaching are very good ways of learning and for deceiving. HOWEVER, we as good Bereans, should search the Scriptures to 'see if these things be so.' Believers make up the 'one new man'; we are not Baptist, Catholics, Muslims, Hindus, Jews, Buddhist, we are a set-apart people, that have 'come out her My people' to form a holy nation, betrothed to Yahusha HaMashiach. He is returning for His bride; not for people following the traditions of men and man-made religions.

These all may speak 'some truth'; but 'some truth' equals falsehood by the blending of His pure Word with pagan principles.

Even with sharing these devotionals, these are 'my understandings' to date; but each of you should diligently study His Word to see if my points are on track; or if there are other Scriptures, we should consider that may shed more light. This is how we help one another stay on the narrow path. **Sharing is great; but searching His Word is greater!**

Now, let's look at the verses in Revelation 12. It opens with the astronomical skies [not to be confused with Satan's astrology] depicting a great sign. A woman, the 'Virgin' constellation, is clad with the sun, and the moon under her feet with twelve stars crowning her head (made up of constellations and planetary bodies). The 12 stars, the sun, and the moon correlate to the dream of Joseph in Gen. 37:9.

Gen 37:9 And he dreamed still another dream and related it to his brothers, and said, "See, I have dreamed another dream, and see, the sun and the moon and the eleven stars bowed down to me."

Notice that in Joseph's dream, there were 11 stars; and now, in Revelation 12 there are 12 stars, with the earthly parents of Joseph, being depicted by the sun and the moon. We read:

Rev 12:1 And a great sign was seen in the heaven: **a woman clad with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.**

Rev 12:2 And being pregnant, she cried out in labor and in pain to give birth.a

Rev 12:3 And another sign was seen in the heaven: and see, a great, fiery red dragon

having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns on his heads.

Rev 12:4 And his tail draws a third of the stars of the heaven and throws them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, to devour her child as soon as it was born.

Rev 12:5 And she bore a male child^a who was to shepherd all nations with a rod of iron.

Psa 2:9 And her child was caught away to Elohim and to His throne. Footnote:

^aSee also [Isa 26:17](#), [Isa 66:7](#), [Mic 4:9-10](#).

Rev 12:6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by Elohim, to be nourished there one thousand two hundred and sixty days.

- We see, the woman does experience the beginning of labor; but gives birth prior to the greater tribulation.
- Cosmic battle ensues in the heavenlies; as the child is birthed; and Satan is cast down with 1/3 of the fallen angels.
- She bares a male child. This I see as the 'one new man' with Yahusha as the head.
- The child, not the woman, is caught away to Elohim and to His throne. This doesn't necessarily mean in the 3rd heaven. The heavenly Jerusalem could very well be hovering in the first heaven, visible in our atmosphere at that time; but not yet sitting down upon the defiled earth; but awaits the 'new earth' to be created. It may hover like the pillar of cloud by day.
- The woman; the bride; is given two wings like an eagle and flies into the wilderness.
- The woman has a place prepared by Elohim in the wilderness to be nourished for 1,260 days; or the next 42 months.
- Then we read:

Satan Thrown Down to Earth

Rev 12:7 And there came to be fighting in the heaven: Miḵa'ēl and his messengers fought against the dragon. And the dragon and his messengers fought,

Rev 12:8 but they were not strong enough, nor was a place found for them in the heaven any longer.

Rev 12:9 And the great dragon was thrown out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who leads all the world astray. He was thrown to the earth, and his messengers were thrown out with him.

Rev 12:10 And I heard a loud voice saying in the heaven, "Now have come the deliverance and the power and the reign of our Elohim^b and the authority of His Messiah, for the accuser of our brothers, who accused them before our Elohim day and night, has been thrown down. Footnote: ^bSee [Rev 11:15](#).

Satan is in a weakened state; yet, remains powerful. He is confined to do his deeds now from the earth with the technology developed to date; which by this time, is very advanced and encompasses, 'Artificial Intelligence.' Satan's minions respond to him and mockingly ask...

Isa 14:10 "All of them respond and say to you, **'Have you also become as weak as we? Have you become like us?'**

Isa 14:11 **Your arrogance has been brought down to She'ol, and the sound of your stringed instruments: the maggot is spread under you, and worms cover you.'**

Rev 12:11 "And they overcame him because of the Blood of the Lamb, and because of the Word of their witness, and they did not love their lives to the death.

Rev 12:12 "Because of this rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, knowing that he has little time."

Even those that come to belief during the greater tribulation; see the change. They become firm in their belief; and they overcome him by the Blood of the Lamb and the Word of their witness. They see YHWH is the Way and they do not love their lives to the death. **They are redeemed.**

I believe the 144,000 will also take part in the great tribulation; because the 144,000 seem to come out of the **'great distress'**. These are possibly part of the remnant seed of the woman.

Rev 7:13 And one of the elders responded, saying to me, "Who are these dressed in white robes, and where did they come from?"

Rev 7:14 And I said to him, "Master, you know." And he said to me, "**These are those coming out of the great distress**, having washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Rev 12:13 And when the dragon saw that he had been thrown to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male child.

Rev 12:14 And the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, to fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished **for a time and times and half a time**, Dan 7:25, Dan 12:7 from the presence of the serpent.

Rev 12:15 And out of his mouth the serpent spewed water like a river after the woman, to cause her to be swept away by the river.

Rev 12:16 And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and

swallowed up the river which the dragon had spewed out of his mouth.

Rev 12:17 And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and **he went to fight with the remnant of her seed**, those guarding the commands of Elohim and possessing the witness of יהושע Messiah.

I have previously shared my views on 'the woman'. Now, I would like to focus on the '**remnant of her seed**' in Rev. 12:17. They are identified as those guarding the commands of Elohim and possessing the witness of Yahusha HaMashiach, the Messiah. The remnant of her seed is probably the 'remnant bride' which may be the 144,000; or, they are at least part of the remnant bride.

I see there being several harvests in the end of days: Barley; Wheat; and the Grape/Olive harvests. These harvests are associated with His moedim. Therefore, I see advocates of pre- tribulation; mid-tribulation; post-tribulation pre-wrath; all having a part of the truth concerning the end-time harvests. We see the two prophets called up in Rev. 11; we see the child caught up in Rev. 12; We see the woman given two wings and flies to the wilderness to be nourished etc. There are several 'catching aways.'

Rev 14:18 And another messenger came out from the slaughter-place, having authority over the fire, and he cried with a loud cry to him having the sharp sickle, saying, "Send your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, because her grapes are ripe."

So, while we have breath, we praise Him, we ask Him **to 'Restore!'** the ancient paths; His good ways! To set our feet on the narrow path being prepared for His return, as the King of kings; our righteous High Priest after the order of Melchizedek!

Revelation 13

The Anti-messiah & The False Prophet

Rev 13:1 And I stood on the sand of the sea. And I saw **a beast coming up out of the sea**, having **seven heads** and **ten horns**, and **on his horns ten crowns**, and on his head's names of blasphemy.

Rev 13:2 And **the beast I saw was like a leopard, and his feet were like the feet of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion.** And **the dragon gave him his power, and his throne, and great authority.**

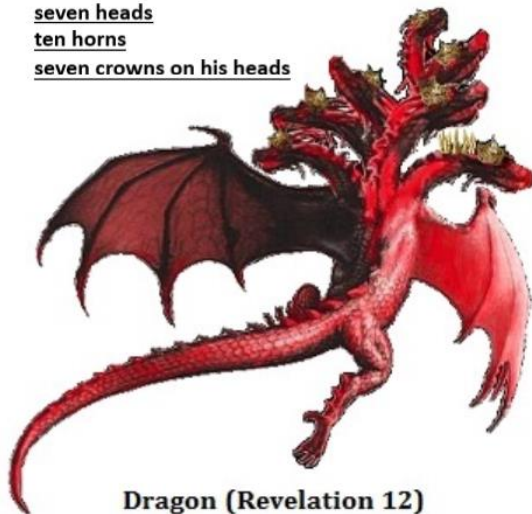
Rev 12:3 And another sign was seen in the heaven: and see, a great, fiery red dragon having **seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns on his heads.**

Horns, heads, crowns, beast, oh my! It is hard to keep all these images sorted between the book of Revelation, Daniel, and others. The main take away is that these beasts, as well as the dragon [Satan], are made up of unholy alliances of earthly national leaders and satanic entities.

Below is a comparison of the fiery red dragon of Rev. 12 and the beast in Rev. 13. Both have seven heads and ten horns; however, the dragon has 7 crowns on his heads and the beast out of the sea has 10 crowns on his horns.

Fiery Red Dragon

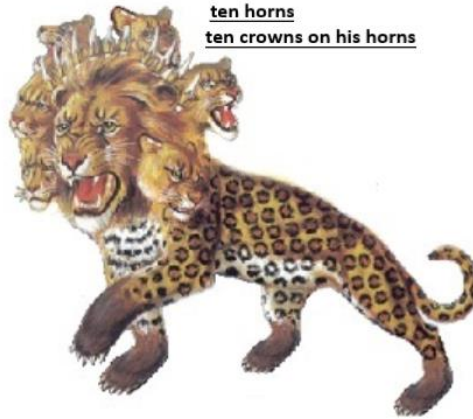
seven heads
ten horns
seven crowns on his heads



Dragon (Revelation 12)

Beast out of the Sea:

seven heads
ten horns
ten crowns on his horns



Beast (Revelation 13)

What we 'possibly' will see in the final days will be 10 nations 'horns' (regions or kingdoms) rise from the sea. These 10 regions are represented here in Revelation 13 by the 10 horns; and the 7 heads possibly represent the 7 continents of the world. This beast rises out of the sea. 'Sea' can represent arising from a 'sea of people' or it could refer to the Mediterranean Sea region.

Daniel also saw these 10 beast nations/kingdoms represented by the 10 toes on the statue in Daniel. To put things in a timeline perspective, we are presently in the 'feet' of Daniel's image; a mixture of iron and clay. We are rapidly moving closer to the toes; representing the final beast kingdoms in the end of days.

Both, John and Daniel, saw this Anti-messiah led beast kingdom. The Anti-messiah can be a man but there are also prevalent Anti-messiah spirits throughout history. The end-time Anti-messiah will be a very charismatic leader. He may be just a ‘man’ which is doubtful – because ‘beast’ tells us he is of corrupted flesh. He may be a clone; he may be a hybrid with artificial intelligence.

What we do know about this ‘physically manifested’ Anti-messiah beast, is at some point Satan, the dragon, gives his power to the beast. This Anti-messiah beast is given authority by Satan, to rule for the last 42 months of the tribulation. Is this complete possession? Possibly. [Additional Scriptures: Daniel 2 – as ten toes on the image; Daniel 7 – as ten horns on a beast; Rev. 12 – as ten horns of the dragon; Rev. 13 – as ten horns on a beast.]

Dan 7:23 “This is what he said, ‘The fourth beast is the fourth reign on earth, which is different from all other reigns, and it devours all the earth, tramples it down and crushes it.

