

THE BEN HINNOM VALLEY STORY ... fiction

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Photo of Richard and Feryl Honorof taken outside the Albert Youth Music Center, in the ben Hinnom Valley at the base of Mount Zion hill

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Location of the Great Outpouring of God's Spirit
and the Great Harvest of souls that is Coming to Jerusalem

And the whole Valley ... shall be holy to the LORD. Jeremiah 31:40
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Almost every day, for a number of weeks, a small group of young men and women would come down into the ben Hinnom Valley from a Worship center located at the top of the Valley, called Succat Hallel, just next to Mount Zion Hotel. These young adults would come and sing worship songs to God and pray for God to move and to pour out His Spirit on the Jewish and Arab communities located here in Jerusalem and in other areas of Israel.

The only structure located at the base of the ben Hinnom Valley on the north east side is the Albert Youth Music Center. It rests up against Zion hill, next to a large grassy park with some tall trees.

Then one day it happened. God suddenly showed up!

A young 12 year old boy named Achmad was helping his 75 year old grandfather Mohammed, who was born blind, walk through the Valley near to where the young men and women were singing and praying. And when they saw him they asked the blind Arab man if they could pray for him. He said, "Yes!" And when they led him in a salvation prayer and also a prayer of repentance for sins and for his healing in the name of LORD Yeshua, his eyes were miraculously instantly healed by God, and he opened his eyes and he could see everything perfectly. His loud shouts of joy and praises to God could be heard throughout the whole Valley.

At the same time that afternoon, the choir of the Albert Youth Music Center were inside their building rehearsing for a concert they were planning on doing there, when suddenly a young Jewish man in the choir, a wheel chair invalid for many years, was instantly healed at that very same moment when the blind older Arab man received his sight. He was able to stand up from his wheel chair after being paralyzed for 18 years. Also, many other members of the choir reported receiving healing touches from God.

The news of these two very powerful miracles soon spread rapidly throughout both the Jewish and Arab communities, and many Jews and Arabs came down the next afternoon to be there when the youth came down to sing and worship and pray to God in the Valley. Some of them came just to be spectators, but many others came crying out to God, repenting and asking forgiveness for their sins to God, entering into the worship and really desiring to receive a miracle touch from the God of Israel. (Psalm 22:3)

Day after day the Presence and Power of God increased mightily with many signs and wonders and miracles being done either through the prayers of these youth, or just by a sovereign move of God Himself, as high worship now continued daily. Big crowds of Israeli Jews and Arabs began gathering in the Valley day after day and even into the late hours of the night to worship Yeshua, and experience a precious Touch from the God of heaven.

Israeli television stations and radio networks showed up and soon set up sound and camera surveillance around the clock. The news was broadcast live to the Israeli public, and was also picked up by some other leading world news stations, reporting the many healing miracles that were happening in the ben Hinnom Vally, in this most amazing out-pouring of God's Mercy coming down open the people here in Jerusalem as a result of their deep repentance.

It soon became apparent that what God was sovereignly doing was even far greater than anything He had ever done prior, such as the Welch Revival of 1904 or the Azuza Street Revival of 1906. The Second Chapter of the Book of Acts, the Day of Pentecost, was being experienced all over again in this Mighty move of God.

The fulfillment of Joel 2:28-32 was happening right before our eyes. ... And it shall come to pass that afterward **I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh**, and your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams and your young men shall see visions. And also upon My menservants and upon My maid servants **I will pour out My Spirit in those days**.

And I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the Great and the terrible Day of the LORD. And it shall come to pass that whoever **calls upon the Name of the LORD [Yeshua] shall be saved**, (healed, and delivered). For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, as the LORD said, and among the remnant whom the LORD shall call. (spoken by Peter in Acts 2:16-21)

We were seeing Isaiah 61:1-3 in action by the Hand of God. ... The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD has anointed me to preach good news to the poor; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the Day of vengeance of our God. To comfort all that mourn; to console those who mourn in Zion, to give to them beauty for ashes, the **oil of Joy** for mourning, the **garment of Praise** for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that He may be Glorified.

