GOD-VISION: UNITING JERUSALEM CONGREGATIONS COMING ALIVE IN 'THE TENT OF DAVID'!

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Shepherds, Congregations, and Ministries of Jerusalem:

Everything is now rapidly changing, for the Big Harvest is coming! The **Congregation Life** in most Congregations of Jerusalem today is **at a very low level**, compared to where God is now calling us to, with the Great Outpouring and Harvest of souls that lies just ahead.

What is the Problem?

Do your members really have a deep, close love relationship with Jesus? 1) How effective are they in first spending quality time with the Lord, to be changed in His Presence, 2) and then going out to do the works of Jesus!

You may have a great Shabbat service, a great worship, and a great message, experiencing God's Presence and Anointing. But to what degree are the people being changed, and then really going out to bring in the unsaved, demonstrating the Power of the Gospel, with signs, wonders, and miracles?

How to get your Congregation members to come Alive?

Let's look at a very practical, easy, and exciting new solution!

Suggest to your leadership team to make a list of different kinds of <u>new outreach activities</u>, geared for the big Harvest! Later, add these outreach activities to the above list of Congregational needs, for your members to also be able to choose from, and sign up for, (to be able to participate in these new activities at a future date).

[Maybe make these also available for non members. Invite non-members to be part of this, to get involved, even if they are here in Jerusalem for only a short time. As members of the greater world wide Body of Yeshua, they may also want to get involved.]

Create a Dozen new Congregational <u>Harvest Outreach</u> activities:

Jerusalem Worship and Intercession teams;

Jerusalem Evangelistic teams: Hebrew, Russian, and English; Jerusalem Youth Outreach teams;

Jerusalem Prayer, Healing and Deliverance teams (with signs, wonders, and miracles), visiting patients, hospitals, etc...;
Jerusalem Discipleship teams;

Jerusalem believers TV and Radio broadcasting teams; etc...

Be Creative with your <u>Harvest Outreach</u> ideas!

Now here's the Key that will make your Congregation really come Alive. You cannot do these Outreach activities with just your own Congregation members! In order for the Congregations to become Alive and be Successful, Jesus is now calling His Congregations to begin working together for what He is planning for the future of Jerusalem, and for the coming Great Outpouring and Harvest of souls... all His Body to come together under Yeshua's covering, the 'Tent / Succah of David'.

Isaiah 16:5, Amos 9:11-13, Isaiah 33:20-22, Isaiah 4:5,6

For your Outreach activities to really be successful, you need to unite with the other Congregations in the city, those who are interested to participate and join with your Congregation, whose Shepherds you trust and who can trust you, who you can work well with together. It's time for the Jerusalem Congregations to unite!

For one will put a thousand to flight, and two ten thousand.

"Father...that they may be One in Us, that the world may know that You sent Me... and the Glory You have given Me, I have given them, that they may be One, just as We are One, I in them and You in Me, ...that they may be made perfect in (Unity) One." John 17:21-23

Let's say that 12 Congregations choose to come together in these <u>Outreach activities</u>, and the shepherds agree on 12 catagories of different Outreach activities. Each Congregation will then choose their representatives for each of these Outreach categories. Therefore in every given category you will have a core team of 12 members. This <u>team of 12 will make up the core leadership group</u> for each particular Outreach activity. They then choose one or more persons to head that particular outreach leadership team.

Let's say for the city <u>evangelism harvesters team</u> of 12, they might choose person A or person B to head up this team, or they could choose an inner core group of two or three of the 12 to lead. For the all city <u>worship team</u>, choose one among the 12 worship leaders to head up a 24 hour, 7 day a week, prophetic worship team.

Choose the leader of each team from those with the most skill and gifting, whom God currently has doing this particular activity. Make sure that you, as a shepherd, also get involved in one or more of these Outreach activities, to get your blood stirred up. We all need to get stirred up, get a new Blood transfusion from our Head!

Now invite all the members from the various Congregations to join and participate in any of these 12 Outreach categories.

The 12 core members of each team will plan the activities for each team; times to meet, what to do, where and when to go, etc... They will take charge! And in this way each team will be serving all the Congregations of the city who have joined together.

Your members will start getting motivated as they plug into these, and God's Life and Anointing will start flowing through every Congregation in a whole new and exciting way. I also believe that the other Congregations who have remained independent, will soon join in. For God wants His whole Body united together into Him more than ever, for His End Times purposes to be fulfilled.

Jewish, Gentile, and Arab Shepherds must be united together and in submission to one another! True repentance and forgiveness of sin, and deep reconciliation must come. Only then can these Congregations and Ministries be United together in God's Love! What do we have to loose? Even more, how much we have to gain!

Let's look at an important Scripture. Proverb 29:18

Where there is no revelation, the people cast off restraint; but happy (blessed) is he who keeps the law. (NKJ) (NIV)

Where there is no vision (prophesy), the people are unrestrained (cast off restraint), but happy (blessed) is he who keeps the law. (NAS) (RSV)

Where there is no vision, the people perish, but he that keeps the law, happy is he. (KJV)

I also meditated on Scriptures concerning **the Tent of David**, (below), and God began giving me many new revelations...