The following is one of several possible considerations:

- The First Reich: The Holy Roman Empire (800/962 - 1806)
- The Second Reich: The German Empire (1871 - 1918)
- The Third Reich: Nazi Germany (1933 - 1945)
<https://www.thoughtco.com/the-other-reichs-1220797>
- The Fourth Reich: Satan’s Beast Kingdom
 - Different than all other reigns
 - Devours all the earth; tramples it down and crushes it.
 - The 10 horns are ten sovereigns from this reign.
 - They rise and another rises after them; and it is different from the first ones and humbles 3 of the sovereigns.
 - Speaks words against the Most High
 - Wears out the set-apart ones of the Most High
 - Intends to change appointed times and law (YHWH’s moedim)
 - They are given into its hands for time, times, & half a time (3 ½ years)

Dan 7:24 And the ten horns are ten sovereigns from this reign. They shall rise, and another shall rise after them, and it is different from the first ones, and it humbles three sovereigns,

Dan 7:25 and it speaks words against the Most High, and it wears out the set-apart ones of the Most High, and it intends to change appointed times^b and law, and they are given into its hand for a time and times and half a time. Footnote: ^bThis is another word for *festivals*.

Where will the antichrist come from?

Dan 8:9 And from one of them came a little horn which became exceedingly great toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the Splendid Land.

From the direction of Jerusalem, we would see:

South – Egypt, Ethiopia, and the northern part of Africa – The Book of Daniel says the antichrist takes over Egypt; Libya; and Ethiopia the northern part of Africa (Daniel 11). This would possibly give control of the Red Sea and oil shipments to the world.

East – Iraq; Iran; Pakistan; Afghanistan

Splendid Land – the present area of the earthly Israel/Jerusalem.

This antichrist will possibly rule over these areas. Further description follows:

Dan 8:23 “And in the latter time of their rule, when the transgressors have filled up their measure, **a sovereign, fierce of face and skilled at intrigues, shall stand up.**

Dan 8:24 “And his power shall be mighty, **but not by his own power**, and he shall **destroy incredibly**, and shall prosper and thrive, and **destroy mighty men**, and **the set-apart people.**

Dan 8:25 “And through his skill he shall make deceit prosper in his hand. and hold himself to be great in his heart, and destroy many who are at ease, and even stand against the Prince of princes – yet without hand he shall be broken.

These verses sound like the one on the white horse mentioned in the 1st seal. (Rev. 6:2)

Rev 6:2 And I looked and saw a **white horse^a**, and he who sat on it holding a bow. And **a crown was given to him**, and **he went out overcoming and to overcome.**

In the end-times, there will be many false prophets and false messiahs.

Mat 24:23 “If anyone then says to you, ‘Look, here is the Messiah!’ or ‘There!’ do not believe.

Mat 24:24 “For **false messiahs and false prophets shall arise**, and they **shall show great signs and wonders**, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the chosen ones.

Mat 24:25 “**See, I have forewarned you.**

Mat 24:26 “So if they say to you, ‘Look, He is in the desert!’ do not go out; or ‘Look, He is in the inner rooms!’ do not believe.

Mat 24:27 “For as the lightning comes from the east and shines to the west, so also shall the coming of the Son of Adam be.

Shiite Muslims of the ‘Twelver’ sect believe the following: Twelvers—not other Shiites or Sunni Muslims—believe that al-Mahdi will return as a messiah with Jesus to bring peace to the world and establish Islam as the ruling faith across the globe.

<https://www.thoughtco.com/who-is-the-12th-imam-3555177>

Personally, this sounds a whole lot like the Anti-messiah and False prophet.

Yahusha forewarned all of us that many false prophets and false messiahs will arise. Yahusha knew that there may be a commotion of people saying, 'Look, He is in the desert!' or 'Look, He is in the inner rooms' DO NOT BELIEVE! [Note: inner rooms speak of secret chambers] When Yahusha comes, it will be like lightening coming from the east and shines to the west. Yahusha has forewarned 'all religions.' Therefore, many are leaving the 'worldly religions'; and instead, reading His Word and gathering in small groups as His kingdom of priests from every tribe, tongue, people, and nation! This is what is meant by 'Come out of her My people.' (Rev. 18:4)

We proceed:

Rev 13:3 And I saw one of his heads, as having been slain to death, and his deadly wound was healed. And all the earth marveled after the beast.

Rev 13:4 And **they worshipped the dragon** who **gave authority to the beast**. And they worshipped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast? Who is able to fight with him?"

Rev 13:5 And he was given a mouth speaking great matters and blasphemies, and he was given authority to do so **forty-two months.**

Rev 13:6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against Elohim, to blaspheme His Name, and His Tent, **and those dwelling in the heaven.**

Here we see some already dwelling in heaven.

Rev 13:7 And **it was given to him to fight with the set-apart ones and to overcome them.** And authority was given to him over every tribe and tongue and nation.

Rev. 13:3-7 sounds very much like transhumanism is involved with artificial intelligence; a beast system connected through 'hive minds'; programable; voice activated; without emotion or empathy – inhumane – an abominable beast of destruction; uncontrollable.

Rev 13:8 **And all those dwelling on the earth, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the slain Lamb, from the foundation of the world shall worship him.**

Rev 13:9 **If anyone has an ear, let him hear.** [This verse connects us back to the letters to the messengers of the assemblies – warning to 'take heed'.]

Rev 13:10 **He who brings into captivity shall go into captivity, he who kills with the sword has to be killed with the sword.**^a Jer 15:2, Jer 43:11 Here is the

endurance and the belief of the set-apart ones. Footnote: ^aSee also [Gen 9:6](#). Compare [Rev 13:1-13](#) with [Dan 7:1-28](#).

The Second Beast

The second beast has two horns like a lamb and spoke like a dragon. This describes [a wolf in sheep's clothing](#). We have seen in our day the covenant agreements happening between the [Jesuit Pope Francis](#) and the grand imam of al-Azhar – Feb. 2019.

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2019/feb/04/pope-and-grand-imam-sign-historic-pledge-of-fraternity-in-uae>



▲ Pope Francis and Sheikh Ahmed al-Tayeb in Abu Dhabi on Monday. Photograph: Luca Zennaro/EPA

The pope and the grand imam of al-Azhar have signed a historic declaration of fraternity, calling for peace between nations, religions and races, in front of a global audience of religious leaders from Christianity, [Islam](#), Judaism and other faiths.

It is believed that for Muslims to agree with a Catholic Pope; that Catholic Pope would have to deny Yahusha as the Son of YHWH or (deny Jesus as the Son of GOD). Why? Because Muslims do not believe Yahusha (Jesus) was the begotten; neither do they believe their Allah had a son.

Catholics elevate Mary, the mother of Yahusha, to a 'deity level' which equates to '**mother goddess idol worship**'; and Muslims honor her as one of the greatest women on earth and believe that she is the mother of Yahusha (Jesus). One can start to see how a possible alliance could form here.

IF I understand correctly, Muslims do not believe Yahusha (Jesus) was begotten and they do not believe YHWH had a Son (or Allah had a son); however, they cannot explain where Yahusha's blood came from. They too believe that Joseph was not the father and Jesus was conceived through the Holy Spirit. Yet again, they cannot explain where Yahusha's blood came from. The blood produced in a baby comes AFTER the introduction of the male sperm or the seed of the father. Please read the following excerpt. Mary served only as a surrogate womb. Yahusha came in the LIKENESS of flesh; He is the manna from heaven. His flesh and bone came from heaven. Mary's ovum was not involved. YHWH is not an Elohim of mixing; otherwise, we would end up with another Genesis 6 scenario. In simplistic terms, Dr. DeHaan explains:

ORIGIN OF THE BLOOD - https://www.jesus-is-savior.com/BTP/Dr_MR_DeHaan/Chemistry/04.htm

It is now definitely known that the blood which flows in an unborn babies arteries and veins is not derived from the mother but is **produced within the body of the foetus itself only after the introduction of the male sperm**. An unfertilized ovum can never develop blood since the female egg does not by itself contain the elements essential for the production of this blood. It is only after the male element has entered the ovum that blood can develop. As a very simple illustration of this, think of the egg of a hen. An unfertilized egg is just an ovum on a much larger scale than the human ovum. You may incubate this unfertilized hens egg but it will never develop. It will decay and become rotten, but no chick will result. Let that egg be fertilized by the introduction of the male sperm and incubation will bring to light the presence of LIFE IN THAT EGG. After a few hours it visibly develops. In a little while red streaks occur in the egg denoting the presence of Blood. This can never occur and does never occur until THE MALE SPERM HAS BEEN UNITED WITH THE FEMALE OVUM. The male element has added life to the egg. Life is in the blood according to scripture, for Moses says:

"For the life of the flesh is in the blood." (Leviticus 17:11). "For it is the life of all flesh; the blood of it is for the life thereof." —Leviticus 17:14

Since there is no life in the egg until the male sperm unites with it, and the life is in the blood, it follows that the male sperm is the source of the blood, the seed of life. Think it through.

Once again, it comes down to the blood. There is power in the blood of Yahusha HaMashiach. His flesh and bone were from heaven and birthed through the virgin, Miriam, Mary. He came in the LIKENESS of flesh! Only by His blood are we saved! Instead, Satan wants people chasing anti-messiahs and false prophets.

The Bible is the LIVING WORD of YHWH. All one must do is ask YHWH to show Himself as real, and He will! He lives! His Living Word speaks to hearts. We are to work out our own salvation with fear and trembling by seeking Yahusha, the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Don't rely on someone else's opinion to determine your eternity!

Now we see another beast coming up out of the earth.

Rev 13:11 And **I saw another beast coming up out of the earth**, and he had two horns

like a lamb and spoke like a dragon.

Rev 13:12 And he exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence and **causes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.**

Rev 13:13 And he does great signs, so that he even makes fire come down from the heaven on the earth before men.

Rev 13:14 **And he leads astray those dwelling on the earth because of those signs which he was given to do before the beast, saying to those dwelling on the earth to make an image to the beast who was wounded by the sword, yet lived.**

Remember the magicians that tried to mimic the 10 plagues brought upon Egypt by YHWH as He worked through Moses? Don't be fooled. Satan and his beast system will have powers.

Rev 13:15 And there was given to him to give spirit to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak and cause to be killed as many as would not worship the image of the beast.

Rev 13:16 And he causes all, both small and great, and rich and poor, and free and slave, to be given a mark upon their right hand or upon their foreheads,

Rev 13:17 and that no one should be able to buy or sell except he that has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

Rev 13:18 Here is the wisdom! He who has understanding, let him calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man, and his number *is* six hundred *and* sixty six.^b

Footnote: ^bSome ancient manuscripts have 616 instead of 666.

Kimberly Rogers Brown has done some excellent research on this topic.

The Kingdom of Edom – the He Goat – 666 – Kimberly Rogers

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9rC98ulomuY&feature=youtu.be>

We also know the mark of the beast is SUNday worship, this will probably be the day that the **image of the beast is 'worshipped'**. Through apparent technology, somehow those accepting the mark will be identified so that they can buy and sell. Today we see many adopting the 666 symbology; men, women, and corporations. Selah.

Revelation 14

Rev 14:1 And I looked and saw a Lamb standing on Mount Tsiyon, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having **His Father's Name^a** written upon their

foreheads. Footnote: ^aSome texts read: **having His Name and His Father's Name.**

YHWH's kingdom of priests after the order of Melchizedek, are sealed with the Name of YHWH on their forehead; and here it is footnoted in some translations they have 'His Name and His Father's Name'; indicating the Name of Yahusha also. **This is to designate them as 'Set-apart' not only to YHWH but to Yahusha.** This is affirmed in Rev. 14:4 below.

