

**REVEALING**  
**THE MYSTERIES**  
**OF THE**  
**MELCHI-ZEDEK**  
**PRIESTHOOD**  
**[REVISED EDITION]**

**THE  
MELCHI-ZEDEK  
PRIESTHOOD**

**IS THIS  
A NEW PRIESTHOOD?**

**OR  
JUST HOW DID  
YESHUA**

**THE GREAT HIGH PRIEST**

**FULFILL THE AARONIC**

**ZADOKITE**

**PRIESTHOOD?**

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This booklet reveals many secrets to the yet unanswered mysteries concerning the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood, the real Priesthood of all true believers in Yeshua. Mysteries such as... where did King David put up the tent in the City of David, in which he placed the Ark of the Covenant? ... was King David able to go in and sit before God beside the Holy Ark? ... who is the mystery 'prince' who sits before God in the Millennial Temple? ... what was the family Priesthood secret that Elizabeth and Mary shared? ... what did Yeshua mean by Yohanan being 'more than just a prophet'? ... what was the Priesthood mystery that Yohanan and Yeshua shared? ... just how did Yohanan baptizing Yeshua **fulfill all Righteousness**?  
... **just how did Yeshua fulfill the Aaronic Priesthood?**

This book is dedicated to **GOD, our FATHER,**  
and to **HIS Wonderful Son, Yeshua,**  
and to **THE HOLY SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD,**

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**'You, a Priest Forever in the Order of Melchi-Zedek.'** Psalm 110:4

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OF THE MELCHI-ZEDEK PRIESTHOOD!**  
[REVISED EDITION] by Richard Aaron Honorof

**The Melchi-Zedek Priesthood, the Priesthood of God, made up of all true believers in Yeshua, is not a new Priesthood formed after the Aaronic Priesthood was formed; for it pre-dated the Aaronic Priesthood, as the heavenly Priesthood Order of God!**

**Also the MELCHI-ZEDEK PRIESTHOOD  
became the fulfillment of the Aaronic Priesthood!**

Before I show you these Great truths found in the Bible, let's first explore the foundational Scriptures in the Tanakh (Old Covenant) concerning our Melchi-Zedek Priesthood.

Before God showed Moses his plans for forming the Aaronic Priesthood, starting with Aaron and his four sons from the tribe of Levi (Exodus 28:1), God had first spoken a blessing over all of Israel, showing that it was **God's Heart's desire** to see the house of Jacob and the children of Israel become...

**'a Kingdom of Priests and a Holy Nation'**. Exodus 19

This Word was spoken by God three days before He came down on Mount Sinai, sounding the Great Shofar and giving the Ten Commandments, and entering into **Marriage Betrothal Covenant** with Israel, and the nations.

This '**Kingdom of Priests**', which God mentioned in Exodus 19, referred to a different Priesthood than the Aaronic Priesthood, which God had Moses form later. We see that the **strangers and foreigners** in the camp of Israel were also included by God in His Covenant blessings given to the twelve tribes of Israel! Deuteronomy 29:10-16

It is also very important to note that Aaron, Moses's brother, of the tribe of Levi, married Elisheva; and that Elisheva was the sister of Nahshon, the head of the **tribe of Judah**, the son of Amminadab. Seen in Exodus 6:23, Numbers 1:7 Elisheva became '**the mother of the Aaronic Priesthood**'. She had four sons who all became Priests under their father Aaron.

Elisheva's sons became the future Aaronic Priesthood. **But they were not just from the tribe of Levi**, as has been taught; **they were really from two tribes, Levi and Judah!**

This information would later become part of the mystery puzzle of how **the Aaronic Priesthood would be fulfilled through the life and ministry of Yeshua**, and the mystery that existed between the two cousins, Yohanan (John) the Immerser and his cousin Yeshua (Jesus); and between their mothers, Miriam (Mary) and Elisheva (Elizabeth), and also Zacharias.

This booklet explores and reveals many **of the wonderful family secrets** that had to exist among them all.

As we have read, the Aaronic Priesthood **was not God's first choice!** However it is a Priesthood that God has said would remain **forever**. Exodus 29:9;40:15; Numbers 10:8; Deuteronomy 18:1-5; and 1<sup>st</sup> Chronicles 23:13;

The Aaronic Priesthood was first shown to Moses during the forty days when Moses went up on Mount Sinai to receive the Ten Commandments from God (Exodus 28:1). But it was **actually only formed after Israel rebelled against God** and His commandments, with their idolatry, by making and worshiping the golden calf. Exodus 32:26 (32:1-28):

‘Then Moses stood in the entrance of the camp, and said, ‘Whoever is on the LORD’s side, let him come to me.’ And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together to him.

This scene is where **God sets aside the whole tribe of Levi to begin serving Aaron and his sons** with the Tabernacle of Meeting at Mount Sinai.

But God had first desired all the firstborn of Israel. ‘**Sanctify to Me all the firstborn, whatever opens the womb among the children of Israel**, both of man and animal; **it is Mine!**’ Exodus 13:2 God later made this change official, stating that He now chose only the Levites:

‘Thus you shall separate the Levites from among the children of Israel, and **the Levites shall be mine!** ...For they are wholly given to Me among the children of Israel; **I have taken them for Myself instead of all who open the womb, the firstborn of all the children of Israel.**

For all the firstborn among the children of Israel are Mine, both man and beast; on the day that I struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt I sanctified them to Myself.

**I have taken the Levites instead of all the firstborn of the children of Israel. And I have given the Levites as a gift to Aaron and his sons from among the children of Israel, to do the work of the children of Israel in the Tabernacle of Meeting, to make atonement for the children of Israel...’ Numbers 8:14,16-19**

We also see that in the days of Samuel, that **having a man reign as king over Israel was not the choice of God’s heart; it was not God’s best for Israel!** When the children of Israel tell Samuel to give them a king to rule over them, God lets Samuel know that the people are not rejecting Samuel, but that they are rejecting God, that God should not Reign over them as their **true King**. “Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, ‘Look, you are old, and your sons do not walk in your ways. Now make for us a king to judge us like all the nations.’ But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, ‘Give us a king to judge us’. So Samuel prayed to the LORD. And the LORD said to Samuel, ‘Heed the voice of the people in all that they say to you; **for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected Me, that I should not reign over them**. According to all the works which they have done since the day that I brought them up out of Egypt, even to this day, with which they have forsaken Me and served other gods, so they are doing to you also.’ ” 1st Samuel 8:4-8

And Samuel said to the people “...you said to me, ‘No, but a king shall reign over us,’ when the LORD your God was your King. Now therefore, stand and see this great thing which the LORD will do before your eyes. Is today not the wheat harvest? I will call to the LORD, and He will send thunder and rain, that you may perceive and see that your wickedness is great, which you have done in the sight of the LORD, in asking for a king for yourselves.” So Samuel called to the LORD, and the LORD sent thunder and rain that day; and all the people greatly feared the LORD and Samuel. 1 Samuel 12:6,12,16-18

In Deuteronomy 17:14-20, God instructed the people about having a king reign over them, whom the LORD would choose, a king who would daily study Torah, a king who would not multiply wives, etc...

**The formation of the Aaronic Priesthood was not God’s first choice for Israel! And also for Israel to have a man reign over them as king was not God’s choice!**



In fact, the formation of both the Aaronic Priesthood and the choosing of a king to reign over Israel **both began only after rebellion against God** by the children of Israel. This will help to better understand God's reasons for establishing the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood on earth. However forming the Aaronic Priesthood, and placing a king over Israel were both done by God to teach the children of Israel about **the Kingship and Priesthood of God**, that would someday come down to earth under **the Order of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood!**

Yeshua said that He did not come to destroy **the Torah, but to fulfill Torah!** **'Do not think that I came to destroy the Law (Torah) or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill!** For assuredly, I say to you, till Heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law (Torah) till all is fulfilled.' Matthew 5:17,18

The Aaronic Priesthood is definitely an important part of the Torah that God had spent forty years developing in the Sinai.

Just how did Yeshua fulfill the Aaronic Priesthood?

The **Mystery Man** who appeared to Abram, in Genesis 14:18,19, and who blessed Abram and **his Seed** (which **Seed** would become the Messiah) with a great blessing, had three titles: **'My King of Righteousness' Melchi-Zedek), 'King of Salem' (Melek Salem),** and **'Priest to God Most High' (Cohen El Elyon)!**

It is most important to see that **this Man is both a King and a Priest of God Most High**, and that **He gives to Abram and to his Seed a special Kingly-Priestly blessing!**

I believe that this Mystery Man, who appeared to Abram and blessed him verbally and also blessed him with bread and wine, brought Abram into His Priesthood, the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood of God.

You may not find this truth stated in the lines of the passage in Genesis 14:18-24, but by looking at the whole life of our father Abraham you can see it. An answer may not always come in a few lines of Scriptures, but it may be in the essence of the whole picture. This answer is clearly seen as you look at the entire life and behavior of Abraham in his relationship with his God and with his fellow man.

We are looking for the mystery identity of a Man called: ‘My King of Righteousness’, ‘King of Peace’, and ‘Priest of God Most High’. And this Man blessed Abram in the Name of the One True and Living God, with a most special heavenly blessing. And then this Man brought forth Bread and Wine. Was there **Eternal Life** in that first **Bread and Wine** that this Man from Heaven, this King-Priest served Abram?

Abram recognized this Man, Melchi-Zedek, as being God, or a Man from God, for Abram paid tithe to Melchi-Zedek, and then said: ‘I have lifted my hand to **the LORD God Most High**, the Creator of Heaven and earth, and ...(I will take nothing from you other kings)...’ Genesis 14:18-22 From his remark, Abram seemed to know that this King-Priest was the actual appearance of God Himself, or His Messenger.

Scripture tells us that Abraham obeyed God, even to the point of offering his son Isaac on Mount Moriah, and God considered Abraham as being righteous. ‘Abraham believed God and it was counted to him **for righteousness.**’ Genesis 15:6 and Romans 4:3 And we also read that Abraham was called ‘**the friend of God**’. James 2:23

God made Abraham a **Prince** among the nations around him, in the land of Canaan. The sons of Heth said to him: ‘Hear us my lord, **you are a Prince of God** among us’. Genesis 23:6

Then God passed these blessings that Abraham had received on to his descendants. And God blessed Isaac; and then God blessed Jacob (Israel). Genesis 26:4; 28:14; 32:28-30

To state it plainly, this Man, this King of Righteousness, imparted to Abram special qualities of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood. He blessed Abram; and how often do we read in the scriptures of ‘the Blessing of Abraham’. And Abraham was a man who blessed many others, as God also promised to bless the world through him. ‘In you (in your Seed) shall all the families of the earth be blessed.’ Genesis 12:3 (see Genesis 18:18; 28:4; and Galatians 3:8-14) And Abraham was a peace maker with those around him.

Let’s look at this another way. Does Abraham make it into the Kingdom of Heaven? We know that those who enter into the Kingdom of Heaven will need the Atonement of the Blood of the Lamb, and will also be God’s Priests of the Order of Melchi-Zedek, of which Priesthood we know that **Yeshua is both the founder and also the Head!**

Yeshua showed us this answer many times in the word... ‘Many will come and sit with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the Kingdom of Heaven.’ Matthew 8:11; Luke 16:22

‘And ...you shall see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob, and all the prophets, but you yourselves thrust out...’ Luke 13:28,29 (also Luke 16:23-29; Luke 20:37-38)

**This Man**, this Priest of El Elyon, who blessed Abram and his seed, is none other than **the Son of God**, who knew that one day He would come forth from Abram’s **Seed**, from this ‘**Seed of woman**’, Genesis 3:15. He would destroy the evil one, and reclaim the earth for God, as God’s rightful Savior of the world. And as the LORD GOD said to the serpent: ‘...I will put enmity between you (serpent) and the woman, and between your seed and her **Seed; He** (from her **Seed**) shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise **His heel**.’

In Genesis 17:1-5, God again blessed Abram, changing his name to Abraham, (father of many nations), bringing Abraham and his Seed into further alignment for God’s divine purposes of world Salvation through this ‘**Seed of woman**’, now the ‘**Seed of Abraham**’. God would later bring **this Seed** through the loins of King David, of the tribe of Judah.

During and after the days of King David, God began two major changes which would bring the Aaronic Priesthood into a real major realignment for it to later be received up into a heavenly Priesthood Order, then unknown.

One change involved King David, which we will look at in the pages just ahead. The other change was that God began to permanently alter the structure of the Aaronic Priesthood, by moving the Ark to Jerusalem. God would later give a special blessing to David’s **High Priest Zadok**, saying that **only sons of Zadok** of the sons of Aaron, **would be allowed to come near to God, and to minister before Him at His Table** offering the fat and blood; **this will be done** in the Millennial Temple. This blessing of God given to sons of Zadok is found in the book of Ezekiel, chapters 40 thru 48. [**Zadok** means ‘**righteous**’ or ‘**just**’; the shortened form of ‘Zedekiah’, which means ‘**the LORD is Righteous**’.]

1) And he said to me... ‘And the chamber which faces the direction of the north is for the Priests, the keepers of the charge of the altar; these are **the sons of Zadok**, who from among the sons of Levi, **come near to the LORD to minister to Him**.’ Ezekiel 40:46

2) And He said to me, ‘son of man, thus says the Sovereign LORD: These are the ordinances of the altar on the day when they shall make it, to offer burnt offerings upon it, and to sprinkle blood upon it. And you shall give to the Priests, the Levites that are of the seed of Zadok, who come near to Me, to minister to Me, says the Sovereign LORD...’ Ezekiel 43:18,19

3) ‘But **the Priests** the Levites, **the sons of Zadok**, that kept the charge of My Sanctuary when the children of Israel went astray from Me, **they shall come near to Me, and they shall stand before Me to offer to Me the fat and the blood,**’ says the Sovereign LORD: ‘**they shall enter into My Sanctuary, and they shall come near to My Table, to Minister to Me; and they shall keep My charge.**’

‘And it shall come to pass, that when they enter in at the gates of the inner court, they shall be clothed with linen garments... linen turbans... linen breeches upon their loins. Nor shall any priest drink wine, when they enter into the inner court. ...they shall take virgins of the seed of the house of Israel (for wives), or a widow that is the widow of a Priest. **And they shall teach My people the difference between the holy and the common, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.** And in a controversy they shall stand in judgment and they shall judge it according to My judgments: and they shall keep the Torah and My statutes in all My appointed times; and they shall hallow My Sabbaths.

**... I am their Inheritance!**

And you shall give them no possession in Israel.

**I am their Possession!**

... And in it shall be **the Sanctuary, which is most holy. The holy portion of the land shall be for the (Zadok) Priests, the ministers of the Sanctuary, who come near to minister to the LORD: and it shall be a place for their houses, and a holy place for the Sanctuary.**’ Ezekiel 44:15-18,21-24,28; 45:3,4

4) ‘And they, **the Priests, shall have this holy portion... and the Sanctuary of the LORD** shall be in the midst of it. **It shall belong to the Priests that are sanctified of the sons of Zadok, who have kept My charge, who went not astray when the children of Israel went astray, as the other Levites went astray.**’ Ezekiel 48:10,11 [The Divided Kingdom]

**The second major change** that God did in the days of King David was with David himself. It had to do with another Priesthood. I believe that **God made King David, of the tribe of Judah ('Praise') a Priest of God, of the heavenly Priesthood Order of Melchi-Zedek!**

This truth about David can be seen by looking at certain Scripture passages from the Word of God. But also look at the whole life and heart attitudes of David toward His God, to see this answer. And study the comments that Yeshua Himself made concerning David. Remember, we are dealing with another Priesthood, not the Aaronic Priesthood.

All the twelve tribes of Israel were united together under King David in Jerusalem. This was a prophetic picture of the future when all twelve tribes, also with all the nations represented, will be united together under the Great High Priest, King Yeshua, reigning from Jerusalem in the Millennial Temple!

**David ministered from his heart with love for his God**, with psalms of worship, even as a shepherd boy, before the time when Samuel anointed him with oil, at age 17.

Before God sent His Prophet Samuel to the house of Jesse, to anoint David as God's chosen King over His people Israel, God had first sent a man of God to the High Priest Eli, telling Priest Eli that his seed would be cut off forever, because of Eli's sins of neglecting to severely punish his sons for their terrible behavior against God and the people of Israel. Then this man of God gives a most unusual prophecy:

'And I will raise Me up **a faithful Priest**, that shall do according to that which is in My Heart and in My Mind: and I will build him a sure house; **and he shall minister before My Anointed (Mashiach forever!'**

1st Samuel 2:35

Who could **this faithful Priest** be who would minister before God's Anointed forever? Could it be the Prophet Samuel, or was it King David? Or is there still something more concerning this mystery Priest?

Was the Prophet Samuel of the tribe of Ephraim or Levi? (1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 1:1) Now there was a certain man of Ramathaim Zophim, of the mountains of Ephraim, and his name was Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the son of Tohu, the son of Zuph, **an Ephraimite**... (1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 1:1,19,20) Samuel's father was really from the tribe of Levi! (1<sup>st</sup> Chronicles 6:33-35) And the Prophet Samuel had to be of the sons of Aaron! (1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 3:1-4) Was the Prophet Samuel also made a Priest of God of another Priesthood?

The boy Samuel ministered before **the Faces of the LORD**, wearing **a linen ephod** (worn by the High Priest). And he ministered under the instruction of the Aaronic High Priest Eli...

Then Elkanah went to his house at Ramah. But the child (Samuel) ministered to the LORD, before Eli the priest. But Samuel ministered before the LORD, even as a child, **wearing a linen ephod**. (1 Samuel 2:11,18)

Then the boy Samuel ministered to the LORD before Eli. And the Word of the LORD was rare in those days; there were not many visions.

And it came to pass at that time, while Eli was lying down in his place, and when his eyes had begun to grow so dim that he could not see, and before the lamp of God went out, and while Samuel was lying down in the Temple of the LORD, where the Ark of God was, that the LORD called Samuel. And he answered, "Here I am!" 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 3:1-4

We find in the Torah very rigid regulations which stated that strangers, those Jews who were not of the tribe of Levi, could not enter the Tabernacle. Their punishment would be death. And a Levite who was not a priest of the sons of Aaron would also be put to death, for just looking at the holy objects of the Tabernacle, when they were uncovered. This strongly indicates that Samuel had to be of the line of Levi and also of the sons of Aaron. (Numbers 3:10; Numbers 16:35-40; Numbers 18:2,3,7;)

We find Samuel's Levitical genealogy listed in 1<sup>st</sup> Chronicles, chapter 6:

'The sons of Levi were Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

The sons of Kohath ... (the sons of Aaron were of this family line...)

Eliab his son, Jeroham his son, and Elkanah his son. **The sons of Samuel were Joel the firstborn, and Abijah the second**. And these are the ones who ministered with their sons: Of the sons of the Kohathites were Heman the singer, **the son of Joel, the son of Samuel**, the son of Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Eliel, the son of Toah, the son of Zuph, the son of Elkanah, the son of Mahath, the son of Amasai, the son of Elkanah, the son of Joel, the son of Azariah, the son of Zephaniah...'

1<sup>st</sup> Chronicles 6:16,22,27,28,33-35

A similar genealogy record is also seen for Samuel in 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 1:1; but there it shows that Samuel's family heritage was of the Ephraimites. Which one is correct?

Melchi-Zedek is the title of a King-Priest! Genesis 14:18  
Yeshua is our King-Priest!

Was King David also a King-Priest?

God said of David: ‘**a man after God’s own Heart**, and the LORD has appointed him to be a leader over His people.’ 1st Samuel 13:14  
Remember, David carried his Messiah, the Lamb of God, in his loins.