Isaiah 16:5

And in Mercy shall **the Throne** be established: and <u>He shall</u> sit upon it in Truth in **the Tent of David**, Judging, and seeking Judgment, and hasting Righteousness. (Zech 6:12,13; Daniel 9:24)

Amos 9:11-13 (Acts 15:16,17)

"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 'Goyim'** (**all the Peoples of God**) 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; the mountains shall drip with sweet wine, and all the hills shall flow with it. [The Great Harvest of souls!] Nothing will stop this Wonderful Word of God from happening!

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, ...our Lawgiver, ...our **King**; **He will save us**! Isaiah 33:20-22

These three Scriptures are so rich...

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

This will bring so many unsaved Peoples into God's Body, 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!

Are the stakes and cords **the Positions** where God has already placed His Congregations, Churches, and Ministries in Jerusalem? Are broad rivers and steams the **flowing Anointing** that is coming?

Is this Tent of David like the Tent in the wilderness, positioned in the center of the camp, where each of the 12 tribes surround it, with God's Glory coming down and remaining in the Tent?

I truly believe that **this Tent is already up**, and now in position, and <u>Jesus is just waiting for us</u>, His believers of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood, **to come together in this Tent**, **and be united together with each other in love**, collectively offering up high worship to our **Loving** King of Heaven. "By this all men will know that you are My disciples, **if you have love for one another**." (John 13:35) We must stay in His Tent as much as possible, as God changes and purifies our hearts, until we finally live in His Tent. Because, like the earthly walk that our High Priest Yeshua made, being in this Tent **with Him and His Glory** will not only unite together His Body (John 17:22), but it will also excellerate our **total surrender and dying to the carnal self**, which is the high calling of His Bride to our **Savior King**!

For <u>His Bride are His High Priests</u>, those whom He has chosen to come into His Presence, and be intimate with Him, in His Tent, this Carousel, 'this Glorious Bridal Tent', in the Holy of Holies, inside Yeshua's Heart! We are His Bride, and He is

the Bridegroom King!

Another Scripture giving light to 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. [Is this first month around the Passover season?] 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 <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 in those days</u>. And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: blood and fire and pillars of smoke." Joel 2:23-30 (also see Hosea 6:3)

I believe that God is now beginning something quite new and exciting here in Jerusalem, by preparing and moving God's Body into position for the Great Outpouring of His Spirit that is coming. First He will use us in restoring the fallen 'Tent of David'. Only then will His Body be able to hold His Anointing and Great Outpouring for the Great Harvest. For the success of His Plans, God must now also move His Body of believers in Jerusalem into God's biblical structural alignment, found in the New Covenant.

"Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the **Apostle and High Priest** of our confession, Messiah Jesus, who was faithful to Him who appointed Him, as Moses was also faithful in all His house." Hebrews 3:1,2

"Now **you are the Body of Messiah**, and members individually. And God has appointed these in the church: **first apostles, second prophets**, **third <u>teachers (pastors</u>)**, after that **miracles**, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, etc... 1st Corinthians 12:27,28

Jesus' Body is being moved into God's Alignment and Submission!

Our Uniting will bring God's Anointing!

The more we Unite Together with God's Alignment, the more the Love of God will flow out through us, and touch His lost and dying World!

Where will this Great Outpouring of God's Holy Spirit take place? I believe that the path that David used to bring up the Ark of the Covenant, and God's Presence into the City of David, gives us our answer. I believe the Ark first came down through the ben Hinnom Valley, and then up through the Kidron Valley to the Gihon Spring. If this was the true path, then this gives us many clues to understand the mystery of Amos 9:11-13, and also the likely Center position of the restored Succah or Tent of David, which God said He would raise up in the last days, in Jerusalem.

This path just described goes around the base of Mount Zion!

Is this related to the Hebrew letter 'Shin'? Using the position of the two sides of the 'shin'(v), <u>first the right side</u>, by <u>the Gihon Spring</u>, where the **Ark of the Covenant rested for 41 years**, during the days of King David and the days of King Solomon, until taken to the Temple on Mount Moriah.

The left side of the 'Shin' is where the Ark of the Covenant of God's Presence may have first traveled through Zion, going down from the top of **the ben Hinnom Valley**, passing by what today is 'the Jerusalem Youth Music Center', just below Mount Zion Hotel. God had prophesied that this whole area would someday become **Holy!** (Jeremiah 31:39,40)

Could the Valley of ben Hinnom, which the Israeli's call 'Gehinom' which literally means 'hell', be the mystery location for the Great Outpouring of God's Spirit in these coming End Times. Could this area be the Center position for the restored 'Tent of David'? This area can easily hold 1000's!

Recent archeological artifact discoveries and an old baptismal site suggest that the first century Messianic Congregation of Saint James may have been located on or near the hill just above this ben Hinnom Valley position.

Is God about to redig ancient Wells of Revival from our Messianic past?

The 'Tent of David' encompasses the World, but its center is a certain place in Zion!

