Greetings, today our manna is 1Kings 13; Phil. 4; Ezekiel 43; Psalm 95-96.

October 10 - Melchizedek Devotional Perspective

[Note: For teaching purposes only, underlines, bold font, and highlight emphasis have been used in PDFs.] Scripture Source: e-Sword TS2009 unless otherwise noted: https://www.e-sword.net/

1Kings 13

A Man of Elohim Confronts Jeroboam

1Ki 13:1 And see, a man of Elohim went from Yehudah to Běyth Ěl by the word of יהוה, while Yarob'am was standing by the slaughter-place to burn incense.

1Ki 13:2 And he cried out against the slaughter-place by the word of יהוה, and said, "O slaughter-place, slaughter-place! Thus said, יהוה,

- 'See, a son is to be born to the house of Dawid, Yoshiyahu [Josiah] is his name. And on you he shall slaughter the priests of the high places who burn incense on you, and men's bones be burned on you.'
- 1Ki 13:3 And he gave a sign the same day, saying, "This is the sign which יהוה has spoken: See, the slaughter-place is split apart, and the ashes on it is poured out."

Jeroboam being annoyed by the words spoken by the man of Elohim, points at him and commands him to be seized. Instead, Jeroboam's hand is 'seized' in an outstretched position and he cannot retract his hand. In addition, the slaughter place had been split apart and the ashes poured out.

1Ki 13:4 And it came to be when Sovereign Yarob'am heard the saying of the man of Elohim, who cried out against the slaughter-place in Beyth El, that he stretched out his hand from the slaughter-place, saying, "Seize him!" Then his hand, which he stretched out toward him, dried up, so that he was unable to bring it back to him.

1Ki 13:5 And the slaughter-place was split apart, and the ashes poured out from the slaughter-place, according to the sign which the man of Elohim had given by the word of יהוה.

Jeroboam changes his attitude and now asks the man of Elohim to intercede to YHWH on behalf of his hand.

- 1Ki 13:6 And the sovereign answered and said to the man of Elohim, "Please appease the face of יהוה your Elohim, and pray for me, that my hand might be restored to me." And the man of Elohim appeased the face of יהוה, and the sovereign's hand was restored to him, and became as it was before.
- 1Ki 13:7 The sovereign then said to the man of Elohim, "Come home with me and refresh yourself, and I give you a gift."
- 1Ki 13:8 But the man of Elohim said to the sovereign, "If you were to give me half your house, I do not go in with you, nor do I eat bread nor drink water in this place.
- 1Ki 13:9 "For so He commanded me by the word of יהוה, saying, 'Do not eat bread, nor drink

water, nor return by the same way you came.' "

1Ki 13:10 So he went another way and did not return by the way he came to Beyth El.

The Prophet's Disobedience

- 1Ki 13:11 And a certain old prophet was dwelling in Běyth Ěl, and his sons came and told him all the works that the man of Elohim had done that day in Běyth Ěl, the words which he had spoken to the sovereign.
- 1Ki 13:12 And their father said to them, "Which way did he go?" And his sons had seen which way the man of Elohim went who came from Yehudah.
- 1Ki 13:13 And he said to his sons, "Saddle the donkey for me." And they saddled the donkey for him, and he rode on it,
- 1Ki 13:14 and went after the man of Elohim, and found him sitting under a terebinth. And he said to him, "Are you the man of Elohim who came from Yehudah?" And he said, "I am."
- 1Ki 13:15 And he said to him, "Come home with me and eat bread."
- 1Ki 13:16 And he said, "I am not able to return with you or to go in with you, nor am I to eat bread or drink water with you in this place.
- 1Ki 13:17 "For word came to me by the word of יהוה, 'Do not eat bread nor drink water there, nor return by going the way you came.' "

Never engage in a conversation with the enemy. If YHWH changes His mind about a course of action to take; He is perfectly able to tell you directly. Do not rely on someone else to mediate what you are to do when it conflicts with the instructions you have already received from YHWH. Because of this very thing, the man of Elohim is deceived, and it leads to his demise.

1Ki 13:18 And he said to him, <u>"I too am a prophet like you, and a messenger spoke to me by the word of יהוה, saying, 'Bring him back with you to your house, and let him eat bread and drink water.' "But he lied to him.</u>

As we see, this was a false prophet that deceived the man of Elohim. He was probably a prophet of sorcery which made him very interested in 'these powers' exhibited by the man of Elohim in which his sons had reported. He seems to have similar qualities of 'Simon the sorcerer' that can be read about in the book of Acts.