‘He also choose David His servant, and took him from the sheepfolds... **to shepherd** Jacob His people, and Israel His inheritance. So he shepherded them according to the integrity of his heart; and guided them by the skillfulness of his hands.’ Psalm 78:70-72

David and his men captured Jerusalem (the stronghold of Zion) from the Jebusites. So David dwelt in the stronghold, and called it ‘the City of David’. 2nd Samuel 5:7-9

David then pitched a tent (ohel) for the Ark of God in the City of David. 2nd Samuel 6:15-17; 1st Chronicles 15:1 David was then directed by God to bring the Ark of the LORD up into the City of David.

So David assembled all the tribes of Israel to bring up the Ark from Kirjath Jearim. And the Levites carried the Ark, with 7 Priests sounding **7 silver trumpets** before the Ark of the LORD, as all Israel brought up the Ark into the City of David, with shouting and the sounds of the shofar. And they placed the Ark in the midst of the tent that David had erected for it. 1<sup>st</sup> Chronicles 15:28, 16:1 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 6:17

Notice that King David wore a linen ephod when he brought the Ark of the LORD up into the city of David. 2nd Samuel 6:14, 1st Chronicles 15:27 The High Priest wore the linen ephod. Exodus 28 David had learned many things about the Aaronic Priesthood from the Prophet Samuel.

Sometime after the Ark of the God had been placed in the tent, David desired to build God a House. ‘...the Ark of God dwells inside tent curtains.’ 2 Samuel 7:2 But then God told David through the Prophet Nathan, saying that David’s son would make God a house; but that God would make David a house to be established forever. Remember what God had said about **a faithful Priest**... ‘I will build him a sure house.’ 1st Samuel 2:35

Does David then do what only the High Priest of Aaron was allowed to do, go into this tent with the Ark of the LORD? **And does David then do what even the High Priest was never allowed to do, sit before God and talk with God, and give thanks to God, perhaps in the tent, beside the Ark of the Covenant?** 2nd Samuel 7:11,18; 1st Chronicles 17:16  
In the English, it says this, but the Hebrew is not clear.

God will never violate His Word! The Levites were not allowed to come near, to see the uncovered holy things, or they and the Priests **would die**. Even an outsider, a Jew from the other tribes, who was not a Priest of Aaron, was **to be put to death** for just coming near. Numbers 3:10; 18:3,7  
And the High Priest Aaron **could die** for improper behavior before the Ark. Leviticus 16:2,13

In Beth Shemesh, **50,070 Jewish men had died** when some men had opened and looked into the Ark of the LORD. 1st Samuel 6:19 And David could not soon forget Uzzah, who had died close by him, when the Ark had come to Nachon's threshing floor. Uzzah had put out his hand and touched the Ark of God, when the oxen had stumbled. 2nd Samuel 6:7

Are you now even more curious how King David, of Judah, might have been allowed **to go in and sit before God beside the Ark** of the LORD? Nowhere in the Scriptures do we ever find God reprimanding David for his behavior. David could not do what he did without great respect for God, '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 5:7

For the next 41 years, there was no Temple, only **this Tent** where David had placed the Ark of God. For the Tabernacle, with the priests, was kept in Gibeon, outside of Jerusalem to the north-west, but without the Ark of God.

Was David able to go in and sit, and worship his God, before the Ark of the LORD, not being a son of Aaron? [And how could Samuel lie down in the Holy Place near the Ark of the Covenant of the LORD, if he was not of the priestly line of Aaron? 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 3:1-4]

**Had God made King David a special kind of forerunner Priest of God, for those who would later be allowed to come into the Presence of God, in a heavenly Priesthood Order?** Remember, the Lamb of God slain (for all sins) from the foundation of the world, was in the loins of King David.



We find part of this answer in Psalm 110.

[...**the LORD (JEHOVAH) to my Lord (Adoni)**...]

Psalm 110 is **written by King David**. Hebrew reads different than English.

‘A statement of **the LORD to my Lord (Adoni, singular) :**  
**Sit at My right hand** until I set Your enemies a stool for Your feet.  
The Rod of Your strength, the LORD shall send out of Zion; rule in  
the midst of Your enemies. Your people willing in the day of Your Might,  
in the majesties of holiness, from the womb of the dawn, to You the dew  
of Your youth. (and verse 4...)

The LORD has sworn and will not repent:  
**‘You a priest forever  
in the Order of Melchi-Zedek.’**

**‘The Lord** at your right hand shatters kings in the day of His anger.’  
Psalm 110:1-4

David is writing this Psalm; and **God is speaking to David!**

a) In the last line, **‘the Lord** at your right hand...’, this Lord can be King Yeshua, who shatters kings in the day of His Wrath, when He returns with His armies. Therefore **‘at your right hand’** may be referring to David, since here ‘the Lord’ can refer to Yeshua.

b) We find this name Melchi-Zedek **appearing only twice in the whole Old Covenant:** in Genesis 14:18, and here in Psalm 110:4. In Genesis 14, only the name Melchi-Zedek appears. But here in Psalm 110, we now find something added to it, which is... **‘the Order of’**.

What does **‘the Order of’** mean? And how is it an **‘Order’**, unless it has members in it. Who was brought into this special Priesthood Order of God? King Yeshua is Melchi Zedek. Perhaps King David was now made a first-fruits member of this Heavenly Order of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood?

Or perhaps it was Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joshua, and now King David?  
God first presented Melchi-Zedek **to Abram**, who blessed Abram.  
And now God is announcing this Priesthood **‘Order’ to King David**  
of the tribe of Judah. **Both these men carried the Seed of Promise!**

**Is this a Priesthood only for those who carry this Seed of Promise?**

c) There is only One God, and where it says: ‘A statement of the LORD to my Lord’, we can easily see from the Hebrew that LORD and Lord are two different Hebrew words, both referring to our One God! **‘LORD’ is GOD the Father, and ‘Lord’ is God the Son!**

So is verse 4 saying... ‘You (Lord) are a Priest forever according to the Order of Melchi-Zedek?’ Maybe so. But **‘Lord’ is God the Son, the Head of this Melchi-Zedek Priesthood!**

Let’s keep it simple. **God is speaking this Word to David, and for David!**

**King David is the one being spoken to by God, being told that he is this Melchi-Zedek Priest!**

Remember this is **a different Priesthood**, most likely the one God had first spoken of when the whole camp of Israel was gathered together at the base of Mount Sinai. God desired to have the nation of Israel become **‘a Kingdom of Priests and a Holy Nation’**. Exodus 19:5,6

The real issues here are **love for God** and **Eternal Life with God**. God had just promised David what he desired most, **Eternal Life with the Lover** of his soul, his God, the God of Israel. We find this in 2nd Samuel 7:11,16: ‘And declares the LORD to you (David) that the LORD shall make a house for you (David)... and your house shall be sure, and your Kingdom before Me **forever, your Throne shall be established forever.**’ God told this to David through prophet Nathan, just before David went and sat before God.

We see this truth of **Eternal Life** mentioned repeatedly in David’s life, in many places. ‘One thing I have desired of the LORD, that I may dwell in the House of the LORD all the days of my life.’ Psalm 27:4 ‘...You uphold me in my integrity, You set me before Your Face **forever.**’ Psalm 41:12 ‘You will prolong the King’s life, his years as many generations. He shall abide before God **forever.**’ Psalm 61:6,7

You can also see the heart’s desire of this man through the words of his wife Bathsheba: ‘Let my lord King David **live forever!**’ 1st Kings 1:31 ‘I will behold Your Face in righteousness, I shall be satisfied **when I awake with Your likeness.**’ Psalm 17:15 ‘In Your Presence is fullness of Joy, at Your Right Hand are pleasures **forevermore.**’ Psalm 16:11

Will King David enter into the Kingdom of Heaven? Only those who are members of God's own Family will enter in, and they will all be Priests of this Order of Melchi-Zedek.

Just look at the Scriptures and you will see a truth mentioned over and over... that in the end of days, you will serve David the King...

Isaiah 55:3,4; Jeremiah 30:9; Hosea 3:5; Ezekiel 34:23,24;37:24,25

You and I may soon be serving God under King David!

Yes, David received his heart's desire, **Eternal Life with his God**. His God had also commanded him to call Him Father. Psalm 89:4,27 It was **a special Father and son relationship** that King David had with His Creator, the Almighty God of Heaven.

Had Melchi-Zedek also blessed David with **Eternal Life**, when He had served Bread and Wine to his great great ... grandfather Abram, David then being in the loins of Abram?

David functioned from a command position of Authority, as **King-Priest**, as he lead the nation of Israel. David stationed praisers and worshipers, Levites, to thank and **praise** the LORD continually, and also **two Priests, who regularly sounded the silver trumpets, before the tent with the Ark of the Covenant, where God's Presence dwelt!** 1st Chronicles 16:4-6

This tent (ohel,) was located somewhere in the City of David, in Zion, in Jerusalem.

But High Priest **Zadok** and the other Priests ministered daily to the LORD at the high place in Gibeon, before **the Tabernacle of Meeting**. And for the next forty one years, **the Ark** of God and **the Tabernacle of Meeting** were kept in two separate places. 1st Chronicles 16:1,4,6,39,40

The Aaronic High Priest **Zadok** took his orders from King David. And for his act of submission and obedience to God and to King David (2nd Samuel 15:23-29), God later blessed the line of Zadok, with the special Priestly blessing given only to the sons of Zadok. This blessing, studied earlier in this book (pages 11,12), changed the whole Aaronic Priesthood.

Consider for a moment, why did God place His Presence in Jerusalem in the tent, where the Ark of God remained during the next 33 years of King David's reign, while the Tabernacle of God stayed in the north west corner outside of Jerusalem, in Gibeon, where Zadok and most of the other Priests stayed, ministering daily at the Tabernacle before God? **Only Priests were responsible for both the Ark and the Tabernacle of Meeting!**

Prior, the Ark had been kept inside the Tabernacle of Meeting.

Why didn't the Aaronic Priests also bring the Tabernacle of Meeting up to Jerusalem, to be kept with the Ark of God? What was God teaching us? The Ark of God and the other Holy items of the Tabernacle were kept separate, until Solomon finished building the Temple; and only then were they brought together into Solomon's Temple.

Prior, the Ark had always stayed with the Tabernacle, until it was captured at Shiloh, during the last days of Priest Eli, when it was brought to the battle against the Philistines. The two sons of Eli were with the Ark, when the Ark was taken, and they were killed by the Philistines. And Eli, when told the news about his two sons, fell off his chair and died, fulfilling the Word which God had spoken to him, because he did not correct and punish his two sons for their terrible behavior. 1st Samuel 4:10,11,17,18

God had kept **the Ark** of the Covenant of the LORD (**His Presence**) separated from the Tabernacle of Meeting, because God was showing us the future when **the Presence of God would first come to earth in His Son Yeshua**. Yeshua is the Living Presence of the Tabernacle, the fulfillment of all the Holy sacred items of the Tabernacle. Later the Kingdom of Heaven would come down to earth, where God would Tabernacle with men, and where His Holy Spirit would make His Home within our bodies of flesh. God was using this as a prophetic sign, to announce a future Work, which would be fulfilled through His Son Yeshua dying for all our sins.

When King David brought up the Ark of God to Zion, he had no idea that the Ark would remain separate from the Tabernacle of Meeting that was then kept at Gibeon. David would naturally and logically have prepared for both to be kept together in Jerusalem. David knew that the Ark and the Tabernacle of Meeting **were the responsibility of the Priests and Levites!**

Have you ever wondered where David placed the tent in which he put the Ark of God? I had wondered about this for a long time. Then, the morning of **September 7th, 2000**, the 7th of Elul on the Jewish calendar, while I was in Jerusalem studying God's Word, **God revealed to me this secret place**, concerning the tent of David, just where David had placed this tent.

When I show you, you will also know that this is truly a Revelation from God for these End Times!

David was a practical King. He was a visionary who looked at the whole picture. He prepared a place, a tent to house the Ark of God, not knowing that the Ark would be kept separate for many years from the Tabernacle of Meeting. The tent was put up as a temporary structure to house the Ark.

David knew what the Priests needed when they ministered before God at the Tabernacle of Meeting. They needed a source of fresh water.

**The answer** of where the Ark was kept **was revealed** when David was told by Bathsheba that his son Adonijah had made himself King, usurping David's Throne, and the future Throne that God and David had promised to his son Solomon. So David did the only thing he could do to correct this.

David didn't do a practical thing of bringing Solomon into his Throne room, and there making Solomon King in David's presence. Instead David sent Solomon on his own mule, with Zadok the High Priest and Nathan the Prophet, down to the Gihon Spring. But why to the Gihon Spring?

Because that was **the place where God dwelt! That was where God's Presence was located, above the Mercy Seat of the Ark, in the tent that David had erected many years prior.** King David knew that for his son's inauguration as King of Israel to be official, and truly validated by God, **that his son Solomon had to be anointed as King in the Presence of God!**

This could only be done by the Ark. And **the anointing oil** was also kept in this tent. So David sent his son Solomon **down to the Gihon Spring, where thirty three years prior David had placed the Ark of God in the tent.** And there Zadok the Priest and Nathan the Prophet anointed Solomon as King over Israel. 'Then Zadok the Priest took **a horn of oil from the tent** and anointed Solomon. And **they sounded the shofar**, and all the people shouted: 'Long live King Solomon!' (verse 39) 1st Kings 1:11-45

David remembered when he had been anointed King by Prophet Samuel. 'Fill your horn with oil, and go; I am sending you to Jesse, the Bethlehemite. For I have provided myself a King among his sons. ...Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers; and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward.' 1st Samuel 16:1,13

Why choose **the Gihon Spring**? Because **the Gihon Spring was the only source of water in Zion,** which would provide constant **running water** for washing, and for animal sacrifices. The Priests had to have much water to minister before God with all their duties, **especially the washing of their hands and feet before God, or they would die!** Exodus 30:18-21

**'There is a River whose streams make glad the City of God, the Holy Place of the Tabernacle of the Most High!**' Psalm 46:5 The Levites, who worshiped God at David's tent, had placed the mystery location of the Ark in this Psalm. Samuel's grandson was one of these. 1st Chronicles 6:31-35

Yeshua also had things to say about David, regarding Priesthood. Read Matthew 12:4,5; Mark 2:26; Luke 6:4. On the Sabbath, Yeshua's disciples began to pluck and eat the grain, and Yeshua said: 'Have you not read what David did when he was hungry, how he entered the house of God and ate the shewbread, which was not lawful for him to eat, nor for those who were with him, but only for the Priests? Or have you not read in the law that on the Sabbath the Priests in the Temple profane the Sabbath, and are blameless.'

Yeshua is not reprimanding David, but comparing David's behavior and that of David's men to Yeshua's behavior, and that of His own disciples, in both examples doing what only the Priests were allowed to do. Is Yeshua showing us a key to the mystery of another Priesthood, suggesting that David was made a Priest of another Priesthood (the Melchi-Zedek), and for that reason David's men were also covered by David's unique Priestly Covering from God?

Does this mean that David may have entered the Tent where the Ark of God was kept? Maybe David would just worship God beside this Tent.

Remember, **Yeshua never sinned! He never violated the Torah!** He said: 'The Son of man is also Lord of the Sabbath.' Matthew 12:8; Mark 2:28; Luke 6:5

God, as Melchi-Zedek, 'My King of Righteousness', served Bread and Wine to Abram. In a way God offered the Priest's Bread to David and to his men, through the Aaronic High Priest Ahimelech. 1st Samuel 21:4

When Melchi-Zedek blessed Abram with Bread and Wine, both David and Yeshua were within **this Seed**, in the loins of Abram. I believe that there was also an imparting of this Eternal Priestly Blessing to Abram, from Melchi-Zedek (**God the Son**), who 2000 years later would come in the flesh, born as **Yeshua** (King of Righteousness), born from **this Seed** of woman, passed on to Abram, David, etc..., and then carried by His mother Miriam.

Our great mystery continues next with what happened to the Zadokite Priests after the days of King David. **Remember God had said that only those Priests of the sons of Zadok would be allowed to come near and minister to God in His Temple: to serve God at the outside Altar, and in the Holy Place, and the Holy of Holies. The Holy of Holies was only for the Zadokite High Priest to enter, once a year, on Yom Kippur.**

King David had two High Priests, Zadok (son of Ahitub, from Aaron's son Eleazar) and Abithar (Ahimelech's son from the family of Eli, from Aaron's son Ithamar), and later Ahimelech, Abithar's son. 2nd Samuel 8:17 But God had said that Eli's line would be cut off forever, because Priest Eli had not punished his sons for their terrible behavior. 1st Samuel 3:11-14

King Solomon had Abithar removed as Priest, for he had been involved in the attempt of Adonijah, Solomon's brother, to usurp David's Throne, which had been promised only to Solomon. 1st Kings 2:26,27

And then King Solomon made Priest Zadok his only High Priest.

And from 970 BC, the Zadokite Priests remained in authority, ruling in the Temple, and holding the High Priest position, until 171 BC. Then corruption came into all areas of the Priesthood, and the Zadokite Priests were overthrown, losing all their God given Priestly positions of authority in the Temple, during the Hasmonaean (Maccabean) era. [From The Jewish Encyclopedia; New Standard Jewish Encyclopedia; Encyclopedia Judaica]

From that time forward, the Zadokite Priests never again regained their God given position of authority in the Temple, especially the High Priest position. However, for many years they attempted to regain this position and to restore righteousness and purity in Temple worship and duties, but failed. Some years later, a number of Zadokite Priests joined together, and left the Temple, and formed a Zadokite community out near the Dead Sea. In some writings this group called themselves 'sons of Zadok'. Later, the community was given the Arabic name 'Qumran' (Two Moons), which became popular when the community's writings, 'The Dead Sea Scrolls', were first discovered in a cave, in 1947, out by the Dead Sea.

[Reclaiming the Dead Sea Scrolls by Lawrence Shiffman, 1994]

What would now happen to the Zadokite Priests?

How would God keep His Word, His Promises that He had made to High Priest Zadok, that only the sons of Zadok would be allowed by God to come before God's Presence in the Temple in Jerusalem, and to serve with God's authority in the office of Aaronic High Priest?

And so the Priesthood mystery continues...

**In Mercy a Throne will be established, and **One will sit on it in Truth, in the Tent of David**, Judging, and seeking Justice, and hastening Righteousness. Isaiah 16:5**

## RAISING UP ‘THE TABERNACLE OF DAVID!’

‘In that day I will restore the fallen ‘Succah’ of David, and I will repair its broken places, and I will restore its ruins. And I will build it as in the days of old. So that they may possess the remnant of men, and of all the **Peoples who are called by My Name**, declares the LORD, the One doing this. See the days are coming, declares the LORD, when the man plowing will overtake the reaper, and the one planting by the one treading the grapes. The mountains shall drip, and all the hills shall flow with new wine.

**And I will bring back My exiled people Israel... !** Amos 9:11-14

This End Time Prophecy is one of the **greatest, most positive, and significant events that is about to happen**, taking place here in Jerusalem, that **in the Last Days that . . .**

God will **Raise up the Succah of David** that has fallen!  
[Amos 9:11, Acts 15:16, and Isaiah 16:5]

### **The Succah of David is not the same as the Orthodox Temple!**

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." Isaiah 16:5

This One who sits on this Throne in the Priest’s Tent of David is King-Priest; He is Yeshua, Melchi-Zedek! Those who serve Him have been redeemed!

What is this Succah of David? It is a place where Priests and Levites will minister before God with praise and worship, with music instruments, and with intercession! It is **also the place of the Presence of God** where **Great Revival and multitudes of Salvations of Israeli Jews and Arabs** will take place, perhaps in the months just ahead.