And we were also seeing the fulfillment of Amos 9:11-13! “In that Day will I raise up **the Tabernacle (Succah) of David** that has fallen, and repair its damages. I will raise up its ruins, and I rebuild it as in the days of old. That they may possess the remnant of mankind and all the Gentiles who are called by My name,” says the LORD who does this.

Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD,
**when the plowman shall overtake the reaper,
and the treader of grapes him who sows seed;
and the mountains shall drip with sweet wine,
and all the hills shall flow with it.**
(also spoken by James in Acts 15:16)

“And it shall come to pass in that Day, that **the mountains shall drip with new wine, and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the brooks of Judah shall overflow with water, and a Fountain shall flow from the House of the LORD.**” Joel 3:18

We cannot mention **the Tabernacle of David** of Amos 9:11-13 and not include **Isaiah 16:5**, showing the Director, Himself, of this Great End Time Scenerio, **KING Yeshua**, who sits on **His Throne in the Tent of David**, directing this Outpouring over Jerusalem!

“And in Mercy **the Throne** shall be established.
And **One shall sit upon it in Truth in the Tent (ohel) of David**,
Judging, and seeking Judgment, and hasting Righteousness.”

Could we also be seeing the fulfillment of Ezekiel 37:1-14?

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and carried me out in the Spirit of the LORD, and set me down **in the midst of the Valley which was full of bones**, and caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many **in the open Valley**; and, lo, they were very dry. And He said to me, “Son of man, **can these bones live?** And I answered, O Lord GOD, you know. Again He said to me, Prophecy upon these bones, and say to them, O you dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, **and you shall live**. And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD. So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone. And when I beheld, the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the skin covered them above; but there was no breath in them.

Then He said to me, Prophecy to the wind, Prophecy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, **that they may live**.

So I prophesied as He commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, **an exceeding Great Army**. Then He said unto me, Son of man, **these bones are the whole House of Israel**. Behold, they say, Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost. And we ourselves are cut off. Therefore prophecy and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD; Behold, O My people, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel.

And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I have opened your graves, O My people, and brought you up out of your graves.

And I shall put My Spirit in you, and you shall live,
and I shall place you in your own land: then shall you know that I the LORD
have spoken it, and performed it, says the LORD.

Could this Ezekiel 37 Valley also be the ben Hinnom Valley? Possibly!

Some people even believe that the prophesied 144,000 Jewish
believers in the Book of Revelation 7:4 are those who will come
from the multitudes of Jews who are being saved, healed, and
delivered by God down here daily in the ben Hinnom Valley.
And we have no idea how long this Great Outpouring will last.

Even the recent news of the Ultra Orthodox Jews finishing the
building of their Temple on Mount Moriah, which had started right
after the recent War with the Arab nations and Russia had finally
ended, *now seemed to pale* next to this tremendous move of God's
Spirit down here in the ben Hinnom Valley. [Ezekiel 39:21,22,29]

What was God saying to us?

Why was God using the Valley of ben Hinnom, or as many
referred to it as '**the Valley of hell**', for this great Outpouring of
His Holy Spirit? This was truly a least likely place, the place never
expected by the mainstream Jewish community; and especially by
the Orthodox religious Jews. No one would have ever guessed
that God would choose 'this Valley' for His Revival. But just
why did God choose the ben Hinnom Valley?

A quick look into the Word of God from the Tanakh begins
to reveal the answers. Here was one reason, and there another!
God had spoken about this Valley many times a long time ago;
In the book of Jeremiah He had repeatedly cursed this Valley of
the son of Hinnom, and told of its destruction and desolation. But
then He had also foretold that this Valley, this very location at the
base of Mount Zion hill would one day become holy to the LORD!

God repeatedly told the Jewish people that Jerusalem would be
destroyed and Judah would be sent into captivity for all their sins.