1Ki 13:19 So he turned back with him, and ate bread in his house, and drank water.

Again, the following acronym holds – H.A.L.T. We are to 'HALT' anytime we are hungry, angry, lonely, or tired. If only, the man of Elohim would have sought YHWH to reveal any deception before acting.

Ki 13:20 And it came to be, as they sat at the table, that the word of יהוה came to the prophet who had brought him back,

1Ki 13:21 and he cried out to the man of Elohim who came from Yehudah, saying, "Thus said 'Because you have rebelled against the mouth of יהוה, and have not guarded the command which יהוה your Elohim commanded you,

1Ki 13:22 and turned back, and ate bread, and drank water in the place of which He said to you, "Do not eat bread nor drink water," your body shall not enter the burial-site of your fathers."

This may have been the first and only time that this so-called prophet had the one true living YHWH speak through him.

1Ki 13:23 And it came to be, after he had eaten bread and after he had drunk, that he saddled the donkey for him, for the prophet whom he had brought back.

1Ki 13:24 And he went, and a lion met him on the way and killed him. And his body was thrown on the way. And the donkey was standing by it, and the lion was standing by the body.

1Ki 13:25 And see, men were passing by and saw the body thrown on the way, while the lion was standing by the body. And they went and reported it in the city where the old prophet dwelt.

1Ki 13:26 And the prophet who had brought him back from the way heard it, and said, "It is the man of Elohim who rebelled against the mouth of יהוה, and יהוה gave him to the lion, and it tore him apart and killed him, according to the word of יהוה which He spoke to him."

1Ki 13:27 And he spoke to his sons, saying, "Saddle the donkey for me." And they saddled it.

1Ki 13:28 So he went and found his body thrown on the way, and the donkey and the lion standing by the body. The lion had not eaten the body nor mauled the donkey.

1Ki 13:29 And the prophet lifted up the body of the man of Elohim, and placed it on the donkey, and brought it back. And the old prophet came to the city to mourn, and to bury him,

1Ki 13:30 and he placed his body in his own burial-site. And they lamented over him, saying, "Oh, my brother!"

Possibly this 'old prophet' felt remorse for lying to the man of Elohim and felt responsible for his death. At least, he did bury the man of Elohim, though as prophesied he would not be buried with his fathers.

1Ki 13:31 And it came to be, after he had buried him, that he spoke to his sons, saying, "When I am dead, then you shall bury me in the burial-site where the man of Elohim is buried. Lay my bones beside his bones.

1Ki 13:32 "For the word which he cried out, by the word of יהוה, against the slaughter-place in Běyth Ěl, and against all the houses of the high places which are in the cities of Shomeron, shall certainly come to be."

Hopefully the old prophet changed his ways. He definitely knew that the man of Elohim was a man of YHWH, the one true Elohim. He also knew that His prophesies would come true.

Jeroboam doesn't change his ways. He hardens his heart and continues in his evil ways.

1Ki 13:33 After this event Yarob'am did not turn from his evil way, but again he made priests from all sorts of people for the high places. Whoever wished, he ordained, to become one of the priests of the high places.

1Ki 13:34 And this matter was the sin of the house of Yarob'am, even to cut it off and destroy it from the face of the earth.

Philippians 4

Paul instructs the Philippians to stand firm in Yahusha.

He gives exhortation to two women, who are believed to have been deaconesses, to be of one mind in the Master. It is felt that they may have had some type of disagreement in which could give the enemy a foothold or harm weak believers.

Php 4:1 So then, my brothers, beloved and longed-for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Master, beloved.

Exhortation, Encouragement, and Prayer

Php 4:2 I appeal to Euodia and I appeal to Suntuche to be of the same mind in the Master.

Php 4:3 And I also ask you, true companion, help these women who laboured with me in the Good News, with Qlemes also, and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the Book of Life

Paul goes on to encourage help for the men and women that had labored by his side and had been faithful and obedient servants of the Good News. He had no doubt that their names were written in the **Book of Life**.