King David had the Ark of the Covenant placed in a Tent, by the water of the Gihon Spring, in preparation for the priesthood... 1st Kings 1:31-39

So they brought the ark of God, and set it in the midst of the tent that David had erected for it. Then they offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before God. And he (David) appointed some of the Levites to minister before the ark of the LORD, to commemorate, to thank, and to praise the LORD God of Israel: Asaph the chief, and next to him Zechariah, then Jeiel, Shemiramoth, Jehiel, Mattithiah, Eliab, Benaiah, and Obed-Edom: Jeiel with stringed instruments and harps, but Asaph made music with cymbals. Benaiah and Jahaziel, the priests, regularly blew the (silver) trumpets before the ark of the Covenant of God.

1st Chronicles 16:1,4-6 This biblical pattern, Numbers 10:3, will be used again! Two silver trumpets were used to call the Camp to come together into the Presence of God.

The Tent of David was up and operating by the Gihon Spring for 33 years under King David, and then for 8 more years under King Solomon, before the Ark of the Covenant was moved from there, and brought into the Temple, at Solomon's Grand Opening Ceremony, held on Mount Moriah, on the Feast of Tabernacles (Succoth).

Notice God's biblical pattern: **first** the Tent, and then the Temple!

For about 41 years the High Priest Zadok stayed out at Gibeon, with most of the other priests, with the wilderness Tabernacle, continuing sacrifices on the Altar, etc... God had interrupted biblical procedures of the priesthood of Aaron, established in the Sinai, to do something new. Prior, the High Priest went alone into the Most Holy place, inside the Tabernacle, to the Ark of the Covenant, to do the Yom Kippur Atonement sacrifices for the people. During these 41 years things changed. **What happened on Yom Kippur**, with the Ark now in Jerusalem, and the Tabernacle out at Gibeon?

God and David had changed things. Now praise and worship, and the sound of the silver trumpets was heard continually by the Tent, where the Ark of the Covenant was kept. (1st Chronicles 16:1-7; 1st Kings 6:17)

What had changed? It had to do with <u>priesthood and High Priest duties</u>. Who could now come into God's Presence? Something was changed for 41 years. David was in charge. The High Priest Zadok was submitted to David. I believe it had something to do with the Priesthood Order of **Melchi-Zedek**, and its mystery, which God brought David into. (see Psalm 110:4) Was it symbolic of the future changing of priesthood, which Yeshua later fulfilled; coming into God's Presence with high worship; death of the carnal nature?

We know that **David came** to this Tent to worship his God. Whether he ever went into this Tent or not, we don't really know, but we know that he worshipped his God by this Tent where the Ark was kept. Sacrifice here was Levitical worship, with the two Aaronic priests sounding silver trumpets. Was animal sacrifice done here? The priesthood functioned, doing animal sacrifices out in Gibeon, in the north west corner above Jerusalem. Only one time is written where the High Priest **Zadok** entered this Tent in Jerusalem. That was at the end of 33 years, to get out the ram's horn shofar, which he used to anoint King Solomon as the new King, by this 'Tent of God', at the Gihon Spring. (1st Kings 1:33-39,45; 2nd Samuel 7:18; 1st Chronicles 17:16)

With no existing House of God or Temple, now re-read David's Psalms: Psalm 5:7 "But as for me, I will come into Your House by the greatness of Your Mercy; in fear of You, I will worship toward Your Holy Temple." Psalm 15:1-5 "LORD, who may abide in Your Tent? Who may dwell on Your holy hill? He who walks uprightly, works righteousness, speaks the truth in his heart, he who does not backbite with his tongue..." Psalm 27:4-6 "One thing I have desired of the LORD, that will I seek. That I may dwell in the House of the LORD all the days of my life. To behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in His Temple. For in the day of trouble He shall keep me safe in His dwelling. He shall hide me in the shelter of His Tent... Therefore I will offer sacrifices in His Tent, sacrifices of shouts of joy. I will sing, yes I will make music to the LORD." Psalm 61:4 "I will abide in Your Tent forever...!"

David knew God's strict laws concerning holy things of the Tabernacle. Only Aaronic Priests were allowed to be around the Sanctuary holy articles. Anyone else who came near <u>was to be killed</u>. This also included the Levites. Numbers 1:51; 3:10; 3:38; 18:3-7 In Bet Shemesh, <u>50,070 men from Judah died</u>, when a few had opened and looked inside the Ark. (1st Samuel 6:19) Uzzah had died by David when he touched the Ark of God. (2nd Samuel 6:7) Did God change the rules for David? <u>David's psalms indicate that God did!</u>

Can you see a mystery? God had radically changed something, especially with David, seen from his writings. David knew that this position, being by this Tent and Ark of God's Presence, was allowed only for Aaronic priests. David desired to be as close to his God as he could be, and this meant being **by or in that Tent** where God dwelt. Whatever David did, God allowed it. Major changes happened with the High Priest's submission to King David. And these changes continued during all the remaining years of David's life.

The Tent of David had been placed by the physical water source. Today we are looking for a different kind of water source, it is the Spiritual one spoken of by Joel and other prophets, it is the Great Ourpouring of God's Spirit. It is the Water of Heaven which will be coming down for the Great Harvest of souls, when we have the former and latter rain in the first month, when we have the reaper catch up to the sower, when God again pours out His Spirit on all flesh! It is just ahead, maybe just around the corner.