This ‘Succah of David’ involves only the Priests of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood. How do we know? Being a member of this Priesthood Order was the key for how David may have been able to come into **the tent** and sit before God. Psalm 110:4 These Priests will all be true disciples of Yeshua and His finished work. These are the ones who can come into the Presence of God, and minister to God in the Most Holy Place, the Holy of Holies.

The Holy of Holies is the place that only the High Priest could enter. The Holy of Holies is now the special ministry place for Yeshua’s Bride!



Interestingly, David put the Ark of God in a **tent (ohel)**. But later God called it **'the Succah' of David**. Amos 9:11 A Succah is a four corner square-like structure, open at the top and the sides. The Succah is the name for the structure that the Jewish people are required to dwell in during the seven day **Feast of Succot**, or **Tabernacles**. Could this also be likened to the Wedding bridal Chuppah placed over a couple?

Does this word 'Succah' give us a major clue to the possible starting date for this major End Time event? Could it begin during the feast of Succot, some September or October, just ahead? And perhaps continue for many years. The tent of David stood strong, in all kinds of weather, for 41 years.

'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 men servants and on My maidservants **I will pour out My Spirit** in those days. And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood and fire and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of **the Great and Terrible 'Day of The LORD'!**

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, as the LORD has said, and among the remnant whom the LORD calls.' Joel 2:28-32 This major End Time event is about to begin soon!

**Where will it begin?** In May of 1999, God showed me **two quick visions, in rapid succession, of a Great Outpouring of God's Spirit in Jerusalem, over crowds of people gathered together in the hills around the ben Hinnom Valley and at the base of this Valley, located just at the base of Mount Zion Hotel!** God had told us in His Word that **this specific Valley, 'the Valley of dead bodies', the Valley of 'Gehinom', or 'hell'** as the Jewish people call it, would someday become **Holy to the LORD!**

Jeremiah 31:40 I believe that **the ben Hinnom Valley** is the Place!

**Why will it begin?** God's Heart is a Heart of Love for His Lost Children to know Him, the Holy One of Israel. This future event in the ben Hinnom Valley may trigger **the Great End Time Harvest for the whole world**, based from Jerusalem! It will be like a second Shavuot of 'God's called-out ones', like what began almost 2000 years ago, in an upper room in Jerusalem!

**When will this 'Succah' of David be raised up?** Rosh HaShanah and Succot, 2000, Fall Feasts of Israel, may have been the catalysts for this event!

**The Great Outpouring** of God's Holy Spirit over the Ben Hinnom Valley may also be the catalyst for the Orthodox **rebuilding of the Temple** on the Temple Mount. Also, with Israel's victory in the Gog / Magog War, (Ezekiel 38,39), with the breaking of the demonic stronghold over Islam, the Orthodox Jews will then be released to begin building their Temple.

In the War with Gog/Magog, and the nations with them, 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. (and 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 God the LORD."

We can see from the above Scripture perhaps when this Great Outpouring of God's Holy Spirit will take place in Jerusalem: **it could happen either during this Gog / Magog War, or just at the conclusion of this War!**

Ezekiel 37:11,14, also speaks of a certain valley, and a Great Outpouring. 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..."**

"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.**"

Joel 2:23

God promised Israel that someday the Kingdom of Heaven would come down to earth, and that God, Himself, would Reign over the whole world, being based from Zion, from Jerusalem! Perhaps seven years later, after these events have begun, the Lord Yeshua will return to Jerusalem, coming from Heaven with His Armies, His Heavenly Bride, to establish His Great Kingdom on earth, in His Wonderful 1000 Year Reign!

## **Priest Zacharias Ministering at the Altar of Incense**

According to the Word of God given to Moses, in Exodus 30:7, to minister at **the Altar of Incense** was the position originally designated for only **the High Priest**. However many different Priests, who were not real High Priests, nor even Zadok Priests, served at this Temple position daily, after the termination of the Zadokite Priesthood rule, perhaps from 171 BC until the opening scene of the New Covenant.

Because of continued corruption in the Priesthood, and in spite of the violation of God's Word that **only the sons of Zadok** would be allowed to come into the Presence of God and to minister at the Altar, and in the inner Sanctuary of the Temple, we find that each week a different course of the 24 Courses, and not just Zadokite Priests, would come and draw lots to see who would serve in what positions of duty in the Temple. And each day a different Priest would draw the third lot to burn incense at the Altar of Incense, the position that God had reserved for only the Zadok High Priest. This happened twice a day, morning and evening, for about 171 years.

**The real unspoken Question that opens the whole New Covenant is 'what would God do' to correct this situation, to restore Zadokite Priests to their rightful position of leadership and authority in the Temple?**

This corruption of the Priesthood continued on into the days of King Herod, who continued this same corrupt practice by appointing two phony High Priests to the Temple, Annas and Caiaphas, thus setting the scene for God's next surprise.

What would God do to restore His Word that He had spoken, changing the Aaronic Priesthood, with His special blessing to only the sons of Zadok?

God responded by giving us the answer to this question, found within the opening scene of the Brit Hadasha (New Covenant). Luke 1

**The opening scene** of the New Covenant was **the strategic scene** that would now change everything!

**Zacharias the Priest**, Yohanan's future father, had drawn the lot for **burning the incense on the Altar of Incense**, in the Holy Place, on that special morning.

And then God did something so unusual while this Priest Zacharias was ministering at the Altar of Incense. **God sent His angel Gabriel to Zacharias**, to announce to him both (1) the birth of his son, and to tell Zacharias that (2) his son had to be named ‘Yohanan’ (‘God is Gracious’). The angel Gabriel was sent to Priest Zacharias while he was ministering before God at the Altar of Incense. We have already shown that it was the responsibility of only **the High Priest** to minister before God at this position of **the Altar of Incense**. God will not violate His Word or confuse us!

God was showing us who God’s true High Priest really was, after 171 years of corruption in the Priesthood, in the days when the Zadokite Priests had been removed from authority, and other Aaronic Priests served illegally in the Zadokite Priest’s positions, especially in the position of High Priest, in authority over the Temple, all in violation of God’s Holy Word.

God was acknowledging through His angel Gabriel, **that this Priest, Zacharias, met God’s qualifications for this special position of the High Priest, reserved in God’s Word for only the Zadokite High Priest.**

And then God had His angel Gabriel take away Zacharias’ speech until the time of the circumcision of his baby son ‘Yohanan’, when this Word from God was fulfilled.

And this angel told Zacharias that his son would go before the LORD in the spirit and power of Eliyahu, to prepare a people for the Coming of the LORD; and that this child would be great in the sight of the LORD, filled with God’s Spirit, and would turn many of the children of Israel back to the LORD their God. Luke 1:14-17

And God made sure to have this baby **named ‘Yohanan’**. **But why did this baby boy have to be named ‘Yohanan’?** When it came time to circumcise this child, they wanted to call him by the name of his father, Zacharias. But his mother Elisheva answered and said, ‘No, he shall be called Yohanan.’ But they (relatives) said to her, ‘There is no one among your relatives called by this name.’ And they asked his father Zacharias, and he wrote on a tablet, ‘His name is **Yohanan!**’ (‘The LORD is Gracious’) Immediately Zacharias’ mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, praising God. Luke 1:59-64

You can see from this account that God had some **very important reason** for naming this baby boy **Yohanan**. What was it?

This answer, which God later revealed to me, I will share with you, but further on in this book. For now, I will say that it had to do partly with more confirmation of how Yeshua actually fulfilled the Aaronic Priesthood!

I can also say that this new information confirms many of the revelations concerning Yohanan the Immerser, with a deeper understanding of **the true mystery relationship** that existed between himself and his cousin Yeshua.

We know that the Aaronic Priestly division of Zacharias was Abijah, or 'Abia'. Luke 1:5 And 'Abia' was the 8th division of the 24 divisions listed in 1st Chronicles 24:10, done under the supervision of King David.

But why did God chose this particular division of Abijah?

For at least two reasons...

As the eighth division serving in the Temple, this set the perfect timing for two special miraculous births. This showed us both the birthday and the biblical feast when these two cousins, who would be six months apart, would be born. This put Yohanan's birthday on Passover (Pesach).

And this put Yeshua's **conception in Miriam on the 24th of Kislev**:  
'...even from the day that **the foundation of the LORD's Temple** was laid... from this day will I bless you.' Haggai 2:18,19 160 years before Yeshua's birth, the 24th of Kislev became the eve of Chanukah, '**the Feast of Lights**'.

Yeshua's birth date would be nine months after conception on the greatest feast of all, '**The Feast of The LORD**', **Succot, The Feast of Tabernacles!**

Scripture tells us that Elizabeth was of the daughters of Aaron. Luke 1:5 And Scripture also tells us next that Priest Zacharias and his wife Elizabeth (Elisheva) were **righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the LORD blameless**. Luke 1:6

Isn't this truly an amazing statement.

And here we see another major key to the identity of both parents of Yohanan. **God says that they were both righteous before God!** What is God telling us? Remember Zadok means righteous. These were the parents of Yohanan. And remember, Miriam spent the first three months of her pregnancy living and learning from this godly couple, who were Miriam's relatives. And don't you know that Miriam and Elisheva and Zacharias shared alot, pondering all these things that the angel Gabriel had told Miriam and Zacharias about these two special sons, both miracle conceptions from God, that these two women now carried in their wombs!

I wonder what gift Zacharias and Elisheva might have given Miriam, to celebrate her new unborn son. Could it possibly have been what the angels had told the shepherds about, what they would find this baby boy wrapped in, in **swaddling clothes**, as he lay in that open ‘Succah’ that fall evening, when baby Yeshua was just born. You see swaddling clothes are believed to have been the Priest’s holy undergarments. And could it be that baby Yeshua was wrapped in the swaddling clothes of his relative Priest Zacharias, the true Zadokite High Priest?

**Yohanan was filled with God’s Spirit** even while in his mother’s womb, fulfilling the Word of God. Luke 1:15 Remember how unborn Yohanan had leaped in Elisheva’s womb during her sixth month of pregnancy, when Miriam, with baby Yeshua in her womb, had arrived and greeted her cousin Elisheva. **Unborn Yochanan had leaped for joy in the presence of his God, Yeshua**, in Miriam’s womb!

And both of **Yohanan’s parents were filled with God’s Holy Spirit**: his mother Elisheva, in her sixth month of pregnancy, when she was greeted by Miriam, pregnant with Yeshua; and his father Zacharias at the baby’s circumcision at eight days old, when given **his special name ‘Yohanan’**.

Baby Yohanan had both parents filled with the Holy Spirit, and **righteous before God**, walking in all the commandments of the LORD. Luke 1:6,41,67

These were just some of the reasons why this son of the Priestly division of ‘Abia’, this son of a Zadokite Priest, was chosen as God’s special (High) Priest and messenger, to announce the Coming of the Messiah. This Priest Yohanan, of the division of ‘Abia’, had come **to announce the Kingdom of Heaven**. For the Kingdom of Heaven was **coming down to earth**, with a new relationship promised between God and man, not just that of God as our Creator, but now God also as **our personal heavenly Father!**

‘Abia’ comes from the root word ‘Abiyahu’, which means ‘my Father is the LORD’. Had Yohanan, like Yeshua, been a forerunner to announce this personal relationship that God had for so long desired to have with mankind, this relationship of **Father and sons, through His only Son Yeshua?**

God had called David into this personal relationship with Him, for in Psalm 89:26, He had commanded David to call Him Father.

Later, God had said that the whole nation of Israel would have this special relationship with God **as their Father**, and not to turn away from following Him. Jeremiah 3:19 This was also part of this mystery of how the whole nation of Israel would someday become **a Kingdom of Priests**.

Remember that these two baby boys were relatives, and that both their mothers had **miraculous conceptions and births**. Elisheva is the only relative that Miriam is told about by the angel Gabriel. Elisheva is pregnant, in her old age, past the age of child bearing. This is like a lot Abraham and Sarah, when God was about to birth the new nation of Israel through Sarah. For God had said: **‘Is anything too hard for the LORD?’** Genesis 18:14

Yohanan, who would announce the Coming of the Messiah Yeshua, would have **a divine birth**, from his mother, who was long past the age of childbearing. And Miriam had just been given **a divine conception of Yeshua**, without an earthly father, God the Father, being His real Father!

This was Yeshua’s earthly family. His mother’s cousin Yohanan, on Miriam’s side of the family, was of the line of Aaron. And Yeshua’s mother, Miriam, was of the line of Judah. But was there something more to this mystery of Miriam’s genealogy? Was Elisheva Miriam’s real aunt? Could Miriam’s mother and Elisheva’s have been sisters?

All the prophecies spoken about Yohanan before his birth, and those given to him at his circumcision reveal more keys. He would be called ‘the prophet of the Highest’ (El Elyon)! And he would ‘go before the Face of the LORD to prepare His ways, to give knowledge of Salvation to His people, through the forgiveness of their sins.’ Luke 1:76,77

Yeshua refers to Yohanan as **‘more than a prophet’**: “But what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I say to you, **and more than a prophet**. For this is he of whom it is written: **‘Behold I send My messenger before Your Face, who will prepare Your way before You.**’ For I say to you, among those born of women **there has not risen one greater than Yohanan, the Immerser**, (Luke 7:28 says: ‘there is not a greater prophet than Yohanan, the Immerser’), but he who is least in the Kingdom of God is greater than he. And if you are willing to receive it, **he is Elijah**, (**‘Eliyahu’, my God is Yah**) who is to come.” Matthew 11:9-11,14

We find the terms **righteousness** and **salvation** being used many times in relation to Yohanan’s ministry. Both terms have similar meanings, and can also mean the same thing.

Remember the word **Zadok** is a personal name meaning **‘just’ or ‘righteous’**. It is a shortened form of ‘Zedekiah’ which means ‘the LORD is Righteous!’ The term ‘zaddik’ means **a righteous person**, by Jewish standards.

The Hebrew word tzedakah (righteousness) may sometimes mean something more than righteousness. In the biblical period, tzedakah could also mean a redemptive or saving act.

[Thus we now see the bridge between ‘righteousness’ and ‘salvation’. In ‘The New Brown-Driver-Briggs-Gesenius Hebrew and English Lexicon’, 1979, (which is a standard Hebrew to English Lexicon of the Old Testament) under the sixth and seventh nuances, are the adjectives ‘redemptive’ and ‘saving’. [page 842, no. 6666] Also in ‘A Concise Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament’, by William Holladay, 1983, p. 303, in definition 7c for righteousness, we find ‘salvation’.]

Both Yohanan’s parents were **righteous before God**. Yohanan came to give knowledge of **salvation** to His people. And Yeshua said that Yohanan came to us ‘**in the way of righteousness**’. Matthew 21:32 Yohanan had come to announce his own cousin, **Yeshua, the Messiah**.

All these events were set in motion **for a point in time**, about six months after Yohanan had first begun his ministry, when one day as he, Yohanan, stood at the Jordan River baptizing the people, that he looked up and saw his cousin Yeshua. Yohanan wanted his cousin Yeshua to immerse him in the Jordan River. For he had just announced: ‘He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to loose.

**He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and Fire.**’

“Then Yeshua came from Galilee to Yohanan to be baptized by him. And Yohanan tried to prevent Him, saying, ‘**I have need to be baptized by You**, and are You coming to me?’ But Yeshua answered and said,

‘Permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.’ Then he (Yohanan) allowed Him.” Matthew 3:11,13-15; also Luke 3:16

**Yohanan knew his cousin**, and both cousins knew all the prophecies that the angel Gabriel and the Holy Spirit had spoken to and through their parents over thirty years prior. And maybe Yohanan also knew by the Spirit, that Yeshua, who had been present when he was baptized by the Holy Spirit in his mother’s womb, was the One who could do this to him again, who could now baptize him with Fire. And he really wanted this baptism!



What did Yeshua mean by this statement... ‘permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us **to fulfill all righteousness**’? What did Yohanan’s witnessing Yeshua’s immersion have to do with fulfilling all righteousness? We know that **the King of Righteousness** was about to be immersed. And we know that the lesser is always subject to the Greater.

And just why did Yeshua, **who had no sin**, have to be immersed in the Jordan River, with His cousin Yohanan as the witness, before He could begin His earthly ministry? This event would connect the full Power of the Holy Spirit into Yeshua, for total Victory in His ministry!

Remember that both Yohanan and Yeshua were six months apart, and both waited till the legal Aaronic Priesthood age of thirty, before beginning their different ministries **as Priests of God**, to fulfill Torah. Numbers 4:1-4

For Yohanan, this was the Aaronic Priesthood. But why did Yeshua, of the tribe of Judah, also have to wait till the age of thirty, the legal age for an Aaronic Priest, before He could begin His earthly ministry? Luke 3:23

Was Yeshua related to the Aaronic Priesthood **through a family secret**?

At the Jordan River, God’s chosen and appointed High Priest, Yohanan, who came ‘in the way of righteousness’, **submitted to his cousin Yeshua**. He submitted both who he was, and what he represented. He submitted his position and Authority, as the true High Priest of the the Aaronic Priesthood, **to the One to whom it legally belonged by birthright**, to **the One who had come to Baptize with the Holy Spirit and Fire**, to the only True and Righteous Priest, to **the Great High Priest of God, King of Righteousness**, to **his beloved cousin Yeshua, who had now come of age!** But just how did Yeshua’s birthright, being from the tribe of Judah, give Yeshua any legal Authority over the Aaronic Priesthood of the tribe of Levi?

Could it be from the fact that his great ... grandfather... King David had purchased the Temple grounds?

Could it be from the fact that his great ... grandfather... King David reigned over all the united twelve tribes, reigning both as King, and as a Priest of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood? Psalm 110:4

Could it be because Zadok, the Aaronic High Priest, had been submitted to King David?

God had kept Yohanan out in the desert, out of the reach of King Herod, who would have killed him, if he had known that he was the true Aaronic High Priest. God had arranged it all.

‘So the child (Yohanan) grew and became strong in Spirit, and was in the deserts until the day of his appearance to Israel.’ Luke 1:80

The Temple Priesthood in Jerusalem was very corrupted. Also King Herod had appointed two bogus High Priests, Annas and Caiaphas. And so God chose to begin announcing **His new Kingdom** and **new Priesthood** out in the desert, at the Jordan River, the place for new beginnings for Israel. God was also preparing to make **a new Temple** for worship and sacrifice; but not one made with hands, but **One made by God’s own Holy Spirit**.

**This Temple** would be comprised of **God’s Born-Again children returning Home**, back to their real **Father**. They would all be members of an Eternal Family, as sons and daughters of God, being united together by God’s Spirit into **a Holy Temple**, that God would make within their earthly bodies, where He would dwell forever. And so God used Priest Yohanan to be the herald, to announce this **new Kingdom** and **new Priesthood**, having filled Yohanan with the Holy Ruach, even while he was still in his mother’s womb.

High Priest Yohanan would help prepare the people to become Priests of a very different Priesthood Order, which they would enter into, as they also entered into the Kingdom of God, through Yeshua. Yohanan would also prepare the people to meet Yeshua, the Great High Priest of God, who would baptize them with the Holy Spirit and Fire. And this new Priesthood Order would not destroy the old, but would be its fulfillment!

Now let’s explore deeper into this mystery Priesthood relationship that existed between these two cousins, Yeshua and Yohanan. We find mutual submission, and **the passing of the Mantle of Priesthood Authority from the lesser to the Greater**, from the true High Priest of the Aaronic Priesthood, Yohanan, **to the Great High Priest of God, (Cohen El Elyon), Yeshua, the Messiah!**

What did Yohanan pass on to Yeshua through his obedience and faithfulness?

