MYSTERY PRINCE IN THE MILLENIAL KINGDOM

The Millenial Kingdom, King, and Temple

In the book of Ezekiel, we see the Millineal Temple described from chapters 40 through 48. This Temple has a Throne in the Holy of Holies for God the King, which is different from all the other Temple's set up on the Mosaic pattern in the Old Testament, where then the Ark of the Covenant was in the Holy of Holies. The Ark is no longer present here, nor are any of the other sacred Temple item present, such as the Altar of Incense, the Seven Branched Mennorah, or the Table of Show Bread.

Ezekiel 43:4-6,7

And the Glory of the LORD came into **the Temple** by way of the gate which faces toward the east. The Spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court; and behold, the Glory of the LORD filled the temple. Then I heard Him speaking to me from the Temple... And He said to me, "Son of man, <u>this is the place of My Throne</u> and the place of the soles of My feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel forever.

This King who will reign on this Throne in the Milleneal Temple is King Yeshua, our Messiah, Melchi Zedek, Great King Priest of Heaven.

Matthew 25:31-32

"When the Son of Man comes in His Glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the Throne of His Glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats."

Zechariah 6:11-13

"Take the silver and gold, make an elaborate crown, and set it on the head of Yehoshua, the son of Jehozadok, the high priest. Then speak to him, saying, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, saying: "Behold, the Man whose name is **the BRANCH!** From His place He shall branch out, and <u>He shall build the Temple of the LORD</u>; yes, <u>He shall build the Temple of the LORD</u>. <u>He shall bear the Glory</u>, and shall sit and rule on His Throne; so <u>He shall be a Priest on His Throne</u>, and the counsel of peace shall be between Them (Father and Son) both."

God said He would not give His Glory to anyone. Isaiah 42:8; 48:11

Zechariah 3:6-9

Then the Messenger of the LORD admonished Yehoshua, saying, "Thus says the LORD of hosts: 'If you will walk in My ways, and if you will keep My command, then you shall also judge My house, and likewise have charge of My courts; I will give you places to walk among these who stand here. Hear, O Yehoshua, the high priest, you and your companions who sit before you, for they are a wondrous sign; for behold, I am bringing forth My Servant 'the Branch'. For behold, the Stone that I have laid before Yehoshua: upon the Stone are seven eyes. Behold, I will engrave its inscription,' says the LORD of hosts, 'And I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day.'"

This Messenger of the LORD is Yeshua, speaking from Heaven to the high priest Yehoshua about the coming of Himself, Yeshua, as 'the Branch'.

Isaiah 11:1-5, 9-10

There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse (David's father), and a **Branch** shall grow out of his roots. The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD. His delight is in the fear of the LORD, and He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, nor decide by the hearing of His ears. But with righteousness He shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth. He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, and Faithfulness the belt of His waist.

They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain. For the earth shall be full of the Knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. And in that Day there shall be a Root of Jesse (David's father), who shall stand as a banner to the people; for the Gentiles shall seek Him.

And His resting place shall be Glorious!

Psalm 132:11-14

The LORD has sworn in truth to David; He will not turn from it: "I will set upon your throne the fruit of your body. If your sons will keep My covenant and My testimony which I shall teach them, their sons also shall sit upon your throne forevermore." For the LORD has chosen Zion; He has desired it for His dwelling place. "This is **My resting place** forever; here I will dwell, for I have desired it."

Jeremiah 23:5-6

"Behold, the days are coming," says the LORD, "That I will raise to David **a Branch** of Righteousness; a King shall reign and prosper, and execute Judgment and Righteousness in the earth. In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell safely; now this is His name by which He will be called: **THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS**."

Jeremiah 33:14-18

'Behold, the days are coming,' says the LORD, 'that I will perform that good thing which I have promised to the house of Israel and to the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause to grow up to David **a Branch of Righteousness**; He shall execute Judgment and Righteousness in the earth. In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell safely. And this is the name by which 'she' will be called,

'THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.'

"For thus says the LORD, 'David shall never lack a man to sit on the Throne of the house of Israel. Nor shall the priests, the Levites, lack a man to offer burnt offerings before Me, to kindle grain offerings, and to sacrifice continually.'

Micah 5:2-5

"But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of you One shall come forth to Me to be Ruler in Israel, whose goings forth are from of old, from everlasting. Therefore He shall give them up, until the time that she who is in labor has given birth; then the remnant of His brethren shall return to the children of Israel.

And He shall stand and feed His flock in the Strength of the LORD, in the Majesty of the name of the LORD His God; and they (Father and Son) shall abide, for now He shall be Great to the ends of the earth.

And this One shall be Peace!"

