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Mysteries of <u>The Tent or Succeah</u> of David Is the ben Hinnom Valley the location of the Great End Time Harvest? by Richard Aaron Honorof

On Friday morning, before 6 am, on the 16th of April, 1999, I was awakened by the Holy Spirit, and under His anointing I was directed to immediately map out the physical positions of all the main Congregations, Churches, and major Ministries around Jerusalem, where I currently live.

When I finished, I was then directed by God to look up all the Scriptures pertaining to the Tabernacle of David. Just the night before Gwen Shaw had given a very anointed message on the Tabernacle of David.

When this was finished, I was shown what I believe to be a major part of the answer to a great End Time mystery on **The Tabernacle of David!** The Tabernacle of David will be raised up by the worship and intercession of **the Body of believers in Yeshua**. [This is very different from the third Temple, that will be built very soon by the Orthodox religious Jews!]

This short paper explores the mysteries of Amos 9:11 and Isaiah 16:5. "On that day I will raise up the Succah of David, which has fallen down, and repair its damages; I will raise up its ruins, and rebuild it as in the days of old; that they may possess the remnant of Edom, and all the Peoples who are called by My name," says the LORD who does this thing. "Behold, the days are coming," says the LORD, "when the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him who sows seed..." Amos 9:11-13 (God is talking here about the Great Harvest of souls that is coming.)

David set up **a Tent** ['Ohel'] for the Ark (1st Chronicles 16:1; 2nd Samuel 7:2); but in Amos 9:11, God calls it **a 'Succah'** [a square shaped booth].

Isaiah 16:5: "And in mercy shall **the Throne** be established, and **He shall sit upon it in Truth in <u>the Tent of David</u>**, Judging, and seeking Judgment, and hasting Righteousness." This King, to sit in David's Tent, had to have fulfilled both the lines of Judah and Levi, and be the King-Priest of God, Melchi-Zedek. This King is **Yeshua**, who fulfilled the Aaronic Priesthood! This King-Priest called 'The Branch' is also found in Zechariah 6:12,13

* This means that **the Tabernacle of David** will be raised up through the worship of **believers in Yeshua**, priests of the **Melchi-Zedek** Priesthood!

I believe... <u>God has already placed this Tent or Succah of David in exact position in the Heavens above Jerusalem</u>. And on earth, He has physically placed His Messianic Congregations, and Churches, and key Ministries in Jerusalem in exact positions, to receive His anointing and blessings that will soon be poured out from His Heavenly Tabernacle.

In Isaiah 33:20,21, God says: "Behold **Zion**, the city of our appointed Feasts; Your eyes will see **Jerusalem**, a quiet habitation, <u>a tent (ohel)</u> that will not be taken down. Not one of its stakes will ever be removed, nor will any of its cords be broken. But there the majestic LORD will be for us a place of broad **rivers** and **streams**... also read Isaiah 4:5-6, 'for over all the Glory (in Jerusalem) there shall be a Chuppah, and a Succah...'

Now on a map of Jerusalem place every major Messianic Congregation, Church, and important Ministry in its position, and you will see the outline of God's Succah. Also go and visit each of these during their services, and observe the anointing of the Holy Spirit over them. Each of these works are part of the earthly tent stake positions of God's Succah. I believe that the northern, southern, eastern, and numerous western points of this Succah of David are already physically in position, but all they need now is to be united together in unity! God is using His Heavenly Tent or Succah of David to draw closer together in Unity all these Body Ministries.

One mystery about the Tabernacle of David: <u>Was David allowed by God</u> to go in, and sit inside the Tent and talk with God, and worship God in His Presence, besides the Ark of the Covenant? Even the High Priest was never allowed to do what David may have done, nor were the Levites allowed to gaze upon the holy things; and the stranger who came near these holy things of God was to be killed. [see Numbers 16:35,39,40; 18:3,7;

1st Chronicles 15:1; 17:16; 2nd Samuel 6:17; 7:18]

If David really did this, how was this possible?

David's writings gives <u>a key</u> for all New Covenant believers. The answer is found in Psalm 110, where David scribed for God, as God dictated, and it is in verse # 4. "And the LORD has sworn and will not repent, <u>you</u> (Yeshua [and **David**]) <u>are a Priest forever after the Order of Melchi-Zedek.</u>" I share with you the mystery that <u>God had made the writer of this Psalm 110</u>, <u>King David</u>, <u>a Priest</u>, but not just any priest, but a <u>Priest of the Order of Melchi-Zedek</u>. This perhaps was the reason why King David may have been allowed to sit before God and worship His God beside the Ark of the Covenant, and never be reprimanded by God for his behavior.

[Also, 'The Order of' implies that it now has members.]

David worshiped God in His Presence, somewhere close to the Ark of the Covenant. All true New Covenant believers now have this priviledge, and are being called by God to come into His Presence, through Praise and Worship; for this will bring down His Glory!

In John 17, we see that <u>God's Glory is what causes the Body</u> of believers to become One in Yeshua. "And the Glory which You have given Me <u>I have given them</u>, that they may be One just as We are One. I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made Perfect in One..."

John 17:22,23

And in Exodus 19:16-19, God showed us His pattern for bringing down the Glory... <u>God brought down the Glory with His blowing of the Shofar</u>. And we, as His New Covenant priests, both men and women, are now being called by God at this critical hour <u>to do the same</u>, to sound the shofar into the Glory, for a new break-through in the Spirit of God!

I believe that God has physically placed His Body of Congregations, Churches, and Ministries in Jerusalem <u>in exact physical position for the blessings of the Tabernacle of David</u> to now come down, and to **bring down His Glory over Jerusalem**, and over all of Israel, for His great End Time Revival to soon begin.

God impressed upon me that increased worship and intercession prayer must now be lifted up to Him, <u>from somewhere on the Mount Zion area</u>, <u>the most important strategic biblical position</u> within this Tent / Succah structure that I was shown. I believe that <u>the position of Mount Zion area</u> <u>is the Center of the Tent or Succah of David</u>, that must now be raised up, through worship and continual intercession prayer from the Whole Body, done collectively by the whole Body of believers joining together in unity, for this great break-through Outpouring of God's Spirit to be released.

The bible shows so many key Scriptures of the victories written about concerning this key position of Mount Zion. Locations must now be found on Mount Zion hill to begin worship, even if it begins in an empty lot, or a field, or on an isolated mountain side. But it must begin now! [June/1999]

Then on 6/19/99, God gave me <u>two quick visions</u> in very rapid succession, only moments apart, so that I knew it was God, and not my own imagination, revealing to me in these <u>two visions</u> <u>the ben Hinnom Valley</u>, showing me what I believe to be <u>the location for God's Great End-Time Outpouring!</u>

<u>I had never thought about the ben Hinnom Valley</u> in any regards. I had been searching for a location for worship on Mount Zion hill above. God totally surprised me with these two visions, **while I was high in worship!**

In these **two visions**, *I saw the hills and the ben Hinnom Valley filled* with people with their hands raised up to God, as God's Spirit came down. I viewed this in the first vision from about 50 feet above Mt Zion Hotel, and

just to its left [or north]. Then moments later <u>the second vision</u>, now about 100 yards to the right [south] of Mt Zion Hotel, also high in the air, looking down, being shown this same scene again, but now from this new position.

