THE ISSUE - II

PREFACE

A literal translation from the love chapter reads:

For now we see by means of a mirror, in a riddle ... (1 Corinthians 13:12).

In the New American Standard Bible, this would read - "in a mirror dimly," with a margin note that "dimly" is literally, "in a riddle." How is it that now we see "by means of a mirror, in a riddle"? Yahweh God seldom wholly reveals what He is doing or will do until the work is at hand or already done. Yes, the Jews knew Messiah was coming; but, not in the way that He came! His coming and work were entirely unsuspected. And then, after almost 1,500 years of a relationship with God seemingly predicated entirely on the commanded Laws of Yahweh, including sacrifices and temple worship, suddenly all of that was no longer that way! And what a dramatic and unsuspected change it was! Can you imagine being a Jew, and suddenly everything you had believed to be pleasing to God was changed? The very things God had commanded were suddenly set aside! Try to imagine what it would have been like to have been raised in a religion that you knew was true, then suddenly those who had once before loved, taught, and supported you, were now your enemies (Romans 11:28)! And this not because you changed gods (i.e., going to a different god-based religion), but because God seemingly changed His plan (though not really changing, only changing what was obedience; actually fulfilling what He had foreshadowed). Did, then, Yahshua's disciples, or anyone at the time He walked on this earth, suspect what was happening? Clearly - No! Yahweh had not laid out in overt language what He was doing, or going to do. But today, in hindsight, His "mystery," as Paul called it, His plan concerning the Lamb of God, is obvious. Could Yahweh do this again? Could He once again plan a dramatic change and hide it, yet all the time it was actually recorded in His Scriptures, as was His first coming? Would He now do this again at His second coming? You can be sure He would. In fact, it has already begun!

What ever Yahweh does, or what He is going to do, one can be certain it is already revealed in the Scriptures. In hindsight, we now see what the Jews prior to the birth of Yahshua (and afterwards) failed to see. Nonetheless, it was already delineated in the Scriptures. And even as the Jews were blind to the plan of Yahweh, so Christians are blind to what Yahweh is undoubtedly doing now. Thus we see, as spoken by Paul, that in order to know, to perceive, to understand, what Yahweh is doing and will do, requires that we examine "the mirror" or the "riddle" message of Yahweh. Yahweh is a God who must be sought; and as written by Solomon-"It is the glory of God to <u>conceal</u> a matter, but the glory of kings is to search out a matter" (Proverbs 25:2).

What exactly does it mean when we read - "we see by means of a mirror"? What is a mirror? A mirror is something used to reflect an image. It is not the true substance, lacking all the qualities of the true substance, but only reflects an appearance of the true substance. So, while the mirror image is not the substance, it is though a representation of the substance. Such are the accounts and the teachings of the Scriptures. And equally, such is history, as it foretells the "nothing new under the sun" evidences of that which will be. Through the teachings and all the stories and accounts recorded in Yahweh's word, as well as in history, we see in these a representation, an image, of what Yahweh will do. Let us look at a simple, obvious, and accepted example of this.

Every Passover, the Jews witnessed the death of the Passover lamb; yet, when Yahshua came and was crucified on Passover, very few, if any, saw or even recognized at the time the true fulfillment or true substance that was being carried out as foretold in the mirror riddles in the Scriptures - Yahshua, our spotless Passover lamb. While the image is now clear to us (since man has beheld the substance, providing clear definition and complete meaning to the mirror riddle), the more difficult task (in fact impossible, outside of the set-apart Spirit) is to examine an image and "search out" its meaning before the substance is fully revealed. That is why gaining knowledge by means of a mirror is equally called a "riddle." What is a riddle? It too is an image - a very much in-part image - and its meaning is initially hidden, requiring much needed discernment. Let us look at an example of a riddle. In Judges 14:14 Samson propounded a riddle to the Philistines, saying:

"Out of the eater came something to eat, And out of the strong came something sweet."

If you had not previously read Judges 14, could you have revealed the meaning of Samson's riddle? Undoubtedly not! And neither could have the Philistines, had they not "plowed with my heifer," as Samson said. Samson had killed a lion, and when he returned to it, a swarm of bees were in its body. He then scraped out some of the honey and ate it. Thus was the meaning of Samson's riddle.

Equally, the riddles of Yahweh are impossible to discern, apart from plowing with the "heifer," the espoused bride. And His riddles are hidden throughout the Scriptures. Even this riddle of Samson's is a riddle within a riddle. And if one discerns it, they too will receive the prize of "thirty linen wraps and thirty changes of clothing." Yahweh's riddles are everywhere. There are riddles that are not only in the texts of the accounts of people, but even in the numerous contradictions of Yahweh's perfect word. And all of these riddles are mirror images of that which He will do.

How then can one discern the image or the riddle? Proverbs 14:6 says - "But knowledge is easy to him who has understanding." Continuing in this matter of the image versus the substance, if one gets a glimpse of the substance of what Yahweh will do or is doing, this makes for easier discernment of the image or riddle. Or, as we see in this passage in the Proverbs of Solomon - if one can gain an understanding of what Yahweh is going to do, then a knowledge of what God is saying and presenting is "easy." Such was the case with the first coming of Yahshua. Knowing

the truth of Yahshua's first coming, has now made the understanding of all the before undiscerned mirror riddles "easy."

The purpose of this writing is to examine the mirror, the riddle, of what Yahweh is doing and will do in the days ahead. Countless verses - not to speak of the confirming testimonies of history, creation, geography, the heavens, even maps - reveal that Yahweh is effecting another change comparable to that at Yahshua's first coming. Once again, it is a "new" and, before now, undisclosed work; and there are numerous images/riddles attesting to this work.

Let us now look at some of these images, these riddles, which Yahweh has propounded in His word. And of course this writer cannot understand all the truths of these pictures covered herein - only fragments. Only One holds all the truth to these; and we will not have perfect understanding until we have perfect bodies, possessing the perfect law that restores the soul (Psalm 19:7). Until then, we see "by means of a mirror, in a riddle;" and we seek to understand the riddle so that we too may obtain the promised "thirty linen wraps and thirty changes of clothes" foreshadowed per the discernment of Samson's riddle - linen priesthood and the change from being clothed in a natural body to a spiritual body.

And one final comment before moving on. This is a <u>very</u> comprehensive writing affirming the already awesome and marvelous revelations of the two-part Remnant, but taking the reader even beyond those marvelous truths. The intentions of writing this were to pull out the stops and record the marvels of what is being seen. Some supporting points are added in brief one and two-line statements, deserving far more understanding. Add to this that the material is almost entirely new to the reader, and that it is rather lengthy in content; all-in-all, this writing is nothing to try to just breeze through. It must be thoughtfully and prayerfully and carefully studied. May Yahweh open your mind so that you may understand.

INTRODUCTION

In the writing titled *THE ISSUE*, we clearly saw that twice the kingdom of God has been given to man while in his earthly flesh - first in the garden of Eden, and second to the church following Yahshua's restoration of the kingdom through the all-important vow of the Nazirite. It is highly suggested that one read *THE ISSUE* before attempting to embark on this writing, as little effort is made to retrace what has already been established in that work. In fact, reading several of the writings here would be most beneficial before taking on this rather extensive piece. The purpose of this writing is (1) to provide added Scriptural evidence that what has already been presented in *THE ISSUE*, is indeed verified in other passages, and (2) to expand into new ventures of truth and revelation concerning the fuller scope of the kingdom of God/the church, the Remnant, Christianity, all of which are the beginning fulfillment of the new heavens and new earth.

The common thread carrying this entire work from beginning to end, is the examination of the ONLY time in the entire Old Testament (other than in the generalities of the Psalms) in

which a term similar to the kingdom of God or kingdom of heaven was used. As we will see, like a rare artifact, the uniqueness of this sole expression makes it very important; and equally true, its completeness in foreshadowing the kingdom makes it highly revealing. What then is this Old Testament testimony of the kingdom of God? It is the reign of King Solomon, who was promised "to sit on the throne of the kingdom of Yahweh over Israel" (1 Chronicles 28:5). This unique testimony of the kingdom of God, as we will see, received a second witness in 1 Chronicles 17:14 where Yahweh equally promised concerning Solomon - "I will settle him in My house and in My kingdom forever, and his throne shall be established forever."

Did Solomon fulfill what was promised concerning a house and a kingdom and a throne that would be established forever? Obviously not! Did Solomon thus have the true kingdom of God that would be without end? No. We saw in *THE ISSUE* that the kingdom of God was defiled in the garden of Eden, and was not available to man for 4,000 years until Yahshua could restore it as a Nazirite, Himself having the power of an indestructible life and able to resurrect and restore His Nazirite vow. Once the kingdom was restored, it was given to the church on Pentecost. But from the garden, where the angel stood at its entrance with a flaming sword forbidding man's reentrance, until Yahshua restored the garden of Eden (and thus the kingdom of God), no man, no king, could enter into that kingdom. Thus the question arises - What was the "kingdom of Yahweh" over which Solomon resided?

To answer this, we must view a very important truth. In Ecclesiastes 1:9 we read:

That which has been is that which will be, And that which has been done is that which will be done. So, there is nothing new under the sun.

This is equally stated in 3:15, which reads:

That which is has been already, and that which will be has already been, for God seeks what has passed by.

Thus, we can conclude with interest: Everything regarding the church - its beginning, its corruption, its ending - is <u>all</u> foreshadowed in pictures and patterns both in the Old Testament and in the New. These pictures are, of course, the mirror images or riddles we considered in the "Preface." And one can be fully assured that nothing happens, especially when it is as important a work as the kingdom-receiving church, without first being pictured in the lives and experiences of others. Solomon's promise "to sit on the throne of the kingdom of Yahweh over Israel" is just such an example. Keep in mind that the church received the restored kingdom of God; so when a king came along and was promised "the kingdom of Yahweh," built the house of God with gold and silver, and for the only time in history expanded his kingdom boundaries to that promised to Abraham, one can be most certain that this king was an extremely important and very revealing picture of the true kingdom that Yahshua brought to man. What we see occurring with Solomon and those who inherited his kingdom, will give us great and confirming insight regarding the kingdom that was given to man at Yahshua's resurrection.

What we actually find about Solomon is that, very consistently, he represents the Remnant. Yahweh provides these prophetic representations or preludes, these revealing mirror images, remarkably consistently. A man, a town, a mountain, a river, an object, <u>all</u> have a prophetic significance in the Scriptures, throughout history, and even today. Actually, you already accept this idea in relation to the Scriptures; only your application has been limited. Let us briefly relate some of these pictures that you undoubtedly already know and accept. For example - the Passover lamb. Of what is this lamb prophetic? Yahshua, of course, our Passover lamb slain for our sins. How about a dove? The set-apart Spirit. Leaven is prophetic of sin or corruption. Leprosy speaks of our corruption by sin that leads to death. Yahshua spoke in parables in which physical objects represented spiritual truths - birds, tares, leaven, trees, etc. In Galatians 4:25, Paul related how Hagar and Sarah, or Jerusalem and Jerusalem above, represent two covenants. Likewise, he relates how the rocks struck in the wilderness, as well as the manna, foreshadowed Yahshua (1 Corinthians 10:3-4) You see, you already accept and already see some of His prophetic representations; but they are far more delineated than you have yet imagined.

Let us go one step further. An easier one for you - the seven-branch lampstand represents the church, particularly Christianity. A donkey represents Pentecost. The Mount of Olives represents the Remnant. In fact, anything having to do with olives represents the Remnant - the olive leaf in Genesis 8:11, the two olive trees in Zechariah 4, the two olive trees in Revelation 11:4, etc.. And since Yahweh is omnipotent, His testimonies are not limited to the Scriptures alone. Whether it is Olive Way and parallel Olive Ave. in Seattle, Washington, King County, or the nation of Italy that occupies a very strategic and symbolic place as the foot over Africa and is the world's largest producer of olives, the olive continues to prophesy of the Remnant. Yahweh's prophetic testimonies are exceedingly consistent, and are not isolated to their application in the Scriptures alone. If they speak in the Scriptures, they speak in the world. If they apply in the Scriptures, they apply in the world.

Let us quickly look at some of the towns in the Scriptures and see what they represent. Bethany, the home of Lazarus, always represents the Remnant. And even as there was good Jonathan and bad Saul in Saul's household, representing the good and evil that coexists in Christianity, likewise there are two towns that represent the good and the evil of Christianity - Ramah and Gibeah. Remarkably clear and very important, Saul himself, who was established as king on Pentecost, represents Christianity. Damascus, which is where New Testament Saul (who was to become Paul) was headed when interrupted by a great light, represents the existing corrupt religious powers, an origin of evil.

We could go on and on with these. Some are not so limited in their meaning as others. For example, a lion could represent Judah, or Yahshua, or Satan, or pastors; all depending on the context of its usage. But whether the meaning is general, or highly specific - all things prophecy in type in the Scriptures, and even in life. We simply need the eyes to see and wisdom from above to understand.

SOLOMON - THE FIRST REMNANT

As we said concerning Solomon, he clearly represents the Remnant. As with Solomon, the promise of the kingdom belongs to the Remnant. When it was time for Solomon to reign, it looked like someone else was going to the throne of David - Solomon's brother, Adonijah. But, this was not to be! At the last moment, while Adonijah was being proclaimed king by the popular masses, David anointed Solomon to be King. Equally, while Christianity thinks they will reign with Yahshua, like Adonijah they will find out otherwise. The promise of reigning with Yahshua belongs to another - the two-part Remnant. (See the <u>Strike The Rock</u> e-mail for more on Adonijah's testimony.)

This association of Solomon with the Remnant is so pervasive that his other writings equally reflect this. For example, Proverbs reflects the wisdom and knowledge the Remnant will possess, and the fact that the Remnant will be with Yahshua in the beginning of forming the new heavens and new earth - Yahshua's new kingdom (Proverbs 8:22f). Likewise, Song of Solomon is a clear account of the two-part Remnant, particularly the first Remnant that had to die. And even statements like the one in John 10:22 and 23 - "At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem; it was winter (white glory), and Jesus was walking in the temple in the portico of Solomon" - keys one to the fact that this event prophetically relates specifically to the Remnant. This is the two-part Elijah/Elisha Remnant. Elijah is actually Eli-Yah, and Elisha is Eli-shua. So when Eli-Yah and Eli-shua are gathered together, Yahshua is clearly in this two-part Remnant's midst (Matthew 18:20). Eli-Yah and Eli-shua together bears the name Yah-shua! So when Yahshua was walking in the two-part Remnant Portico of Solomon, prophetically He was walking in the midst of the two-part Eli-Yah/Eli-shua Remnant.

And even as Solomon built the golden temple of Yahweh, so the Remnant will be the kingdom temple of Yahweh, a temple built without hands and made of living stones. Even as Solomon's gold came from Africa to build the temple (as did the gold that was used to build the tabernacle of Moses), so the kingdom Remnant will come out of "Africa" Christianity to be His temple (see *The Signs That Cause Belief*). And even as Solomon received the promise that he would "sit on the throne of the kingdom of Yahweh over Israel," and that his "throne shall be established forever" (1 Chronicles 17:14), so the Remnant will be the fulfillment of this living prophecy they will receive the kingdom of Yahweh as an everlasting kingdom and the twenty-four Remnant elders will sit on thrones (Revelation 4:4)! And even as Yahweh appeared to Solomon twice (1 Kings 11:9), so He will equally appear to His two Remnant.

With this hopefully established in your understanding regarding Solomon's representation of the two Remnant, especially the first Remnant, let us now look at more of the prophetic picture regarding the kingdom Solomon received, and how it relates to the kingdom of God. Looking at the beginning of Solomon's reign, everything seemed to have gone well. Solomon cleaned house in the kingdom following David's death, disciplining or killing four men. Despite all the commandments in the books of the Law to "Love Yahweh your God," as well as Yahshua's later reaffirmation of this, very remarkably **Solomon is the only person in the entire Bible of**

whom it is recorded that he loved Yahweh - "Solomon loved Yahweh" (1 Kings 3:3)! David said he loved Yahweh in Psalm 18:1, the writer of Psalm 116 said likewise, and Peter was questioned by Yahshua if he agape loved Him, which Peter responded that his love for Him was phileo. But outside of these, surely to your surprise, no one else, not even one in the entire Bible, is ever said to have loved Yahweh, the Lord, God, or even Yahshua. Knowing this makes the passage in John even more meaningful - "In this is love, not that we loved God (which is evident from the Scriptures), but that He loved us ..." (1 John 4:10). Interestingly, John used the word "love," "loved," or "loves" far more than any other writer of the Scriptures - over one hundred times.

It is very significant, as well as very encouraging, that the only man recorded in the Scriptures of whom it was said he loved Yahweh (that is, Solomon), and the one writer of the Scriptures that far more frequently than any other writer refers to the quality of love (that is, John), both prophetically represent the Remnant and the kingdom of God which the Remnant will occupy - the "John" kingdom. Being those who will experience the first resurrection, the Remnant will more fully know the truth of 1 John 4:19 - "We love, because He first loved us." Oh to be engulfed by that love! Thus it is that out of all the people in the entire Scriptures, there is only one of whom it is declared - he "loved Yahweh." Solomon prophetically represents, in this and in many other ways, the Remnant that will be first to fully know His love by entering into resurrection life, becoming like Him, and truly loving and obeying Him (the true sign of love - John 14:15).

Next in Solomon's chronology he had a dream, and in it he did not ask for long life, or riches, or the life of his enemies, but "an understanding heart to judge (or, govern) Your people to discern between good and evil" (1 Kings 3:9). Yahweh therefore gave him "a wise and discerning heart." But note the striking similarity in this statement, "to discern good and evil," and "the tree of the knowledge of good and evil," which Eve equally discerned "was desirable to make one wise." Is not this which Solomon sought the forbidden tree in the original kingdom of the garden of Eden? Precisely! We learn that indeed it is Yahweh's will for man to become like God and to be wise and discern good and evil, to possess His kingdom. But, while man is in the flesh (of this earth) and has yet to become conformed to the image of God in an incorruptible resurrected body, his association with the kingdom (represented by this tree) results in his death. The tree of the knowledge of good and evil is the embodiment of the first work in the kingdom.

We noted in *THE ISSUE* that the tree of the knowledge of good and evil was a grape tree. This is very significant in many regards, in particular concerning the Scripture's testimony regarding wine. This association of the grape tree of the knowledge of good and evil with the kingdom of God, is clearly revealed insomuch that the juice of the grape has the natural tendency to be changed by fermentation into something that is destructive for man - "Do not look on the wine when it is red (lit., adam), when it sparkles in the cup, when it goes down smoothly; at the last it bites like a serpent (Satan), and stings like a viper. Your eyes will see strange things, and your mind will utter perverse things. And you will be like one who lies down in the middle of the sea (i.e., death)" (Proverbs 23:31-33). Such it is with the kingdom for earthly-flesh "adam," or man.

That was the problem with the grape of the kingdom - it became "red," or "adam." It was given to Adam man; and when this happens, the warning is to not look upon it. It sparkles in the cup. It even goes down smoothly. But in the end, it becomes Satan, even as Peter was called Satan, or even as Judas was called Satan. The kingdom of God given to earthly man Adam causes fermentation, corruption, and death. With the leaven of Satan and the flesh, the kingdom became fermented, changed into something that was harmful to Adam/man; no longer pure as it was, it became and remains defiled with strange and perverse teachings and the ways of men, causing the death of man via the serpent, Satan. In the end, kingdom receiving Adam man lies down in the sea of death. Man has never been able to handle God's grape tree kingdom while in the earthly flesh.

Why then did Solomon pray in his dream that he have understanding to judge Yahweh's people to discern good and evil? Because it was the first Remnant who first ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. The first Remnant was the first of the two brides Yahshua receives. She was a Leah, one who had weak eyes. And as we see in the original garden kingdom, it was the woman, the bride, who first ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and then passed it along to the man. Why? Because the first Remnant was the first to eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil kingdom. This was the Solomon work, who asked for the ability to discern good and evil and received the forbidden tree in the garden. Like Uzzah, man has reached out while in the flesh and touched the ark of the covenant and died (2 Samuel 6:6-7), as was the curse associated with that tree. Like the 50,070 men in the town of Bethshemesh (or, "house of the sun"), earthly man has looked into the ark of the covenant and has been struck down by Yahweh (1 Samuel 9:19). The tree of the knowledge of good and evil is man's opportunity to become like God and receive His kingdom, and in the end it kills him. Man with the tree of the knowledge of good and evil has been dying for nearly 2,000 years.

So when Solomon asked "to discern between good and evil," he was taking his first Remnant position of asking for the tree of the knowledge of good and evil kingdom of God, a request that in the end resulted in his own failure, even as it has meant failure for kingdom-receiving man for 2,000 years.

Up to this point, everything seemed to be OK with Solomon's kingdom reign. With "wisdom and very great discernment and breadth of mind" he judged the people, established his kingdom, and then began to build "a house for the name of Yahweh" - the temple. With very much gold and silver and cedar, the temple was built. Upon its dedication, Yahweh's glory filled the house! "I have surely built You a lofty house, a place for Your dwelling forever" (1 Kings 8:13), said Solomon. But, did Yahweh dwell in that house forever? Not at all! That house was torn down by the Babylonians.

We have already noted that the Solomon work is the first Remnant work. Did the first Remnant work last forever, even though it too essentially received the promise and certainly had the anticipation that it would bring the King on His throne? No it did not. What happened to the work of the first Remnant? Essentially the same thing that happened to the first temple. While Babylon tore down Solomon's temple, it was Mystery Babylon, or Christianity, that tore down the work of the first Remnant.

Though we must attempt to be brief here, it would be very beneficial to examine the pattern and testimonies of all three temples. Even as we find the order and pattern of the kingdom of heaven in Zechariah 4, so we see the same order and pattern in the three temples. Let us see.

In Zechariah 4, we read that the kingdom of heaven, or the work that is not by might nor by power but by His Spirit, is on the one hand three works. First is the first Remnant son of fresh oil olive tree, followed by the seven-branched lampstand of Christianity, then concluded by the second Remnant son of fresh oil olive tree. So now let us look at another testimony to these three parts - the three temples.

The first Remnant testimony is the first temple, or Solomon's temple, as we are considering here. Christianity's witness is, of course, the second temple, or Zerubbabel's temple, which was refurbished by King Herod just before being torn down by the Romans. Most significantly, both of these temples were burned on precisely the same day - the tenth day of the fifth month (Jeremiah 52:12, Josephus, War 6, Ch. 4). What meaning could this have? In truth, these two works of the first Remnant and Christianity are one in testimony. They are the two parts of the kingdom that are "cut off and perish" (Zechariah 13:7-8). In other words, they all sleep. What makes the first Remnant different in this is that they are sealed and covered as the separate Moses work that must stand with the second Remnant Elijah work. But nonetheless, though separate, the two are in one sense one. They are the kingdom of heaven for 2,000 years which comes down in one day.

So we find the first two temples foreshadowing the first "two parts," or 2,000 years, of the kingdom of God. The first temple was the temple of gold, or the first Remnant. The second temple was the temple of bronze, or Christianity. So what is the third temple?

The third temple is the work of the second Remnant, and is foreshadowed in Ezekiel's temple where there is a change in priesthood (Ezekiel 44). This is the second Remnant temple with the water flowing out from under the east gate which flows to the sea, and the "waters (of the sea) become healed" (47:8). It is the temple that promises Yahshua's return (46). It is the work of the second Remnant that defeats death and results in the dead coming back to life. The sea speaks of death - the 2,000 swine went to the sea, Yahshua, who had the power of an indestructible life, walked on it, and more - and it is the work of the second Remnant who bring the dead back to life.

So we see then that the three temples speak of three works in the kingdom of God: Solomon's temple of gold speaks of the first Remnant, Zerubbabel's temple of bronze speaks of Christianity, and Ezekiel's temple speaks of the second Remnant who defeat death, and is the only temple remaining to be built and will never be torn down. That temple will remain forever, for it will ascend alive!

Still, everything thus far seemed to be continuing OK in Solomon's first Remnant kingdom. Next, two seemingly obscure yet identical numbers appear. In 1 Kings 9:14 we see that "Hiram sent the king 120 talents of gold." Then the queen of Sheba came, marveling at Solomon's wisdom, and

equally gave him 120 talents of gold (1 Kings 10:10). (We will examine the great significance of these later.) Then a peculiar statement is made which would raise the concerns of most readers. 1 Kings 10:14 states - "now the weight of gold which came in to Solomon in one year was 666 talents of gold." Most would believe that 666 is the mark of the beast found in Revelation. Is the appearance of this dramatic number an unrelated coincidence in Solomon's life? Not in God's word! There are no coincidences in His word. When stated here that Solomon received 666 talents of gold in one year, one can be very certain that this number prophetically relates somehow in this account. The question is - how?

<u>666</u>

There are a few scriptures we can look to that provide an introduction to what this highly emotional number 666 reveals; and as you will soon find, our pursuit of truth leads us to not consider this number in the traditional way. Here are those scriptures:

You have wearied Yahweh with your words. Yet you say, "How have we wearied Him?" In that you say, "Everyone who does evil is good in the sight of Yahweh, and He delights in them" (Malachi 2:17).

"Your words have been arrogant against Me," says Yahweh. "Yet you say, 'What have we spoken against You?' You have said, ... 'So now we call the arrogant blessed; not only are the doers of wickedness built up, but they also test God and escape'" (Malachi 3:13-15).

Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; who substitute darkness for light and light for darkness; who substitute bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter (Isaiah 5:20)!

Think for a minute. When the kingdom of heaven has been entirely leavened by Satan as foretold by Yahshua (Matthew 13:33), when the serpent in the tree of the knowledge of good and evil is present in Christianity to deceive it, when he has entirely corrupted and altered the truth so that it becomes something that is just the opposite of truth, fulfilling the passages we just read, what then would one expect the number 666 to represent? When Satan has deceived Christians to believe that it is an abominable number reserved for some man-beast who will come on the scene with great tribulation (and has already been expected and proclaimed on numerous occasions), what is the counter testimony of truth? If this is what leavened Christianity teaches us, guess what? You can count on it being just opposite of what they/he teaches! And this is what we will see.

If Satan/Christianity says that 666 is the mark of the beast, then look for it to be just the opposite! When Satan calls "evil good, and good evil," then what good is there in this number 666? Satan/Christianity says that it is a mark of a beast; what is it then?

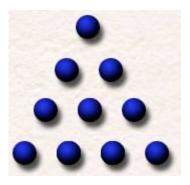
To start with, the number 666 used in Revelation 13:18 can also be the number 616. If you have a New American Standard Bible, for example, you will notice in the margin a reference to this number stating - "Some manuscripts read 616."

In Del Washburn's comprehensive book, *Theomatics II*, he states at the beginning of Chapter 20 on the subject of 666 - "This chapter may be the most revealing chapter of this book." His is a 643 page book, and indeed, the evidence he gives in this chapter supporting that 616 is the number of the beast and not 666, is in his own words "overwhelming"! He goes on to say regarding his first book he wrote on theomatics - "I have in a certain sense regretted that I ever put the chapter on 666 in my first book. At the time I felt compelled to 'say something' about this number because of its popularity." He goes on to say - "I found virtually no pattern of 666 in all the references from the Bible that could in any way relate to Revelation chapter 13." To the contrary though, he discovered an overwhelming amount of evidence that 616 is the number given for the beast in Revelation. "It is one of the most consistent designs I have ever discovered from the Old Testament." And from the New Testament, there is this kind of striking evidence - "the beast" (Revelation 13:2), "the harlot" (1 Corinthians 6:16), "evil" or "wickedness" (Matthew 12:45), and "deceived" (1 Timothy 2:14), all have a numeric value of 616. "Mystery Babylon" has a numeric value of 616 x 3. "The great harlot sitting upon" has a numeric value of 616 x 2. And the impressive list goes on, and is very extensive! Clearly, 616 is the number that identifies the beast, a number Satan has concealed with his deceptive and misleading replacement with the number 666.

Citing further from *Theomatics II*, we read the following statement from a publication titled, *The Book of Revelation, A Key to Christian Origins*, published in 1932:

The figure 616 is given in one of the two best manuscripts., C (Codex Ephraemi Rescripttus, Paris), by the Latin version of Tyconius (DCXVI. Ed. Souter in the Journal of Theo., SE, April, 1913), and by an ancient Armenian version(ed. Conybeare, 1907). Irenaeus knew about it [the 616 reading], but did not adopt it (Haer. V, 30,3); Jerome adopted it (De Monogramm., ed. Dom G. Morin in the Rev. Benedictine, 1903). It is probably original. The number 666 has been substituted for 616 either by analogy with 888, the number of Jesus (Deissmann), or because it is a triangular number, the sum of the first 36 numbers (1+2+3+4+5+6... +36 = 666).

Let us talk just a little about these triangle numbers as mentioned here. What is a triangle number? Referencing James Harrison's book, *The Pattern & The Prophecy*, we find that they are numbers that can be arranged to form a triangle. The number "1" is considered a triangle number. Next would be the number "3," followed by "6," and then "10," and so on. If you laid out beans for each of these numbers, you would see that in each case they form a triangle - starting at the top with one bean, then below it two more (1 + 2 = 3), then three more below that (1 + 2 + 3 = 6), then four more (1 + 2 + 3 + 4 = 10), and so on.



What is the significance of this? A triangle number is considered to be a complete unit. 1 is of course representative of God, who is one. 3 attests to the trinity of God. 6 is man or the number of days of creation. 10 we will discuss later in this writing. Other interesting triangle numbers pointed out by Harrison are 45, or "Adam (created in God's triangle image)" and 1,081, "God's Holy Spirit."

There are two other numbers that are most striking - 153 and 666. 153 is the number of the Remnant. For example, there were 153 fish caught by the disciples after fishing all night and catching no fish (the night period of Christianity), until Yahshua came onto the shore and directed them to cast their nets on the right side of the boat (the right side was the side of a man that was anointed in order to enter into priesthood). 153 is also the numeric value of Lazarus' name, the second Remnant man who was brought out from his own darkness of death. And the list goes on.

It is a curious and most revealing thing that Harrison, who is very classic Christianity with its end time, mark of the beast antichrist, 666, wrath ideas, points out that 666 is a triangular number, with the comment - "Yet perhaps the most bewildering of all such numbers is that of the Antichrist, 666." Bewildering? Why? Maybe it is "bewildering" because they have the wrong identification for what that number truly means.

It is equally most interesting that 6 is the only digit that is duplicated as a triangle number. In other words, not only is 6 a triangle number, but so is 66, and of course so is 666. All three of these numbers make it on the triangle number pattern. No other digit does this, making these combinations of 6 most relevant. (For your curiosity, 6666 is not a triangle number; only the first three.)

(Editor's addition: on May 8, 2005, an article regarding a newly examined Scripture fragment that gives credence to 616 was published on WorldNetDaily.com. Click on the following title to read the article - 666 wrong number of prophetic beast?)

Thus, with it established that 616 is the original number given by John, and that 666 is indeed a most interesting and obviously significant triangle number, we are left with the question of what 666 really means. Based on the fact that Satan calls good evil, we can conclude that, to the consternation and bewilderment of Christianity and society, 666 is actually a good number; and this is precisely what we find!

When are you ever going to get angry for being so lied to and deceived? And this is only the part of it. It is absolutely amazing how much Satan has corrupted the truth and altered Yahweh's word. This corruption of His word is in fact the "abomination of desolation" of the temple. The temple, the kingdom of God, has been desolated by Satan for 2,000 years! The abomination of desolation is not something that is yet to take place, nothing that is going to happen in some anticipated temple in Jerusalem. That is only one more lie. The kingdom "temple" has become so leavened and corrupted for so long, that Satan's lies are accepted as established church doctrine. Anathema!

If 666 is such a bad number, then one would expect it to be used in a bad setting in the Bible. Wouldn't that make sense? If a number is bad, it would be consistently bad. So is that what we find? Del Washburn, in all of his research, does not think so. But let us look at the Scriptures ourselves.

666 is used only two times in the Bible. Of course this does not include the false and deceptive insertion of 666 in Revelation 13. It is first found in the accounting of the amount of gold Solomon received in one year for building the temple. The second time is in Ezra 2:13 where we read - "the sons of Adonikam, 666." Surely if 666 was some beast number, Yahweh would identify this number with something bad; so what is it that "Adonikam" means? One thing for certain, no Christian prophecy teacher references this passage to advance his mark of the beast end time teaching. Adonikam means - "the Lord of rising"! So, if you put the phrase together with the number, it says - "the Lord of rising 666." We will examine the significance of this shortly.

Who was Adonikam? He was one of the leaders of those who came out of captivity from Babylon to help rebuild the temple. So how could a man whose name means "the Lord of rising," and who came out of captivity to rebuild the temple of Yahweh, be some beast? The fact is, as we will continue to see, 666 is <u>never</u> associated with the beast. In fact to the contrary, it is the 666 who will conquer the beast and rebuild the temple. Let us now spend more time examining Solomon's receipt of 666 talents of gold.

In addition to the 666 talents of gold, as we have noted, there was one other quantity of gold mentioned. It is recorded that Solomon also received 120 talents from Hiram (1 Kings 9:14), the King of Tyre whom Solomon commissioned to bring all the gold and cedar and cypress for the temple construction, as well as 120 talents from the queen of Sheba (1 Kings 10:10).

If 666 is supposedly an evil dubious number, then what kind of number is 120? Both are specifically enumerated quantities of gold which Solomon received; so one would think that if 666 is an evil quantity, then likewise 120 would be evil. But of course 120 is not an evil number, even as 666 is not. 120 is the number of government, elevated to the three digit nations level. There were 120 in the upper room on the day of Pentecost. When the two-part Medo-Persian empire took Babylon, it was placed under the oversight of 120 satraps. Equally, Mystery Babylon will be taken by the glorified two-part Remnant and placed under their oversight. Also, Solomon's temple of gold was 120 cubits high (2 Chronicles 3:4).

So there is certainly nothing evil regarding the 120 talents of gold; thus, why is it concluded that when 666 talents of the same precious element are mentioned, that somehow it is now evil? It cannot be. If 666 talents of gold are evil, then so are the two sets of 120 talents of gold.

The mere fact that 666 is identified with gold should tell one that the number is good. Gold is the element that speaks of the kingdom, of righteousness, even of Yahshua Himself. Jerusalem above was made of "pure gold" (Revelation 21:18), and a gold rod was used to measure it (21:15). Yahshua urged the church to buy from Him "gold refined by fire, that you may become rich" (Revelation 3:18). And if upon the foundation of Yahshua we are told to build with gold (1 Corinthians 3:12), how is it now that this quantity of gold used to build the temple of Yahweh, built by a man who received the kingdom of Yahweh, who was chosen by Yahweh to build this house for Him as an everlasting dwelling (which He entered into with His glory), all of a sudden out of total context of what is taking place here, is some evil beast number? This is nothing more than another dramatic case where Satan has called good evil.

666 talents of gold were received by Solomon to build the temple, not to arrive at some evil deed. 666 talents of gold were received to build the very type of temple that Christians falsely say this beast will come to desolate. Did the 666 talents of gold desolate the temple? No, to the contrary it established the temple!

Likewise, 666 sons of Adonikam, or "the Lord of rising" 666 sons, came out of Babylon to equally rebuild the temple that was torn down. So, whether it was Solomon's temple or Zerubbabel's temple, 666 evidenced something good in both of these temple constructions, and not their desolation. Therefore with certainty we can say that Christianity's assessment of the number 666 is classic Satan, calling good evil.

There is nothing evil taking place in this account involving Solomon, or in the construction of the next temple. Every testimony affirms that the 666 talents of gold which Solomon received the year in which the temple was built is in fact a good number, a kingdom number, a temple number. So what does this number 666 represent? Let us now see.

All Christian beast books point out a contrast of 666 with the number 888. They say that Yahshua is identified with the number 888, which speaks of the perfect Son of Man. But then as if it is evil, they say that 666 is a perfect man, but here taking on the identity of this great charismatic leader who will come and rule the earth for a season and cause their abomination of desolation. This is of course all Bible science fiction, and generates nice incomes for the writers and teachers and producers, as well as builds congregations and even entire denominations. But is it truth? Far from it!

One should ask, if three eights makes something good and perfect, then why does not taking three sixes make something good, or at least better? Granted, one is working with sixes here; and that cannot yet be entirely perfect, since six is the number of man. But frankly, flesh man needs a GREAT degree of help in order to be prepared for the return of Yahshua. While "perfect" earthly 666-man is still not the best prospect, it beats plain old corrupt and deceived 6-man. Let us now

go to another account to better understand what is being evidenced here. This account will take a little time, but will be immensely worthwhile.

