Greetings, today our manna is from 2Chron 34; Malachi 2; Rev. 20; John 19

December 29 - Melchizedek Devotional Perspective

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

2Chron 34

Josiah Reigns in Judah

2Ch 34:1 Yoshiyahu <u>was eight years old</u> when he began to reign, and <u>he reigned thirty-one years in Yerushalayim</u>.

2Ch 34:2 And he did what was right in the eyes of יהוה, and walked in the ways of his father Dawig, and did not turn aside, right or left.

2Ch 34:3 And in the <u>eighth year of his reign</u>, while he was still young, he began to seek the Elohim of his father Dawid. And <u>in the twelfth year</u> he began to cleanse Yehudah and Yerushalayim from the high places, and the Asherim, and the carved images, and the moulded images.

When Josiah was 16 years old, he began to seek YHWH, the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. At age 20, he began to cleanse Judah and Jerusalem of pagan worship.

2Ch 34:4 And they broke down the slaughter-places of the Ba'als in his presence, and the sun-pillars which were above them he cut down. And the Ashěrim, and the carved images, and the moulded images he smashed, and ground them up and strewed it on the surface of the burial-sites of those who had slaughtered to them.

2Ch 34:5 And he burned the bones of the priests on their slaughter-places, and cleansed Yehudah and Yerushalayim,

2Ch 34:6 and in the cities of Menashsheh, and Ephrayim, and Shim'on, as far as Naphtali, in their ruins all around.

2Ch 34:7 And he broke down the slaughter-places and the Asherim, and ground the carved images into dust, and cut down all the sun-pillars throughout all the land of Yisra'el, and returned to Yerushalayim.

What a beautiful sight it would be to see a national leader today do what was right in the eyes of the one true Elohim, YHWH. To see slaughter places and the Asherim broken down; and ground carved images into dust of Baal worship; and to cut down the sunpillars throughout the land; to take a stand against evil.

There was one such leader that I know of that did take a stand against evil. The leader I am speaking of is Bill Dannemeyer, U.S. Congressman 1979-1992, and his truthful testimony can be found at this link. http://www.spingola.com/Dannemeyer.html We should not take his testimony for granted. To have someone that truly represents the people is a miracle. Bill Dannemeyer's testimony reveals how evil works behind the scenes and reminds us that there still are a few good men such as Bill Dannemeyer. Congressman Dannemeyer died July 9, 2019.

The Book of the Law Found

2Ch 34:8 And in the eighteenth year of his reign, when he had cleansed the land and the House, he sent Shaphan son of Atsalyahu, and Ma'aseyahu the head of the city, and Yo'aḥ son of Yo'aḥaz the recorder, to repair the House of יהוה his Elohim.

At age 26, after Josiah had cleansed the land of pagan worship, he begins the repair of the House of YHWH his Elohim.

2Ch 34:9 And they went to Ḥilqiyahu the high priest, and they gave the silver that was brought into the House of Elohim, which the Lewites who kept the doors had gathered from the hand of Menashsheh and Ephrayim, and from all the remnant of Yisra'el, and from all Yehudah and Binyamin, and which they had brought back to Yerushalayim,

2Ch 34:10 and they gave it in the hand of the workmen, those appointed over the House of יהוה. And they gave it to the workmen who worked in the House of יהוה, to repair and strengthen the house.

2Ch 34:11 And they gave it to the craftsmen and to the builders, to buy hewn stone and timber for couplings and for beams for the houses which the sovereigns of Yehudah had destroyed.

2Ch 34:12 And the men did the work trustworthily. And over them were appointed Yaḥath and Oḇaḇyahu the Lewites, of the sons of Merari, and Zekaryah and Meshullam, of the sons of the Qehathites, to oversee; and of the Lewites, all of whom were skilled in instruments of song,

2Ch 34:13 and over the burden bearers, and overseers of all who did work in any kind of service. And of the Lewites were scribes, and officers, and gatekeepers.

2Ch 34:14 And when they brought out the silver that was brought into the House of , Ḥilqiyahu the priest found the **Book of the Torah** [Book of the Law] of יהוה given by Mosheh.

2Ch 34:15 Then Ḥilqiyahu responded and said to Shaphan the scribe, "I have found the Book of the Torah in the House of יהוה." And Ḥilqiyahu gave the book to Shaphan.

2Ch 34:16 And Shaphan brought the book to the sovereign, and brought the sovereign word, saying, "All that has been given into the hand of your servants, they are doing.