The reason I have chosen to write on this topic of the Millenial Kingdom is to show you the answer to what had been a mystery for me for many years until yesterday, Friday, June 18th, 2005, when God revealed the answer. Ezekiel 44:1-3

Then He brought me back to the outer gate of the Sanctuary which faces toward the east, but it was shut. And the LORD said to me, "This gate shall be shut; it shall not be opened, and no man shall enter by it, because the LORD God of Israel has entered by it; therefore it shall be shut.

'The prince', because he is 'the prince', he may sit in it to eat bread in the presence of the LORD; he shall enter by way of the vestibule of the gateway, and go out the same way."

Who is 'this prince' who is the only one allowed to eat in the presence of the LORD? We know that the LORD on the Throne is King Yeshua, who reigns from this Millenial Temple.

But who is this special prince? We need to have the real proof for this answer, for any quesses, however good, will not be sufficient.

The answer: 'this prince' in the Millineal Kingdom is ... a king! He is king David!

First I will give the scriptures, and then I will show the real proof.

Jeremiah 30:9

But they shall serve the LORD their God, and <u>David their king</u>, whom I will raise up for them.

Hosea 3:4-5

For the children of Israel shall abide many days without king or prince, without sacrifice or sacred pillar, without ephod or teraphim. Afterward the children of Israel shall return and seek the LORD their God and <u>David their king</u>. They shall fear the LORD and His goodness in the latter days.

Ezekiel 34:22-26

"Therefore I will save My flock, and they shall no longer be a prey; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will establish one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, My servant David. He shall feed them and be their shepherd.

And <u>I</u>, the <u>LORD</u>, will be their <u>God</u>, and My servant David 'a prince' among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

I will make a covenant of Peace with them, and cause wild beasts to cease from the land; and they will dwell safely in the wilderness and sleep in the woods. I will make them and the places all around My hill a blessing; and I will cause showers to come down in their season; there shall be showers of blessing."

Ezekiel 37:24-28

"David My servant shall be king over them, and they shall all have one shepherd; they shall also walk in My judgments and observe My statutes, and do them. Then they shall dwell in the land that I have given to Jacob My servant, where your fathers dwelt; and they shall dwell there, they, their children, and their children's children, forever.

And My servant David shall be 'their prince', forever.

"Moreover I will make a Covenant of Peace with them, and it shall be an Everlasting Covenant with them; I will establish them and multiply them, and I will set My Sanctuary (Mikdash) in their midst forevermore. My Tabernacle (Mishkan) also shall be with them; indeed I will be their God, and they shall be My people. The nations also will know that I, the LORD, sanctify Israel, when My Sanctuary is in their midst forevermore."

2nd Samuel 7:18-29

Then King David went in, and sat before the LORD; and he said: "Who am I, O Lord GOD? And what is my house, that You have brought me this far? And yet this was a small thing in Your sight, O Lord GOD; and You have also spoken of Your servant's house for a great while to come. Is this the manner of man, O Lord GOD? Now what more can David say to You? For You, Lord GOD, know Your servant. For Your word's sake, and according to Your own heart, You have done all these great things, to make Your servant know them. Therefore You are great, O Lord GOD. For there is none like You, nor is there any God besides You, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

And who is like Your people, like Israel, the one nation on the earth whom God went to redeem for Himself as a people, to make for Himself a name, and to do for Youself great and awesome deeds for Your land, before Your people whom You redeemed for Yourself from Egypt, the nations, and their gods? For You have made Your people Israel Your very own people forever; and You, LORD, have become their God. Now, O LORD God, the word which You have spoken concerning Your servant and concerning his house, establish it forever, and do as You have said. So let Your name be magnified forever, saying, 'The LORD of hosts is the God over Israel.' And let the house of Your servant David be established before You. For You, O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, have revealed this to Your servant, saying, 'I will build you a house.' Therefore Your servant has found it in his heart to pray this prayer to You.

And now, O Lord GOD, You are God, and Your Words are True, and You have promised this goodness to Your servant. Now therefore, let it please You to bless the house of Your servant, that it may continue forever before You. For You, O Lord GOD, have spoken it, and with Your blessing let the house of Your servant be blessed forever."

1 Chronicles 17:16-27

Then King David went in and sat before the LORD; and he said: "Who am I, O LORD God? And what is my house, that You have brought me this far? And yet this was a small thing in Your sight, O God; and You have also spoken of Your servant's house for a great while to come, and have regarded me according to the rank of a man of high degree, O LORD God. What more can David say to You for the honor of Your servant? For You know Your servant. O LORD, for Your servant's sake, and according to Your own heart, You have done all this greatness, in making known all these great things. O LORD, there is none like You, nor is there any God besides You, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

And who is like Your people Israel, the one nation on the earth whom God went to redeem for Himself as a people, to make for Yourself a name, by great and awesome deeds, by driving out nations from before Your people whom You redeemed from Egypt? For You have made Your people Israel Your very own people forever. And You, LORD, have become their God. And now, O LORD, the word which You have spoken concerning Your servant and concerning his house, let it be established forever, and do as You have said. So let it be established, that Your name may be magnified forever, saying, 'The LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, is Israel's God.' And let the house of Your servant David be established before You. For You, O my God, have revealed to Your servant that You will build him a house. Therefore Your servant has found it in his heart to pray before You. And now, LORD, You are God, and have promised this goodness to Your servant. Now You have been pleased to bless the house of Your servant, that it may continue before You forever. For You have blessed it, O LORD, and it shall be blessed forever."