I believe, as God has prophetically shown to me and some others, that the Great Outpouring of the Holy Spirit will begin in the ben Hinnom Valley, i.e. the park area at the base of Mount Zion and its surrounding hills, just below the Mount Zion hotel, in Jerusalem. This area will easily hold thousands of people, like a large open amphi-theater.

I have no idea when this might happen. However, God has specifically talked about this location, and indicates something very special concerning it, in the following Scripture from Jeremiah 31: '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, unto the corner of the Horse Gate toward the east, shall be holy unto the LORD; it shall not be plucked up, nor thrown down any more forever.' Jeremiah 31:40 (Group A, pages 16-23, many key supporting Scriptures, as Isaiah 51:3; 35:1-10; Jeremiah 31:11-14)

The Valley of ben Hinnom is the least likely place anyone would ever guess or suspect for the Great move of God's Holy Spirit, because of its history as a place which God has cursed, found in God's Word in Jeremiah 7:31,32; 19:2-6; 32:35. Here, God repeatedly addresses the two main reasons why the disobedient people of Judah and Jerusalem were exiled:

1) abominations committed in God's House and 2) abominations also done in the ben Hinnom Valley. God said that this Valley would become 'the Valley of Slaughter', a multitude of dead bodies would be found there. The Temple Mount is daily news, but what about the ben Hinnom Valley? To Israelis, the Valley of Hinnom in Hebrew is 'Gehinom' which means hell!

Almost no one in Jerusalem or in Israel goes down into this Valley from the Jewish communities, and very few from the Arab communities. It has remained like this for many years, a no-man's land, cursed by God. This Valley forms a dividing line between Arab and Jewish communities.

After these two visions, many teams of prayer warriors, intercessors, and worshippers began going down into the ben Hinnom Valley, to reclaim this territory for the King of Israel, and the Kingdom of Heaven.

Then the following year, two very important events took place in the ben Hinnom Valley, during the Fall Feasts of Israel, 2000. Both of these are described below from pages 36-38 of my book called: "Revealing the Mysteries of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood". (See bibliography, * R.M.M.P.)

The fallen Succah (Tent) of David will soon be raised up and restored for these End-Times! This is a work that God will sovereignly do through His Body of believers in Yeshua, who are all Priests of the Order of Melchi-Zedek, able to enter into this Succah of David, and come before God, worshiping God in the Holy of Holies. Amos 9:11,12

The Aaronic Priesthood, the Lesser, is subject to and dependent upon the Greater, the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood, even throughout biblical history. This is particularly true for all the major End Time moves of God, such as first the Raising up of the fallen Succah of David, and then the building of the Orthodox Temple in Jerusalem. (* R.M.M.P.)

Coming world events are all leading up to and racing towards the soon return of our Messiah Yeshua, the King of Glory!

A new move of God's Spirit began during the Fall Feasts, 2000. And I believe that this was **the catalyst** for many of these End Times events that are coming soon,

Two major events happened in Jerusalem during the Fall Feasts of Israel, 2000, which were **very significant**, though unknown to most people.

The first event happened on **Rosh HaShanah** (**Yom Teruah**). [1st Tishri] The second event happened during **the Feast of Tabernacles**. [17th Tishri]

The first event happened during a prophetic walk with a group of 27 believers, on the Saturday of **Rosh HaShanah** (**Yom Teruah**), September 30, 2000. This walk began in the ben Hinnom Valley, located one block south of the south-west corner of the Old City wall surrounding Jerusalem, just below Mount Zion Hotel, outside the Jerusalem Youth Music Center.

The route of this walk went down through the ben Hinnom Valley, and then up through the Kidron Valley to **the Gihon Spring**, and then up, out of the Kidron Valley, onward to just outside the Eastern (Golden) Gate, along the Old City wall of Jerusalem.

The second event was also connected with the first, and took place in the Ben Hinnom Valley, right outside the Jerusalem Youth Music Center, at an Intercession and Worship Conference, hosted by Jan Willem Vonden Hoeven, during **The Feast of Tabernacles**, on the 16th of October, around 10 PM. The evening message was over, and the service about to end.

Before I reveal what happened on these two special events during the Fall Feasts, <u>let's first look at God's biblical patterns for anointing a King</u>, especially when we are talking about someone as important as our King Yeshua, and His soon return to Jerusalem!

We know that Messiah Yeshua began His earthly ministry only after He had first been immersed in the Jordan River by the Prophet and true High Priest Yochanan, as His witness. (See bibliography *R.M.M.P.) Yeshua came the first time as the Great High Priest who would offer up Himself as God's Sacrifice, offered for the sins of the whole world. Leviticus 17:11; John 15:13 But when Messiah Yeshua comes the second time, He will be returning in His true identity as the King of Glory, the True KING of Jerusalem, Israel, and the Nations! Yeshua came the first time as the lowly Priest, humbling Himself, even to death on the Cross. But He returns as the KING of Heaven!

King David was anointed King over Israel when **the Prophet Samuel** was directed by God to take his horn with anointing oil, and go to the sons of Jesse, and there anoint David as the new King of Israel. 1st Samuel 16:13 Even as a child, Samuel ministered before the LORD, wearing a linen ephod (the ephod was worn by the Aaronic High Priest), when he served under High Priest Eli. 1 Samuel 1:1; 2:11,18; 3:1,3; 1 Chronicles 6:25-28, 33,34

Samuel served God as His **Prophet**; was he also **an Aaronic Priest**, or maybe even a Priest of another Priesthood, the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood?

When King David brought up the Ark of G-d to the City of David, he was wearing a linen ephod. Exodus 28; 2nd Samuel 6:14

Where do you think that David learned that particular behavior from? David had spent much time learning from God's Prophet Samuel!

[The High Priest Zadok had placed himself in submission to King David; and for this act of submission both to God and to King David, God blessed the Priest Zadok, and changed the whole structure of the Aaronic Priesthood, and blessed only the family line of Zadok with a special Priestly blessing to last forever! See Ezekiel 40:46; Ezekiel 43:19; Ezekiel 44:10-16]

When King David made his son Solomon the new King of Israel, he had **the High Priest** Zadok and the **Prophet** Nathan take Solomon on David's mule down to **the Gihon Spring, and <u>there Zadok took the horn of oil</u> <u>out of the Tent</u>, and anointed Solomon, sounding the shofar, and announcing Solomon as the new King of Israel! 1st Kings 1:39**

God reveals the Gihon Spring as the mystery location of David's Tent!