It has been pointed out in other writings here that the capture of the ark of the covenant by the Philistines for 7 months, and it being held in Dagon's temple, is a clear picture of the kingdom of heaven being given to earthly man. It is once again taking the holy and giving it to the profane. The consequence for this mix resulted in the affliction of the Philistines with hemorrhoids and being ravaged by mice (1 Samuel 5 and 6). Now to the point.

The church, the kingdom of God given to earthly man, has the same problem. "That which has been is that which will be," and what we see played out here is nothing less than what man has experienced with the kingdom for nearly 2,000 years. Unclean mice have ravaged the kingdom, while kingdom men are smitten with hemorrhoids. Be prepared, that which will now be addressed will not be pretty; but neither is what earthly man has been doing to the kingdom. Yahweh gives us this foreshadowing account in order to see this problem for ourselves. While unclean mice ravaging the kingdom is somewhat more straightforward, let us consider the testimony of the hemorrhoids.

Recorded only in first Remnant Matthew 15:11 and Christianity Mark 7:20, we read the following instruction of Yahshua:

"Not what enters into the mouth defiles the man, but what proceeds out of the mouth, this defiles the man."

The issue provoking this response was because the Pharisees objected to His disciples not washing their hands before eating bread. Of course bread goes into the mouth and after being processed by the flesh comes out the other end, the end where these hemorrhoids developed. What are hemorrhoids? They are enflamed anal openings, equally surrounded by two "lips." And what is it that James said regarding the tongue? "And the tongue is a fire, the very world of iniquity; the tongue is set among our members as that which defiles the entire body, and sets on fire the course of our life, and is set on fire by hell" (James 3:6).

When the Philistines were smitten with hemorrhoids for taking the holy and placing it among the profane, prophetically this is exactly what has happened to kingdom man for 2,000 years. Earthflesh men, upon receiving the bread from heaven, the pure truth of the kingdom, take in the truth, ingest it into their flesh, process it according to their flesh, and then when it comes out the posterior mouth, feed it to other men, thus defiling the man and all who receive their message. It is this mouth of flesh that Yahshua spoke of that defiles the man, as well as the hearers, and is analogous to speaking from one's enflamed hemorrhoidal posterior. With 22,000 denominations teaching contradicting information, a lot of dung is being fed, more than the reader even knows or recognizes.

Of course since man has taken the holy into the profane, his flesh posterior mouth that he speaks from is smitten with the curse of a mouth set on fire by hell, the very world of iniquity, and is

nothing more than an inflamed hemorrhoid. All men for 2,000 years, when speaking on behalf of the King and His kingdom, have been speaking from the mouth of enflamed hemorrhoids. What is the solution to this unceasing problem? What was the solution for the Philistines? Let us see.

After 7 months of affliction, the Philistines came to their senses, being made aware of and weary of their dire state, and wanted the ark to be sent back to the place from where it had come. The solution? Send the ark back with a guilt offering to Yahweh.

"So you shall make likenesses of your hemorrhoids and likenesses of your mice that ravaged the land, and you shall give glory to the God of Israel; perhaps He will ease His hand from you, your gods, and your land. Why then do you harden your hearts as the Egyptians and Pharaoh hardened their hearts? When He had severely dealt with them, did they not allow the people to go, and they departed" (1 Samuel 6:5-6)?

So we see that in order for this plague and affliction that has been on the church for nearly 2,000 years to cease, then something or someone needs to depart. Who will that be? The answer - the Elijah Remnant! We will see this clearly and graphically represented in what followed next.

The Philistines prepared "a new cart" (Yahweh is going to perform "a new thing" [Jeremiah 31:22], or new wine in new wineskins), and hitched it to "two milch cows on which there (had) never been a yoke" (the second Remnant two witnesses). The calves from the two milch cows were taken home (the first Remnant who are under the altar), and they placed the ark of the covenant on the new cart, along with the guilt offerings of five golden mice and five golden hemorrhoids. (Oh boy this account is rich! And we are not even near finished!)

Let us point out here that it is illegal for this cart to transport the ark of the covenant. The ark had to be carried on poles by men on foot, but here we see Yahweh making an exception for this case. More on this in a minute.

So what happened next?

And the cows took the straight way in the direction of Beth-shemesh, they went along the highway, lowing as they went, and did not turn to the right or to the left. And the lords of the Philistines followed them to the border of Beth-shemesh (6:12).

Beth-shemesh means - "house of the sun." This is precisely what Christianity is. It is the house of the sun, evidenced by many testimonies, including their worship on their "Sabbath" day of "rest," <u>Sun</u>day, along with their great festive day, Christmas, when they celebrate the birth of Jesus on the day in which all the sun gods were born. We also see this in the pattern of the kings who ruled Babylon after its fall to the Medo-Pursians: Darius -> Cyrus -> Darius, or in the meaning of their names - restraining one -> sun -> restraining one. This is of course the pattern of the true fulfillment: first Remnant -> Christianity -> second Remnant, the sun corresponding to Christianity. Thus we see why the procession of the Philistines went as far as the "house of the

sun." This period of the capture of the ark among the Philistines for 7 months is the period of Christianity. What more evidence do we have of this? Let us read the next verse, verse 13.

Now the people of Beth-shemesh were reaping their wheat harvest in the valley, and they raised their eyes and saw the ark and were glad to see it.

It has been repeatedly stated in these writings that wheat is identified specifically with Christianity, barley with the Remnant, and grapes with the nations. Yahweh provides here one more testimony of what is taking place. The "wheat harvest" here specifically speaks of Christianity.

Also we see that it is the wheat harvest that is "in the valley." Once again, the valley speaks of Christianity. For example, in Zechariah 14:4 we read that the Mount of Olives (the two-olive-tree Remnant) is split into two parts and separated by "a very large valley." This is the "very large valley" of Christianity that separates the two Remnant. The Remnant bride is also the "lily of the valleys ... among the thorns" of the cursed wilderness period of the kingdom (Song of Solomon 2:1-2).

So we see that both "wheat harvest," as well as "in the valley," attest to this being Christianity. The ark of the covenant is coming out of the 7 of Christianity by these two milch cows, drawing a new cart, with the guilt offering; or, the Remnant bride coming out of the body of Christ. This entire account is a testimony of the second Remnant coming out to Yahshua.

Further evidence of the Remnant coming out of Christianity (there is a great deal of evidence in these events) is that the two milch cows took the ark of the covenant and the guilt offerings to "the field of Yahshua the Beth-shemite" (yes, Yahshua is identified with the church, the body of Christ), and there he split the wood of the new cart, placed it on a large stone, and offered the cows as a burnt offering to Yahweh. Burnt offerings are always testimonies of ascending to Yahweh; they were to be savory sacrifices unto Him.

These two milch cows became the testimony of the ascension of the second Remnant to Yahweh upon the return of the ark of the covenant to Yahshua, completing a MOST graphic testimony of the kingdom of God in captivity for a mark-of-the-beast 7 period time.

We have already noted that the transport of the ark via a cart is illegal. Later David tried to move the ark in the same manner, and the wrath of Yahweh came against him (2 Samuel 6). We must notice here that Yahweh indeed does a new thing in this account in many ways, one that He is allowing something that is actually contrary to His laws. Why is He doing this? Because He must do so in order to get the ark out of captivity and to the field of Yahshua. What does this testify to us, His second Remnant milch cows?

Is it legal for earthly flesh to enter into heaven? ABSOLUTELY NOT! The flesh is of this earth, is corrupt, is of Satan, is wretched, and resists Yahweh. So why would He allow the second Remnant to ascend to Him? Because He must do a new thing and make an exception. Even as the

lame, who were "hated by David's soul" and were forbidden to enter his house (2 Samuel 5:8), did indeed enter into David's house by means of his covenant with Jonathan (lame Mephibosheth ate at his table - 2 Samuel 9:13); so the lame second Remnant will enter into Yahweh's house alive, in their afflicted earthly bodies which are "hated" by Yahweh's soul. It is truly an amazing thing, which completely escapes people's recognition, that Yahweh would cause a people to ascend alive to heaven! People do not even realize how illegal and unclean that act is, and is only possible because of the covenant provided by Yahshua. Do not minimize how illegal this Divine act is, and how unworthy we are in doing this. The unholy will ascend to the holy! Oh what an exception Yahweh must make for this to happen! We are the illegal transport of the ark of the covenant to the field of Yahshua to ascend alive to Yahweh as an offering to Him. And the only reason we can is because Yahshua makes the offering! Remnant, do not let it escape you how Yahweh is making an exception for us to ascend to Him. We are lame and unclean; yet nonetheless, He is bringing us in to dine with Him at His table. Oh how unworthy we are of this favor which we receive for His name's sake.

With all of this in mind, why then the guilt offering of the five golden hemorrhoids and five golden mice? Since this is such a clear and highly complete account of the second Remnant, where does this guilt offering fit in?

We have already seen that these hemorrhoids are the inflamed mouths of those who receive the kingdom while still in earthly flesh. We have seen that Solomon received 666 talents of gold in one year at the building of the temple of Yahweh, or perfect man in a quantity of gold. We have seen that Yahweh makes an exception for earthly man to enter into His presence. We have seen that gold represents His kingdom, including the two 120 talents of gold, the 666 talents of gold, and now these guilt offerings of golden mice and golden hemorrhoids. So what is all of this about? It is this.

The second Remnant has absolutely no justification to enter into heaven while still in our earthly bodies. None whatsoever! In this present state, we are nothing more than mice and hemorrhoids. BUT, in order for Yahweh to begin to harvest men up to heaven, He has to make an exception. He will have to take a Remnant to heaven while still alive in their earthly bodies, thus defeating death. To do this, He will give truth to them that has never been provided in the history of mankind. This is what we are receiving right now as His second Remnant. And for this bride He provides the legal covering in order that we may ascend to Him - holding all things in common. Does this make us special? Well, yes it does - very special! But even so, what are we? We are still in the flesh which is at enmity with Yahweh. We still have the limits of this flesh. So with truth, the latter rain, and the covering of holding all things in common, Yahweh performs a work to perfect us as we are, in this present earthly state. Yahweh must take man, a 6, and perfect him into 666 talents of gold, so that we can become His temple, which is precisely that for which this gold was used. Though we are yet mice and hemorrhoids in this state, He must make us golden mice and golden hemorrhoids, the material of which the temple and Jerusalem above are made. So we are 5 golden mice and 5 golden hemorrhoids, the number of grace and the Remnant.

In this perfected man or 666 state, we at least become golden hemorrhoids and golden mice! This is necessary in order for us to depart or ascend and be the guilt offering for the guilt of the church for all the dung it has fed to people over the last 2,000 years, and all the ravaging of the kingdom earthly man has caused.

So second Remnant, though you remain in your flesh as nothing more than a mouse and a hemorrhoid, you can be glad that you will at least be a golden mouse and a golden hemorrhoid, prepared as a guilt offering to Yahweh. Furthermore, let no man or demon despise that you are the 666 talents of gold. Though Satan may have called this identification evil, he did so to fight against the very identity that will seal his doom - the 666 perfected Remnant gold who will defeat death by ascending alive into heaven, effecting his death and becoming Yahweh's temple. Second Remnant, do not accept Satan's corruption of good, but rejoice and take hope in and proclaim the fact that Yahweh will perfect us and prepare us to ascend alive to be His temple. Rejoice that you are made into a 666, which is good in Yahweh's eyes, a work prepared by Him in order to be with Him!

Furthermore, rejoice that even as Yahshua has ascended alive before us, we His second Remnant will next ascend alive. While Yahshua was the first Adonikam, "the Lord of rising," or the 888; we have the sure testimony that He is also specifically "the Lord of rising 666"! Now that the 888 has risen, it is soon time for the 666 to arise. For it is the second Remnant who must depart, who must arise. It is the second Remnant milch cows who must ascend alive as a savory offering by Yahshua unto Yahweh. It is the second Remnant who are the fulfillment and hope of "the Lord of rising 666" into heaven. This is the hope, this is the work, that Yahweh of hosts provides for His golden 666 second Remnant.

In Luke 1:17 we read that the Elijah work will "make ready a people prepared for the Lord." How will this happen? The Spirit of Yahweh will take plain old 6-man and make him into 666 talents of gold. That is, 666 talents of gold that, as the Elijah work, will be made ready to rise into heaven.

Thus in our examination of this account regarding Solomon, we see in these 666 talents of gold the testimony of the perfected Remnant, and more specifically the promise of the second Remnant. Add this to the two gifts each of 120 talents of gold for the two-part Remnant, and one sees Yahweh's clear evidence of the two-part Remnant who will receive the gold of the kingdom, and arise to be the first in the true glorified temple of Yahweh.

THE MARK OF THE BEAST

Since 666 is not the mark of the beast and 616 is the correct number in Revelation 13, then what is the "mark," and what does it truly mean? In answer to this, first note in Revelation 13:18 that the mark of the beast is to be calculated from the number - "Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast." But before we do this, let us proceed in this highly revealing

account of Solomon and "the kingdom of Yahweh" given uniquely to him. What happened next following the 666 talents of gold?

You will recall we noted that everything was going OK in Solomon's kingdom reign up to this point. And not until after this sum of 666 talents of gold was listed did the corruption of Solomon's kingdom come. How did that corruption come? It was not because of the gold for the temple, but because of his many wives, of which we read:

Now King Solomon loved many foreign women along with the daughter of Pharaoh And he had seven hundred wives, princes, and three hundred concubines, and his wives turned his heart away.

We find that it was because of these 700 wives and 300 concubines that Yahweh took His kingdom from Solomon and gave it to another. Let us read His decree.

So Yahweh said to Solomon, "Because you have done this (i.e., his heart being turned away to other gods by his 700 wives), and you have not kept My covenant and My statutes, which I have commanded you, I will surely tear the kingdom from you, and will give it to your servant. Nevertheless I will not do it in your days for the sake of your father David, but I will tear it out of the hand of your son. However, I will not tear away all the kingdom, but I will give one tribe to your son for the sake of My servant David and for the sake of Jerusalem which I have chosen" (1 Kings 11:11-13).

Yahweh's kingdom was not torn away from Solomon because he received 666 talents of gold. Since Solomon clearly represents the kingdom-receiving first Remnant, what can all of this mean? Likewise, when is it that the mark of the beast is placed upon kingdom men? Most Christians think some literal man will come out of Europe, set up a one-world government, and make all men come under his economic system with a bar code implanted in their skin. This makes for good science fiction and good book sales, but it is not truth. The fact is, even as Remnant-representing Solomon's heart was drawn away from Yahweh by his 700 wives and 300 concubines, so the first Remnant and the entire 2,000 years of breach Christianity have already been marked by the beast. And since 666 is not the mark of the beast, then what is that mark and who is the beast?

It is very important to note that this breach period of the church is appropriately named by the people of Antioch; and not only is it named by them, but Antioch also became the motherland of this breach work called Christianity (Acts 11:25-26). Quite significantly, while the first Remnant was "birthed" out of Jerusalem (foreshadowing a Remnant that will be birthed out of Jerusalem above), in contrast breach Christianity was "birthed" out of Antioch. Antioch became the base for Paul's ministry, and numerous early church councils centered there. And while the first Remnant was called "the way," in contrast the breach period received the Antioch name - Christianity. What is the significance of these distinct Antioch breach Christian beginnings? Antioch was founded by the family of Antiochus, and it was Antiochus IV who carried out the three year abomination of desolation spoken of in Daniel 11. It is this desolation that is prophetic of the desolation of the church by Antiochus Satan, equally for three periods of time, or 3,000

years. This abomination of desolation that Christians foresee as a future event, has been ongoing for 2,000 years in Antiochus Christianity, testified to by both the origin of Christianity's name and its founding ministry location - Antioch.

Now let us take an account of some numbers that have been floating around here. Have you noticed the numbers three and seven appearing throughout these accounts? There were 7 chosen to take over the responsibilities of the apostles in caring for the needs of others. Likewise, there were 700 wives who led Solomon away from Yahweh. Then there were three years in which the abomination of desolation occurred under Antiochus, and there were 300 concubines who were a part in leading Solomon away from Yahweh.

To get right to the point, in a series of e-mails per the year 2000 elections, we addressed the fact that the mark of the beast is the number 7. You can read those brief e-mails by clicking on either item. Some of the facts in the first will be repeated here. The second one would be the most beneficial to you, for it lists many scriptures that are not covered here. And make sure you click "Back" on your browser (not on the page) in order to return here.

Highly Prophetic Pattern Continues - The Battle For The Chad

More Evidence On The Mark Of The Beast

In our study here on Solomon's reign, we will find once again that the number 7 is indeed the mark of the beast; and most significantly, will see its very dramatic and decisive affects on the kingdom of Yahweh given to Solomon. But before we do, let us consider a little information regarding this 7 that is not in the other material.

There is no question that Mystery Babylon, who sits on a scarlet beast having 7 heads, is Christianity. Babylon means "confusion," and with its 22,000 denominations and 2,000 years of change and fluctuation, Mystery Babylon Christianity exhibits GREAT confusion! And directly associated with this is Yahweh's judgment upon the great head of Babylon, King Nebuchadnezzar. Because of his pride, which foreshadows the pride of Christianity, Yahweh judged him with these words:

"Let his mind be changed from that of a man, And let a <u>beast's</u> mind be given to him, And let <u>seven</u> periods of time pass over him" (Daniel 4:16).

Here we see the plight and judgment of Christianity - they have received the mark of the beast, even as Nebuchadnezzar received in his own mind. Christian's minds have been given over to the beast, Satan. For how long will this occur? For 2,000 years in duration; however, prophetically this period is identified once again with the number 7. Christians have the 7, the mark of the beast, on their foreheads because their minds have been given over to the beast, Satan, and all his lies and deceit.

This is the Nebuchadnezzar who possesses at the center of his name the precise testimony of Satan's destruction. We saw in the writing <u>The Signs That Cause Belief</u> that the second-blow death to Satan is identified with Lake Chad in Africa. This marks the second blow to Satan's temple, effected by the woman, Jael (Judges 4:21). We equally saw Yahweh's remarkable testimony to this in the Presidential elections of 2000 between the Bush and the Gore, centering around the battle for the <u>chad</u>. Now once again, through the name of the one who foretold the affliction of the kingdom, the one who had the mind of a beast for 7 periods of time, we see in his name the very need for Satan's second blow death for his afflicting man in the kingdom - Nebu-CHAD-nezzar! More on this king's testimony later.

The 616 of Revelation 13 provides the very numbers from which we can calculate the number of the mark, as that passage instructs. Adding together the first two digits either from left to right or from right to left arrives at the number 7. Six plus one is precisely the problem we just noted with the ark of the covenant in Dagon's temple. It is the holiness of Yahweh, or "One," given to earthly man, or "six." Yahweh's heavenly kingdom (1) plus man (6) always equals 7, the mark of the beast. And equally telling, the Greek word for "mark," per the "mark of the beast," is used precisely 7 times in Revelation! These seven "marks" used in Revelation identify and confirm the number 7 mark of the beast.

It is adequately demonstrated that the mark of the beast occurred very early in the kingdom. In fact we see here that the mark was present in the first Remnant. The 7 men selected in lieu of the apostles, and Solomon's 700 wives, are both telling accounts that the mark of 7 was even on the first Remnant.

It was this "mark" of 700 wives, or 7 elevated to the nations level, that caused Solomon to lose the kingdom of Yahweh. 700 was the mark of the beast on the kingdom of Yahweh given to Solomon, not the 666. And it was the 7 men chosen by the first Remnant to perform that service which the apostles rejected, that caused them to lose the kingdom of heaven to Christianity.

What about Solomon's 300 concubines? Very briefly, 300 is once again the nation's level number of 3, which is the number of the periods of time given to the church - the kingdom level 3,000 years. We cannot go into this now, but if the church received 3,000 years of uninterrupted ministry, it would be equivalent to Yahshua's three hours of darkness on the cross when in the end He declared, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?," or it would be Peter's denial of Yahshua three times before the cock crowed.

What will make the difference for the first Remnant versus all of Christianity? The first Remnant are sealed, their bodies are claimed for the first resurrection, they were under the covering of holding all things in common, under the anointing of the former rain, and they are set apart under the altar, despite the 7. This has to be true for the first Remnant, for they had to be sown into Christianity for their sake. (See <u>Seedtime and Harvest</u>.) If the first Remnant does not rise, then neither will Christianity. The first Remnant must resurrect for Christianity's sake.

However, Christians will not be a part of the first resurrection. They will have to follow the pattern for the kingdom at large, which will be addressed later in this writing. But we need to recognize that the mark of the beast 7 has been on the church from its beginning. Even as Eve, the bride, ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and then handed it to Adam to eat, so the Leah first Remnant bride of Yahshua ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and handed that kingdom to the body of the last Adam, the body of Christ. So the kingdom received its mark, and the abomination of desolation began at its very beginning.

Thus we see with Solomon's reign, that the first Remnant was not an entirely pure beginning. The kingdom they received with the restored grape tree of the knowledge of good and evil, was once again partaken of and they were cursed. As written by Solomon in Song of Solomon 1:6 concerning the Remnant bride - "They made me caretaker of the vineyards, but I have not taken care of my own vineyard." Neither could the first Remnant take care of the restored vineyard kingdom. Since the kingdom was still earthly based, it too was "marked" early by man and Satan, thus the reason that they could not bring forth the return of Yahshua. As a result, the pure kingdom beginning ceased to make progress. This is seen also in Song of Solomon 8:8-9 where it is written:

"We have a little sister,
And she has no breasts;
What shall we do for our sister
On the day when she is spoken for?
If she is a wall,
We shall build on her a battlement of silver;
But if she is a door,
We shall barricade her with planks of cedar."

Who is the little sister who, very significantly, "has no breasts," who could not be the "wall," who was not allowed to be the "door" "on the day when she was spoken for"? She is the first Remnant who could not bring forth the milk of the kingdom because her "breasts" never matured. Her growth was cut short because of her corruption of the kingdom by the flesh and Satan. Would she then be the wall on which her watchmen would behold Yahshua's return, or the door that would provide the way for His return? No, she would not. Thus, placed upon her wall was the hope of another work that would come later and would herald His return; and the door that could not provide the way for His return was barricaded with cedar (the material used to build the temple). The mark of the beast was established, the breach began, the first Remnant died, and nearly 2,000 years of the abomination of desolation passed. Now the second Remnant will indeed be the watchman on the wall; they will be the eastern gate of the Ezekiel temple that will bring Yahshua's return (Ezekiel 46), and whose breasts will be "like towers" - "I was a wall, and my breasts were like towers; then I became in his eyes as one who finds peace" (vs. 10). It is the second Remnant that will mature to complete the work begun by the first Remnant, providing the milk of the promised-land kingdom and long sought peace, providing the towers that ascend into heaven, allowing that Remnant to enter in.

Up to this point we have examined the reality of the first Remnant. They received the restored kingdom of God and will be in the first resurrection. They (along with the second Remnant) will be the first fruits of Yahweh among mortal men, the bride of Yahshua. But, because the first Remnant was in earthly flesh, because Antiochus Satan was able to enter the kingdom, marking it with his corruption and abominable lies and deception, and (as we will see in a study of Genesis 6) because the timing was "premature" for the fruits of the kingdom, the first Remnant failed to bring forth Yahshua and His perfect kingdom. These initial kingdom-receiving members lost the kingdom to Christianity, and they went to the sea/the grave. Death is not supposed to happen in the kingdom; but man proved inadequate to handle the kingdom, thus he has died. As with Adam and Eve, once again the kingdom recipients were forbidden to eat from the tree of life, and died.

THE BREACH BEGINS

Let us now see what happens next in Solomon's life. Following the 666 talents of gold, a statement is made regarding the greatness, fame, and wisdom of Solomon, and how he made wealth so plentiful. But then we see Solomon's downfall - he "loved many foreign women along with the daughter of Pharaoh." The mark of the beast was then applied. Solomon had 700 wives and 300 concubines, and they turned his heart away from Yahweh with all their false gods and idols. Solomon gave in to their practices and built "high places," or places of sacrifice and worship to their gods. For these sins, Yahweh told Solomon - "I will surely tear the kingdom from you, and will give it to your servant. Nevertheless I will not do it in your days for the sake of your father David, but I will tear it out of the hand of your son. However, I will not tear away all the kingdom, but I will give one tribe to your son for the sake of My servant David and for the sake of Jerusalem which I have chosen" (1 Kings 11:11-13).

At this point, the account of Solomon's kingdom basically comes to a close. 1 Kings 11:14 states - "Then Yahweh raised up an adversary to Solomon." This adversary was Hadad, an Edomite. From the very identity of him as "an adversary," one would suspect his representation as our adversary - "the devil." He is the one who calls good evil, and evil good. Yahweh also raised up other "adversaries" - Rezon, as well as Jeroboam, an Ephraimite whom we will see took the kingdom away from Solomon's son.

All of this that we just covered is the basic account of the forty year reign of Solomon. From the standpoint of all that Solomon did and said, it is an amazingly short account. And from the standpoint that the natural precedes the spiritual, we would be wise and discerning to learn from this unique and telling information regarding the "kingdom of Yahweh." Much insight can be gained if we consider what Yahweh is showing us in this pattern, this mirror image, this riddle of the kingdom of God received by the church.

This point marks a transition, and before advancing further, we need to lay some groundwork. Let us ask a question. When did the church begin? On Pentecost, you answer. Very true; indeed it

did. The church is the kingdom of God on earth, and that kingdom was first given to the first Remnant on Pentecost. What happened to the church? With the stoning of Stephen, the first Remnant period ended. But the fact is, Pentecost produced a very distinct and very important work we call the first Remnant; and in this beginning, that work was indeed the church, the "ecclasia," or the "called out ones" (as the word "church" means in the Greek). So, what is it then we call this 2,000 year old work from Stephen's stoning to today? In truth it is the continuation of the church, but not like the beginning first "son of fresh oil." Yahweh identifies this nearly 2,000 year period as - the breach. Why? Because it is the gulf, the "very large valley," the great span of the corrupted kingdom in which men ceased to be under the anointing of the first Pentecost that separates the former and latter rain two Remnants. Thus, Christianity is the breach between these two anointed "fresh oil" Remnants. It is the "very large valley" between the two parts of the divided Mount of Olives (Zechariah 14:4). It is the time when men do not follow the teachings of Yahshua to "give up all his own possessions" (apart from which one cannot be His disciple - Luke 14:33) and hold all things in common, as at the beginning. Rather, this period became the breach in what the true church or kingdom was supposed to be and fulfill.

Let us take a close look at what took place at this transition. Following the marking of the kingdom with the pivotal 7 by the selection of the men to perform the apostle's work, Stephen was taken before the Council of Jews, gave his lengthy witness, and was stoned; while the one who was to take the new mantle of the church sat to the side, and those who were "the witnesses" at the trial laid their robes at his feet. Then - BOOM! The entire beginning of the church, the uniquely anointed first Remnant, disintegrated! Two sentences say it all - "And on that day a great persecution arose against the church in Jerusalem; and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles. And some devout men buried Stephen, and made loud lamentation over him" (Acts 8:1-2). Most assuredly there should have been "loud lamentation," for at that moment the first Remnant experience was gone, over with, at its end! Never again do we read of the lifestyle, community, power, and love those beginning ones shared. THE BREACH HAD BEGUN, and the uniqueness of the first Remnant experience, the anointing the church should have had leading up to the return of Yahshua, the anointing that was and is so desperately needed, was gone! "Loud lamentation"? Justifiably so! For the breach, the 2,000 year long separation from the rain of the Spirit, had begun. Lament, oh church, for it was to be almost 2,000 years before rain would come again - the latter rain that brings life to our dry and desolate earthly bodies.

Thus, the transition was made, the apostles having forsaken the teachings and ways of Yahshua by refusing to take the last seat and serve the widows; giving that role to 7 men, and then the stoning of Stephen, in truth the mantle was then laid at Saul's or Paul's feet. This is not the way mantles are supposed to be transferred. The mantle is supposed to fall from the sky of the Elijah witness forerunner, while the Elisha recipient determinedly refuses to depart from the one who will pass it on. Intent gaze is required of the one to receive that mantle. But no, not Saul/Paul's mantles. The mantles he received were ones from the "false witnesses" that were put forward to condemn Stephen (Acts 6:13, 7:58), the mantles of the ones who took stones in their hands and destroyed the true witness. And most significantly, this happened even at the exact feast time

1,478 years earlier when the sons of Israel, upon being led to the promised land, were going to stone the two witnesses who equally gave a good report (Numbers 14:10). They rejected the witnesses then, thus receiving their forty years in the wilderness; and 1,478 years later on the same day, Stephen's witness was rejected, and the church entered into their forty Jubilees in their wilderness essentially under the teachings of Saul/Paul.

The mantles Saul/Paul received at this time were for the corrupted period of 2,000 years of Antioch based Christianity, a period begun by the death of the first fresh oil church representative Stephen, and a period that would follow with many more mantles from which many denominational false witnesses would arise. The mantles laid before Saul were mantles of death and judgment, not descending from the sky from Yahweh via a departed prophet, Elijah. John the Baptist came "in the spirit and power of Elijah" (Luke 1:17). He was the one whom John called, "the witness" (John 1:7,8, & 15). But these were the mantles from "the witnesses" who bore false testimony, marking a breach period, a corrupt period, a period of long waiting for the restored ones, the second Remnant, who would once again receive fresh oil, who would be the true Elijah, the true witness. These restored ones, though separated from the forerunners by a chariot of fire and horses of fire church (as Elijah and Elisha were separated), will not remove their gaze from their predecessors. Their gaze is not on the distracting chariot of fire and horses of fire marking judgment, a gaze and hope upon which would not yield the sought mantle. No, No! They know that in order to receive the mantle that will equally split the waters of the Jordan, they must keep their gaze on the ones who preceded them, though separated from them! They seek the solitary mantle passed down from heaven, from "the witness," while the church's multiple mantles from "the witnesses" are passed along by men, even false witnesses.

Does this mean that Paul's writings in the New Testament are error? Not at all. These writings can be trusted as Yahweh's word; but they are not complete revelation. What Yahweh is showing His second Remnant in no way contradicts what the New Testament presents, but builds upon it, bringing yet more light as we are now beginning to see Yahweh's back. His hand has been removed from our eyes, while as before He has hid the church, Christianity, in the cleft of the rock with His hand over it so they could not see or understand. This is the period that Paul represents.

This blindness of Christianity is evidenced by Paul himself and what happened to him. We have pointed out that the church is supposed to have 3,000 years of duration in order to bring forth the King. (More on this later in this writing.) But because of Satan and man's earthly flesh, this could never happen. These 3,000 years would be Yahshua's three hours of darkness on the cross, where in the end He cried out, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" (found only in first Remnant Matthew 27:46 and Christianity Mark 15:34). Or it would be Peter's denial of Yahshua three times before the cock crowed. And even like presumptuous Peter, Christianity denies that they would do the same.

Likewise, Paul, Christianity's main teacher and founder, foretold these 3,000 years of blindness and drought that a three part church would experience. On the road to Damascus, Saul/Paul fell to the ground, not knowing who it was who was talking to him (Acts 9) - "Who are you, Lord?"

"And Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open; he could see nothing." This has been the state of the church for 2,000 years. Though Christian's eyes are open, they really "see nothing." Yahweh has blinded the church so that they cannot see, even as its primary teacher was blinded. Christians have learned who it is that is speaking to them - Jesus - but even so they are blind. If they are not blind, then why are there 22,000 denominations and sects?

How long was Saul/Paul blind? "And he was three days without sight, and neither ate nor drank." Why three days? For the same reason Yahshua was in darkness for three hours. For the same reason Peter denied Yahshua three times. For the same reason Solomon had 300 concubines. Because the church has been blind for 2,000 years, and would be blind for 3,000 years if Yahweh did not cut these days short and come and deliver us! Saul/Paul's three days of blindness was a picture of the 3,000 years of blindness and lack of food and water that would be experienced by the church that would follow under his teachings and founding.

A man named Ananias (meaning, "mercy of Yahweh") was sent to "the street called straight" (those two Remnant milch cows pulling the new cart "took the <u>straight</u> way ... and did not turn aside to the right or to the left"), and there he found a man of whom Yahweh said - "I will show him how much he must suffer for My name's sake." This was and has been the calling and purpose for Christianity, the body of Christ - to suffer for His name's sake, which Christianity has done.

What is to be the outcome for Christianity? It cannot go the entire tenure of the 3,000 years in darkness, as we will see later in this writing; that blindness and absence of nourishment must be cut short to 2,000 years. What will and is taking place now for a remnant? Exactly what took place with Saul/Paul at the end of the third day. "And immediately there fell from his eyes something like scales, and he regained his sight, and he arose and was baptized; and he took food and was strengthened."

Scales created from the dryness of no moisture, no rain, are falling from the eyes of a remnant who are beginning to see. Yahweh is removing His hand from their eyes. That remnant is beginning to take food and be strengthened. They are eating from the marriage supper of the Lamb, prepared for them to nourish, strengthen, and equip them in order to bring forth the Groom. He is feeding this Elijah Remnant, "so as to make ready a people prepared for the Lord" (Luke 1:17).

Christianity's days are being cut short, and Yahweh's Remnant is beginning to experience early what was supposed to have taken place 1,000 years from now, but could not. Thus we see Saul/Paul's prophetic and intercessoral beginning, patterning what would have happened to all his followers. Once the Remnant's eyes are opened, and upon their return with Yahshua, Christianity's eyes will be opened as well, completing Paul's cut-short time of blindness and want.

For any who say that there will be no more revelation, that Christianity has all the truth and light that there can and will be, then why is it written in Daniel - "conceal these words and seal up the

book <u>until the end of time</u>"? Or as Yahweh declared in Jeremiah 23:20 and 30:24 - "The anger of Yahweh will not turn back until He has performed and carried out the purposes of His heart; <u>in the last days you will clearly understand this</u>." These are the days in which Yahweh is giving His second Remnant truth and light and understanding which has never before been given to man. Yahweh is opening the windows of heaven and pouring out a blessing that our minds are not even able to contain. Yahshua is feeding us from His banqueting table the marriage feast of the Lamb, as He provides us His truth, His manna, from above. We are the bride who rests upon His breast and understand things which have never before been seen or understood. Paul's writings are not error, though a fleshly examination of them brings great error; but they are incomplete in their ability to reveal what it is that Yahweh is performing in these last days. It is now in these last days that Yahweh has removed His hand from the second Remnant so that we can see His back, the marvels of the works He has performed. The second Remnant is being touched the second time to see all things clearly. Let us continue.

It has been shown in previous writings that feet represent the rights to the kingdom. Evidences of this are - Abram was promised to receive everything his feet touched, Joshua likewise, Yahshua told the disciples they had no part with Him unless He washed their feet, Jacob was born holding Esau's heel, and the testimony goes on and on. Why did these false witnesses lay their robes, or mantles, at the <u>feet</u> of Saul/Paul? Because like the transfer of the responsibility of feeding the widows going to the 7 represented that the kingdom rights would go to Christianity, even so here these mantles from the false witnesses were laid at the kingdom rights feet of the one who would bring forth Christianity. The robes of these stone-bearing false witnesses at the kingdom feet of Saul/Paul bears clear testimony of the transfer of the kingdom and its corruption with lies. (We will see again this same symbolic transfer of the kingdom via a robe in the next section.)

While Christians look back to Pentecost as their beginning, in truth the beginning of breach Christianity was when the mantles of Stephen's truth-hating executioners were laid at the kingdom feet of Saul/Paul. This one moment is truly the beginning of breach Christianity, not Pentecost. Pentecost began and formed the church in its more perfect beginning, and was the fresh oil experience unique to the first Remnant. But it was at this <u>death</u> that the breach began in the kingdom; and it has been breach Christianity's death that has and will end their cut-short period. By a death Christianity began, in death it has continued (all its inhabitants die), and by its death it is cut short. Breach Christianity cannot truly claim Pentecost as its beginning. That beginning was only to the first Remnant that obeyed Yahshua's teachings of holding all things in common and lived under its unique power. Today, that beginning is only to the ones who will intently keep their eyes on the Elijah first Remnant witness, take up <u>their</u> mantle, go to the Jordan, and strike the river even as did they! Yahweh forbid that we take the false witness mantles received by breach Christianity; give us only the Elijah first Remnant's mantle!

We will now move on to examine further the breach period of the church, as well as some important timing issues; but the great importance of what was presented in the above paragraph concerning the first Remnant initially receiving the rights to the kingdom, will be highly evident when we come to the end of this writing.