1) **the submission of the Aaronic High Priest to the Great High Priest, Yeshua, Melchi-Zedek (My King of Righteousness);**

**2) the submission of the Aaronic Priesthood into the greater Priesthood Order, the heavenly Melchi-Zedek Priesthood Order; a Priesthood made up of men and women belonging to God's new Family, through the Body of our Savior, Messiah Yeshua!**

Just as Adam's disobedience brought the fall of mankind, so with Yeshua's obedience to God, and by sending His messenger Yohanan before Him (Malachi 3:1), this opened the Way for the total Salvation of mankind, through **the submission of the Aaronic Priesthood Order into and under the greater Priesthood Order of God, the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood Order, ... thus fulfilling all Righteousness!**

This all had to do with new beginnings, and with the passing of the Aaronic Priesthood onward to its source, on to God Himself, so that God Yeshua could now form His Priesthood, made up of both men and women of Israel and those from around the world, Jews and Gentiles, whom God's Spirit would bring into this Holy Priesthood Family, by Yeshua giving His own Blood and Life, **as the full Price paid for the Atonement of our sins!**

But why did Yeshua, who had no sin, have to be immersed in the Jordan, by Yohanan witnessing or doing the immersion, in order to fulfill the Torah? We know that Yeshua was always in total submission to His Father's plans.

**To birth the Aaronic Priesthood**, almost 1600 years prior, God said that Aaron and his sons **had to first be washed with water by God's highest Authority** in the land, **Moses**, in order to be able to enter this Priesthood. Exodus 40:12,15; Leviticus 8:6

Yeshua had to first submit to the Aaronic Priesthood, **God's Priesthood in Authority in the land, and to the person carrying highest Priesthood Authority, the Zadokite Aaronic High Priest Yohanan**, before Yeshua could begin His earthly ministry.

And so Yeshua submitted to Yohanan and to the Aaronic Priesthood at that moment of water immersion, witnessed by His cousin, in order **'to fulfill all righteousness'!**

God will not break His Promises! **The Aaronic Priesthood is to be kept forever!** Exodus 40:15 **Perhaps this somehow brought two Priesthoods into One Body, within Yeshua!**

Or perhaps this is what caused the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood to be physically birthed on earth.

Then Yeshua, when He had been immersed, came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and **the Spirit of God descended like a dove and alighted upon Him.**

And suddenly a Voice came from Heaven, saying,  
**‘This is My Beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased!’** Matthew 3:16,17

Yohanan came with a very special assignment, different from any Aaronic High Priest who had gone before him. He came to announce a new Kingdom, **the Kingdom of Heaven!** His first words:  
**‘Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand!’** Matthew 3:2

He also announced **a new kind of Priesthood**, where each new member would be given **Eternal Life with their God**, becoming a member forever of **God’s own Family!** John 3:36

The first step to enter this new Priesthood required **confession of sins** and **repentance**, followed by a mikveh, or water immersion. Ezekiel 14:6 and Ezekiel 18:30

The offering to God for your sins would not be an animal offering this time, as had been done for almost two thousand years. But this offering was you offering yourself to God, and **repenting before God** and before His witness, High Priest Yohanan the Immerser, who interceded for you before God, as you renounced and turned away from all your sins. Then you sealed your sincere repentance with a water immersion, cleansing you from all your sins. You then came up out of the waters, to begin a new life in God.

Yohanan told the people that repentance and water mikveh **were only the first step**, that **‘the way of Salvation’** required a second immersion, very different from this water immersion. That **the One coming after him** would baptize with **the Holy Spirit** and with **Fire**, and that **this baptism by God’s Spirit** was really needed for a victorious life. John 3:5

Yohanan may or may not have known who this new High Priest of God would be. But the One who had sent him and told him to immerse the people with water, had also told him that **the One** upon whom the Spirit of God descended and remained, would be **the One** sent by God, who would baptize with the Holy Spirit and Fire. John 1:33

Yohanan also announced that **this One** would be the Head of this new Priesthood, and that this One would be **the One** who would take away the sins of the whole world. **‘Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world!’** John 1:29

Yohanan said: ‘All flesh shall see the Salvation of God!’ Luke 3:6  
And he also announced that **this Lamb of God was the Son of God!**  
John 1:34,3:35,36

Yohanan was sent as a Prophetic voice for God, to reveal a new and special kind of Priesthood, **a Priesthood of Righteousness**, the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood, and also to demonstrate a new and personal fellowship with God, that God Himself was now calling mankind into.

Yohanan’s Priestly course name ‘**Abia**’ (Luke 1:5), from the root word ‘**Abiyahu**’ (‘**My Father is the LORD**’), showed us God’s true Heart’s desire. God was now also revealing His deep desire to reestablish this ancient but lost Truth with mankind, that God is not only our Creator, but that **God is also our own real Eternal Father!** (Isaiah 9:5)

And that **we are really God’s (lost) real children** (Psalm 82:6), **forever separated from God, our Father, if not for the love of this Son**, who gave His Life Blood to bring us back to our real Father in Heaven!

**There is only One GOD who always exists as**

## **Father, Son, and Spirit!**

**The Son of God** came down from Heaven, sent by **God, the Father**, and empowered by **God’s Spirit**, to save us from all of our sins, and to bring us back into true relationship **with Himself, and with our real Loving Father**, the relationship that God had at first known with His son Adam. ‘**...Adam, ...son of God.**’ Luke 3:38

God had told Israel that in the place where it was said to them, ‘You are not My people’, that one day they would be called, **‘sons of the Living God!’** Hosea 1:10

Yohanan was sent by God ‘to Prepare the Way’ for **a major change in Torah. The Torah was now to become internalized**, and would be **forever written in our minds and on our hearts.**

It was not to be replaced, but **it was to be fulfilled!** It was for everyone who would receive this New Covenant Torah, and what God was about to do with His Promises of **Forgiveness of sins, Eternal Life, and a restored relationship with God as our Father.** Jeremiah 31:31; Ezekiel 36:25-28

Knowing that sin separates us from our God, and that only blood can make atonement for sins, and that 'the life of the flesh is in the blood' (Leviticus 17:11), this **Loving Lamb of God** came to give **His own Blood** and physical Life, in order to bring **total forgiveness of sins** to mankind.

The Torah and the earthly Temple are but inadequate expressions of the heavenly Kingdom that Yohanan had come to announce. For God was now bringing the real Torah and heavenly Temple down to earth, embodied in One Man, in His Son Yeshua, empowered by His own Holy Spirit.

Soon after, the Torah would be embodied in all true disciples of Yeshua, who would be brought into God's Melchi-Zedek Priesthood on earth.

God first used **the Feast of Shavuot** over 1500 years prior, at Mount Sinai, when God, Himself, came down upon Mount Sinai, sounding the Shofar and revealing **His Glory**. There, God had called the nation of Israel into a new beginning with Himself, as He entered into **Marriage Betrothal Covenant** with Israel, with the giving of **the Ten Commandments**.

Exodus 19

But **this Marriage Betrothal** with God was not just for Israel; it was also for the strangers in their camp! It was really for all humanity! Deuteronomy 29:9-12

Solomon had dedicated **the first Temple** in Jerusalem, on **the Feast of Succot**. **The Glory of God had come down** filling the Temple, when 120 Priests sounding 120 silver trumpets, were joined by the Levitical choir, all united in one accord, worshiping the God of Israel! When Solomon had finished praying, **Fire of God came down!** 2nd Chronicles 5:3,13,14; 7:1,2

Then on **the Feast of Shavuot**, four years after Yohanan had first begun his ministry, the heavenly **Melchi-Zedek Priesthood was officially inaugurated on earth**, when 120 Priests were consecrated to God in a new kind of Temple. This time the 120 Priests were both **men and women** in one accord, in an upper room in Jerusalem, when **the Fire and Glory of God came down**, sanctifying them into **New Life**. **This New Temple was their own bodies now filled with the Holy Spirit of God!** This outpouring of God was also **a renewing of God's Marriage Betrothal with Israel;** and this Marriage Betrothal **would now also include** Born-Again believers in Yeshua **from all the nations**, called into a walk of love and holiness with their Creator, the God of Israel! Acts 2:1-4; Deuteronomy 6:5

This outpouring of the Holy Spirit on 120 believers in an upper room, was the second time God used this festival of **Shavuot, for new beginnings**, with about 1500 years between the two events. Will God use Shavuot once again, but this time for a special Resurrection?

Yeshua **Resurrected on the Feast of First Fruits of barley harvest.** Leviticus 23:10 Would **Shavuot, the First Fruits of wheat harvest**, be fulfilled with **the Resurrection of Yeshua's Bride to Heaven**, in preparation for the Great Wedding of our Bridegroom with His First Fruits Bride?

For these two Feasts, both called First Fruits, are really not two separate feasts; but they are really one long First Fruits feast season, being connected together with each other by the counting of the omer. (Leviticus 23:15,16)

Yeshua, the 'First Fruits' Bridegroom is in Heaven! 2000's years later, the Harvest of His 'First Fruit's' Bride will be gathered to Himself!

The Wedding of all weddings is about to be held in Heaven, on the special Feast of Yom Teruah, **Rosh HaShanah**, when the Seventh Trumpet sounds, in just a few years from now. Revelation 10:7;11:15-18

Yeshua came the first time as **the Son of man**, the promised Savior, **our Messiah**, who would offer Himself as God's sinless Lamb, to bring us the promised Atonement for all our sins. But Yeshua will return from Heaven as **the Mighty 'King of Glory', sounding the Great Shofar, coming with His Bride!** Zechariah 9:14; Revelation 19:11-14

He first sounded this Great Shofar when He came down over Mount Sinai, when He entered into Marriage Betrothal with Israel. Exodus 19 He will sound this Great Shofar only once more when He returns to earth!

Now let's look at the meaning of the Hebrew names of the family that God used to Prepare the Way for our Messiah's first coming.

Zacharias means '**the LORD Remembers**'.

Elisheva (Elizabeth) means '**God of the Oath**'.

Yohanan means '**the LORD is Gracious**'.

What is being said by these family names is **that God keeps His Promises**, especially His divine promise of **Genesis 3:15**, '**the Messiah**' that God had spoken to Adam and Eve. God would bring a **Divine Seed, the World Savior**, through Eve, who would utterly destroy the serpent, and bring God's Kingdom Reign from Heaven down to earth.

And **that Seed was the One** whom Yohanan had come to announce, his own Cousin Yeshua, who had first caused him to jump for joy, while he was yet in his mother's womb!

**Now, would you believe that our Great Mystery Adventure is only just beginning...**

**After all the major Revelations that God has already given me... was I brave enough to ask another Question, that perhaps few have ever asked... and maybe none has ever seen this answer given with so much new Revelation?**

The question: **Is it possible that Miriam, Yeshua's mother of the tribe of Judah, is also of the blood line of Aaron, and directly related to the Zadok High Priest family?** Miriam's only mentioned relative is Elisheva, of the daughters of Aaron! Luke 1:5

Having asked **this question** may help explain why Yeshua waited till the age of thirty, the legal age for an Aaronic Priest to enter ministry, before He began His earthly ministry serving His Father.

Let's begin by studying the genealogy chart in Matthew, chapter one. On Yeshua's stepfather Yosef's side, six generation back, **Yosef's great grandfather is called Zadok.** Matthew 1:14

But Yeshua is of the tribe of Judah.

So what is this name **Zadok, the Aaronic High Priest's family name** doing in this genealogy chart of Yosef? Also, we find the name Zerubbabel, the Governor of Judah, appearing as one of the ancestors listed in both the genealogy charts of Matthew and Luke. Matthew 1:12; Luke 3:27

The genealogy chart in the book of Matthew is for Yosef, and the genealogy chart in the book of Luke also speaks of Yosef, but showing different names. What does it all mean? Could these genealogy charts represent both of Yosef's parents. Matthew chapter 1 charts from David's son Solomon, and Luke chapter 3 charts from David's son Nathan.

**What about Miriam's genealogy, where is it ever mentioned?**

In Matthew 1:12, we see that Joseph's ancestor was Zerubbabel, the Governor of the whole Israelite community, when Israel returned from Babylonian exile. The name of **the High Priest** at that time was **Yeshua.** Ezra 3:2; 5:2 But this same High Priest was also called **Yehoshua** in Zechariah 3:1;6:11. He was **a Zadokite High Priest!**

Zerubbabel's son was Abiud. His grandson was Eliakim. Perhaps he was still alive in the days of his great grandson Azor. And Azor of Judah married a woman, and they named their son Zadok, the High Priest's name.

This is in Yeshua's genealogy as listed through Joseph.



All the High Priests during that time were Zadokite Priests, for the Zadok Priesthood family was in full authority until about 171 BC. And so the question is... why did Azor name his child Zadok, the High Priest's name? Was Azor's wife related to the Zadok Priests?

Nowhere does it specifically say in the book of Matthew or Luke that Miriam is of the line of Judah, although from all the prophecies, she had to carry this perfect fulfillment of the line of Judah, from King David, for her Son Yeshua to inherit 'the Throne of His father David'. Luke 1:32

We know that the line of Judah is the line of Kings, and the line of Levi is the line of Priests. But **One** was about to be born **who was not only the Son of God**, but **He** would be both **King and Priest**, **the King of Righteousness** and also **the Great High Priest of God!**

Aaron's wife, Elisheva, was '**the mother of the Aaronic Priesthood**'. But as we had mentioned earlier, Elisheva was from the tribe of Judah. For her brother Nahshon was the head of the tribe of Judah. Exodus 6:23; Numbers 1:7 Elisheva married Aaron, Moses's brother, and she had four sons by Aaron. From her sons, the Aaronic Priesthood was developed. These sons were not only from the tribe of Levi, but they were also from the tribe of Judah, through their mother!

**These sons were all Levi-Judah, a major key to help us better understand our Priesthood**, which we will explore...

As God began leading me on a whole new adventure of revelations into more of the mystery identity of Yeshua, I was not ready for what He was about to show me, and also I admit **I would never have guessed the conclusion**. God caught me totally by surprise, even though He had been leading me in this direction of revelation discovery for many years.

He had been showing me little keys and Truths all along the way. He had me doing different writings for Him on related topics, as He put keys in, and set them into position within my spirit, so that when the right time came, these little pieces would form the big outline to see **a Great new Truth about our Lord Yeshua**. Yeshua is both our Great God and Savior, and the True Lover of our souls. He is the One who has saved us, and raised us up with Him, delivering us out of so much corruption of this present world.

For **God was about to inaugurate a new Priesthood on earth** through the mutual submission of His two special (High) Priests, Yohanan and Yeshua. Yeshua had told us that He had come to be the total Fulfillment of the Torah! Matthew 5:17,18

And so God began by using **two special women** with important names related to the Old Testament Priesthood, to birth this new Priesthood. Both of these women would have miraculous births of two special sons, who would be **cousins**. God used the names of Elizabeth and Mary!

But these were not their Hebrew names...

As we have seen, Elizabeth is Elisheva, the name of **the wife of Aaron**, who became 'the mother of the Aaronic Priesthood'. And Mary's real Hebrew name is Miriam, the name also of the **sister of Moses and Aaron**; God used the names of the two women who were related to the two men who were the founders of the Aaronic Priesthood.

I have researched the name Miriam, 'bitter', to see if other meanings exist. 'Maram', is from the Egyptian name 'Mer', which means love. God redeems names, especially the name Miriam, the name that was given to Yeshua's mother.

**God chose the same two women's names that He had first used in forming the Aaronic Priesthood**. But now these two Israelite women of the New Covenant would both be used to help birth a new Priesthood on the earth, the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood.

Miriam's conception happens in a northern Israeli town called **Nazareth** (Na-tser-et), from the root 'net-ser' meaning **branch**. '**Branch**' is one of the many Messianic titles given for the Messiah (Isaiah 4:2; 11:1), who was conceived by God in this town called Nazareth ('**Branch**').

Can you now see from all the revelations that we have already looked into, how both of these women relatives, Miriam and Elisheva, pioneers in the development of the New Covenant, **must have been related to each other, both as daughters of Aaron**, and even much closer?

When Miriam is told by the angel Gabriel of her miraculous conception, she is also told only of the miraculous conception that had just happened six months prior to her relative Elisheva, of the daughters of Aaron, who was barren, and past the age of child-bearing.

The only one that the angel Gabriel tells Miriam about is **her relative Elisheva, of the daughters of Aaron. Miriam is told only about the miracle with her relative Elisheva of the Priesthood family of Aaron!**

God had told us that **Priest Zacharias and Elisheva were righteous before God. Zadok means righteous!** Does their title of being righteous indicate some relationship with Zadokite Priests?

Nowhere does it say that Elisheva is from the same Priestly division as her husband, who is of the division of 'Abia'. Is Elisheva the daughter of a Zadokite Priest? And her young relative Miriam, could her genealogy also be from this same Priestly family as Elisheva, from a Zadokite High Priest, who would have been known, if the Temple Priesthood in Jerusalem had not been corrupted?

Could this have been **the family secret**, that Elisheva and Zacharias, and Miriam all shared, which Yohanan and Yeshua also knew? Remember, if all this were true, and had been found out, their lives would have been in very great danger from Herod and the corrupt Temple priests of the time.

From all the evidence, **Miriam had to be from the line of Aaron**, of the tribe of Levi, besides being from the line of King David, of the tribe of Judah!

But not only that, Miriam had to have **the perfect genealogy to fulfill woman's part of God's prophesy of Genesis 3:15, that Perfect Seed of woman, that Seed of Eve**, from which **Seed the Messiah** would come forth, King Yeshua, who would crush the head of Satan!

**God had planned all this before time began,  
for this Divine Miraculous Conception!**

Miriam was the one who carried in her genetics **the Seed** that was mentioned in Genesis 3:14,15, (So the LORD God said to the serpent ... "And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; **He shall bruise your head**, and you shall bruise His heel.") **This Seed, the Messiah, would crush the serpent's head, to set us free!**

**This Seed not only carried the fulfillment of the line of Kings from King David, of the tribe of Judah, but also carried the fulfillment of the line of Aaronic Priests, from the Zadokite High Priest family, of the tribe of Levi. All this genealogy came together in the womb of this special Jewish virgin [almah] from Nazareth!**

But how can we know this for sure?

**You can see the proof in just three easy steps...**

- 1) The Messiah had to come from **the Seed of woman**, promised by God, Himself, in Genesis 3:15.
- 2) The Mystery Man who appeared to Abram, in Genesis 14:18, is both King and Priest, and He blessed Abram and **this Seed of the Messiah** that Abram carried, with a **Kingly/Priestly blessing into the flesh**, into the physical world. Abram also referred to Him as God!
- 3) Miriam had to carry in her genetics **the fulfillment** of both of these two blessings, the one by God and the other by the Priest of God Most High;

She had to carry **the fulfillment of woman's part** for her divine infant Son: physical fulfillment for both the line of **Kings** of David and also the line of Zadokite **High Priests**.

Why?

**Because that was woman's part for this divine Seed of Eve!**

GOD, our Father, would fertilize **this Seed** with **His (the Holy Spirit's) Presence**, (Isaiah 11:1-3; 61:1-3) ) giving this Child **God's Divinity**, as **the Great King of Heaven** and as **the Great High Priest of Heaven!**

**King/Priest Fulfillment** came into this Child, **both physically** from His mother's **Seed**, from Genesis 3:15, **and divinely through His Father's (the Holy Spirit's) Presence**. And this Child was totally **without sin!**

Miriam was betrothed to a man named Yosef, of the tribe of Judah. But God, the Creator, **would divinely fertilize this Seed with His Presence**, in the womb of this young Jewish **virgin** (almah), this daughter of Israel, **sending His Son to become this baby Boy**. For our God can do anything!