We see a type and shadow of this during the Aaronic Levitical Priesthood in Exodus.

Exo 28:35 "And it shall be upon Aharon to attend in, and its sound shall be heard when he goes into the set-apart place before יהוה and when he comes out, so that he does not die.

Exo 28:36 "And you shall make a plate of clean gold and engrave on it, like the engraving of a signet: SET-APARTNESS TO יהוה'.

Exo 28:37 "And you shall put it on a blue cord, and it shall be on the turban – it is to be on the front of the turban.

Rev 14:2 And I heard a voice out of the heaven, like the voice of many waters, and like the voice of loud thunder, and I heard the sound of harpists playing their harps.

Rev 14:3 And **they sang a renewed song** before the throne, and before the four living creatures, and the elders. And **no one was able to learn that song except the hundred and forty-four thousand who were redeemed from the earth.**

The 144,000 are part of the body of the one-new man; and they are positionally very close to YHWH. They have proven their love and devotion to Him by going through the fires of 'great tribulation' and standing firm; even unto death.

Rev 14:4 They are those who were not defiled with women, for they are maidens. They are those following the Lamb wherever He leads *them* on. They were redeemed from among men, **being first-fruits to Elohim and to the Lamb.**

Rev 14:5 And in their mouth was found no falsehood, for they are blameless before the throne of Elohim.

We learned previously that the 144,000 are possibly a set-apart subsection of all that come out of the 'great distress' or the 'great tribulation'. These appear to be YHWH's set-apart remnant; the faithful ones even prior to the great tribulation.

They are made up of 12,000 from each tribe listed in Rev. 7. Then we read...

Rev 7:13 And one of the elders responded, saying to me, **"Who are these dressed in white robes, and where did they come from?"**

Rev 7:14 And I said to him, “Master, you know.” And he said to me, “**These are those coming out of the great distress, having washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**

Rev 7:15 “Because of this they are before the throne of Elohim, and serve Him day and night in His Dwelling Place. And He who sits on the throne shall spread His Tent over them.

Rev 7:16 “**They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more, neither shall the sun strike them, nor any heat,** Isa 49:10.

Rev 7:17 because the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne **shall shepherd them** Eze 34:23 and lead them to **fountains of waters of life.** Jer 2:13, Jer 17:13 And Elohim **shall wipe away every tear from their eyes.”** Isa 25:8.

The scripture state they are maidens; undefiled by women. I lean toward this meaning they remained faithful and set-apart to Yahusha [YHWH in Son]; and have washed their garments white in the blood of the Lamb.

Maidens are described in 2Corinthians:

2Co 11:2 For I am jealous for you with a jealousy according to Elohim. **For I gave you in marriage to one husband, to present you as an innocent maiden to Messiah.**

Rev 14:4 They are those who were not defiled with women, for they are maidens. They are those following the Lamb wherever He leads *them* on. **They were redeemed from among men, being first-fruits to Elohim and to the Lamb.**

Rev. 14:4c is interesting. We know they have gone through the great tribulation, so what first fruits are they? I would have to say they are the first fruits of the Fall Moedim – are they the ‘oil’ from the olive press? Or maybe the grapes from the harvest BEFORE the winepress wrath of YHWH? We do know there will be those that go through the great tribulation; but not the wrath of YHWH.

This may also be connected to the following verse.

Mat 20:16 “Thus the last shall be first, and the first last. For many are called, but few chosen.”^b
Footnote: ^bSee Mat 22:14

We then read about the three Angelic Messages carrying the Gospel to every tongue, tribe, people, and nation! YHWH’s love for mankind is so great; He desires that NONE perish! No one is overlooked; everyone is given opportunity to know Him.

First Angelic Message

Rev 14:6 And **I saw another messenger** flying in mid-heaven, holding the everlasting

Good News to announce to those dwelling on the earth, even to every nation and tribe and tongue and people,

Rev 14:7 saying with a loud voice, “Fear Elohim and give esteem to Him, because the hour of His judgment has come. And worship Him who made the heaven and the earth, and sea, and fountains of water.”

Second Angel Message

Rev 14:8 And another messenger followed, saying, “**Babel is fallen, is fallen,** ^b [Isa 21:9](#) that great city, because she has made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her whoring.”

Footnote: ^bAlso see [Jer 51:8](#).

My present understanding is that the end of days proves the earthly Jerusalem as ‘Mystery **Babylon**’ along with those nations that have joined her in her whoring. Though she has had true believers within her; she has been overtaken by those that say they are Jews and are not; but are of the Synagogue of Satan. Those that are following **Babylonian Talmud**; instead of His true Word of YHWH.

Jer 51:7 Babel was a golden cup in the hand of יהוה, making drunk all the earth.^b The nations drank her wine, that is why the nations went mad! Footnote: ^bSee [Rev 17:1-18](#).

Jer 51:8 Babel shall suddenly fall and be broken. Howl for her! Take balm for her pain – if so be, she might be healed.

Rev 17:1 And one of the seven messengers who had the seven bowls 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 [Rev 17:15](#).

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.”^b Footnote: ^b [Jer 51:7](#).

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.

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](#).

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 יהוה. And having seen her, I marvelled – greatly marvelled!

We will get more into the seven headed beast with 10 horns in chapter 17.

"The Sceptre shall not depart from Judah, etc."
 Gen. 49:10. "For Judah prevailed above his
 brethren, and of him comes the chief ruler [prince];
 but the Birthright is Joseph's," 1 Chron. 5:2.

REMEMBER: The Great Tribulation is the final
 battle of the 'birthright' war! We know
 Esau's color is 'red'; therefore, easily
 connects to the 'scarlet' beast and the
 shedding of innocent blood.

Third Angelic Message

Rev 14:9 And a third messenger followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives his mark upon his forehead or upon his hand,

Rev 14:10 he also shall drink of the wine of the wrath of Elohim, which is poured out undiluted into the cup of His wrath. And he shall be tortured with fire and sulfur before the set-apart messengers and before the Lamb.

Rev 14:11 "And the smoke of their torture goes up forever and ever. And they have no rest day or night, those worshipping the beast and his image, also if anyone receives the mark of his name."

The following two verses are cross-referenced to the 'remnant seed of the woman' that the dragon goes to fight in Rev. 12:17.

Rev 14:12 Here is the endurance of the set-apart ones,^c here are those guarding the commands of Elohim and the belief of יהושע. Footnote: ^cSee also Rev 12:17.

Rev 14:13 And I heard a voice out of the heaven saying to me, "Write, 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Master from now on.'" "Yes," says the Spirit, "in order that they rest from their labors, and their works follow with them."

Rev. 12:17 is possibly the bridal remnant that are living – because it states they are actively guarding the commands of YHWH and possess the witness of Yahusha.

Rev 12:17 And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to fight with the remnant of her seed, those guarding the commands of Elohim and possessing the witness of יהושע Messiah.

The rest of Revelation 14 speaks of Yahusha harvesting the earth. He is clearly presented as King! All the earth has been given the Gospel message and warnings in the last hour. Now it is time for the final harvest.

We notice three messengers involved **with the harvest**. Two of them come out of the Dwelling Place and one of them comes out of the slaughter place.

With the first angelic 'harvest' messenger: **We see Yahusha thrust His sickle on the earth and it was reaped.**

The second angelic 'harvest' messenger holds a sharp sickle.

The third angelic 'harvest' messenger calls to the second messenger with the sharp sickle and says:

Rev 14:14 And I looked and saw a white cloud, and sitting on the cloud was **One like the Son of Adam**, Dan 7:13 having on His head a golden crown, and in His hand a sharp sickle.

Rev 14:15 **And another messenger** came out of the Dwelling Place, crying with a loud voice to the One sitting on the cloud, "Send Your sickle and reap, because the hour has come for You to reap, **because the harvest of the earth is ripe.**"

Rev 14:16 And the One sitting on the cloud thrust in His sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped.

[Note Rev. 14:16 shows Yahusha harvesting the earth, but His harvest is not thrown into the winepress. Rev. 14:17 says 'another messenger' held a sharp sickle too, and he gathered the clusters of the vine of the earth and throws them into the great winepress of YHWH's wrath.]

Rev 14:17 **And another messenger** came out of the Dwelling Place which is in the heaven, and he too held a sharp sickle.

Rev 14:18 **And another messenger** came out from the slaughter-place, having authority over the fire, and he cried with a loud cry to him having the sharp sickle, saying, **"Send your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, because her grapes are ripe."**

Rev 14:19 And the messenger thrust his sickle into the earth and gathered the vine of the earth, and threw it into the great winepress of the wrath of Elohim.

Rev 14:20 And the winepress was trodden outside the city, and blood came out of the winepress, up to the bridles of the horses, for about **one thousand six hundred stadia**^d.
Footnote: ^dApprox. 296 kilometres or 184 miles.

Revelation 15

The Seven Messengers with the Seven Last Plagues

Rev 15:1 And I saw another sign in the heaven, great and marvelous: seven messengers having the seven last plagues,^a **for the wrath of Elohim was ended in them.** Footnote: ^aSee [Rev 21:9](#).

Note: It is one of these seven messengers of Rev. 15 that we see in Rev. 21:9:

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. 15:1 gives us the **ending point of the wrath of Elohim**. His wrath ends when these seven plagues are completed. It appears that the wrath of YHWH began in the last two verses of Revelation 14:18-20.

We recall the third messenger in Rev. 14 comes out of the slaughter place and not from the Dwelling Place as the other two messengers. We note under the slaughter place is the location of those who had been slain for the Word of Elohim and for their witness in Rev. 6:9-10. They cried out 'how long' before YHWH would avenge them. Apparently in Rev. 14 we see this 'hour' arrive!

Rev 14:18 And another messenger came out from the slaughter-place, having authority over the fire, and he cried with a loud cry to him having the sharp sickle, saying, "Send your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, because her grapes are ripe."

Rev 14:19 And the messenger thrust his sickle into the earth and gathered the vine of the earth, and threw it into the great winepress of the wrath of Elohim.

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Rev. 14:18-19 may be the vengeance that the souls in Rev. 6:9-10 under the slaughter-place have awaited:

Rev 6:9 And when He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the slaughter-place the beings [souls] of those having been slain for the Word of Elohim and for the witness which they held,
Rev 6:10 and they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Master, set-apart and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"

We saw Yahusha harvest the earth in Rev. 14:15-16:

Rev 14:15 And another messenger came out of the Dwelling Place, crying with a loud voice to the One sitting on the cloud, "Send Your sickle and reap, **because the hour has come for You to reap, because the harvest of the earth is ripe.**"

Rev 14:16 And the One sitting on the cloud thrust in His sickle on the earth, **and the earth was reaped.**

Rev 15:2 And I saw like a sea of glass mixed with fire, and **those overcoming the beast** and his image and his mark and the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, holding harps of Elohim.

Rev 15:3 And they sing the song of Mosheh the servant of Elohim, and the song of the Lamb, saying, "Great and marvellous are Your works, יהוה ׀ Shaddai! Righteous and true are Your ways, O Sovereign of the set-apart ones!