THE BREACH

We have already read what Yahweh decreed to Solomon for having the mark-of-the-beast 700 wives, who turned away his heart to serve other gods. Let us now read what the prophet Ahijah said to the man who would receive the kingdom promise that had belonged to Solomon - Jeroboam. We will see that undoubtedly Jeroboam represented Christianity. Jeroboam means, "the people increase, or many people," which is exactly what Christianity is - a work that has produced the largest religion in the world. And it was Christianity that received the rights of the kingdom from the first Remnant. How was the transition of that kingdom here forerepresented? Once again we see in a most dramatic fashion the transfer of the kingdom by a mantle. Yahweh continually uses these mantles to foretell the transfer of the kingdom rights.

In 1 Kings 11:29-30 we read:

And it came about at that time, when Jeroboam went out of Jerusalem, that the prophet Ahijah the Shilonite found him on the road. Now Ahijah had clothed himself with a new cloak (or, mantle); and both of them were in the field. Then Ahijah took hold of the new cloak (mantle) which was on him, and tore it into twelve pieces."

We see the same thing happening in similar fashion when King Saul lost his own kingdom rights. Saul wanted Samuel to pardon his sin for not destroying the Amalekites, and return with him from the battle. In 1 Samuel 15:26-28 we read:

But Samuel said to Saul, "I will not return with you; for you have rejected the word of Yahweh, and Yahweh has rejected you from being king over Israel." And as Samuel turned to go, Saul seized the edge of his robe (or, mantle), and it tore. So Samuel said to him, "Yahweh has torn the kingdom of Israel from you today, and has given it to your neighbor who is better than you."

Here with Saul we equally find the transfer of the kingdom evidenced by a torn mantle. In Acts we saw the transfer of the kingdom to Saul/Paul by the mantles of the false witnesses being laid at his kingdom feet. Likewise Elisha received the rights of the preceding prophet by receiving his mantle from above, keeping his eyes surely fixed upon him. Now, once again, we see the transfer of the kingdom foretold by a mantle being torn into twelve pieces and apportioned according to Yahweh's plan. And as seen here, this is not just any mantle, this is a "new mantle." Why the new mantle? Because it foreshadows the new kingdom of God that was given to the first Remnant. It was this new kingdom that was divided between the former and the ensuing. Let us read more.

And he (Ahijah) said to Jeroboam, "Take for yourself ten pieces; for thus says Yahweh, the God of Israel, 'Behold, I will tear the kingdom out of the hand of Solomon and give you ten tribes (but he will have one tribe, for the sake of My servant David and for the sake of Jerusalem, the city which I have chosen from all the tribes of Israel), Nevertheless I will not take the whole kingdom out of his hand, but I will make him ruler

all the days of his life, for the sake of My servant David whom I chose, who observed My commandments and My statutes; but I will take the kingdom from his son's hand and give it to you, even ten tribes. But to his son I will give one tribe, that My servant David may have a lamp always before Me in Jerusalem, the city where I have chosen for Myself to put My name'" (1 Kings 11:31-36).

Let us see the pattern: the kingdom was to be taken away from Solomon, given to Jeroboam, but for the sake of David, a remnant was to be preserved for "a lamp always before Me in Jerusalem." Do you see the clear pattern of the church? Do you see the promise of the Remnant - the lamp always before Him in Jerusalem? And recall here, Solomon is the only one in the entire Old Testament that is promised "the kingdom of Yahweh," making his pattern very important and revealing.

So what do we see here with the kingdom? It is first given to the Solomon first Remnant; but, because of the flesh (which is why Solomon had his mark of the beast 700 wives) and Satan (the adversary), the kingdom was taken away from the first Remnant and given to breach Christianity. Stephen was stoned, the Jerusalem church disintegrated into numerous divisions (whereas before it had been one intact unit in Jerusalem), and the kingdom proceeded to take on an order contrary to that seen in Acts 2 through 5. The fresh oil of Pentecost had passed. No longer were they one united group, no longer did they sell all their possessions and hold all things in common, no longer did they day by day continue with one mind, breaking bread, and taking their meals together, no longer did the shadow of Peter heal all on whom it passed. Ichabod (the glory had departed), and the next 2,000 years of Christianity became the holy ark of the covenant in the Philistine temple of Dagon for 7 months, or the Shunamite woman likewise journeying in the land of the Philistines during a 7 year famine (2 Kings 8:1-6). Even as the holy ark of the covenant and the Shunamite woman went to the corrupt Philistines for 7 periods of time, here with Solomon's promise of the kingdom, we see it going to one of Bible history's most corrupt kings - Jeroboam.

Let us now briefly look at this Jeroboam kingdom. What was it like? The stature of this kingdom can best be revealed by the regard it held as the comparison of all future Israelite kings. All other kings of Israel who led the people into sin were compared to Jeroboam. Jeroboam set the pattern for Israel; and almost without exception, all the kings of Israel after him followed in his ways of sin, leading the people astray. Very commonly the phrase appears - "he clung to the sins of Jeroboam," or "I will make your house like the house of Jeroboam." Jeroboam's house was corrupt, even as Christianity's house is corrupt. And what happened to kingdom-receiving Jeroboam and his house will happen to Christianity's house - "Moreover, Yahweh will raise up for Himself a king over Israel who shall cut off the house of Jeroboam this day, and what even now" (1 Kings 14:14).

Christians do not realize that for 2,000 years they have been cut off from the kingdom by death. As it is written - "the two parts in it (the flock of the kingdom of the Shepherd) will be <u>cut off and perish</u>" (Zechariah 13:7-8). The kingdom of the Shepherd is right here on this earth, given to us by Yahshua. So when Christians die, they are quite obviously cut off from the kingdom. As it

is written - "The dead do not praise Yahweh, nor do any who go down into silence" (Psalm 115:17).

We had a dear friend who loved to sing praises. He relished getting together with others and joyously singing. But suddenly he died. At his funeral some of his favorite songs were sung, ones that he had heartily joined in singing many times. But on this occasion did he join in with us? Not at all! While everyone else sang, his body just laid there in that casket in silence. Not one note, not one word did he bring forth. Why? Because "the dead do not praise Yahweh." As written in Zechariah, our friend had been "cut off" from the kingdom where His praises were being sung.

For 2,000 years kingdom holders have been cut off from the kingdom by death. The 2,000 swine have all gone to the sea of death. They have all gone into silence. They no longer preach, they no longer teach, they no longer sing His praises; as declared by Paul - they all "sleep." The dead rest in sleep and wait for their resurrection. So on the one hand, kingdom-receiving Christians individually have already been experiencing the consequence of a Jeroboam period of being "cut off" from the kingdom. But corporately, this will happen as well.

In 1996, Yahweh intended to judge the church in wrath, even as He had planned to judge Babylon in wrath. Christianity is Mystery Babylon, and even as Yahweh did not carry out His wrath against Babylon, neither did He carry out His wrath against Mystery Babylon. Let us see a most revealing and foretelling prophetic picture of this.

When Yahshua hung on the cross, He was suffering what the body of Christ would equally suffer. As went Yahshua on the cross, so has gone His body on this earth. As it was proclaimed to Christianity's founder, so it was granted to his work - "I will show him how much he must suffer for My name's sake." After Yahshua's death, the Roman soldier came to break His bones; but finding Him already dead, he did not break His bones, but thrust a spear into His side and out came blood and water. What does this mean for the body of Christ? Let us see.

Bones represent governmental strength and order, as well as the source of life. We read that "life is in the blood," and the origin or source of blood is the bones. They could not break Yahshua's bones because He had the power of an indestructible life. Though He would die, He also had the power to rise from the dead. So if the soldier had broken His bones, it would have testified that He would no longer have possessed that power to resurrect. The source of His life would have been broken. Thus the alternative was to pierce His side.

Now the body of Christ has suffered trial and crucifixion for 2,000 years. Satan has placed the cares of this world crown of thorns on its head. He has blindfolded its eyes so that it cannot see. The body of Christ has been spit upon, bruised, and beaten so much that, as it is written, it is not even recognizable as Yahshua. The purple and scarlet robe has been placed on this body as though it is reigning, a reed is even placed into its right hand, but all to the shame of the body. It thinks it will reign, but it will not. That reed is taken and used to equally beat the body of Christ. Upon this cross, one who has the power to break its bones comes to do so, but does he? No, seeing that the body of Christ is already dead precludes this wrath, thus insuring that the power

of resurrection still belongs to the dead body. So instead of severe wrath, the body of Christ receives another act - a sharp spear is thrust into its side and out comes blood and water! What is this blood and water coming from the side of the body of the last Adam? It is the same that came from the side of the first Adam - A BRIDE! So in 1996, instead of Yahweh carrying out promised wrath against Mystery Babylon Christianity, the body of Christ, He had mercy on it (seeing that it was already dead, evidenced by 2,000 years of death and the body sleeping in their graves) and chose to pierce its side instead and bring out a bride. This He did at Passover, 2000!

On the one hand, the wrath promised to Jeroboam Christianity has been carried out individually, as Christians are daily cut off from the kingdom by death; but on the other hand, though Christianity will not reign with Yahshua in the Millennium, they will not receive wrath that keeps them from resurrecting, and will resurrect in their time. Their bones have not been broken. More on this resurrection later.

Yahweh did cut off the house of Jeroboam; and equally, both individually as well as corporately, He cuts off the house of Christianity. Christians are "cut off" from the kingdom via death, and Christianity has lost the rights to the kingdom to the Remnant. More on this also as we go along.

At this point, we need to look at a very prophetic and highly important statement concerning Christianity-representing Jeroboam. Recall that one of the three adversaries Yahweh raised up against Solomon was Jeroboam. Let us read what caused this former servant of Solomon to rebel against his master. In 1 Kings 11:27 we read - "Now this was the reason why he (Jeroboam) rebelled against the king: Solomon built the Millo, and closed up the breach of the city of his father David."

This is a MOST unusual statement. The Millo was a fortified part in the city of David, or Jerusalem. "Millo" means "filling up, making full, or abundant," and looks to the second Remnant. But for now let us concentrate on the term - he "closed up the breach of the city of David, his father." This is most significant! We find here that the very one who would represent breach Christianity, rebelled for the repairing of the breach at Jerusalem! This is an obviously dramatic association that clearly speaks.

Before considering this association more specifically, let us ask some important and hopefully thought provoking questions. Why did this breach in the kingdom of God occur? This is a very important question with great implications. Why did Yahshua not go ahead and reign here on earth, even as His disciples fully expected? And most importantly, why did Yahshua not go ahead and bring others into resurrection life, possessing resurrected bodies, even as He Himself possessed and told Nicodemus that he must have. If Yahshua as the King of this kingdom possessed this new "born from above" imperishable body, then why did His disciples not also go ahead and possess these bodies? The promised land kingdom was to be a place where sickness was removed from its inhabitants - "I will remove sickness from your midst" (Exodus 23:25). So why then did men continue to get sick and die in Yahshua's restored kingdom? Adam and Eve were not supposed to die in the garden kingdom; why now did men die in the restored garden of God? Let us consider the timing of this breach period in the kingdom.

First, it has been addressed in *THE ISSUE*, as well as in this writing, that the kingdom Yahshua restored was corrupted (even as in the garden) because man was still in earthly flesh, and because of the presence of Satan. These two elements have always corrupted any work of God on the earth. But then again, one could ask - Why did not Yahshua go ahead and do something about these two? His kingdom was restored, why did He not go ahead and bring it into perfection with Him reigning? Per His redemptive work and His resurrection, why did He not go ahead and reign on earth, bringing His followers equally into resurrection life? Why did the great initial move of the former rain Pentecost cease? Why did it not go ahead and produce the fruit of the kingdom? The answer to these questions is relative to a third extremely important issue regarding the corruption of the kingdom, and that is - timing!

The first Remnant was supposedly on its way to bringing the return of Yahshua and resurrection life. Why then did a breach in this work have to occur? Timewise, why was it necessary to wait 2,000 years in order to complete the work begun by the first Remnant? The breach church was a delay period between the two separated Remnants. Why the 2,000 year delay? Why, why, why? Let us now see why.

As you will understand better as we continue in this, Jerusalem is prophetic of the kingdom of God, as is likewise the fig tree - thus the reason Yahshua cursed the fig tree on the way specifically to Jerusalem. Jerusalem is, of course, an earthly picture of the heavenly kingdom that bears the same name - New Jerusalem, or Jerusalem above. How is it then we see that the fig tree is also prophetic of the kingdom of God? Once again we preface with the oft repeated and very important truth - "that which has been is that which will be, and that which has been done is that which will be done." Where then do we see the fig tree representing the kingdom of God, and more specifically the carnal, corrupt, fruitless, insufficient kingdom? In that very important and revealing beginning for mankind.

Christians say their eyes have been opened to see their own sin, their own nakedness before God, and their need for Yahshua; and certainly they are correct. Man is naked because of the fall, and he must be covered. But, the covering man needs, the covering man absolutely must have, is not of this world. Anything of this earth is earthy and insufficient. Man must have the covering of a born from above, resurrected body. So meanwhile, with what does kingdom man cover himself? Of course - fig leaves! Man does not yet have the covering of a resurrected body, so he seeks to cover himself with that which is at hand - the fig leaves of the corrupted earthly kingdom of God of Christianity, those fig leaves man gathers himself. Are the fig leaves of Christianity sufficient to cover "seeing" believers? No more than the fig leaves were sufficient to cover "seeing" Adam and Eve (having eaten from the kingdom tree of the knowledge of good and evil).

Thus we see in this account a prophetic type, a mirror image of the true substance, a riddle: Adam and Eve ate from the kingdom tree of the knowledge of good and evil, their eyes were opened to see their nakedness, they became "like one of Us, knowing good and evil" (Genesis 3:22), and they covered themselves with fig leaves until Yahweh made a covering for them. This is exactly what Christians do. Men eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, they too see their nakedness, they are "born again" to "become like one of Us" (i.e., become a child of

God), and they cover their nakedness with Christianity. Why? Because that is all that has been available. There has been nothing other than the fig leaves of Christianity. But, very importantly, are the fig leaves of Christianity sufficient? Is God satisfied with the covering of Christianity? Absolutely not! God can no more be satisfied with the fig leaves of Christianity that man fashions together, than He was satisfied with Adam and Eve's fig leaves which they fashioned together. As we will see, there is a big problem with fig leaves. (And might it be noted here - if the earthly nation now called "Israel" is the fig tree [Matthew 24:32], as Christians falsely purport, then Adam and Eve demonstrated that that nation's leaves are entirely insufficient and must be permanently done away with and replaced with another, not to speak of Yahshua's cursing it to death for failing to bear fruit. Hello? By this belief, Christians actually elicit both great harm and rejection upon "Israel.")

What did Yahweh do for insufficiently clad Adam and Eve? He <u>personally</u> made "garments of skin" so as to correctly cover them. And what is it Yahweh must do once again? He must <u>personally</u> make for man "garments of skin." And what is the clothing Yahweh alone can make for us? New born-from-Jerusalem-above bodies that will correctly cover our nakedness, replacing the old insufficient leaves of Christianity. What is the problem of being covered with the leaves of this fig tree? Let us see.

We will consider two other testimonies of the fig leaves, but this time represented by the entire tree. The first one provides some very important insight into the problem associated with the timing of the fruit of the kingdom. From Matthew 21:18-19 we read:

Now in the morning, when He returned to the city, He became hungry. And seeing a lone fig tree by the road, He came to it, and found nothing on it except leaves only; and He said to it, "No longer shall there ever be any fruit from you." And at once the fig tree withered.

We will want to examine this further, but for now let us quickly look at the second testimony. As additional evidence in identifying the fig tree with Christianity, we read a most interesting parable that Yahshua told. From Luke 13:6-9, we read of a fig tree which a man had planted in his vineyard, and for three years he came looking for fruit from it and found none. The first outstanding thing to notice here is the specific number of years in which the man had come to gather fruit from this fig tree - three years, or the allotted period of the church (i.e., 3,000 years). If Yahweh gave the church their full three periods of time, would He find fruit? No more so than the man in Yahshua's parable regarding the fig tree found fruit. "Cut it down," was the command of the dissatisfied man to the vineyard-keeper.

But the vineyard-keeper had a suggestion for the problem, and we will consider that in a future section. For now however, note again the clear and consistent testimony of the three part duration fig tree as Christianity.

Christianity has had the kingdom of God - the fig tree - for 2,000 years. And like the fig tree from which the man longed to eat, and like the fig tree from which Yahshua longed to eat, examination of the church fig tree equally reveals only Adam and Eve leaves, just foliage - a form of godliness

but not the power or fruit thereof. The church thus far has the show - the leaves - of being a true fig tree - the kingdom - <u>but not the fruit!</u> Why does it not have the fruit? Christianity Mark 11:13 uniquely tells us the specific reason why the fig tree of Christianity has failed to have fruit. In reference to the fig tree Yahshua cursed, we read - "for it was not the season for figs." Yahshua cursed this fig tree for not having any fruit, despite the seemingly unusual fact that it was not even the season for figs! Why? Why would Yahshua curse a tree for not having fruit on it, when it was not even the right season for fruit-bearing? The answer to this is extremely important and relevant to our questions at hand!

By way of introduction (to be more fully considered in the following study of Genesis 6), what we find is that the church (including the first Remnant) received the kingdom equally **out of season**. It was not time for the kingdom of God to be restored - being 2,000 years too early, as we will see later! Thus, the fig-leaf-clad church in fact could not even bear the fruit required, any more than the fig tree Yahshua cursed on the way to Jerusalem could bear fruit. As pointed out, there remained two major resulting problems - men were still in their earthly flesh, and Satan was not yet bound. Therefore, when Yahshua cursed the fig tree for not bearing fruit when not in season, it being the identical tree from which Adam and Eve took leaves to try to cover themselves, He prophetically demonstrated the coming problem with the church kingdom of God - **it was premature!** Therefore, Christianity's kingdom is equally cursed and will "wither at once" (Matthew 21:20-21). At Yahshua's return, Christianity will in fact be "cast into outer darkness," or dispersed to the nations. This will not be as bad as it sounds, considering the mercy factor, but in comparison to entering into immortality, it is still far inferior.

For the sake of affirmation, let us parenthetically consider two more quick evidences to this "out of season" state of Christianity. First, this premature acquisition of the kingdom by Christianity was likewise clearly foreshadowed by the reign of King Saul, which was equally premature (1 Samuel 8). The people wanted a king; and though it was not time for them to have one, Yahweh gave them one anyway, prematurely. But, this king was likewise provided with great warning from Samuel.

Premature King Saul furthermore received his kingdom in a way that distinctly foreshadowed and established his identity with Christianity. He became king on Pentecost, during the wheat harvest. Equally, the kingdom was given to the church on Pentecost. Saul received two loaves of bread from three men carrying three jugs of wine; and at the hill of God where the Philistines were, there the Spirit of Yahweh came upon him and he prophesied (1 Samuel 10:1-13). Pentecost is the feast where two loaves of bread were waved before Yahweh (2,000 years); and on that day the Spirit of Yahweh equally came upon the church and they prophesied. Saul was directed to then go and wait for 7 days until Samuel arrived, or the mark of the beast period of the church. What could be clearer or more graphic?

Saul, who appropriately bears the name of Christianity's chief teacher (Saul/Paul), was Christianity that received the kingdom <u>before the time</u>, <u>prematurely</u>. And the outcome for Saul, the outcome for Jeroboam, the outcome for Christianity, were all the same - they were all "cut

off" from the kingdom rights; the <u>out of season</u> fig tree was cursed. With this MOST affirming testimony regarding Saul, let us now consider the second telling evidence.

One of the most direct statements that Yahshua had come "early," or before the "legal" time, was given in a most unusual manner. When Yahshua encountered the demons in the two men in the country of the Gadarenes (meaning, "organized or assembled"), the demons cried out - "What do we have to do with You, Son of God? **Have you come to torment us <u>before the time</u>"** (Matthew 8:29)? Do you understand what they were asking? They were proclaiming exactly what we have been pointing out. Yahshua was "early," "before the time," and these demons knew it. (Demons know more than mortals.) Since the Son of God was on the scene, they wondered if He was going to go ahead and perform what they knew was not supposed to take place for another 2,000 years! Thus they asked Him this question regarding timing.

But of course their question fits right into the rest of the account, giving us understanding as to how this timing issue would be resolved. What took place next in response to the timing question from those demons, evidenced what would be their work for the remaining time they knew they legally had a right to. Per their request, they were cast into the 2,000 swine (Christianity Mark 5:13)! Why 2,000 swine? Remember, the demons preluded this request by pointing out a timing issue. The demons were cast into specifically 2,000 swine in testimony to the fact that they would enter into the kingdom members for 2,000 years, or until Yahshua did finally come at the proper time. Those demons knew exactly what they were doing; they knew exactly what they were asking. They knew who this Man was; they knew His authority, what He was bringing about, and His timing; and they cared absolutely nothing about momentarily inhabiting some literal pigs. They wanted men, kingdom men! The demons requested to be cast into the 2,000 swine as a legal agreement that they could/would enter into the 2,000 year period of the church. Satan was thus given the right to enter into the kingdom and its members, and has taken every one of them to death.

When Yahshua cast the demons into the 2,000 swine, He responded to those demons that invoked a question regarding proper timing, with an act that was directly related to their timing issue. "You are too early," the demons objected. "We request the rights to occupy the 2,000 years of this earthly-man kingdom." "You are right," responded Yahshua, "I will grant you 2,000 years in My kingdom." And those 2,000 swine were the agreed period of time those legion of demons were given the rights to possess - the "premature" kingdom of God, the two loaves of leavened bread. The kingdom given to earthly man has been the premature unclean swine period of the kingdom, and all of those kingdom men have rushed headlong to the same place - the sea of death!

Thus we see that one of the clearest testimonies of Christianity's premature receipt of the kingdom, comes from the objections of knowledgeable demons; who not only knew precisely who this Man was - the Son of God - but also that He was too early. Having clearly affirmed this fact regarding premature timing, not only here, but in the graphic account of premature King Saul, as well as in Yahshua cursing the fig tree, let us now briefly return to this outstanding matter of Jeroboam rebelling against Solomon for closing up the breach of Jerusalem (the fig tree kingdom).

As we said, the fig tree and Jerusalem represent essentially one and the same thing - the kingdom of God. So why would Jeroboam rebel for Solomon closing up the breach? We need not devote time to understanding what this statement meant in the natural. The fact is, the more important truths we can draw from these passages are in the realm of the prophetic. When Solomon "closed up the breach of the city of David," prophetically this spoke volumes!

We have already seen that the city of David or Jerusalem kingdom of heaven was prematurely given to the first Remnant. Equally, we have already noted that a breach in the kingdom occurred which is the 2,000 year long period of Christianity - separating the two Remnants - and will have to be Divinely closed. To address this matter concerning the closing of the breach, it will be helpful and worthwhile to consider what is the "season" for the fruit of the kingdom. When is the fruit-bearing "season" of the kingdom? Do not forget where we are - make a mental note - for at the end of this study we will return to this question of Jeroboam's rebellion against Solomon for closing up the breach. But first, it is profitable that we here consider more fully why the breach had to occur and when it can close. Of course, all of this we are considering works together for Yahweh's perfect purpose and plan; but for now, we will look closely at the cause and affect of the matter. This additional material necessitates a very extended departure from the flow of this issue of Jeroboam, requiring several sections to develop; but as has been said, the information to be obtained is very much worth this departure.

THE FRUIT OF THE KINGDOM

Up to this point we have focused on the timing issue of the kingdom, seeing that it has not been the season or time of fruit bearing. In fact we have so focused upon this that we have not really addressed what exactly this required fruit is. Having only briefly mentioned this possibility in the last section, let us now identify this required and thus far impossible fruit. Though we will briefly digress on this, we will and must return to this matter of timing.

While the term "first fruits" is not always a highly specific term, particularly in the New Testament, there are two who are identified as being "first fruits" unto Yahweh that will help us to understand this subject required fruit. If we want to know what is the desired fruit of the kingdom, then it helps to understand what and who are these "first fruit" unto Yahweh. Granted, other "first fruit" are mentioned in the Bible that are simply wave offerings, and we cannot cover this aspect as well here, but let us here understand what is this fruit that is actually a harvest to and received by the Father.

First, in 1 Corinthians 15:20 and 23 we find that Yahshua is identified as being "first fruits" to Yahweh. Yahshua was, of course, the first to ascend to the Father to receive His born from above body that is not of this earth. This gave Him the ability to pass through walls, to appear and disappear, and to ascend to heaven while others gazed intently. Thus, this transition from the earthly to the heavenly qualified Yahshua as "first fruits."

But we also find in Revelation 14:4 the identical term applied to another group. Here we find that the 144,000 were called the "first fruits to God and the Lamb." If Yahshua was the first fruits, how can this group be the first fruits as well? It is all a matter of relational expression. While Yahshua was certainly the first fruits to ascend alive, He was unique from the rest of mankind in that He was the Son of God. He was not from Adam, having been conceived of the Spirit in a virgin. So when the prophetic 144,000 are called the "first fruits," they are such by the fact that they are the first from mankind to ascend to the Father, to equally be born from above and enter into immortality.

The question now is - Who are these 144,000? We cannot dwell on this, but one will notice that there are not one but two groups of 144,000 - the one here in chapter 14, and one in chapter 7. Why are these two separate groups identified by the same number? Revelation is a vision, a prophetic picture, and not literal. These two groups of the identical number represent the two Remnant. Clearly it is the Remnant in Revelation 20:5 that are in the "first resurrection." This "first resurrection" is obviously the event that brings about these "first fruits," comparable to Yahshua equally being the "first fruits." As revealed regarding Yahshua in 1 Corinthians 15, fruits amount to one thing to Yahweh - to get earthly men to heaven into immortal bodies. This has yet to take place for mankind, and it will be the Remnant who will enter into this "first resurrection," bringing forth unto Yahweh these desired and long awaited "first fruits."

Notice likewise regarding these "first fruits to God and to the Lamb," that "no lie was found in their mouth." This is precisely what Yahshua is effecting in His second Remnant. He is removing the error that has prevailed in Christianity for 2,000 years, opening our eyes to see all things clearly, and feeding us His truth from the marriage feast of the Lamb. In this marvelous provision we can GREATLY rejoice, and affirm that the truths we are seeing afford one more testimony that this second group of 144,000 represent the truth-proclaiming second Remnant who ascend alive.

Thus we see from the Scriptures the fruits Yahweh requires. Man may have in his mind all kinds of ideas as to what fruit Yahweh is desirous and requires, but it is evident from these Scriptures and at large that Yahweh's harvesting of men to heaven into immortality is this fruit. This is the fruit that the church has yet to produce. Up to now the church's fruits have only been wave offerings retained in the hands of the earthly priests; and we have seen why it has not yet been possible for this fruit to ascend to Him - it has not been the right time.

When the church has not been able to bring forth the required fruit of the kingdom, it is because the church has not been able to bring forth men into immortality. Men in the first 2,000 years of the church have all been swine - unclean because they have not had the power of "rumination," or resurrection. Thus they have all gone to the sea of death. Likewise testified, the "two parts" of the church have all been cut off and perished in death (Zechariah 13:8).

The one thing all men <u>greatly</u> need and indeed are awaiting is that which was promised in "earnest," in down payment, on the day of Pentecost. The kingdom awaits the day when its inhabitants will receive their immortal bodies, the fullness of the Spirit. This is the goal of the

kingdom, the long awaited fruit - for its inhabitants to receive resurrection out of the natural/the earthly into the spiritual/the super(above)natural. These are the new wineskins, the new bodies, that are essential to be able to hold the new wine of the Spirit.

A young boy once exclaimed to his grandmother - "My father is not Daddy; my father is God. He is my real Father." Then after a moment of silence he asked the honest question, which only children seem to think of - "I wonder who is my real mother?" Grandma could not answer his inquiring question. If God is our Father, then who indeed is our mother? The fact is, as long as men continue to be born of the flesh, which comes from the earth (even as Adam came from the earth, and to which men return upon death), the earth is our mother. We are in bodies given to us by Mother Earth. At the present earthly flesh level, God is our Father, and earth is our mother. How long will this remain? Until we can be "born from above" by another mother - Jerusalem above.

The long awaited fruit of the kingdom of God manifested to man, is to bring man to a higher state - to be born from above by the heavenly kingdom mother, New Jerusalem. All men will have two mothers. First is Mother Earth, from which we get our present earthly bodies. But that is only temporary, and even corrupt and cursed. Yahshua told Nicodemus - "You must be born from above." This is our much needed second mother, who is actually our permanent mother. It is she who provides our state which is our true, long awaited, and promised destiny. She is the one who, up to this point, is barren - having not yet brought any man into resurrection. As cited by Paul from Isaiah 54:1 - "But the Jerusalem above is free; which is our mother. For it is written, 'Rejoice, barren woman who does not bear; break forth and shout, you who are not in labor; for more are the children of the desolate than of the one who has a husband.' And you brethren, like Isaac, are children of promise" (Galatians 4:26-28). What is our promise? That we will be born from that woman who, thus far, is barren, who has not been in labor. She has not yet brought forth any children into resurrection; she is desolate, though she has, in part, given us the earnest or down payment of the Spirit - the promise that we will indeed be born of her. Will she bear children? Indeed she will! "For more are the children of the desolate (Jerusalem above) than of the one who has a husband (the earth that has thus far brought forth many, many children into bodies)." Jerusalem above will bear children unto immortality; the fig tree will finally produce its fruit from the tender growth.

And very briefly, one other requirement that Yahweh has expected of man has been for him to prepare the way for and bring forth the Son of God. This likewise has been an impossible task for Christianity. For MANY reasons Christianity has failed to bring forth and prepare the way for Yahshua's return. More on this later.

Now that we have seen what is the fruit that Yahweh requires, let us continue with this matter at hand. We have seen that the fig tree of Christianity is cursed for not bringing forth this fruit of resurrected life, even though it was not the season for fruit. And we saw that Jeroboam rebelled against Solomon for repairing the breach of Jerusalem. Both of these matters require that we now address exactly what is the duration of the kingdom. Very importantly, when is the season for

the kingdom to bear fruit unto immortality? And finally, concerning the breach that has been in "Jerusalem" (or the kingdom) for 2,000 years, when and how is that breach to be repaired?

To answer these questions, it must be remembered that the kingdom of God is made of men. The kingdom is man-ward, living stones; it is an expression in men and is not specifically a "place." Thus, all the governing factors relative to the kingdom are dependent upon and wholly relate to the laws on how Yahweh relates to man. In other words, the laws relating to man will be carried out on a much higher scale per the kingdom.

Numerology is a very important and revealing aspect of Yahweh. And an important aspect of numerology, per the ways of Yahweh, is the fact that numbers of a single and double digit generally relate to individuals in their earthly state. On the next level of the nations, numbers often increase to the hundreds place. For example, while a man might go through three years in order to fulfill a pattern, a nation might go through 300 years to fulfill the identical pattern. Going one step higher, at the third and highest kingdom of heaven level, numbers often elevate to the thousands place. Thus, as written in 2 Peter 3:8, we find testified that man is particularly related to a scale of 24-hour days, while Yahweh in heaven relates to a much higher scale of thousands "with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day." While a day, or even a year, identifies or expresses the level of man, Yahweh occupies the corresponding thousands level. Thus in our example of three and 300 years, the kingdom would then fulfill the same pattern with 3,000 years.

Let us see another example of this - the difference between Yahshua, the man, and the body of Christ church. Though Yahshua was indeed God, while upon earth He was within the man realm, the single and double digit realm. But very importantly, what He performed on the man realm (as we saw in *THE ISSUE*), was the pattern for the larger and higher realm - the kingdom of heaven. So, while Yahshua's ministry on earth was three and a half years, the body of Christ that possessed the kingdom of heaven is 3,000 years of ministry. Also, while Yahshua was in the grave three days, equally the body of Christ would be in the grave three "days," or once again the kingdom level of 3,000 years. This three part period of Christianity is likewise seen in the three hours of darkness which came while Yahshua hung on the cross, and at the end thereof Yahshua cried out - "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?." It is also seen in the three times Peter denied Yahshua before the cock crowed. And as we have equally seen, it is the three days of blindness and lack of food that Saul/Paul experienced. Now let us look at this identical three-period-kingdom pattern on a nations level.

It has been addressed in previous writings that the United States of America is the kingdom of heaven on a nations level. The name America means "heavenly kingdom" - "amer" means heavenly, "ric" means kingdom, and "a" makes the word feminine. Thus in the name Amer-ric-a we see this nation's true identity as the "heavenly kingdom," or the kingdom of heaven. America is Yahweh's greatest fulfillment to Abram, on a nations level, that from his offspring "all the families of the earth shall be blessed." America, as restored Israel, is the nations level kingdom of heaven fulfillment of this promise to the "families of the earth." And again, even as we have seen that the kingdom of heaven is on a three-part pattern, so Amer-ric-a has entered into a three-part

work; in fact (and we will see why later), it will have two three-part periods. But since America is a nation and not the true spiritual kingdom of heaven, as is the church, its tenure is not on the thousands level, but rather on the nations hundred level.

For three hundred years America passed through a three-part preparation period (the 1600's, 1700's, and 1800's). Yahweh, having completed His preparatory purposes in America during that time, brought this Israelite kingdom of heaven work into the "blessing to the nations" period in 1900. Since then, America has begun fulfilling Yahweh's promise to Abram that in him "all the families of the earth shall be blessed." This blessing period will equally last for three parts, or the 1900's, 2000's, and 2100's. Thus we see Yahweh working with the nations on the hundreds level, America being a more perfect fulfillment of the kingdom pattern. (Later in this writing, a comparison of what was supposed to happen to the true kingdom will reveal why we say here that America is the "more perfect" fulfillment.)

Before we move to the scripture that we need to examine per the season for the kingdom to bear fruit, let us look at one more highly revealing example of these increases in the progression from personal, to nations, to heavenly.

The period of the church thus far can be directly equated to the children of Israel during their forty years in the wilderness. This period is a very important prophetic testimony foreshadowing the plans and ways of Yahweh relative to the church, providing a most revealing mirror image. In Acts 7:38, Stephen even calls these Israelite journeys - "the <u>church</u> in the wilderness," for truly they represented the church in <u>many</u> ways in its "wilderness."

The question thus arises - If the Israelites spent forty years in the wilderness, what comparative higher level of numbers has the church thus far spent wandering in its almost 2,000 year long wilderness? We have already seen in other writings that the two parts of the church (i.e., the first approximate 2,000 years) "will be cut off and perish" (Zechariah 13:8). For 2,000 years Christians have been cut off from the kingdom here on earth by death, or sleep. At the end of this cut-short period, Yahweh will bring man into the "promised land" - the Millennial reign with the Remnant. This, of course, is equally what happened to the Israelites in the wilderness - all of those who were over nineteen years of age were likewise cut off and perished in the wilderness! But how can these approximate 2,000 years compare with the number 40? In a very important way, as we will see!

In reading Stephen Jones's book, <u>Secrets of Time</u>, we see that one <u>very</u> important way Yahweh marks time is by Jubilees. The Jubilee was set on a time duration period of fifty years, and at the end thereof a trumpet was to be blown and <u>all</u> debts were to be forgiven (Leviticus 23:8f). All land was to return back to the original holder. No debt could extend beyond the Jubilee. It was a fresh start! Steve points out that very significant events occur in history on this Jubilee cycle (which actually accumulate on forty-nine year sequences, in that the fiftieth year marks the first year of the next Jubilee period - i.e., a period of ten Jubilees would equate to 10 x 49 years, or a total of 490 years). What we find is that the church has indeed been "the church in the wilderness" for a period of forty, but not forty years, or 4,000 years, but forty Jubilees. Forty

Jubilees would equal 40×49 , or 1,960 years. As we will see, this Jubilee time is a grace time and is equal to the legal time of 50×40 , or 2,000 years. Where are we now in this Jubilee time of forty "years" in the wilderness? Let us see.

Yahshua was crucified on Passover, 33 AD, providing the restored kingdom to the church. Forty Jubilees, or 1,960 years, from Passover (or Pentecost) in 33 AD would place one at 1993 AD. Thus, the church has had its period of forty in the wilderness - not the original pattern level of man at forty years, but rather the higher kingdom level of forty Jubilees. As we see, with these forty Jubilees now complete, it is time to enter into the promised land! (More per the significance and validity of these Jubilee periods will be seen, as well as what it has meant for this period to end in 1993.)

This brings us to the place of answering the all-important question of **the duration of the kingdom.** With this groundwork laid, let us read in Genesis 6 the linchpin passage to this question. This passage has already been introduced in *THE ISSUE*, and is parallel to the statement of Yahshua in the garden at Gethsemane - "the Spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak." For context purposes, we will provide verses 1 through 3.