2Ch 34:17 "And they have poured out the silver that was found in the House of יהוה,

and have given it into the hand of those appointed and the workmen."

2Ch 34:18 And Shaphan the scribe informed the sovereign, saying, "Ḥilqiyahu the priest has given me a book." And Shaphan read it before the sovereign.

2Ch 34:19 And it came to be, when the sovereign heard the words of the Torah, that he tore his garments.

2Ch 34:20 And the sovereign commanded Ḥilqiyahu, Aḥiqam son of Shaphan, and Aḇdon son of Mikah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asayah a servant of the sovereign, saying,

2Ch 34:21 <u>"Go, inquire of יהוה for me, and for him who is left in Yisra'ěl and in</u> Yehudah, concerning the words of the book that is found. For great is the wrath of יהוה that is poured out on us, because our fathers have not guarded the Word of סל יהוה, to do according to all that is written in this book."

The temple and the whole Aaronic priestly system were in utter disarray. This is evident by the fact that the Book of the Law <u>had been lost and then found!</u> This lets us know that pretty much no one had been guarding His Word.

Here in 2Chron. 34 and in 2Kings 22 & 23, the <u>Book of the Law</u> and <u>the Book of the Covenant</u> are mentioned by <u>their proper names</u>. The two are not synonymous. The Book of the Law had been placed in a holder 'beside' the ark that held the 'Book of the Covenant.' [Duet 31:26]

Deu 31:26 "Take this Book of the Torah [Law], and you shall place it beside the ark of the covenant of יהום your Elohim, and it shall be there as a witness against you,

Huldah Prophesies Disaster

2Ch 34:22 Then Ḥilqiyahu and those of the sovereign went to Ḥuldah the prophetess, the wife of Shallum son of Toqhath, son of Ḥasrah, keeper of the wardrobe, who was dwelling in Yerushalayim in the Second Quarter. And they spoke to her about this.

2Ch 34:23 And she said to them, <u>"Thus said יהוה Elohim of Yisra'ěl, 'Say to the man who sent you to Me,</u>

2Ch 34:24 "Thus said יהוה.

- ♣ 'See, I am bringing evil on this place and on its inhabitants, all the curses that are written in the book which they have read before the sovereign of Yehudah,
- ♣ 2Ch 34:25 because they have forsaken Me and burned incense to other mighty ones, to provoke Me with all the works of their hands. Therefore My wrath is poured out on this place, and is not quenched."

2Ch 34:26 "And to the sovereign of Yehudah, who sent you to inquire of יהוה, say this

to him, 'Thus said יהוה Elohim of Yisra'ěl, whose words you have heard,

- ♣ 2Ch 34:27 "Because your heart was tender, and you humbled yourself before Elohim when you heard His words against this place and against its inhabitants, and you humbled yourself before Me, and you tore your garments and wept before Me, I also have heard," declares יהוה.
- ♣ 2Ch 34:28 "See, I am gathering you to your fathers, and you shall be gathered to your burial-site in peace, so that your eyes would not see all the evil that I am bringing on this place and its inhabitants." "So they brought back word to the sovereign.

2Ch 34:29 And the sovereign sent and gathered all the elders of Yehudah and Yerushalayim.

2Ch 34:30 And the sovereign went up to the House of יהוה with all the men of Yehudah and the inhabitants of Yerushalayim, and the priests and the Lewites, and all the people, both great and small. And he read in their hearing all the words of the Book of the Covenant which had been found in the House of יהוה.

2Ch 34:31 And the sovereign stood in his place and made a covenant before יהוה, to follow יהוה and to guard His commands and His witnesses and His laws, with all his heart and all his being, to do the words of the covenant that were written in this book.

2Ch 34:32 And he made stand all who were present in Yerushalayim and Binyamin. And the inhabitants of Yerushalayim did according to the covenant of Elohim, the Elohim of their fathers.

2Ch 34:33 And Yoshiyahu removed all the abominations from all the lands that belonged to the children of Yisra'ěl, and made all who were present in Yisra'ěl diligently serve יהוה their Elohim. All his days they did not turn away from following יהוה Elohim of their fathers.

Malachi 2

YHWH Rebukes the Priests

Mal 2:1 "And now, O priests, this command is for you.