Rev 15:4 "Who shall not fear You, O יהוה, and esteem Your Name? Because You alone are kind. Because **all nations shall come and worship before You, for Your righteousneses have been made manifest.**"^b Footnote: ^bSee [Jer 10:6-7](#), [Psa 86:9](#).

Now, we will read that John sees the Dwelling Place in the heaven open! This is major. As, I understand, the veil that was ripped upon Yahusha's death was the veil leading into the Holy Place which is before the Dwelling Place. The Holy Place was where the priests come in and perform services and commune with YHWH before the Dwelling Place. Only the High Priest could enter in the Dwelling Place or the Holy of Holies.

In Rev. 15:5 we see the Dwelling Place in the heaven is open and out of the Dwelling Place come these seven messengers having the seven plagues. We know vengeance belongs to YHWH. I ponder whether these messengers may be the **'divine council'** as we read about in Psalm 82?

Psa 82:1 **Elohim stands in the congregation of ׀; He judges in the midst of the elohim.**

Psa 82:2 How long would you judge perversely, And show partiality to the wrong? Selah.

Rev 15:5 And after this I looked and **saw the Dwelling Place of the Tent of Witness in the heaven was opened.**

Rev 15:6 And out of the Dwelling Place came the seven messengers having the seven plagues, dressed in clean bright linen, and having their chests girded with golden bands.

Rev 15:7 And **one of the four living creatures** gave to the seven messengers seven golden bowls filled with the wrath of Elohim who lives forever and ever.

Rev 15:8 And the Dwelling Place was filled with smoke from the esteem of Elohim and from His power, and no one was able to enter the Dwelling Place until the seven

plagues of the seven messengers were ended.

Notice it is one of the four living creatures, whom I see as a mirror of one of the lead sections in the wilderness encampments around the Dwelling place. This lead section gives the seven messengers, seven golden bowls with the wrath of Elohim. These bowls might be filled with all the 'wrongs' done to the believers that are due YHWH's vengeance.

The following excerpt gives more insights to the wilderness encampments:

Each of the four camps was to be represented by the standard of their lead tribe. The image of the standard of the twelve tribes has been lost throughout history, yet rabbinical tradition has maintained the four lead tribes of the four camps. From what scholars can tell, the images of the 12 tribes were based on the twelve Zodiac signs and the blessings of Jacob in Gen. 49. The standard of Judah was the lion, of Reuben was the man, of Ephraim was an ox, and of Dan was originally the serpent but later (during Israel's wanderings) was changed to the eagle with a serpent in its mouth. These images are the same four faces of the cherubim that carried the throne and glory of Yahweh in Ezekiel's vision and, later, John's vision (Ezek. 1:10; Rev. 4:7). These are also the images of the four gospels of the Second Testament. Matthew emphasizes Jesus as the Messiah and king of Israel (lion); Mark portrays Him as the suffering servant of the Israel (ox); Luke portrays Him as the perfect man (man); and John portrays Him as fully divine (eagle). Thus, Israel on earth, the cherubim in heaven, and the four gospels of Yahweh's Word all bear these images as a reflection and testimony of Christ.

<https://www.knowingthebible.net/bible-narrative/deliverance/tabernacle-1444>

The seven golden bowls may be similar to 'collection bowls' of all the wrongs done to His people throughout the entire age. The believers held back taking vengeance themselves knowing, vengeance belongs to YHWH. YHWH has not forgotten one wrong done to His people! The Dwelling placed was filled with smoke. YHWH is a consuming fire and the seven golden bowls held His wrath!

Revelation 16

Seven bowls of wrath are poured out. These cause plagues like those at the time of the Exodus. The below chart brings out how the war is being waged against demonic gods and goddesses associated with those plagues and on those that believe in such.

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10 PLAGUES

Jehovah God vs. gods of Egypt

The plagues of Egypt are well known, but a deep study reveals that each was a direct challenge to the various Egyptian gods and goddesses. The plagues affected the Egyptians' physical senses as well as their hearts with reminders that Jehovah God was far superior to any of their gods. He exercised power at will while the Egyptian gods remained helpless against Him.

PLAGUE 1: WATER TO BLOOD Exodus 7:14–25



The Egyptians were also able to turn water to blood, including the death of the fish and a smell that prohibited even trying to drink the water. Pharaoh's heart remained hard.

The Nile was the source of Egypt's power. There are several gods in their pantheon that draw life from the river.

Khnum was the guardian of the river's source.

Hapi was the god of annual flooding of the Nile and the lord of the fish.

Osiris had the Nile as his bloodstream.

PLAGUE 6: BOILS Exodus 9:8–12



This was the first plague to affect the body directly. God made a distinction between the Israelites and the Egyptians. The Egyptian priests were unable to appear in court.

Isis was the goddess of health and Imhotep was the god of healing.

PLAGUE 7: HAIL Exodus 9:13–35



This plague affected the agriculture and livestock that was left in the field. Such a storm of hail was unique to Egypt.

Nut was the goddess of the sky. Her father Shu, god of the wind and air, was a calming god.

PLAGUE 8: LOCUSTS Exodus 10:1–20



This plague would be told to Pharaoh's sons and grandsons, serving the purpose of showing God's power for generations.

Neper and Nepri were the god and goddess of grain. Set was the god of disorder.

PLAGUE 9: DARKNESS Exodus 10:21–29



It was so dark for three days that the darkness could be felt.

Ra, the god of the sun, was the most worshipped and revered god in Egypt after the Pharaoh. Jehovah God showed He had power even over the mightiest of the Egyptian gods.

PLAGUE 4: FLIES Exodus 8:20–32



This was the first plague that affected only the Egyptians.

Khepri had the head of a beetle and also moved the sun.

PLAGUE 2: FROGS Exodus 8:1–8:15



The Egyptians also produced frogs. Piles of dead frogs filled the land with a foul odor.

Heqt was an Egyptian goddess with the head of a frog.

PLAGUE 3: GNATS OR LICE Exodus 8:16–19



The gnats or lice came up from the dust of the earth. The Egyptian priests could not duplicate this miracle. They declared, "This is the finger of God."

Geb was the god over the dust of the earth.

PLAGUE 5: SICK CATTLE Exodus 9:1–7



God continued to distinguish between the Israelites and the Egyptians. This plague affected only the Egyptian herds.

Hathor was a fertility goddess who was often depicted with the head or horns of a bull and sometimes as a bull wearing the symbols of Hathor.

PLAGUE 10: DEATH OF FIRSTBORN Exodus 12:29–36



Establishes the Jewish Passover festival.

This plague was a judgment on all Egyptian gods, including Pharaoh himself. In Exodus 1, Pharaoh had ordered the killing of Israelite babies, and now the firstborn of all Egypt was killed.

A voice of command comes from the Dwelling Place:

Rev 16:1 And I heard a loud voice from the Dwelling Place saying to the seven messengers, **“Go and pour out the bowls of the wrath of Elohim on the earth.”**

Bowl of the first messenger:

Rev 16:2 And the first went and poured out his **bowl upon the earth**, and **an evil and wicked sore** came upon the men, those having the mark of the beast and those worshipping his image.

Bowl of the second messenger:

Rev 16:3 And the second messenger poured out his **bowl on the sea**, and it **became blood, as of a dead one, and every living creature in the sea died.**

Bowl of the third messenger:

Rev 16:4 And the third messenger poured out his bowl **on the rivers and fountains of water**, and **they became blood.**

Pause for Praise Given:

Rev 16:5 And I heard the messenger of the waters saying, **“You are righteous, O יהוה, the One who is and who was and who shall be, because You have judged these.**

Rev 16:6 **“Because they have shed the blood of set-apart ones and prophets, and You have given them blood to drink. For they deserve it.”**

Rev 16:7 And **I heard another out of the slaughter-place** saying, **“Yes, יהוה Ėl Shaddai, true and righteous are Your judgments.”**

Bowl of the fourth messenger:

Rev 16:8 And the fourth messenger poured out his bowl **on the sun**, and it was given to him **to burn men with fire.**

Rev 16:9 And **men were burned with great heat, and they blasphemed the Name of Elohim who possesses authority over these plagues. And they did not repent, to give Him esteem.**

Bowl of the fifth messenger:

Rev 16:10 And the fifth messenger poured out his bowl **on the throne of the beast**, and his reign became darkened. And **they gnawed their tongues from pain**.

Rev 16:11 And they blasphemed the Elohim of the heaven for their pains and their sores, and did not repent of their works.

Bowl of the sixth messenger:

Rev 16:12 And the sixth messenger poured out his **bowl on the great river Euphrates**, and its **water was dried up**, in order to prepare the way of the sovereigns from the east.

Rev 16:13 And I saw *coming* out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet, **three unclean spirits**, as frogs,

Rev 16:14 for **they are spirits of demons**, doing signs, **which go out to the sovereigns of the entire world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of יהוה the Almighty**.

There are war strategies of demonic spirits; but there are also councils of YHWH's angelic spirits. We see an example of YHWH's angelic spirits in 1Kings 22:19-23. These are sometimes referred to as YHWH's divine council.

1Ki 22:19 Then he said, "Therefore hear the word of יהוה: I saw יהוה sitting on His throne, and all **the host of the heavens standing by Him**, on His right and on His left.

1Ki 22:20 "And יהוה said, 'Who shall entice Aḥaḅ to go up and fall at Ramoth Gil'ad?' And this one said this, and another said that.

1Ki 22:21 "And **a spirit came forward and stood before יהוה. and said. 'Let me entice him.'**

1Ki 22:22 "And יהוה said to him, 'In what way?' And he said, **'I shall go out and be a spirit of falsehood in the mouth of all his prophets.'** And He said, 'Entice him, and also prevail. Go out and do so.'

1Ki 22:23 "And now, see, יהוה has put a spirit of falsehood in the mouth of all these prophets of yours, and יהוה has spoken evil concerning you."

YHWH has repeatedly given fair warnings. **It is time for all to heed these warnings** and settled in one's mind; **as for me and my house we will serve YHWH!** Stay faithful, stay awake, stand, DO NOT turn back, and keep our garments white.

Rev 16:15 "See, I am coming as a thief. Blessed is he who is staying awake and guarding his garments, lest he walk naked and they see his shame."

Rev 16:16 And they gathered them together to the place called in Hebrew, Har Meḡiddo.

Bowl of the seventh messenger:

Rev 16:17 And the seventh messenger poured out **his bowl into the air**, and a loud voice came out of the Dwelling Place of the heaven, from the throne, saying, **“It is done!”**

The seventh messenger pours out his bowl; and a declaration by a loud voice comes from the Dwelling Place of the heaven, from the throne. Obviously, this is YHWH Yahusha saying, ‘It is done!’ Then we read:

Rev 16:18 And there came to be **noises and thunders and lightnings**. And there came to be **a great earthquake**, such a mighty and great earthquake as had not come to be since men were on the earth.

Rev 16:19 And **the great city became divided into three parts**, and the cities of the nations fell. And **great Babel** was remembered before Elohim, to give her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath.

Rev 16:20 And **every island fled away**, and the mountains were not found.

Rev 16:21 And **great hail** from the heaven fell upon men, every hailstone about the weight of a talent. And men blasphemed Elohim for the plague of the hail, because that plague was exceedingly great.