Our prophetic group came together **on Rosh HaShanah**, **2000**, in the ben Hinnom Valley, to do a special walk, like King David did around 3000 years ago, when David brought the Ark of God up into the City of David. We used the biblical pattern that God had given David of <u>7 priests sounding 7 silver trumpets</u>, with the Levites doing worship. 1st Chronicles 15:24 and 16:2.

At **the Gihon Spring** I shared. God had revealed to me about two weeks prior that this was the place where King David had placed the Tent, with the Ark of the Covenant. This was also the place where Solomon had been made the new King over Israel, using the biblical pattern that God had given to King David: **the High Priest** and **Prophet** anointing the new King.

Then God surprised us, calling us to do something totally unplanned: To go down to the waters of the Gihon Spring, and to take a special ram's horn with anointing oil. This oil was then poured from this ram's horn shofar onto King Yeshua (symbolically), as KING Yeshua was verbally proclaimed as the new (Eternal) KING of Israel, of the sons of David! Something Glorious began happening in the Spirit down there at the waters.

Next the 7 silver trumpets were blasted, each with 7 quick blasts directed downward, by team members, toward the waters of the Gihon Spring, and ... **then something very powerful happened** in the Spirit, **at the sounding** of the 7 silver trumpets, at the waters of the Gihon Spring. God used this event to activate something related to **Yeshua's KINGSHIP!**

I believe that what happened there at the waters of the Gihon Spring, on that Saturday afternoon, around 2 PM, in Jerusalem, on Rosh HaShanah, September 30th, 2000, <u>may have been a real significant prophetic event, physically and spiritually, that the Lord Yeshua used for beginning, or catalyzing His End-Time Ministry.</u> We may only know this for sure when we get to heaven. Obeying God's prior instructions, this whole walk event was professionally recorded on video, which is kept on file.

LORD Yeshua knew that there would come a day when He would be anointed in the waters of the Gihon Spring, to fulfill the biblical pattern, to begin His End-Time Ministry <u>as KING of Israel</u>, using the pattern that God had given to King David for anointing Solomon as the new King over Israel.

The Feasts of Yom Teruah and Succot are Bridal Feasts. I believe the Marriage of Yeshua and His Bride will be held on the Feast of Yom Teruah in Heaven. And the Marriage Supper of the Lamb will be held on the Fall Feast of Tabernacles (Succot), back down on earth in Jerusalem, after the last Great Battle for Jerusalem, when Yeshua, the King of Glory, returns, coming with His Armies (His Bride), and destroying all His enemies.

Knowing that both <u>Yom Teruah</u> and <u>Succot</u> are Bridal Feasts, (* R.M.), and knowing that God had said that in the last days He would raise up **the fallen Succah of David**, and seeing what God did at the Gihon Spring, on Yom Teruah, September 30th, <u>I had really hoped for and anticipated</u> a powerful move of God's Spirit down **in the Ben Hinnom Valley**, on the following **Feast of Succot**, at a special Worship Conference, hosted by Jan Willem VonderHoeven, from October 14 th to the 19th, 2000.

Would God show up in the ben Hinnom Valley, previously cursed by God?

On Monday evening, October 16th, 2000, God visited us Powerfully! It happened just after 10 PM, after the evening worship, and just at the close of the evening message by Robert Stearns, just before the closing prayers. Suddenly the Presence and Glory of God came down so Powerfully over all of us gathered in ben Hinnom Valley, on the grass outside the Jerusalem Youth Music Center. Our hands went up and nobody moved for a long time. Many intercessors were laid out on the ground; it was so special! Then Robert Stearns slowly began the worship. [Tishri 17th, 2000.] God's Spirit had Powerfully, Gloriously impregnated this whole area for the Harvest!

Even the Israeli military and Israeli police, who guarded us at a distance, now came in closer to our little gathering of about 150 people still remaining at the end of the evening service, to experience God's Wonderful Presence! I still have written testimonies given to me by some intercessor friends.

This special Presence may have been something like what it felt like for those shepherds, that night of Succot about 2000 years earlier, at the birth of baby Yeshua, when the Glory of Heaven came down with God's angelic hosts, over the shepherds in the field outside that little town of Bethlehem.

I believe that these two special events that happened at the Gihon Spring and in the Ben Hinnom Valley may have been the Catalysts for Raising Up the Tent / Succah of David and for the Great Harvest about to begin!

I believe that the first event at the Gihon Spring, the inauguration of King Yeshua, may have been a key for activated Amos 9:11 and Isaiah 16:5, which caused the King of Glory to release His anointing from His Heavenly Tent of David over all of us gathered that night about two weeks later, in the ben Hinnom Valley, when **the Power of God** came down."

[Taken from "Revealing the Mysteries of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood!" (pages 36-38), and also modified and clarified, with more recent insights.]

What I feel now from the LORD, as I write this some four years later, is that this area at the base of Zion, is **the lowest place**, the place of humility, the place where God wants His Body to come together to Him, **dying to self**, and crying out to Him, **as His priests**, in intercession and worship, for the Salvation of the peoples of Israel, both the Jewish and Arab.

As Yeshua totally died to self, giving His physical life for us to have Life, I believe that this is the place where God is calling us to come to Him as His **priests**, and in total surrender, for what great things God is about to do next.

And the Scripture that I feel strongly from the LORD, related to all this is Psalm 24:3-5 "Who may ascend the hill of the LORD? Or who may stand in His Holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who has not lifted up his soul to vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation."

We must all come humbly before God, obeying Him, before God will allow us to ascend the Hill of the LORD. It is <u>in this lowly, humble place</u>, where, I believe, God will begin to pour out His Great Blessing upon the nation of Israel, in preparation for His Heavenly Kingdom coming down! For our God is **a consuming fire!** Hebrew 12:29 (and Deuteronomy 4:24)

Because of the many abominations that happened so long ago in this ben Hinnom Valley, renamed 'the Valley of Slaughter', God may be using this place of death to begin here, to reverse the process of the Arab and Jewish 'slaughter' of each other. Here both Jews and Arabs may be called by God to obey, to die to self and to unite, loving each other as true brothers in God (for the world to see God in action). For here, in the ben Hinnom Valley, I believe King Yeshua will begin His Great Outpouring! [Jeremiah 7:30-34; Jeremiah 19:1-8; Jeremiah 32:33-35; Isaiah 30:33]

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in unity! It is like **the precious oil** upon the head, running down on the beard, the beard of Aaron... It is like the dew of Hermon, **descending upon the mountains of Zion**. For there the LORD commanded the blessing, even <u>Life forevermore!</u>" Psalm 133:1-3

I give God all the Glory for the joy of these revelations!