And that this exile would happen because of two main reasons: the abominations committed in the House of God on the hill and the abominations committed in the ben Hinnom Valley ... the great sins of innocent Israeli children being murdered, passed through the fire as an offering to Molech. 2nd Chronicles 28:3; 33:6; and Jeremiah 7:30-33; 18:15-18; 19:2-6; 32:34-42.

But God told us that one day He would build His House on the Mount Moriah area (Zechariah 6:12,13); and God prophesied about the **ben Hinnom Valley** in Jeremiah 31:40 and Jeremiah 32:37-42

Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, that the city shall be built to the LORD from the tower of Hananeel to the gate of the corner. And the measuring line shall yet go forth over against it upon the hill Gareb, and shall compass about to Goath.

***And the whole Valley of the dead bodies,
and of the ashes [the ben Hinnom Valley],
and all the fields unto the brook of Kidron,
to the corner of the horse gate toward the east,
shall be holy to the LORD!***

It shall not be plucked up, nor thrown down any more forever.
Jeremiah 31:38-40

Behold, I will gather them out of all countries where I have driven them ... I will bring them back to this place, and I will cause them to dwell safely. [**What place** is God talking about in Jeremiah 32:37: Jerusalem, the House of God, or the ben Hinnom Valley?] Verses 32:34-42 show God's great future blessing ...

[This area located at the western base of Mount Zion hill, just outside the Old City wall about a block south from Jaffa Gate, is the large grassy park area just below the Mount Zion hotel.]

God also prophesied through Ezekiel the following ... And I will make them and the places round about My Hill a blessing; and I will cause showers to come down in their season; **there shall be showers of blessing!** Ezekiel 34:26

It is very important to also look at God's past biblical pattern...
First **the Tent of David** then **God's Temple on the Temple Mount!**

Even though the ultra Orthodox Jews finished the building of their Temple on the Temple Mount, God's Word concerning the building of His Temple is different. For God said '**The Branch**' (**Yeshua**) would be the One who would build the House of God! Zechariah 6:12, 13 ... "Thus speaks the LORD of hosts, saying, Behold **the Man** whose name is **The BRANCH**; He shall grow up out of His place, and **He shall build the Temple of the LORD.** Even **He shall build the Temple of the LORD;** and **He shall bear the Glory,** and He shall sit and rule upon His Throne; and **He shall be a Priest** upon His Throne; and the counsel of Peace shall be between them both." (also read Ezekiel 37:4)

The Tent of David, which is a place of prayer and worship to God, is now being raised up in places of prayer and worship all over the world. Its center is in Jerusalem, in Zion. And from here by Mount Zion hill, is where King Yeshua is now directing this Great Outpouring of His Spirit over the ben Hinnom Valley! Psalm 2:6 "**I have set My King on My holy Hill of Zion!**"

In the Spring of 1999, the writer of this short fiction story was one day high in worship in a worship center in north Jerusalem when suddenly God showed him two simultaneous visions, back to back. The first vision was about 50 feet high in the air, just north of the Mount Zion hotel (approximately where Succat Hallel is located today), and then moments later the second vision was from about 150 yards to the south east. In both visions the Mount Zion hills and ben Hinnom Valley were full of people with their hands raised up towards heaven as the Outpouring of God's Spirit was falling upon them in the hills and in the Hinnom Valley below.

Habakkuk 2:2,3 And the LORD answered me, and said, "Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run who reads it. For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie. Though it tarry, wait for it; because **it will surely come**, it will not tarry."

In the following year, 2000, this same writer had hoped and anticipated for a powerful move of God's Spirit on the following **Feast of Tabernacles, Succot**, at a special Conference to be held for the first time **in the ben Hinnom Valley**, October 14-19, 2000.