The earth will experience an earthquake like none other. It will literally have extensive cracks as a broken egg. **The great city refers to the earthly Jerusalem in (Rev. 16:19) and the Jerusalem from above in (Rev. 21:10)**. This Jerusalem from above is defined in:

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. 16:19 **identifies the earthly defiled Jerusalem not only as the ‘great city’ but also by another adjective, great Babel**. The inhabitants of the **earthly** Jerusalem in the end of days, has been usurped by the ‘Synagogue of Satan.’ The anti-messiah will take up residence there; along with the false prophet. False doctrines were brought back to Jerusalem from the captivity in Babylon and the Talmudic blended doctrine. They brought the practices of Babylon back to Jerusalem and even started declaring that the words of ‘Rabbi’s’ were greater and higher than YHWH’s Word.

There have been various opinions as to the identity of 'Mystery Babylon.' I have looked at several possibilities myself. It becomes more and more evident that those that 'call themselves Jews and are not'; 'those that have usurped the land of the earthly Jerusalem'; 'those that have attempted to steal the birthright'; have played the whore numerous times throughout history. They adopted pagan ways of the nations. It is no different, in the end of days.

Because of this YHWH gives her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath. This seems to be a picture of the test of adultery in Numbers 5 which she clearly fails in the end of days.

Revelation 17

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:

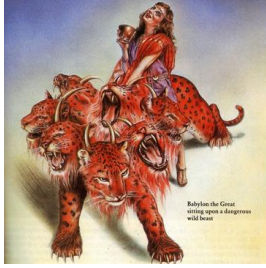
- ❖ Sitting on many waters – defined by
 - Rev. 17:15 And he said to me, "The waters which you saw, where the whore sits, are peoples, and crowds, and nations, and tongues."
- ❖ Sovereigns of the earth have committed whoring with her.
- ❖ Inhabitants of the earth were made drunk with the wine of her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

Rev 17:1 And one of the seven messengers who had the seven bowls 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 Rev 17:15.

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."^b Footnote: ^bJer 51:7.

John is visually shown the great whore. 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 Anti-messiah 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 eventually be 'conquering' from the man-made temple in Jerusalem at some future date. Like with most nations, the enemy has worked its way into governmental and religious leadership roles. 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. Most associate 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 adopted Judaism – excerpt below]

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

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 Catholicism. The Turkish Eastern Empire would be mainly Islam with Khazars that converted to Judaism.

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

Khazar, member of a confederation of **Turkic-speaking tribes** that in the late 6th century ce established a major commercial empire covering the southeastern section of modern European Russia. 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 Caucasus region and were part of the western Turkic empire (in Turkistan). The **Khazars were in contact with the Persians in the mid-6th century ce**, and **they aided** the Byzantine emperor Heraclius (reigned 610– 641) in his campaign against the Persians.

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Although basically Turkic, the Khazar state bore little resemblance to the other Turkic empires of central Eurasia. It was headed by a secluded supreme ruler of semireligious character called a khagan—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. 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. But the most striking characteristic of the Khazars was the apparent adoption of Judaism by the khagan and the greater part of the ruling class in about 740. The circumstances of the 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 northern Caucasus region and were part of the western Turkic empire in Turkistan. The most striking 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 Babylonian paganistic ways and birthed the Babylonian Talmud. 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]
- ✚ Islam denies Yahusha as their Allah's son and see Him only as a prophet.
- ✚ All the above 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 be a Muslim; like the 'Twelvers' Mahdi they are expecting. Their Mahdi would equate to whom most western believers would identify as the Anti-messiah. 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 'coming out of the desert' or a 'secret chamber' [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 a modified man; since it is also referred to as a beast. **Beasts are no longer human.** 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 feet and toes are miry clay mixed with iron. Adam, man, was made from the earth, clay. 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/[Islamic Caliphate](#). As time draws closer and [with further study 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 [may](#) be associated with Turkish Muslim / Khazars converted to Judaism
2. The False Prophet – the false prophet [may](#) 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 Idumaeen 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 **"Edom" was a code name for Rome**. 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.^{note}

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 **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.

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

The ability of mankind to [having one mind](#), is [total hive-mind AI controlled](#). Again, these [10 sovereigns](#) 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, “**The waters** which you saw, where the whore sits, are peoples, and crowds, and nations, and tongues.”

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.**”

Revelation 18

The Fall of Babylon

Rev 18:1 And after this I saw another messenger coming down from the heaven, having great authority, and the earth was lightened from his esteem.

Rev 18:2 And he cried with a mighty voice, saying, “**Babel** the great **is fallen, is fallen**, [Isa 21:9](#) and has become a dwelling place of demons, a haunt for every unclean spirit, and a haunt for every unclean and hated bird,

What has been will be again. Mystery Babylon with its global cabal is declared fallen.

[Isa 21:9](#) “And see this, a chariot of men coming with a pair of horsemen!” And he spoke up and said, “**Babel is fallen, is fallen! And all the carved images of her mighty ones He has broken to the ground.**”

Mystery Babylon is a conglomerate of nations which probably has its main headquarters in the defiled Jerusalem being led by the Anti-messiah and False Prophet. It is the hub of the ‘New World Order’, the global cabal weaving its web. This web is meant to entrap others; but, will become their own snare. **We are to separate ourselves lest we also receive her plagues.**

Rev 18:3 because all the nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her whoring, and the sovereigns of the earth have committed whoring with her, and the merchants of the earth have become rich through the power of her riotous living.”

Rev 18:4 And I heard another voice from the heaven saying, “**Come out of her. my people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues.**”^a Footnote:

^a [Jer 51:6](#), [Jer 51:9](#), [Jer 51:45](#). Also see [Jer 50:8](#), [Jer 50:13](#), [Jer 50:28](#).

Come Out! Warning after warning! Take heed!

Jer 51:6 **Flee from the midst of Babel**, and let each one save his life! **Do not be cut off in her crookedness**, for this is the time of the vengeance of **יהוה**, the recompense He is repaying her.

Jer 51:9 We would have healed Babel, but she is not healed. **Let us leave her and each go to his own land, for her judgment reaches to the heavens and is lifted up to the clouds.**

Jer 51:45 "**Come out of her midst, My people!** And let everyone deliver his being from the burning displeasure of *יהוה*.

Jer 50:8 "**Flee** from the midst of Babel, **come out** of the land of the Kasdim. And be as rams before a flock.

Jer 50:13 "Because of the wrath of *יהוה* she shall not be inhabited, but she shall be deserted – all of it. Everyone passing by Babel shall be astonished and whistle at all her plagues.

Jer 50:28 Listen! **They flee and escape from the land of Babel**, to declare in Tsiyon the vengeance of *יהוה* our Elohim, the vengeance of His Hēḵal.

Rev 18:5 "Because her sins have piled up to reach the heaven, and **Elohim has remembered her unrighteousnesses.**

We will know the end from the beginning; as in the days of Jared and Noah! When the cup of iniquity is full; it must be addressed.

Gen 18:20 And *יהוה* said, "Because the outcry against Sedom and Amarah is great, and because their sin is very heavy,

Gen 18:21 "I am going down now to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry against it that has come to Me, and if not, I know."

Rev 18:6 "Render to her as she indeed did render, and **repay her double according to her works. In the cup which she has mixed, mix for her double.**

Isa 40:2 "Speak to the heart of Yerushalayim, and cry out to her, that her hard service is completed, that her crookedness is pardoned, that she has received from the hand of *יהוה* double for all her sins."

Rev 18:7 "As much as she esteemed herself and lived riotously, **so much torture and grief give to her**, because in her heart she says, **I sit as sovereigness, and I am not a widow, and I do not see mourning at all.'**

2Th 2:3 Let no one deceive you in any way, because the falling away is to come first, and the man of lawlessness^a is to be revealed, the son of destruction, Footnote: ^aSee Dan 11:36-39.

2Th 2:4 **who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called Elohim or that is worshipped, so that he sits as Elohim in the Dwelling Place of Elohim, showing himself that he is Elohim.**

2Th 2:5 Do you not remember that I told you this while I was still with you?

2Th 2:6 And now you know what restrains, for him to be revealed in his time.

2Th 2:7 For the secret of lawlessness is already at work – only until he who now restrains comes out of the midst.

2Th 2:8 And then the lawless one shall be revealed, whom the Master **shall consume with the Spirit of His mouth** Isa 11:4 and bring to naught with the manifestation of His coming.

2Th 2:9 **The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan**, with all power and signs and wonders of falsehood,

2Th 2:10 and with all deceit of unrighteousness in those perishing, because they did not receive the love of the truth, in order for them to be saved.

Eze 28:2 “Son of man, say to the prince of Tsor, ‘Thus said the Master יהוה, “Because your heart is lifted up, and you say, ‘I am Ēl, I sit in the seat of Elohim, in the heart of the seas,’ whereas you are a man, and not Ēl, though you set your heart as the heart of Elohim!

Eze 28:3 “Look, are you wiser than Dani’el? Has no secret been hidden from you?

Eze 28:4 “By your wisdom and your understanding you have made riches for yourself, and gathered gold and silver into your treasuries.

Eze 28:5 “By your great wisdom, by your trade you have increased your riches, and your heart is lifted up because of your riches.”

Eze 28:6 Therefore thus said the Master יהוה, “Because you have set your heart as the heart of Elohim,

Eze 28:7 therefore see, I am bringing against you strangers, the ruthless ones of the nations. And they shall draw their swords against the loveliness of your wisdom, and they shall profane your splendor.

Eze 28:8 “Down into the pit they shall bring you, and you shall die the death of the slain in the heart of the seas.

Eze 28:9 “Would you still say before him who slays you, ‘I am Elohim’, whereas you are man, and not Ēl, in the hand of him who kills you?

Eze 28:10 “The death of the uncircumcised you shall die, by the hand of foreigners.

For I have spoken,” declares the Master יהוה.’ ”

Rev 18:8 “**Because of this her plagues shall come in one day**: death and mourning and scarcity of food. And she shall be burned up with fire, because יהוה Elohim who judges her is mighty.

1Co 10:22 Do we provoke the Master to jealousy? Are we stronger than He?

Rev 18:9 “And the sovereigns of the earth who committed whoring and lived riotously with her shall weep and mourn over her, when they see the smoke of her burning,

Isa 34:9 And its streams shall be turned into tar, and its dust into sulphur, and its land shall become burning tar,

Isa 34:10 that is not quenched night or day, its smoke going up forever. From generation to generation it lies waste, no one passes through it forever and ever,

Rev 18:10 standing at a distance for fear of her torture, saying, **'Woe! Woe, the great city Babel, the mighty city, because your judgment has come in one hour!'**

The strongest scripture identifying 'the great city' as Jerusalem [albeit defiled Jerusalem] is Revelation 11:8 – This scripture speaks to where the two witnesses will be slain and spiritually refers to Jerusalem as Sodom and Egypt. The clearest identifier is the statement, **'where also our Master was impaled.'**

Rev 11:7 And when they have ended their witness, the beast coming up out of the pit of the deep shall fight against them, and overcome them, and kill them,

Rev 11:8 and **their dead bodies lie in the street of the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Mitsrayim, where also our Master was impaled.**

Rev 16:19 And **the great city became divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell.** And great Babel was remembered before Elohim, to give her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath.