- ♣ Mal 2:2 "If you do not hear, and if you do not take it to heart, to give esteem to
 My Name," said יהוה of hosts,
- "I shall send a curse upon you, and I shall curse your blessings. And indeed, I have cursed them, because you do not take it to heart.
- ♣ Mal 2:3 "See, I shall rebuke your seed, and scatter dung before your faces, the dung of your festivals. And you shall be taken away with it.
- ♣ Mal 2:4 "And you shall know that I have sent this command to you, as being My covenant with Lewi," said יהוה of hosts.
- ➡ Mal 2:5 "My covenant with him was life and peace, and I gave them to him, to fear. And he feared Me, and stood in awe of My Name.
- Mal 2:6 "The Torah of trutha was in his mouth, and unrighteousness was not

found on his lips. He walked with Me in peace and straightness, and turned many away from crookedness. Footnote: ^aSee footnote Neh 9:13.

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.

Mal 2:8 "But you, you have turned from the way, <u>you have caused many to stumble</u> in the Torah. You have corrupted the covenant of Lěwi," said יהוה of hosts.

<u>Ellicott's Commentary Mal 2:8</u> Caused many to stumble at the law.—Or rather, in the Law; and ye have given them false instruction in the Law, and allowed those things which were forbidden, and so ye have corrupted the covenant of the (tribe of) Levi: ye have turned the Law, which ought to have been a light to their feet and a lamp to their path, into a stumbling-block.

Mal 2:9 "And I also, I shall make you despised and low before all the people, because you are not guarding My ways, and are showing partiality in the Torah."

Judah Profaned the Covenant

Ellicott's Commentary Mal. 2:(10-17) The prophet now rebukes the two great sins of the nation at this time: (1) marriage with idolatresses; (2) divorce of the first (Israelitish) wife. He introduces this rebuke by a general statement, similar to that of <u>Malachi 1:2</u>.

(10) One father—i.e., not Adam, Abraham, or Jacob (as various commentators have held), but God Himself (Malachi 1:6; Deuteronomy 32:6; Deuteronomy 32:18), who is the spiritual Father of the nation, and in whom they are all brothers and sisters; so that when an Israelite married a heathen woman, or divorced an Israelitish wife, it was an offence against God, a "profaning the covenant of the fathers," and a violation of the fraternal relation. Moreover, "one God created" them for His glory (Isaiah 43:7), for the special purpose of being a witness to His unity. The admission of idolatresses into their families would be fatal to this object.

Mal 2:10 **Have we not all one Father?** Did not one El create us? Why do we act treacherously against one another, to profane the covenant of the fathers?

Mal 2:11 Yehudah has acted treacherously, and an abomination has been done in Yisra'ěl and in Yerushalayim, for Yehudah has profaned what is set-apart to יהוה – which He had loved – and has married the daughter of a foreign mighty one.

Mal 2:12 Let יהוה cut off from the tents of Ya'aqob the man who does this – stirring up or answering, and bringing an offering to יהוה of hosts!

Mal 2:13 And this you have done a second time:

- ↓ you cover the slaughter-place of יהוה with tears, with weeping and crying, because He no longer regards the offering, nor receives it with pleasure from your hands.
- ♣ Mal 2:14 And you said, "Why?" Because יהוה has been witness between you and the wife of your youth, against whom you have acted treacherously, though she is your companion and the wife of your covenant.

 Mal 2:15 And <u>did He not make one?</u> And He had the remnant of the Spirit? And what is the one *alone*? He seeks a seed of Elohim. So you shall guard your spirit, and <u>let none act treacherously against the wife</u> <u>of his youth.</u>

<u>Ellicott's Commentary:</u> (Mal. 2:13) The prophet now rebukes the people for their frivolous divorces of their first wives, which was a natural result of their marriage with heathen women.

And this . . . again.—Or perhaps, And this a second thing ye do—viz., infidelity to the wife of their youth (Malachi 2:14). But the rendering of the English Version is in accordance with the Hebrew accentuation. That rendering is not improbably the right one. It would mean: "And this you do again (Nehemiah 13), even after Ezra has reformed the abuse, and you have solemnly undertaken not to act so again" (Nehemiah 9:10).

Covering the altar . . . with tears . . . and with crying out—i.e., with the plaints of the Israelitish women who were divorced against their will.

♣ Mal 2:16 <u>"For I hate divorce,"</u> said יהוה Elohim of Yisra'ěl, "and the one who covers his garment with cruelty," said יהוה of hosts. "So you shall guard your spirit, and do not act treacherously."

The Messenger of YHWH

Mal 2:17 You have wearied יהוה with your words, and you have said, "In what way have we wearied Him?" In that you say, "Everyone who does evil is good in the eyes of , and He is delighting in them," or, "Where is the Elohim of right-ruling?"

