

9. THIRD WAR – ATTACK AGAINST THE ANOINTING OF THE KING

THE SYRIAN/GREEK ATTACK AND SPIRITUAL WARFARE IN THE NEW TESTAMENT



Every so often during the life of the Jews they decide to reject God and serve foreign gods. The result is that they end up under the authority of some or other nation in **exile**.

The Babylonian, Media-Persia and Romans all exiled the Jews **physically** to “lands not their own”, but God always protected them.

Lev 26:44

And yet for all that, when they are in the land of their enemies, I will not spurn and cast them away, neither will I despise and abhor them to destroy them utterly and to break My covenant with them, for I am the Lord their God.

The Greeks “inhabited” Israel and started a process of changing their minds/values, etc. from God-focused to world-focused, e.g. from “There is only one God” to “There are many gods”. As this happened the Jews “lost” their **possession** of Israel.

They had to drive the Greeks out before they could reclaim the land. This principle of spiritual warfare – to deal with the attacks of satan – is set out in detail in Eph 6, i.e. we need to “**renew**” our minds, **put on** the armour of God and **stand** on God’s promise.

The enemy will set up an initiative to attack the children of God. He will attack the mind to:

- Reform the Torah/Word.
- Change our minds to other thinking patterns.
- Change our hearts to “other” gods.

Deut 4:9-10

Only take heed, and guard your life diligently, lest you forget the things which your eyes have seen and lest they depart from your mind and heart all the days of your life. Teach them to your children and your children’s children – especially how on the day that you stood before the Lord your God in Horeb, the Lord said to me, Gather the people together to Me and I will make them hear My words, that they may learn reverently to fear Me all the days they live upon the earth and that they may teach their children.

- We need to take the initiative to gain our self-determination/freedom.
- We need to drive out the “enemy” from our land.
- Mattityahu was the man to lead the Jews. His name means “gift from God”.

This attack against the Jews was not physical **but spiritual**. The Greeks did not plan to exterminate the Jews but to change their **minds**.

There is an image from the Hebrew to show this! Two images are used to describe the Torah (Word) student:

- Donkey – A Torah student who accumulates knowledge – he carries a heavy load of knowledge and can apply the Word.
- Ox – The Torah student who “uproots” mountains – he delves down to refine his understanding; he turns over the soil to make it fertile; he looks for a harvest.

The image used by the Greeks to break down the Jews is “dog”. The dog has the power to ridicule: The dog barks as if he is scoffing at someone, i.e. why not enjoy life?; why not have physical pleasure?

Only when the **spirituality** of the Jews was renewed and their **resistance** restored through warfare was the sound of dogs’ barking **silenced**.

COMPARISON BETWEEN:	
GOD’S PLAN	SATAN’S PLAN
1. One God	1. Many gods
2. God Watches and Cares	2. God has no connection with Man – Body, but no soul.
3. Marriage between Heaven and Earth	3. Powers of Human Intellect
4. Man must purify himself and become holy	4. Democracy / Values
5. Our life is a passageway to the World to Come - Heaven	5. Pleasure is the ultimate goal
6. Faith and obedience to God’s Commandment	6. Own Strength & Reward for achievement.

We are required to be:

PROPHET	PRIEST	KING
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Rev. 1:6 “6 And formed us into a kingdom (a royal race), priests to His God and Father—to Him be the glory and the power and the majesty and the dominion throughout the ages and forever and ever. Amen (so be it).”

A simple analysis of the function of these anointings will tell you what the corresponding elements of man we are dealing with.

PROPHET	PRIEST	KING
Soul	Body	Spirit
Renewed Mind Will	Living Stone Sacrifice	Reborn Enlightened


 This attack

3rd War - King
Spirit (Enlightened / Reborn)
Enlightened heart Reborn



Dan 8:5 “5 As I was considering, behold, a he-goat [the king of Greece] came from the west across the face of the whole earth without touching the ground, and the goat had a conspicuous and remarkable horn between his eyes [symbolizing Alexander the Great].”

Dan 8: 21 “Daniel 8:21 (AMP)
21 And the shaggy and **rough he-goat is the king of Greece**, and the great horn between his eyes is the first king [who consolidated the whole realm, Alexander the Great].”

What is the purpose of the Kingly anointing?

What is the purpose of man as king / spirit man? We should reveal the impact of a spirit-filled / lead life.

Our actions should represent the King of all Kings – we should be speaking / living from a mandate given to us by the Kingdom of God.

God chooses the **attribute** of an **earthly** king **very carefully** to reveal the following spiritual principles.

1. Our spiritual leadership must be a spirit-filled person, someone who operates in Godly wisdom.

We see that we need to choose people from our own tribe (definitely not from a pagan source):

Deut. 17:15 *“15 You shall surely set as king over you him whom the Lord your God will choose. One **from among your brethren** you shall set as king over you; you may **not set** a foreigner, who is not your brother, over you.”*

2. A spirit-filled Godly leader will demonstrate his victory and control over:

- **Power**, i.e. he must be humble, always seeking to build, always opposing the use of force.