Yes! God visited us that Monday evening, October 16th, 2000, after 10 PM, and just at the end of the evening message and worship service given by Robert Stearns, and before the closing prayers. All of a sudden **the Presence and Glory of God came down Powerfully over all of us still gathered in ben Hinnom Valley**, on the grass just outside the Albert Youth Music Center. Our hands went up and nobody moved for a long time. Then Robert Stearns slowly led us in more worship. Even the Israeli military and Israeli police, guarding us at a distance, now came in closer to our little gathering of about 150 people still remaining that evening, to experience **God's Wonderful Presence** on this third night of Succot!

This experience of God's Presence lasted for over an hour.

It seemed to me that **this Presence** was what it must have been like for the shepherds, that night of **Succot** about 2000 years ago, at **the birth** of baby Yeshua, when the angels of heaven came down over the shepherds tending their sheep in the fields just outside that little town of Bethlehem.

For **the Feast of Succot** is really **Lord Yeshua's true Birthday!**

One friend of mine said that what she experienced there so powerfully was that the land was being healed, so that God's Glory could return to this area. She also said she felt like she was having 'spiritual birthing', as if she was delivering many spiritual babies into the Kingdom of God.

In late March, 2005, this writer had taken some photographs of both the Mount Zion hill area and the ben Hinnom Valley area from across the way, outside the Succat Hallel Worship watch position, next to the Mount Zion hotel. Then on the evening of April 7th, 2005, I was at home scanning these film negatives when one photo suddenly came up golden on my desktop computer screen. A few minutes later another photo also came up golden on my screen from another negative strip. I called David, the technician for my scanner who works in Tel Aviv, hoping he would easily explain to me how this had happened. But David, who has over 20 years experience in the photo optics field, told me that he had never seen anything like this, and that these two photos were true miracles of God. The first photo that turned **golden** was of **Mount Zion hill**.

And the second photo, **the famous Cable Car and its 200 meter life line across to Mount Zion hill turned gold**. This Cable Car was used as a real life-line in the 1948 war. Then I felt that God wanted Psalm 102:13 scripture put on this first golden photo...

**“You shall Arise and have Mercy on Zion;
for the time to favor her, yes, the set time (moed) has come!”**

This writer has also talked to others since then who have also shared with me similar visions which they have had regarding the ben Hinnom Valley. I believe that **Succat Hallel is the major catalyst that God has used since 2004 to help seed - birth this Great Outpouring and Revival that is coming to the ben Hinnom Valley.**

We may not know when this Great Outpouring will begin, but I believe that it is coming very very soon, either just before the coming Islamic Arab war, or more likely just at the end of this war. Ezekiel 39:29 (also read Ezekiel 37:14 and Ezekiel 36:27)

The ben Hinnom Valley is a large green Valley located right by the Old City wall of Jerusalem, and it is like a no-man's land, sort of a dividing line between the Jewish and Arab communities.

The Louis and Tillie Albert Youth Music Center, located at the western base against Mount Zion hill, was founded in 1979. A Jewish–Arab Orchestra began there in 1986. In 2007, the Music Center boasted 220 youth and 80 adult musicians. The highlight of this Albert Youth Music Center of Jerusalem's activities are those that **help to bring Jewish and Arab youth closer together**.

However, even today very few people come down into this Valley, especially those from the Jewish Israeli side. For almost everyone knows that this Valley had been cursed by God. No birds except for crows came into this Valley until just a few years ago, when things began to change from what I believe was mainly due to the constant worship and prayers coming from Succat Hallel.

Occasionally Arab children come down and play in the Valley, and sometimes they will even ride their horses down in this Valley. Once in a while Arab families also hold picnics in this Valley. But normally this Valley remains pretty much quiet and desolate.

Just above the Valley on the east side of Mount Zion hill is **Jerusalem University Bible College**, and just behind this is the Old City of Jerusalem, with the wall that runs around the Old City.

There is also strong archeological evidence that shows that the **first Century Congregation** of Israeli believers in Yeshua called **Saint James** also met on this hill just above ben Hinnom Valley.