'Therefore, the Lord Himself will give you **a sign; the almah** with Child, will bear a Son, and will call His name **Immanu El (God with us)**.'  
Isaiah 7:14

God had said to Abraham: **'Is anything too hard for the LORD!'**, (Genesis 18:14), when God had told Abraham that his wife Sarah, past the age of child-bearing, would have a son. (also Mark 10:27)

If Yeshua carried **the bloodline of a Zadokite High Priest** from His mother Miriam, then this had to come from Miriam's immediate family, for it had to be **a totally pure bloodline!** What was the family secret?

Since the Zadokite Priests had lost their authority position in the Temple about 171 BC, did they keep any records of their genealogy? They had to, since **it was God's Word that they be in authority**. And they all waited to see **how God would restore this High Priest's position** to them.

But how can we find out who these Zadok leaders were of their division, just prior to Yeshua's birth, to see if Miriam and her mother's name might be recorded somewhere? This may be harder to find than looking for a needle in a haystack.

Also, could some information exist in some scroll fragment found out at the Qumran community? New findings now indicated that the Qumran community, out by the Dead Sea, was the home for many years of many of the Zadok Priests and their families, after they were overthrown in 171 BC.

You see, I was mining for buried treasure. And God had excited me to look further into the mystery of His Word for more information related to Yeshua's possible bloodline from the sons of Zadokite Priests, with these enticing new points of development. But they did not give me the real Scripture proof that I was searching for. And so I continued to search the Word, and pray, and ask God to reveal more revelations on His Mystery.

And then **God showed me the answer in the Holy Scriptures**;

it was always there **in His Word!**

## **The Jackpot !**

**Yeshua is the Arm of God**, the Author of both the Old and New Covenants. He said He came to fulfill the Torah: **'For truly I say to you, till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the Torah, till all be fulfilled!'** Matthew 5:18

**Yeshua will never violate His Word!**

‘The Word of our God shall stand forever!’ Isaiah 40:8

‘For You have magnified **Your Word** above all Your Name.’

Psalm 138:2

**Yeshua Reigns in Heaven as our Great High Priest. He is our Intercessor, always interceding before the Father.** ‘Is it Messiah that died, yes rather, that is risen again, who is even **at the right hand of GOD**, who also makes intercession for us.’ Romans 8:34

‘But **this Man**, because He continues forever, has an unchangeable Priesthood. Wherefore **He is able also to save to the uttermost** them that come to God by Him, seeing that **He ever lives to make intercession for them.**’ Hebrews 7:24,25

And he showed me **Yehoshua (Yeshua), the (Zadokite) High Priest**, standing before **the Messenger of the LORD...** And **the Messenger of the LORD** gave this charge to **Yehoshua (Yeshua)**, saying, “Thus says the LORD of Hosts: ‘If you will walk in My ways, and if you will keep My requirements, then you will also govern My House, and you will also have charge of My Courts, and I will give you access among these standing.

Hear, **O Yehoshua (Yeshua), the High Priest**, you, and your companions who sit before you, for they are men of a sign; Behold, **I will bring My Servant ‘The Branch’.**

For behold **the Stone** that I have laid before Yehoshua; upon one Stone are seven facets: behold, I will engrave its inscription, says the LORD of Hosts, and I will remove the iniquity of that land **in one day.**’ ”

Zechariah 3:1,6-9

In Genesis 22:15-18, ‘**The Messenger of the LORD**’ speaks **as God Himself**, “By Myself, have I sworn, says the LORD...”, and then **He** blesses Abraham and his seed forever!

‘**The Messenger of the LORD**’ **is the Son of God!** **He** speaks a blessing... (**unspoken, but inferred**, saying that because Abraham has offered **his own beloved son to God**, that now **He, God’s Son, would also do the same**, and offer up Himself, and come to earth, to be the ultimate Blessing and Offering of Love for His Creation!)

Take silver and gold, and **make CROWNS, and set them upon the head of (Yeshua) Yehoshua, the son of Yehozadok, the High Priest**, and speak to him, saying, “Thus speaks the LORD of Hosts, saying, ‘**Behold a Man whose name is the Branch**, and He shall grow up out of His place; and **He shall build the Temple of the LORD**; and **He shall bear the Glory**, and **He shall sit and Rule upon His Throne**; and **He shall be a Priest on His Throne**: and the Counsel of Peace shall be between **the two of Them (Father and Son).**’ ”

Zechariah 6:11-13

[**The Branch = King / Priest = Melchi-Zedek**]

[**The Messenger of the LORD speaks this prophecy!**]

In both Zechariah 3:8 and 6:12,13, we see the Coming of **the Man** called ‘**the Branch**’, prophesied to a **Zadok High Priest** named **Yehoshua**. This same High Priest is called **Yeshua** in Ezra 3:2; 5:2 and Nehemiah 7:7. We are told that **the Branch** would be both a **King** and a **Priest of God**, bearing God’s Glory! God had said that nobody would ever bear God’s Glory, **except God Himself**. Therefore **this Man** called ‘**the Branch**’ can only be **God Himself!** Isaiah 42:8; 48:11

\* Take special notice that this prophecy about the Coming of **the Messiah**, ‘**the Branch**’, is given here twice to a **Zadokite High Priest of Aaron**, named **Yeshua (Yehoshua)**!

\* Also take special notice that **the Messenger of the LORD** speaks this prophecy to High Priest Yeshua concerning **the Coming of ‘the Branch’**. **The Messenger of the LORD** is ‘**the Branch**’, speaking **about Himself!**

In that day ‘**the Branch of the LORD**’ shall be Beautiful and Glorious, and the fruit of the land shall be excellent... [Isaiah 4:2]

Behold, days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up to David **a Righteous Branch**, and a **King shall Reign** and prosper, and shall execute Justice and Righteousness in the earth. In His days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely.

And this is **His Name** whereby **He shall be called**, (Jeremiah 23:5,6)

**‘The LORD our Righteousness!’**

Behold, days are coming, says the LORD, when I will perform that good thing which I have promised to the house of Israel and to the house of Judah. In those days, and at that time, I will cause **a Branch of Righteousness** to grow up for David; and He shall execute Justice and Righteousness in the land. In those days **Judah shall be saved**, and **Jerusalem shall dwell safely**: and this is **the Name** whereby **He shall call Her**,

## **‘The LORD our Righteousness!’**

For thus says the LORD; ‘David shall never lack a man sitting upon **the Throne** of the house of Israel; **neither shall the Priests, the Levites lack a man before Me offering burnt offerings, and burning grain offerings, and performing Sacrifice all of the days.**’

Jeremiah 33:14-18

**[The Branch = King / Priest]**

Here again in Jeremiah, we see that **this Man** called **the Branch of Righteousness** is prophesied as both **King** and **Priest** before God, who **will also represent the Aaronic Priesthood of the tribe of Levi.**

We see the proof in this Scripture verse of Jeremiah 33:18, that for **the Branch to be God’s representative for the Levitical Priesthood**, He had to either be an Aaronic Priest, Himself, or somehow be personally connected through His own bloodline to the Aaronic Priesthood. **Who is this Mystery Man, this ‘Branch’, this mystery Great High Priest, coming from both the line of the King’s of David, and also from the line of Zadokite High Priest’s of the Aaronic Priesthood?**

**Yeshua has to be the One, the mystery High Priest, the Branch, the One written about in all these prophecies, who is also coming from the line of the Zadokite High Priests!**

I have now shown many Scriptural proofs that Yeshua received from His mother Miriam **the Seed (Genesis 3:15) for the perfect genetic bloodline**, not only for that of King David of the tribe of Judah, but He also had to receive the pure genetic bloodline from his great grandfather, on Miriam’s side of the family, of that of the Zadokite High Priest.



In the days when the exiles returned from Babylon, ‘**the Messenger of the LORD**’ speaks from Heaven to the Zadokite High Priest, **Yehoshua** (‘**the LORD is Salvation**’) or **Yeshua** (‘**Salvation**’), and this ‘**Messenger of the LORD**’, (who is truly God’s Beloved Son, speaking from Heaven) **announces His own Coming** as this mystery ‘**Branch**’!

From many studies we see that **this Messenger of the LORD** has to be **the Son of God!** When **this Messenger of the LORD** was born to Miriam, He was named **Yeshua**. But prior **He had prophesied to the High Priest named Yeshua**, saying that **One** would come forth called ‘**the Branch**’, (one of Messiah’s Yeshua’s titles) who would be **a Priest on His Throne**, and be given divine Kingship and Priesthood Authority!

The Scriptures clearly indicate that **the Branch** would definitely come from **the line of Zadokite High Priests**, since all these prophecies were given only to a Zadokite High Priest, named Yeshua!

‘**The Branch**’ is also the One called ‘**The King of Righteousness!**’

## **And He wears the King’s Crowns!**

“And I saw Heaven opened, and behold **a white horse**; and **He** that sat upon him is called **Faithful and True**, and in Righteousness He does Judge and make War. His eyes were as a Flame of Fire, and **on His head were many Crowns**; and He had a Name written that no man knew, but He Himself. And He was clothed with a vesture dipped in Blood,

**and His Name is called ‘The Word of GOD!’ ”**

Revelation 19:11-15:

This is describing **Yeshua, the King of Glory**,

wearing many Crowns.

**He is the One who will Lovingly minister to His Body and His Bride as the Faithful Great High Priest, serving before His Father forever!**

**This High Priest cannot break His Word which He gave to the Zadokite Aaronic Priests!**

From the days of King David, God had changed the structure of the Aaronic Priesthood with His special blessing for the High Priest Zadok, because of Zadok's faithfulness to King David, and his obedience to God. And we have read God's blessings given to Zadok and to his sons, found in four different places: Ezekiel 40:46; 43:18,19; 44:10-28; 45:3,4; 48:10,11.

For God had told the Aaronic Priests that **only the sons of Zadok** would be the only Aaronic Priests whom God would allow to come near, and to minister before God in His Holy Temple!

And God, Himself, **will make no exception** to His Torah Word which He gave to His own Priests. Yeshua had told us that He came **to totally fulfill the Torah, and not to miss any area, not even one jot or tittle.**

'For GOD is not a man that He should lie!' Numbers 23:19

**Yeshua, Himself, had to fulfill this same Word** and the same conditions from the Tanakh that He gave to His Priests. Because from Heaven, through His prophet Ezekiel, Yeshua had changed the whole structure of the Aaronic Priesthood, saying that now **only the sons of Zadok** would be the only Priests of the sons of Aaron who would be allowed to come near and to minister before God, in His Holy Temple!

Since Yeshua comes into the Presence of GOD, His Father, in His Temple in Heaven, therefore **He has to also be a son of Zadok, or He would be breaking His own Word!**

## Do you see it!

"A statement of **The LORD to my Lord: 'sit at My right hand...'**"  
Psalm 110:1

**Yeshua can not violate this Word** which He had given to the Zadokite Aaronic Priesthood; the Word which had changed the whole structure, authority, and duties of the whole Aaronic Priesthood.

**Yeshua had to fulfill this same Word!**

# But just how did He do it?

God had given us **all the keys to this mystery Person**, to show us that it could only be **God, Himself, coming in the flesh**, fulfilling these prophecies of being both the King from David's line and also the High Priest, fulfilling the line of Zadokite High Priests, while also **being Melchi-Zedek**.

**Yeshua had to be the fulfillment of the Aaronic Priesthood that He had created!** Yeshua had to carry in His genetics the bloodline from the true Zadokite Priest, qualified to hold the title as Zadokite High Priest, which also had to be **carried in the Seed of His mother Miriam**.

The fact that His mother Miriam had to carry this bloodline (Genesis 14:19), would that qualify Yeshua to have fulfilled these prophecies of God?

Yes!

# But how did He do it?

After many years of writing on this subject, on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2004, I believe that God has now revealed to me more of this mystery about the true family relationship that Miriam, Elisheva and Zacharias all shared, the mystery that Miriam immediately understood, when the angel Gabriel told her that her relative Elisheva was also pregnant with a son in her old age.

It was the reason why Miriam had to leave Nazareth immediately, and go to see her relative Elisheva, and Zacharias, in the hill country of Judah.

I believe the following is their true mystery family relationship...

Miriam knew her own family history. She knew that Elisheva was her aunt, her mother's sister, married to Zacharias. And she also knew that Zacharias was the true (yet unknown) High Priest of the Zadokite priesthood line. She also knew that Zacharias and Elisheva had prayed and prayed for many years for a child, a son, so that the hope of Israel would not be lost.

God's Word had said that only the Zadokite Priesthood could serve God, and come into God's Presence in the Temple, as God had promised through His prophet Ezekiel. And their family knew that Elisheva and Zacharias must have a son in order to continue the High Priesthood line of Zadok, which was somehow connected to the restoration of Israel, and necessary to be in right position for the coming of the Messiah, Israel's Savior and Israel's only Salvation, prophesied in so many places in God's Holy Word.

And Miriam also understood the Truths about **her own pure bloodline**, and the mystery of what it all meant. She knew that her mother and her aunt Elisheva had one brother, Zacharias' father, who had also been the unknown Zadokite High Priest of his generation, as was his father, her grandfather. She also knew that her aunt Elisheva had married Zacharias, her brother's son, Elisheva's nephew, the future High Priest, so that the High Priest family lineage would remain pure for the next born son, and for the promise of the next generation of Zadokite priests, who all waited on God, praying for the restoration of the Zadokite Priesthood rule in the Temple in Jerusalem.

[But the angel (Gabriel) said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zacharias, for **your prayer is heard**, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you **a son**, and you shall call his name **Yohanan**. Luke 1:13]

And Miriam also knew that her own mother, who was of the pure line of Zadok, had married a Jewish man also coming from pure lineage, from King David's line, from Judah. Miriam knew all these things. She knew that she was from both the line of King David on her father's side, and from the line of the Zadokite High Priests on her mother's side. She knew that she was a pure combination of Judah and Aaron (Zadok), like the first sons born to Elisheva, the wife of High Priest Aaron, about 2000 years prior.

And so when the angel Gabriel spoke to her all that he spoke, she could only respond as she did... (Luke 1)

'Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Miriam. And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; **blessed are you among women!**" But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Miriam, for you have found favor with God.

And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His Name **Yeshua**. He will be Great, and will be called **the Son of the Highest**; and the LORD God will give Him the Throne of His father David. And He will reign over the House of Jacob forever, and **of His Kingdom there shall be no end!**”

Then Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I do not know a man?” And the angel answered and said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the Power of the Highest will overshadow you. Therefore, **that Holy One** who is to be born will be called **the Son of God!** Now indeed, Elisheva, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren. For with God nothing shall be impossible.”

Then Mary said, **“Behold, the maidservant of the LORD! Let it be to me according to your Word.”**

And the angel departed from her.

Now Miriam arose in those days and went into the hill country with haste, to a city of Judah, and entered the house of Zacharias and greeted Elisheva. And it happened, when Elisheva heard the greeting of Miriam, that the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisheva was filled with the Holy Spirit. Then she spoke out with a loud voice and said, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! But why is this granted to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For indeed, as soon as the voice of your greeting sounded in my ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy. Blessed is she who believed, for there will be a fulfillment of those things which were told her from the Lord.”

And Mary said: “My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. For He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed. For He who is Mighty has done great things for me, and Holy is His Name. And His Mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation.

He has shown Strength with His Arm; He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty. He has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His Mercy, as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed forever.”

And Mary remained with her about three months, and returned to her house.’ Luke 1:26-56

[Pages 51 and 52 were new revelations, received on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2004.]

THE FOLLOWING DIAGRAM ILLUSTRATES

Yeshua's Family Heritage from His Mother Miriam

Zadok High Priest of Aaron  
(father)

Elisheva  
(sister)

Zadok High Priest  
(brother)

Miriam's mother  
(sister)

+

Zacharias  
Zadok High Priest  
(son)

Elisheva + Zacharias = Yochanan  
(marries her nephew) Zadok High Priest  
(son)

Miriam's mother + (her husband) = Miriam's  
pure line of pure line of genealogy  
Zadok High Priest King David  
of Aaron of Judah

Miriam + GOD = Yeshua

There is a special Scripture that the apostle Paul wrote, that to many seem to suggest that the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood and the Aaronic Priesthood **were in no ways connected** with each other, especially in the life and ministry of Yeshua, our Messiah.

‘Therefore, if perfection were through the Levitical Priesthood, what further need was there **that another Priest should Rise according to the Order of Melchi-Zedek, and not be called according to the Order of Aaron?**’  
Hebrews 7:11

Paul’s statement is absolutely correct!

**It is totally impossible for Yeshua to have ever been an Aaronic Priest, of the sons of Zadok. Why?**

For the simple reason that the Aaronic Priesthood was passed **from father to son**, and

**Yeshua’s real Father is GOD, the FATHER!**

**There is the answer that has long been missed...**  
It’s what Yeshua carried in His genetics from His mother’s side...  
**the Seed** of Genesis 3:15,  
**the Seed of woman**, which gave us the answer to this mystery!

And also ‘**the unspoken Blessing**’ that ‘**Melchi-Zedek**’, **GOD’S SON** passed in Abram, in Genesis 14:19, when He said: “**Blessed be Abram** of God Most High, possessor of heaven and earth... (‘I bless you Abram, and I bless **your seed, to bring forth MYSELF to the earth!**’)”

This is what God, through Miriam, physically passed into Yeshua: not only the fulfillment of both the line of David's Kingship and Zadok's High Priesthood, in the flesh! But also woman's part of this divine story was **to help bring forth 'the One'** into the earth, whose titles from Genesis 14:18, were: '**Priest of God Most High**', '**King of Salem**', and '**My King of Righteousness**'!

Now do you see the answer?

Through His mother Miriam's bloodline, **as a daughter of Zadok Priests,**

**actually the granddaughter of the real Zadokite High Priest,**

**Yeshua was a great grandson of the line of Zadok High Priests!**

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And this, I believe, is how Yeshua fulfilled these prophecies!

However, Yeshua is a Priest rising from another Priesthood, a Priesthood that pre-existed the Aaronic Priesthood. The Melchi-Zedek Priesthood is the Eternal Priesthood of Heaven, which may have first begun on earth with Abram in the Garden of Eden, or perhaps had its earliest origin with Enoch, long before God formed the Aaronic Priesthood.

The Aaronic Priesthood was originally formed as a proto-type or model of the Greater heavenly Priesthood, until the time would come when God would bring the Aaronic Priesthood back into Himself, back into its origin within the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood. And as I have shown, the Aaronic Priesthood was not God's first choice for Israel, for God had originally desired a **Kingdom of Priests**. Exodus 19:5 But the Aaronic Priesthood was used to teach many necessary truths to the twelve tribes of Israel about **God's Kingdom of Heaven**, that would one day be brought down to earth.



And as Yohanan had announced:

## **“He who has the Bride is the Bridegroom!”**

Yohanan knew that the Son of God was coming to Israel **for His Bride**, and Yohanan believed he was not that Bride, but that he was **‘the friend of the Bridegroom’**. John 3:29

God had promised a **New Covenant** to Israel, where the Torah would be internalized into the hearts and minds of many believers in the God of Israel. God had also promised **Eternal Life** for those who would **Choose Life** and obey their God, and return to Him, through Yeshua’s finished work on the Tree, bringing Atonement for all our sins.

Now let’s look at the True heritage given **this Man Yeshua** who stood in the Jordan River before the High Priest and Prophet Yohanan, the Immerser. This Man is Yohanan’s cousin,

Who, through Yeshua’s mother’s bloodline ...