Then on Sunday, November 2nd, 2003, God began giving me new insights. And I started listing the important Scriptures to back up this paper, regarding the ben Hinnom Valley as the position for God's Great Harvest.

God has brought His Jewish people back to the land of Israel and given them their physical inheritance of the land, and their statehood as a nation, in 1948. They have received many physical blessings from the LORD, but they are still waiting for the fullfillment of God's Spiritual Promises.

They have <u>not yet come into the many Spiritual Blessings</u>, promised by God in His Word, after they would return to the land of Israel.

You can see from the passage of Scriptures (**Group B**, pages 24) that Israel <u>has only partially received the blessings</u> that God has promised.

Where in Israel does God say the Spiritual Blessings will take place? We can easily see the answer, for God has told us over and over in His Word. They will take place in Jerusalem, in the place called Zion!

Look at the many Scriptures of God's Promises concerning **Zion**... Seven pages of Scriptures are listed in this paper. (**Group A**, pages 16-23) God has made many Promises to Israel regarding **Zion**, the place of God's only Choice, Blessings, and Promises, which He will surely fulfill!

When a woman gives birth to a child, the child is birthed **from the womb**. Where is Zion's Womb, the place where Spiritual Birthings will happen for multitudes of Jewish and Arab babies, about to enter the Kingdom of God? Before birthing comes the release of waters; High Worship brings anointing!

Is this Womb somewhere at the base of Mount Zion's hill?

When Judah and Jerusalem were exiled, God gave two main reasons for their exile, both related to the many abominations they had committed:

- 1) at God's Temple, and an area...
- 2) at the base of Zion's hill, in the area called 'the ben Hinnom Valley'. (**Group C**, pages 25,26)

To our God who knows all things, were these two positions, the Temple area and the ben Hinnom Valley area, locations which God has always had on His mind, for the future Blessings of Israel?

We believe that the Temple area will probably be God's eternal Home? (**Group D**, pages 26,27)

But what about the ben Hinnom Valley? Was this area at the base of Zion's hill also formerly chosen by God to be a place of Great Blessings?

God knew that one day He would bring the descendants of Israel back to the land of their fathers, and restore to them their physical inheritance of the land of Israel. God also knew that later He would give to the Jewish people their promised Blessings of Spiritual Inheritance. (Joel 2:28-32)

Did God have <u>a specific place</u> in mind, where He would pour out His Great Blessings upon the children of Israel, a place where they would be birthed into the Kingdom of Heaven, as sons of God?

"For this city (Jerusalem) has been to Me a provocation of My anger and My fury from the day that they built it, even to this day; so I will remove it from before My face, because of all the evil of the children of Israel and the children of Judah, which they have done to provoke Me to anger, they, their kings, their princes, their priests, their prophets, the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem. And they have turned to Me the back, and not the face; though I taught them, rising up early and teaching them, yet they have not listened to receive instruction. But they set their abominations in the House which is called by My name, to defile it. And they built the high places of Baal which are in the Valley of the Son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire to Molech, which I did not command them, nor did it come into My mind that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin. Now therefore, thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning this city of which you say, 'It shall be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence': 'Behold, I will gather them out of all countries where I have driven them in My anger, in My fury, and in great wrath. I will bring them back to this place (?), and I will cause them to dwell safely." Jeremiah 32:31-37

What place is God talking about, for God has just talked about three places; the city of Jerusalem, the Temple, and the ben Hinnom Valley?

Is it possible that David brought the Ark through the ben Hinnom Valley? Or perhaps Satan knew about the place that God planned to use in the future, a special Valley at the base of Zion's hill? For whatever the reason, he had many depraved sons of Judah commit hideous abominable sins in that place, great sins against both God and Israel, so that God closed off that place.

Today, could that place called 'Gehinom', the place Israelis call **hell**, be the very place that God has chosen for the Great Harvest of souls? The history of 'Gehinom' has certainly kept the Jewish people away.

But God has said that this area would become Holy! Jeremiah 31:40

Isaac redug the wells of his father Abraham. (Genesis 26:18) Are there **Spiritual wells in Zion** needed to be redug, through **high worship**, to release **God's Spiritual 'Rivers of Healing'** to flow out from Jerusalem?

It's amazing to consider that <u>the hill</u> at the top of the ben <u>Hinnom Valley</u> is thought to be <u>the location of the first century Congregation</u> of believers, known as Saint James. Recent archeological discoveries there have verified Messianic artifacts. Perhaps further proof of **Great Spiritual wells in Zion**.

Thus says the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker: "Ask of Me things to come concerning My sons; and concerning the work of My hands, you command Me!" Isaiah 45:11

World focus is directed toward the Temple mount area. There is a great Spiritual battle going on in the Heavens for this area. Who will be worshipped at the Temple mount, the God of Israel, or the devil? We all know the answer, for our God reigns over Jerusalem; and the Temple mount area is His and His alone! And He will give this Temple mount area to the religious Orthodox Jews, who will build their end-time Temple to God on this site.

King David set up an altar on the Temple mount to sacrifice to his God. But long before he did this, even before David took the stronghold of Zion, God had David first go down into a Valley called Elah, and their defeat the Giant Goliath. David had to first be anointed and filled with God's Spirit, and then go down into that Valley, where the real battle took place! The scared armies of Israel had been waiting 40 days for someone with courage to stand up for God, and defeat their enemy. (1st Samuel 17:16,45,46)

The Spirit of Islam is about to be taken out by God; it holds millions of Arab Moslems in bondage to a false god. Is high worship in the ben Hinnom Valley **a key for the Victory**, in the battle for **the Temple mount** area? Are these two positions *interconnected* in God's plans? (Jere 7:30-33; 32:34-37) If God refers to them *in punishing* Israel, how about also *in blessing* Israel?

Everything is closing in fast for this great End Time battle for Zion. This Islamic Giant has to be taken out first, before Israel can obey God, with the Aaronic priesthood released to build their Temple in Jerusalem.

We see here **the working of two priesthoods**, the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood of God, and the Aaronic priesthood. The Aaronic priesthood, the sons of Aaron, from the tribe of Levi, will build the Temple. However, today, do any sons of Aaron know if they are truly from Zadok's line?

Keep in mind that God has specifically said that <u>the sons of Zadok</u> are the only priests of the sons of Aaron that God will allow to come into <u>His Presence in His Temple</u>, by God's Word. (**Group E**, pages 27,28) Therefore, to what degree will God honor their sacrifices and offerings?