David had such a great passion for his God, like when he danced with all his might, as he brought up the Ark of the Covenant into Jerusalem. He wanted to be close to His God whom he loved, so much so that when he brought the Ark to Jerusalem he wore a linen ephod, like the high priest would wear. For only the high priest was allowed to come into God's presence, and David desperately desired to live in God's presence.

David led the nation of Israel into God's presence like no other king of Israel has ever done. He had the Priests and Levites set up the continual worship and intercession before God around the Tent of David.

God said of David, "The LORD has sought for Himself a man after His own heart, and the LORD has commanded him to be commander over His people..." 1 Samuel 13:14

And for the next thirty three years, until he died, David stayed close to the presence of God. It was David's heart's desire to always be close to his God. His wife Bathsheba knew that this was her husband's greatest desire, to live in God's presence forever. That's why she said what she said: "Let my lord King David live forever (with your God)."

Ist Kings 1:28-34

Then King David answered and said, "Call Bathsheba to me." So she came into the king's presence and stood before the king. And the king took an oath and said, "As the LORD lives, who has redeemed my life from every distress, just as I swore to you by the LORD God of Israel, saying, 'Assuredly Solomon your son shall be king after me, and he shall sit on my throne in my place,' so I certainly will do this day."

Then Bathsheba bowed with her face to the earth, and paid homage to the king, and said, "Let my lord King David live forever!"

And King David said, "Call to me Zadok the priest, Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada." So they came before the King. The King also said to them, "Take with you the servants of your lord, and have Solomon my son ride on my own mule, and take him down to Gihon. There let Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet anoint him king over Israel; and blow the shofar, and say, 'Long live King Solomon!'

God also made King David a priest. In fact King David may even have been among the first of the first fruits of Priests to be brought into the Order of the Melchi Zedek Priesthood, the Priesthood of all true believers in our God and King, Yeshua.

Psalm 110:4

The LORD has sworn and will not relent, "You ... (God is speaking to King David) ... are a priest forever according to the Order of Melchizedek."

Yeshua wrote about King David doing things that were only allowed for a priest to do... But He said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he was in need and hungry, he and those with him, how he went into the House of God in the days of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the showbread, which is not lawful to eat, except for the priests, and he also gave some to those who were with him?" Mark 2:25,26

Yeshua is not reprimanding David, but comparing David's behavior and that of David's men to Yeshua's behavior, and that of His own disciples, in both examples doing what only the priests were allowed to do.

Is Yeshua hinting at the existence of another Priesthood, <u>suggesting</u> that David was a Priest of another Priesthood (Melchi-Zedek), and for that reason David's men were also covered by David's unique Priestly covering from God?

And we can see from these prophetic words of God, in Ezekiel 44:3, that God will truly give King David his heart's desire, to be able to live in the Presence of His God. For King David is the only one written about in the bible that will be able to go in and worship His God, <u>and sit in God's Presence</u>, eating bread before Him in the Millenial Temple.

Other than the priests and Levites assigned on duty around the Ark, King David may have been the only one who would come and sit in God's Presence and worship Him by the Ark (inside the Tent of David), down at the Gihon spring in the city of David, after David had brought the Ark of the Covenant up to Jerusalem.

And so we see that God is honoring King David by giving him this wonderful priviledge, to be able to sit in God's Presence, and eat bread with his LORD.

Oh, what a Good God we serve!

Can you see how wonderful this is. If God kept His Word to King David, then He will also keep all His Promises that He has made to you and me.

And what about these Zadok priests? How is it that they are present, and able to serve God in this Millineal Temple? God had said that the Aaronic Priesthood would remain forever! God cannot break His Word.

God had blessed David's faithful servant, the High Priest Zadok, who was obedient to God. God had given Priest Zadok a very special blessing, saying that of all the Aaronic Priests, that only Zadok's sons would be allowed to serve God by coming and ministering to Him in His Presence.

"And they shall teach My people the difference between the holy and the unholy, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean. In controversy they shall stand as judges, and judge it according to My judgments. They shall keep My laws and My statutes in all My appointed feasts, and they shall keep My Sabbaths holy." Ezekiel 44:23-24

We see God's blessing being given to the Zadok priests written about in at least four or more places found in the book of Ezekiel, from chapters 40 through 48, in relation to the Millineal Kingdom.