Jerusalem Will Be Destroyed

Eze 5:1 "And you, son of man, take a sharp sword, take it as a barber's razor, and you shall pass it over your head and your beard. And you shall take scales to weigh and divide the hair.

Eze 5:2 "Burn with fire one-third in the midst of the city when the days of the siege are completed. And you shall take one-third and strike around it with the sword, and scatter one-third in the wind. And I shall draw out a sword after them.

Eze 5:3 "And you shall take a few *hairs* from there and bind them in the edge of your garment.

Eze 5:4 "And take again some of them, and throw them into the midst of the fire, and burn them in the fire. From it a fire shall spread unto all the house of Yisra'el.

Eze 5:5 "Thus said the Master יהוה, **'This is Yerushalayim which I have set in the midst of the nations, with the other lands all around her.'**

Eze 16:2 "**Son of man, make known to Yerushalayim her abominations,**

Eze 16:3 and say, 'Thus said the Master יהוה to Yerushalayim, "Your origin and your birth are from the land of Kena'an. Your father was an Amorite and your mother a Hittite.

Though the present-day Jerusalem is heavily romanticized knowing Yahusha walked its streets; we must remember that it was also the city that impaled our Savior. His precious blood soaked into its soil. The same Sanhedrin court system that accused him of blasphemy worthy of death; was re-established in 2004. Jerusalem was also the city that blasphemed Him as Beelzebub.

Today it is has not improved. Today, the majority still do not believe in Yahusha HaMashiach. It is not acceptable to proclaim His Name there. Like in Yahusha's day, there are many that say they are Jews and are not but are of the 'Synagogue of Satan.' I will not belabor this point, but spiritually, it is easy to see the present-day Jerusalem as 'Egypt' or 'Sodom'; and as 'Mystery Babylon.'

June 6, 2019 Over 10,000 march in Jerusalem Pride Parade under heavy security
<https://www.timesofisrael.com/ten-thousand-march-in-jerusalem-pride-parade-under-heavy-security/>

Act 7:43 Yea, ye took up the tabernacle of Moloch, and the star of your god Remphan, figures which ye made to worship them: and I will carry you away beyond Babylon.



The following verse is speaking of the New Jerusalem but still refers to it as the 'great city.'

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 18:11 "And the merchants of the earth weep and mourn over her, because no one buys their merchandise any more –

Rev 18:12 merchandise of gold and silver, and precious stone and pearls, and fine linen and purple, and silk and scarlet, and all citron wood, and every object of ivory, and every object of most precious wood and bronze and iron and marble,

Rev 18:13 and cinnamon and incense, and fragrant oil and frankincense, and wine and oil, and fine flour and wheat, and cattle and sheep, and horses and carriages, and bodies and lives of men.

Rev 18:14 “And the fruit that your being longed for has gone from you. And all your riches and splendor are lost to you, and you shall find them no more, not at all.

Rev 18:15 “The merchants of these, those who became rich by her, shall stand at a distance for fear of her torture, weeping and mourning,

Rev 18:16 and saying, ‘Woe! Woe, **the great city** that was dressed in fine linen and purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls!

We previously discussed the purple and scarlet colors. This verse is why some want to locate the ‘great city’ to Vatican City in Rome. However, we are reading the times when the Anti-messiah and False prophet would be ‘conquering’ from the man-made third temple in Jerusalem. It is very possible that the False prophet would usher in the ‘colors’ commonly associated with the Vatican; the ‘**garment change**’ would reflect Jerusalem making unholy alliances with another ‘ruling power.’

Rev 18:17 For **in one hour** such great riches was laid waste.’ And every shipmaster, and every passenger, and sailors, and as many as work the sea *for their living*, stood at a distance,

Rev 18:18 and cried out when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, ‘What is like this great city?’

Zep 1:14 Near is the great day of **יְהוָה**, near and hurrying greatly, the noise of the day of **יְהוָה**. Let the mighty man then bitterly cry out!

Zep 1:15 **That day is a day of wrath**, a day of distress and trouble, a day of waste and ruin, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness,

Zep 1:16 a day of a shophar and sounding – against the walled cities and against the corner towers.

Zep 1:17 “And I shall bring distress on men, and they shall walk like blind men – because they have sinned against **יְהוָה**, and their blood shall be poured out like dust and their flesh like dung.”

Zep 1:18 **Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of יְהוָה**. And by the fire of His jealousy all the earth shall be consumed, for He makes a sudden end of all those who dwell in the earth.

Rev 18:19 “And they threw dust on their heads and cried out, weeping and mourning, and saying, ‘Woe! Woe, **the great city**, in which all who had ships on the sea became rich by her wealth! For in one hour she was laid waste.’

Rev 18:20 “Rejoice over her, O heaven, and you set-apart emissaries and prophets, for Elohim has completely avenged you on her!”

Throwing dust on one's head is more strongly associated with the eastern countries.

[Joshua 7:6](#). Dust or ashes put upon the head was a sign of mourning; sitting in the dust, a sign of affliction, [La 3:29](#) [Isaiah 47:1](#). "Dust" is also put for the grave, [Genesis 3:19](#) [Job 7:21](#). It signifies a multitude, [Genesis 13:16](#), and a low and mean condition, [1 Samuel 2:8](#). We have two remarkable instances of casting dust recorded in Scripture, and they seem to illustrate a practice common in Asia: those who demanded justice against a criminal were accustomed to throw dust upon him, signifying that he deserved to be cast into the grave. Shimei cast dust upon David when he fled from Jerusalem, [2 Samuel 16:13](#). The Jews treated the apostle Paul in a similar manner in the same city: "They cried out, 'Away with such a fellow from the earth; for it is not fit that he should live.- And as they cried out, and cast off their clothes, and threw dust into the air, the chief captain commanded him to be brought into the castle,'" [Acts 22:22-24](#).

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Rev 18:21 And one mighty messenger picked up a stone like a great millstone and threw it into the sea, saying, **"With such a rush the great city Babel shall be thrown down, and shall not be found any more at all.**

Rev 18:22 "And the sound of harpists, and musicians, and flautists, and trumpeters shall not be heard in you any more at all. And no craftsman of any trade shall be found in you any more at all. And the sound of a millstone shall not be heard in you any more at all.

Rev 18:23 "And the light of a lamp shall not shine in you any more at all. And the voice of bridegroom and bride shall not be heard in you any more at all. **For your merchants were the great ones of the earth, for by your drug sorcery all the nations were led astray.**

Rev 18:24 **"And in her was found the blood of prophets and set-apart ones, and of all who were slain on the earth."**

The Anti-messiah and False prophet will heavily persecute the believers, and there will be much bloodshed. In this great city was the blood of prophets and set-apart ones. Set-apart ones have been martyred ever since the 1st century. Believers have been persecuted all around the world. The end of days will encompass the worldly beast system of the global cabal; inclusive of all countries. However, it seems to be that the 'war room' would be managed from the defiled Jerusalem; the whore of Mystery Babylon; possibly with her Babylonian Talmud in hand; her Noahide Laws; and other leavened oral texts and doctrines of men.

Luk 17:2 "It would be better for him if a millstone is put around his neck, and he were thrown into the sea, than that he should cause one of these little ones to stumble.

Revelation 19

A large crowd in heaven is praising YHWH their Elohim! Revelation 19 begins with the words: 'And after this'; meaning after Babylon has fallen [Rev. 18].

Rejoicing in Heaven

Rev 19:1 And after this I heard a loud voice of a great crowd in the heaven, saying, "Halleluyah! Deliverance and esteem and respect and power to יהוה' our Elohim!"

Rev 19:2 **"Because true and righteous are His judgments, Psa 19:9** because He has judged the great whore who corrupted the earth with her whoring. **And He has avenged on her the blood of His servants shed by her."** Deu 32:43.

Rev 19:3 And a second time they said, "Halleluyah! And her smoke rises up forever and ever!"

Rev 19:4 And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshipped Elohim who sat on the throne, saying, "Aměn! Halleluyah!"

Rev 19:5 And a voice came from the throne, saying, **"Praise our Elohim, all you His servants and those who fear Him, both small and great!"** Psa 115:13.

The Marriage Supper of the Lamb has come, and His wife has prepared herself!

The Marriage Supper of the Lamb

Rev 19:6 And I heard as the voice of a great crowd, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunders, saying, "Halleluyah, for יהוה' Ĕl Shaddai reigns!

Rev 19:7 "Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him praise, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and **His wife prepared herself.**"

Rev 19:8 And to her it was given to be dressed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteousnesses of the set-apart ones.

Rev 19:9 And he said to me, "Write, 'Blessed are those who have been called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!' " And he said to me, "These are the true words of Elohim."

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.

Rev 19:10 And I fell at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, "See, do not *do it!* **I am your fellow servant, and of your brothers who possess the witness of יהושע.** Worship Elohim! For the witness of יהושע is the spirit of prophecy."

The one speaking to John identifies himself as a fellow servant; of his brothers; that possesses the witness of Yahusha. Then he goes on to define the 'spirit of prophecy' is the witness of Yahusha.

The identity of the one speaking appears to be different than an angelic messenger. Personally, I would literally say he was who he said he was; a fellow servant; of his brothers; a witness of Yahusha HaMashiach.

In Rev. 19:11, the rider on a White Horse is Yahusha HaMashiach that has many crowns on His head.

Rev 19:11 And I saw the heaven opened, and there was a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Trustworthy and True, and in righteousness He judges and fights.^a Footnote: ^aSee Act 10:42.

Act 10:42 "And He commanded us to proclaim to the people, and to witness that it is He who was appointed by Elohim to be Judge of the living and the dead."^c Footnote: ^cSee Act 17:31, Joh 5:29, Psa 96:13, Psa 98:9, Rev 19:11.

Act 10:43 "To this One all the prophets bear witness, that through His Name, everyone believing in Him does receive forgiveness of sins."

Rev 19:12 And His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns, having a Name that had been written, which no one had perceived except Himself – ^b Footnote: ^bSee Rev 2:17.

This is Yahusha crowned with many crowns in all His glory coming from heaven on a white horse as King of kings; Trustworthy and True! We have seen that the Anti-messiah also mimics Yahusha by coming on a white horse; but the Anti-messiah will come to conquer and fight against the set apart ones. Yahusha has a Name that has been written that no one could perceive except Himself. At this point, we could only speculate about this Name.

As overcomers, Rev. 2:17 in many translations, state we too shall receive a 'new name'; however, in the ISR translation it says a 'renewed Name' with a capital 'N.' This name will be given to overcomers on a white stone which no one knows except him who receives it. Again, one can only speculate. We do know that YHWH did change Abraham and Sarah's names. He also gave Jacob the new name of Israel. We will have to wait and see and be blessed!

Rev 2:17 "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. To him

who overcomes I shall give some of the hidden manna to eat. And I shall give him a white stone, and on the stone a renewed Name written which no one knows except him who receives it.” ’

Rev 19:13 and having been dressed in a robe dipped in blood – and His Name is called: **The Word of יהוה**.^c Footnote: ^c [Joh 1:1](#) and [Joh 1:14](#).

His robe appears to have already been dipped in blood before treading the winepress mentioned in Rev. 19:15. Possibly, this is His blood He had shed for us; or the blood of His martyred saints.

Isaiah 63 eludes to a similar scene.