But what about the Melchi-Zedek priests, believers in the LORD Yeshua, what are they to be doing during this transition? They are to enter into high Worship and Intercession in the Tent / Succah of David, coming before their King, Yeshua, the Son of David, to receive His End Time plan for taking out this Islam Giant spirit, so that first Arab Moslems can be saved and brought into the Kingdom of God, and then Jews! **Believers are to be preparing**, by <u>purification</u>, <u>surrender</u>, and <u>dying to self</u>, for the coming Great Harvest of souls: forming teams for salvation, deliverance, healing, discipling! They are to make themselves willing in the Day of God's Power. (Psalm 110:2) High worship releases the Anointing, like the breaking of waters before birth.

Because High Priest and King Yeshua has fulfilled the line of Zadok, through <u>His unique family relationship with John</u> and <u>His water baptism</u>, His Melchi-Zedek priests can now minister with His Anointing! (see R.M.M.P.)

Remember that in the bible days of old, the King of Israel would send out first his worshipers ahead of his army. And then the God of Heaven would respond and destroy the enemies of Israel. It's the same today, except that today these worshipers are God's priests on earth under King Yeshua.

Perhaps high worship and strong intercession will also catapult **the Stone** that this King who sits on David's Throne will throw, to take out this Islamic Giant! We eagerly wait to see what God does in the immediate months ahead.

Here's what I see: When the Body of believers in Jerusalem, God's priests of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood, unite under this Structure, **the Tent of David**, where **this King-Priest** sits on His Throne, then God will begin to operate it His Way, and <u>He will 'Turn It On'</u>, which will cause fulfillment of these prophesies. (God gave me a picture of a moving 'Carousel'.)

This will bring multitudes of **unsaved Peoples** into God's Salvation, i.e. **the Great Harvest!** And it will **Pour in** like **a Great River**, with **the Great Outpouring of God's Spirit**, so fast and so **Anointed**, that the sower and reaper will be racing forward, going so fast, that they will both catch up with each other, filled with the new wine! And the former and later rains will both come in the first month.

Another Scripture that sheds light on this coming Great Outpouring and Harvest is from Joel 2: "Be glad then, you **children of Zion**, and rejoice in the LORD your God; for He has given you the former rain faithfully, 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 vats shall overflow with new wine and oil." [Is this first month Nisan, around the Passover season?]

"So I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the crawling locust, the consuming locust, and the chewing locust, my great army which I sent among you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you; and My people shall never be put to shame. Then you shall know that I am in the midst of Israel: I am the LORD your God and there is no other. My people shall never be put to shame.

And it shall come to pass afterward that <u>I will pour out My Spirit on</u> <u>all flesh</u>; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions. And also on My menservants and on My maidservants <u>I will pour out My Spirit</u> in those days. And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: blood and fire and pillars of smoke." Joel 2:23-30 [began almost 2000 years ago on Shavuot]

Are **the stakes and cords** of Jerusalem **the Positions** where God has already placed **His Congregations and Ministries**, to hold His Anointing? Are broad rivers and steams the **flowing Anointing** that is coming? Isaiah 33:20-22; (also see Isaiah 16:5; Amos 9:11-13; Joel 2:23)

I truly believe that **this Tent** is already up and in position, and God is just waiting for us, His believers of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood, to **unite together** and to **come into this Tent**, first with high worship to the Majestic Glorious King of Heaven. And we must be in His Tent as much as possible, until we finally live in His Tent. Because, like the earthly walk that this High Priest made, being in this Tent with Him, and His Glory, will not only unite together His Body in Him (John 17:22), but it will excellerate **total surrender of self** to our Heavenly King, which is the true walk of His Bride! For His Bride are His High Priests, those whom He allows to come into His Presence, and be intimate with Him, in the Holy of Holies, in His Tent, this Carousel, **'this Glorious Bridal Tent'** inside Yeshua's Heart!

the Bridegroom King!

We are His Bride, and He is

The 'Tent of David' is a Worldwide Structure.

But its Center is a place somewhere in Zion!

Psalm 15:1,2

LORD, who may abide in Your Tent? Who may dwell on Your Holy Hill? He who walks uprightly, and works righteousness, and speaks the truth in his heart...

Psalm 132:7-14

Let us go into His dwelling place; Let us worship at His footstool.

Arise, O LORD, to Your resting place, You and the Ark of Your strength. Let Your priests be clothed with righteousness, and let Your saints shout for joy. For Your servant David's sake, do not turn away the face of your anointed. 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 (Yeshua). 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."

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I had been praying on Shabbat, May 15th, 2004, for God to give me a sign about the Harvest that is coming, and as I left my congregation in the Old City that late Saturday afternoon, driving out of Jaffa Gate, and going on down past the ben Hinnom Valley, and then up around Mount Zion Hotel, I really felt God direct me to go back, and look down into the ben Hinnom Valley, that there was something special that He wanted to show me. And I mentioned this to my wife; and so I did. The wind was blowing moderately. And as we walked down into the Valley, and had gotten about half way down, we saw **smoke** coming up from the grass, just to the left side of the Jerusalem Youth Music Center stage. And as we walked further on, we then saw a small fire at the right side of the Jerusalem Youth Music Center stage. This small **fire** would flare up, with the wind, and then die down.

I watched these two scenes for awhile, one area just smoking, and the other with the fire blazing up and dying down; and to me it meant something significant. I believe that God was showing me the answer to what I had just been asking Him, showing me something of the future at this key location.

As I faced the Music Center, the left side with the smoke represented to me the Jewish side, going up into the Jewish community of Jerusalem; and the right side goes off toward the whole Arab community, with the fire flaring up, and then dying down again. My interpretation of what I believe God was showing me what is about to happen: the initial smoke represents that the harvest would begin with some of the Jewish Israelis being saved, but it would be small, but steady, mainly secular Jews, but that the main initial harvest would be with the Arab Moslem's; and it will be significant.

Yesterday, May 18^{th,} about 5pm, on the eve of what is called 'Jerusalem Day', I met with an Arab pastor friend, Jack, and we drove around the ben Hinnom Valley, and I talked with him about the future of this location. And I was really amazed at what we saw. For the upper end of the ben Hinnom Valley was packed with Jewish Israeli youth, pouring into this Valley from all directions, filling it, almost to the Jerusalem Youth Music Center area.

To me this is a miracle of God, an indication of what is coming! The Jewish community does not normally come down into this Valley, for it is called by the Jewish Israeli's community the Valley of 'Gehinom', or 'hell!' And now, on the eve of this Jerusalem celebration day, the lost youth were flooding down into this Valley, with loud speakers blasting secular music!

We are closer than we think to the beginning of God's Great Outpouring!

Update: Shavuot, Wednesday, May 26th 2004 ...