"Now it came about, when men began to multiply on the face of the land, and daughters were born to them, that the sons of God saw that the daughters of men were beautiful; and they took wives for themselves, whomever they chose. Then Yahweh said, 'My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, because in his going astray he is flesh; nevertheless his days shall be one hundred and twenty years."

It is important to understand here what Yahweh was saying when He promised man these 120 years. This reason is found within the context of the promise in Genesis 6. He was weary of putting up with man; "nevertheless," He said, "his days shall be one hundred and twenty years." We find then that for the duration of 120 years, Yahweh was giving man that specific amount of time to correct his sins, or at its completion He would hold him accountable and judge him. This was undoubtedly the message Noah was preaching to the people in those days. As Jonah declared to Nineveh a forty day period before judgment, Moses was declaring a 120 year period. The book of Jasher (referred to twice in the Bible) confirms not only Yahweh's purpose of these 120 years, but also the people's awareness of this probationary period. In Jasher 5:8 and 11 we read:

For thus saith the Lord, "Behold I give you a period of one hundred and twenty years; if you will turn to me and forsake your evil ways, then will I also turn away from the evil which I told you, and it shall not exist," saith the Lord And the Lord granted them a period of one hundred and twenty years, saying, "If they will return, then will God repent of the evil, so as not to destroy the earth."

Even once upon the ark, when the rain began to fall and the waters became violent around them, Noah cried out from the then sealed ark, reminding them:

"Behold now that you see the trouble of your souls, you wish to return to the Lord; why did you not return during these hundred and twenty years, which the Lord granted you as the determined period" (Jasher 6:22)?

Why then 120 years? It is the promised period for the testing of man. Let us look quickly at this identical period of testing seen in two other testimonies (to be considered later in greater detail). First, we find that Moses spent forty years in Egypt in Pharaoh's house, forty years as a shepherd, and forty years leading the children of Israel through the wilderness to the promised land, for once again a total of 120 years. Did the great and humble man Moses pass the test? No. In the end he was not able to enter the promised land.

Next, we see the identical 120 year period, but this time relative to the nation of Israel while it was united. There were three periods of united Israel, each once likewise forty years in duration. King Saul reigned for forty years, followed by King David's reign for forty years, concluded by Solomon's reign for forty years, totaling 120 years. What happened to the nation of Israel following its 120 year test? It too failed the test, for at the completion of that time Israel was split, never again to be united before both nations were deported.

Moses did not pass the test after his promised 120 years. Israel did not pass their test after its 120 years. Did those in the time of Noah pass the test? No. Their 120 years passed, Yahweh was sorry He made man, and the flood came and cleansed the earth! The fact is, no man in the flesh can pass the test of 120 years! All fail! So, very importantly, "120" marks the time promised to man to prove himself; it is a period of testing, of waiting, or as Bullinger identifies in his book, *Numbers in Scriptures*, it is a period of probation.

Recalling that the kingdom is composed of men, that Yahweh's history of earthly man and the laws relating to him are patterns for the kingdom of heaven, and adding the fact that "120" marks the probationary period of testing or proving man, how then does all of this play out for the kingdom? This is very important! What does it all mean? A great, great deal, as you will see!

As we have noted, the original kingdom of God was given to man, to Adam and Eve, in the garden of God. Of course that original kingdom was defiled, and as a result Adam and Eve were placed outside the garden. But even further, what we find is that Yahweh then gave mankind a 120 period of probation per man's placement upon this earth in the original kingdom of God. This was not a 120 year period as given to the people in Noah's days, or to Moses, or to Israel; but all mankind was once again given the much higher duration period of 120 Jubilees, even as the church in the wilderness was given forty Jubilees. So, Yahweh has given earthly man 120 Jubilees probation or testing from the time of the first garden kingdom. And of course what we find once again is that these things that happened in the natural are the patterns, or foretelling natural events, of what Yahweh will accomplish on the higher realm of His heavenly kingdom.

How much time do these 120 Jubilees calculate out to be? Where are we now in this 120 Jubilee period? Calculating the amount of time is the easy part. 120 Jubilees multiplied times the 49

years for each Jubilee period equals 5,880 years. Using Steve Jones' excellent accounting of history, we can easily course out the time. However, here is where we also have to diverge from Steve's writings. The following information was initially pointed out to this writer by a man who has studied Steve's findings considerably, and disagrees with him on this matter of when the 120 Jubilees began. We cannot dwell on this, but must also provide ample information so as to verify both the significance as well as the application of this 120 Jubilee cycle.

Paul D. Bailey brought to this writer's attention that in the sequence of Jubilees, the 80th Jubilee had to occur in the year of Yahshua's crucifixion. In order for this to take place, this Jubilee cycle must begin in the seventh year after the creation of Adam. Steve starts this cycle at Adam's creation, with the result that the 80th Jubilee falls seven years short of Yahshua's crucifixion. But interestingly, Steve then picks up at the crucifixion and counts out the remaining forty Jubilees, which as we have seen are complete in 1993. However, doing this creates an entirely unacceptable situation - it places a seven year gap or break in the 120 Jubilee cycle. Let us see what happens when the 80 Jubilees are moved forward the seven years in order to provide the required complete and uninterrupted period. We will point out only a few significant events that occur along the way.

Beginning the Jubilee cycle seven years after the creation of Adam, the first somewhat significant mark is the 40th Jubilee. While nineteen was the cutoff age for the sons of Israel who were allowed to enter into the promised land following their disobedience, we find that the 40th Jubilee from Adam marked the nineteenth year of Abram, the man who has brought men into the hope of the promised land by faith. The 60th Jubilee fell on the year before Solomon completed the construction of his house. Then one of the most affirming testimonies that this is in fact the true cycle is the 70th Jubilee, which fell precisely on the year of the Edict of Artaxerxes 1. This important edict provided for the rebuilding of the city of Jerusalem. Of course Jerusalem is a picture and type of Jerusalem above. But even more meaningful is that this 70th Jubilee decree began the famed Daniel's seventy weeks (Daniel 9:24). Precisely 490 days, or 70 weeks x 7 days, from this decree of Artaxerxes, Yahshua hung on the cross and died for the cleansing and rebuilding of Jerusalem above, fulfilling Daniel's seventy weeks!

These 490 days of Daniel's seventy weeks are equally a period of ten Jubilees (10 x 49), and were the countdown to Yahshua's GREAT Jubilee of THE most significant and anticipated Jubilee thus far in this Jubilee cycle - the 80th Jubilee! This Jubilee provided the most essential and characteristic provision of Jubilee. The entire purpose and message of Jubilee was the release of debt. This was exactly what Yahshua provided on this 80th Jubilee - release from the debt of sin!

Thus, as in the case of Moses and Israel, once again we see the unmistakable testimony of this 120 Jubilee period divided into three 40-Jubilee parts. The first division came at Abram's 19th year. And most significantly, the second division came precisely at Yahshua's crucifixion. So we see quite precisely a patriarch period of forty Jubilees, followed by the offspring of Abram period of forty Jubilees, completed by the church period of forty Jubilees. More on this later.

These noteworthy aforementioned events clearly affirm that this is in fact the correct placement of the Jubilee cycle. But there are yet two events per this cycle that we have not dealt with - the beginning and the end. The all important completion of 120 Jubilees in 1993 will be dealt with in a future section. For now let us briefly consider the beginning point of this most important Jubilee cycle on which all the events of man relative to the works of Yahweh hang.

As stated, Steve Jones places the beginning of the Jubilee cycle at the creation of Adam. Why? Simply because that is when Adam was created. But we can see from the cycle just presented that a seven year advancement of it would throw everything off so that it would entirely lose its meaning and create an entirely unacceptable seven year gap.

What Steve fails to see is that his Jubilee cycle is a cycle of earthly flesh, and the flesh always falls short (even as Adam and Eve proved). Steve's cycle has <u>only one</u> significant correlation - a fiftieth Jubilee (or as he calls it a Jubilee of Jubilees, or we could even say a Pentecost of Jubilees) that falls on the year in which the children of Israel failed to enter into the promised land. And in clear testimony, this is exactly what would happen if earthly flesh, even pre-fall Adam and Eve earthly flesh, was given the responsibility of bringing man into the promised land. It would dreadfully fail! Likewise, even as Steve's perfect earthly man Jubilee cycle falls 7 years short of salvation at the cross of Yahshua, so would and does earthly man fall short of the required work of the Son of God. No, a Jubilee cycle based on even a pre-fall "perfect" earthly man is proven in every way to be a sad shortfall!

And might we say here that these two alternative cycles seem to be the sum of Yahweh's testimony regarding man. A work, a test, according to the ability of earthly man leads to failure and is a shortfall. Only a work based on man's acknowledgement of his failure and Yahweh's works of grace and order can bring man to His perfect provision. Man's success is not based on what he can do - the education he receives from other men, his efforts to set up God's kingdom, even his attempts to ascend to heaven - but his success is wholly dependent upon Yahweh performing these works in and for man.

So why would Yahweh delay the initiation of the Jubilee cycle seven years? The answer is once again most clear in the meaning of Jubilee.

What again is Jubilee? Jubilee is the release of all debt, the restoration of one's rightful inheritance. On the higher and more complete fulfillment, we have seen with Yahshua's death on the 80th Jubilee, that this looked to His provision of man's release from the debt of sin. Since jubilee is specifically and clearly related to the issue of sin, it is rather obvious that there would be no need for Jubilee for man until he sinned, or in the case of mankind, until Adam first sinned.

Many have posed the question - When did Adam and Eve eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil? The Bible does not directly tell us; we simply know what took place when it did occur. But since Jubilee is relative to the release from the debt of sin, the restoration of one's lost inheritance, we can know exactly when they are from the tree - at the outset of the Jubilee

cycle! It was their sin that created the need for Jubilee and restoration. There was no need for Jubilee when Adam walked with God and they were not naked.

Also, we know that the tree of the knowledge of good and evil was a type and picture of Christianity. What is the mark of the beast per that work? It is the number 7. So, we see that the Jubilee cycle started 7 years after Adam was created, identifying the problem of the beast in the kingdom, and foretelling eating from that tree of Christianity. Even as Solomon lost the kingdom of Yahweh rights with the acquisition of his 700 wives, even as the first Remnant lost the kingdom rights with the establishment of the 7 men to provide the care that the elders shirked, so we see here in the original garden of God that Adam and Eve likewise lost the garden rights in their seventh year! The mark of the beast 7 has had its destructive consequences from the outset!

Thus, even at the beginning of this MOST important and telling Jubilee cycle in which Yahweh began the clock for mankind's release from the debt of sin 7 years after Adam was created, we see one more testimony that this Jubilee cycle, when placed on this time schedule, is confirmed in many very important and revealing ways. All that now remains for us here is to progress with our study of time to the place where we can see what occurred in 1993 - the long awaited and anticipated end of this 120 Jubilee period.

At this point, let us summarize some of these most telling signs per the time we now live. As we just considered, we are now at the end of the remarkably significant 120 Jubilee cycle! Equally, we have now completed the 40 Jubilees in the wilderness, beginning from Yahshua's crucifixion and Pentecost! Add to this the fact that man is now at the end of the sixth day (or 6,000 years) in the history of man, and is entering into the Millennial rest; as well as the fact that we have entered into a new millennium in our own calendar; plus the profound fact that 1999 marks the 2,000th year since the birth of John the Baptist and Yahshua (and as pointed out in these writings, 2,000 is a most decisive watershed number, dividing not only numbers but also time); along with the noteworthy fact that according to the patterns of the heavens, we are now entering into the age of Aquarius (to be addressed later); can it not be easily stated that:

we live in the MOST culminating and significant time in the history of all mankind!

How has man done in these 120 Jubilees of earthly flesh? Not so good. Adam and Eve failed in the original garden kingdom, corrupting the kingdom. The people to whom Noah preached failed, bringing the flood. Abraham kept failing in his own life, though his faith reckoned him as righteous. Moses failed in his 120 years and did not enter into the promised land. The kingdom of Yahweh was divided at the end of its 120 years. The Israelites failed to love Yahweh and keep His laws, and were twice cast out of their promised land. As we saw in *THE ISSUE*, the three Nazirites failed in their own lives and could not restore the kingdom. And now, finally the church how has it done? Is it any surprise, and certainly no secret, that the church too has failed to maintain the kingdom that Yahshua as a Nazirite restored? We have already seen that even as

Adam and Eve failed, so the church has failed, and with the same consequences - the loss of the kingdom and death. So, with the probation period of 120 Jubilees now completed, what is the conclusion? The same as the fate of Moses, the same as the fate of Israel - man constantly falls short and cannot please Yahweh.

So let us look back to 33 AD when Yahshua restored the kingdom of God, and ask some questions. Yahshua gave man the kingdom He Himself restored, but man could not handle it and once again resulted in his death. And again we ask - Why did not the perfect kingdom of God fully come in 33 AD with Yahshua's resurrection, or shortly thereafter as expected? Why did not man go ahead and enter into resurrection life, receiving his resurrected body, as we asked in the preceding section? Why the 2,000 year breach? We said it had to do with timing, and we saw that it was because the kingdom was given to man too early - while he was still in his flesh and not in the right "season." Even as the kingdom-representing fig tree on the way to Jerusalem was cursed by Yahshua for not having fruit when, in fact, it was not the season, so the church fig tree is cursed when, in fact, it too could not produce fruit because it too was not in the right season, being too early. The cursed fig tree was thus a mirror image of the church fig tree. When will the fig tree produce the fruit of the kingdom? When is the season for the "figs"? Not until the end of the kingdom's period of probation; not until 120 Jubilees have passed. So in 33 AD, had the 120 Jubilee probation period been completed for man? No. Yahshua was crucified on the 80th Jubilee, 40 Jubilees beforehand. Equally so, Yahshua's coming was only at the beginning of the fifth day, and the legal release of servitude to this earth could not come until the Sabbath day, the seventh (which, once again, is precisely what we are upon now).

What then is the significance of 1993 when 120 Jubilees have been completed? It marks the end of mankind's probation period of testing, a period in which man has utterly failed to bring forth righteousness upon the earth, even as those in the time of Noah failed and after 120 years were judged with the flood. What too is the outcome for Christianity, since in 1993 its 40 Jubilee period was completed as well? It too has equally been judged a failure and the kingdom has gone back to the Remnant. What then is our hope? Now that mankind's probationary testing period is completed, now that the church's wilderness period has been completed, Yahweh can legally perform what man has failed to do! Let us look further at this matter of the judgment of the church, but at the same time providing a way of escape, a hope for the future for all mankind.

THE PARABLE FROM THE FIG TREE

There is a passage recorded in Matthew, Mark, and Luke concerning the fig tree that in recent years has derailed Christians in their prophetic predictions. In Matthew 24:32-34 we read:

"Now learn the parable from the fig tree; when its branch has already become tender, and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near; even so you too, when you see all

these things, recognize that He is near, right at the door. Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place."

Recent prophecy teachers have made the terrible mistake of trying to tie the fulfillment of this prophecy to the nation called "Israel," or the Jews. (We have already commented on how utterly false this is.) You may recall that based on 1948 when "Israel" became a nation, men added forty years to 1948 and predicted Yahshua's return in '88. Guess what? He did not come. The great error of their prediction was that they put the wrong Jerusalem into their equation. That nation called "Israel" is not the fig tree. The Jews of "Israel" have now had their '88 "generation" test as proclaimed by Christianity, and it failed! So who is the fulfillment of this prophecy? The fig tree has been the church for forty Jubilees; they alone have had the kingdom, the **Jerusalem.** So what is this new growth on the church fig tree we are to watch for that will immediately precede and herald the soon return of Yahshua? Let us ask a most important question - How does one get new tender branches on a fig tree? Any gardener knows the answer to this question. Very simply, the old non-producing branches are pruned away to bring new productive tender growth. Thus it is, the fig tree rights that have belonged to the church must be taken away (pruned off) and given to the Remnant, so as to produce the new tender growth. It is this new fig tree growth of the second Remnant that sprouted in May, 2000, that is now putting forth these preluding tender leaves, attesting that summer is indeed near! It is this second Remnant fig tree tender growth springing forth that bears evidence that Yahshua is near, right at the door! It is the tender growth of the kingdom of heaven via the second Remnant Elijah that prepares the way for and heralds the soon return of Yahshua!

The certainty of this witness regarding the new growth on the church tree is affirmed in several other passages as well. For example, it is not difficult to see that King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon is prophetic of "mystery Babylon" Christianity. Therefore, if one wants to know what will happen to "mystery Babylon," then look at what happened to the mirror image, Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon.

Nebuchadnezzar was given the most remarkable title of "king of kings" (Daniel 2:37), reserved for Yahshua, but here we see prophetic of His earthly body - the body of Christ. In further testimony of the church, we read in the remainder of that verse concerning Nebuchadnezzar - "to whom the God of heaven has given the kingdom, the power, the strength, and the glory." All of these the church has received.

Likewise, in another dream of Nebuchadnezzar's, we read of his further prophetic representation of the church. Consider the church when reading the following dream where Nebuchadnezzar was equally compared with being a tree.

"... there was a tree in the midst of the earth, and its height was great. The tree grew large and became strong, and its height reached to the sky, and it was visible to the end of the whole earth" (Daniel 4:10-11).

"The whole earth" is of course the missionary goal and even now the actual extent of Christianity. And its height, of course, "reached to the sky," to heaven toward God, even as did the tower of Babel, and even as is the purpose of the church - to reach toward God. Additionally, in these subject passages we have seen that Nebuchadnezzar was made to have a <u>beast's</u> mind for 7 years - the number of Christianity and the mark of the beast. And what was the fate of Nebuchadnezzar's tree; what is the fate of Christianity? Verses 13 through 15 tell us:

"... an angelic watcher, a holy one, descended from heaven. He shouted out and spoke as follows: 'Chop down the tree and cut off its branches, strip off its foliage and scatter its fruit; let the beasts flee from under it, and the birds from its branches (the beasts that come with the 7 mark, and the defiled kingdom of heaven birds Yahshua warned of in Matthew 13:31-32). Yet leave the stump with its roots in the ground, but with a band of iron and bronze around it in the new grass of the field."

Even as the fig tree was cursed and must be pruned in order to get the new tender growth, here we see the same - the world-encompassing tree of Christianity that reaches "to the sky" will be cut off, leaving a stump with a band of iron and bronze around it. What then is this stump that remains? Isaiah 6:13 tells us.

"...like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains when it is felled. The holy seed is its stump."

So we see that the tree of Christianity is cut off, leaving only that which is most valuable - the stump or "the holy seed." This is the stump that is left "in the <u>new grass.</u>" This is what is obtained with the cutting off of the tree of Christianity - the "holy seed" of the Remnant, both the original seedling growth first Remnant, as well as the last days testifying new growth second Remnant that must sprout forth.

Before we continue, we should ask - Why was there a band of iron and bronze placed around this stump of the kingdom? Repeatedly in these writings it has been pointed out that iron is prophetic of the nations, and bronze is prophetic of Christianity. Here once again we see Yahweh placing a memorial band around the stump to give its identity and to serve as a witness and reminder of what He has done. This tree was the kingdom period that was specifically identified with bronze Christianity, and its close association and mixing with the world, the iron. This tree that was cut down was not just identified as being the church by Nebuchadnezzar (the head of Mystery Babylon), but was equally identified by the iron and bronze memorial band of the nations and Christianity placed around it.

What other testimony is there concerning this "tender" growth from the old tree of Christianity, that speaks of the establishment and taking out of the second Remnant? While we cannot go into the fulfillment of this next passage as it relates on a national level to true Israel (not the nation called by that name today, but the northern tribes that were dispersed), we see in this passage the same pattern that applies at a higher fulfillment for spiritual Israel, or Christianity and the

Remnant. In Ezekiel 17 we see the same message relative to the evidence in these other similar passages. In verse 22 we read:

Thus says the Lord Yahweh, "I shall also take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and set it out; I shall pluck from the topmost of its young twigs <u>a tender one</u>, and I shall plant it on a high and lofty mountain."

Indeed, this is exactly what the Remnant is: a tender branch or twig that shall be plucked out of the old tree of Christianity and planted "on a high and lofty mountain" - Mount Zion, or the abiding place of Yahweh.

And as a final scriptural testimony to this, let us read Job 14:7-9.

"For there is hope for a tree,
When it is cut down, that it will sprout again,
And its shoots will not fail.
Though its roots grow old in the ground,
And its stump dies in the dry soil,
At the scent of water it will flourish
And put forth sprigs like a plant."

Yes, it will be the long awaited "scent of water" - the much needed latter rain - that will bring forth the new growth sprig of the second Remnant from the old growth of Christianity.

Thus we see in conclusion:

- The tender growth on the fig tree,
- Nebuchadnezzar's stump,
- The stump that possesses the holy seed,
- The tender twig removed from the top of the cedar tree to be planted on a high and lofty mountain, and
- The sprig that comes forth at the "scent of water,"

all give evidence to the tender growth of the new latter rain work - the second son "of <u>fresh</u> oil" Remnant from the old growth of Christianity that attests Yahshua's return "is near, right at the door."

And before leaving this tree of Nebuchadnezzar that was cut off, let us note the reason Yahweh specifically states for doing this:

"This sentence is by the decree of the watchers, and the decision is a command of the holy ones, in order that the living may know that the Most High is ruler over the realm of mankind, and bestows it (this rulership) on whom He wishes, and sets over it the lowliest of men" (4:17)

Yahweh cuts off Christianity because it is His prerogative to place over mankind whomever He wishes. Christianity has failed, and He will place over mankind a people who are "the lowliest of men." They will not be the proud and haughty of Christianity, but will be the lowly out of Christianity.

In equal testimony to this tender new growth - that is, something young, fresh, alive, and attesting - is the Scripture's description of the bride of Yahshua. You can be well assured that the bride of Yahshua is not some 2,000 year old weathered haggard harlot (as is Christianity). No, Ephesians 5:27 describes her as fresh and young - "having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing." This most certainly does not describe the haggard breach church. At 2,000 years of age, she has innumerable wrinkles, and spots galore! Her 2,000 years have been hard years of harlotry - the world has been a hard lover for her. As a Jezebel (Revelation 2:20f), she paints her face and considers herself beautiful, but instead she is "wretched and miserable and poor and blind and naked" (Revelation 3:17), and destined for a fall (2 Kings 9:30-33).

Now that we have looked at the prophetic relevance of the fig tree and its new growth, let us return to some more specific matters relating to the 120 Jubilee probation period.

We have seen that 120 is associated with a probationary time of testing or waiting. This latter quality of "waiting" is particularly evidenced by the 120 gathered in the upper room who were waiting for the promised set-apart Spirit. But does this "120" have any bearing on the kingdom of God these disciples awaited? They were waiting for the Spirit, which they did receive on Pentecost. But did they receive the full measure of the set-apart Spirit? Not at all. 2 Corinthians 1:22 and 5:5 tell us that we have received the "earnest" or down payment of the Spirit. An "earnest" or down payment is only a portion of a whole that in time is to be paid in full. It is an in-part guarantee of a later payment that is complete. Has man received payment in full? Not at all. Up until now man has only operated on the earnest of the Spirit, awaiting the fullness to come. This is what the specific number of 120 waiting disciples represented. In truth, man is waiting for the end of 120 Jubilees to receive the promised Spirit. That which was poured out on Pentecost could not be the promised outpouring, since it came at 80 Jubilees. The much needed outpouring is one which must come at the completion of the number of Jubilees evidenced by those waiting disciples in the upper room.

The full "payment" of the Spirit could not come until after 1993 AD. What will this full payment bring? The fullness of the Spirit is when men are born from above, born of the Spirit, and receive their immortal bodies. At that time, as promised by Yahshua on the eighth and high day of Tabernacles (John 7:37-38), the Spirit will be like rivers of living water, flowing out of those in the first resurrection. These will have an entirely new nature - born entirely of the Spirit. Until then, men remain born of this earth, of the flesh; but a day is coming when men will experience the long awaited fruit of being born from above of the Spirit. When will that happen? For the Remnant and Christianity - at two different resurrections. And very importantly, both of these resurrections are based on the 120 probation or testing period.

We have already considered the 120 Jubilee period for mankind beginning with the first manifestation of the kingdom of God in the garden of Eden, and its testing and probation period ending in 1993. But with the restoration work of Yahshua as the fulfilling Nazirite, in 33 AD the kingdom was again given to man prior to the 1993 completion period. So, does this work of Yahshua begin another 120 Jubilee period of probation and testing? There are two initial evidences that this is indeed the case. First, as once again evidenced by the 120 waiting disciples in the upper room, there is indication that another 120 Jubilee waiting period associated with this kingdom began. The second evidence is seen in our subject first Remnant testimony of kingdom-receiving King Solomon.

We have already noted that just before Solomon's receipt of 666 talents of gold, two separate gifts of 120 talents of gold each were given to Solomon by Hiram and the Queen of Sheba. Why these two separate testimonies of 120? First, we have noted that the two 120's are testimonies of the two-part Remnant. But it seems equally inescapable that there is some association to this testing probationary testimony as well. Thus we see both in the upper room at Pentecost and in the clearly prophetic Solomon picture, Yahweh provided two testimonies of a 120 Jubilee probation or testing period beginning for this newly restored church kingdom. Undoubtedly a third and most telling evidence that a second probationary period began at Yahshua's crucifixion, was the mere fact that through the Nazirite vow, Yahshua restored and returned the garden kingdom back to man, thus beginning a new probation period. The significance of all this will be seen as we continue.

THE SIX DAYS OF CREATION

This section is very important. We saw in *THE ISSUE*, and have considered here, that there have been two manifestations of the kingdom of God. First was to Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. The second manifestation was to the church at Yahshua's death, resurrection, and eight days of cleansing in heaven. Both of these manifestations have their own probation testing and waiting periods of 120 Jubilees.

We have already seen that this probation period beginning in the Garden of Eden was completed in 1993. Thus, Yahshua is now able to come and fully establish His kingdom on the basis of the Garden of Eden's completed probation, and bring men into resurrection. But what about Christianity? Can they now also enter into the garden's completed restoration and receive their resurrected bodies? No, for they too are also in a 120 Jubilee probation time, which is not yet completed, and they must likewise be given their promised probation time to prove themselves. The church legally has 4,000 more years in earthly bodies before entering into the fruits of resurrection. But we are going to see an interesting work of Yahweh's grace in their timing. Before addressing this, let us point out another testimony regarding this 120 Jubilee period.

The 5,880 years in 120 Jubilees (120 x 49 years) are essentially (and legally) 6,000 years. It is interesting how in Yahweh's infinite wisdom and understanding He can make so many truths work together. These 6,000 years are, in principle, the same as six days of creation - 6 x 1,000 years, or six 1,000 year long "days." **Thus, what we see in the 120 Jubilees is man's chance to create in six "days" the "new heavens and new earth" kingdom** - which of course he fails to do. We have said before that the church was to have 3,000 years of ministry to match Yahshua's three and a half years of ministry and three days in the grave. But following the 3,000 years of ministry must come another important 3,000 years. Chronologically, these two 3,000 year long periods, or 6,000 years, would be the six days of creation for the church.

This break of three and three is very importantly seen in the original six days of creation.

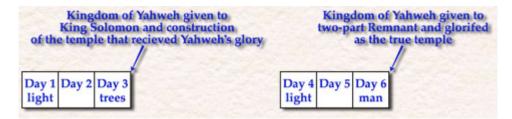
The first three days of the original creation culminated in the third-day creation of vegetation and trees. The next three days of creation produced the sixth-day creation of man. What do trees and man have in common? Trees are prophetic of men and works in earthly man (e.g., the previously considered trees prophetic of the church kingdom). Likewise, recall the testimony of the blind man in Mark 8:22f who received a two-part healing? Upon Yahshua's first touch, the man saw men "like trees, walking about." The second time Yahshua touched him, he saw "everything clearly." This two part healing evidenced the same two part work seen in creation. The church's first 3,000 years were to produce the kingdom of God "tree" (which became defiled with birds, and will be cut down to produce tender growth from the stump). The second 3,000 years are to produce the born-from-above man who sees "everything clearly."

Let us look at the history of man and see the remarkable and confirming testimony Yahweh provided regarding this creation pattern. According to this Divine pattern, something would have taken place at the end of 3,000 years from Adam that would be the "tree" work, or fulfillment, or creation - something that was a fuzzy picture of that which was to be, but yet not the true fulfillment. This would be something that would foreshadow the true work that would not come until the end of the sixth day - that being the true fulfillment, the true "man" creation, or seeing everything clearly. It is now very easy for us to look back into history at those concluding years of the first set of three "days," to see what that prophetic "tree" was. Let us see.

This writing is united by one common testimony, providing the foreshadowing picture of the kingdom of God. That one significant common and uniting thread is - the witness of the reign of Solomon, the split of that kingdom, and, as you will see later, the claim to that kingdom by Solomon's grandson. When did all of this take place? From the beginning of the reign of Solomon, 2,925 years from Adam, right up to the 3,000th year from Adam. Thus, and most significantly, Yahweh's timing clearly points to the reign of Solomon and what happened to that kingdom as the foreshadowing "tree" of the first creation period. But of course included in that reign is the MOST important fact that the temple of gold into which Yahweh entered with His glory, was a most important foreshadowing of what must now take place - Yahweh's glory coming upon His Remnant! Thus we see that this testimony of Solomon was the "tree" work that would specifically precede and foreshadow the "man" work in the day we now live! This is why our examination here of Solomon is so revealing and important.

Looking at this six day creation pattern further, equally significant in these two three-day periods in creation is the fact that both began with the creation of light. The first day of the first three-day period (1, 2, and 3) was obviously day one in creation, while day four would have been the first day of the second three-day period (4, 5, and 6). As testimony to these two distinct three-day periods, each began with the creation of light (both the first and the fourth days). Thus we see in these two periods the two-part work of God. And this is the two-part work in the church that, equal to creation, is supposed to take two three-"day" periods for a total of six "days," or 6,000 years, or 120 Jubilees.

Combining both of these last points regarding Solomon and the six days of creation, we thus see the following.



For the sake of being able to address and make reference to these two creation periods, let us assign a name to each one. From earlier comments about Amer-ric-a, have you noticed that we saw precisely the same pattern. As the kingdom of heaven on the nations level, Amer-ric-a went through its first three-part period, and is now in its second one hundred year segment of its second three-part period. In other words, the first period was the 1600's, 1700's, and 1800's. The second period will be the 1900's, 2000's, and 2100's. The 2200's will bring the seventh day Sabbath rest for Amer-ric-a. This first period was aptly called the preparation period where Amer-ric-a was formed and prepared for its latter purposes. The second period was called the blessing period, where Amer-ric-a becomes a blessing to the world. (This is not to say that America has been or is perfect.)

Thus, as we describe these two periods, whether it be at the nations level kingdom of heaven, Amer-ric-a, or the higher true kingdom of heaven, we will identify the first three "days" of creation as the **preparation period**, and the second three "days" as the **blessing period**. Just for reference, the church has experienced two of its three days in the preparation period.

As has been noted, this fruit-bearing "tree" that is to be brought forth on the third day is in picture the prophetic trees previously considered. The church has now had two of its three days to come forth with this tree; and based upon their progress - it will never happen! But Yahweh is the good gardener, and He knows this very well. If He is going to have a fruit-bearing tree on the third day of the church kingdom's creation, He will have to do some work on the tree, and that is - prune it! And this He has already done and will do. In order to have His fruit-bearing tree on the third day of the church kingdom's creation, He cuts off the old growth of the church, even down to the "holy seed" stump, and with the tender growth that comes forth, has His first fruit unto resurrection. This cutting off He has already legally done in order to bring forth the

Remnant, but will also perform more completely at His return with the glorified two-part Remnant.

This, in the end, is good for the church kingdom (as it always is for a fruit tree). Yahweh's intervention insures that on its sixth day when "man" is to be created (that is, the promise of resurrection, or resurrected man arising out of the dust), Christians will likewise enter His new heavens and new earth kingdom in the required state of resurrected men. Thus, because of Yahweh's intervention, Christians will enter their promised resurrection (seeing all things clearly from His second touch) on their sixth day. More on this later.

Now let us lay out something very interesting. First, we will lay out in visual form the period of probation for the original garden kingdom. We will represent it as a bar inclusive of 120 Jubilees of time, or 6 "days" of creation (6 x 1,000 years each, or 6,000 years). We will expand this pattern, so it is important you obtain some grasp of what is graphically shown here.



The kingdom of God defiled by Adam was legally restored by Yahshua at the end of 4,000 years, or precisely 80 Jubilees, and once again given to man. But again we consider the very important question that we built up to after several sections: **Was it time for man to be brought forth as the fruit of the kingdom in resurrected bodies?** No, not yet! For we have seen that essentially 2,000 years were still remaining in the original kingdom's probation period, and this new church kingdom period initiated by Yahshua was just beginning. Thus, the work of Yahshua was "early," per the original garden kingdom. **Man could not yet be resurrected as the fruit of the kingdom; thus there could not be fruit on the church fig tree.**

In like testimony, we have seen that the 2,000 year period of the church has been the swine period in which the 2,000 swine receive Legion (Satan), and all run into the sea of death (Mark 5:1-20). Christian man in this premature period has been swine, unclean, for he does not have the power to "chew the cud" (i.e., to resurrect - even as chewing the cud resurrects food for beneficial purposes). Equally, Zechariah 13:8 tells us that this 2,000 year, or two part, period of the church will be cut off and perish - they die.

Let us now draw a second chart and show chronologically both kingdom probation periods with their overlaps, as both have their 120 Jubilee time periods to test them.



Although the church has not completed its probation period qualifying its members for resurrection, based on the original garden kingdom timing, men can now, in this day, resurrect into "born from above," New Jerusalem, imperishable bodies. Today is the time for resurrection for mankind!

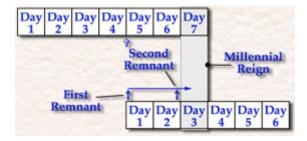
It is also the time to enter into the seventh day, or the Sabbath rest - the Millennial kingdom! And very interestingly, it might be added here as further witness to the significance of this transition time we live in, that astrologically we are in the transition period between Pisces and Aquarius. What does this mean? For 2,000 years before the time of Yahshua, the first sign in the astrological zodiac was Aries, the ram. But, because the position of the stars in relation to the sun changes, the specific days of Yahshua's presence on this earth marked a transition time in which Aries (in the first place) was replaced by the last place Pisces two fishes. This change, to astrologers, marked a very significant time, dramatically testified to by the first coming of Yahshua. For 2,000 years we have been in the period of Pisces. But, once again a change is at hand, and astrologers are anxious! They know something significant must happen! (By pointing this out we are not condoning all the actions of astrologers, nor do we in any way suggest one read the astrological forecasts. But, there are some things attested by the stars that are indeed signs in the heavens from Yahweh, since all His creation testifies of His works - even as the magi were aware of the birth of Yahshua by the stars.)

With the elapsing of another 2,000 years since Yahshua, now is the time for Pisces to be replaced by Aquarius, or the water carrier. What will be the outcome? Let us point out Yahweh's testimony. The Christian ram that was first place, will be replaced (as occurred in the heavens) by the last place two Remnant two fishes connected by a ribbon - the last shall be first. This was testified by the beginning of the age of Pisces at the time of Yahshua. The right to the kingdom belonged to the two Remnant. And with the much needed establishment of the second Remnant, it is time to bring forth the water of His new kingdom, the water from which if a man drinks he will never thirst again, the living water which from one's innermost being will flow like rivers - the latter rain. And, as we will examine in the next section, it is the time for the flood at the end of the 120 Jubilee period! While the long period of the breach extended this two-fish Pisces astrological period (with one fish at the beginning and one fish at the end, united by one string of purpose), it is now complete and time for the water to come forth. These are the waters evidenced by Aquarius, and the heavens declare this change!

Noting all these:

- The completion of 120 Jubilees in 1993,
- The completion of six days (6,000 years) of creation,
- The beginning of the age of Aquarius, and
- The completion in 1993 of forty Jubilees since the church began,

clearly we are in the season of change! According to present evidence, this change will be the first resurrection and the Millennial reign of Yahshua - the two Remnants, the "two sons of fresh oil," will be the "first fruits to God and to the Lamb" (Revelation 14:4). The first Remnant will resurrect from the dead and be joined by the second Remnant, who are caught up alive in the time of His second coming. These two parts, that have been separated by breach Christianity, will be united in heaven to be glorified with Yahshua, even as Moses and Elijah were glorified with Yahshua on the mount of transfiguration. They will then return with Him and reign with Him on the earth in His Millennial kingdom. Let us try to chart this.