Today, how have things changed? We are God's priests of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood; we are God's Holy Temple. We are God's Body, the Body of King Yeshua. God has chosen to use us, His Body, especially for the Great End Time Harvest, this last Great Outpouring of His Mercy, before God returns to earth, bringing His Judgment and Wrath. We are the ones God allows to come into His Holy Tent, and to be close to Him!

"Do you not know that **you are the Temple of God** and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which temple you are. 1st Corinthians 3:16,17 Or do you not know that your body is the Temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?" 1st Corinthians 6:19 "And what agreement has the Temple of God with idols? **For you are the Temple of the living God**; as God has said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people." 2nd Corinthians 6:16

John the Baptizer spoke a very important, but as yet <u>unfulfilled word</u> concerning Jesus's ministry: "I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. <u>He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and Fire!</u> His winnowing fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather His wheat into the barn; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." Matthew 3:11,12 (and Luke 3:16,17)

Prepare to be baptized in **David's Tent** with **the purifying Fire of God!** This **purifying Fire** will change our hearts, and give us more of Jesus' heart for the sick and hurting, the unlovable, the lost and dying, where we put on God's Love, Mercy, and Compassion, before any other ministry goals. **True Holiness of God** is the Heart of God for His lost and dying world!

Surely the Lord GOD does nothing, unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets. A lion has roared! Who will not fear? The Lord GOD has spoken! Who can but prophesy? Amos 3:7-8

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God had David following a similar pattern to that which God had first given to Moses. Moses was God's 'man in charge'. God would meet with him in a Tent, and God's Presence would come down, in the form of the Cloud of Glory, through which God would talk to and instruct His servant Moses, God's Priest of a heavenly Priesthood, concerning the construction of the Tabernacle and the building of an earthly Priesthood, the Aaronic Priesthood. This was done before any Tabernacle was ever built.

Joshua (Yehoshua), Moses' servant, would stay in this Tent, and later he would lead the children of Israel into the physical Promise Land. [Yeshua now Reigns in David's Tent, drawing Israel into the Spiritual Promise Land.]

Exodus 33:7-11

Moses took his tent and pitched it outside the camp, far from the camp, and called it the Tent of meeting. And it came to pass that everyone who sought the LORD went out to the Tent of meeting which was outside the camp. So it was, whenever Moses went out to the Tent, that all the people rose, and each man stood at his tent door and watched Moses until he had gone into the Tent. And it came to pass, when Moses entered the Tent, that the Pillar of Cloud descended and stood at the door of the Tent, and the LORD talked with Moses. All the people saw the Pillar of Cloud standing at the Tent door, and all the people rose and worshiped, each man in his tent door. So the LORD spoke to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend. And he would return to the camp, but his servant Joshua the son of Nun, a young man, did not depart from the Tent of meeting.

In the days of King David we see this whole senerio again repeated: We see the Tent where God would meet with David, His 'man in charge', who was in authority over the Aaronic Priesthood. And here in the Tent, God's Presence was above the Mercy Seat that was on the Ark of the Covenant. And God would talk to David, God's Priest of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood, giving him plans for the building of the Temple of God, and its function, to be carried out by the Aaronic Priesthood.

By the mouth of two or three witnesses, let a thing be established:
Under Moses, ... first the Tent of Meeting, and then the Tabernacle;
Under David, ... first the Tent with the Ark, and then the Temple;
Now in the last days, a collective Body of Melchi-Zedek Priests serving
Under Yeshua, ... first the Tent of David, and then the Orthodox Temple!

Psalm 32:1,2,5 (Psalm of David)

Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man to whom the LORD does not impute iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. I acknowledged my sin to You, and my iniquity I have not hidden. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and **You forgave the iniquity of my sin**. Selah

David is carrying the Seed of Yeshua in his body!

On what basis could God forgive David's sins? By Blood, the precious Blood of the Lamb of God!

Revelation 13:8

... the Book of Life of <u>the Lamb</u> <u>slain from the foundation of the world!</u> Because the Word of God is Eternal, David was forgiven by God because **of Blood** (Leviticus 17:11), **the precious Blood of the Lamb of God!**

Hebrews 9:18-22

Therefore not even the first covenant was dedicated without blood. For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and goats, with water, scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, saying, "This is the blood of the Covenant which God has commanded you." Then likewise he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle and all the vessels of the ministry.

And according to the law almost all things are purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no remission (of sin).

Hebrews 9:2-5,6,7

For a tabernacle was prepared: the first part, in which was the lampstand, the table, and the showbread, which is called the sanctuary; and behind the second veil, the part of the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of All, which had the golden censer and the Ark of the Covenant overlaid on all sides with gold, in which were the golden pot that had the manna, Aaron's rod that budded, and the tablets of the Covenant; and above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the Mercy Seat. Now when these things had been thus prepared, the priests always went into the first part of the tabernacle, performing the services. But into the second part the High Priest went alone once a year, not without **blood**, which he offered for himself and for the people's sins committed in ignorance;

Leviticus 16:1-6,12-17

Now the LORD spoke to Moses after the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they offered profane fire before the LORD, and died; and the LORD said to Moses: "Tell Aaron your brother not to come at just any time into the Holy Place, inside the veil, before the Mercy Seat which is on the Ark, lest he die; for I will appear in the Cloud above the Mercy Seat. Thus Aaron shall come into the Holy Place: with the blood of a young bull as a sin offering, and of a ram as a burnt offering. He shall put the holy linen tunic and the linen trousers on his body. He shall be girded with a linen sash, and with the linen turban he shall be attired. These are holy garments. Therefore he shall wash his body in water, and put them on.