On Shavuot, May 26th, about 33 believers gathered together from 9:30 am to 11:30 am, below Mount Zion Hotel in Jerusalem, at the base of Zion's hill, down in the ben Hinnom Valley, for a time of prayer, worship, and intercession, calling on God to release His Blessings upon us and upon Israel, and upon all the believing youth of Israel, that would be gathered that night just above us, on Zion's hill.

The whole meeting time was very anointed by the Holy Spirit, and towards the end, after the two silver trumpets were sounded, with a plea going up to God to remove the obstacles from each one of us, and also from the bowels of Zion's hill (for redigging the wells of revival), the anointing of the Holy Spirit came down.

Many of us experienced such special freedom, that we began dancing in the Spirit down there in the ben Hinnom Valley. It was like heaven was really beginning to come down. I could easily imagine that a Giant River of Anointing of the Holy Spirit is about to be released from Zion, that will come like a Flood through this Valley, in the very near future, bringing with it the Great Harvest of multitudes of Jewish and Arab souls.

Scripture References: for The Tent/Succah of David

(Group A)

Ps 102:16 For the LORD shall build up Zion; He shall appear in His glory.

Ps 110:1-4

The LORD said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool." The LORD shall send the Scepter of Your Might out of Zion. Rule in the midst of Your enemies! Your people shall be willing in the Day of Your Power; in the beauties of holiness, from the womb of the morning, you have the dew of Your youth. The LORD has sworn and will not relent, "You are a priest forever according to the order of MelchiZedek."

Ps 133:1-3 Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious oil upon the head, running down on the beard, the beard of Aaron, running down on the edge of his garments. It is like the dew of Hermon, descending **upon the mountains of Zion**; **for there the LORD commanded the blessing, life forevermore.**

Isa 8:13-18 The LORD of hosts, Him you shall hallow; let Him be your fear, and let Him be your dread. He will be as a sanctuary, but a stone of stumbling and a rock of offense to both the houses of Israel, as a trap and a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem. And many among them shall stumble; they shall fall and be broken, be snared and taken. Bind up the testimony, seal the Torah among my disciples. And I will wait on the LORD, who hides His face from the house of Jacob; and I will hope in Him. Here am I and the children whom the LORD has given me! We are for signs and wonders in Israel, from the LORD of hosts who dwells in Mount Zion.

Isa 29:10-19

For the LORD has poured out upon you the spirit of deep sleep, and has closed your eyes, the prophets and your rulers, the seers has he covered. And the vision of all is become unto you as the words of a book that is sealed, which men deliver to one that is learned, saying, Read this, I pray: and he says, I cannot; for it is sealed. And the book is delivered to him that is not learned, saying, Read this, I pray: and he says, I am not learned.

Wherefore the Lord said, "Forasmuch as this people draw near me with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men.

Therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this people, even a marvellous work and a wonder: for the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent men shall be hid. And in that Day shall the deaf hear the words of the Book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness. The humble also shall increase their joy in the LORD, and the poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel."

Look upon **Zion**, the city of our appointed feasts; your eyes will see **Jerusalem**, a quiet home, **a tent** that will not be taken down; not one of its stakes will ever be removed, nor will any of its cords be broken. But there the majestic LORD will be for us **a place of broad rivers and streams**, in which no galley with oars will sail, nor majestic ships pass by (For the LORD is our Judge, the LORD is our Lawgiver, the LORD is our King; He will save us); Isaiah 33:20-22

The wilderness and the wasteland shall be glad for them, and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose; it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice, even with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the excellence of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the Glory of the LORD, the excellency of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are fearful-hearted, "Be strong, do not fear! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God; He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the dumb sing. For waters shall burst forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert. The parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water; in the habitation of jackals, where each lay, there shall be grass with reeds and rushes. A Highway shall be there, and a road, and it shall be called the Highway of Holiness. The unclean shall not pass over it, but it shall be for others. Whoever walks the road, although a fool, shall not go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast go up on it; it shall not be found there. But the redeemed shall walk there, and the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with singing, with everlasting joy on their heads. They shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away. Isaiah 35:1-10

Isaiah 40:1-11

"Comfort, yes, comfort My people!" Says your God. "Speak comfort to Jerusalem, and cry out to her, that her warfare is ended, that **her iniquity is pardoned**; for she has received from the LORD'S hand double for all her sins."

The voice of one crying in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be exalted and every mountain and hill brought low; the crooked places shall be made straight and the rough places smooth; The Glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken." The voice said, "Cry out!" And he said, "What shall I cry?" "All flesh is grass, and all its loveliness is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, because the breath of the LORD blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades, but

the Word of our God stands forever!"

O Zion, you who bring glad news, get up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, you who bring glad news, lift up your voice with strength, lift it up, be not afraid; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" Behold, the Lord GOD shall come with a strong hand, and His Arm shall rule for Him; behold, His reward is with Him, and His work before Him. He will feed His flock like a Shepherd; He will gather the lambs with His Arm, and carry them in His bosom, and gently lead those who are with young.

Isa 41:17-18

"The poor and needy seek water, but there is none, their tongues fail for thirst. I, the LORD, will hear them; I, the God of Israel, will not forsake them. I will open **rivers in desolate heights**, and **fountains in the midst of the valleys.** I will make **the wilderness a pool of water**, and the dry land **springs of water**."

Isa 43:18-21

"Do not remember the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing, now it shall spring forth; shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness and **rivers in the desert**. The beast of the field will honor Me, the jackals and the ostriches. Because <u>I give waters</u> in the wilderness and rivers in the desert, to give drink to My people, My chosen. This people I have formed for Myself; they shall declare My praise."

Isa 45:22-23

"Look to Me, and be saved, all you ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. I have sworn by Myself; the word has gone out of My mouth in Righteousness, and shall not return, that to Me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall take an oath."

Isa 46:13

I bring My Righteousness near, it shall not be far off; My Salvation shall not linger. And **I will place Salvation in Zion**, for Israel My glory.

Isa 49:8-10

Thus says the LORD: "In an acceptable Time I have heard You, and in **the Day of Salvation** I have helped You; I will preserve You and give You as <u>a Covenant to the people</u>, to restore the earth, to cause them to inherit the desolate heritages; that You may say to the prisoners, 'Go forth,' to those who are in darkness, 'Show yourselves.' "They shall feed along the roads, and their pastures shall be on all desolate heights. They shall neither hunger nor thirst, neither heat nor sun shall strike them; for He who has mercy on them will lead them, **even by the springs of water** He will guide them."

Isa 51:3 For the LORD will comfort Zion, <u>He will comfort all her waste places</u>. He will make <u>her wilderness</u> like Eden, and <u>her desert</u> like the Garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in it, thanksgiving and the voice of melody.