**He is the true king of Israel**, the fulfillment of kings through His ancestor, king David; and who, also on His mother’s side carried the bloodline for **the fulfillment of Zadokite High Priests**. Although He was not a Priest of Aaron, still through His mother’s genealogy, **He is a son from Zadok, of the highest order of Zadokite High Priests, of the sons of Aaron.**

And who, **through GOD, His FATHER ...**

**He is both the Great King of Heaven, ‘My King of Righteousness’, Melchi-Zedek, and also the Great High Priest of Heaven!**

And so Yohanan, God’s Zadokite High Priest of the sons of Aaron, passed the Mantle of Priesthood authority to the Greater, who had come from heaven in order to fulfill all Righteousness!

God had shown me all these Revelations, and I thought that God was finished showing me the mysteries, when God surprised me once again...

One morning, early in 1999, God sent me on a quest to find the names of all the Aaronic High Priests of the First and Second Temple periods. And you would likely never have thought what He showed me next...

Would you ever have guessed that the name that Elizabeth and Zacharias gave their only son, the name Yohanan, the name given by angel Gabriel to Zacharias before the child was born (Luke 1:13), would be **another major key for unlocking the mysteries** existing between these two Priesthoods, the Zadokite (Aaronic) Priesthood, and its fulfillment in the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood, and also the mystery that existed between these two cousins, Yohanan and Yeshua.

And here's what God showed me: the name Yohanan was a special Priest name that had previously been given to two of the Zadokite High Priests. The first one was Zadok's own great grandson. And the second, and this is **the other Key**...

This was **the name given to the last recorded Zadokite High Priest of the second Temple period! This was just prior to or during the time of corruption of the Temple Priesthood, with the overthrow of the Zadokite Priests by the Maccabeans, during the Hasmonean era. [171 BC]**

What we see, **arranged so perfectly by God**, and announced by the angel Gabriel in the opening scene of the New Testament, and also at the time of circumcision of their baby son was a continuation of this Zadokite High Priest's name and lineage, through Yohanan, High Priest Zacharias' son, until the time would come to pass the Zadokite High Priesthood Mantle on to God, 'the WORD made flesh', Yeshua, the Creator and the fulfillment of the Aaronic Priesthood, in order to fulfill all Righteousness!  
Luke 1:13,60,63

And now can you see why it was so important for God to make sure that this baby boy, Yohanan, born to High Priest Zacharias and Elisheva, would have **this name Yohanan?** For it literally meant **the fulfillment of God's Word originally given to the Zadokite Priests; God gave Elisheva and Zacharias' son the name of the last righteous Zadokite High Priest, Yohanan, the Kohen Gadol.**

It is generally agreed that Yochanan, Kohen HaGadol, lived just before or during the 'Hasmonean era', the period following the Chanukah miracle, from 165 BC. [The Art Scroll Publications, Yoma Edition, Volume 9, Section: 'Kohanim Gedolim in the First and Second Temples!']

Let's look again at these scenes just prior and after the birth of Yochanan:

**“... you shall call his name Yochanan.** For he will be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink. He will also be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God. He will also go before Him in the Spirit and Power of Elijah, 'to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children,' and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.” Luke 1:13,15-17

Now Elizabeth's full time came for her to be delivered, and she brought forth a son. When her neighbors and relatives heard how the Lord had shown great mercy to her, they rejoiced with her. So it was, on the eighth day, that they came to circumcise the child; and they would have called him by the name of his father, Zacharias. His mother answered and said, “No; **he shall be called Yochanan!**” But they said to her, “There is no one among your relatives who is called by this name.” So they made signs to his father, what he would have him called. And he asked for a writing tablet, and wrote, saying, “**His name is Yochanan!**” So they all marveled.

Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, praising God. Then fear came on all who dwelt around them; and all these sayings were discussed throughout all the hill country of Judea.

And all those who heard them kept them in their hearts, saying, “What kind of child will this be?” And the hand of the LORD was with him.

Now his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied, saying: “Blessed is the LORD God of Israel, for He has visited and **redeemed His people**. And has raised up a horn of Salvation for us in the house of His servant David (referring to his pregnant cousin Miriam), as He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets, who have been since the world began, that we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all who hate us, **to perform the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember His Holy Covenant**, the oath which He swore to our father Abraham. To grant us, that we being delivered from the hand of our enemies, **might serve Him** without fear, **in holiness and righteousness before Him all the days of our life.**

And you, child, will be called ‘the Prophet of the Highest’; for you will go before the face of the Lord to prepare His ways, to give knowledge of Salvation to His people by the remission of their sins, through the tender Mercy of our God, with which the Dayspring from on high has visited us; To give light to those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of Peace.”

So the child grew and became strong in Spirit, and was in the deserts till the day of his manifestation to Israel. Luke 1:57-80

Can you see the fulfillment of God’s Promises being spoken in the words of Zacharias, God’s Priest, as he, filled with the Holy Spirit, prophesied over his own baby son Yohanan, at the time of his circumcision? To Zacharias, this somehow all meant the restoration of the Zadokite Priesthood.

Keep in mind that the Temple Priesthood had been corrupted for about 170 years, and that Zacharias is really the mystery Zadokite High Priest, who desperately desired to see God’s holiness and righteousness restored to God’s Temple in Jerusalem, and to see the Zadokite Priests restored to their rightful authority of position and duties in all the Temple practices. For only the Zadok Priests were called by God to come into God’s Presence, and to perform all the special Temple duties before the Holy One of Israel.

The information of this secret identity of Zacharias and his family had been kept hidden from almost everyone, except those most trusted and closest to the family, at risk of their lives, if King Herod had ever found out.

Let’s look again at the promises spoken by God **to the sons of Zadok**:

“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. ...And they shall teach My people the difference between the holy and the unholy, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean. In controversy they shall stand as judges, and judge it according to My judgments. They shall keep My laws and My statutes in all My appointed meetings, and they shall hallow My Sabbaths. It shall be,

in regard to their inheritance, that **I am their inheritance!**

You shall give them no possession in Israel, for **I am their possession!**  
Ezekiel 44:15-16, 23,24,28

**GOD, our FATHER**, sent His only Son to accomplish many **Great Works** which could only be done by God Himself, such as this Perfect Man who was without sin, exchanging His own Life as the Full Price needed to Pay for the sins of His whole Creation!

1) **God would redeem His sinful lost children back to Himself!**

(Psalm 82:6)

2) **God would birth the promised New Covenant [Brit Hadasha], where the Torah would be put inside the minds and on the hearts of God's children!** (Jeremiah 31:31)

3) **God would reside within these bodies of flesh, as our personal Torah Teacher!** (Ezekiel 36:26,27)

4) **God would restore His children back to that divine relationship with God, as their FATHER, that Adam and Eve had once known, but which had been lost through their sin and fall, and Spiritual death!**

Our God is truly the Great Lover of Humanity!

**God is Spirit!** God came to make Alive what had Spiritually died in Adam and Eve. Our spiritually dead spirit had to be Born-Again by God's Spirit. And so God did it all! He extended **His own Mighty Arm to be birthed on earth... as 'the Messenger of the LORD', 'the Branch', 'Melchi-Zedek', God's only begotten Son, Yeshua.**

And God also sent **His own Holy Spirit, His Ruach**, with this Child.

God had long ago announced all these things in His Word, before any of these things had actually happened, telling us through His prophets exactly what He would do...

\* I am sending **My Messenger** before you ... listen to His Voice, do not rebel ... for My Name is in Him ...My Messenger shall go before you to bring you in... Exodus 23:21

\* What is **His Name** and what is His Son's Name, if you know?  
Proverbs 30:4

\* To whom has 'the Arm of the LORD' been revealed?  
All we like sheep have gone astray, and the LORD has laid on Him  
the iniquity of us all; by His stripes we are healed; Isaiah 53:1,6,5

\* Then My own Arm saved for Me... Isaiah 63:5

\* And the Messenger of His Presence saved them...  
Isaiah 63:9

\* I will give you a new heart... and I will put **My Spirit** within you...  
Ezekiel 36:26,27

\* **I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live!** Ezekiel 37:14

And so 'the Word of God' (the Tanakh, the Holy Scriptures) became  
Flesh! **Heaven's Author of Torah, the Holy GOD, extended His own  
Arm** to become 'a Man', but not just any ordinary man. **For this Man  
was both divine God and man** at the same time. He is 'the Living Torah!'  
He had no sin! He came to earth to make the external written Torah into  
an internalized work in mankind, for both Jews and Gentiles, for Israel, and  
for all the nations of the world who would accept **God's New Covenant**.  
Jeremiah 31:31

But just how was this God man, who called Himself '**the Son of man**',  
going to do this most remarkable new work of **internalizing the Torah**,  
putting **Torah** inside the hearts and minds of those of His Creation  
who would desire this new gift, which was now given freely by God?

The divine Author of Torah, **Yeshua, the Mighty Arm of the LORD**,  
God's own Son, **took on Flesh**, and began His Priestly ministry by first  
being immersed in the Jordan River at age 30. And at age 33, He was  
crucified on the tree, and physically died. **This was not Spiritual death,  
because God is Spirit, and God cannot die! But sinless Flesh had to  
be sacrificed as the Offering made by this High Priest**, as He offered up  
His own Bleeding Body **for our complete Atonement**, in exchange for  
our sinful flesh. God told us repeatedly in His Word **His great desire  
to Redeem fallen man, because of His Infinite Love for His children!**

‘My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, for he is indeed flesh.’  
Genesis 6:3

‘He will provide **Atonement** for His land and His people.’  
Deuteronomy 32:43

Because of Righteous Laws, **punishment for man’s sins had to be paid for in full**, and this could only be made with a Righteous Sinless Flesh and Blood Offering done by **GOD’s ‘Lamb of God’**, offered as substitution for our own sinful life! Leviticus 17:11 God had been teaching Israel this Truth for over 1500 years, through the High Priest’s offerings on Yom Kippur.

And then **the Author of the Torah, ‘this Word that had become Flesh’, Resurrected from the dead**, through the Power of God’s Holy Spirit, having paid the price in full for our sins. And then He Ascended into Heaven and applied His Blood on the Mercy Seat, ratifying the promised New Covenant.

And then came the Outpouring of the Holy Spirit, birthing ‘the Ecclesia’, ‘the called-out ones’, so that we also would be able to walk as He walked, by our accepting and entering into His Finished Work, receiving **His Holy Life**, in exchange for our sinful and ‘dead’ life!

When we come to **Yeshua, the Arm of God**, we accept His Sacrifices of Forgiveness for all our sins, and **Eternal Life!** And once we are immersed in water, into Yeshua’s Death and Resurrection, **by faith we are actually Born-Again, or Born from above**, and we enter into **the Kingdom of God!** We enter into God’s New Covenant Torah, ‘the Brit Hadashah’, internalized and **made alive and new within us**, through the Resurrection Power of God’s Holy Spirit, which has now come to reside within us, to be our Teacher!

This New Covenant Torah is now written on our hearts and in our minds, just as God had promised us so long ago in His Word. Jeremiah 31:31-34

And God did it all! **Yeshua, the Living Torah physically died** and then Resurrected, and then ascended into Heaven, where **He now sits at the Right Hand of His Almighty Father!** And all who enter into Yeshua’s finished Work become members of God’s Eternal **Born-Again Family!**

And we also enter into **Sonship** with our Father in Heaven as He promised!

This God man did not come to destroy the Torah, but **to fulfill it!** For He is **‘the Word of God made Flesh’**, the Word first given by God to His Jewish people through Moses, for all mankind’s Salvation. The Torah, given by God to Moses, is God’s sacred instructions from the Kingdom of Heaven for mankind. It is God’s rules governing man’s behavior with God and his fellow man, **given to prepare men for the time when the Kingdom of Heaven would come down to earth**, with a Holy God dwelling among His people. The Torah convicted all men and women of sin, and pointed out that our sins led to separation from God, and therefore our Eternal Death.

The Torah showed all men their desperate need for the help and mercy of a **Good and Loving God**. The Torah was given to bring mankind back to God, either for His help and mercy, with **repentance**, or for God’s needed **Judgment**, because of man’s stubbornness, rebellion, and evil ways. And all men and women were guilty of violating God’s Torah in many ways.

And so God promised that He would make a **New Covenant**, in which He would truly forgive all our sins. Jeremiah 31:31-34 God also promised that He would cleanse us from all our filthiness and from all our idols, and **give each of us a new heart and put a new spirit within us**. He promised to take away our heart of stone out of our flesh, and give us **a heart of flesh**. He also promised to put **His own Spirit within us** (as our Torah Teacher), and cause us to walk in His statutes, and to keep His judgments!  
Ezekiel 36:24-27

**Yeshua, ‘the Living Torah’, not only taught us the Torah, but He also lived it Perfectly!** He came to ratify a New Covenant with God and with man, through His own physical death and Resurrection!

Yeshua is the mystery of **God Himself revealed as a Man**. He is **the One** to whom Abram gave a tithe of all. Genesis 14:20 He is **the One** who will sit **as King** upon David’s Throne, in the Tent of David. Isaiah 16:5 He is **the One** whom Moses told the people about, **the Prophet**, whom God would require the people **to listen to and obey!** Deuteronomy 18:15-19



Yeshua was asked by the chief Priests, the scribes and the elders:  
**‘By what authority do you do these things?’** And Yeshua responded:  
**‘The baptism of Yohanan, was it from Heaven or from men?’** Luke 20:1-4

Yeshua was really answering their question, but they didn’t know it.

He was pointing out to them where His Authority really came from, showing them that **His Authority came from God, released to Him by God, when Yeshua was immersed in the Jordan River by Yohanan**, which began His ministry, after the Mantle of Priestly Authority had been passed on to Him by his cousin Yohanan, the Zadokite High Priest of the line of Aaron, through their mutual submission to each other and to God.

Yeshua is showing them the key to **His Authority** from GOD, released to Him because of His total consecration to His Father, and the Priesthood interaction between Himself and His cousin Yohanan at the Jordan River.

But Yeshua’s consecration to His Father had really begun at birth, and He had walked without sin in body, soul, and in Spirit, and He had done this consecrated walk all His Life, even up to His baptism. Yeshua had no sin!

[During Yeshua’s trial, Herod’s appointed bogus High Priest Caiaphas tore his High Priestly robes that Passover eve, thereby officially and technically **disqualifying himself** as High Priest, while Yeshua’s robes remained intact, affirming His own High Priest’s position and Authority!]

This **God man** Yeshua went down under the waters of immersion in the Jordan River, bringing the Aaronic Priesthood into a transformation within Himself. He came up out of the waters of immersion, **with the Aaronic Priesthood now merged back into God, and into the heavenly Melchi-Zedek Priesthood Order, thus bringing this heavenly Priesthood Order to earth, in full operation, in order to fulfill all Righteousness!**

And the Spirit of God came mightily upon Yeshua, filling Him. And **the POWER** was connected between Father and Son, for Yeshua’s divine public ministry to begin, and continue for the next 3 1/2 years. However, this new Melchi-Zedek Priesthood would not be fully established on earth, and Yeshua’s Great Work truly Finished, until after Yeshua’s Cross, His physical death, giving His Lifeblood as the Passover Lamb. And then with His Resurrection and Ascension into Heaven, **He applied His Blood to the Mercy Seat**. What followed next was the Great Outpouring of the Holy Spirit that came on Shavuot, inaugurating the New Covenant Torah!

Now the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood of heaven was established on earth, and many new members, both men and women entered into it on Shavuot, here in Jerusalem. In fact now all humanity is able to enter into Yeshua's Victorious Eternal Life, on '**this Day of Salvation**'. Isaiah 49:8

Interestingly, the Hebrew word for **Salvation** is '**Yeshuah**'!

Yeshua said that '**one must be Born Again to see the Kingdom of God**'; and that '**one must also be born of water and the Spirit to enter into this Kingdom of God**'. John 3:3-5 You have to be immersed under water, symbolic of the death of your old carnal nature, as you take on Yeshua's death and Resurrection into yourself, coming up out of the waters of immersion made new, **Born Again into New Life** by God's Spirit and by God's own finished Work of Salvation and Redemption on the Tree, through the sacrifice of God's Loving Son!

Yeshua said: '**I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life; no one comes to the Father, except through Me.**' John 14:6

This Sinless **Son of God** became **the Author of The New Covenant Torah**, as He was also the Author of the Old Covenant Torah. But this New Covenant had to be ratified with blood, **sinless Blood, the Blood of the Lamb of God**, this Great High Priest, making the ultimate sacrifice of Love, His Life in exchange for the sins of the whole world! Leviticus 17:11

For a Righteous God to forgive the sins of His Creation, He could not break His Word in the Torah, which said that **the payment for sin was death**. Deuteronomy 24:16; Jeremiah 31:30 Since all of His Creation had sinned, all deserved the punishment for their sins, which was Death, and therefore **Eternal separation** from their God, their Creator and Father.

But God, our Father, could not do this to His Creation, **because of His Infinite Love for all His lost children** in the world:

'**For God so Loved the world** that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have Everlasting Life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him, (Yeshua, God's Wonderful Son), might be saved.' John 3:16,17; Isaiah 63:5,9

The Torah law for punishment of sin is **death**. But God's Son turned this into **Grace** and **Mercy** by offering His own Life! For God's Son took upon Himself the full penalty from the Torah for our sins, paying the full price for us, His redeemed. In exchange, He gave to us the full reward for the fulfillment of the Torah, **Eternal Life with our God!** And He gave us **Life more abundantly**, filled with His Love, Joy, Peace, and Victory! The Torah was now put on the inside, into the hearts and minds of all who would accept God's Finished Work of His Son's death and Resurrection for us.

'Surely His Salvation is near to those who fear Him, that Glory may dwell in our land. Mercy and Truth have met together; Righteousness and Peace have kissed. Truth shall spring out of the earth, and Righteousness shall look down from heaven. Yes, the LORD will give what is good; and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness will go before Him, and shall make His footsteps our pathway.' Psalm 85:9-13

And thus God's own Holy Spirit became our Teacher, placed within us, teaching us to walk in this New Covenant Torah.

**'I will put My Spirit within you...'** Ezekiel 36:27; 37:14

Yeshua is truly **Perfect God and Perfect man**. His mother passed on to Him the Perfect genetics of **the Seed of Eve** and **the Blessing that Melchi-Zedek gave to Abram!** Yeshua received from His mother the fulfillment of both the Davidic King and Zadokite Priest inheritance.

If the Zadokite Priesthood had been restored by God to rightful position, Miriam's grandfather on her mother's side would have been publicly known as the Zadokite High Priest of the Temple in Jerusalem.

Since a mother's blood cannot pass through the placenta to the unborn child in her womb, Yeshua could not receive Miriam sins into His own pure Blood, and therefore His own Blood remained pure of sin.

Exodus 20:5, says that the sins of the fathers (**not the mother**) are passed to the children, to the third and fourth generations. Therefore, sin is passed through the father's seed.

Yeshua legally inherited the Temple Mount area, purchased by His great great grandfather... King David, who had purchased it from Ornan (Araunah) the Jebusite, for 600 shekels of gold (50 shekels of silver). 1st Chronicles 21:24-26 (and/or 2nd Samuel 24:24)

And Yeshua received **a much greater inheritance** than we can ever imagine from His own FATHER. He received all the riches of His FATHER in Heaven. He received His rightful Title as **‘the Messiah’ (Mashiach, ‘The Anointed One’)**. Daniel 9:25,26

He also received from His FATHER His true Titles of **King of Heaven and Great High Priest of Heaven!** He also received His full inheritance of **Sonship** from His heavenly FATHER, as **the Son of GOD!**

He also inherited **all the land of Israel** from His FATHER:  
**‘This land is Mine!’** Leviticus 25:23

And He also inherited the whole earth: **‘The earth is the LORD’s, and all its fullness, the world and those who dwell therein.’** Psalm 24:1

These were Yeshua’s true inheritances at His circumcision at eight days old, after His immersion in the Jordan River at age 30, and after His death Resurrection, and Ascension to Heaven, 3 1/2 years later.