Revelation 20

2021 FULL Updated Playlist:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLcRp8AVG2L1d83m9ATExflUo_qEIAi-if

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 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 <u>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.</u>

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, **Gog and Magog**, 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. 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.

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 <u>over the 'breath of the earth.'</u> 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. He 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. Footnote: See 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 יהושע 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.

John 19

John 19 covers Yahusha being delivered for crucifixion; His death; His side being pierced; His garments being divided; and His burial. We are now seeing the Tabernacle 'parable' unfold [Heb. 9:9].

Heb 9:7 But into the second part the high priest went alone once a year, not without blood, which he offered for himself and for sins of ignorance of the people, a Footnote: a Num_15:15-28. Heb 9:8 the Set-apart Spirit signifying this, that the way into the Most Set-apart Place was not yet made manifest while the first Tent has a standing,

Heb 9:9 which was a parable for the present time in which both gifts and slaughters are offered which are unable to perfect the one serving, as to his conscience,

All the elements are present and are either <u>wrapped in or around Yahusha HaMashiach</u>. We will discuss each event after reading John 19.

Yahusha Delivered to Be Crucified

Joh 19:1 Then, therefore, Pilate took יהושע and flogged *Him*.

Joh 19:2 And the soldiers plaited a crown of thorns and placed it on His head, and they put a purple robe on Him,

Joh 19:3 and came to Him and said, "Greetings, Sovereign of the Yehudim!" And they slapped Him in the face.

Joh 19:4 And Pilate went outside again, and said to them, "See, I am bringing Him out to you, to let you know that I find no guilt in Him."

Joh 19:5 Then יהושע came outside, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. And Pilate said to them, "See the Man!"

Joh 19:6 So when the chief priests and officers saw Him, they shouted, saying, "Impale! Impale!" Pilate said to them, "You take Him and impale Him, for I find no guilt in Him."

Joh 19:7 The Yehudim answered him, "We have a law, and according to our law He ought to die, for He has made Himself the Son of Elohim."

Joh 19:8 So when Pilate heard this word, he was more afraid,

Joh 19:9 and went back into the palace, and asked יהושע, "Where are You from?" But gave him no answer.

Joh 19:10 Then Pilate said to Him, "Do You not speak to me? Do You not know that I possess authority to impale You, and I possess authority to release You?"

- Joh 19:11 יהושע answered, "You would possess no authority against Me <u>if it were not given you from above</u>. Because of this, he who delivered Me to you has greater sin."
- Joh 19:12 From then on Pilate was seeking to release Him, but the Yehudim shouted, saying, "If you release this One, you are not Caesar's friend. Everyone who makes himself a sovereign, does speak against Caesar."
- Joh 19:13 Therefore, when Pilate heard these words, he brought יהושע out and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called Pavement, but in Hebrew, Gabbatha.
- Joh 19:14 And it was the Preparation Day of the Pesah week, and about the sixth hour. And he said to the Yehudim, "See your Sovereign!"
- Joh 19:15 But they shouted, "Away, away, impale Him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I impale your Sovereign?" The chief priests answered, "We have no sovereign except Caesar!"

The Crucifixion

- Joh 19:16 At that time, then, he delivered Him to them to be impaled. And they took and led *Him* away.
- Joh 19:17 And bearing His stake, He went out to the so-called Place of a Skull, which is called in Hebrew, Golgotha,
- Joh 19:18 where they impaled Him, and two others with Him, one on this side and one on that side, and יהושע in the middle.
- Joh 19:19 And Pilate wrote a title too, and put it on the stake, and it was written: יהושע
 OF NATSARETH, THE SOVEREIGN OF THE YEHUDIM.
- Joh 19:20 Many of the Yehudim therefore read this title, for the place where יהושע was impaled was near the city, and it was written in Hebrew, in Greek, in Roman.
- Joh 19:21 So the chief priests of the Yehudim said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The Sovereign of the Yehudim,' but, 'He said, "I am the Sovereign of the Yehudim." '"
- Joh 19:22 Pilate answered, "What I have written, I have written."
- Joh 19:23 Then the soldiers, when they had impaled יהושע, <u>took His outer garments</u> and made four parts, <u>to each soldier a part</u>, and the inner garment. <u>But the inner garment was without seam, woven from the top in one piece.</u>
- Joh 19:24 So they said to each other, "<u>Let us not tear it</u>, but cast lots for it whose it shall be," in order that the Scripture might be filled which says, "They divided My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots." <u>Psa_22:18</u> The soldiers therefore indeed did this.
- Joh 19:25 And by the stake of יהושע stood His mother, and His mother's sister, Miryam the wife of Qlophah, and Miryam from Maḡdala.