Isa 51:11 (also found in Isaiah 35:10) So the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with singing, with everlasting joy on their heads. They shall obtain joy and gladness; sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Isa 52:5-12

...says the LORD, "And My name is blasphemed continually every day. Therefore **My people shall know My name**; therefore they shall know in that Day that I am He who speaks: 'Behold, it is I.' "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who proclaims Peace, who brings glad tidings of good things, who proclaims Salvation, who says to Zion, "**Your God reigns!**"

Your watchmen shall lift up their voices, with their voices they shall sing together; for they shall see eye to eye when the LORD brings back Zion. Break forth into joy, sing together, <u>you waste places</u> of Jerusalem! For the LORD has comforted His people, He has redeemed Jerusalem.

The LORD has made bare His holy Arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the Salvation of our God. Depart! Depart! Go out from there, touch no unclean thing; go out from the midst of her, be clean, you who bear the vessels of the LORD. For you shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight; for the LORD will go before you, and the God of Israel will be your rear guard. Isaiah 52:5-12

Isa 61:1-11

"The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon Me, because the LORD has anointed Me, to preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; To proclaim the acceptable Year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn, to console **those who mourn in Zion,** to give them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they may be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that He may be Glorified." And they shall rebuild the old ruins, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the ruined cities, the desolations of many generations. Strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the foreigner shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers. But you shall be named the priests of the LORD, they shall call you the servants of our God. You shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory you shall boast. Instead of your shame you shall have double honor, and instead of confusion they shall rejoice in their portion. Therefore in their land they shall possess double; everlasting joy shall be theirs. "For I, the LORD, love justice; I hate robbery for burnt offering; I will direct their work in truth, and will make with them an Everlasting Covenant. Their descendants shall be known among the Gentiles, and their offspring among the people. All who see them shall acknowledge them, that they are the posterity whom the LORD has blessed."

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for He has clothed me with the garments of Salvation, He has covered me with the robe of Righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its bud, as the garden causes the things that are sown in it to spring forth, so the Lord GOD will cause Righteousness and Praise to spring forth before all the nations.

"Ho! Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat. Yes, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend money for what is not bread, and your wages for what does not satisfy? Listen carefully to Me, and eat what is good, and let your soul delight itself in abundance. Incline your ear, and come to Me. Hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an Everlasting Covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David." Isaiah 55:1-3

You shall also be a crown of Glory in the Hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the Hand of your God. You shall no longer be termed Forsaken, nor shall your land any more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called **Hephzibah, and your land Beulah**; for the LORD delights in you, and your land **shall be married**. For as a young man marries a virgin, so shall your sons marry you; and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, **so shall your God rejoice over you**. Go through, go through the gates! Prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway! **Take out the stones**, lift up a banner for the peoples! Indeed the LORD has proclaimed to the end of the world: "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Surely **your Salvation is coming**; behold, **His reward is with Him, and His work before Him**.'"

And they shall call them The Holy People, the Redeemed of the LORD; and you shall be called Sought Out, a City Not Forsaken. Isaiah 62:3-5,10-12

Isa 66:7-14

"Before she was in labor, she gave birth; before her pain came, she delivered a male child. Who has heard such a thing? Who has seen such things? **Shall the earth be made to give birth in one day**? **Or shall a nation be born at once?** For as soon as Zion was in labor, she gave birth to her children! Shall I bring to the time of birth, and not cause delivery?" says the LORD. "Shall I who cause delivery shut up the womb?" says your God.

"Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all you who love her; rejoice for joy with her, all you who mourn for her; that you may feed and be satisfied with the consolation of her bosom, that you may **drink deeply and be delighted with the abundance of her Glory**." For thus says the LORD: "Behold, I will extend **Peace to her like a river**, and the glory of the Gentiles **like a flowing stream**. Then you shall feed; on her sides shall you be carried, and be dandled on her knees. As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; and **you shall be comforted in Jerusalem**." When you see this, your heart shall rejoice, and your bones shall flourish like grass; the Hand of the LORD shall be known to His servants, and His indignation to His enemies.

Jer 31:10-14 "Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the isles afar off, and say, 'He who scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him as a shepherd does his flock.' For the LORD has redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of one stronger than he. Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, streaming to the goodness of the LORD, for wheat and new wine and oil, for the young of the flock and the herd; their souls shall be like a well-watered garden, and they shall sorrow no more at all.

"Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old, together; for I will turn their mourning to joy, will comfort them, and make them rejoice rather than sorrow. I will satiate the soul of the priests with abundance, and My people shall be satisfied with My goodness, says the LORD."

Jer 31:38-40

"Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, that the city shall be built for the LORD, from the Tower of Hananel to the Corner Gate. The surveyor's line shall again extend straight forward over the hill Gareb;

of the dead bodies and of the ashes, and all the fields as far as the Brook Kidron, to the corner of the Horse Gate toward the east,

shall be holy to the LORD.

It shall not be plucked up or thrown down anymore forever."

Ezek 34:25-26

"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."

Ezek 43:12

"This is the law of the Temple:

The whole area surrounding the mountaintop shall be most Holy! Behold, this is the law of the Temple."

Joel 2:23-29,32

Be glad then, you children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God; for He has given you the former rain faithfully, 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 vats shall overflow with new wine and oil. "So I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the crawling locust, the consuming locust, and the chewing locust, my great army which I sent among you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you; and My people shall never be put to shame. Then you shall know that I am in the midst of Israel: I am the LORD your God and there is no other. My people shall never be put to shame. And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions. And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days. And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall **be saved**. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, (salvation), as the LORD said, among the remnant whom the LORD calls."

Luke 3:2-7

... Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests, the word of God came to John, the son of Zacharias, in the wilderness. And he went into all the region around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the remission of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, saying: "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make His paths straight. **Every valley shall be filled** and every mountain and hill brought low; the crooked places shall be made straight and the rough ways smooth. And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.' "Then he said to the multitudes that came out to be baptized by him, "Brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the Wrath to come?"

Luke 3:16

John answered, saying to all, "I indeed baptize you with water; but One mightier than I is coming, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire!"