- Php 4:4 Rejoice in יהוה always, again I say, rejoice!
- Php 4:5 Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Master is near.
- Php 4:6 Do not worry at all, but in every *matter*, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to Elohim.
- Php 4:7 And the peace of Elohim, which surpasses all understanding, shall guard your hearts and minds through Messiah יהושע.
- Php 4:8 For the rest, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is righteous,

whatever is clean, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good report, if there is any uprightness and if there is any praise – think on these.

Php 4:9 And what you have learned and received and heard and saw in me, practise these, and the Elohim of peace shall be with you.

YHWH's Provision

Php 4:10 And I rejoiced in יהוה greatly that now at last your concern for me has revived again – though you were concerned, but had no chance.

Php 4:11 Not that I speak concerning need, for I have learned to be content in whatever state I am.

The concern that the Philippians had shown Paul <u>had revived him</u>. Not so much concerning need, because Paul goes on to say that he had <u>learned to be content</u> in whatever conditions he had found himself in. There is a lot that we all could learn from Paul by 'learning to be content'.

Php 4:12 I know what it is **to be humbled**, and I know what it is **to have in excess**. In any and every *situation* I have learned both **to be filled**, and **to be hungry**, both **to have in excess**, and **to be in need.**

Php 4:13 I have strength to do all, through Messiaha who empowers me.

Php 4:14 Yet you did well in sharing in my pressure.

Php 4:15 And you know too, Philippians, that in the beginning of the Good News, when I went out from Makedonia, no assembly shared with me concerning giving and receiving, except you only.

Php 4:16 because, even in Thessalonike you sent to my need, once and twice.

Php 4:17 Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that is multiplying to your account.

The Philippians would send Paul gifts and they were much appreciated, and He rejoiced that they were <u>bearing fruit and storing up treasures in heaven</u>. He makes special mention of a gift they sent him by Epaphroditos in <u>'priestly offering language'</u> by calling it a sweet-smelling fragrance; an acceptable offering well-pleasing to Elohim.

Php 4:18 Indeed I have all and more than enough. I have been filled, having received from Epaphroditos what you sent, a **sweet-smelling fragrance**, b Exo 29:18 an acceptable offering, well-pleasing to Elohim. Footnote: b 2Co_2:14-15, Eph_5:2.

Php 4:19 And my Elohim shall fill all your need according to His riches in esteem by Messiah יהושע.

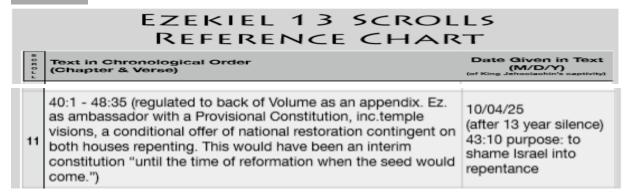
Php 4:20 And to our Elohim and Father be esteem forever and ever. Aměn.

Final Greetings

Php 4:21 Greet every set-apart one in Messiah יהושע. The brothers with me greet you.

- Php 4:22 All the set-apart ones greet you, but most of all those of Caesar's household.
- Php 4:23 The favour of our Master יהושע Messiah be with you all. Aměn.

Ezekiel 43 Ezekiel 43 continues within Scroll 11.



The Glory of the Lord Fills the Temple

- Eze 43:1 And he led me to the gate, the gate facing east.
- Eze 43:2 And see, the esteem of the Elohim of Yisra'ěl came from the way of the east.

 And His voice was like the sound of many waters, and the earth shone from His esteem.

Eze 43:3 And it was like the appearance of the vision which I saw, like the vision which I saw when He came to destroy the city. And the visions were like the vision which I saw by the River Kebar, and I fell on my face.

- ♣ Eze 43:4 And the esteem of יהוה came into the House by way of the gate facing east.
- **Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Lesson Less**
- Eze 43:6 And I heard someone speaking to me from the House, while a man stood beside me.
- - o "Son of man, this is the place of My throne
 - and the place of the soles of My feet.
 - o when I dwell in the midst of the children of Yisra'ěl forever,
 - o and the house of Yisra'ěl shall no longer defile My set-apart Name,
 - they nor their sovereigns, by their whoring and by the corpses of their sovereigns on their high places.
 - o Eze 43:8 "When they placed their threshold by My threshold,
 - and their doorpost by My doorpost, with a wall between them and Me, they defiled My set-apart Name by the abominations which they have done. So I consumed them in My displeasure.
- ≠ Eze 43:9 "Now let them put their whoring and the corpses of their sovereigns far away from Me, and I shall dwell in their midst forever.
- **♣** Eze 43:10 "Son of man, explain the House to the house of Yisra'ĕl, and when they are ashamed of their crookednesses, they shall measure the measurements.
- ♣ Eze 43:11 "And since they shall be ashamed of all that they did, make known to them
 the design of the House and its structure, and its exits and its entrances, its entire design
 and all its laws, and all its forms and all its Torot. And write it down before their eyes, so
 that they observe its entire design and all its laws, and shall do them.
- **♣** Eze 43:12 "This is the Torah of the House: Upon the mountaintop, all the boundary of it, all around, is most set-apart. See, this is the Torah of the House.