In the next section, we will consider in greater detail the above pattern.

LET THE FLOODS COME!

An exciting prospect is evidenced in what we have just considered. Based on the church's 120 Jubilees probation, it is evident that it cannot be brought into immortality for another 4,000 years (its day 6). How then does Yahweh legally resurrect a people into the likeness of His Son who will reign with Him in the Millennium? He does so based upon the completed garden kingdom probation period, which was completed, as we have said, in 1993.

What was it that took place at the end of the first recorded 120 year probation period given to mankind? Yahweh of course brought the flood to destroy all of mankind, with exception to Noah and his family. Now, here is the exciting news! What Yahweh accomplished then in wrath in this physical manifestation, He will perform once again in a higher and wonderful spiritual manifestation - the physical preceding and foreshadowing the spiritual. What do we mean by this? Let us see.

At the first ever Pentecost at Mount Sinai, 3,000 people were slain by the sword (Exodus 32:28). This was the first physical manifestation of this feast; and the spiritual manifestation, though being fulfilled according to the initial pattern, was quite different. On the first ever Pentecost for the church, we find that once again 3,000 people were decisively impacted, but in a much different way. At the spiritual manifestation, instead of 3,000 being slain, 3,000 entered into the kingdom of God in the power of the Spirit (Acts 2:41).

And might it be added here, this is the same pattern of the two-part Remnant - violence followed by blessing. There is an oft-repeated pattern that the first expression suffers violence, so that the latter expression may enter into the blessing. This is certainly the case with the two Remnant. The first Remnant paid the price of death, while the second Remnant experiences the blessing of ascending alive, the former being the sacrifice for the blessing to the latter. This is true with Yahshua as well. The first time He came, He suffered death. But this death assured that the second time He comes will be the time of blessing, when He comes as King of kings.

Thus, when the 3,000 died on Pentecost, they paid the price for the blessing that was to be received by the 3,000 on a Pentecost that came later. This is the same pattern seen with the two birds in Leviticus 14. The first bird was slain, and its blood allowed the second bird to receive its deliverance and ascension alive in an open field. Thus, recognizing this powerful way and work of Yahweh, we can all be very grateful for the price paid by those living masses at the time of Noah. They paid the price of death, they became the first bird, the sacrifice, in order that the blessing of a flood of the Spirit can now come at the end of the 120 Jubilee period!

This principle is a <u>most exciting and powerful truth</u> that cannot be minimized, as it is Yahweh's wonderful method of tying the salvation of all men into one complete and united work, tying the old to the new, both becoming joint participators, causing all men to be co-sharers in salvation. Though the full and completed expression of this powerful truth will be seen when the two-part Remnant stand united in heaven as one, they are only the beginning. The power of this principle is such that when we today receive the flood of the Spirit, those in the time of Noah will some day equally be able to claim participatory rights. Or likewise, those in the church on the day of Pentecost are legally tied to those who died on that first Pentecost. This dynamic principle links all men together in salvation, even as the thread links together the two Pisces fish. Again, this is so very powerful and noteworthy! Now back to what we were discussing.

The physical manifestation of the flood following 120 years of probation, like the first Pentecost, brought death. But the hope of the spiritual manifestation following a 120 Jubilee probation, is flood waters of blessing from on high - opening the windows of heaven and pouring out a blessing we cannot contain (Malachi 3:10)! The completion of the first probation period meant the coming of the flood, the death of mankind, and the lifting of a remnant above this earth. This was the physical preluding pattern. The completion of the higher spiritual 120 Jubilee probation will bring another flood, but they will be the waters of life to mankind, and they will equally lift up alive from this earth another remnant!

Based upon the original probation period for the garden kingdom of God, a "flood" can now come - not a flood that causes all men to perish, but an Aquarius flood of the waters of the set-apart Spirit that bring resurrection, the lifting up of the second Remnant above the earth, and cleansing the earth with truth. This is the flood spoken of in Daniel 9:26 - "and its end (the end of the abomination of desolation) will come with a flood." The flood that originally occurred with great destruction, will now be fulfilled by bringing abundant life and truth and cleansing! The second bird must be released alive!

And may we briefly point out here two more related witnesses that it is now time for the flood waters of the Spirit. In Genesis 7:6 we read, "Now Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of water came upon the earth." At the time of the flood, Noah was six periods of time old, or 600 years. Today, the earth is equally six periods of time old, or 6,000 years. Even as the flood marked the end of a six-part period in Noah's life (600 years), so a flood of the Spirit today would mark the end of a six-part period in the life of mankind (6,000 years).

And equally, the flood in the time of Noah was immediately preceded by a death - the death of Noah's grandfather, Methuselah. Both the flood and Methuselah's death occurred in the same year, with Methuselah's death immediately preceding the flood. Quite remarkably and most significantly, Methuselah's name means - "when he is dead it shall be sent." So when Methuselah died, the flood was sent. What does this mean in pattern or mirror riddle for us today? Is there a "Methuselah" that once again will die, thus initiating another flood - the flood of the Spirit? Yes indeed there is! This is aged Methuselah Christianity that, like its prophetic predecessor who lived longer than any other man, is the longest duration work of Yahweh in the history of mankind. And in fact the Methuselah body of Christ has died, and the flood of the set-apart Spirit has legally begun - a trickle at first, but ever increasing! And keep in mind that the rain that flows initially to the Remnant, waters the world in the Millennium.

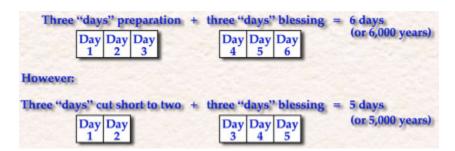
And as has been noted, we find in Noah's flood that at the end of a 120 Jubilee probation period, the Remnant can indeed be resurrected or caught up alive from among man. This lifting up could not be based upon the church's probation period (which is not completed); but rather, will be based upon the completed probation period of mankind! Because of the fulfilled original 120 Jubilee probation period, going all the way back to the garden of Eden, a Remnant from the church today can be caught up alive! What of Christianity? It must wait for the completion of the church's probation period.

But here is where something seemingly unusual and quite wonderful takes place. As we have seen, the church is supposed to get three and three "days," or 3,000 years probation period and 3,000 years blessing period, for a total of 6,000 years. But in Matthew 24:22 we find that "for the sake of the elect those days shall be <u>cut short</u>." How? How can either of these three-day periods be cut, and what would be the consequences of this?

To start with, the church will not get their complete first three "days." For the sake of the elect Remnant, as well as for Christianity, and ultimately for all mankind, Yahweh is calling the Remnant out of Christianity "early" (that is, early <u>based on church time</u>). In order to do this, He

goes ahead and accomplishes with the body of Christ what man had intended to do to Yahshua before His appointed time of crucifixion. Men took up stones to kill Yahshua, but He hid from them or eluded them (John 8:59, 10:31-39). This will not be the case with the body of Christ they cannot hide. Christianity has been put to death (sleep/pruned) early, and a Remnant bride is now being taken out for the Sabbath Millennial reign.

An interesting thing happens as a result of cutting the church's first three "days" short to two. This goes ahead and begins the body of Christ's three days blessing period. Let us see now what this looks like.



Thus, in wonderful testimony of the grace of Yahweh, He takes the six days of creation allotted to the church (six being the number of man), and alters them to five (the number of grace). At the end of these cut-short days, Yahweh has grace upon Christianity and brings them into the blessing period, and eventual imperishable "born from above" bodies. Thus, according to the laws and patterns of Yahweh, Christianity would receive their "sixth" day creation of "man," but on the grace-provided fifth day.

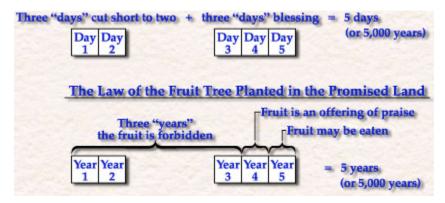
Does this affect the time of the culmination of the church's 120 Jubilee cycle we have been addressing? Evidently not. Yahweh seems to have various ways to cut time short and effect His grace. Even as we already see testified by Yahshua cutting men's lives short specifically after the flood (i.e., men live much shorter lives), so He will cut short the duration of the church with the flood of the Spirit. But again, when the 120 Jubilee period for the church is due to come at the end of the sixth day, by removing the third day, this does not seem to affect the scheduled sixth day creation of "man." We will see this better as we continue to examine this matter of Yahweh's timing.

And may we point out here before moving on that it is because of the church's creation days having been altered that we stated earlier that Amer-ric-a's kingdom of heaven pattern was more perfectly fulfilled. Yahweh fulfilled this nation's complete 1600's, 1700's, and 1800's preparation period, while for several reasons the church's like period must be cut short.

Another outstanding witness we will only briefly mention here regarding the timing of the church, is the law of the fruit tree that was planted in the promised land (i.e., the prophetic kingdom of God). In Leviticus 19:23-25, we read that the fruit of a newly planted tree in the promised land could not be eaten until the fifth year. The first three years the fruit was forbidden. The fourth year the fruit was holy - "an offering of praise to Yahweh." It was not until the fifth year that the

fruit could be eaten. Thus in fulfillment of this law on the higher kingdom level, once again we see the church as being pictured as a tree, the newly planted tree in the promised land kingdom. But under Yahweh's laws, its fruit of resurrection or incorruptible life could not be eaten until the fifth "year." In the first three "years" (3,000 years on the kingdom level, or 2,000 years thus far, plus the Millennial reign) the church kingdom fruit is forbidden. In the fourth year (the thousand year period following the Millennial reign), the white throne judgment begins and the fruit is "an offering of praise to Yahweh," as Yahweh refines Christianity. Then in the fifth year (the modified grace "sixth" year of the creation of the spiritual "man"), the fruit of immortal life can be eaten, providing Christianity their long awaited entrance into the new heavens and new earth.

Let us look at this graphically as it relates to the previous chart.

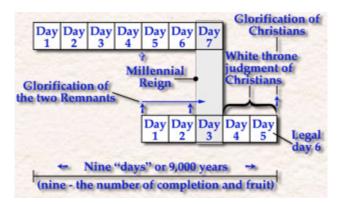


Once again we note the amazement of how Yahweh works so many laws, evidences, and preluding patterns together that attest to and confirm His will!

Let us look again at this graphic representation. What, you might ask, will happen to Christianity in those three days in the time of blessing? Zechariah 13:9 and other passages tell us that those who remain in Christianity in carnal bodies at the time of the return of Yahshua, will be refined with fire like silver and gold is refined. The "third part" of Christianity will be refined in the Millennium. What about all the other Christians from the previous "two parts," or 2,000 years, of the church who were cut off from the kingdom by death? These will be resurrected back into their earthly bodies ("reincarnated") at the second resurrection to be judged "according to their deeds" (Revelation 20:11-15). This is the great white throne judgment that will actually take almost 2,000 years to accomplish. Through it, those Christians who died will be brought back to life to learn righteousness and pay their debts to men. They will leave their "offering there before the altar" and go their way to be reconciled to their brother (Matthew 5:23-24). At the end of the 2,000 year long great white throne judgment, Christians will have been entirely refined and will enter into their legal sixth day resurrection into immortality (the fifth day of the law of the fruit tree), being born from above with the Remnant, thus completing the temple of Yahweh. This is the two-part temple addressed in Hebrews 9 - the Remnant holy of holies with the ark of the covenant and the relocated altar of incense, as well as the "first tabernacle" holy place of Christianity that had to be torn down (or as we have otherwise seen - pruned off or chopped down) in order to make it possible for the Remnant to enter in. Of course once the holy of holies

Remnant enters into resurrection, this will provide great hope to Christianity that their holy place position will indeed follow. The Remnant will be the anchor of hope within the veil for awaiting Christians (Hebrews 6:17-20).

The end result for our diagrams, with what we have learned up to this point, is that these two probation periods would graphically look like this:



Later in this writing, we will carefully look at the significance of the number "9." For now, let us simply note that "9" speaks of completion. 9 is the last of the digits. And most significantly, it is the number of months required for the creation of human offspring. Thus we see that it is specifically 9,000 legal years that are required in order for Yahweh to bring the complete temple creation into the kingdom of heaven. Once this 9,000 year period is complete, the masculine body of Christ and the feminine bride can come together in order to bring forth spiritual offspring from the nations. This is not possible until the completion of this essential 9,000 year gestation period we see here.

From Galatians 5:22-23 we find that 9 is also the number of fruit. And of course it is fruit that Yahweh's works are all about - the fruit of the kingdom. Both parts of the church entering into immortality would indeed bring forth the complete fruit of the two-work kingdom.

And might it briefly be mentioned that this is equally what we see in Yahweh's testimony regarding the mark of the beast 7 American Presidents who died in office at 20-year election intervals, plus the two following Presidents, making a total of 9. Reagan, the eighth, was shot, yet survived the attack, defeating the death cycle. George W. Bush was the ninth and final President in this cycle, and his election will undoubtedly see the return of the Son of God to set up His kingdom upon this earth. Thus we see that at the completion of this Divine gestation period of 9 Presidents at 20 year intervals, the offspring of the Son of Man will be brought forth. (For more on Bush's profoundly prophetic election, click here.)

The culmination of these 9,000 years bring to a close this section. But this Divine creation pattern invites an even more extensive look at Yahweh's timing for mankind.

CREATION'S JUBILEE WEEK

Insomuch that we find within this 120 Jubilee cycle the six days of creation, let us now take this pattern and see what it would hold for the larger duration of time. This examination will both confirm as well as further enlighten us on this matter of Christianity's timing and its ability to bring forth the fruits of the kingdom, as well as the return of Yahshua.

How long will Yahweh work with all of His creation in order to bring its entirety into resurrection and restoration? It is suggested that it would take 50,000 legal years for Yahweh to restore all things which He has created. We have already seen how the two probationary periods associated with the kingdom of God given to carnal man have each fulfilled the six days of creation pattern (albeit modified for the church). Let us now expand that pattern to an even higher level - to the new heavens and new earth fully completed kingdom of God.

When we take the principle of - "that which has been is that which will be, and that which has been done is that which will be done" - we see that as the heavens and earth were created in six days, even so the new heavens and new earth will be created in six "days." In Genesis 2:4 we read - "This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created." Equally, this is the pattern for the new heavens and new earth, thus it could likewise be read - "This is the account of the new heavens and new earth when they were created."

What are the new heavens and new earth? They are the expansion of the kingdom of God to the purpose that all of God's created beings will be restored to righteousness and resurrection life. Although an inexhaustible amount of details entirely elude us in its final fulfillment, Yahweh's original creation pattern holds His plan for the creation of the new heavens and new earth - the original heavens and earth creation being the seed or pattern for the new heavens and new earth.

And may we note here once again the inescapable pattern of the dying Savior work that precedes the King of kings fulfillment, the first Remnant making possible the second Remnant, the natural that precedes and foreshadows the spiritual, or the preceding death work that makes possible the following blessing work. Here once again we see the natural heavens and earth as the work that must perish, so that the greater and far more blessed new heavens and new earth can be brought forth. May the brevity of this comment in no way reflect upon its great importance. Let us now see this creation pattern.

Genesis 1 and the six days of creation lay out the following pattern. We will list what was created on each day.

Day 1 - God created light

Day 2 - God created the firmament, separating the waters below and above

Day 3 - God gathered the waters into the seas and brought forth vegetation and trees

Day 4 - God created the sun, the moon, and the stars

Day 5 - God created living creatures in the sea and in the air

Day 6 - God created living creatures on the land, beasts, cattle, and man and woman

Day 7 - God rested

Even as there were six days of creation that brought forth distinct and orderly additions to the natural heavens and earth, so there will surely be six "days" of creation that bring forth distinct and orderly additions to the new heavens and new earth. What will these additions be? They will follow the pattern of the original creation, but on a much longer time scale. How long? Let us see.

We have already considered that the kingdom of heaven follows a Jubilee time frame. This is similar with the new heavens and new earth. Jubilee is the great climactic event of mankind! All economy was to be based on the fifty year cycle of the Jubilee. **Thus, the formation of the new heavens and new earth, which looks to the restoration of all things, will undoubtedly take a Jubilee of time.** How long will that be in years? Legally 50,000 years, since the heavenly is on the thousands level. How does this work out? Let us see.

Combining the six days of creation and the Sabbath rest with the Jubilee period, one would arrive at seven "days" of 7,000 years each (seven periods of seven at the thousands level). In other words, seven "days" with 7,000 years in each day would be 49,000 years. (In a sense, they are a week of weeks; or even in summation, and this could be most revealing, they are Daniel's seventy weeks at the thousand's level!) The completion of these seven "days" would bring one to Jubilee - the forgiveness of all debt or sin. Let us lay this out for you to visually consider.

Day 1 7,000 years Light	Day 2 7,000 years Firmament		Lights in	Day 5 7,000 years Sea and air creatures	Animals	Day 7 7,000 years Rest	Jubilee at 50,000 years
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What has just been explained is what would happen in pure legal time; in other words, if time is effected in uninterrupted chronological years. However, we have already seen that sometime Yahweh cuts time short, even as He will do with the church's six "days," cutting them to five. Yet very interesting, another way Yahweh shortens time is by stacking it, putting time on top of time, or a "day" on top of a "day." Let us consider how Yahweh does this. To look at it, we first have to bring once again into focus the purpose or requirement for the church.

As has been stated, there are two things that the kingdom of God is required to bring forth. One is offspring into immortality and perfection. And of course someone might answer that there is no one who can effect this. No one in the flesh has the power to ascend to Yahweh and enter into perfection. In obvious contrast, all men have instead gone to the grave! As strange as it might seem that Yahweh would require kingdom men to have this power and ability to fulfill this requirement, one must realize that this obvious inability does not change Yahweh's expectation or His requirement. Throughout the entire history of earthly mankind, man has never been able to come up to Yahweh's expectations or requirements, and the church thus far has been no exception.

The second requirement upon the kingdom of God is that the church prepare the way and bring forth the Son of God. Let us look at this more thoroughly.

In creation we see that on the first day Yahweh created light (Genesis 1:3); but we also find that He did not create the sun, moon, and stars until the fourth day, separating the day from the night. So we ask the question - If the sun, moon, and stars were not created until the fourth day, what was the light brought forth on the first day?

We are told in John 1:9 that Yahshua is the "true light." He is not the light like that which was created on the fourth day; but instead, He is the true light that in fact was brought forth on the first day. When Yahweh brought forth light on the first day, He in truth brought forth the "true light" of the Son of God, Yahshua. So we see in pattern that the <u>first day</u> of Yahweh's creation is reserved for bringing forth the <u>true light</u> of the Son of God. This is MOST important!

This is likewise confirmed insomuch that it was equally on this first day that Yahshua came forth from the grave. Thus, once again we see the bringing forth of the Son of God on the <u>first day</u>. Very importantly, let us now look at this per the purpose of the church, the kingdom of God given to man. This is best considered by looking at the time schedule on which the church exists. Read this next paragraph very carefully.

Referring back to the original creation week we have been examining, the church thus far occupies two days in this week - the fifth "day," as well as the sixth "day." This brings us up to where we are today, at the end of the sixth day. But in its own separate creation timing starting in 33 AD, the church's supposed three days preparation period would have extended it through the seventh day of the original creation week (5, 6, and 7), or the true Sabbath. Then next would have come the first day in the second blessing period, which would have been the church's own "Sabbath," or "the Lord's day," the first day in the next creation week.

What again was one of the important purposes of the church? To perform the Elijah work. To bring forth the Son of God, the "true light." Do you now see that if the church had been successful in their 3,000 year preparation work, it would have prepared the way for and brought forth the Son of God on their Sabbath - the first day of the week, or the "Lord's day" - and there

they would have entered into their rest. Thus Yahweh gave kingdom-receiving man the responsibility to bring forth the Son of God, the "true light," on the required first day.

But the church with all of its error and corruption has not been successful towards this, and would neither be successful if given their additional 1,000 years. They have not been able and cannot bring forth the Son of God, preparing His way as an Elijah. Nor can they bring men to ascension to the Father and to immortality. Neither of these requirements are of the remotest possibility! The church is corrupted by Satan and the flesh, and there is absolutely NO WAY it could succeed at these! As we have seen before, if given 3,000 years the church would be three "hours" of darkness with the final cry in the end of being forsaken, or three "times" in which it denies Yahshua before the cock crows.

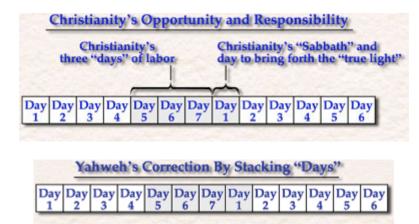
Since the church would fail to bring forth the "true light" on the first day, then what is Yahweh's solution? This is very exciting! To solve the problem, **Yahweh stacks time!** Let us see what is meant by this.

How many times did the Pharisees object that Yahshua was "working on the Sabbath"? Many, many, many times! "My Father is working until now, and I Myself am working" (John 5:17), answered Yahshua to their continual objections. So why was He working on the Sabbath? And why was this point repeatedly made in all four of the gospels? Since the Scriptures are MUCH more than just some historical account, but vital instruction, light, and revelation, what is it that we are to learn from these obvious repeated messages? The answer to this question once again lies in Yahweh's timing.

Since the church will not be able to bring forth the Son of God on the creation ordered first day, Yahweh must solve the problem for man - He must send Yahshua to this earth a "day" early, on the true Sabbath! Thus, in order to meet all the requirements of the Law, and in order to save man and the kingdom from Satan, as well as their own destruction, Yahweh must bring Yahshua to this earth one "day" early, performing on the Sabbath that which He was legally supposed to perform on the first day! The net result of this is that He stacks the first day on the seventh day!

What does this mean regarding His works that He must perform in order to bring light on the first day? Yahshua was to have set up His kingdom on His "true light" day, the first day; but now He finds it necessary for man's sake to come early. But there is a problem with this - it is the Sabbath! So what Yahshua has to do is exactly that for which the Pharisees criticized Him so much - He has to work on the Sabbath! Thus, when Yahshua walked on this earth, He worked on the Sabbath as a testimony that He is going to come again and labor on the Sabbath, performing the first day "true light" works on the seventh day Sabbath rest!

So we see this graphed out in the following way.



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Now, what has Yahweh in affect accomplished by this overlap? He has once again shortened time! And taking this one step further, what would this shortening of time by this overlap mean for time at large? This is a MOST interesting question, which we will consider for a moment.

The question per time at large is - If Yahweh shortens time in this beginning week in order to effect His purposes, will He do this again in the subsequent weeks? If He does, this will affect the timing of the Jubilee (not that this affects us too much right now, but it is a provocative and enlightening question). How will it affect it? It will have the end result that one "day," or 1,000 years, will be "lost" in each 7,000 year day. So instead of there being seven days of 7,000 years each, for a total of 49,000 years, there would be seven days of 6,000 years each, or a total of 42,000 years. This does not affect the end result that Jubilee would be carried out at that time, for in "legal" time, it still remains 49,000 years; Yahweh simply stacks some days in order that He may show forth His grace, which He always works out to be legal.

This overlapping of days or time is what we have already noted that Yahweh performs in the Jubilee calendar or cycles. While the Jubilee is at the fiftieth year, He overlaps the fiftieth year with the first year of the next cycle, so that Jubilee time is actually calculated in multiples of 49. As we have already seen, forty Jubilees is not 40 x 50, which is the "legal" time of 2,000 years; but rather, 40 x 49, or actual time of 1,960 years. Again, Yahweh shortens time by performing this, effecting His grace on man. (And may we point out again that the flood likewise effected the shortening of men's lives.)

Thus, with what we find in calculating Jubilees, and what we see taking place in this first transition between these first two weeks, it seems quite evident that in fact Yahweh will have an actual grace 36,000 years (6 x 6,000) of uninterrupted legal labor leading to the Sabbath and then His great Jubilee! This legal labor on these legal-time 7,000 year days, is entirely consistent and harmonious with the long-term week. In other words, from the grand scale of the legal seven 7,000 year days, six days of labor is actually essential. Thus, looking at the days on this larger scale actually dictates that of the seven days, labor must continue uninterrupted for six days. Therefore, the shortening of time due to the overlapping seventh and first days effects this greater legal requirement so that uninterrupted labor can legally continue for six days. From the

standpoint of laboring, the higher level "week" dictates the purpose of the lower level "weeks" - to labor.

And before looking more closely at each of these days and considering what it might be that Yahweh will be adding to His new heavens and new earth on each day of creation, let us take one more important look at this requirement that the church prepare the way for the Son of God, bringing His return and His glorious kingdom, as well as draw an important observation and even affirmation regarding the Sabbath.

We have noted that the church fails in its ability to bring forth the Son of God. Even if the church was given their full 3,000 years, it would not be able to prepare the way for Yahshua's return. But, His way MUST be preceded and prepared! So what will Yahweh do? By cutting short the 3,000 years to 2,000, Yahweh solves the church's problem by sending His Spirit to earth and pouring Him out upon the church to provide light and truth which He has not provided before providing a foretaste of that which is to come with the return of His Son. But the actual "mechanical" process of this outpouring is that initially it will not alter the entire church, but only a remnant out of the church. The latter rain effects the calling of His second Remnant bride out of the body of Christ. What is the outcome of this act per Yahweh's greater purposes? It provides the required Elijah that MUST prepare His way! While the church-at-large fails to be that Elijah work, dooming them as well as the kingdom, Yahweh Himself must once again step into earthly man's dilemma and provide the answer - a remnant who will perform the required function.

Thus, while the church up to this point has failed in its requirement of preparing the way for Yahshua, Yahweh is calling out a remnant, a bride, an Elijah, who will prepare His Son's way so that He can return to this earth and restore His kingdom which earthly man and Satan have corrupted, bringing hope and salvation to all men! The Elijah second Remnant that is being formed right now is Yahweh's answer to the church's failure to prepare the way for Yahshua's return.

Yahweh's greatest testimonies of His works and His plans, are evidenced through those things carried out and prophesied in His laws and in the administration of those laws. This Elijah work and the church's timing is no exception. Let us examine this matter of the Elijah a bit further; and in so doing, we will also consider what Paul, the primary teacher in Christianity, evidenced regarding Yahweh's timing. In fact, let us begin by examining what happened to this teacher of Christianity.

Revelation 19:20 tells us the beast will be "thrown alive into the lake of fire." Significantly, this is exactly what happened to the "beast," or viper, that attached itself to Paul's hand on the island of Malta.

In Acts 28:3-5 we read where Paul, shipwrecked on the island of Malta, was carrying a bundle of sticks to place on a fire. When he placed the wood on the fire, "a viper came out because of the heat and fastened to his hand. ... However he shook the beast off into the fire and suffered no

harm." The Greek word for "beast" used here is the identical word used in Revelation to identify "the beast." And let us note here that a "bundle of sticks" is no less than a bundle of rods, which turn into snakes, even as Moses' and Aaron's rods turned into snakes. Equally, as we saw in the comparison of Matthew, Mark, and Luke in a previous writing, the church has the rod (or right to rule); and now we see affirmed here that that rod brings forth a snake (Satan) that attaches itself to the church's hand (their works).

Even while Paul was carrying this bundle of wood in order to have a fire, and from this labor he would have, and even should have, died; so we find another man who equally carried a bundle of firewood and died. In Numbers 15:32-36 we read:

Now while the sons of Israel were in the wilderness, they found a man gathering wood on the sabbath day. And those who found him gathering wood brought him to Moses and Aaron, and to all the congregation; and they put him in custody because it had not been declared what should be done to him. Then Yahweh said to Moses, "The man shall surely be put to death; all the congregation shall stone him with stones outside the camp."

Notice here that the man was carrying this load of firewood specifically on the Sabbath. He was laboring on the Sabbath. Was this legal? Certainly not! This was the Sabbath, and this man was laboring, carrying "rods."

Let us now ask a very important and telling question. What would happen if Christianity continued to carry their rods into the Sabbath day? Precisely the same thing that happened to this man - they would be stoned! Strange as this may seem to you at first, this was the message Yahshua declared when He rode into Jerusalem and the people were preparing His way by laying their garments and the branches (Tabernacles) before Him. These events were a clear prophetic picture of the return of Yahshua to this earth. And what was it He told the Pharisees who objected to their labors and their cries? He told them - "if these become silent, the stones will cry out" (Luke 19:40).

What were these preceding heralders accomplishing? What work did they foreshadow? They looked to the Elijah work that would in true and greater fulfillment prepare the way for the return of Yahshua. These were the Elijah, the preparers of the way. And what would be the consequence if these Elijah people did not come and prepare Yahshua's way? The stones would cry out! What stones would cry out? **The same stones that cried out against the man who carried the wood on the Sabbath, effecting his death!** If Elijah does not come and perform his required work just before the true Sabbath, then the stones of judgment would cry out against Christianity for laboring on the Sabbath! Their third-part labors would carry them right into the Sabbath. Would their labor be legal? Not at all. They would be carrying wood on the Sabbath! While Christians know almost nothing about the Laws of Yahweh, you can be MOST certain that Yahweh knows His laws, and keeps them!

So what must and will Yahweh do? He will send His Elijah one day early (at the end of the sixth day) to prepare Yahshua's way; Yahshua will return, and by overlapping or stacking the first day

over the Sabbath, He can legally allow Christians to labor, to carry their firewood. (Remember, this third part of Christianity is purified by fire.) This is what we see testified by Paul as he carried his wood. What has been the problem with Christianity? Satan, the beast, has been in their rods and has brought death to them for 2,000 years. What will be different in the third part? As we have seen, the third part falls on the Sabbath; and it is at the beginning of the Sabbath, with Yahshua's return with His Remnant, that the beast will be "thrown alive into the lake of fire." This is precisely what happened to the "beast" that latched onto Paul's hand (the hand represents works) - as a prophetic picture of Satan, it too was cast alive into the fire.

Even as Paul escaped death by the power and work of Yahshua, so the third part of Christianity will escape death because Yahshua returns and casts the serpent into the fire, stopping death that has been ongoing in the church for 2,000 years. The stones that cried out against the man who bore his wood on the Sabbath will be silent, because the Remnant will cry out and prepare the way for the Son of God. The first day is stacked onto the Sabbath so that Christians can equally labor with Yahshua and not be guilty of violating His Law.

Interestingly, and in equal testimony, by cutting the 7 days short to 6, the mark of the beast 7 is altered to a 6, or man, fulfilling the eradication of the beast and his fatal affects upon man.

Having noted this most important testimony regarding the Sabbath and the beast, let us now proceed to further consider what might take place on each of these seven days of creation of a new heavens and new earth.

First, where are we now in Yahweh's creation plan of the new heavens and new earth creation? Only the first day; and even then we still have 1,000 years legal time left in this day - the Sabbath. And what will Yahweh create in this first 6,000/7,000 year long day? As we have seen light! Much needed light! Yahweh is speaking into existence in these first 7,000 years the presence of Divine light! Has the light appeared? Not entirely. Yahshua came as the light, but men loved darkness rather than light and rejected Him. His light was removed from the earth. Is Christianity that true light? No. As spoken by Yahshua, the light the church was supposed to be was only darkness - "if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!" (Matthew 6:22-23). Christianity is not the fulfillment of the light created on the first "day." Then who is? Yahshua with His two glorified mount-of-transfiguration Remnants will be light. Revelation 22:5 states:

And there shall no longer be any night; and they shall not have need of the light of a lamp nor the light of the sun, because the Lord God shall illumine them; and they shall reign forever and ever.

Yahshua and His glorified Remnant reigning in the Millennial period will be the first true sustained kingdom light for the earth - the first day light! Up until now, in prophetic truth the world's light has been natural. At the return of Yahshua and His Remnant bride, the earth will, after 6,000 years of darkness, be illumined by the true light of His heavenly kingdom. Thus we

will see the creation of the true light on this first day of the creation of the new heavens and new earth.

Have you noticed that if Yahweh had left it up to Christianity to bring forth the Son of Man on the first day of the second creation week, that this would have brought forth the "true light" on day two of creation? Of course this could not be, and this was only one more legal reason why Yahshua had to come on the Sabbath of the first day - to be the first day "true light." Again, it is amazing how Yahweh works all of His laws together!

What will happen in days 2, 3, 4, and so on in this greater Jubilee week? Only Yahweh knows for certain. There are an innumerable amount of people throughout the last 6,000 years of history who must all be resurrected back into their earthly bodies to pay their debts against other men. And one can be certain, all debts will be paid - not just money and material things, but the debt of love, the pain of causing sorrow and loss to others, the disregard and judgment of others, the cost of lies, ways in which men have afflicted and disregarded others. And one can be certain - men will pay their debts in full. As Yahshua warned - "Truly I say to you, you shall not come out of there (debtors prison where payment of debts were worked off), until you have paid up the last cent" (Matthew 5:26). Can you imagine the debt that Adolph Hitler will come back into the flesh and pay? People who thought they were getting away with things will be brought back to life, exposed, sentenced, and be required to pay their debt. Proverbs 16:11 says - "A just balance and scales belong to Yahweh; all the weights of the bag are His work." You can be certain, after Yahweh resurrects all men and weighs out judgment, it will be just. And equally important, it will be restitutionary, with the goal of bringing all men and all created beings to restoration; and eventually for man, immortality.

Of course it is on the second day of the Jubilee week that Christianity comes into resurrection; and as we have seen in the book, *Coverings*, we know that the firmament, created on the second day, is a covering over the earth. From this we can conclude that with the establishment of both the Remnant and the body of Christ into immortality, there would then be some covering established over the new heavens and new earth. Of course a man and a woman form a covering for the family, and with the body and the bride being established in order to bring forth offspring, it seems quite appropriate that this family covering of these first two works in the kingdom would be formed on this second creation day.

What will be the extent of Yahshua's restoration? Again, <u>all</u> things! Even Satan? Yes, even Satan. What was created on the fifth day? The sea and air creatures, including "the great sea monsters." Satan has the power of death (Hebrews 2:14), and he is great Leviathan that makes sport in the sea of death. He is <u>the</u> great sea monster! Surely after 35,000 years, even Satan can be taught not to sin, kill, and destroy. Surely his great and staggering debts can be paid to man by then. Does not Yahweh's word teach - bless those who curse you? If so, then Leviathan would equally be brought into the progressively created new heavens and new earth. And equally testified, those fifth-day birds (fallen angels) that Yahshua said get into the kingdom's mustard seed tree and in Nebuchadnezzar's church tree to nest, will surely be restored with Leviathan the sea monster.

The fifth "day" could very well be the "day" to restore in whole or in part the forces of darkness that have corrupted men for these first 6,000 years.

Once all are restored to Yahweh's kingdom following 36,000 years of chronological time, or 42,000 years legal time, then creation enters into Yahweh's Sabbath rest. Then after that rest comes Jubilee in the legal 50,000th year! All creation is released from all debt. Then what? Who knows all that Yahweh will have in store for His then completed new heavens and new earth kingdom!

Hopefully this has brought to you a larger picture of how all of this can fit together according to Yahweh's established patterns. His patterns are repeated over and over and over again - on a personal level, on a national level, and on a new heavens and new earth level.

This is a rather expansive and climactic way to complete this matter of the 120 period of probation and testing; but by it, hopefully we can understand more about what the kingdom of God is, how both manifestations of the kingdom to earthly man fit into Yahweh's plan, how the Remnant and Christianity fit into that plan, and all-in-all, how this present light-forming first day of creation of the new heavens and new earth fits into Yahweh's plan for restoring all of creation. This is Yahweh's ultimate goal - a new heavens and new earth encompassing all of His created beings!

Let us now finally return to the question of Jeroboam's rebellion against Solomon for closing up the breach of the city of David, or Jerusalem, as well as the question as to how this breach will be repaired. Prior to this lengthy consideration of when is the "season" for the kingdom to bear fruit - bringing men to resurrection, to immorality - we noted that Jerusalem prophetically represents the kingdom of heaven. What then is this "breach" in the kingdom that Solomon repaired? We have already seen that the kingdom was first given to the first Remnant. We have now seen that it was not the right season for the fruits of the kingdom, being 2,000 years too early. So at the stoning of Stephen, the kingdom went into the nearly 2,000 year long breach period.

Today a second Remnant is being established in order to complete and fulfill the work begun by the first Remnant. Therefore, to repair the breach of Jerusalem, as Solomon did, requires uniting these two separated Remnants. This requires taking the Moses first Remnant and Elijah second Remnant up to the mount of transfiguration and glorifying them in the presence of Yahshua. Repairing the breach is uniting into one the split Mount of Olives two Remnants that have been separated by the very large valley breach of Christianity. Repairing the breach requires lifting up and uniting the "two sons of fresh oil" olive trees that have been separated by the seven-branched lampstand and golden bowl. Repairing the breach requires restoring the communion of an Elijah and Elisha who had traveled together, walking and talking, until a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them. Repairing the breach of the kingdom requires uniting the two Remnants into one resurrected Remnant that will reign with Yahshua. Why would Christianity-representing Jeroboam be angered by this? Because it means the temporary rejection of Christianity from the kingdom and its refinement as silver and gold.