It is interesting to note that one of the Miryam's mentioned was the wife of Cleophas. Therefore, there is the possibility that the two on the road to Emmaus was Cleophas and his wife Miryam.

Luk 24:18 And the one whose name was Qleophas answering, said to Him, "Are You the lone visitor in Yerushalayim who does not know what took place in it these days?"

Joh 19:26 Then יהושע, seeing His mother and the taught one whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, "Woman, see your son!"

Joh 19:27 Then to the taught one He said, "See, your mother!" And from that hour that taught one took her to his own *home*.

The Death of Yahusha

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.

Yahusha's Side Is Pierced

Joh 19:31 Therefore, since it was the Preparation *Day*, that the bodies should not remain on the stake on the Sabbath – for that Sabbath was a high one – the Yehudim asked Pilate to have their legs broken, and that *they* be taken away.

Joh 19:32 Therefore the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who was impaled with Him,

Joh 19:33 but when they came to יהושע and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs.

Joh 19:34 But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and instantly blood and water came out.

Joh 19:35 And he who has seen has witnessed, and his witness is true. And he knows that he is speaking the truth, in order that you might believe.

Joh 19:36 For this took place in order for the Scripture to be filled: "Not one of His bones shall be broken." Psa_34:20 Footnote: Also see Exo_12:46, Num_9:12.

Joh 19:37 And again another Scripture says, "They shall look on Him whom they pierced." Zec 12:10.

Yahusha Is Buried

Joh 19:38 And after this, <u>Yosěph of Ramathayim</u>, being a taught one of יהושע, but secretly, for fear of the Yehudim, asked Pilate that he might take the body of יהושע, and Pilate gave permission. Therefore he came and took the body of יהושע.

Joh 19:39 And Nakdimon, who at first came to יהושע by night, also came, bringing a

mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds.

Joh 19:40 Then they took the body of יהושע, and bound it in linen wrappings with the spices, as was the habit of the Yehudim for burial.

Joh 19:41 And at the place where He was impaled there was a garden, and in the garden a fresh tomb in which no one had yet been laid.

Joh 19:42 There, then, <u>because of the Preparation Day of the Yehudim, they laid</u>, because the tomb was near.

Having read **John 19**, let's decipher the <u>parable of the Tabernacle</u>. We may not cover all aspects, but we will see many parallels.

- 1. His sacrificial blood once and for ALL.
- 2. Plaited **crown of thorns**: Crowns are kingly. The plaited thorns were from the Acacia tree; the very tree used to make the tabernacle furnishings; though this crown had been used to mock Yahusha, it did not diminish that He is, was, and is to come as our **King of kings**.
- 3. **Purple Robe** purple is a royal color. The high priestly robe in Ex. 28:31 was blue, trimmed with embroidered work of blue and red pomegranates alternated with gold bells. Blood is depicted as blue and red in our circulatory system: **red** arterial oxygenated blood and **blue** venous blood that needs oxygenation the two colors combined make purple. Life is in the blood.

Strong's definition of Pomegranate: H7416 rimmôn rimmôn rimmone', rim-mone'

From H7426; a *pomegranate*, the tree (from its *upright* growth) or the fruit (also an artificial ornament): - pomegranate.

H7426 râmam raw-mam'

A primitive root; to *rise* (literally or figuratively): - exalt, get [oneself] up, lift up (self), mount up.

4. The soldiers 'mockingly' hail him 'King of the Jews' (John 19:3) and the sign Pilate had placed over His head read: יהושע OF NATSARETH, THE SOVEREIGN OF THE YEHUDIM. (John 19:19) What was meant for mockery conveyed truth and fulfilled prophesy. The engraved sign portrayed Yahusha as the High Kingly-Priest, the Melchizedek; just like the gold plate engraved for the Levitical High Priest's turban – 'Set-Apartness to YHWH', was to represent the children of Israel as being 'set-apart' in Exodus 28.

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 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.

- 5. He was the Son of Elohim whether they acknowledge that fact or not. Even hearing such mocking claims quickened the inner man of Pilate. Joh 19:7 The Yehudim answered him, "We have a law, and according to our law He ought to die, for He has made Himself the Son of Elohim."
- 6. Brought before the 'judgment seat' the Pavement.