Isa 63:1 Who is this coming from Edom, with garments of glowing colors from Botsrah, who is robed in splendor, striding forward in the greatness of His strength? “It is I who speak in righteousness, mighty to save.”

Isa 63:2 Why is there red on Your raiment, and Your garments like one who treads in the winepress?

Isa 63:3 “I have trodden the winepress alone, and from the peoples no one was with Me. And I trod them down in My displeasure, and I trampled them in My wrath. Their blood is sprinkled upon My garments, and I have defiled all My raiment.

Rev 19:14 And the armies in the heaven, dressed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses.

Who exactly makes up this army is hard to say? Is it all His set-apart ones or a designated group assigned to the armies in heaven?

Rev 19:15 And out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should smite the nations. **And He shall shepherd them with a rod of iron.** [Psa 2:9](#) And He treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Ėl Shaddai.

Rev 19:16 And on His robe and on His thigh^d He has a name written: SOVEREIGN OF SOVEREIGNS AND MASTER OF MASTERS. Footnote: ^d“thigh”, but possibly flag. See *Thigh* in the Explanatory Notes.

The sharp sword out of His mouth is the Word of YHWH; sharper than any two-edged sword. It is He, Yahusha HaMashiach, that will reign as King of kings and shepherd them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress with the fierceness and wrath of YHWH!

An angelic messenger summons the birds to the supper of the great Elohim. It appears the birds were summoned before Yahusha slays the sovereigns and commanders. The outcome was pre-determined and obvious. Who can stand against the fierceness and the wrath of YHWH? Answer: No one!

Rev 19:17 And I saw one messenger standing in the sun, and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in mid-heaven, "Come and gather together for the supper of the great Elohim,

Rev 19:18 to eat the flesh of sovereigns, and the flesh of commanders, and the flesh of strong ones, and the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, both small and great."

Rev 19:19 And I saw the beast, and the sovereigns of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to fight Him who sat on the horse and His army.

The Anti-messiah (beast) and the false prophet (beast 2) are seized and thrown alive into the lake of fire burning with sulfur. Eventually, the dragon, Satan, will join them.

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 sulfur.

Rev 19:21 And the rest were killed with the sword which came from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse, and all the birds were filled with their flesh.

I see this all occurring at the end of the great tribulation and right before the 1000-year reign.

Revelation 20

The Thousand Years

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.

Several cross-referenced scriptures to keep in mind about the 'keys' and the pit.

Rev 1:18 and the living One. And I became dead, and see, I am living forever and ever. Aměn. And I possess the keys of She'ol^c and of Death.
Footnote: ^cSee Explanatory Notes - She'ol.

Rev 9:1 And the fifth messenger sounded, and I saw a star from the heaven which had fallen to the earth. And the key to the pit of the deep was given to him.

Rev 9:2 And he opened the pit of the deep, and smoke went up out of the pit like the smoke of a great furnace. And the sun was darkened, also the air, because of the smoke of the pit.

Luk 8:31 And they were begging Him that He would not command them to go out into the bottomless pit.

2Pe 2:4 For if Elohim did not spare the messengers who sinned, but sent them to Tartaros,^b and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be kept for judgment, Footnote: ^bPossibly from Hebrew: Taḥti - See Explanatory notes - She'ol.

Jud 1:6 And the messengers who did not keep their own principality, but left their own dwelling, **He has kept in everlasting shackles under darkness for the judgment of the great day.**

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.

Satan is bound in chains and thrown into the pit without access to the nations until the thousand-year reign ends. He has plenty of time to think about his dire predicament and have a taste of his own medicine of captivity. Then Satan will be loosed for a short while.

Rev 20:4 And I saw thrones – and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them – and **the lives of those who had been beheaded** because of the witness they bore to יהושע and because of the Word of Elohim, and who did not worship the beast, nor his image, and did not receive his mark upon their foreheads or upon their hands. **And they lived and reigned with Messiah for a thousand years**

Rev 20:5 (and the rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended) – this is the first resurrection.

Rev 20:6 Blessed and set-apart is the one having part in the first resurrection. The second death possesses no authority over these, but they shall be priests of Elohim and of Messiah, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

All those that have part in the first resurrection shall be priests of Elohim and of Messiah and shall reign with Him a thousand years. The scripture states that the second death possesses no authority over these. These are the faithful and true ones.

As I understand, people that are not part of the first resurrection and are still living on earth will be among the nations for 1000 years; outside the gate. Will some be positionally closer to the encampment of Yahusha? This remains to be seen. Some lukewarm believers may miss the first resurrection; even though they had a head knowledge of Him. Others, will be those that did not heed the warnings to become 'overcomers.' Others will simply be the rebellious ones.

The Defeat of Satan

Rev 20:7 And when the thousand years have ended, Satan shall be released from his prison,

Rev 20:8 and he shall go out to lead the nations astray which are in the four corners of the earth, **Goḡ and Maḡoḡ**, Eze 38:2 to gather them together for battle, whose number is as the sand of the sea.

Rev 20:9 And they came up over the breadth of the earth **and surrounded the camp of the set-apart ones and the beloved city**. And fire came down from Elohim out of the heaven and consumed them.

Rev 20:10 And the devil, who led them astray, was thrown into the lake of fire and sulphur where the beast and the false prophet *are*. And they shall be tortured day and night forever and ever.

In Rev. 19:19-20 we see a similar war that I view as the first insurgence of the Gog and Magog war. This insurgence is led by the beast, the Anti-messiah and the kings of the earth against Yahusha.

Rev 19:19 And I saw the beast, and the sovereigns of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to fight Him who sat on the horse and His army.

In Rev. 20:8, this appears to be the evil remnant, or 'last stand' of this same war that had been delayed for 1000-years. It would be made up of the same nations that are in allegiance to Satan; only now, Satan takes the lead since the Anti-messiah and False Prophet have already been thrown alive in the lake of fire. This second insurgence comes against the set-apart ones, against the beloved city, and against Elohim.

Rev. 20:9 gives us some great insights as to what the scene looks like when Yahusha and the set-apart one's rule and reign with Him for 1000-years. Notice the battle approach of Satan and these nations. It states they 'came up'; over the breadth of the earth! Then they surrounded the camp of the set-apart ones and the beloved city.

The visual perspective of the New Jerusalem appears to be an elevated one. The New Jerusalem, the beloved city, is where Yahusha and His set-apart one's rule and reign. It is stated to be over the 'breath of the earth.' Therefore, it may be hovering like the pillar of cloud; or sitting on the undefiled set-apart mountain of Zion.

Fire comes down from YHWH and consumed these evil ones. This 'battle', if you can call it that, is extremely brief. Nothing unclean can approach the Dwelling Place of YHWH! Just ask Nadab and Abihu. YHWH is a consuming fire. Satan, at this point, has no right to appear in any other realm but earth; he had been kicked out of the 2nd and 3rd heavenly realm for good.

Judgment Before the Great White Throne

Rev 20:11 And I saw a great white throne and Him who was sitting on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away, and no place was found for them.

Rev 20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before the throne, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is *the Book of Life*. And the dead were judged from what was written in the books, according to their works.

Rev 20:13 And the sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and She'ol gave up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.

Rev 20:14 And Death and She'ol were thrown into the lake of fire. **This is the second death.**^a Footnote: ^aSee [Rev 2:11](#), [Rev 20:6](#), [Rev 21:8](#).

Rev 20:15 And if anyone was not found written in the Book of Life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

Whoever's name is not found in the Book of Life, will not be saved. If there are those that just tried to live 'a good life' and tried to do 'good works'; they too will fall short. One must come through the Door, Yahusha HaMashiach, passing under the atoning blood of the Lamb. People cannot by their own efforts, climb over the wall; cannot come through a window; nor can come through a back door. There is only One Door! One Way!

Rom 3:21 But now, apart from the Torah, a righteousness of Elohim has been revealed, being witnessed by the Torah and the Prophets,

Rom 3:22 and **the righteousness of Elohim is through belief in משיח משיח Messiah to all and on all who believe.** For there is no difference,

Rom 3:23 **for all have sinned and fall short of the esteem of Elohim,**

Rom 3:24 being declared right, without paying, by His favour through the redemption which is in

Messiah יהושע,

Rom 3:25 whom Elohim set forth as an atonement, through belief in His blood, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His tolerance Elohim had passed over the sins that had taken place before,

Rom 3:26 to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He is righteous and declares righteous the one who has belief in יהושע.

It is a fearful thing not to have one's garments washed in the blood of the Lamb and appear before YHWH. YHWH is a consuming fire. Now is the time to go to Him. Now is the time to ask Him your questions. Now is the day if you should hear His voice, repent, and receive Him.

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 proclaims that the booth of Elohim **now dwells with man**. This appears to be a 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 Taw; 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.

[Keep in mind **the wall** measured 144 forearms, the measurement of man. This may somehow connect to the 144,000 witness in determining the exponential number that 144,000 represents.]

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 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.

When reading the Book of Revelation, we must stay connected to what the symbolism represents. We know the set-apart ones are His bride. We know we are living stones being built together as a spiritual house. Let's 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.

Below, I have listed some “possibilities” to consider for the symbolism we have covered to date:

The twelve patriarchs of Jacob [Israel] are represented in the gates.

The twelve apostles of the Lamb are the twelve foundations built on Yahusha, the Rock.

The 4 living creatures reflect the pattern of the wilderness encampments. The 4 living creatures seem to represent the 4 lead banners of the 4 sets of 3 tribal encampments around the Dwelling Place. The square formation described in Revelation would make one lean toward the wilderness encampments being a square encampment instead of other possible shapes.

Keep in mind, we are examining the symbolism to match patterns from past biblical accounts.

Yahusha stands in the midst of the assemblies [we are the assembly].

There are 7 flames of light, representing His 7 spirits/messengers before the throne.

The 7 lights on a menorah correlate to His appointed times; His calendar.

In turn, His appointed times correlate to the different harvests and the first fruits of each.

The 24 elders – more than likely are the 12 Patriarchs and the 12 Apostles.

Mat 19:27 Then Kěpha answering, said to Him, “See, we have left all and followed You. What then shall we have?”

Mat 19:28 And יהושע said to them, “Truly I say to you, when the Son of Ađam sits on the throne of His esteem, you who have followed Me in the rebirth, shall also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Yisra’ěl.”

The two witness are the two olive trees AND the two lampstands. The two witnesses seem to first be a combination of two prophets [possibly Moses and Elijah] that represent the two olive trees [the House of Israel and the House of Judah]. Secondly, the two witnesses, seem to include the two lampstands, the set-apart ones [Smyrna & Philadelphia]. These were the two assemblies without negative remarks. All the assemblies were referred to as ‘lampstands.’

The two prophets are called up to heaven in a cloud in Rev. 11. The next scene we see is in Rev. 12 is of the woman clothed in the sun with the moon at her feet and crowned with 12 stars. If the two prophets represent the two houses or the two sticks [Israel & Judah], then this scene may be showing the two sticks becoming one. Why? Because shortly thereafter we see the 'complete' woman; who gives birth to the one new man, Israel, with Yahusha as the head and the body being believers [Col. 1:18].

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.

In the normal birthing process, the head of the child comes first, then the body. The one-new man is the child, Israel. The child is caught away to heaven after its birth.