This has been a very long and revealing journey in answering this question on repairing the breach of Jerusalem; but it is hoped that by adding these lengthy sections on the proper "season" for the kingdom to bear fruit, it helps to understand why the kingdom had to breach - it was not yet time for Yahweh to resurrect men into imperishable, born from above, glorified bodies. The fruit-of-the-kingdom first resurrection could not legally come until nearly 2,000 years after the first Pentecost following Yahshua's resurrection, thus the hope of and promise to the first Remnant had to be breached (i.e., a Perez, meaning "breach," was born - Genesis 38:27f). The breach church period continued for the necessary legal 2,000 years; and now at the 1993 completion of the 120 Jubilee probation period for the original garden kingdom, Yahweh is finishing the work He began, completing the Remnant work by establishing a second Remnant (a Zerah - the scarlet-thread-bearing second son of Judah's twins). And by raising these two Remnants to heaven to be united and glorified, Yahweh will thus entirely repair the breach in His kingdom work, and have the long awaited and much needed first fruits from mankind!

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Now let us bring this matter of timing into even further focus and significance. The following information is dramatic and relevant, once again tying events scheduled for this most conclusive time in which we live, back to highly initiating events and times occurring thousands of years prior.

We have noted that completion of this 120 Jubilee probation period from the time of the original garden brings us to 1993. Likewise, forty Jubilees from the crucifixion of Yahshua brings us to the end of the church's wilderness journey's in the same year. Of course it would also be true that fifty Jubilees from the edict of Artaxerxes to rebuild the temple in Jerusalem would likewise fall on 1993. And, eighty Jubilees from the time when the father of faith, Abram, was nineteen years old, would once again be 1993. Even as eighty Jubilees from Adam saw the most significant event of Yahshua's crucifixion, what significant event might we now expect eighty Jubilees from Abram?

As you can see, 1993 was a MOST important point in time. It was a MOST important and fulfilling completion of time with MAJOR implications. We have already seen the GREAT significance this has with the timing of the fruits of the kingdom. So what took place in 1993 that was so significant? Before answering this, let us see two other important periods of time that equally have a very telling and strikingly similar conclusion.

We noted that the first of these significant Jubilees was relative to Abram - the 40th Jubilee. This man was the father of faith, and fifty-one years after the 40th Jubilee, Yahweh came to him and declared a covenant that He would perform on his behalf. At Yahweh's instructions, Abram provided the covenant parts; he then guarded them from the birds of prey, and at nightfall went

to sleep. It was then that Yahweh passed through those parts as a smoking oven and flaming torch, effecting a covenant with Abram (Genesis 15).

This was a most important event for all mankind, particularly relevant to the kingdom of God. In many ways, the kingdom of God relates back to this one telling event and time when God made a covenant with a man. Let us now consider the timing of this covenant relative to today.

The scripture we will look at next addresses the issue of covenants, referencing this covenant Yahweh made with Abram. But in this reference we will find enumerated a most important and telling period of time. We will read from Galatians 3:16-17:

Now the promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. ... What I am saying is this: the Law, which came four hundred and thirty years later, does not invalidate a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to nullify the promise."

Here we read that the Law was given 430 years after the covenant Yahweh made with Abram. Of course the Law was given immediately after the sons of Israel were delivered out of Egypt. Let us now read from Exodus 12:40-41 where we will find once again this same number and events.

Now the time that the sons of Israel lived in Egypt was four hundred and thirty years. And it came about at the end of four hundred and thirty years, to the very day, that all the hosts of Yahweh went out from the land of Egypt.

We find then that this 430 year period marked the time of the bondage of the sons of Israel "to the very day" from the covenant made with Abram, to the time of their deliverance out of Egypt. So we find this chronology: Yahweh made His covenant with Abram, and 430 years later to the day, the sons of Israel were delivered out of Egypt. Thus we can say, **430 represents the period of bondage in Egypt.** (This information can also be found in *Secrets of Time*, by Steve Jones.))

Since 430 years represents the nations level period, what would be the outcome if Yahweh placed a higher degree of fulfillment on this significant period by making it a multiple of time, elevating it to a heavenly-level number? This we have already seen with the 120 as well as forty Jubilee probationary periods; but obviously we are not dealing here with 430 Jubilees! So what would Yahweh's higher level of this 430 year period be?

Earlier in this writing we noted that following nine "days," or 9,000 years, from Adam, Yahweh completed a legal gestation period relative to man, resulting in bringing forth the fruit of the kingdom - the bride's as well as the body's entrance into immortality! In this we see the significance of the number nine, and will now more thoroughly address this very important number.

Nine is a number that speaks of fruit, gifts, judgment, and most importantly, completion. From E. W. Bullinger's book, *Number in Scripture*, page 235, we read concerning the number "nine":

It is the *last* of the digits, and thus marks the *end*; and is significant of the *conclusion* of a matter.

It is akin to the number six, six being the sum of its factors (3 x 3 = 9, and 3 + 3 = 6), and is thus significant of the *end of man*, and the summation of all man's works. *Nine* is, therefore the number of finality or judgment, for judgment is committed unto Jesus as "the Son of man" (John v.27; Acts xvvii.31). It marks the completeness, the end and issue of all things as to man - the judgment of man and all his works.

And as noted, nine is the number of months for the creation of a human being. Yahweh has so designed it that the bringing forth of fruit from mankind requires a nine period gestation. This, we will find, is not only true with earthly development, but likewise with Yahweh's higher spiritual developments in the kingdom of God, made up of man.

Even recently we have seen the testimony of both of these numbers we are presently considering - nine and 430. Let us briefly consider this. In the writings on this web site under <u>Election 2000</u> <u>Information</u>, we have considered the highly prophetic testimonies regarding the most recent US elections. In this prophetic election, we find that similarly George W. Bush is the <u>43rd</u> President of the United States. And, he occupies another most revealing place as the <u>ninth</u> President in the death election cycle in which 7 Presidents consecutively died in office in a twenty year election cycle, with the conquering of death by Ronald Reagan. Equally, Bush became President because the <u>nine</u> member Supreme Court's decision brought the absolute conclusion to the contest between these two men, overturning the 7 member state court's decision on recounts - the battle for the chad. We also see that George W. Bush occupies a very clear prophetic place as the second Remnant - the second Bush separated from the former by two-term Clinton.

Taking the nine for its great prophetic significance of being completion, what would be the outcome of a complete period of time of nine periods of 430 years? Once again we would find a completion period on a higher kingdom level, or bondage in "Egypt" to its complete and higher fulfillment. Let us now multiply 430 times nine and see at what date we arrive, marking this time from the pivotal covenant that Yahweh made with Abram. That covenant was made in 1877 BC. Nine times 430 equals 3,870 years. What year from this covenant do we find the completion of bondage in Egypt? It was 1994, the year following the all important year of 1993 where we found several Jubilee patterns finding their fulfillment!

In keeping with the purpose of this writing in "pulling out the stops," let us add one more testimony before we see the fulfillment that Yahweh provided to these promises.

In a writing not yet published on this site regarding a king of Judah by the name of Jehoiachin, there is the following description of this man - "One of the least known men in the Bible, yet one of whom events surrounding his life cause him to stand out as one of the most unique and important!"

Jehoiachin's obscurity comes from the fact that his reign was the second shortest of any of the kings of Judah or the kings of Israel - a mere three months and ten days. His seemingly sole point of notoriety lies in the fact that he was the king sitting on the throne of David when the first deportation of the Jews to Babylon occurred. Outside of the brief mention that he was eventually restored from his imprisonment to sit at the table of the king of Babylon and rule with him, little else on the surface seems noteworthy in his life. But, considering these two truly important points, as well as taking a closer look at the accounts concerning his life, we actually find this Jehoiachin to be one of the most unique testimonies in the entire Bible!

In December, 598 BC, the evil, oppressive, and violent king of Judah, Jehoiakim (Jeremiah 22:17), died, leaving the throne of David to his son, Jehoiachin. But Jehoiachin's reign was destined to be very short, for already on his way to mount a siege against the city of Jerusalem was King Nebuchadnezzar and his powerful army from Babylon. Ancient records reveal that on the second day of Adar, 597 BC, Jehoiachin was captured. Following only three months and ten days as king, Jehoiachin and ten thousand captives from Jerusalem, including all the craftsmen, the smiths, the officials and leading men of the land, all the men of valor, as well as all the treasures of the house of Yahweh, were deported to Babylon (2 Kings 24:8f).

We read in 2 Kings 25:27f that when Nebuchadnezzar died, his son, Evil-merodach, upon becoming king of Babylon, released Jehoiachin from prison "and set his throne above the thrones of the kings who were with him in Babylon. And Jehoiachin changed his prison clothes, and had his meals in the king's presence regularly all the days of his life; and for his allowance, a regular allowance was given him by the king, a portion for each day, all the days of his life." Jehoiachin's imprisonment was precisely thirty-seven years (from Adar 2, 597 BC to Adar 25/27, 560 BC).

In *Secrets of Time* (pages 69-71), we find some most wonderfully revealing truth concerning Yahweh's use of this man as an intercessor for Egypt. To fully understand this intercession, one would need to read this portion in Steve's book. We see through this insight that Jehoiachin served a very important and prophetic role as an intercessor. But even further, prophetically we see in this picture the intercessoral role of the church.

Getting directly to the point, like Jehoiachin, the first Remnant had a most brief period of "reigning" with Yahshua. But that period was cut short, for quickly Mystery Babylon took over the kingdom and it was taken into captivity and bondage. In time though, Nebuchadnezzar Christianity "dies," or is put to sleep, and the second Remnant is brought out of prison, and will have a throne above the thrones of the kings, will put on new garments or new bodies, will receive its provision from the King of kings and eat from His table (even as we are eating from it right now in this writing).

So when we find this kingdom testimony with its first Remnant, followed by Nebuchadnezzar's Babylonian-bondage Christianity, and then second Remnant deliverance from prison and elevation to the throne to serve with the King of kings, any prophetic periods of time associated with this concluding fulfillment would be MOST hopeful in the end!

Let us now read from Steve's book, page 71:

Jehoiachin was in captivity at the time of Judah's 70-year captivity to Babylon. His dungeon experience prophesied of a long-term Babylonian captivity that has affected us all today. This longer-term captivity is not a mere 37 years, nor even 70 years. It is 37 x 70 years long, extending from 597 BC to 1994 AD. It is 2,590 years in all.

So did you notice that we now have a double witness to the significance of this year, 1994? This time it is per specifically the end of Babylonian bondage and the ascension of the second Remnant to the throne, to put on new bodies, and to eat from the King's table! So now we see that 1994 marked the completion of two highly significant periods of bondage:

- The higher period of bondage in Egypt beginning from the covenant with Abram, and
- The higher period of bondage in Babylon and the release of the Remnant.

What happened in 1994 that was the fulfillment of not only these two remarkably attesting time periods, but also something of outstanding significance that would take place on the heals of all the dramatic 1993 Jubilee cycle completions? All of these awesome testimonies indicate that something REMARKABLY CONSUMMATING took place! What was it? Let us now see!

THE TESTIMONY OF A MAN

In September, 1993, this man and his family moved into a 5,600 square foot home we had built on a 100 acre ranch by the labors of volunteers. The purpose of this beautiful home was to provide care for battered, abandoned, and displaced women and their children. Construction was not complete when we moved in, so labor continued for several months afterwards. Once open, a lady with five young girls came for help; but surprisingly, these would be the only ones who would come to this home, for its construction was to be for a much higher purpose - a seed to be sown.

Nine months after moving in, on June 11, 1994, this man was standing in the kitchen at one end of the service island, visiting with his wife, daughter, and another lady. All of a sudden, without any particular provocation, a curious knowledge came to this man's understanding. With slow, deliberate, and methodical thought and contemplation, I proclaimed out loud what I suddenly knew within to be true. Standing at the one end of the island, I stated - "What God performed at the beginning of the church," and then thoughtfully walking down to the other end of the island, I completed the sentence, "He will do again at the end." All of a sudden this man knew the truth of the two Remnant, one at the beginning of the church, and one at the end. From there Yahweh began to open the Scriptures and show this man the vast testimonies of these two vital works in the kingdom of God.

One week later, on June 18, while driving back to the ranch, there was a nagging question in this man's mind that was most puzzling! At the time this man was writing on and just beginning to discover the wonderful and most marvelous truths about the Nazirite vow, and how through that vow Yahshua identified with the sins of man and restored the kingdom of God. But in this truth, there was one most puzzling thought - If the man is the image and glory of God, and the woman is the glory of man, and since hair is a glory, then why was it that Yahweh ordered that men have short hair (limited glory) and gave the long hair to the woman, which is her glory? This made absolutely no sense! Consistent with all of creation, it seemed that the man, who was the glory of God, would have the long hair. I concluded that I absolutely could not figure this out, and determined that I would go home and ask the ladies about this. Maybe a woman would know?

But I had barely come to that decision when suddenly Yahweh spoke to me the answer; not audibly, but He told me - "Because I will not give My glory to the masculine body of Christ, but I will give it to the feminine bride!" Wow! This blew me away! I went home and told the ladies the amazing news!

After this, for a week and a half the Spirit of Yahweh came upon this man, and an earthquake began taking place in my beliefs. Most of what I had been taught and believed was turned upside-down! I could ask Yahshua anything, and He would tell me the answer. I could be completely blank and puzzled about a question, not having any way to figure out the answer, present it to Him, and He would tell me the answer. And when He did this, it would totally blow the top of my head off! I would be completely and overwhelmingly amazed with what He told me! After He spoke, I could not stand still or sit, but paced about in praise, amazement, and exaltation to Him for what I had just learned.

During that time He showed this man the truths of the Nazirite vow and the two Remnant, both of which no man had ever seen or understood. He told this man how the side of the body of Christ would be pierced, and out from it would come His bride. He showed my daughter the truth of the application of the gospels to the various works in the kingdom. He told this man what the legal covering of the bride would be. On and on and on He would reveal wonderful truth. For a week and a half I got very little sleep. I would go to bed late from studying and reading the Bible, and be awakened early, often requiring no more than two to four hours of sleep a day. His Spirit empowered this body to where it needed little rest. There were times in which I would actually ask the Spirit to not show me anything else because my poor little brain could not hold any more; and then once again, boom, off would go the top of my head with new truth and understanding. Oh what a wonderful and marvelous time it was! I felt there was not any questions in which I did not have access to the answer.

Then after a week and a half, He began to take that anointing from me. When He did, my body would be totally exhausted. Then He would come back on me and my body would be full of strength. Back and forth this went until that unique presence and power was not there as it had been; but still, Yahweh was opening His word.

Shortly thereafter, the little book that had been oh so wonderfully sweet as honey to my mouth, became oh so very bitter to my stomach (Revelation 10:9-10). Others did not see these things or feel the way this man did, and it was not long before our family was being pressured to leave the ranch house we had built. On the morning of my birthday, Yahweh told me to move to Washington state; to leave everything we had built and established over the last twelve years in a ministry to the poor, and give it to the one who was persecuting us the most. Thus we departed for Washington.

What took place in that MOST important year of 1994? At the completion of the 120 Jubilee probationary period ending in 1993, our family moved to that ranch we had built for women and children. Legally, Yahweh could now bring the flood of truth to mankind. For the first time in the history of mankind, after nine months gestation at that ranch, in 1994 Yahweh brought a flood of never before understood truth to the mind of a man. Never before had man known about the two Remnant. Never before had man known about the absolute corruption of Christianity, its failure, and that its rights would be taken from it and given to another, to the second Remnant. Never before had man known about the work of Yahshua through the Nazirite vow in restoring mankind and the kingdom of God. Never before had man known who would be the Elijah that would prepare the way for Yahshua's return, averting Yahweh's wrath. Never before had man known the truths the Spirit was revealing to this man.

These are all marvelous truths that in the middle of 1994, Yahweh opened the mind of a man to see and understand for the first time. He opened his blinded eyes and showed him mysteries that had been concealed for 6,000 years! He removed His hand from a man so that he could see His back and behold all the marvelous and wonderful things He had done while He had passed by man in his blinded cleft-of-the-rock state. Yahshua touched the eyes of a man a second time in 1994, and caused him to see all things clearly. These are the profound marvels of what you are reading here and in other writings on this site. They are all truths that have their beginning in June, 1994, after the 120 Jubilee probation period had ended just the year before, when the nine period bondage to Egypt was complete on that very year (nine months were likewise complete at the ranch), and the 70 period bondage of the intercessions of the church were equally complete on that year.

1994 was the turning point for all mankind when Yahweh gave to a man the truths of His kingdom, beginning the higher fulfillment of the covenant made with Abram that could not come until the fullness of time (9 x 430 years), beginning the final release of the second Remnant from bondage in order to dine and reign with the King, beginning for one man the marriage supper of the Lamb where Yahshua feeds us His truth that is from above.

Shortly after moving to Washington, as I lay in a bed that was not my bed, and slept in a house that was not my house, I awoke with a nagging pain for the loss of all that we had just given up. The ranch home we walked away from, I had help build every part. From the very beginning of planning and construction, to the varnishing of the beautiful oak banisters, I had been there. The beautiful baby grand piano we had purchased that sat in front of 500 square feet of windows, was now gone. A new fifteen passenger van we had just miraculously purchased, was gone.

There as I lay in bed, I felt the pain of that loss. But out of that pain Yahweh spoke to me. He told me that this man was to be a Rizpah (meaning, "glowing coal"), and even as Rizpah took sackcloth and spread it over a rock and sat upon it, this man would do likewise (2 Samuel 21). As Rizpah sat on that rock from the beginning of barley harvest to the time that water was poured out from heaven upon her, so this man was to do likewise. Do you have any idea how hard, uncomfortable, lonely, and testing a rock with sackcloth gets? It gets VERY hard!!!

Not long after that, this man was feeling the difficulty of this waiting period, and in that pain expressed to his family that there were two questions bothering me that I did not understand, and for which I could not discern the answers. They asked me what they were, and I began by telling them the first question. No more had I expressed it, than immediately Yahweh told me the answer. I then explained the answer to the family. Then they wanted to know what was the second question. And here it was.

Rizpah sat on that rock from barley harvest (barley is prophetic of the Remnant) until water was poured out from heaven upon her. Likewise, this man was waiting for Yahweh to pour out water from heaven in the form of the latter rain. But while sitting there, Rizpah also guarded the bodies of her two sons in order to keep the birds of the sky from resting on them by day, and the beasts of the field from devouring them by night. And THAT was what this man could not understand. I knew this was important, but was completely blank concerning its meaning! So I posed the question to the family, and immediately once again, Yahweh told me the answer! Here it was.

Even as Abram had to guard the two sets of covenant parts from the birds of prey that came to devour them, equally Rizpah had to guard the bodies of her two sons. This guarding of the two sons from the birds and the beasts, was the same thing that Abram had to perform while waiting for Yahweh to come and perform the covenant. What Rizpah and Abram performed was the act of guarding the covenant parts. I knew then that as I continued to believe what Yahweh had shown a man, this was guarding the covenant parts which He would someday pass through!

And recall, Abram performed this deed on the day that initiated the 9 x 430 year bondage in Egypt cycle. So here I was, at the completion of that cycle, performing the same thing Abram had performed upon its initiation.

And this is what this man did for six years, and even continues to do. From June, 1994, when shown the mysteries of the kingdom of God, until 2000, when a second Remnant bride rib began to come out of the body of Christ, this man guarded the covenant parts, guarded the TRUTH, and sat on that rock with sackcloth until Yahweh began to pour out upon him/us the latter rain waters from heaven. For six years this man believed when no one else did. For six years this man told others these truths, and no one believed. For six years this man walked around Jericho, and there was silence - no one believed. Finally, on May 13, 2000, a man believed and boldly confessed coming out of the body of Christ. Like the name of the one whom the death thereof marked the completion of the period of the first Remnant - Stephen - so the name of this first one to believe and confess was equally a Stephen. And like the vision that Acts Stephen saw - the Son of Man standing at the right hand of the Father - so this Stephen was not just any Stephen,

but Stephen Manning, meaning Stephen "son of man." Acts Stephen saw the Son of Man, and May 13 Stephen was Stephen "son of man." Oh what a great work Yahweh is performing! Oh what great hope we have of His complete fulfillment!

Following Stephen, others have believed. And now Yahweh is increasing the water of His Spirit upon His second Remnant. Unlike the first outpouring that came with a bang, the latter rain starts slowly, a trickle, and ever increases until there is enough water in which to swim (Ezekiel 47). The six years of sitting on that rock with sackcloth are complete. The birds and the beasts that came to devour not only the truth but also the man, had been turned away. The water has begun to come down upon us from heaven. The promised barley harvest is coming in. The six years of marching around Jericho are complete; the shout has come forth, and the walls of error in a Remnant's mind are coming crashing down. This is what is now happening! A second Remnant bride is being formed!

So what dramatic event took place at the completion of 120 Jubilees from Adam in 1993? What was the dramatic outcome in 1994 when nine periods of 430 years were complete from the time Yahweh made His pivotal covenant with Abram? And what dramatic event took place in 1994 when Jehoiachin's full 70 periods of imprisonment intercession were complete? **One man received new truth and believed!**

One man was given truth - truth from Yahweh, truth that had never been given to mankind ever before, truth that was oh so sweet to the mouth, but became oh so very bitter to the stomach. Truth that is calling a second Remnant bride out of Christianity and will change mankind forever. Truth, oh so much needed truth; truth that is foolishness to the blind, but a spectacle of wonder, marvel, and beauty to those who have eyes to see! Truth, oh so wonderful truth; truth that will set men free, all men. Truth, marvelous truth; greatly needed truth! **TRUTH came in 1994!**

Before closing this section, may this writer point out a few personal items that give hope, and may attest to the continuing Divine order and ways of Yahweh? 1948 is a very significant and dramatic year in the history of man. In 1948, the Latter Rain Movement began, affecting the church ever since. Billy Graham began his openly ecumenical evangelistic meetings and formed his evangelism team which men have respected for half a century. Likewise, Oral Roberts began his ministry. Highly prophetic of the second Remnant, Harry Truman won an historic surprise election victory over Dewey. Mahatma Gandhi was assassinated, and Israel became a nation.

Though these dramatic events alone cause the year, 1948, to stand out in history, there is something else unique to this time that causes this highly initiating year to seemingly be even more significant. While the events we have mentioned here all took place in AD, there was another 1948 that was equally marked by infamy. Beginning time from the creation of Adam and Eve, 1948, or 1,948 years from creation, produced two most significant events. The land of Shinar was settled and Babylon was founded in 1948 (*Secrets of Time*; Jasher 7:34-43). But also that same year, the father of faith was born, the one with whom Yahweh made His dramatic and most significant covenant.

So 1948, based on time from creation, and 1948 AD have proven to be very dramatic years. But something else happened in 1948 AD, in fact two things - one noted in our history books, and one little known.

On January 30, 1948, my cousin, Orville Wright died, who in 1903 had ascended alive into heaven from Kill Devil Hill in the first ever power-driven flight. But even while my cousin's life was drawing to a close, my mother carried within her the developing child that would be her second son. And while my cousin drew his feet up into his own death-bed; because of bleeding, my mother would soon be committed to her own bed in the remaining six months of her pregnancy in order to prevent the loss of the child developing within her womb. Later she would see why it had been so critical for her to remain in bed those long months. Her placenta was torn, and any activity would have caused further ripping, threatening the life of both mother and child, and in the end marveling the doctors that a full term pregnancy was ever completed. Finally, on August 7, 1948, her son was born.

In 1948 from creation, a child was born who would later gather together the instructed covenant parts and guard them to insure that when Yahweh came, He could fulfill the covenant. Then in 1948 AD, a child was born who in 1994 was likewise called to begin guarding the covenant parts to insure that Yahweh could once again pass through and fulfill His promised works. This second child is this writer.

And may we look at two final but brief and related testimonies? Earlier in this writing we discussed the necessity that Yahweh cut down the tree of Christianity so that He can bring forth the new growth of the Remnant. This is precisely the same pattern that Yahweh performed in Babylon. The prophecy we looked at was spoken in regard to Nebuchadnezzar. But the same pattern was seen in Babylon per se. Yahweh said that He would cut off Babylon; and He did. He just did not do it with the wrath that He said He would. He fulfilled the "defeat," but without the wrath. The Medes and Persians conquered Babylon, but did so without the destruction Yahweh planned. Why did He do this? For the same reason that He will not destroy Mystery Babylon Christianity. In both cases, there was/is a remnant within that must build His temple in Jerusalem. In either case, if He destroys Babylon, He destroys the remnant!

Yahweh will have mercy. He will bring the tree down, even as He did with Babylon; but He will perform it in such a way so as to preserve the remnant that is within. Now to the personal testimony.

In 1989, my family and I were at a music festival in Glenrose, Texas, that lasted late into the evening. We were enjoying it so much that we did not want to leave. We had a long drive to get home, but just did not want to pull ourselves away. Finally, one of those Texas storms started approaching in the distance with its great lightning displays, and this seemed to be our cue to leave; so I gathered the family and we left.

Later, I saw a man named John Abraham who had been at that festival, and he told me this story. Just after our family left our front row benches, the wind got up and a massive tree blew over and

crushed the then empty seats. His response to me was interesting. He said - "I knew you were a man of God when I saw that happen."

But more importantly, I believe there was a message here that was far more significant and relevant. Yahweh is going to bring the tree of Christianity down, even as we have seen. But in doing so, He will bring a Remnant out alive, as He brought this Remnant man and his family out alive from the tree that, upon its fall, would have caused us to perish. This is truly a very encouraging thing to this man. Yahweh once preserved my family and me alive from a toppled tree, and I am confident He will do likewise for many more in a way that is far more important!

In Daniel, we read in the prophecy to Nebuchadnezzar - "Chop down the tree and cut off its branches, <u>strip off its foliage</u>" I had already experienced the bringing down of the great tree and the narrow escape from its powerful fall, but also in that same year I experienced a MOST unusual and certainly miraculous testimony to the foliage being stripped from the tree.

One evening I had taken my two oldest daughters and another young lady to a meeting where, on this occasion, we were to lead the music. This was another ministry to the poor, and I was helping them with their work. After it was over, we took the young lady over to a friend's home where she would spend the night. This couple would later confront me after the Spirit came upon me in 1994, and seek to persuade me not to go to Washington.

When we pulled up in front of their home that night, I parked the car in the street under a large live oak tree. No more had I pulled under the tree and parked, than all of a sudden a great rain of leaves began to pour down upon us. We all thought it most unusual, and began to talk about this strange experience. It sounded like a big Texas' rain. I had noticed something else most unusual. The leaves had only fallen on the car; none had come down on the other side of the tree. Since this was the case, we guessed that the oldest son of this household must have hidden in the tree and was shaking the limb above us as a prank; so I got out of the car, certain that I would find him in the tree. But no, there was no one in the tree! Completely puzzled at this, we went into the house to ask if the son had been there. But no, he obviously knew nothing about it. We had just been through a most unusual experience, and there was no explanation for it; not until now.

This family has been and clearly are representative of the best of Christianity; they are model Christians. And the reason for the stripping of the foliage from the tree in front of their house onto this Remnant-man-to-be is now very clear. Beyond any question, what took place that night was only miraculous. Without any wind, without any physical shaking, suddenly we were covered in a downfall of foliage, and only on us. Why? Because Yahweh was attesting to what would happen later when the foliage of Christianity was stripped from its great tree, and once again foreshadowing this feeble man's part and the second Remnant's place in being the benefactors of Yahweh's work. Yahweh does have foreshadowing testimonies in people's lives, and this one for me was most telling and now very encouraging as I seek to do His will regarding this Remnant bride.

Abraham Lincoln commented once regarding the vain boasts of a general, that one should learn from the hen who does not cluck until she lays the egg. This man is not clucking, only pointing out some things that encourage and give hope. Only Yahweh can perform this work. We must only believe, obey, and act according to His word.

A man cannot boast in something in which he has no control. How can a man take credit for something in which he is only a passive participant - a baby in a womb, a man on a bench, or a man sitting in a car? These things are mentioned not for the cause of credit, but only in hope. He who gives and preserves life for all men, who takes away and brings forth life and light according to His own counsel, is the only Sovereign to whom we can look to and take hope. To Him, to Yahweh, to Him who gives life, do we look.

DIVIDING THE KINGDOM

In this section, we will return to the testimony we have followed in the reign of Solomon. Now that we know the timing involved here, as well as what it means per the repairing of the breach, we will further consider the dividing of the kingdom of Yahweh at Solomon's death.

We have mentioned in other writings that Yahweh splits works in order to make them "clean." Two distinguishing qualities were required in order for a mammal to be clean - they had to <u>both</u> split the hoof and chew the cud. We have already mentioned what "chewing the cud" is resurrection. But for any work to be clean, it must also "split the hoof." Thus we see that Yahweh must "split the hoof" of all His works in man in order to qualify them as "clean."

For example, Yahweh knew that it was not good for the man to be alone - a single hoof - so in order to bring forth the perfect in that perfect garden kingdom, He split him into two works. With the creation of Eve, Yahweh "split the hoof" of mankind. Man became two separate but united works - male and female. By performing this split, Yahweh created the ability for man to bear offspring, or fruit. Without the split, no offspring were possible.

MANY people believe that the body of Christ and the bride are one and the same. But by believing this, they are condemning the body to being an unclean work - an unsplit hoof! In order for the church to be clean, it MUST be a divided work! In order for the church to bear fruit, to bring forth offspring, it must be male AND female. Christians are absolutely and totally unaware of this ESSENTIAL requirement. In ignorance, they object that Christianity is the only hope, not acknowledging that as the Creator declared - "It is not good for the man (the masculine body) to be alone; I will make him a helper corresponding to him." So, Yahweh "split the hoof" of the man, creating a corresponding part - the woman.

With the body of Christ being the masculine work, what then is it that is the required corresponding work? The bride of Yahshua, of course. And when is it that the bride is split from the body? When was it that the kingdom of Yahweh given to Solomon was split? Let us see.

It has been noted that Moses' prophetic 120 year life was divided into three forty year periods forty years in Pharaoh's house, forty years as a shepherd in the wilderness, and forty years leading the Israelites through the wilderness. At the end of Moses' 120 years, Yahweh refused to allow him to cross the Jordan and enter into the promised land - a most decisive and revealing act! In fact, this was so precise that Moses literally died on the very day of his birth! "I am a hundred and twenty years old today (lit., this day);" said Moses, "I am no longer able to come and go, and Yahweh has said to me, 'You shall not cross the Jordan'" (Deuteronomy 31:2 and 32:48-50). Because Moses' life was precisely 120 years long, to the very day, it bears remarkable testimony to the exacting nature of this 120 period of probation and waiting.

Even as Moses' life was uniquely set forth in pattern so that it was divided into three specific forty year periods, and was to the very day 120 years in length, the second example we have cited earlier of this pattern is equally unique and is very revealing per the question we have at hand about the dividing of the kingdom.

Neither Saul, David, nor Solomon had any control of the duration of their reigns as kings over united Israel. They simple served the number of years that Yahweh gave them. Yahweh ordered the reign of each man, even as He orders the lives of all men. Who could argue the Divine order and testimony of seven Presidents of the United States dying in office at precise twenty year election intervals, with the eighth President defeating death? When events like this, as well as Moses' life, as well as these three Israelite kings occur, men best look to Yahweh for some answers! He is speaking!

The kingdom that Solomon received in prophetic testimony was in fact a continuation of a kingdom that had begun with the reign of Saul. Saul reigned his forty years, followed by David's forty years, concluded by Solomon's forty years, for the total of 120 years. Specifically when was the kingdom divided? At the end of the 120 part period of united Israel! We thus see specifically testified here that the splitting of the kingdom of Yahweh comes at the end of the 120 probation period, which is precisely where the kingdom of God is today - at the end of the 120 Jubilee period as of 1993! It is legally time for a split!

In equal testimony, we have noted that the coming of the flood of the Spirit would be marked by a Methuselah death. This is the same testimony of the sleeping man, Adam, as well as the putting to sleep of Yahshua on the cross. Why? Because the body of Christ must be put to sleep in order to take out the bride. And this sleep has already taken place, testified by the nearly 2,000 years of the body of Christ that is asleep in the grave. The body of Christ has been put to sleep, and it is now time, at the end of this long 120 Jubilee period, to take out a bride from the body. It is time for Yahweh to split the kingdom of Yahweh. It is time for Yahweh to split the hoof of the church to make it "clean." It is time, and has already begun, for the bride of Yahshua to come out of the body.

Continuing in this subject of the kingdom of Yahweh which was taken away from Solomon and given to Jeroboam, let us enter into some extensive and comprehensive information that further evaluates this prophesied split. In 1 Kings 11:31 you will notice that the kingdom of Yahweh

given to Solomon was split specifically ten tribes and two tribes. Ten tribes were taken from Solomon's kingdom and given to Jeroboam. One tribe was left with Solomon's son Rehoboam, for a total of two tribes. Solomon's reign over <u>twelve</u> tribes speaks of his reign over the perfect government, which twelve numerically represents. But when his kingdom was split, this yielded two numbers with two very different meanings. Let us see Yahweh's testimonies as to what these two resulting numbers represent.

First, very briefly, two clearly represents the two-part Remnant, as seen in these few examples:

- the two sons of fresh oil (Zechariah 4:14),
- thus likewise, the two sons delivered from slavery by the fresh oil of Elisha (2 Kings 4:1-7),
- the two olive trees both in Zechariah 4 and Revelation 11:4,
- the two glorified on the mount of transfiguration with Yahshua,
- the two favorite sons of Jacob Joseph and Benjamin by his greater loved wife Rachel,
- the two cherubim of gold at the two ends of the mercy seat (i.e., at the two ends of the church period) whose wings spread upward (Exodus 25:17-20),
- the two sons of Judah by Tamar Perez, the "breach," and Zerah, the "light,"
- the two prophets Elijah and Elisha, separated by the chariot and horses of fire (2 Kings 2:11),
- the two spies who gave the good witness in the wilderness,
- the "dance of the two companies" (Song of Solomon 6:13),
- the two blessings of Job, one at the beginning and the double at the end, separated by Satan's destruction,
- the two wives of Jacob Leah, who had weak eyes, and Rachel,
- the two women, Martha and Mary,
- the two sons, Shem and Japheth, who covered the nakedness of Noah (Genesis 9:23),
- the two sisters in Song of Solomon 8:8-11,
- the two birds required in the cleansing of the leper (Leviticus 14:1-7),
- the two groups of 144,000 in Revelation 7 and 14,
- the "two by two" entrance of all "having the breath of life" into the ark that was lifted up from the earth by the flood (Genesis 7:15),
- the two fishes of Pisces,
- the two extracontinental states of Amer-ric-a, Alaska and Hawaii,
- the two Bush Presidents separated by Clinton (this is the same picture as the two olive trees and the lampstand),
- and the list is endless.

And if we may repeat here, we see these two Remnants as well in the promise that by preserving the two tribes of Judah and Benjamin, David (representing Yahshua, who sits on the throne of David), would "have a lamp always before Me in Jerusalem, the city where I have chosen for Myself to put My name." From the natural standpoint, this promise was only temporarily fulfilled. Has this two-part or two-tribe lamp truly "always" been before Yahweh in natural

Jerusalem? Most certainly not! Judah and Benjamin were first partially removed to Assyria, and from there dispersed into Europe. The remainder were taken into captivity in Babylon, or later dispersed into the world. The fact is, this promise of a two-part "lamp always before Me" can only have a fulfillment on a much higher level than natural Jerusalem. Its greater and perfect fulfillment is the New Jerusalem kingdom level, which is of infinitesimally greater importance. Only here can this promise be fulfilled to always have the two-part glorified Remnant before Him. And as we pointed out, this Remnant "lamp" (with Yahshua) is the light that is created on the first day of creation for the new heavens and new earth.

But what of the tribes Jeroboam received - the ten? The ten tribes Jeroboam received at the time of this split represent the kingdom rights going to Christianity. How does the number ten relate to Christianity? Ten is the number of order or responsibility. But as we will see, order can be an earthly representation in the realm of the carnal state, and not heavenly; for we find that even the Greek word "kosmos," translated world, literally means "order."

Interestingly, the breach-church-representing ten is often contrasted with the Remnant two. In addition to the ten tribes and two tribes seen here with Jeroboam and Rehoboam, there are other ten and two, Christianity and Remnant, contrasts. Let us see some of them.