Near the upper north-west end of the ben Hinnom Valley on the Jewish side is **the Jerusalem Cinematheque** opened in 1981, now with four cinema theaters and a small restaurant. And at the top of this Valley on the western side is the large modern four star **Mount Zion hotel**, built into the side of the hill, with a swimming pool and 138 guest suites, which began operating in 1983.

The famous **Cable Car line** still goes across the ben Hinnom Valley from Mount Zion hotel to Mount Zion hill on the opposite side, which was used in the 1948 Israeli War of Independence as a vital **lifeline of food and supplies** for the Israeli Jews trapped on Mount Zion hill without any food and supplies, and under constant siege attacks from the hostile Jordanian Arab Moslem forces.

Other Supporting Scriptures:

I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up that which was broken, and will strengthen that which was sick.

And I will make them **and the places round about My hill** **a blessing**; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; **there shall be showers of blessing.** Ezekiel 34:16, 26

Psalm 14:7 Oh that the Salvation of Israel **would come out of Zion!**

Psalm 24:3-6 Who may ascend the Hill of the LORD ...

Zechariah 10:1 Ask of the LORD **for rain** in the time of **the latter rain**; so the LORD shall make bright clouds, and give them **showers of rain**, grass in the field for everyone.

Ezekiel 36: 24-29

For I will take you from among the nations and gather you out of all countries, and I will bring you into your own land. Then **I will sprinkle clean water upon you**, and You shall be clean; from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. Also I will give you a new heart, and **I will put a new Spirit within you**. And I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you **a heart of flesh**. And **I will put My Spirit within you**, and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you shall keep My judgments, and do them. And you shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and you shall be My people, and I will be your God. I will also save you from all your uncleannesses. And I will call for the corn, and will increase it, and lay no famine upon you.

Ezekiel 39:21,22,29 And I will set My Glory among the nations, and all the nations shall see My judgment that I have executed, and My hand which I have laid upon them. So the house of Israel **shall know that I am the LORD their God from that day and forward**. Neither will I hide My face from them any more; **for I shall have poured out My Spirit upon the house of Israel**, says the Lord GOD.

Malachi 4:2 But to you that fear My Name **the Sun of Righteousness** shall arise with Healing in His Wings;

Hosea 6:1 Come, and let us return to the LORD: for He has torn, and He will heal us; He has smitten, and He will bind us up. After two days He will revive us. On the third day He will raise us up, and **we shall live in His sight**. Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the LORD; His going forth is prepared as the morning. And **He shall come to us as the rain, as the latter and former rain to the earth**.

Zechariah 13:1

In that Day **a Fountain** opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem **for sin and for uncleanness**.

Joel 2:23, 24 Be glad then, you children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God, for He has given you the former rain moderately. And He will cause the rain to come down for you, **the former rain and the latter rain in the first month**. The threshing floors shall be full of wheat, and the fats shall overflow with new wine and oil.

Zechariah 12:10 And I will pour upon the House of David, and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the Spirit of Grace and Supplications, and **they shall look upon Me (Yeshua) whom they have pierced**, and **they shall mourn for Him, as one mourns for his only son**, and shall be in bitterness for Him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.

Romans 11:11, 12, 15 I say then, have they (Israel) stumbled that they should fall? God forbid; but rather through their fall Salvation has come to the Gentiles, **to provoke them to jealousy**. Now if their fall is the riches of the world, and their failure is the riches for the Gentiles, how much more their fullness? For if their being cast away is the reconciling of the world, what will their acceptance be, but **life from the dead!**

For You have Magnified Your Word above all Your Name!

Psalm 138:2

Forever, O LORD, Your Word is settled in Heaven!

Your Faithfulness endures to all generations.” Psalms 119:89, 90

The Word of our God stands forever! Isaiah 40:8

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Photo of Arab boys taken in the ben Hinnom Valley

God is about **to turn everything upside down** in the ben Hinnom Valley.

Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man
the things which God has prepared **for those who love Him.**

But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit.

1st Corinthians 2:9, 10