Deut. 17: 20 *“20 That his [mind and] heart may not be lifted up above his brethren and that he may not turn aside from the commandment to the right hand or to the left; so that he may continue long, he and his sons, in his kingdom in Israel.”*

- **Possessions**, i.e. he must be a good steward of all that has been placed in his area of control, his integrity over finance must be impeccable, he must demonstrate an ability to empower others to prosper.

Deut. 17:17b *“...neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold.”*

- **Woman** – he must be a leader that honours and loves his wife, someone who uplifts woman to their rightful place in the society. He must exhibit a pure heart.

Deut. 17:17a *“17 And he shall not multiply wives to himself, that his [mind and] heart turn not away...”*

3. A spirit-filled servant leader will ensure that the **principle of freedom** from slavery in any form will **be pursued at all costs**. Any form of discrimination, anti-Semitism, etc will not be tolerated and opposition to all forms of dictatorship / rulership without rights will be encouraged.

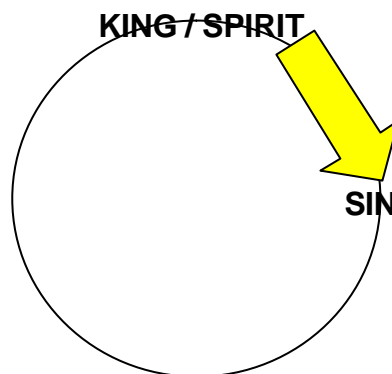
Deut. 17:16a *“16 But he shall not multiply horses to himself or cause the people to return to Egypt in order to multiply horses...”*

4. A spirit-filled servant leader's lifestyle will reflect a reverant fear of God. It will be known that the "king" has written out his own copy of the Torah / Word, he will know and understand the laws and he will read the Torah to his people all the days of his life.

Deut. 17:18-20 "18 And when he sits on his royal throne, he shall **write** for himself a copy of this law in a book, out of what is before the Levitical priests.
 19 And he shall **keep it with him**, and he shall **read in it** all the days of his life, that he may **learn** [reverently] to fear the Lord his God, by **keeping all the words of this law** and these statutes and doing them,
 20 That his [mind and] heart may not be lifted up above his brethren and that he may not turn aside from the commandment to the right hand or to the left; so that he may continue long, he and his sons, in his kingdom in Israel."

Cycle of Restoration of the Spirit man / King

1. Recognize the sin



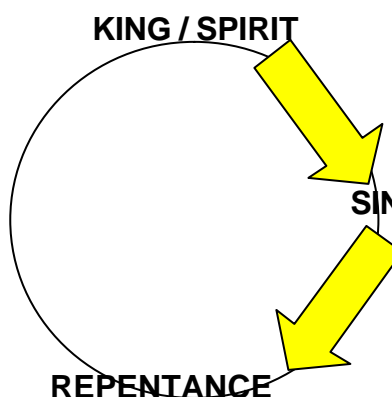
We sin in that we allow pagan / gentiles to rule over us. We do this when we agree to "compromise" situations so that we can be "left alone". When our source of provision / protection / etc. comes from a worldly form of government / business, we have placed ourselves in a position where "other world" rules will apply.

This "peer pressure" eventually leads to compromise on areas of principle in our faith.

The Torah / Word teach us that the areas of conflict which impact our spirit man are exposure / participation in:

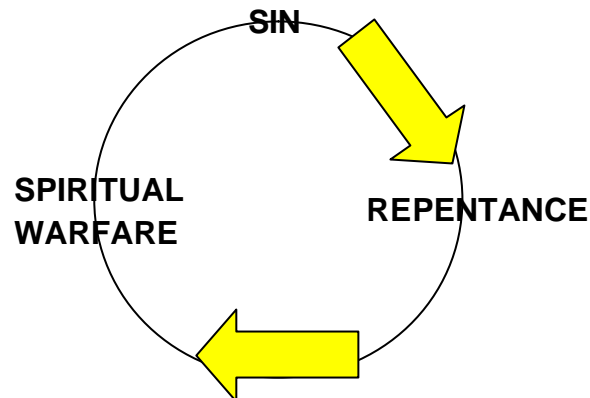
- 1) Sexual immorality
- 2) Occult.