And he shall take from the congregation of the children of Israel two kids of the goats as a sin offering, and one ram as a burnt offering. Aaron shall offer the bull as a sin offering, which is for himself, and make **Atonement** for himself and for his house. Then he shall take a censer full of burning coals of fire from the altar before the LORD, with his hands full of sweet incense beaten fine, and bring it inside the veil. And he shall put the incense on the fire before the LORD, that the cloud of incense may cover the Mercy Seat that is on the Testimony, lest he die. He shall take some of the blood of the bull and sprinkle it with his finger on the Mercy Seat on the east side; and before the Mercy Seat he shall sprinkle some of the blood with his finger seven times. Then he shall kill the goat of the sin offering, which is for the people, bring its blood inside the veil, do with that blood (of the goat) as he did with the blood of the bull, and sprinkle it on the Mercy **Seat and before the Mercy Seat**. So he shall make **Atonement** for the Holy Place, because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions, for all their sins.

And so he shall do for the Tent of meeting, which remains among them in the midst of their uncleanness. There shall be no man in the Tent of meeting when he goes in to make **Atonement** in the Holy Place, until he comes out, that he may make **Atonement** for himself, for his household, and for all the assembly of Israel."

During the days of King David, was the biblical feast of Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, kept by the High Priest Zadok? I don't believe so, at least not in any way described above! Then what did the people of Israel do for the Atonement of sins?

The Tabernacle of Meeting, with the altar, the Holy Place, and the Holy of Holies, was kept out at Gibeon, with the Priesthood doing sacrifices and offerings there. But the Ark of the Covenant was kept in the Tent of David, located by the Gihon Spring, in Jerusalem. And there it stayed for 41 years. How then could the Yom Kippur service and sacrifices be performed by the High Priest Zadok?

Therefore <u>on what basis did the people have sins forgiven?</u> Was there any Atonement done for sin? For 20 years prior the Ark had been at the house of Abinadab, in Kirjath Jearim.

Hebrews 10:1-14,19-22

For the law, having a shadow of the good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with these same sacrifices, which they offer continually year by year, make those who approach perfect. For then would they not have ceased to be offered? For the worshipers, once purified, would have had no more consciousness of sins. But in those sacrifices there is a reminder of sins every year. For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats could take away sins.

Therefore, when He came into the world, He said: ["Sacrifice and offering You did not desire; my ears You have opened; burnt offering and sin offering You did not require. Then I said, "Behold, I come; in the scroll of the book it is written of Me. I delight to do Your will, O My God, and Your law is within My heart." Psalm 40:6-8]

He takes away the first that He may establish the second. By that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of the Messiah Jesus once for all. And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God, from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.

Therefore, brethren, <u>having boldness to enter the Holiest</u>
by the Blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and having a High Priest over the house of God, <u>let us draw near with a true heart</u> in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

On what biblical basis could King David, of the tribe of Judah, enter the Tent where the Ark of the Covenant with the Mercy Seat was kept?

This was the sole responsibility of the Aaronic Priesthood?

By strictest Torah law, any stranger (whether any Jew, being outside the tribe of Levi, or any Gentiles) would be killed, for just approaching!

Hebrews 9:8

The Holy Spirit indicating this, that **the Way** into the Holiest of All was not yet made manifest while the first Tabernacle was still standing.

First Answer:

The Aaronic Priesthood duties for carrying out the biblical holiday of Yom Kippur had been interrupted for over 61 years. Prior, it had been carried out by the Aaronic Priests for 100's of years. God allowed this when King David had put up the Tent by the Gihon Spring for the Ark. God never allowed the rest of the Aaronic Priesthood to bring the Tabernacle from Gibeon to where the Ark of the Covenant was kept by the Gihon Spring. Why?

During this time of <u>Priesthood transition</u>, God was showing us a future time, when 'a Heavenly Tent' and the greater Melchi-Zedek Priesthood would be functioning on earth from the Tent of David, under God's High Priest, Yeshua, King of Glory!

Isaiah 16:5

"In mercy the Throne will be established; and One will sit on it in Truth, in 'the Tent of David', Judging and seeking Justice and hastening Righteousness."

Second Answer: <u>David's Obedience</u> to God!

1 Samuel 13:13-14

And Samuel said to Saul, "You have done foolishly. You have not kept the commandment of the LORD your God, which He commanded you. For now the LORD would have established your kingdom over Israel forever. But now your kingdom shall not continue.

The LORD has sought for Himself **a man after His own heart**, and the LORD has commanded him to be Commander over His people, because you have not kept what the LORD commanded you."