- Ten spies brought back an evil report while two spies gave the good report. This testimony has even a double witness on the two. Relative to this, recall that upon the second occasion of entering the promised land, Joshua only sent in the number of spies that would bring the good report the Remnant two. The previous Remnant two spies and the church ten did not enter the promised land when attempted together (even as the first Remnant and Christianity failed). Ten-Christianity must first die in the wilderness, and the next Remnant two witnesses be raised up in order to enter in, taking with them as the sole "survivors" the first two delayed-entry true witnesses the first Remnant.
- The ten sons of Jacob were guilty of plotting to kill Joseph. All ten brothers came to Egypt to buy grain (Genesis 42:3) and were thrown in prison for three days by Joseph (the three-part period of the church). This set up an equally revealing and significant ten and two contrast. Ten guilty brothers were in prison, while two innocent favorite son brothers were free one at home with his father (the first Remnant), and one (whose true identity was concealed) was reigning in Egypt (the second Remnant).
- There were ten plagues afflicted upon Egypt for their failure to heed Yahweh's call to let
 His people go. In familiar contrast, these ten plagues were afflicted upon the people by
 the two true witnesses Moses and Aaron who would lead the Israelites out of Egypt
 into the promised land.
- In Genesis 15:18-21 we see the highly prophetic covenant promise of Yahweh concerning the land given to Abram. It again was a ten and two contrast. This land was located between two rivers (the river of Egypt and the river Euphrates) and included ten nations. Thus, two rivers versus ten nations in-between. We must pause here and point out a significant truth. This specific promise to Abram regarding the occupation of the full extent of this land was fulfilled by only one of his descendants Remnant-representing

Solomon. At no other time in history did the scope of this reign ever occur. Remnant Solomon's sole "tree" fulfillment of this promise to Abram looks to a "man" fulfillment of Yahweh's work on a higher kingdom level. Even as this promise to Abram was fulfilled solely with Remnant-representing Solomon, so it is that the Remnant will be Yahweh's fulfillment of Yahshua's kingdom reign in the Millennium.

• The ten commandments were written on the two tablets of the testimony (Exodus 32:15 - 16 and 34: 4 7 29), the "two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie" (Hebrews 6:18).

Each one of these contrasts point to a pattern of fulfillment in the kingdom of God that is equally a ten and two division. Let us lay out each of these. Their fulfillment follows the pattern of the two Remnants and Christianity as shown here.

The Preluding Kingdom Patterns

First Remnant	Christianity	Second Remnant
Benjamin	Ten tribes	Judah
Caleb	Ten spies	Joshua
Benjamin	Ten brothers	Joseph
Aaron	Ten plagues	Moses
River of Egypt	Ten nations	Euphrates

Now that we have seen this unique and revealing contrast, we will next look at why Yahweh establishes ten as a number to represent Christianity. But before we do, let us note that two plus ten does indeed give the important number twelve, or God's perfect government. Yahweh may "split the hoof" to make something clean, but a hoof divided forever is detrimental. At some point after division, the two "hoof" parts must be united into one hoof, though still separate parts. This is very important!

Concerning divided Israel and Judah, Yahweh spoke in Ezekiel 37:15-25 that He would take the "stick" of Judah and the "stick" of Israel and "join them ... one to another into one stick." Equally, the Remnant "stick" two and Christianity "stick" ten must be made into one "stick" twelve in order to have the perfect government; and equally, this Yahweh will accomplish!

Even as the holy of holies plus the holy place forms the temple of Yahweh, so the reuniting of the Remnant with Christianity will provide Yahweh's perfect and complete temple. And even as

the feminine bride must be united with the masculine body, so the Remnant and Christianity must be made into one union, purpose, and sharing one common immortal flesh, thus making it possible to be fruitful and multiply. This is the perfect government Yahweh will have in order to establish His laws and ways to the entirety of all the rest of mankind that will be brought back into carnal bodies. This is the work Yahweh brings forth at the completion of the gestation period of nine "days" of creation, or 9,000 years.

THE GREAT HARLOT / THE GREAT CITY

Why does ten represent Christianity? As we have said, ten is the number representative of complete order or responsibility. There were ten commandments, ten generations from Adam to Noah, ten plagues, ten nations Abraham were to possess, ten virgins, ten lepers Yahshua sent on their way to be healed, and a ten percent tithe that went to Yahweh. But as we will see more completely, this perfect order is relative to the earthly. Even the ten commandments were earthly external laws written on two stone tablets to effect in carnal man what will indeed be written fully on our hearts when we receive our heavenly bodies. This earthly order is, once again, seen in the Greek word which is translated "world." The word "world" is the Greek word "kosmos," and has the literal meaning - order. Thus we see that the number ten and the world are intrinsically related in this matter of order. All of this, of course, gets back to the fact that this order, up to now, has been relative to our worldly, Mother Earth, natural experience. No man, other than Yahshua, has put on the heavenly.

So how then is Christianity viewed as an earthly, kosmos, orderly ten? (Actually, this does not take much imagination to see when one takes an honest look at Christianity, its organization, and its fruits.) The kingdom of God is supposed to have an order based on twelve; but until Yahweh unites the ten and two together in resurrected bodies, Christianity's testimony is an earthly ten. How then does Yahweh view Christianity's relationship to the world's order seen in ten? What testimony does He provide us? This relationship is revealed in the book of Revelation. At the time of the Reformation, beginning with Wycliffe and continuing on through Luther, the reformers clearly understood who "the great harlot" Mystery "Babylon the great, the mother of harlots and of the abominations of the earth" was. She was the church, and their writings and teachings clearly presented this. Somehow today though, men want to relegate that truth only to Rome. But the fact is - the church is the church, and "the great harlot" Mystery Babylon then, is "the great harlot" Mystery Babylon today. This woman we read of who is "clothed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a gold cup full of abominations and of the unclean things of her immorality" (Revelation 17:4), is indeed the 2,000 year long breach church. Very importantly, one must realize that Christianity is a 2,000 year old body. It is not just what we see today; in fact what we see today is a VERY small part of the body of Christ. And this body is judged as a single corporate 2,000 year unit!

Let us share a most interesting and unique testimony concerning who this harlot is. What colors does this woman wear? The answer is - purple and scarlet. And, most significantly, what colors were placed upon Yahshua's body at the time of His affliction? In Matthew, the Roman soldiers put a scarlet robe on Yahshua (Matthew 27:28); yet in Mark and John, the soldiers dressed Him in purple (Mark 15:17, John 19:2). Thus we see that not just one, but very importantly, both of these harlot-identifying colors were associated with Yahshua in His affliction. Yahshua was clothed in purple and scarlet! Why? Because the body of Christ, for which Yahshua suffered, is equally in purple and scarlet in its affliction. Yahweh has provided an amazing testimony in this! These two colors placed upon Yahshua's body in His time of affliction, clearly identify the afflicted body of Christ as none other than the purple and scarlet clad harlot.

Also, you will notice that she is adorned with "gold and precious stones and pearls," or the element and jewels of the kingdom of God; and in her hand is a "gold cup," again the element of the kingdom.

And where is it this woman, Christianity, sits? Who bears her? Revelation 17 tells us that this breach church "great harlot" who commits abominations with the world, sits upon a beast "having seven heads and ten horns." Here, in Yahweh's assessment, is the relationship between Christianity and the prophetic ten associated with it.

The fact is, the two <u>great</u> weaknesses of the kingdom are the flesh and the devil - both clearly associated with the world. And the problem with the kingdom is, once again, its placement upon the earth "prematurely," when men are in the flesh and Satan is present. Thus, as equally pictured here in the beast with <u>seven</u> heads (Christianity and the mark of the beast) and <u>ten</u> horns (earthly order), the kingdom's weakness is the earthly. And to overcome this problem, this tainting factor, this leaven, this great limitation, this inevitable destructive downfall, man must be elevated out of the earthly realm to the heavenly realm to receive his resurrected, born from above body. <u>Only then</u> will he be able to handle the kingdom. Until this happens, man combines the earthly with the heavenly, thus committing harlotry against the kingdom. Let us look at another important related matter.

Revelation 17:18 states - "And the woman whom you saw is the great city, which has a kingdom over the kings of the earth." We need to look at two matters here. First, which "kingdom" does this woman have? Of course she has the kingdom of God given to earthly man. It is quite interesting and very important to note that Christianity has already had its opportunity to righteously fulfill the great scope of this promise - "a kingdom over the kings of the earth."

From the stoning of Stephen to 313 AD, Christianity was greatly persecuted. Then in 313 AD, a British prince named Constantine delivered the church from its persecution and began Christianity on the road toward being the "kingdom over the kings of the earth." Christianity was greatly strengthened under Constantine. Its power and recognition as the kingdom of God upon the earth steadily increased over the next nine hundred years, until from 1198 to 1216 (or 1200, twelve at the heavenly realm) essentially every European ruler submitted entirely to the power and authority of the church. Thus, this promise was literally fulfilled (in a carnal corrupted

church kingdom fashion) - the kingdom of God in the church had literally become the "kingdom over the kings of the earth." But as that reigning "woman," history records gross abominations of harlotry with the world. The kingdom had become a kingdom of merchants, whose wares were displayed on the table of incestuous lust and greed. Even as Solomon's kingdom became the earthly, carnal fulfillment of the promise to Abram of a land expanding from the river of Egypt to the Euphrates, so the church in the Middle Ages became the fulfillment of Revelation 17:18, and an earthly, carnal, and very corrupt fulfillment of Revelation 11:15 - "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ" But though this earthly kingdom did climb to such power and acclaim, it did not become the kingdom that would "reign forever and ever." Catholicism lost its power and glory over the nations (a prophetic picture for the church whole).

Thus we have seen that the breach church of Christianity is "the great harlot." The second matter to be considered here is - How is Christianity "the great city," as identified both here and in other passages in Revelation? First, because the woman, "the great harlot" Mystery "Babylon the great," is Christianity. Here in Revelation 17:18 we specifically read - "And the woman whom you saw (i.e., "the great harlot" Mystery "Babylon the great" - vs. 5) is the great city." In other words, "the great harlot" and "the great city" are unquestionably one and the same. This fact that "the great city" is Christianity, brings a whole new insight to Revelation 11:1-13 concerning the testimony and death of the two witnesses, the two olive trees, the two lampstands.

Christian prophecy teachers try to present this portion of John's vision as a literal event that is yet to happen, when actually it is a parable of something that has already taken place. The two witnesses are the first Remnant who were killed. Where were the two witnesses killed? Verse 8 tells us they were killed in "the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt." Christian prophecy teachers want you to believe that "the great city" is Jerusalem. But how can this be when we are clearly and specifically told in Revelation 17:18 and 18:10 and 16 that "the great city" is the harlot, Mystery Babylon? The idea of physical Jerusalem being "the great city" in Revelation 11 requires that physical Jerusalem equally be Mystery Babylon and be swallowed up in flames and laid waste in one hour. That, the prophecy teachers do not teach.

But the inescapable fact is, "the great city" in chapter 11 is "the great city" in chapters 17 and 18. They are one and the same, and cannot be distinguished as two separate cities. "The great city" is "the great city." And as we have said, the two witnesses have already been killed and their bodies have been in the streets of Christianity for 2,000 years. How? In celebration of their death and the establishment of this breach apostate period called Christianity, the inhabitants of "the great city" have equally made "merry" and exchanged gifts (as reported in verse 10), only they call it Christmas. They greet one another with "Merry Christmas," and cut down the young evergreen tree, ending its life, and bring it into their own homes and church buildings for their own decoration and gift-giving. The evergreen tree that does not lose its leaf in season represents the Remnant, which Christians slay every year for their own pleasure, and the world joins in with

them in their merry and abominable event. The death of the two witnesses is thus celebrated, their dead bodies lying in the street of "the great city," Christianity.

What other testimony do we have that "the great city" is Christianity? In Revelation 16:19 we read - "And the great city was split into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell. And Babylon the great was remembered before God, to give her the cup of the wine of His fierce wrath." Once again, this passage is not literal, but is a parable. To emphasize the truth of this, if literal Jerusalem is "the great city," here we find it split into three parts prior to the return of Yahshua; yet Zechariah 14:4 says the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem will be split into two parts by a very large valley specifically at Yahshua's return. So which split is it to be if this is literal? How can literal Jerusalem be split into three parts, and be split into two parts? Do you not see the contradiction and far reaching unlikelihood of this? If you study these accounts, you will see that they greatly contradict, if they are to be literal. Once again the fulfillment of these two is to be on a higher spiritual level.

How then is "the great city"/"the great harlot" Mystery Babylon "split into three parts"? We have already seen in Zechariah 13:7-9 that the church is split specifically into three "parts" - "Two parts in it will be cut off and perish; but the third will be left in it. And I will bring the third part through the fire, refine them as silver is refined, and test them as gold is tested." This "three parts" split of "the great city" seen both in Revelation and Zechariah 13 is one more important testimony of its representation of the church.

How then is the Mount of Olives split into two parts? Because the Mount of Olives speaks of the olive tree two-part Remnant that is split into the first and second Remnants, being separated by the "very large valley" of Christianity. Thus we see how "Jerusalem," where the Mount of Olives is located, is split both three ways as well as two ways. As we have said before, "Jerusalem" is the kingdom of God.

Additionally, as Mystery Babylon, let us briefly examine Christianity's fulfillment of the original Babylonian pattern set forth in Genesis 11. Babylon made bricks and burned them thoroughly. On the day of Pentecost, the church had tongues as of fire upon them. Babylon used brick for stone. Bricks are fashioned by man's hands, even as the church has been fashioned by man, versus uncut living stones which Yahweh alone will use to build His heavenly temple. Babylon used tar for mortar. What was tar? It was old oil, found in tar pits. Christianity was built with old oil or tar, while the two Remnants are the "two sons of fresh oil." Babylon built "a tower whose top will reach into heaven." Christianity likewise is an earth-based work or tower that is built to "reach into heaven" (as did Christianity-representing King Nebuchadnezzar's tree). It is earthly, and strives to reach heavenward (evidenced by the Babylonian steeples or horns on church roofs); while Yahweh's fulfillment will be "born from above" and will extend from heaven earthward. Any work of man while in the flesh that strives to please God is "a tower whose top" is built to "reach into heaven." Such is Mystery Babylon Christianity. Babylon sought to "make for ourselves a name." So the church has made for itself an Antioch based name - Christianity. Babylon feared being "scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth," and indeed they were. Likewise, Christianity will be "scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth" when they are

sent out to the nations at Yahshua's return. We find then that Christianity is Babylonian in every respect.

Many teachers have sought to identify Mystery Babylon, arriving at many and varied conclusions - the various religions, the World Council of Churches, the United Nations, the United States, even in the last several years a rebuilt Babylon by Iraq. These can all certainly have elements of or be one level of a fulfillment of Babylon. Undoubtedly, one of the closest conclusions of anyone to this truth was from the reformers in the 14 and 1500's. They wrote extensively that Mystery Babylon was the Catholic (Universal) church. In picture it certainly was. But in truth, the "picture" of the Reformation revealed to us the ultimate fulfillment of this harlotrous lady - the universal breach church of Christianity that for 2,000 years has possessed the kingdom of God. One must realize that on an earthly plane, the kingdom of God under Christianity is the highest fulfillment of the works of carnal man. Babylon the great is indeed "a mystery," and no one up until now has understood that mystery. It has been a mystery held secret from man for 2,000 years. Now in these last days we know who is mystery Babylon, the "great" tree of Babylonian King Nebuchadnezzar, "the great harlot," and "the great city" - she is the kingdom-receiving 2,000 year long great breach church of Christianity that spread throughout the world, and committed harlotry with it and with the nations.

As a final important testimony of Mystery Babylon being Christianity, and as an opportunity to reveal added truth concerning Christianity and the Remnant, it is remarkable and extremely significant that the prophecies of Isaiah and the 110 verses of Jeremiah 50 and 51 concerning the absolute total destruction of Babylon, **never occurred!** These chapters are filled with clear statements that Babylon would be judged and utterly destroyed by the Medes. But, when Darius the Mede took Babylon, he and his army diverted the Euphrates River, drying up its bed (a prophetic type of Revelation 16:12), crossed on dry land, entered Babylon, and took it without any bloodshed (other than King Belshazzar's) or pillage. Thus, Yahweh obviously changed His mind and repented of the evil He had planned against Babylon. Why? Why would He not carry out the wrath He clearly planned? Again we say - "That which has been is that which will be, and that which has been done is that which will be done." As Mystery Babylon is Christianity, what happens to Christianity has already been "played out," if you will, with Babylon per se. Babylon is thus a mirror image of substance Mystery Babylon Christianity.

We cannot give this matter a great deal of space here, other than to point out the consistency of Mystery Babylon as being "the great city," or Christianity, but one must ask - Why did Yahweh not carry out His planned judgment upon Babylon? It is obvious that the reason He did not was because if He had brought wholesale destruction upon that city at that time by the Medes, then the remnant of Judah who were in captivity in Babylon would have also been destroyed. Thus, for the sake of the remnant, Babylon was spared.

How then does this apply to Mystery Babylon Christianity? Yahweh, likewise, would most certainly utterly destroy in one hour this "mother of harlots and of the abominations of the earth" with a fiery billowing judgment, equally prophesied in Revelation 17 and 18, were it not for the fact that a Remnant is in it! Like the remnant of Judah, this is the Remnant that must be delivered

out of Mystery Babylon in order to rebuild the true heavenly temple of Yahweh. This is the Remnant bride that is hidden in Babylon/in Egypt and must be delivered and revealed. Thus once again, even as "patterned" or "imaged" by the unfulfilled judgments of Isaiah and Jeremiah 50 and 51, the judgments of Revelation 17 and 18 against Mystery Babylon will equally be unfulfilled for the sake of the Remnant! Yahweh is once again acting out of His lovingkindness, with mercy triumphing over judgment.

Conclusively we see that "the great harlot," this Mystery Babylon "the great city," is Christianity; and it is she who, clothed in purple and scarlet with her kingdom gold and precious stones, sits upon the scarlet beast with "seven heads and ten horns." If Christianity knew who Mystery Babylon truly was (themselves), they would stop having their prophecy conferences in which they falsely teach of a wrath-filled God who will violently (to say the least) destroy the nations, but would instead call for prayer meetings to plead for Yahweh's mercy. But they are blind to the truth; and like King David or King Ahab who judged themselves for their own guilt by their own words (2 Samuel 12:1-15 and 1 Kings 20:35-43), so Yahweh has laid before Christianity a picture of themselves, by which they equally judge themselves by their own words. By their own teachings in which they espouse the guilt of Mystery Babylon and God's supposed destruction of the unbelieving by fire, they fulfill the words of Yahshua - "the way you judge, you will be judged."

THE BEAST

We come now to the complex matter of who is the seven-headed, ten-horned beast. We know what Christians say about this - that the beast is a man out of the Common Market (which has never cooperated by being the ten nations Christians expected) who will set up a completely dominating economic system and world rulership. You can cast off that idea, for it will never be. The beast has been marking Christians for 2,000 years. Let us examine who the beast truly is.

First, in Revelation and in Daniel 7, both beasts identified in these two books are associated with the number ten - both have ten horns. In Daniel 7, from these ten horns a little horn comes up and three of the ten horns are "pulled out by the roots." In a previous writing, considerable evidence is given demonstrating that the little horn is Satan (whose horned image is engraved on the continent of Africa, and whose influence upon Christianity is equally identified by the attesting "little horn" on their buildings - their Babylonian little horn steeples [this is not intended as a slur, but is a very real and true testimony]). It is Satan's presence that causes the three-part church (the three horns) to be pulled out by the roots. Daniel 7 addresses the work of this little horn, or Satan:

"The fourth beast will be a fourth kingdom on the earth, which will be different from all the other kingdoms, and it will devour the whole earth and tread it down and crush it" (vs. 23).

Satan is the <u>only</u> being who has this broad authority. No man has ever had nor will have this authority; it is the sole rightful possession of Satan. 1 John 5:19 clearly states - "the whole world lies in the power of the evil one." The antichrist will not be a man, but as John declared (who is the only one in the entire Bible to use the word "antichrist") at the time of his writing concerning the antichrist - "it is <u>already</u> in the world " (1 John 4:3). This is Satan, who is the antichrist, and he is and was the prince or ruler of this earth. To Yahshua, Satan declared concerning the domain and glory of this earth - "it has been handed over to me, and I give it to whomever I wish" (Luke 4:6). And what becomes of this world under his domain? As written here in Daniel 7 - Satan treads it down and crushes it. As we will see, this leads to Prince Satan's ruin. Proverbs 14:28 tells us - "in the dearth of people is a prince's ruin." Prince Satan has dearthed the inhabitants of the earth for 6,000 years, 2,000 years in the kingdom, and it will lead to his ruin.

Let us continue reading in Daniel 7 concerning the works of the little horn, or Satan.

"As for the ten horns, out of this kingdom ten kings will arise; and another will arise after them, and he will be different from the previous ones and will subdue three kings" (vs. 24).

This little horn that subdues the "three kings" is Satan, who subdues the three-part church. This is the same truth found in the parallel verses in Revelation 17:17 concerning the ten horns that give "their kingdom to the beast, until the words of God should be fulfilled." One of the major problems for the church is that it is the kingdom of God upon an earth that still belongs to Satan. Christianity has abdicated the kingdom to Satan, evidenced by numerous things - the division of the body of Christ into 22,000 denominations, the leaven of numerous lies that the church teaches, the church's acceptance of the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches which Yahshua had rejected from Satan (Luke 4:5-8), the church's immorality and worldly dress and behavior, the failure of its leaders to become slaves and servants to the people (Matthew 20:25-28), its harlotry with the world, and actually, Christian man's sickness and death (which are not supposed to be a part of the promised land/the kingdom). On this final point, we read in Hebrews 2:14 in literal translation that Satan has (present tense) the power of death. To yield to him in death is to be defeated by Satan, who brought death to man beginning in the garden. We read in THE ISSUE that Yahshua restored the original garden where men were not to die. So, why is it that men still die in this restored kingdom? Because the kingdom has been subdued by Satan, evidenced by man's death. If the kingdom is truly under Yahshua's dominion, then the enemy, death, would not be free to prevail over man.

Let us look at a third and final verse here in Daniel 7 - verse 25.

"And he will speak in regard to the Most High and wear down the saints of the Highest One, and he will intend to make alterations in times and in law; and they will be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time."

Most translations incorrectly read that he will speak out "against" the Most High, but the Hebrew word is actually - "in regard to." It is the same Hebrew word used in Daniel 6:4 which is

correctly translated - "Then the commissioners and satraps began trying to find a ground of accusation against Daniel <u>in regard to</u> the kingdom affairs." Not against, but in regard to or relative to. So, how has Satan spoken "<u>in regard to</u> the Most High"? The fact is, he has done this so effectively that even as this passage is altered unnoticeably, so the truth regarding Yahweh has been altered unnoticeably. Satan has spoken to Christians "in regard to the Most High" in such a deceiving way (of course supported with scriptures) that they have thoroughly believed him, to the end that he has worn down the saints, causing division, deception, and death. For example, "in regard to the Most High" - Is Yahweh truly one who will burn men in a literal fiery hell for eternity? Absolutely not! This is not Yahweh, as that idea is totally contrary to His laws and His ways and the Scriptures. Who has spoken this "in regard to the Most High," but the beast with the little horn - Satan?

Or, is the "Most High" one who winks at men's sin and immoral behavior? Can the church just keep going in sin and Yahweh never do anything about it, never holding them accountable? Can Christianity <u>really</u> be the bride of Yahshua without spot or wrinkle? Absolutely not! Yahweh holds men accountable for continuing in unrighteous behavior. Even the sacrifices, which pictured the death of the Savior, were all for sins committed "unintentionally" (e.g., Leviticus 4:1-3, 27-28, Numbers 15:22-31). But Satan has spoken "in regard to the Most High" in such a deceptive way that Christianity thinks it can be of this world and not be held accountable.

There are many other things (e.g., the false idea that the nation called "Israel" has the promises to the Israelites, when they are Jew/Edomites, or that Christmas honors Yahshua and celebrates His birth, or that men die and go to heaven, or ..., or, ...or ...), but it would not do for us to attempt to address them here. But let it be noted that this beast speaks "in regard to the Most High," not against, actually perverting men's ideas of who the Most High truly is, with the result that he has worn down the saints.

Let us also briefly address the second part of verse 25 - "and he will intend to make alternations in times and in law." Equal to Satan's ability to alter who the Most High truly is, the little horned beast has been most effective in altering the times and laws of God. One of the appointed times Satan has altered are the Feasts. Christians had rather give attention to and celebrate feasts set by Satan, rather than Yahweh's appointed Feasts. Instead of Passover, Pentecost, and Tabernacles, Satan has replaced them with Easter, Halloween, Christmas, and birthdays. Where did Yahweh ever speak that we were to celebrate any of those times? And while Yahweh commanded men to keep the Sabbath holy, Satan has altered this appointed time and the church defiles this commandment, calling another day - Sunday - the "Sabbath." And equally true, Christians have no concept or understanding of the laws and ways of Yahweh, thus Satan has altered them for man's carnal gain. "Hath God said" continues to be Satan's perverting and altering question, even in the church.

All of these point to one thing - little-horned Satan has subdued the three-horned church. This brings us once again to the question of the ten horns. Why do they appear in number here in this passage in Daniel 7, yet seem to have no specific significance? Because the purpose of their number here is to bear testimony to world-ordered Christianity; and it is the fate of Christianity

that is being considered here. How does this ten-horn testimony bear out in the Revelation passages? We can briefly address this, but in the case of both of these accounts, there is much here we simply must pass over.

First, let us once again point out that at the time of the Reformation, the reformers clearly addressed who the beast was. From their perspective of universal Christianity, the beast with the seven heads or the seven mountains was the Pope. They were really not far from truth, because the beast is Satan in the church, or Christianity. It is very interesting, and makes for very difficult understanding, when in Revelation 17 the beast per se is said to have seven heads and ten horns, yet in verses 16 and 17 we read to the contrary that these ten horns have separate identities from "the beast." First we read of a beast "having seven heads and ten horns." In contrast, in verses 16 and 17 we read of "the ten horns ... and the beast," and the ten horns giving "their kingdom to the beast."

These last two verses distinguish the ten horns separate from "the beast." "The beast" actually goes beyond the simpler truth that the ten horns and 7 heads represent Christianity. "The beast" represents a system whose origin is the "abussos." From "a," intensive, and "bussos," a depth, it is the immeasurable depth of the dead (Romans 10:7) where one Apollyon (or, destroyer) is king (Revelation 9:11). This is the same abyss in Revelation 11:7 from which the beast emerges to kill the two witnesses (or, the first Remnant). Again, who has the power of death, but Satan, the destroyer? Revelation 20:1-3 clearly tells us that the abyss is the abode of Satan, the devil, who is the beast. And it is this abyss that is the origin of much having to do with the world, religion, and even Christianity.

Is then the origin of the church Satan? Absolutely not! The origin of the church is 180 degrees opposite. It is the restored kingdom of God provided by Yahshua. But herein is the problem we have addressed before - the holy is united with the profane. The kingdom of God was given to corrupt carnal man; and with the presence of Satan, the kingdom is once again corrupted by the one whose origin is the abyss, and who is the ruler of this world. The beast is the corrupted religious system under Satan, is found in all religions of the world, and has equally influenced, perverted, and gained dominion over Christianity - the number-ten-identified church, having given their kingdom to the beast.

Christians are critical of the World Council of Churches, or of Catholicism, or of other religions, or even of other denominations; but the fact is, the beast has been in Christianity for 2,000 years! Christians absolutely do not understand how much Satan has altered the kingdom. And there is only one hope - the establishment of the second Remnant and return of Yahshua.

One then has to ask the question - How can Christianity be represented by both the harlot and the seven-headed, ten-horned beast that she sits upon? Verse 16 even says the ten horns "will hate the harlot and will make her desolate and naked, and will eat her flesh and will burn her up with fire." How can Christianity afflict itself? It does. Even as Christianity-representing Judas hung himself, or Christianity-representing Saul fell upon his own sword, so Christianity essentially ends up destroying itself by its own actions. One must remember, these passages

concerning beasts and horns are parables or pictures of truth. They are not actual concrete accounts, but very important pictures of something that exists or is to come in the heavenly realm.

While it is foreign and difficult to think of Christianity in a parable in which one picture of it actually hates the other, makes it desolate and naked, eats its flesh, and burns it with fire, there is a passage in Daniel that is equally as shocking (in relation to the church), but much more straightforward about Christianity's self-destruction. In Daniel 9:26 we read:

"and the people of the Prince who is to come (the same "Messiah the Prince" only two verses prior in verse 24 - i.e., Yahshua "who is to come") will destroy the city and the sanctuary. And its end will come with a flood"

Once again, a great deal of space cannot be spent on this verse (though it and its typical interpretation by the one who speaks "in regard to the Most High" demands it), but it is a most remarkable thing that "the people of the Prince" (i.e., Christians) will themselves destroy Jerusalem and the sanctuary. How do they do this? Not by destroying a literal Jerusalem or sanctuary, but by their own actions they destroy the Jerusalem and sanctuary kingdom of God. This is the same thing seen in Revelation 17:16 concerning the harlot and beast. In truth, Christianity actually destroys itself, falls on its own spear, hangs itself, and destroys its own city, its own kingdom!

And note that the timing of this passage in Daniel is significantly marked by a flood. Where have we already seen the testimony of a flood on the higher kingdom of God level? At the end of the 120 Jubilee probation period of the garden kingdom, marking the completion of time before a flood can come - not a literal flood once again, but a flood of the set-apart Spirit water that raises a Remnant up from this earth. Peter draws our attention to this same testimony concerning the return of Yahshua, when people mock "the promise of His coming" - "For when they maintain this, it escapes their notice" that by water (the flood) "the world at that time was destroyed, being flooded with water" (2 Peter 3:5-6). What then will be the sign of the return of Yahshua? It will be "water," floods of "water"! But it will not be natural water; this time it will be the water of the Spirit, lifting a Remnant above this earth. Thus we see that this flood spoken of in Daniel 9:26 identifies the end of this period in which the Jerusalem kingdom of God is destroyed by "the people of the Prince," or Christians. Here again we see that indeed the church kills or destroys itself! The body of Christ, or Christianity, is put to sleep so that a bride can be brought out with the flood waters that come from the body's pierced side.

One additional matter is briefly worth noting here that further unifies the woman and the beast she rides upon; and that is, the fact that both the harlot and the beast are clothed in the same color - scarlet. Revelation 17:3 says that the woman was "sitting on a scarlet beast," while verse four draws the association of these two by noting that the woman was equally "clothed in purple and scarlet." In other places in the Scriptures, this is the color associated with the temple, with two offerings (the first dove and the red heifer), and with the robe Yahshua wore in Matthew 27:28 when being mocked. This is the color associated with the work of God or the kingdom of

Yahweh, which the church is and has possessed. Thus the scarlet color is a uniting testimony of the single identity of both of these elements of the vision, as they both represent the (though defiled) scarlet kingdom of God.

And finally concerning the beast, we find that his impact and control upon Christianity is so profuse and complete, that Christianity and Satan are prophetically one. There are two sets of paired prophetic identities that within each pair are so related to one another, that the two comprising identities are difficult to separate from each other prophetically. First are the paired two Remnants. Prophetically, the two Remnants are often interchangeable in their identities. Though they are two separate works, in truth they are actually one work. For example, prophetically the second Remnant is the Elijah work that never dies, but ascends alive to meet Yahshua. And though the prophets Elijah and Elisha are clearly contrasted as the two Remnants, separated by Christianity chariots of fire and horses of fire, we find that Elisha equally represents the second Remnant in that he received the double portion of the Spirit (even as the second Remnant receives). Thus we see the two Remnant testimonies, yet both have a prophetic identity with the second Remnant. This is only one of many examples of this interchangeable testimony of the two Remnants, who in truth are one (separated by the breach).

The second pair which similarly share an almost interchangeable identity is Satan and Christianity, or the beast and Christianity. For example, in Ezekiel 28 we read of the beauty and splendor of the king of Tyre. This chapter is classically viewed by Christians as prophetic of Satan; yet in truth it is prophetic both of Satan, as well as Christianity. Both Satan's and Christianity's hearts have been lifted up, both of these are matchless in beauty and riches, and both are destined to fall. Equally, in Revelation 12:4 we read that "a third of the stars of heaven" were swept away and thrown down to the earth by the tail of the dragon. Traditionally, this is viewed that when Satan fell, he took one-third of the heavenly angels with him. This may well be true, but in like truth it is one-third of Christianity that will be thrown down, remaining on the earth in their carnal bodies in the Millennial reign (Zechariah 13:9). A third testimony of the interchangeable identity of Satan and Christianity is the bronze serpent on the pole. While Yahshua was lifted up on the cross to die for our sins, it is bronze Christianity on the pole that most clearly takes on the form of the serpent Satan. And even as the Israelites later burned incense to this bronze serpent, and it was eventually destroyed, so Christianity, following the perfect work of Yahshua, has become a bronze object of false worship that equally must be torn down.

And finally (though the list could go on), Africa is clearly prophetic of Christianity; yet, the image engraved upon that continent or great "rock" (Zechariah 3:9), is none other than the head of the beast with the little horn - Satan. (*The Signs That Cause Belief*) Thus we see that Christianity and Satan are repeatedly interchangeable in identity, making for a clearer understanding why the beast Satan and the harlot ten-horned Christianity are seen here in a mutual relationship to each other, yet ending in conflict and destruction.

Let us keep in mind that all of this we are presently considering concerning the identity of "ten" with Christianity was written to relate the significance of Jeroboam receiving ten tribes.

Jeroboam is a picture of Christianity. And even as the harlot sat upon a seven-headed and ten-horned beast, yet both are one, so Jeroboam equally "sat" over ten tribes, and they too were one. The two in each case actually represent one. It is the union of the two in each case that provides the complete picture - Jeroboam over the <u>ten</u> tribes, and the harlot on the <u>ten</u>-horned beast.

THE BEAST, CONTINUED

We have seen that even as the Israelite's forty years in the wilderness are a prophetic picture of the period of Christianity, so the forty days in the wilderness experienced by Yahshua are equally an intercessoral and prophetic period for the body of Christ, Christianity. As went the Israelites in the wilderness, as went Yahshua in the wilderness, so goes the body of Christ in the wilderness. Let us look at this further by comparing these parallel experiences of Yahshua and the body of Christ, as we did in *THE ISSUE* concerning Yahshua's crucifixion and Christianity.

Yahshua in the Wilderness	Church in the Wilderness
Yahshua in the wilderness for forty days	Church in the wilderness for forty Jubilees
Period preceded by Yahshua's baptism by John in the Jordan River	Church preceded by the first Remnant's baptism in the Pentecost waters of the Jordan
Yahshua was led into the wilderness by the Spirit	The church received the Spirit who equally led it into the wilderness
Yahshua fasted from food	The church has fasted from the bread of life truth
Yahshua was tempted by the devil	The church has been tempted by the devil
Yahshua was with the beasts	The church has been with "the beast"
After the temptation, the angels ministered to Yahshua	At the end of Christianity, the angels will minister to the second Remnant
Yahshua returned "in the power of the Spirit"	The Remnant will return with Yahshua "in the power of the Spirit"

Regarding this point concerning "the beasts," it is very significant to note that the "beast" in Revelation is the same Greek word used here for "beasts" in Mark 1:13 regarding Yahshua's temptation in the wilderness - "And He was in the wilderness for forty days tempted by Satan; and He was with the wild beasts" Why? Because the "beasts" Yahshua was with in the

wilderness are a picture of the Revelation beast that the body of Christ, Christianity, has been with in their wilderness. The "beast" is not a man that will suddenly appear on the scene 2,000 years after the church began. As we have seen, the "beast" has been with the church since the very beginning of its wilderness journeys.

It is equally highly significant that this association of "the beasts" with Yahshua in the wilderness is only found in Mark. It has been demonstrated that Mark is the gospel written relative to Christianity, and it is Mark Christianity that is most significantly in the wilderness with "the beast."

What will happen to the beast? As was cited earlier in this writing, and worthy of being noted here again, Revelation 19:20 tells us that the beast will be "thrown alive into the lake of fire." And once again, this is exactly what happened to the "beast," or viper, that attached itself to Paul's hand on the island of Malta. In Acts 28:3-5 we read that "a viper" came out of "a bundle of sticks" Paul had gathered, and fastened onto his hand. "And when the natives saw the beast hanging from his hand, they began saying However he shook the beast off into the fire and suffered no harm." We have noted that the Greek word for "beast" as used here, is the identical Greek word used in Revelation to identify "the beast."