Psa 58:1 Would you indeed speak righteousness, in silence? Do you judge straightly, you sons of men? **2** No, in heart you work unrighteousness; On earth you weigh out the violence of your hands.

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.

7. Joh 19:14 And it was the Preparation *Day* of the Pěsaḥ week, and about the sixth hour. And he said to the Yehudim, "See your Sovereign!" 15 But they shouted, "Away, away, impale Him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I impale your Sovereign?" The chief priests answered, "We have no sovereign except Caesar!" - Here the chief priests just spoke 'words of death' unto themselves.

Yahusha, was the **sacrificial Lamb of Elohim** inspected between day 10-14. He was <u>the perfect Lamb of Elohim</u>, a little over a year old from the time of His mikvah to the time of His crucifixion (490 days). He was not left until morning. His blood would provide atonement once and for all to those that entered through the Door, Yahusha.

Exo 12:6 'And you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same new *moon*. Then all the assembly of the congregation of Yisra'ěl shall slay it between the evenings.

Exo 12:7 'And they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses where they eat it.

Exo 12:8 'And they shall eat the flesh on that night, roasted in fire – with unleavened bread and with bitter herbs they shall eat it.

Exo 12:9 'Do not eat it raw, nor boiled at all with water, but roasted in fire, its head with its legs and its inward parts.

Exo 12:10 'And do not leave of it until morning, and what remains of it until morning you are to burn with fire.

- 8. Yahusha fulfilled all five offerings under the Book of the Law written in Leviticus 1-7.
- 9. He was impaled 'outside the camp'.
- 10. They divided his garments except for His inner priestly garment...

Joh 19:23 Then the soldiers, when they had impaled יהושע, took <u>His outer garments</u> and <u>made four parts</u>, to each soldier a part, and the inner garment. <u>But the inner garment was without seam</u>, woven from the top in one piece. Joh 19:24 So they said to each other, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it – whose it shall be," in order that the Scripture might be filled which says, "They divided My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots." <u>Psa 22:18</u> The soldiers therefore indeed did this.

- 11. He took care of His mother even at his death by putting her under the care of his disciple John; and his disciple John would become like her son. (Exodus 20:12)
- 12. Joh 19:29 A bowl of <u>sour wine</u> stood there, and <u>they filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on hyssop</u>, and held it to His mouth.

Exo 12:22 "And you shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and strike the lintel and the two doorposts with the blood that is in the basin, and you, none of you shall go out of the door of his house until morning.

13. Since it was the Preparation Day with the next day being a High Sabbath, the Yehudim wanted their legs broken so that all signs of them would be taken away. Therefore, the soldiers did as commanded but when they had come to Yahusha, He was already dead. (Paraphrased John 19:31-33) He was the bread of life; here depicting unleavened bread.

Exo 12:10 'And do not leave of it until morning, and what remains of it until morning you are to burn with fire.

- **14.** Joh 19:34 But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and instantly **blood and water came out**. Symbolic of the water and wine libation. (1Sam 7:6; Num. 15:10) Yahusha was also the 'Living Water' and wine was symbolic of His blood being poured out for us.
 - Joh 19:35 And he who has seen has witnessed, and his witness is true. And he knows that he is speaking the truth, in order that you might believe.

Act 10:39 "And we are witnesses of all He did, both in the country of the Yehudim and in Yerushalayim, whom they even killed **by hanging on a timber**. Deu_21:22-23.

- 15. Scripture witnessed to who He was. He accomplished all in the exactness of the Word. Joh 19:36 For this took place in order for the Scripture to be filled: "Not one of His bones shall be broken." Psa 34:20 Footnote: Also see Exo 12:46, Num 9:12. Joh 19:37 And again another Scripture says, "They shall look on Him whom they pierced." Zec 12:10.
- **16.** Joseph of Arimathea and Nikodemus both served on the Sanhedrin Council and were knowledgeable of the proper burial preparations. The tomb points to an **undefiled place for nobility**, a **place set-apart**; **unused**.

The burial preparations <u>had aspects of a priestly offering</u> with the use of a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds. His body was <u>wrapped in linen with spices</u>. On the Yom Kippur, or the Day of Atonement, the High Priest <u>would wear His garments of white</u>.

Yahusha HaMashiach served as our Melchizedek High Priest over His own crucifixion and offered His precious blood on the heavenly altar once and for all.

The Pavement

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