These Zadok priests have to be Jewish believers who have found their Salvation in Yeshua. God knows our lineage throughout all time for each of us. And He has saved us and brought each of us to where we are now.

This author believes that these Zadok priests serving with King David in the Millenial Temple are not only saved Jewish believers, but that they are also members of Yeshua's special Bride, His faithful inner circle of High Priests in the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood, who have made it into the Presence of God, in the Heart of God. They are all true lovers of God. Their heart's desire had been to serve the Great High Priest, Yeshua, their Creator, who is also the Lover of their souls.

They have also qualified for this special position because of their unique geneology, which traces each one back to the priestly family line of Zadok.

Why isn't there also a **Zadok High Priest** in this Millenial Temple? In a sense there is. Yeshua, the Great High Priest, has fulfilled the line of the Zadok Priesthood in the flesh, as this book has shown, for Yeshua carries in His Seed the highest order of both the Zadokite (Aaronic) High Priesthood, and also the Davidic line, passed to Him by His mother, Miriam.

That's why we see the scripture in Jeremiah...

"For thus says the LORD, 'David shall never lack a man to sit on the Throne of the house of Israel; nor shall the priests, the Levites, lack a man (One who has fulfilled the Zadokite High Priest position) to offer burnt offerings before Me, to kindle grain offerings, and to sacrifice continually."

With the passing of the High Priesthood mantle from His cousin Yochanan, the mystery Zadokite High Priest, back to Himself, Yeshua could now begin His Melchi Zedek Priesthood on earth.

Perhaps King David, Yeshua's great great ... grandfather, may have been the first real member of the Melchi Zedek Priesthood on earth. Psalm 110:4

That would also account for how King David will be able to serve God in a priestly capacity, preparing the sacrifices and offerings, with the help of the Zadokite priests, offered up to the LORD in the Millenial Temple.

FEASTS OF THE LORD IN THE MILLENIAL TEMPLE

There are only three Feasts which will be celebrated at the Millenial Temple, according to what is listed in Ezekiel, in chapters 40 through 48. These are Passover, Unleavened Bread, and the Feast of Tabernacles. The other four Feasts of the LORD are not mentioned here, and each will have been totally fulfilled by the time the Kingdom of God is set up on earth.

I wish to briefly comment here on the each of the seven biblical Feasts, and their fulfillments. In my book, 'THE RETURN OF THE MESSIAH, THE KING OF GLORY', I go into great depths an understanding regarding the biblical mysteries pertaining to each of the seven Feasts of The LORD.

PASSOVER: Totally Fulfilled by Yeshua giving His Life for ours, shedding <u>His Sinless Blood</u> for all our sins, as our Passover Lamb;

FEAST OF UNLEAVENED BREAD: Totally Fulfilled by Yeshua giving His Life for ours, taking our place by offering <u>His Sinless Body</u>;

FIRST FRUITS (BARLEY): Totally Fulfilled as Resurrection Day of the LORD, rising as the Fruits Fruits from the dead, during the Passover season;

SHAVUOT, FIRST FRUITS (WHEAT), WEEKS, PENTECOST:

Partially Fulfilled... Birth of the Ecclesia, or 'Called Out Ones', the Church; Total Fulfillment... the Day that Yeshua's First Fruits Bride is raptured to Heaven; First Fruits of barley to wheat (50 days) are one feast season;

ROSH HASHANAH, YOM TERUAH, FEAST OF TRUMPETS, DAY OF JUDGMENT:

Marriage in Heaven of the Bridegroom, Yeshua, with His Bride; His Bride are those who have totally surrendered to their Bridegroom; His Bride are those who live with the LORD in the Holy of Holies; His Bride are those who live in the Heart of God; His Bride are those who walk in total obedience to the LAMB; His Bride are His High Priests of the Melchi Zedek Priesthood; Beginning of God's Judgment and Wrath poured upon the earth;

YOM KIPPUR, DAY OF ATONEMENT, DAY OF FINAL JUDGMENT:

The Day of the LORD: Yeshua returns to earth with His Armies (His Bride) Gathering Together into One All the other members of His Body, from one end of Heaven to all ends of earth, with His Sounding of His Great Shofar; Saving all survivors who have repented and are still alive on earth; Destroying all His enemies who are waiting to destroy Him;

TABERNACLES, SUCCOTH:

The Marriage Supper of the LAMB on earth in Jerusalem: Yeshua's invited Guests attend this Banquet of Yeshua and His Bride; Guests are the other saved members of Yeshua's Body; The LORD's BIRTHDAY, The Day Yeshua was born in Bethlehem; Yeshua's Wedding Anniversary and Birthday will be Celebrated every year;

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