1 Samuel 15:16-26,28

Then Samuel said to Saul, "Be quiet! and I will tell you what the LORD said to me last night." And he said to him, "Speak on." So Samuel said, "When you were little in your own eyes, were you not head of the tribes of Israel? And did not the LORD anoint you king over Israel? Now the LORD sent you on a mission, and said, 'Go, and utterly destroy the sinners, the Amalekites, and fight against them until they are consumed.' Why then did you not obey the voice of the LORD? Why did you swoop down on the spoil, and do evil in the sight of the LORD?" And Saul said to Samuel, "But I have obeyed the voice of the LORD, and gone on the mission on which the LORD sent me, and brought back Agag king of Amalek. I have utterly destroyed the Amalekites. But the people took of the plunder, sheep and oxen, the best of the things which should have been utterly destroyed, to sacrifice to the LORD your God in Gilgal."

Then Samuel said: "Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because you have rejected the Word of the LORD, He also has rejected you from being king."

Then Saul said to Samuel, "I have sinned, for I have transgressed the commandment of the LORD and your words, because I feared the people and obeyed their voice. Now therefore, please pardon my sin, and return with me, that I may worship the LORD." But Samuel said to Saul, "I will not return with you, for you have rejected the Word of the LORD, and the LORD has rejected you from being king over Israel."

"The LORD has torn the kingdom of Israel from you today, and has given it to a neighbor of yours, who is better than you."

2 Samuel 7:1-3,18

Now it came to pass when (David) the king was dwelling in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies all around, that the king said to Nathan the prophet, "See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, **but the Ark of God dwells inside tent curtains**." Then Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that is in your heart, <u>for the LORD is with you</u>." And King David went and he 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?

1 Chronicles 17:1-2,16,25

Now it came to pass, when David was dwelling in his house, that David said to Nathan the prophet, "See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the Ark of the covenant of the LORD is under tent curtains." Then Nathan said to David, "Do all that is in your heart, for God is with you."

And King David went and he 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?" "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."

It was definitely on David's heart to go and sit before God in that 'Tent'!

Third Answer:

I believe that this King of the tribe of Judah had been made a Priest of God, that David was this faithful Priest mentioned below!

Samuel 2:27,34,35

Then a man of God came to Eli and said to him, "Thus says the LORD: 'Now this shall be a sign to you that will come upon your two sons, on Hophni and Phinehas: in one day they shall die, both of them.

'Then I will raise up for Myself **a faithful priest** who shall do according to what is in My heart and in My mind. **I will build him a sure house**, and he shall walk before My Anointed forever.

I believe that God had made King David **a Priest** of a greater Priesthood, the Heavenly Melchi-Zedek Priesthood, with Power and Authority superseding that of the Aaronic High Priest!

This would account for why the Aaronic High Priest Zadok was submitted to King David, and for his obedience and submission to King David and God, God would later change the whole structure of the Aaronic Priesthood, by blessing Zadok and his sons only, of all the families of the Aaronic Priests, with an Eternal Priestly blessing of God's favor. See Ezekiel 44:10-28; and 48:10,11

Psalm 110:1-6 (Psalm of David)

The LORD (Jehovah / **Father**) saying to my Lord (**Son** / Adoni, [singular]), "Sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool." The LORD (Jehovah) shall extend the Scepter of Your strength out of Zion. Rule in the midst of Your enemies!

Your troops shall be willing in the day of Your Battle; in the Majesties of Holiness, **from the womb of the dawn**, 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 Melchi-zedek."

The Lord (Adoni) is at Your right hand. He shall execute kings in the day of His wrath. He shall judge among the nations, He shall fill the places with dead bodies, He shall execute the heads of many countries.

I believe that God was also talking to David, and telling David that he, David, was this Priest of the Order of Melchi-Zedek!

Fourth Answer:

God was teaching us through King David a whole new and living Way to approach God, through <u>high worship:</u>
Levites doing worship, with Aaronic Priests blowing silver trumpets.

Psalm 22:3 (Psalm of David)

Yet you are holy, O you who are enthroned upon the praises of Israel.

Psalm 99:1-3,5,9 (Psalm of David)

The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He dwells between the cherubim; let the earth be moved! **The LORD is great in Zion**, and He is high above all the peoples. Let them praise Your great and awesome name, He is Holy.

Exalt the LORD our God,

and worship at His footstool! He is Holy.

Exalt the LORD our God,

and worship at His holy hill; for the LORD our God is Holy.

Psalm 15:1-5 (Psalm of David)

LORD, who may abide in Your Tent? Who may dwell in Your holy hill? He who walks uprightly, and works righteousness, and speaks the truth in his heart; he who does not backbite with his tongue, nor does evil to his neighbor, nor does he take up a reproach against his friend; in whose eyes a vile person is despised, but he honors those who fear the LORD; he who swears to his own hurt and does not change; He who does not put out his money at usury, nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

He who does these things shall never be moved.

King David is writing about **a whole new Way to approach his God,** through a Way of righteousness. In David's old age, just look at the words of his wife Bathsheba. She knew that it was always on David's heart to live forever in God's Presence! "Let my lord King David live forever!"

God had shown King David 'a new Way' to come into God's Presence! Jesus is 'the Way'! (John 14:6)

King David must have met Adoni, this Son of God; how else could he write about Him. And he must have been brought into this new Priesthood!

Hebrews 7:11-12

Therefore, if perfection were through the Levitical Priesthood, (for under it the people received the law), what further need was there that another Priest should rise according to the Order of Melchizedek, and not be called according to the order of Aaron? For the priesthood being changed, of necessity there is also a change of the law.