While the church has died from the venomous bite for 2,000 years (men go to the grave), it is the second Remnant that will prepare the way for Yahshua's return, resulting in the beast being cast off into the fire. The second Remnant will be the first to conquer the affects of that viper's sting, as it will be translated alive into heaven to join the first Remnant. At Yahshua's return, the beast will be "thrown alive into the <u>lake of fire</u>" (even as the "beast" on Paul's hand was so cast); and equally, the third part of the church will be purified by <u>fire</u>, once again showing an interchangeable similarity between Satan and Christianity.

In closing this section on the beast, let us consider two final revealing testimonies. We have previously noted that King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon is unmistakably prophetic of Christianity. Recall these obvious similarities - he was king of kings; to him was given "the kingdom, the power, the strength, and the glory;" the great city of Babylon (which he took pride in building, leading to his downfall) was the prelude to Mystery Babylon (which equally will fall because of its self pride); his dream compared him with a great tree that "grew large and became strong, and its height reached to the sky, and it was visible to the end of the whole earth," and was cut down and a stump was left; for Christianity-representing 7 years he grazed with "the beast of the field;" and the list could go on. But it is this last specific point we want to expand upon at this time.

In Daniel 4:16 we read that in this dream Nebuchadnezzar had regarding the great tree, Yahweh also declared to him concerning what was to take place in this prophetic 7 year humbling period - "Let his mind be changed from that of a man, and let a beast's mind be given to him" And thus it happened - as a result of Nebuchadnezzar's pride (verse 30), he was made to dwell "with the beast of the field." What does all of this mean? Nebuchadnezzar was prophetically given the "mark of the beast" in his forehead, in his mind. And equally, Christianity, like Nebuchadnezzar,

has had its mind changed "from that of a man," and "a beast's mind" (the beast, Satan) has been given to it. As with Nebuchadnezzar, the mark of the beast has already been placed within the Christian's mind/his forehead - what men think and do. And thus the beast, Satan, has already dramatically "marked" Christians. And like King Nebuchadnezzar in his prophetic 7 years of humbling, the church has equally been grazing in the wilderness with the beasts.

And finally, let us see that Satan is the beast found in Genesis 3:1. Here we read the earliest account of his identity as the beast - "Now the serpent (that tempted Eve) was more crafty than any beast of the field which Yahweh God had made." The serpent, Satan, as in the case of Paul's viper, was identified here in this extremely important foretelling creation pattern with the beasts. It was this serpent, more crafty than any beast, that was not only in the tree of the knowledge of good and evil to deceive the woman and bring the curse and death, but was the same serpent/beast that has been in the tree of the knowledge of good and evil Christianity to likewise deceive and bring death.

We have seen numerous affirming testimonies that Satan is indeed the beast of Revelation and Daniel. He is the beast prophetically represented by the viper attached to Paul's hand (even as the mark of the beast is also on the hand, or works) and is thrown alive into the fire. He is the beast Yahshua was with for forty days in the wilderness. He is the beast pictured in Nebuchadnezzar's humbling for seven years in which he was given the mind of a beast. And in the most important creation pattern, he is the more crafty beast who was in Christianity's tree of the knowledge of good and evil to deceive and bring death. Clearly, Satan is the beast!

THE HARSH MESSAGE OF A PROPHET

Up to this point we have seen the kingdom given first to the Solomon first Remnant, then taken away from them and given to the Jeroboam breach of Christianity. What then is next? The kingdom belongs to the "house of Solomon" Remnant - it was promised to them. So, how can the kingdom go back to the Remnant? He takes the kingdom rights away from Jeroboam Christianity that they have had for almost 2,000 years, and gives them back to a promised second Remnant. Yahweh is now raising up a second Remnant to complete the work begun by the first.

As we look at this highly important "tree" pattern that has thus far been most revealing, if what has just been stated regarding the second Remnant is in fact true, then we should see this restoration and transfer taking place with regard to Jeroboam and his kingdom. Did the kingdom return to Solomon's house? In prophetic picture, it did. We will here consider two accounts. First is the prophetic message to Jeroboam by the prophet, Ahijah, who originally spoke the word of Yahweh to Jeroboam about the ten tribes. Second, we will consider the words and actions of King Rehoboam's son, Abijah, as he confronted Jeroboam.

In 1 Kings 14 we find that Jeroboam's son, Abijah (not to be confused with aforementioned Abijah, the son of Rehoboam), became sick, and Jeroboam sent his wife in disguise to the prophet Ahijah at Shiloh to inquire what would happen to his son. We see here in picture Christianity presenting its fruits to Yahshua following its 2,000 year period. Ahijah is in Shiloh where it is said - "the scepter shall not depart from Judah ... until Shiloh comes" (Genesis 49:10). "Shiloh" is Yahshua, and we see here Jeroboam presenting his "fruit" to Shiloh, or Yahshua. What does Jeroboam send to the prophet at Shiloh? First, a wife disguised as another woman, inquiring about her fatally sick son. Second, ten loaves, some cakes, and a jar of honey. Why?

First, why is his wife disguised? Because Christianity is disguised. Who do they say they are, yet are not? Christianity disguises itself as the bride of Yahshua; but are they the bride? Not at all! They wear a deceptive identity, posing to be something in which they are not. The bride of Yahshua is a two-part Remnant that comes out of Christianity. Thus, Christianity equally comes to Shiloh disguised as another woman. Also, why is Jeroboam's son sick? This sickly son represents Christianity's best effort at bringing forth the man-child. Is their man-child sufficient? Not at all; in fact he is sick unto death (as Christians have died for 2,000 years) and is not sufficient as the required godly seed of the kingdom.

Very briefly, but very importantly, even as Christianity was the breach period in which Yahweh hid the church in "the cleft of the rock" and placed His hand over it while His glory was passing by so that they could not see Him or His ways (Exodus 33:17-23), equally Christianity is the waistband that Yahweh instructed Jeremiah to also hide in the "crevice of the rock" (Jeremiah 13:1-7). Both of these identical testimonies reveal Christianity and its breach or cleft period. What has been the outcome of being hid in that crevice for 2,000 years? How does Yahweh view this waistband that He said would be made to cling to Him, even as Christianity has clinged to Him (vs. 11)? How does He view the works of waistband Christianity that has been hidden in the cleft of the rock for 2,000 years? The same way Jeremiah found to be the condition of the waistband - "and lo, the waistband was ruined, it was totally worthless."

As stark and shocking as this must have been to Israel, nonetheless this was the way Yahweh viewed them. And likewise, as stark and shocking as it may seem to the church (for which these foretelling events took place), this is the way Yahweh views spiritual Israel, or Christianity. It is "totally worthless" in fulfilling the high requirements of His kingdom. It is "totally worthless" and ruined in its sufficiency in bringing forth the pure kingdom of God and its King. The breach or cleft period of Christianity is "totally worthless" and cannot be Yahweh's Elijah or spotless bride. And here as we see testified in Jeroboam's sick and dying son, it is "totally worthless" in its ability to bring forth the man-child.

And what of the ten loaves, some cakes, and a jar of honey? Once again we see the number ten that is identified with Christianity - the ten horns of the beasts. This time Christianity-identifying ten is testified to here by <u>ten</u> loaves. The cakes are the dainties of the world with which they have been overcome. And of course the honey is the honey of the promised land - the kingdom of God. The church has had the honey of the kingdom, and Shiloh is the day-of-Yahshua reckoning as to how they have fared with the kingdom. Has Christianity fared well? Not at all! It

is deceived, sickly, corrupted by the world, and has not done well. What is the word of God to Christianity? The same word delivered to Jeroboam by the prophet Ahijah - "I am sent to you with a harsh message." Let us see exactly what that message was. We will consider it phrase by phrase, beginning in verse 6, in order to see its great prophetic relevance.

"I am sent to you with a harsh message. Go, say to Jeroboam (Christianity), 'Thus says Yahweh God of Israel: "Because I exalted you from among the people and made you leader over My people Israel,"

Christianity has been exalted on the earth (like King Nebuchadnezzar and his great tree) and made "leader" over the kingdom of God.

"and tore the kingdom away from the house of David and gave it to you -"

The kingdom was taken away from the first Remnant established specifically by Yahshua.

"yet you have not been like My servant David, who kept My commandments and who followed Me with all his heart, to do only that which was right in My sight;"

David here pictures, of course, Yahshua, who did everything that was right in Yahweh's sight. This was not true of the Solomon first Remnant; and as we see here, is most certainly not true of the Jeroboam body of Christ. While Yahshua did all that was pleasing in Yahweh's sight, the body of Christ has failed! Thus, the judgment of Yahweh is against them.

"you also have done more evil than all who were before you, and have gone and made for yourself other gods and molten images to provoke Me to anger, and have cast Me behind your back - ..."

It is difficult from our perspective to see how Christianity could be classed with such condemnation; but men do not accurately regard or reckon the holiness of Yahweh. Many of the practices of Christianity, in comparison to His perfect kingdom, are **completely anathema** to Yahweh. Men do not look at them this way, but Yahweh does. Men do what Paul warned - they "measure themselves by themselves, and compare themselves with themselves," and are likewise "without understanding" (1 Corinthians 10:12). But Yahweh has a far higher standard.

Christianity has been given His kingdom, and "to whom much is given, much is required." Christianity has not justly regarded His kingdom, and has provoked Him to anger. This is the anger of Yahshua spoken of throughout the book of Revelation. If Christianity was given its full three periods of time, Yahshua would return to judge it with that wrath for the abuse of His kingdom. And let it be said again - the church is 2,000 years old, and must be judged for its entire tenure.

"therefore behold, I am bringing calamity on the house of Jeroboam, and will cut off from Jeroboam every male person, both bond and free in Israel, and I will make a clean sweep of the house of Jeroboam, as one sweeps away dung until it is all gone."

Yahweh is going to make a "clean sweep" of Christianity. They will be swept out (cut off from) the coming restored kingdom of God. All of its rights are restored to the Remnant, who return with Yahshua in glorified bodies. But remember, this prophecy would be much more harshly fulfilled if Yahshua delayed His coming for 1,000 years.

It is interesting that dung is spoken of here, for as has been pointed out in other writings, this is what church pastors and teachers have fed the people. The pure word of the kingdom has been taken in by carnal men, processed by their carnal minds, and then fed to others, not in its pure form but as altered dung. This is how Yahweh looks at the teachings of men - dung! It is the word of God altered by the flesh. Yahweh will remove Christianity that has fed men so much dung. It is highly appropriate and truly prophetic that men receive this dung while sitting in their <u>pews</u> (def. - contempt or disgust at an odor).

"Anyone belonging to Jeroboam who dies in the city the dogs will eat. And he who dies in the field the birds of the heavens will eat; for Yahweh has spoken."

Christianity loses the priesthood and is sent to the nations. Numerous testimonies clearly evidence that dogs represent the nations. Even as the blood of Ahab, as well as the body of Jezebel, went to the dogs (representing Christianity going to the nations), so we see here again that the house of Jeroboam in equal testimony goes to the dogs.

This fate is for those who die in the city of God. As for those in the field - the world - the birds of the heavens will eat. Revelation equally expresses this. At the return of Yahshua, a sword that comes from His mouth kills men, "and all the birds were filled with their flesh" (Revelation 19:21). This is "the great supper of God" to which the angel called "all the birds which fly in midheaven" to assemble (vs. 17). "Birds" are lying spirits. A fulfillment of this passage as literal birds is no more likely than Yahshua would come back with a literal sword in His mouth. How these spirits devour the carnal ways (the flesh) of man will yet be seen. (And the difficulty of citing Revelation is that an early merciful return of Yahshua alters His prophesied return with wrath - e.g., Babylon was indeed conquered by the Medes as prophesied, but not with the wrath in those prophecies.)

"Now you (Jeroboam's wife) arise, go to your house. When your feet enter the city the child will die."

Verse 17 tells us that when Jeroboam's wife "was entering the threshold of the house, the child died." Did the child die as the prophet declared - "When your feet enter the city"? Not literally, for we read that he died when "she was entering the threshold of the house." Why this difference? We have seen in other writings that Christianity dies a two-blow death. The first death is a Passover death, the second, Tabernacles. The first is a legal decision, the second is the final fulfillment effected at Yahshua's return. On Passover, 2000, Christianity received the first-blow outcome regarding its death. Like the promise of the prophet regarding the death of Jeroboam's son, it seems that Yahweh's proclamation is not carried out. Jeroboam's wife still walks and the son seems to live. But, it will be carried out at the "threshold" - Tabernacles. As we see, though

the words of the prophet were not carried out until Jeroboam's wife crossed the threshold, when she entered the limits of the city, her son was as much as dead. The prophesied word was carried out at the threshold. This is precisely where Christianity is right now. It is in the death-walk period between the limits of the city, and the threshold. Christianity may not appear to be dead from its Passover death, but it is as much as dead as will be evidenced at its Tabernacles death at the return of Yahshua.

The "threshold" and "threshing floor" are interesting prophetic testimonies regarding the return of Yahshua and His judgment of Christianity. The word "thresh" has the idea of separation. The thresh-old is the door, the entrance, that separates one from being in the house or outside. Threshing is the process of separating the grain from the chaff. So we see here Yahweh's testimony regarding the separation of the body of Christ and the bride, of Mystery Babylon and the Remnant, or even Christianity from the kingdom rights. Let us briefly consider some of these most consistent prophetic testimonies.

As discussed in other writings, the ark of God in Dagon's temple is a picture of the corrupted kingdom of God - the holy among the profane. In this mixed situation, Dagon fell over twice, marking once again very precisely the two-blow death of Christianity. The first time, Dagon fell with no apparent results (i.e., the "limits of the city" announced death). But the second time (i.e., the "threshold" literal death), "the head of Dagon and both of his hands were cut off on the threshold" (1 Samuel 5:4). Here we see Christianity losing its rights to priesthood (losing its head and hands that were anointed when entering priesthood) at the second fall specifically "on the threshold." Equally in a picture of Christianity, the traveling Levite's concubine was raped, and she died "with her hands on the threshold" (Judges 19:27). Similarly, when David was incorrectly transporting the ark of God with an ox cart and it became unsettled, it was at a threshing floor that this occurred. There Uzzah reached out his hand and took hold of the ark, and God killed him (2 Samuel 6:6). And where was it that Ahab was deceived, so as to be led into battle to meet his death? At the "threshing floor at the entrance of the gate of Samaria" (1 Kings 22:10).

Thus we see in this account with Jeroboam's wife, it is appropriate and prophetically significant that Jeroboam's son died when his wife entered the threshold (though the prophet had said it would be when she entered the city), marking the second-part fatal fulfillment of the two-blow death of Christianity.

"And all Israel shall mourn for him and bury him, for he alone of Jeroboam's family shall come to the grave, because in him something good was found toward Yahweh God of Israel in the house of Jeroboam."

Is there good within Christianity? Despite Yahweh's proclamation that the waistband of Christianity is "totally worthless," there is good within it. This good in Christianity is always the argument heard when its judgment is raised - "But Christianity does good things!" or "But Christianity has good people in it!" Christianity is a mix of good and evil. And the mix of the two (as Christianity has to be taken as a whole) produces something lukewarm; therefore it will be spewed out of God's mouth (Revelation 3:15-16). Even as the household of Saul was prophetic

of Christianity, note that when judgment finally came on that house, not only was evil Saul killed, but also good Jonathan. Likewise, we see here in evil Jeroboam's house "something good;" but, it is definitely not good enough to save the entire house.

"Moreover, Yahweh will raise up for Himself a king over Israel who shall cut off the house of Jeroboam this day and what even now. For Yahweh will strike Israel, as a reed is shaken in the water; and He will uproot Israel from the good land which He gave to their fathers, and will scatter them beyond the Euphrates River, because they have made their Asherim, provoking Yahweh to anger. And He will give up Israel on account of the sins of Jeroboam, which he committed and with which he made Israel to sin."

"This day and what even now" Yahshua is opening the eyes of His second Remnant, a tender sprout from the tree of Christianity that has been "cut off." With the completion of the second Remnant (pictured here once again by the Euphrates River, addressed earlier), and upon the return of the true "King of Israel," the third part of Christianity will be scattered throughout the nations. Christianity has provoked Yahweh to anger for their sins, and He will "uproot" them from the kingdom, even as the three horns are uprooted in Daniel 7.

Yahweh did indeed literally use a "king over Israel" to "cut off the house of Jeroboam." In 1 Kings 15:27-29 we read how King Baasha struck down the household of Jeroboam, yet he too walked in the very ways of Jeroboam (vs. 34). In fact, nearly every king of Israel walked in the ways of Jeroboam. The ten tribes pictured Christianity's practices during the entirety of their history - being in prophetic expression a mere extension of Jeroboam. Though Jeroboam was in fact killed, the prophetic expression of Christianity continued to the final end - Israel became dispersed to the nations (as will be Christianity). This completes Ahijah's prophecy concerning Jeroboam.

THE CLAIM OF A REMNANT

Let us now consider the second important prophetic event which took place, foretelling what would happen to the Jeroboam Christianity kingdom of God. We know from the Scriptures that the kingdom is promised to the Remnant, having its foundation on the work of Yahshua while He ministered here on earth. Yahshua personally built the foundation - the first Remnant. But Christianity has abandoned that foundation in practice, teachings, character, and power, and loses its rights to the kingdom. It is now time for Yahshua to complete His work and continue building on the first Remnant. Thus, in this account of the kingdom of Yahweh given to Solomon, there should be a testimony of this transfer of the kingdom back to a second-Remnant-representing Judah king, and there is. It did not come in the time of Rehoboam. He was specifically forbidden by Yahweh from attempting to reunite the twelve tribes. But it did occur in the next generation, even as the second Remnant will be the next generation to complete the work the first Remnant began, but lost.

In 2 Chronicles 13 we read the account of Rehoboam's son, King Abijah, who went to Jeroboam with an army of 400,000 valiant warriors. However, Jeroboam drew up an army of 800,000 valiant warriors and surrounded Abijah.

First, it is unmistakably obvious that Yahweh is saying something when the name of Jeroboam's son who died after his disguised gift-bearing wife was sent to inquire of his fate (provoking Yahweh to announce His rejection of Jeroboam and his offspring), and the name of the one here in battle with Jeroboam, bear the identical name - Abijah. Abijah means - "Father is Yahweh." It was when Jeroboam inquired of the prophet through his wife regarding the fate of their son that Yahweh announced the calamity that would come upon his house. Now that calamity is going to come in an even more decisive way through his defeat in battle. First his personal calamity came with the death of his son, Abijah; now his corporal calamity was about to come with his defeat in battle with another Abijah.

We see that though Yahweh rejects Jeroboam Christianity's posterity and gifts, He gives favor to the Remnant's place and grants them success over Christianity. Though they are both Abijahs where "Father is Yahweh," the former is a false Remnant that He will reject, and the latter true second Remnant He will prosper.

Let us now look at King Abijah's bold proclamation to Jeroboam beginning in verse 4. As with the prophet Ahijah's proclamation to Jeroboam, we will consider its significance in portions. Thus spoke Abijah to Jeroboam:

"Listen to me, Jeroboam and all Israel: Do you not know that Yahweh God of Israel gave the rule over Israel forever to David and his sons by a covenant of salt?

This opening statement of the son of Rehoboam is, frankly, a very amazing and bold statement, revealing the rights of the kingdom belonging to Yahshua and the Remnant "forever." We will examine this most important point, but first let us consider this "covenant of salt" and its meaning.

In Numbers 18:19 we see this same term - "covenant of salt" - in reference to the promise of the rights of the Levitical priesthood to eat from the offerings. In that case it was called "an everlasting covenant of salt." This "covenant of salt" refers to the Levitical law requiring that every grain offering to Yahweh be seasoned with salt - "so that the salt of the covenant of your God shall not be lacking from your grain offering" (Leviticus 2:13). In fact, salt was evidently to be a part of every burnt offering, as we read in the conclusion of that verse - "with all your offerings you shall offer salt" - and as testified to in Ezekiel 43:24. Why the salt on all burnt offerings and David's "covenant of salt" by which he received the rights to rule over Israel?

Unquestionably, burnt offerings prophetically speak of resurrecting to God - ascending to Him. Salt is savor, as Yahshua spoke of it, and it evidently has to do with the pleasure Yahweh receives in resurrecting men out of death to Himself (which has only occurred with Yahshua thus far). The "covenant of salt" David received must look to the prophetic assurance and association

of the promise of the kingdom, and with it resurrection. This is not the kingdom experience Christianity has received while still in their carnal bodies, as they have all gone to the sea of death. Yet the promise with the kingdom is a "covenant of salt" - the assurance of resurrection or ascension to Yahweh. (Of course Christianity likewise has the promise of resurrection, albeit at the second resurrection. In the sea of death is salt, though it be salt that preserves them for their day of ascension. Likewise, Lot's wife was turned to a pillar of salt.)

Concerning Christianity, what we find is that it is two loaves (2,000 years) of Pentecost <u>leavened</u> bread, and leavened bread could never be offered to Yahweh as a burnt offering. In those same verses in Leviticus 2, verse 11, we read - "No grain offering, which you bring to Yahweh, shall be made with leaven, for you shall not offer up in smoke any leaven or any honey as an offering by fire to Yahweh." Why no leaven in grain offerings? Because leaven represents corruption and sinalterations of the kingdom by the flesh and Satan. Thus, Yahweh will not allow the leavened work of Christianity to ascend to Him in resurrection. It must be changed first.

Equally, as honey could not be offered in a burnt offering, neither can man present to Yahweh as an offering the kingdom of God received by Christianity (the promised land of milk and honey). Any "honey" which man is a part of offering to Yahweh in a "burnt offering" is forbidden. Likewise, neither was the honey of Jeroboam's wife a persuading gift to the prophet Ahijah, as she sought for the fate of her son. Thus, when man in carnal flesh received the honey of the kingdom, he cannot expect that that kingdom will be an acceptable offering to Yahweh. The honey of Christianity cannot ascend via resurrection to Yahweh. Leavened bread has to have some form of sugar added in order for it to rise - most likely honey. So, the leavened bread of Pentecost undoubtedly had two objectionable ingredients - leaven and honey. These are the two loaves of leavened Pentecost bread of the church kingdom that can legally be waved before Yahweh; but, it must remain attached to the earth in the hands of the priest. This is the Pentecost church bread with honey and leaven that will not ascend to Yahweh.

"Yet Jeroboam the son of Nebat, the servant of Solomon the son of David, rose up and rebelled against his master, and worthless men gathered about him, scoundrels, who proved too strong for Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, when he was young and timid and could not hold his own against them.

It is quite interesting how this account by King Abijah of Jeroboam's takeover differs so remarkably from what was recorded in the actual account of the transfer of the kingdom. You will recall that the prophet Ahijah went to Jeroboam and told him beforehand that ten tribes would be taken and given to him, and that when this split occurred, Rehoboam assembled an army of 180,000 men to stop it; yet Yahweh spoke to him by Shemaiah the prophet, saying - "You must not go up and fight against your relatives the sons of Israel; return every man to his house, for this thing has come from Me" (1 Kings 12:24). It is interesting how this split was from Yahweh, yet when Abijah laid out the issue to Jeroboam, he referred back to the original promise to David. The kingdom was clearly given to Jeroboam, yet Abijah laid hold of a higher and preceding promise - that kingdom right rested with the house of David via "a covenant of salt." Rehoboam had assembled an army to stop the split, yet here we read of a "young and

timed" leader who "could not hold his own against them (his counselors)." One could say that Abijah's words were simply the sympathetic words of a son, defending the valor of his father; but, from a prophetic standpoint we see much more.

Christianity was clearly given the rights to the kingdom, and frankly no one knew at the time (nor up to this day) that a breach was occurring. It undoubtedly seemed like an uninterrupted continuation of the kingdom of God, even welcomed spontaneous growth. But Yahweh does not often tell man exactly what is going on until the events are all over. Here we have in this account at hand a dissimilar and even contradicting message concerning the transfer of the kingdom of Yahweh, prophetic of the dissimilarity in what men have thought was taking place and what was truly taking place in the events surrounding and following Stephen's death - the transfer of the kingdom of God.

Despite the earlier proclamations of the prophets Ahijah and Shemaiah, Abijah stood before Jeroboam and boldly declared a differing account - the kingdom rights belong to the house of David and they were taken away by worthless men. Equally, the voice of the second Remnant declares a message contrary to what is believed and accepted as having taken place with the stoning of Stephen and the placement of the mantles of lying witnesses at the feet of Saul/Paul - the kingdom rights were taken away from the first Remnant and laid at the feet of Christianity. Are we contradicting what Christianity says? All the same that Abijah contradicted Jeroboam who could boast that the prophet of God had given him his mission and his rights. But has the second Remnant succeeded in reclaiming their rights to the kingdom? Yes indeed, because the original promise of the kingdom belongs to the Remnant, not to Christianity. As with Abijah's appeal, the Remnant's promise is a higher and preceding promise. Despite the moves of the Spirit either in the works of Paul/Saul, or in the works of Christianity since then, the "fresh oil" of the kingdom and the "covenant of salt" rights to resurrection belong to the two sons of fresh oil, the two olive tree Remnants.

"So now you intend to resist the kingdom of Yahweh in the hands of the sons of David, being a great multitude and having with you the golden calves which Jeroboam made for gods for you."

Here is the crux of the entire matter - To whom does the kingdom belong? Abijah confronted Jeroboam based on the <u>original</u> promise that the kingdom of Yahweh belonged to the house of David of the tribe of Judah, not to Ephraim (out of which was Jeroboam). Abijah disregarded the prophet's transfer and <u>went straight to the original promise</u> - the kingdom rights belong to the household of David and Solomon. On <u>this one truth</u> Abijah confidently took his stand before Jeroboam!

Equally, the second Remnant justly claims its rights to the kingdom of God. These kingdom rights belong to Yahshua and His Solomon, the first Remnant. Even as Solomon declared concerning the teachings of his father, David - "When I was a son to my father, <u>tender</u> and the only son in the sight of my mother, then he taught me and said to me ..." (Proverbs 4:3f) - so it is

only the first Remnant who can claim to have sat under the teachings of their "father" Yahshua. And it is <u>this</u> "tender" son that received the rights to the kingdom. And it is <u>this</u> "tender" son who is the forerunner of the second Remnant, the prophesied "tender" growth of the fig tree that grows once again following the pruning away of old-growth Christianity.

And is it to be of any consequence that Christianity, equally being "a great multitude," has by this virtue of size and tenure the rights to the kingdom? Christianity may indeed be "a great multitude," but this fact does not justify their continuing rights to the kingdom of God. Recall that a very small David killed and beheaded a very large giant, Goliath. Even so, a smaller companied Abijah would come to a twice larger and better positioned Jeroboam and win the contest. Because he was larger? Not at all, **but because he came based on the original promise to David.**

"Have you not driven out the priests of Yahweh, the sons of Aaron and the Levites, and made for yourselves priests like the peoples of other lands? Whoever comes to consecrate himself with a young bull and seven rams, even he may become a priest of what are no gods."

Jeroboam drove the priests out of Israel because their service to the temple tied them to Jerusalem. Jeroboam knew that if the people went back to Jerusalem three times a year for the Feasts, their hearts and wills might be drawn back to Judah. To avoid this, he created two golden calves (one on each northern and southern border).

What is the significance of these two golden calves Jeroboam built and (as we saw in the previous verse) took confidence in, along with their numbers? Even as Yahweh has His two Remnants, Christianity attempts to raise up their own two Remnants. These are Christianity's best efforts, and are what would be considered Christianity's two false Remnant. These "golden calves" of Christianity, these false Remnants, appear to be God's best, but are in fact altars that are to be torn down.

And, it is most appropriate prophetically that to become a priest under Jeroboam, all one had to have was "a young bull and seven rams." We have often noted that 7 is the number of Christianity and the mark of the beast - thus "seven rams" here once again bears clear testimony of seven-lampstand Christianity and its mark.

"But as for us, Yahweh is our God, and we have not forsaken Him; and the sons of Aaron are ministering to Yahweh as priests, and the Levites attend to their work. And every morning and evening they burn to Yahweh burnt offerings and fragrant incense, and the showbread is set on the clean table, and the golden lampstand with its lamps is ready to light every evening; for we keep the charge of Yahweh our God, but you have forsaken Him.

Even as Israel forsook Yahweh, so Christianity has forsaken Yahshua. Christianity does not follow His teachings or His ways. The 2,000 year church period has been a compromise period -

part kingdom, part carnal man and his ways, and part Satan. This <u>mix</u> is what corrupts the kingdom, which man can neither keep pure nor fulfill the requirement thereof since he is carnal. These are major problems which <u>cannot</u> be overcome by man. To overcome them, Yahweh must send His Spirit in greater power to complete the work of His Remnant.

How then has the Remnant, like Judah, maintained the service in the temple? Hebrews 9:4 tells us that the altar of incense has been moved within the veil into the holy of holies. Prophetically, this is what has happened with the first Remnant. Revelation 6:9-11 tells us that they are under the altar, and their prayers ascend to Yahweh. Revelation 12:5 tells us they were taken to the throne of God. The first Remnant that was by-in-large the personal work of Yahshua, is in the heavenly temple of God offering priestly services in the spiritual sense (the natural becoming spiritual). Though Christianity has had the rights to the kingdom, it is the first Remnant that has actually maintained the hope and the full rights of the kingdom.

"Now behold, God is with us at our head and His priests with the signal trumpets to sound the alarm against you. O sons of Israel, do not fight against Yahweh God of your fathers, for you will not succeed."

"You will not succeed." What a bold declaration! This is the last word to Christianity. But the fact is, Christianity actually does not even know the issue, so as to understand that they neither will nor can succeed. The issue of the kingdom of God is not even within the scope of Christianity. It is so much above them, so far removed from their understanding, and Christianity is so carnal, so temporal, so much in bondage to Satan and the flesh, so much comparing themselves with themselves, so absolutely blind, that they do not even see the issue. It is absolutely necessary that Yahweh perform a work on Christianity's behalf that will eventually set them free. Though seemingly to them a threat and great error, the first thing that must take place is that Yahweh call the second Remnant in its entirety out of Christianity. To do this He must "defeat," "kill," or put to "sleep" the body of Christ.

In June, 1994, the Spirit of Yahweh came upon this man and revealed to him the marvelous truths regarding the two-part Remnant. For six years, despite some efforts on the part of this man to get others to see these marvelous truths, that time was liken to the six times of walking around Jericho - silence! No man understood. No man really responded.

But at the completion of those six silent years, in May, 2000, at the time of Passover, men finally began to hear and understand and obey! Finally at the seventh year, in May, 2000, a shout was heard and the walls of Jericho began coming down in the minds of a Remnant. This shout continues - the sound of the alarm on the signal trumpet. The blast of this trumpet is required for victory over one's enemy per Yahweh's law of Numbers 10. In verse nine we read - "And when you go to war in your land against the adversary who attacks you, then you shall sound an alarm (or raise a shout) with the trumpets, that you may be remembered before Yahweh your God, and be saved from your enemies." This is exactly what Abijah did. In accordance with Yahweh's law (which Jeroboam did not follow), when Jeroboam and his twice-size army surrounded their

forces, "the men of Judah raised a war cry, and when the men of Judah raised a war cry, then it was that God smote Jeroboam and all Israel before Abijah and Judah."

Yahweh is giving the second Remnant victory over Christianity, whose head is Satan; and that victory is won with a blast, a shout! It is a shout that brings down the walls of false teachings that have been built by 2,000 years of error. This is the shout of truth! In verse 16 we read:

And when the sons of Israel fled before Judah, God gave them into their hand. And Abijah and his people defeated them with a great slaughter, so that 500,000 chosen men of Israel fell slain.

Essentially two-thirds of Israel's army of 800,000 men were slaughtered. Thus, the two-thirds portion of Christianity will be cut off from the kingdom. Continuing in verse 19:

And Abijah pursued Jeroboam, and captured from him cities, Beth-el with its villages, Jeshanah with its villages, and Ephron with its villages. And Jeroboam did not again recover strength in the days of Abijah; and Yahweh struck him and he died.

While in Yahweh's scope of time Israel per se could not end here, its prophetic representation of Christianity necessitated that there be some testimony of Christianity's termination. This is seen in at least three ways. First, most significantly, Jeroboam's life was terminated. Jeroboam was given the kingdom of Yahweh, which Abijah came to reclaim based upon the original promise. And even as the two-part death of Abijah's son testified to the two-part (Passover and Tabernacles) death of Christianity, so Jeroboam's death appropriately testified to Christianity's two-part death. For we find that Jeroboam was not actually killed in this truth-declaring battle, but decisively lost his strength and never regained it, thus portending Christianity's first-blow Passover death. Next, this statement regarding the loss of Jeroboam's strength was immediately followed with a statement concerning the Tabernacles second and final death - "and Yahweh struck him and he died." This identification of Yahweh personally striking Jeroboam unto death dramatically foreshadows Yahshua's Tabernacles return to this earth, upon which He will personally effect the second-blow death upon Christianity - dispersing or sowing them throughout the nations. (This identical testimony is seen in 1 Samuel 25:32-38 where though David did not slaughter Nabal, Yahweh went ahead and took his life ten days later, and in that interim time "his heart died within him so that he became as a stone.") Thus, Jeroboam's death is a clear testimony of Christianity's two-part death and loss of the kingdom.

A second testimony to Christianity's termination or loss of the kingdom is the three cities Abijah captured from Israel. Once again, while Israel per se had to remain an ongoing and separate nation, by the capture of specifically <u>three</u> cities, a prophetic termination occurred, along with the transfer of the kingdom. This dualism (the prophetic termination while at the same time the literal continuance) is Yahweh's way of accomplishing two things at the same time. While the one continues, He gives prophetic evidence that within the realm of the unfolding pattern or picture, the termination and transfer is effected. This transfer is seen in Abijah's capture of these <u>three</u> cities.

We have noted numerous times that the number three represents Christianity - the three periods of its preparation time. At this prophetic juncture of Christianity's death and transfer of the kingdom, specifically three cities were captured, representative of the rights of three-part Christianity being "captured" by the Remnant. But the testimony of this transfer goes beyond the simple number of cities captured. When one considers the meanings of the city's names, the evidence of Christianity's loss of the kingdom rights is once again foretold. Let us look at the meaning of each city's name.

Beth-el - house of God

Jeshanah - old

Ephron - fawn-like

So, what did Abijah capture from Jeroboam? In prophetic testimony he captured the "old house of God," yet something in contrast which is "fawn-like." How is it once again that the church is divided? Is it not equally divided two parts and one part, even in the same manner as we see here in the meaning of these names. The first two parts are indeed the "old house of God." Christianity is the longest running work of Yahweh in the history of mankind, and it is indeed the house of God. Thus the two parts are seen appropriately characterized here. Now what about the third part, Ephron, or "fawn-like"?

The third part of Christianity is brought through the fire, is refined as silver and tested as gold. Yahweh will call them "My people," and they will say, "Yahweh is my God." The refining Yahweh performs to Christianity in the Millennium will cause them to become new, or "fawn-like." There will be a purity in them that has not existed in the "old house of God."

Thus we see then in this closing account regarding the meaning of these three city's names a third testimony of Christianity's death, marking the return of the kingdom of God back to its rightful possessor - the Remnant.

CLOSING

We have now seen the full scope of this pattern. In light of what we have seen, what is it Yahweh is performing concerning the restored kingdom of God? The Yahshua/David-secured promise was given to the Solomon first Remnant - they will sit on the throne of the kingdom of Yahweh (1 Chronicles 28:5), a throne that was to last forever (1 Chronicles 17:14). But because of the failure of the Remnant, presented by Solomon's mark-of-the-beast 700 wives, the kingdom was taken away from the Solomon Remnant and given to the Jeroboam breach of Christianity. But the corruption of the Solomon first Remnant was mild compared to that of Jeroboam Christianity. For the cause of Jeroboam Christianity's corruption, an Abijah second Remnant is now being brought forth to claim the original rights to the kingdom. The Abijah Remnant has obtained the

"house of God" rights based on the original Yahshua/David "covenant of salt" promise. The outcome will be that the first and second Remnants will be taken up to heaven to receive resurrected bodies (the breach being repaired), return with Yahshua, and reign with Him for 1,000 years and beyond. "Thou, O Yahweh, have blessed, and it is blessed forever" (1 Chronicles 17:27). Christianity will, in their time, enter into resurrection, thus completing Yahweh's heavenly born two-part temple, the holy of holies and the holy place. May Yahweh open our eyes to see.