The heavenly scene of Revelation 12 changes to an earthly scene when Satan is kicked out of heaven. We then see Satan pursuing the woman now pictured on earth and the earth opens its mouth to help the woman by consuming the water or fire spewed from the dragon's mouth. She is given two wings of an eagle, like each tribe was represented by the 6 wings of the living creatures. She flies into the wilderness where she is nourished for 3 ½ years. We then see the dragon go to make war with the remnant of the seed of the woman which could also equate to the 144,000.

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 and the great city, the New Jerusalem, are where the set-apart ones will dwell with Him.

The directions N-S-E-W of the New Jerusalem and the wilderness encampments are like the layout of Eden and the garden east of Eden; with the One river that branched off in 4 directions. We should start to see these patterns aligning to the point of becoming a perfect symbolic representation 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! There are many dwelling places! We may seem dimly in the mirror; yet, with time these symbols will become more and more clear.

Rev 21:15 And he who spoke with me had a golden measuring rod, to measure the

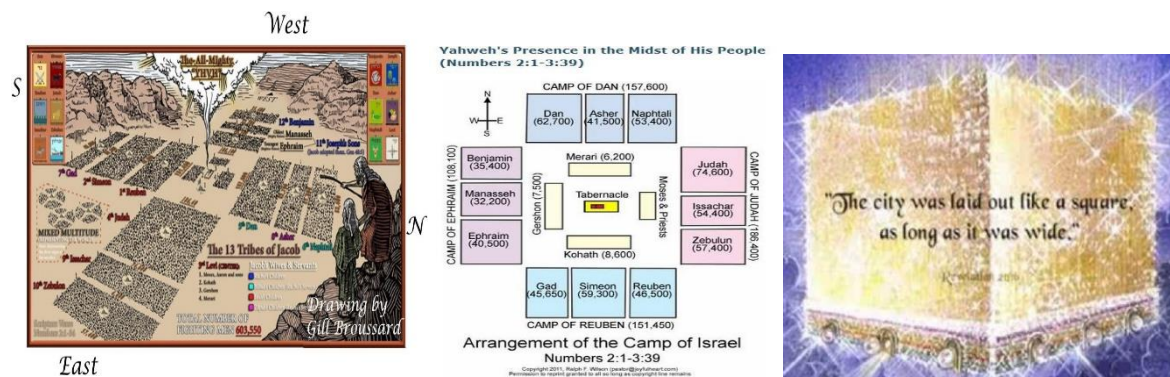
city, and its gates, and its wall.

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 foundation. If that is the case, we still must consider the square design of the wilderness encampments versus the cross design. In addition, some believe that the base may be square; but the top may form into a pyramid, the shape of a mountain.

The 144-forearm measurement of the wall most probably has some connection to the 144,000 witnesses.



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 Ėl 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 Rev. 21:24-27 seems to be 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. There will be representatives in His Kingdom that **will 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](#).

Revelation 22

The River of Life

Rev 22:1 And he showed me a river of water of life, clear as crystal, coming from the throne of Elohim and of the Lamb.

[Gen 2:10](#) And [a river went out of Eden to water the garden](#), and from there it divided and became four heads.

[Psa 46:4](#) [A river whose streams Make glad the city of Elohim, The set-apart dwelling of the Most High.](#)

Rev 22:2 In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, **each tree** yielding its fruit every month. **And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.**

[1Pe 2:24](#) who Himself **bore our sins** [Isa 53:4](#) in His body on the timber, so that we, having died to sins, might live unto righteousness^k – **by whose stripes you were healed.** [Isa 53:5](#)
 Footnote: ^k [Rom 6:2](#), [1Pe 4:1-2](#).

Verse 2 seems to be stating that there was a tree of life at several of the following locations. How many trees were there? It appears three. Then it states each tree yielded its fruit every month. The scripture states the tree of life bore 12 fruit, therefore did it bear one type of fruit each month or all twelve fruit every month? Were they the same fruit or different types of fruit? Questions I ponder and cannot presently answer. See TSK Cross-reference and Ellicott's commentaries below. Overall, symbolically The tree of Life, Yahusha, has coalesced all 12 tribes and those grafted in; into the one new man.

- In the middle of its street'
- Another on one side of the river
- And another on the other side of the river

Rev 2:7 "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. To him who overcomes^a I shall give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise^b of Elohim." ^cGen 2:9, Gen 3:22, Gen 3:24 Footnotes: ^aThis word (and its noun) is used 17 times in the Book of Revelation. The name Yisra'el means to *overcome with Ēl*. ^bLit. garden. ^cSee [Rev 22:2](#) and [Rev 22:14](#).

Pro 3:18 She [Wisdom] is a tree of life to those taking hold of her, And blessed are all who retain her.

TSK Cross-reference notes: the tree of life: Rather, the definite article not being in the original, "a tree of life;" for there were three trees; one in the street, and one on each side of the river. [Rev 22:14](#), [Rev 2:7](#); [Gen 2:9](#), [Gen 3:22-24](#); [Pro 3:18](#)

Ellicott has another perspective: (2) In the midst of the street of it . . .—Or rather, In the midst of the street of it, and of the river, on one side and on the other (was) a tree of life, yielding twelve fruits, according to each month giving its fruit; and the leaves of the tree are for healing of the nations. The hunger as well as the thirst of the spirit is to be satisfied ([Matthew 5:6](#)). The tree of life, as well as the river of life, is to be found in the new and better Eden ([Genesis 2:9](#); [Genesis 3:22](#)). The vision of Ezekiel is exactly parallel to the present: "On the border of the river there was wood very much, on both sides: every kind of tree; its leaf withers not, and its fruit ceases not; all months does it ripen; its fruit serves for food, and its leaf for healing" ([Ezekiel 47:7-12](#)). The twelve manner of fruit: The recurrence of the number—twelve—is to be noticed, for here, too, as well as in the foundations and gates of the city, we have variety allied with unity. Diverse and seasonable fruits, and yet one tree of life. Thus does the Almighty wisdom feed His people with food convenient for them ([Proverbs 30:8](#)), though, in one sense there is but one food for all ([John 6:31](#)); for true divine wisdom is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her ([Proverbs 3:18](#)). That wisdom is not the mere knowledge of things (the tree of the knowledge of good and evil has no place in new Eden); but it is rather the knowledge of life which makes the knowledge of things available to the highest good. (Comp. [1Corinthians 1:22-24](#); [1Corinthians 1:30](#); [James 3:17](#); Proverbs 8)

We know Yahusha is our Tree of Life.

Rev 22:3 And no longer shall there be any curse, and the throne of Elohim and of

the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall serve Him.

Rev 22:4 And they shall see His face, and His Name *shall be* upon their foreheads.

Rev 22:5 And night shall be no more, and they shall have no need of a lamp or the light of the sun, because יהוה Elohim shall give them light. And they shall reign forever and ever.

1. No longer will there be any curse
2. We shall see His face!
3. His Name shall be on our foreheads!
4. The throne of Elohim and the Lamb will be in it.
5. No more night! Therefore, no need of a lamp or the light of the sun, for YHWH shall give them light; and they shall reign forever and ever! Note: YHWH WAS Light before there was a sun.

Yahusha Is Coming

Rev 22:6 And he said to me, “**These words are trustworthy and true.** And יהוה Elohim of the set-apart prophets has sent His messenger to show His servants what has to take place with speed.”

Rev 22:7 “See, I am coming speedily! Blessed is he who guards the words of the prophecy of this book.”

Rev 22:8 And I, Yoḥanan, saw and heard these *matters*. And when I heard and saw, I fell down to worship before the feet **of the messenger** who showed me these *matters*.

Rev 22:9 And he said to me, “See, do not! **For I am your fellow servant, and of your brothers the prophets, and of those who are guarding the words of this book.** Worship Elohim.”

John fell at his feet also in Rev. 19:10. **The messenger again tells John that he is a fellow servant and of your brothers the prophets.** It is very possible that this messenger was Daniel, since it was Daniel that was told to seal the book until the time of the end.

Dan 12:4 “But you, Dani’el, hide the words, and **seal the book until the time of the end.**^a Many shall diligently search and knowledge shall increase.” Footnote: ^aSee [Dan 12:9](#).

Rev 22:10 And he said to me, “Do not **seal the words of the prophecy of this book,** [Dan 12:4](#) because the time is near.

The events to take place in the end of days have been revealed for those that have eyes to see and have wisdom. The words in the book of Revelation should be highly valued and the prophecies within guarded. It is no longer sealed because the time is near.

Rev 22:11 “He who does wrong, let him do more wrong; he who is filthy, let him be more filthy; he who is righteous, let him be more righteous; he who is set-apart, let him be more set-apart.

Rev 22:12 “And see, I am coming speedily, and My reward is with Me, to give to each according to his work.^a Footnote: ^aSee [Mat 16:27](#), [Joh 5:29](#).

What are these verses saying? We should either be hot or cold! We that belong to Him; should strive to be more and more like Him until His return. He told us to be holy for He is holy. Those that choose to soil their garments; go ahead and soil them all the more! It seems like the scripture is saying, that it doesn’t make much difference if your garments are slightly soiled or heavily soiled; because they are still soiled! If a person is not washed in the blood of the Lamb; their garments are not white.

The time is now to make your final choice: Serve YHWH or serve Satan. There is no in-between. A person is not guaranteed of tomorrow! How long will a person vacillate between two opinions? Until there is not more time? Really?

Rev 22:13 “I am the ‘Aleph’ and the ‘Taw’, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last.

Rev 22:14 “Blessed are those doing^b His commands,^c so that the authority shall be theirs unto the tree of life, and to enter through the gates into the city. Footnotes: ^bSee [Mat 19:17](#). ^cLong before the books were compiled to form “The New Testament,” [Rev 22:14](#) was quoted, as it is here given, by Tertullian (CE 208), and by Cyprian (CE 251) – see the well-known *Antenicene Fathers*.

Rev 22:15 “But **outside are the dogs** and those who enchant with drugs, and those who whore, and the murderers, and the idolaters, and all who love and do falsehood.^d Footnote: ^dSee [Rev 21:27](#) and also [2Th 2:11](#).

Rev 22:16 “ו, יהושע, have sent My messenger to witness to you these *matters* in the assemblies. I am the Root and the Offspring of Dawid,^e the Bright and Morning Star.” Footnote: ^e [Isa 11:1](#) and [Isa 11:10](#), [Rev 5:5](#).

Rev. 22:16 appears to be speaking of John as being the messenger ‘to witness’ to us about these matters in the assemblies. Yahusha is the Root; the Offspring of David; the Bright and Morning Star!

Rev 22:17 And the Spirit and the bride say, “Come!” And he who hears, let him say, “Come!” And he who thirsts, come! And he who desires it, take the water of life without paying!

Rev 22:18 For **I witness to everyone hearing the words of the prophecy of this book:** If anyone adds to them, Elohim shall add to him the plagues that are written in this book,

Rev 22:19 and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, Elohim shall take away his part from the **Book^f** of Life, and out of the set-apart city, which are written in this Book. **Footnote:** ^fSome manuscripts read ‘tree of life’.”

Rev 22:20 He that bears witness of these *matters* says, “Yes, I am coming speedily.” Aměn. Yes, come, Master יהושע!

Rev 22:21 **The favour of our Master יהושע Messiah be with the set-apart ones.** Aměn.

Remember, one of unbelief, will not be written in the Book of Life.

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