Then I looked, and behold, a Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His Father's name written on their foreheads. Revelation 14:1

(Group B)

"But I had concern for My Holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the nations wherever they went. Therefore say to the house of Israel, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "I do not do this for your sake, O house of Israel, but for My Holy name's sake, which you have profuned among the nations wherever you went. And I will sanctify My great name, which has been profaned among the nations, which you have profaned in their midst; and the nations shall know that I am the LORD," says the Lord GOD, "when I am hallowed in you before their eyes. For I will take you from among the nations, gather you out of all countries, and bring you into your own land. Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them. Then you shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; you shall be My people, and I will be your God. I will deliver you from all your uncleannesses. I will call for the grain and multiply it, and bring no famine upon you. And I will multiply the fruit of your trees and the increase of your fields, so that you need never again bear the reproach of famine among the nations. Then you will remember your evil ways and your deeds that were not good; and you will loathe yourselves in your own sight, for your iniquities and your abominations. Not for your sake do I do this," says the Lord GOD, "let it be known to you. Be ashamed and confounded for your own ways, O house of Israel!" 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "On the day that I cleanse you from all your iniquities, I will also enable you to dwell in the cities, and the ruins shall be rebuilt. The desolate land shall be tilled instead of lying desolate in the sight of all who pass by. So they will say, 'This land that was desolate has become like the Garden of Eden; and the wasted, desolate, and ruined cities are now fortified and inhabited.' Then the nations which are left all around you shall know that I, the LORD, have rebuilt the ruined places and planted what was desolate. I, the LORD, have spoken it, and I will do it." 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "I will also let the house of Israel inquire of Me to do this for them: I will increase their men like a flock." Ezekiel 36:24-37

(Group C)

Jeremiah 7:30-34

"For the children of Judah have done evil in My sight," says the LORD. "They have set their abominations in **the House** which is called by My name, to pollute it. And they have <u>built the high places of Tophet</u>, which is in <u>the Valley of the Son of Hinnom</u>, to burn their sons and their daughters in the fire, which I did not command, nor did it come into My heart.

Therefore behold, the days are coming," says the LORD, "when it will no more be called Tophet, or the Valley of the Son of Hinnom, but 'the Valley of Slaughter'; for they will bury in Tophet until there is no room. The corpses of this people will be food for the birds of the heaven and for the beasts of the earth. And no one will frighten them away. Then I will cause to cease from the cities of Judah and from the streets of Jerusalem the voice of mirth and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride. For the land shall be desolate."

Jeremiah 19:1-8

Thus says the LORD: "Go and get a potter's earthen flask, and take some of the elders of the people and some of the elders of the priests. "And go out to the Valley of the Son of Hinnom, which is by the entry of the Potsherd Gate; and proclaim there the words that I will tell you, and say, "Hear the word of the LORD, O kings of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem. Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: "Behold, I will bring such a catastrophe on this place, that whoever hears of it, his ears will tingle. Because they have forsaken Me and made this an alien place, because they have burned incense in it to other gods whom neither they, their fathers, nor the kings of Judah have known, and have filled this place with the blood of the innocents. They have also built the high places of Baal, to burn their sons with fire for burnt offerings to Baal, which I did not command or speak, nor did it come into My mind. Therefore behold, the days are coming," says the LORD, "that this place shall no more be called Tophet or the Valley of the Son of Hinnom, but 'the Valley of Slaughter'. And I will make void the counsel of Judah and Jerusalem in this place, and I will cause them to fall by the sword before their enemies and by the hands of those who seek their lives; their corpses I will give as meat for the birds of the heaven and for the beasts of the earth. I will make this city desolate and a hissing; everyone who passes by it will be astonished and hiss, because of all its plagues.

Jeremiah 32:33-35

'And they have turned to Me the back, and not the face; though I taught them, rising up early and teaching them, yet they have not listened to receive instruction. But they set their abominations in **the House** which is called by My name, to defile it. And they <u>built the high places of Baal</u> which are in the Valley of the Son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire to Molech, which I did not command them, nor did it come into My mind, that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin.'

Isa 30:33

For **Tophet** was established of old, yes, for the king it is prepared. He has made it deep and large; its pyre is fire with much wood; the breath of the LORD, like a stream of brimstone, kindles it.

(Group D)

"Yet I have set My King on My holy hill of Zion." "I will declare the decree: the LORD has said to Me, 'You are My Son, today I have begotten You. Ask of Me, and I will give You the nations for Your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for Your possession. You shall break them with a rod of iron; you shall dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel." "Ps 2:6-9

Arise, O LORD, to Your resting place, You and the ark of Your strength. Let Your priests be clothed with Righteousness, and let Your saints shout for joy. For Your servant David's sake, do not turn away the face of Your Anointed. 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." Psalm 132:8-14

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, while a man stood beside me.

And He said to me, "Son of man, this is the place of My Throne and the place of the soles of My feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel forever. No more shall the house of Israel defile My holy name, they nor their kings, by their harlotry or with the carcasses of their kings on their high places." Ezekiel 43:4-7

(Group E)

"The chamber which faces north is for the priests who have charge of the altar; these are **the sons of Zadok**, from the sons of Levi, who come near the LORD to minister to Him." Ezekiel 40:46

And He said to me, "Son of man, thus says the Lord GOD: 'These are the ordinances for the altar on the day when it is made, for sacrificing burnt offerings on it, and for sprinkling blood on it. You shall give a young bull for a sin offering to **the priests**, **the Levites**, **who are of the seed of Zadok**, **who approach Me to minister to Me**,' says the Lord GOD." Ezek 43:18-19

Also He brought me by way of the north gate to the front of the Temple; so I looked, and behold, the Glory of the LORD filled the House of the LORD; and I fell on my face. And the LORD said to me, "Son of man, mark well, see with your eyes and hear with your ears, all that I say to you concerning all the ordinances of the House of the LORD, and all its laws. Mark well who may enter the House and all who go out from the Sanctuary. "Now say to the rebellious, to the house of Israel, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "O house of Israel, let us have no more of all your abominations. When you brought in foreigners, uncircumcised in heart and uncircumcised in flesh, to be in My Sanctuary to defile it, My House, and when you offered My food, the fat and the blood, then **they broke My Covenant** because of all your abominations. And you have not kept charge of My holy things, but you have set others to keep charge of My Sanctuary for you." 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "No foreigner, uncircumcised in heart or uncircumcised in flesh, shall enter My sanctuary, including any foreigner who is among the children of Israel.

And <u>the Levites who went far from Me</u>, when Israel went astray, who strayed away from Me after their idols, **they shall bear their iniquity**. **Yet they shall be ministers in My sanctuary**, <u>as gatekeepers and ministers of the House</u>; <u>they shall slay the burnt offering and the sacrifice</u> <u>for the people</u>, <u>and they shall stand before them to minister to them</u>.

Because they ministered to them before their idols and caused the house of Israel to fall into iniquity, therefore I have raised My Hand in an oath against them," says the Lord GOD, "that they shall bear their iniquity.

And they shall not come near Me to minister to Me as priest, nor come near any of My holy things, nor into the Most Holy Place; but they shall bear their shame and their abominations which they have committed.

Nevertheless I will make them keep charge of the Temple, for all its work, and for all that has to be done in it."

"But the priests, the Levites, the sons of Zadok, who kept charge of My Sanctuary when the children of Israel went astray from Me, they shall come near Me to minister to Me; and they shall stand before Me to offer to Me the fat and the blood," says the Lord GOD.

"They shall enter My sanctuary, and they shall come near My table to minister to Me, and they shall keep My charge." Ezekiel 44:4-16

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