The Altar – detailed measurements of the altar are included.

Eze 43:13 "And these are the measurements of the slaughter-place in cubits, that cubit being one cubit and a handbreadth, and the base one cubit high and one cubit wide, with a rim all around its edge of one span. And this is the upper part of the slaughter-place.

Eze 43:14 "And from the base on the ground to the lower ledge, two cubits, and the width of the ledge one cubit, and from the smaller ledge to the larger ledge four cubits, and the width of the ledge one cubit.

Eze 43:15 "And the slaughter-place hearth is four cubits high, and four horns extending upward from the hearth.

Eze 43:16 "And the slaughter-place hearth is twelve cubits long, and twelve wide, square at its four corners.

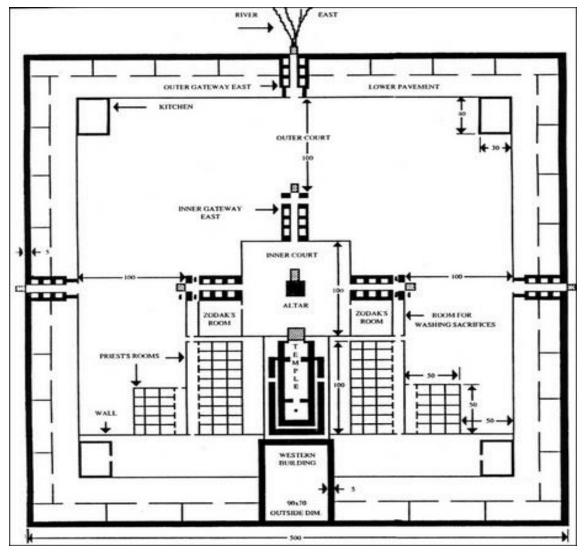
Eze 43:17 "And the ledge is fourteen long and fourteen wide on its four sides, with a rim of half a cubit around it, and its base one cubit all around, and its steps face east."

Eze 43:18 And He said to me, "Son of man, thus said the Master יהוה,

- 'These are the laws for the slaughter-place on the day when it is made, for offering ascending offerings on it, and for sprinkling blood on it.
- ❖ Eze 43:19 And you shall give a young bull for a sin offering to the priests, the Lewites, who are of the seed of Tsadoq, who approach unto Me,' declares the Master יהוה.
- ❖ Eze 43:20 And you shall take some of its blood and put it on the four horns of the slaughter-place, on the four corners of the ledge, and on the rim around it, and shall cleanse it and make atonement for it.
- ❖ Eze 43:21 And you shall take the bull of the sin offering, and shall burn it in the appointed place of the House, outside the set-apart place.
- ❖ Eze 43:22 And on the second day you bring a male goat, a perfect one, for a sin offering. And they shall cleanse the slaughter-place, as they cleansed it with the bull.
- ❖ Eze 43:23 When you have ended cleansing it, bring a young bull, a perfect one, and a ram from the flock, a perfect one.
- ❖ Eze 43:24 And you shall bring them before יהוה, and the priests shall throw salt on them and offer them up as an ascending offering to יהוה.
- ❖ Eze 43:25 Prepare a goat for a sin offering daily for seven days, and prepare a young bull and a ram from the flock, perfect ones.

Eze 43:26 For seven days they shall make atonement for the slaughter-place and cleanse it, and ordain it.

Eze 43:27 And when these days are completed it shall be, on the eighth day and thereafter, that the priests make your ascending offerings and your peace offerings on the slaughter-place, and I shall accept you,' declares the Master יהוה."



Possible rendering of Ezekiel's temple.