**He will be returning to earth for all that is rightfully His:**

“I was watching in the night visions, and behold, One like the Son of Man, coming with the Clouds of Heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, and they brought Him near before Him. Then to Him was given Dominion and Glory and a Kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him. His Dominion is an Everlasting Dominion, which shall not pass away, and His Kingdom one which shall not be destroyed. Daniel 7:13,14

**‘Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong, because He poured out His soul unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. And He bore the sin of many...’** Isaiah 53:12

A new and Living Door was now opened by God for all of mankind to come into true sonship with God, and into a new and divine Priesthood, because of what Yeshua had accomplished for us:

“Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea, which cannot be measured or numbered. And it shall come to pass in the place where it was said to them, ‘You are not My people,’ there it shall be said to them, ‘**You are sons of the living God!**’ ” Hosea 1:10

For the real mystery of mankind is that **mankind is God’s lost children** forever separated and cut off from this divine Truth, **if not for the Great Love of our God (Father, Son, and Spirit) who came to redeem us, and bring us back into this Great Truth!**

I said, “You are gods,  
**and all of you are children of the Most High.”**  
(Psalm 82:6)

Jesus said to her, “... I have not yet ascended to My Father;  
but go to My brethren and say to them,  
**‘I am ascending to My Father and your Father,  
and to My God and your God!’** ” John 20:17

**There is only One God!**

**And Yeshua is the Mighty Arm of God!**

The Aaronic Priesthood is an eternal Priesthood, as indicated in many Scriptures, such as Exodus 40:13-15. ‘You shall put the Holy garments on Aaron, and anoint him and sanctify him, that he may minister to Me as Priest. And you shall bring his sons and clothe them with tunics. You shall anoint them, as you anointed their father, that they may minister to Me as Priests; for their anointing shall surely be **an everlasting Priesthood throughout their generations**’. Also see Exodus 29:9; Deuteronomy 18:1-5

‘The sons of Aaron, the Priests, shall blow on the silver trumpets (hazozorot, and this shall be for you as **a lasting ordinance for your generations**.’ Numbers 10:8

What happened to the Aaronic Priesthood when the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood became its fulfillment on earth through the work of Yeshua? Did it change? Yes! In what ways?

Are some Jewish believers in Yeshua, who are also sons of Aaron, and some even sons of Zadok, functioning in both Priesthoods at the same time? Or is it possible that God may have actually merged these two Priesthoods into One, within the Body of Yeshua?

Could Yeshua have actually merged the Aaronic Priesthood into the Order of Melchi-Zedek, since the Aaronic Priesthood is to be kept forever? Could this have been done by what happened between Yohanan and Yeshua at the Jordan River? Yeshua’s finished His Work on the Tree: giving us His own Life, His death, His Resurrection, His overcoming of the Tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and then His Ascending to Heaven, to bring us into His Father’s Kingdom, as part of His own Eternal Body.

Does this have something to do with merging the two Priesthoods?

Are Jewish believers in Yeshua, who are from the bloodline of Aaron, now being called into special assignments in the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood, in fulfillment of Aaronic, and even Zadokite Priesthood duties?

Or are all the believers in the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood now able to fulfill the special duties, positions, and functions which prior only the Aaronic Priests were allowed to perform before God, under the Mosaic Covenant, those special positions and functions later assigned only to Zadokite Priests?

These are important questions? I pray that God reveals the answers to us.

For the Word of God says that God will still have Priests and Levites after the Great War, and after God's Judgment of Wrath on all His enemies:

'For by Fire and by His Sword, the LORD will judge all flesh. And the slain of the LORD shall be many...

And they shall bring all your brothers out of all the nations, an offering to the LORD... **to My holy mountain Jerusalem**, says the LORD, just as the sons of Israel bring the grain offering in a clean vessel to the House of the LORD. And also **from them I will select for the Priests, for the Levites**, says the LORD.' Isaiah 66:16,20,21

Will these new Priests and these Levites, recorded in Isaiah 66, be only from the sons of Aaron, or will they now also be from among the other sons of Israel or even from the Gentile believers who belong to the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood Order, as new members of Yeshua's Family?

'But **the stranger** who dwells among you... **you shall love him as yourself**; I am the LORD your God!' Leviticus 19:34

'Thus you shall divide **the land** among yourselves according to **the tribes of Israel... the strangers** who sojourn among you and who bear children among you, they shall be to you **as native born** among the children of Israel; **they shall have an inheritance with you among the tribes of Israel.**' Ezekiel 47:21,22

God is bringing us many new revelations on these topics, as we head into the End Times. And we can expect to see many more questions arise, with God bringing us the more revelations and more answers!

If you have a sincere interest to know more about the mysteries of the births of Yohanan and Yeshua: (both cousins were six months apart in age, both were born on major Jewish biblical feasts, fulfilling major prophecies; Yohanan was born during the Passover season, and Yeshua was conceived during the time of Chanukah, and born on the first day of Succoth;) then I recommend another book I have written, which explores these mysteries...

**“THE RETURN OF THE MESSIAH, THE KING OF GLORY!”**

## **Major Differences : Melchi-Zedek Priesthood and Aaronic Priesthood**

**The Aaronic Priesthood** has many Priests, but only one High Priest. These Priests can **only be men, and only from the sons of Aaron**, of the tribe of Levi. Other Levites, not the sons of Aaron, were involved in serving the Priests in the Temple duties, such as in Temple worship to God. They also carried the Holy Temple articles, but only when these were covered.

Later, after God changed the Aaronic Priesthood, about 960 BC, then only the Priests, **the sons of Zadok** of the sons of Aaron, were allowed to come into the Presence of God, and to minister before God at the outside Altar, in the Holy Place, and (only the High Priest) in the Holy of Holies. Then only **a son of Zadok** was permitted to serve as **High Priest!** This all changed in 171 BC, when the Priesthood was corrupted. Ezekiel 44:10-24

**The Great High Priest, God Yeshua, is Head of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood!** All members of this Priesthood are part of **God's own Body**, purchased by Yeshua paying the price for us with His own Blood and Life. In this heavenly Eternal Priesthood, **both men and women are Priests of God**. This includes Jewish, Arab, and Gentile believers from all the nations. Daniel 7:14 These Priests serve God in similar duties as the Aaronic Priests and Levites did, such as in prayer, worship, intercession, shepherding, etc...

As Yeshua's disciples, these Priests have the Torah (Tanakh) written on their minds and hearts, in fulfillment of God's Holy Word. Jeremiah 31:33

But the Priesthood of Melchi-Zedek has **a major difference from the Aaronic Priesthood in the position of High Priest**. Here **this position of High Priest is made up of a Special Group of believers who reside with Yeshua intimately in 'the Tent of David', within the Holy of Holies.**

**Yeshua's High Priests are the true Lovers of God!**

**They are the Heart of Yeshua's Body!**

**They are Yeshua's Bride!**

They are **very close** with their **Bridegroom King**, dwelling with Him in His Most Holy Place. They all share in the duties of High Priest, interceding before Yeshua, ministering the Life and Love from the Great High Priest and Lover of their souls, to the rest of Yeshua's Priests, and also to the unsaved.



Yeshua's Wedding is only for His **Bride! His Wedding Banquet** will have many **Guests!** Together, both Groups, His Bride and the Guests make up Yeshua's Body! **The Guests are the friends of God**, having qualified as **friends of God** through their **obedience to God** and to **God's Holy Word!** John 15:12-15; Revelation 19:7-9

For deeper understanding and revelation on many end time mysteries, such as the Mysteries of the Bride and the Guests, the Mysteries of the Feasts, and Mysteries concerning the Lord's birthday and the Lord's soon return, I recommend you read my book on these subjects, called:

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## MILLENEAL KINGDOM: KING, PRINCE, AND TEMPLE

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

Ezekiel 43:4-6,7

And the Glory of the LORD came into **the Temple** by way of the gate which faces toward the east. The Spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court; and behold, the Glory of the LORD filled the temple. Then I heard Him speaking to me from the Temple... And He said to me, "Son of man, **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.

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

Matthew 25:31-32

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

Zechariah 6:11-13

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

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

Zechariah 3:6-9

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

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

Isaiah 11:1-5, 9-10

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

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

And His resting place shall be **Glorious!**

Psalms 132:11-14

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

Jeremiah 23:5-6

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

Jeremiah 33:14-18

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

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

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

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

And this One shall be Peace!” Micah 5:2-5

The reason I have chosen to add on this topic of the Millennial Kingdom found in the book of Ezekiel, chapters 40-48, to this book, is to show you the answer to something that had been a great mystery to me for many years from Ezekiel’s writings on the Temple which he was shown by God.

I was reading a new book called, ‘King Messiah In His Holy Temple’, by authors John McTernan and Louis Ruggiero, where these authors showed excellent proofs that Ezekiel’s Temple is really Messiah Yeshua’s Temple, when God revealed to me the mystery identity of ‘the prince’, mentioned so many places in Ezekiel’s writings on this Temple, starting in chapter 44.

Ezekiel 44:1-3

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

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

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

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

The answer: ‘this prince’ in the Millennial Kingdom is ... a king! He is king David!

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

Jeremiah 30:9

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

Hosea 3:4-5

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

Ezekiel 34:22-26

“Therefore I will save My flock, and they shall no longer be a prey; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will establish one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, My servant David. He shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and My servant David **‘a prince’** among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

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

Ezekiel 37:24-28

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

And My servant David shall be ‘**their prince**’, forever.

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

2nd Samuel 7:18-29

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

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

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

1 Chronicles 17:16-27

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

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

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

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

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

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

1st Kings 1:28-34

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

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

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

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

Psalm 110:4

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

Oh, what a Good God we serve!

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## **FEASTS OF THE LORD IN THE MILLENNIAL TEMPLE**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**TABERNACLES, SUCCOTH:**

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

## CONCLUSIONS

The heavenly **Melchi-Zedek Priesthood** not only predated the **Aaronic Priesthood**, but it is also **its Fulfillment**. God began to show us this divine Mystery even in Genesis One, by bringing the **Authority** of the Kingdom of God to earth, and by first giving this **Authority** to Adam. God gave Adam and Eve both **Kingly and Priestly Authority and Dominion over all the earth and over all the life on the earth**, until their spiritual fall...

And **God said**: ‘**Let Us** make man in **Our Image**, according to **Our likeness**; **let them have Dominion** over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.’

Then God blessed them, and God said to them: ‘Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; **have Dominion (Kingly Authority)** over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.’ And God said, ‘See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food.’ Genesis 1:26,28-29

It seems that Adam and Eve also had **Priestly communion with God, the Father**, as God walked with them and talked with them in the Garden of Eden. Genesis 3:8-15

From the time of their fall, God promised Adam and Eve, that **through ‘this Seed’ of Eve would come forth God’s Redeemer who would destroy the serpent, and restore to man his lawful inheritance (Genesis 3:15), as God’s rightful redeemed heirs, reigning in Kingly and Priestly Authority over the whole earth, through this special Seed ...**

**God’s Messiah!**

From that time on, **God watched over this divine Seed of Eve.**

Special men were born as carriers of **this Seed**, who kept God's commands, walking in righteousness. Abel brought an offering to God which pleased God, because it was a Priestly firstfruits **blood offering** from his flock of sheep. Genesis 4:3,4 'Enoch walked with God; and he was not, because God took him.' Genesis 5:22,24 Noah was a just man, perfect in his generations. Noah walked with God! Genesis 6:9

**This Righteous Seed** was passed on to Abram. Then God appeared to Abram, in His mystery identity as **Melchi-Zedek**. Genesis 14:18 And God again **blessed this Seed of Eve** within the loins of Abram.

**This Seed** was then carried in the loins of David, who became King and was brought into '**the Priestly Order of Melchi-Zedek**'. Psalm 110:4

Finally, after many 100's of years **this Seed** was passed to Miriam, who, by the Spirit of the Living God, **gave birth to this Seed, our Redeemer, her Wonderful Son,**

**Yeshua!**

## Jerusalem Updates:

In mid June, 1999, while I was high in worship at a worship center in north Jerusalem, **God suddenly showed me two quick visions, in rapid succession**, the second vision only moments apart from the first, **of a Great Outpouring of God's Spirit falling over crowds of people in Jerusalem, gathered together in the hills around the ben Hinnom Valley and at the base of this ben Hinnom Valley**. The general location for this Great Outpouring of God's Spirit over the ben Hinnom Valley was the area just below the **Mount Zion Hotel!** This whole area is part of the western section of Mount Zion hill.

In both visions I could see many people with their hands raised up into the air, to receive this blessing of God falling from heaven. Because these two visions came so fast, and together, I knew that this was not coming from my own mind or my own imagination, that these visions were from God.

The first vision was shown to me from a position of what seemed to be about 30 to 50 feet in the air above Mount Zion Hotel, and just to its left (or north). In the second vision, given to me only moments apart after the first vision, I was shown the same scene, again from about the same height in the air, but now from a different location of about 100 yards to the south.

[Also, for about two months prior, from April, 1999, God had been showing me and teaching me many new things about the mystery of the promised Tabernacle (Succah) of David, of Amos 9:11, and about its center tent position, positioned somewhere around Mount Zion Hill. I had been searching up on the top of Mount Zion hill for a location for a possible new worship watch position, and God was now correcting me, by showing me this specific area that He wanted me to focus on, an area that I would never have ever guessed or even imagined, the Valley below. All this had been written up in a short paper which I began writing in April.]

God's Word specifically tells us that this place, the Valley of ben Hinnom, the Valley of 'Gehinom' or the Valley of 'Hell', as the Jewish people call it, also called 'the Valley of dead bodies and ashes', would someday become **Holy to the LORD!**

“And the whole valley 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.” Jeremiah 31:40

I now truly believe, not only because I have been given prophetic visions, but also because I have now studied this whole area for over six years, and have been shown other signs, as have other dedicated believers, whom I now work with... signs that all indicate that this specific area ...

**the ben Hinnom Valley at the base of Mount Zion Hotel** is the future location for **the Great Outpouring of God’s Holy Spirit!** It is the place where both Jews and Arabs will find Salvation from the God of Israel. It is the place of the Great Harvest of souls that is coming to Israel!

Surely the LORD does nothing unless He reveals His secrets to His servants the prophets. Amos 3:7

## **Fall Feasts, 2000, The Catalysts for The Great World Revival!**

**The Succah of David will soon be raised up and restored** for these End-Times, here in Jerusalem! 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

A new move of God’s Spirit began during the Fall Feasts, 2000. And I believe that this was **the catalyst** for many of the End Times events that are soon to come, such as **Raising up of the fallen Succah of David** and **the Rebuilding of the Temple in Jerusalem.**

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 End Time moves of God. The coming major world events are all leading up to and racing towards **the soon return of our Messiah Yeshua, the King of Glory!**



**Two major events** happened in Jerusalem during the Fall Feasts of Israel, 2000, which were so significant that I believe **they were the catalysts for future world events** that are about to happen. The first event happened on **Rosh HaShanah (Yom Teruah)**, 2000. And the second event happened during the following **Feast of Tabernacles (Succot)**, 2000.

The first event happened during a prophetic walk with a group of 27 believers, on the Saturday of **Rosh HaShanah (Yom Teruah)**, September 30th, 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 for this walk went down through the Ben Hinnom Valley, and then up through the Kidron Valley to the Gihon Spring, and then up and out of the Kidron Valley, and onward to the Eastern (Golden) Gate, just outside the Old City wall of Jerusalem.

The second event was connected with the first, and took place at an Intercession and Worship Conference, during **Succot, The Feast of Tabernacles**, on the 16th of October, also **in the Ben Hinnom Valley**, just outside the Jerusalem Youth Music Center, after 10 PM, and just at the end of the evening service.

Before I reveal what happened on these two special occasions, during the Fall Feasts, 2000, let's first look at God's biblical patterns for anointing a King, especially when we are talking about an event as important as anointing King Yeshua, for His imminent return!

We know that Messiah Yeshua began His earthly ministry only after He had first been immersed in the Jordan River by His cousin Yohanan, as His witness, the then unknown Zadokite High Priest and Prophet.

Yeshua came the first time as **the Great High Priest**, who offered 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 Mighty 'King of Glory', the King of Jerusalem, Israel, and all the nations!**

Yeshua came the first time as **the lowly humble Priest**,

but He will be returning as **the CONQUERING KING!**

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

Was Samuel a Priest of the sons of Aaron, 1<sup>st</sup> Chronicles 6:28,33; or was Samuel brought into God's heavenly Melchi-Zedek Priesthood? Exodus 19:6; Numbers 3:10;18:3,7

When King David brought up the Ark of God to the City of David, David was also wearing a linen ephod. Exodus 28; 2nd Samuel 6:14 Where do you think that David learned this behavior from? David had spent much time with God's Prophet (and Priest) Samuel, who had studied and learned much about the Aaronic priesthood under the High Priest Eli!

High Priest Zadok submitted to King David, and for his act of submission both to God and to King David, God later changed the whole structure of the Aaronic Priesthood, giving a special and eternal priesthood blessing only to Zadok and to his sons! Ezekiel 40:46; 43:18,19; 44:15-18; 48:10,11

When King David made Solomon the new King of Israel, he made sure to use the biblical pattern for anointing a king, that he learned from Samuel, having the **High Priest** Zadok and the **Prophet** Nathan take Solomon on David's mule down to the Gihon Spring, and there anoint Solomon, sounding the shofar and announcing Solomon as the new King of Israel!

But why have his son Solomon sanctified as the new King down at the Gihon Spring? The answer is obvious. David knew that Solomon had to be made King of Israel in the Presence of God! And the Gihon Spring was the place where the Presence of God dwelt, above the Mercy Seat, in the tent, where the Ark of the Covenant had been kept for 33 years. 1st Kings 1:39

It was about three weeks before our Rosh HaShanah walk was to begin when God began revealing to me this mystery concerning the Gihon Spring, as I sought God for the route that our walk was to follow. And then God confirmed the above to me in His Word, from 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 1:39.

We who led this prophetic walk had felt for months to do this walk on Rosh HaShanah, 2000, but we needed seven silver trumpets. We only had five. The other two silver trumpets became available only hours before the walk. God also changed the route for this walk, having us now stop at the Gihon Spring, which originally was not part of our plans.

Our prophetic group met together in the Ben Hinnom Valley to do this special walk, something like King David had done about 3000 years prior, when he brought the Ark of God up into the City of David. We used the biblical pattern that God had given David of 7 priests sounding 7 silver trumpets, with the others serving as Levites, and all of us joining in worship. 1st Chronicles 15:24 and 16:2 We are all priests of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood of God, with each of us serving in different positions.

We believe the Ben Hinnom Valley may have been the route that David used to bring up the Ark of Covenant of God. For it says that the Ark had **to come up** into the City of David; and this path through the Ben Hinnom Valley takes you up into the City of David. Coming from other directions, the Ark of God would have been taken down into the City of David. Also, God's Word specifically says that the Ben Hinnom Valley and its connecting Kidron Valley would both become **Holy to the LORD!** Jeremiah 31:40 The Ben Hinnom Valley is at the base of the south-west corner of Mt Zion.

That Saturday, the 30<sup>th</sup> of September, Rosh HaShanah, was a high Holy day. However it was probably the only time since 1967 when no Jews were allowed to go to the Western (Wailing) Wall. It had been closed off the day before, and was being well guarded by Israeli police and Israeli military.