If David had been made a Priest of this Heavenly Melchi-Zedek Order, as a forerunner to Messiah Jesus, whose Seed he carried, wouldn't this explain the reason why he could be allowed to enter God's Presence in 'the Tent'?

Psalm 16:7-11 (Psalm of David)

I will bless the LORD who has given me counsel; my heart also instructs me in the night seasons. I have set the LORD always before me! Because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices; my flesh also will rest in hope. For You will not leave my soul in Sheol, nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption. You will show me the path of life!

In Your Presence is fullness of joy!
At Your Right Hand are Pleasures forevermore.

Psalm 17:15 (Psalm of David)

As for me, I will see Your Face in Righteousness; I shall be satisfied when I awake in Your likeness.

Hebrews 10:12-14,19-27

But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God, from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified. Therefore, brethren, **having boldness to enter the Holiest** by **the blood** of Jesus, by a new and living Way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and having a High Priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is Faithful.

And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching. For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a certain fearful expectation of Judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries.

This Tent that housed the Ark of God's Presence during the days of King David was another miracle of God, <u>for it</u> stood strong and lasted in all kinds of weather for 41 years! This miracle was like that in the Sinai, when neither the clothes nor the sandals of the Israelites wore out during those 40 years.

When will God begin the Great Outpouring?

This will begin when Jesus' Body of priests Unite Together!

God is waiting on us! For the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood supersedes the work of the Aaronic Priesthood! That means that the restored Tent of David will be up and functioning long before the Orthodox Temple. For when we unite together, this will bring the Glory down that Jesus asked His Father for, for us, John 17:22, and then we will be ready for a Great two fold Outpouring of God's Spirit,

1) which will bring a blessing for those who are seeking God, but

2) it will cause just the opposite, a curse for those opposing God!

The Purifying Fire of God's Holy Spirit will purify the sons of God, but it will destroy God's enemies, who resist and fight against God.

The Uniting of Jerusalem's Melchi-Zedek Priests will help bring...

Psalm 110:1-3 (Psalm of David)

JEHOVAH said to Adoni (Son, Yeshua),

"sit at My Right Hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool." JEHOVAH shall extend the Scepter of Your strength **out of Zion**. Rule in the midst of Your enemies!

Your troops (Your Melchi-Zedek Priests) shall be willing in the day of Your Battle; in the Majesties of Holiness, **from the womb of the dawn**, You have the dew of Your youth.

...the Womb of the dawn... this is the earliest part of the morning light, perhaps at the beginning of the Third Day! To me this also relates to the birthing place, the place of the Womb, the base of Zion, the lowest and most humble place of submission, death to carnal self: i.e. the ben Hinnom Valley. This will be the place where this first great battle will be fought and won by the God's Priests interceding against the Spirit of Islam, to bring it down! And here the Great Outpouring will also take place for the Salvation of 1000's of lost Arab Moslem and Jews, but only after the war of Gog/Magog.

^{1&}lt;sup>st</sup> the Fall of the Islamic Spirit!

^{2&}lt;sup>nd</sup> the Fall of the Religious Spirits over Judaism and Christianity!

^{3&}lt;sup>rd</sup> the Fall of all the Nations that come against Jerusalem and Israel!

In the war with Gog/Magog and the nations with him, when they attack Israel in the last days, in Ezekiel 38 and 39, in chapter 39: 21-22,28-29, God says "I will set My Glory among the nations; all the nations shall see My Judgment which I have executed, and My hand which I have laid on them.

So the house of Israel shall know that I am the LORD their God from that day forward! Then they shall know that I am the LORD their God, who sent them into captivity among the nations, but also brought them back to their own land, and left none of them captive any longer. (verse 29) And I will not hide My Face from them anymore; for I will pour out My Spirit on the house of Israel,' says the Lord GOD."

We can see from the above Scripture when the Great Outpouring of God's Holy Spirit will take place in Israel: it happens either during this Gog / Magog war, or just at the conclusion of this war!

We also see a similar pattern repeated in Joel 2:20-32; verses 20,23,28: "But I will remove far from you **the northern army** ..."

"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** ... **the former rain and the latter rain in the first month.**"

"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.

Ezekiel 37:1,2,3,9-11,14

The hand of the LORD came upon me and brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of **the Valley**; and it was full of bones. ... behold, there were very many in the open valley; and indeed they were very dry. And He said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" So I answered, "O Lord GOD, You know." Then He said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." So I prophesied as He commanded me, and breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great army. Then He said to me, "Son of man, these bones are

the whole house of Israel. They indeed say, 'Our bones are dry, our hope is lost, and we ourselves are cut off!' "
"I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live..."

Is it possible that this Valley of dry bones that is described above is the same Valley described in Jeremiah 31:39, the one at the base of Mount Zion, which is <u>full of the dead bodies and ashes</u>, the Valley of ben Hinnom?

With all the wars and battles that modern Israel has fought, for all Israel to fall on their faces before God, it would be because things have become <u>completely hopeless</u> for them. That's where God has been bringing them, so He can be God to them; and in this place of humility they can be saved!