YHWH had equipped Ezekiel with the detailed plans of the temple and associated instructions. YHWH was sincere in His offer and laid out the plans and provisions for the two houses IF ONLY they would repent. All that Ezekiel presented was CONTINGENT on both houses repenting. Therefore, when they do not repent, the plans for the 'Ezekiel' temple are taken off of the table as 'what might have been' until the time of the Redeemer, Yahusha HaMashiach.

Keep in mind, if they would have repented, this temple would have been the 2nd Temple to be built.

Psalm 95 & 96

Psalm 95 & 96 are glorious chapters! Give praise, honor, glory, esteem, thanksgiving to YHWH! Bow down before Him for He is worthy of all praise! Sing and shout to our Redeemer! When doing so, the 24 elders before His throne bow down and cast their crowns! [Rev. 4:10]

Love Him and 'guard His charge'; do not harden our hearts as did the generation in the wilderness.

Let Us Sing Songs of Praise

- Psa 95:1 Come, let us sing to יהוה! Let us raise a shout to the Rock of our deliverance.
- Psa 95:2 Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; Let us raise a shout to Him in song.
- Psa 95:3 For יהוה is a great Ěl, And a great Sovereign above all mighty ones.
- Psa 95:4 In whose hand are the depths of the earth; The mountain peaks are His also.
- Psa 95:5 His is the sea, for He made it; And His hands formed the dry land.
- Psa 95:6 Come, let us bow down and bend low, Let us kneel before יהוה our Maker.
- Psa 95:7 For He is our Elohim, And we are the people of His pasture, And the sheep of His hand. Today, if you would hear His voice:
- Psa 95:8 "Do not harden your hearts as in Meribah, And as in the day of Massah in the wilderness.
- Psa 95:9 "When your fathers tried Me, Have proved Me, though they saw My work.
- Psa 95:10 "For forty years I was grieved with *that* generation, And said, 'They are a people who go astray in their hearts, And they do not know My ways.'
- Psa 95:11 "As I swore in My wrath, 'If they enter into My rest...'"

He is the Creator of the heavens and earth; He is the omnipotent; omniscient; omnipresent Elohim! He is the Alpha and the Omega, and He is coming again! All the heavens, earth, and creation rejoice! The rocks cry out the trees clap their hands!

The enemy does just the opposite. The enemy says, YHWH <u>isn't</u> the Creator of the heavens and earth. The enemy says, there was this cosmic 'big bang' and out of 'chaos' 'intelligent design' was created? Maybe, when YHWH wraps up the heavens like a scroll they will believe; but then it will be too late.

Yahusha [YHWH in Son] first came as the Lamb of Elohim and when He comes again, He will come as the righteous Judge to judge the earth. Activist judges will step aside. He will come as King of kings.

Worship in the Splendor of Holiness

- Psa 96:1 Sing to יהוה a new song, Sing to יהוה, all the earth!
- Psa 96:2 Sing to יהוה, bless His Name, Proclaim His deliverance from day to day.
- Psa 96:3 Declare His esteem among the nations, His wonders among all peoples.
- Psa 96:4 For great is יהוה and greatly to be praised, He is to be feared above all mighty ones.
- Psa 96:5 For all the mighty ones of the peoples are matters of naught, But יהוה made the heavens.
- Psa 96:6 Excellency and splendor are before Him, Strength and comeliness are in His set-apart place.
- Psa 96:7 Ascribe to יהוה, O clans of the peoples, Ascribe to יהוה esteem and strength.
- Psa 96:8 Ascribe to יהוה the esteem of His Name; Bring an offering, and come into His courts.
- Psa 96:9 Bow yourselves to יהוה, In the splendor of set-apartness! Tremble before Him, all the earth.
- Psa 96:10 Say among nations, "יהוה shall reign. The world also is established, immovable. He judges the peoples in straightness."
- Psa 96:11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
- Psa 96:12 Let the field exult, and all that is in it. Let all the trees of the forest then shout for joy, Psa 96:13 At the presence of יהוה. For He shall come, For He shall come to judge the earth. He judges the world in righteousness,^a And the peoples with His truth. Footnote: ^aSee also Psa_98:9, Act_17:31, Rev_19:11.

The donkey, the lion, and the man of Elohim...

~ Shalom ~ Líbby

Devotional Reading Plan Link: http://www.mcheyne.info/calendar.pdf