The day before had been a troubled day for Jerusalem, and for Israel. There had been riots and stone throwing by the Moslems at the Israeli police on the Temple Mount area, and riots had also broken out throughout many other areas in Israel. Many had been killed, and 100's injured by this Arab Moslem outburst, triggered by the surprise visit the day before of Likud Minister Ariel Sharon to the Temple Mount area, and others with him. They had come to the Old City, and had gone up on the Temple Mount.

This should be the right of any Jew, to be able to go up on this Holy Temple Mount site, the most sacred spot of our Jewish heritage. But it had only resulted in serious Moslem riots.

Our group began with prayers and worship in the Ben Hinnom Valley. Then after sounding 7 silver trumpets, we all silently walked down through the Ben Hinnom Valley, and then up through the Kidron Valley, until we reached the Gihon Spring. And there we all just waited on the LORD, praying, to see exactly what God would direct our team to do next.

There, at the Gihon Spring, I shared what God had recently shown me, that this was the place where King David had placed the tent, in which he had placed the Ark of the Covenant of God. And that this was the place where Solomon had been made the new King over Israel, using the biblical pattern that God had given to King David for inaugurating his son as the new King; using **the High Priest** and **the Prophet** to anoint the new King.

Then we all waited, for the doorkeeper who unlocks the door for visitors to come in and see the Gihon Spring from above (as we had planned prior) never showed up, and neither did the key. So we all kept praying, as we waited outside to see what God would do. Then suddenly another person showed up with a key to a different door, the door that actually led down into the waters of the Gihon Spring. And we all followed, as God directed our group to go down these steps, leading down into the waters of the Gihon Spring. And about 12 feet above the waters we assembled on a ledge, as we got out the 7 silver trumpets, and got ready to sound them.

Suddenly I knew what the LORD wanted me to do. I took out a long special shofar which I had never used before, that God had directed me to bring for this walk, and also my anointing oil. And calling my friend Charles to follow me, he and I headed down the remaining steps into the dark, to the waters of the Gihon Spring below. There my friend shined his flashlight for me to see. [God had told him to bring a flashlight]. I first filled and emptied this shofar with the running waters from the Gihon Spring, to clean it out.

And then calling everyone's attention who were standing on the ledge above, I then poured the anointing oil into the shofar, and I then emptied the anointing oil, mixed with the waters of the Gihon Spring, from this special shofar **on to Yeshua** (symbolically), as I verbally loudly proclaimed **Yeshua, the King of Glory, as the new Eternal King of Israel, of the sons of David!**

I then I felt a **very strong Presence of the Holy Spirit** on me, down there above the waters of the Gihon Spring, as I made that verbal proclamation of Yeshua's Kingship over Israel and Jerusalem.

**I felt suddenly very high in the Spirit** as I made that proclamation.

I then had my friend Charles repeat what I had just done, as I held the flashlight for him, so that he could also see what he was doing in the dark, and so I could then function as his witness, as he had just been for me.

I then began singing songs about **the LORD Reigning** over all the earth. I came up those steps very much like a drunk in the Spirit, as we joined the others on the ledge above. We then quickly took the 7 silver trumpets and blasted 7 quick blasts, directed down toward the waters of the Gihon Spring, and then **something very Powerful happened in the Spirit**, at the sounding of these 7 trumpets. I believed that we were actually **sealing Lord Yeshua's inauguration as 'the King over Israel'**, doing something Spiritually Significant to God for the End Times!

Because this Gihon Spring area is almost totally Arab Moslem, with the loud sound, we quickly left this Gihon Spring position and walked up out of the Kidron Valley. And after a short stop for prayers, and a brief sharing by some of our experiences, we headed on to our third and final position of this walk, just below the Eastern (Golden) Gate, outside the Jerusalem Old City wall. There we got the 7 silver trumpets out, and made ready to blast.

Certain Scriptures were then shared related to the LORD's return, from Ezekiel 43 and 44, about the Spirit of the LORD coming into the Temple by way of this 'Gate of Mercy'. And when everything was clear, and no guards appearing, we sounded 7 quick blasts of the silver trumpets, and left.

We then headed to another meeting place where we prayed, and then we all separated and headed home.

**I believe** that what happened there, at the waters of the Gihon Spring, on that Saturday afternoon, September 30th, 2000, around 2 PM, in Jerusalem, **on Rosh HaShanah may have been one of the real physical and spiritual events that Lord Yeshua used for beginning, activating, or catalyzing His End-Time Ministry.**

**I really felt that this was really actually happening in the Spirit, (perhaps even in Heaven), of the anointing of Yeshua as the new coming King of the sons of David, as the true King of Jerusalem and Israel!**

We may only find out the truth about all this when we get to heaven.

Perhaps Yeshua knew that there would come a day when He would be anointed in the waters of the Gihon Spring in Jerusalem, to begin His End-Time Ministry **as KING of Israel**, using the biblical 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 both End-Time Bridal Feasts. I believe the Marriage of Yeshua and His Bride will be held on the Feast of Yom Teruah in Heaven. Also the Marriage Supper of the Lamb will be held on the Feast of Tabernacles (Succot), back down on earth in Jerusalem, after the last Great Battle for Jerusalem, when Yeshua, King of Glory, returns, coming with His Armies (His Bride), and destroying all His enemies.

[Recent update on Ben Hinnom Valley, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2004... this area, cursed by God, and desolate of all wildlife, especially birds, when we first began praying here in 1999, for God's deliverance and cleansing: today, I report now witnessing areas of a bird sanctuary with many birds, especially doves.]

Knowing that both Yom Teruah (Trumpets) and Succot are Bridal Feasts, and knowing that God had promised that in the last days He would raise up **the Succah of David** that had fallen, and seeing what God did on September 30th, on Yom Teruah, at the Gihon Spring, I also hoped for and anticipated a powerful move of God's Spirit on the following **Feast of Tabernacles**, or **Succot**, at a special Conference scheduled **in the Ben Hinnom Valley**, for the first time, from October 14th through the 19th.

**Yes! God visited us that Monday evening, October 16th, 2000**, after 10 PM, and just at the end of the evening service, before the closing prayers. **All of a sudden the Presence and Glory of God came down 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. Then we slowly began worshiping. Even the Israeli military and Israeli police, guarding us at a distance, now came in closer to our little gathering of about 150 people still remaining that evening, to experience **God's Wonderful Presence**, on this third night of Succot!

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

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

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

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

I believe that the first event, directed by God, this inauguration of King Yeshua as the true Eternal King of Israel, done at the Gihon Spring, may have been the key to activate Amos 9:11 and Isaiah 16:5, with King Yeshua then releasing His anointing over all of us gathered together that night, over two weeks later, when God's Power came down in the Ben Hinnom Valley. These two events were definitely very much interconnected by God.

I believe these two events, at **the Gihon Spring** and **the Ben Hinnom Valley**, were **Catalysts** for Raising Up the fallen 'Tent of David' and for the Great End Time Outpouring and Harvest that is about to begin!

## **The Great Outpouring of God's Holy Spirit and the Great Harvest of souls is coming to both Jews and Arabs! Great Revival is coming to Jerusalem, over the ben Hinnom Valley!**

In December, 2004, a very special new Worship Watch position was opened in Jerusalem, located just to the left of Mount Zion Hotel, at about the same location where I had first been shown the vision in 1999. This new Worship Watch position is a 24/7, or to clarify, worship and intercession is lifted up before the God of Heaven 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This Has been going on continually since it began in early December, 2004.

It is an exciting new location in Jerusalem for a Worhip Watch ministry, which also had their early beginnings in 1999 or 2000. I first met the heads of this ministry shortly after I had been shown my visions, to find out that they also had been given prophetic visions and direction by God concerning lifting up continual worship before God from this ben Hinnom Valley location; that it would be related to the Great Outpouring of God's Spirit.

The anointing of the Spirit of God has been extremely powerful at times over this Worship Watch position, as we lift before God so many of the most urgent and critical issues facing Israel. Teams of dedicated worshippers and intercessors are constantly rotating all through the day and evening and early morning hours, lifting up constant worship before the Throne of Heaven.

So much of the victory that King David realized during his years as king over Israel was due to the constant worship and intercession that was being lifted up to heaven by the Aaronic priests and Levites, who faithfully served God from their position at the Tent of David where the Ark was kept.

This continual true heart worship and intercession before the God of Israel for the people and land of Israel is the same principal that is being used now by this team of worshippers. May God use it greatly to help bring the Salvation to the Jewish and Arab people of Israel.

## **MIRACLE GOLDEN PHOTOS OF MOUNT ZION HILL**

On April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2005, while at my home in Israel, scanning normal negatives of pictures that I had taken of the Mount Zion hill and ben Hinnom Valley area, at about the same location where I was shown the first vision in June of 1999, suddenly a picture of this Mount Zion hill area came up golden on my computer screen, and a few minutes later a second picture again came up **golden** on my computer screen. These two pictures of the Mount Zion hill and ben Hinnom Valley areas have now been verified as true miracle photos by a professional in the photo optics field. Here are his two reports for you to read...

First Report of lab technician on the Golden Photos: Email of May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005

Dear Mr. Richard,

Thank you very much for sharing this unique phenomenon with me. As a technician with 20 years experience at optics these two photos are really extraordinary. Such phenomena, especially at the holy city Jerusalem, near to worship watch, shows to all of us that God has never left us.

Below is the English translation of the Hebrew of David Bahar's email lab report on the Golden Photos, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005. Translator Rebekah Frei.

Mr. Richard, Shalom



Many thanks for sharing so kindly with me the two very interesting incidents that happened to you with the two photographs. In my twenty years of experience as an electronics technician specializing in optics, I find no logical explanation to this phenomenon. Considering the uniqueness of the location (Mt. Zion), the presence of a worship watch of believers, and the lack of traces of computer processing, we must, indeed, view this as a sign from Heaven.

We, the people who long for the days of the Tanach, when God performed many miracles, don't get to see miracles in our lifetime. Phenomena like these bring the faith that God is still with us, and performs miracles.

Best Regards, David Bahar (Aloda Company, Tel Aviv)

Second Report of lab technician on Golden Photos: Email of June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2005  
Dear Mr. Richard,

About the golden pictures, as I showed you at the lab there is a missing of the blue level at those pictures. The blue level is one of the three levels that every picture has. Every picture should have the three levels red green blue (RGB). If one the levels is missing we do not get a picture. This is the fascinating thing about these two pictures that even though one of levels is missing, we still got a golden picture.

More than this, the fact that the pictures coming with a larger sky than the negatives **leaves me without any explanation**. All the events that I wrote above are not done on any software. And I am very sure about that.

Regards, Bahar David

Below is the English translation of Hebrew section of David Bahar's 2<sup>nd</sup> lab report email on the Golden Photos, June 1st, 2005. Translator Rebekah Frei.

Dear Mr. Richard, Shalom

June 1, 2005

To continue our conversation in the lab, the test was done using Photoshop, and **found no trace of the blue level** in those pictures.

To clarify the matter, here is a more detailed explanation. Every picture is made of three primary colors: red, green and blue (RGB). This system of three rays is used for TV as well as Photography. This combination of three primary colors creates all the colors we see in each picture. Using Photo Processing software, we can see the ratio of each of the three colors in every picture. Using the software, we can change the ratio to improve the visual quality of the picture.

Also, using the software we can determine whether the picture was somehow processed.

To summarize, as I have stated earlier, the test that was done using Photoshop found 1) **no trace of any sort of processing**. 2) The interesting finding with regard to those pictures is **the absolute absence of the third primary color (blue)**. This is an interesting finding indeed because this is a rare phenomenon, and because of the final fascinating result which is 3) **golden color only in some sections of the picture**.

4) Another interesting unexplainable fact about those pictures is that when comparing them with the negatives, it appears that **the lower sections do not appear in the pictures, and the part of the sky is bigger than what appears in the negatives**.

David Bahar, Aloda Company, Tel Aviv

These two real Miracle Golden Photos of Mount Zion hill, which you will be able to see on my Website, [www.FeedMySheepJerusalem.com](http://www.FeedMySheepJerusalem.com) are truly God's confirmations for what He is about to do in a Great Outpouring of His Spirit over the Mount Zion hill / ben Hinnom Valley areas, across from and at the base of Mount Zion Hotel.

As God first gave me two visions in June, 1999, for me to give out this prophetic sign to others, of what will be coming to Jerusalem over the ben Hinnom Valley, now He has given me two miracle Golden Photos of this same area, to again give out this same prophetic word of what God is about to do in Jerusalem, specifically over Mount Zion hill / ben Hinnom Valley.

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## **ADDENDUM TO THE MELCHI-ZEDEK PRIESTHOOD:**

**YESHUA, KING OF HEAVEN, GREAT HIGH PRIEST**  
**King-Priest-Prophet**

### **MELCHI-ZEDEK PRIESTHOOD PATTERNS** **SEEN THROUGHOUT THE OLD TESTAMENT**

**Men Who Came Into The Presence of the GOD Of ISRAEL**

[The following are the conclusions of solely this author.]

**ABRAHAM: ‘Father of a Multitude’: Prophet, Prince of God, High Priest of God!** All humanity would be Blessed or Cursed by God, based on how they treated Abraham, and his descendants, the Jewish people, and the special ‘Seed of Promise’, the Messiah! Genesis 12:3 Abram received **Melchi-Zedek King/Priest anointing** from God-Man; Genesis 14:18 God appeared to Abram/Abraham on many occasions; Genesis 12:7;17:1-22;18:1-22 Abram builds an altar to God to worship and call on the name of his God; Genesis 12:7,8 God changes Abram’s name to Abraham (father of many nations); Genesis 17:5 Abraham is called a mighty Prince of God by the peoples around him; Genesis 23:6

**ISAAC: ‘Laughter’: Prophet, Prince, Priest of God!**

Genesis 26:2,3,24,25,28 Isaac is born to Sarah at age 90, she could not have children. This was a miracle from God.

Isaac received **the blessings of Abraham**;

Isaac built an altar to the LORD;

**JACOB / ISRAEL: Prophet, Prince, Priest of God!**

Genesis 32:28-30;33:20;35:10,11 Jacob first took **the birthright** and then usurped from Esau **the blessing of the firstborn**, from his father Isaac; Jacob had 12 sons; Jacob wrestled with **the Son of God whom he saw face to face**, (Malakh Adonai, in Hosea 12:5), who gave him **his new name, ‘Isra el’ and his new nature, as the Blessing from God!**

God said: **‘Israel is My firstborn son!’** Exodus 4:22

**Israel’s favorite son was Joseph**, his eleventh son born in his old age, and the first of the two sons born from **his chosen and his beloved wife, Rachel**;

**JOSEPH: ‘God will add’: Prophet, Ruler, and Priest of God!**

Joseph had two dreams as a boy, in which he saw his whole family bow down to him: these dreams were fulfilled by God in Egypt; Genesis 37:5-11 His father Israel, in his old age, gave to Joseph a tunic of many colors; Joseph was **Ruler over all of Egypt**, under Pharaoh, and was also a **Priest of God**; Joseph saved his family and many peoples from many nations, with the stored food; Joseph served as a prototype of **God’s savior**; Joseph was **God’s Prophet**, foretelling of the famine, warning and preparing the people; Joseph was the rejected brother, sold into slavery by his brothers; but he was also the one who brought his brothers back into the Promised Land with him, to bury their father Israel; Joseph received the greatest blessings of all from his father, **the blessings of Heaven and earth**, blessings on the crown of him who was separated from his brothers; Genesis 49:22-26 Joseph, the eleventh son of Jacob, **received the right of the firstborn!** 1st Chronicles 5:2

[...**the blessings of Heaven bring the Joy of God’s Presence!**]

**EPHRAIM: ‘Fruitful’:** Joseph’s youngest son, received the **greatest blessings from his grandfather Jacob/Israel**: that his seed would someday become **‘a multitude of peoples’ (of Israel)**, Genesis 48:19

God said: **‘I am a Father to Israel, and Ephraim is My Firstborn!’** Jeremiah 31:9

**MOSES: ‘Drawn Out’: Prophet, Ruler, and High Priest of God!**

Exodus 4:16;7:1 Moses, a son of Levi, was saved by the hand of God, and raised up in Pharaoh’s house; Moses was God’s Leader over the 12 tribes of Israel, chosen to bring God’s Salvation to Israel; Moses lead Israel from Egypt to the promised land; Moses was god to Aaron! Exodus 4:16 Moses came into the Presence of God many times; Exodus 3:2-6;24:10; 33:18-23; 34:29 **Moses went into the ‘tent of meeting’ before God;** Exodus 33:7-11; Leviticus 9:23 Moses had to belong to God’s Greater **Melchi-Zedek Priesthood Order**; Moses was in Authority over his brother High Priest Aaron, of the Aaronic Priesthood; Moses anointed his brother Aaron and his four sons into the Aaronic Priesthood Order; Moses was God’s Prophet: for 40 years God told Moses what He would do next;

**JOSHUA: (YEHOSHUA): Prophet, Ruler, and High Priest of God!**  
Tribe of Ephraim; Moses changed Hoshea's name to Yehoshua ('Jehovah Saves!' or 'Jehovah is Salvation!'); Joshua inherited **the blessings of Israel** given to his great great grand-father... Joseph; **Joshua stayed in Moses' tent of meeting** when Moses would return to the camp; Exodus 33:11  
Joshua took the children of Israel into the promised land; inheritance from Joseph's birthright; Yehoshua was in Authority over the High Priest and all the tribes of Israel in the Promised Land, in fulfillment of God's vision given to Joseph, that Joseph would be the leader over all his brothers; Joshua met **the Son of God, the Commander of the Armies of Heaven**, who gave him the Victory in the Promised Land of Israel! Joshua 5:13-15

**SAMUEL: 'Heard of God':** tribe of Levi; **Prophet, God's High Priest!**  
Samuel wore **the linen Ephod** (High Priest), even as a boy, serving under High Priest Eli; **Samuel, as a boy, would sleep in the Holy Place by the Ark of God**; 1st Samuel 2:11,18; 3:3 Samuel lived in the Presence of his God; as God's Prophet (and Priest), Samuel anointed David, as the new King of Israel; Samuel taught and instructed David;

**DAVID: 'Beloved':** tribe of Judah; **Prophet, King, High Priest of God!**  
David united the 12 tribes together under God; he was in authority over the Aaronic High Priest Zadok; David wore **the linen Ephod** when he brought the Ark of God up into the city of David;  
**David, a 'Prince', a Priest of God of 'the Order of Melchi-Zedek'**;  
Psalm 110:4  
**David may have entered the Tent, where the Ark of God was kept**;  
2 Samuel 11:18; 1st Chronicles 17:16  
"Also I will make him My firstborn, the highest of the kings of the earth."  
Psalm 89:27 David wrote about **the King of Glory**; Psalm 24:7-10  
Did David ever see this King of Glory? He had to, to write about Him!

**DANIEL: 'God is Judge':** tribe of Judah; **Prophet, Ruler, and Priest of God!** Ruler in Babylon; he worshiped his God three times a day;  
Daniel 2:48;7:13;10:5,6;12:7 'Go Daniel, for the Words are closed up and sealed, **till the time of the End**. Many will be **purified**, made **white**, and **refined**... and **the Wise will Understand!**' Daniel 12:9,10  
'...those of the people who Understand **will instruct many!**' Daniel 11:33

**‘The Son of Man ... was given Authority and Glory and a Kingdom,  
that all peoples, nations, and languages should Worship Him!  
His Dominion is an Everlasting Dominion...  
and His Kingdom one which shall Never be Destroyed!’**  
Daniel 7:13,14

**Your Kingdom is an Everlasting Kingdom,  
and Your Dominion endures throughout all generations.**  
Psalm 145:13

All ‘love offerings’ to Richard Aaron Honorof are greatly appreciated!

**[Revealing The Mysteries of the Melchi-Zedek Priesthood!]**

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