1 Peter 5:5-7

"God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble." Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

Daniel 12:6-7

And one said to the Man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, "How long shall the fulfillment of these wonders be?" Then I heard the Man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, when He held up his right hand and his left hand to heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever, that it shall be for a time, times, and half a time;

and when the power of the holy people has been completely shattered, all these things shall be finished!

This will happen <u>only at the very end</u>, when all the nations of the world come against Israel and Jerusalem, and are defeated by God! But until that time there will be many many Birth Pains. The War of Gog/Magog must come first, and very soon. And each new battle will only be won as God's Priests of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood <u>humble themselves</u>, with much weeping and prayer intercession before God. We must be United together as one Body, to have these EndTime Victories!

The Words of Daniel 2:44 are specifically relevant today: "And <u>in the days of these kings</u> the God of heaven will set up a Kingdom which shall never be destroyed; and the Kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever."

Biblical Patterns of **God's Glory-Fire** Coming Down, during the Days of Moses, David, Jesus, and Today!
God's Presence brings God's Glory for
Receiving God's Counsel, and Consuming Our Offerings!

Moses had asked God to see His Glory!

Exodus 33:9-11, 18-23

And it came to pass, when Moses entered the tabernacle, that the pillar of cloud descended and stood at the door of the tabernacle, and the LORD talked with Moses. All the people saw the pillar of cloud standing at the tabernacle door, and all the people rose and worshiped, each man in his tent door. So **the LORD spoke to Moses face to face**, **as a man speaks to his friend**. And he would return to the camp, but his servant Joshua the son of Nun, a young man, did not depart from the tabernacle.

And he (Moses) said, "Please, show me Your Glory." Then He said, "I will make all My Goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before you. I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion." But He said,

"You cannot see My face; for no man shall see Me, and live!" And the LORD said, "Here is a place by Me, and you shall stand on the rock. So it shall be, while My Glory passes by, that I will put you in the cleft of the rock, and will cover you with My hand while I pass by. Then I will take away My hand, and you shall see My back; but My face shall not be seen!"

King David also desired to be in the Presence of God's Glory. He wrote about seeing God's Glory in many of his psalms. Perhaps it was in 'the Tent' that David experienced God's Glory, and received God's counsel for Victory in battle, for building his kingdom, and God's plans for building the Temple?

Psalm 8:4-6

What is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You visit him? For You have made him a little lower than Elohim, and You have crowned him with Glory and honor. You have made him to have dominion over the works of Your hands. You have put all things under his feet...

Psalm 24:7-10

Lift up your heads, O you gates! And be lifted up, you Everlasting Doors!

And the King of Glory shall come in. Who is this King of glory?

The LORD Strong and Mighty, the LORD Mighty in Battle.

Lift up your heads, O you gates! Lift up, you Everlasting Doors!

And the King of Glory shall come in. Who is this King of Glory?

The LORD of hosts, He is the King of Glory!

Psalm 57:5

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let Your Glory be above all the earth.

Psalm 63:2-4

So I have looked for You in the sanctuary (the Tent), to behold Your Power and Your Glory. Because Your lovingkindness is better than life, my lips shall praise You. Thus I will bless You while I live...

Psalm 72:19

And let the whole earth be filled with His Glory.

Psalm 102:15-16

For the LORD shall build up Zion; He shall appear in His Glory!

Jesus also spoke of His Glory with His Father, as did His disciples...

John 1:14

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His Glory, the Glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of Grace and Truth.

John 17:21-24 (Our place for receiving this will be in the 'Tent of David'.) "...that they all may be One, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be One in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. And 'the Glory' which You gave Me I have given them, 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, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.

Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My Glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

"For the Son of Man will come **in the Glory** of His Father with His angels, and then He will reward each according to his works."

"Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a Cloud with Power and Great Glory!" Matthew 16:27; Luke 21:27

Today, it is God's Glory that is our Key for Uniting the Body of believers in Jesus into One, in Jerusalem, in the restored 'Tent of David'! Let us learn from the biblical patterns of our past which God gave Moses, and David, and that Jesus prayed for, for us, His End-Time Priests.

Coming into the Presence of Jesus, King of Glory, through high worship in the Tent of David, as a United Body of His Priests, on our faces, crying out in prayer to Him, will open up for us God's Counsel, and His specific intercession Prayer Focus, so desperately needed if we hope to have His Victory in the many End Time battles just ahead, which Israel will face.

God has brought us here to all work together for the Salvation of Israel! Victory will be in coming to God, as a united Body, in the Tent of David!

Gird yourselves and lament, you priests; wail, you who minister before the altar; come, lie all night in sackcloth, you who minister to my God...

Consecrate a fast, call a sacred assembly; gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land into the house of the LORD your God, and cry out to the LORD. (Joel 1:13-14) **Blow the trumpet in Zion**, consecrate a fast, call a sacred assembly. Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children and nursing babes; let the bridegroom go out from his chamber, and the bride from her dressing room.

Let the priests, who minister to the LORD, weep between the porch and the altar; let them say, "Spare Your people, O LORD, and do not give Your heritage to reproach, that the nations should rule over them. Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?' " (Joel 2:15-17)

Each New Revelation from Jesus is the train track that the Body runs on. For the testimony of Jesus is **the Spirit of Prophesy**, to show us 'the Way' for the whole Body of believers to move forward!

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