2. Repent of the Sin



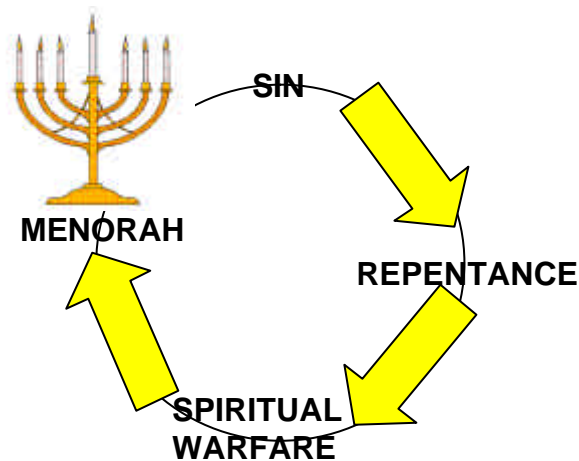
It only takes one man to stand up for Godly principles to ensure that others are challenged. We will always only be a remnant, but a remnant on God's side will overcome.

3.



The leaders who need to take up the call are the men with the **Judah anointing**. The people who will be able to guide and lead through all circumstance.

4. Celebrate the rededication of the Menorah – the indication that the Holy Spirit is alive and moving in your heart.



10. FOURTH WAR – ATTACK ON THE TOTALITY OF THE ONE NEW MAN

In the progression of the “**vision of the wars**”, we see that the attack comes from different **kingdoms**, but also in **different forms** and **times**.

As each of the challenges are experienced, worked through with:

- repentance
- prayer and intercession
- and the restoration of God’s purposes

we will find that the war becomes:

- all encompassing
- of greater intensity.

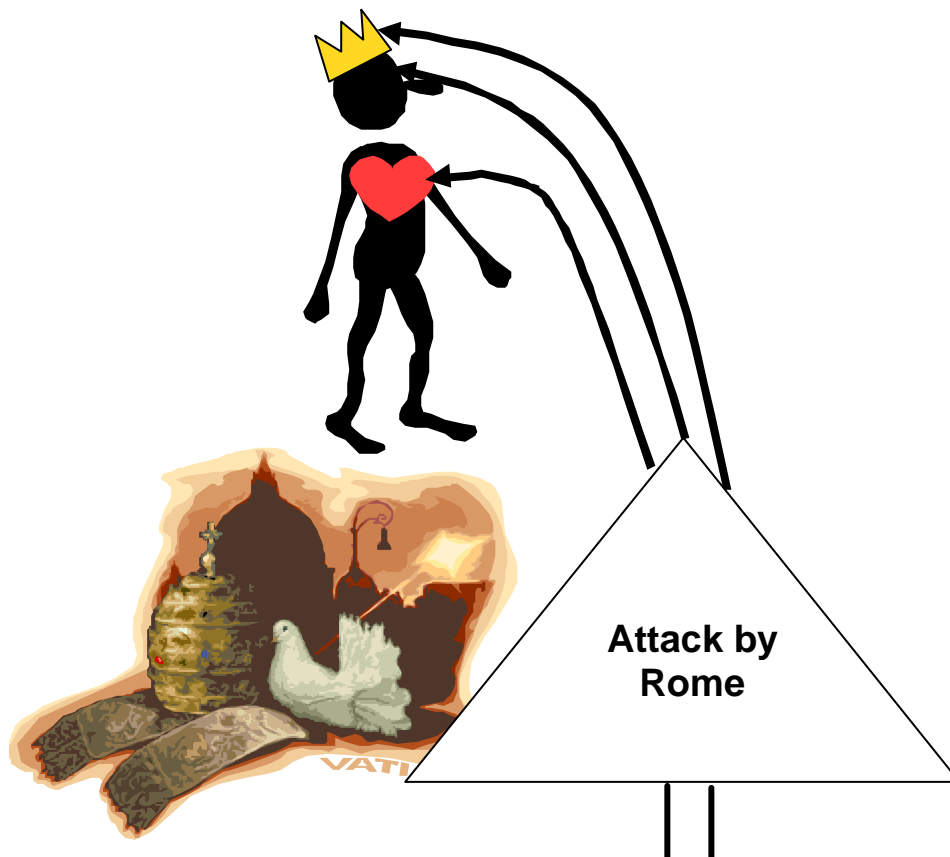
We find in this **onslaught from the kingdom of Rome** a type of war which encompasses all of the aspects from previous campaigns with the sole purpose to destroy God’s creation: **THE ONE NEW MAN**.

Satan / Rome attacks the:

Spirit – destroy / kill the Messiah.

Mind – ridicules the Hebraic belief system and empowers the Roman Catholic Church.

Body – Kill and banish a nation into exile for over 2000 years.



Dan 7:23 “23 Thus [the angel] said, The fourth beast shall be a fourth kingdom on earth, which shall be different from all other kingdoms and **shall devour the whole earth, tread it down, and break it in pieces and crush it.**”

Dan 8: 22 – 24 “22 And as for the horn which was shattered, in whose place four others arose, four kingdoms shall arise out of his nation but not having his [Alexander’s] power.

23 And at the latter end of their kingdom, when the transgressors [the apostate Jews] have **reached the fullness [of their wickedness, taxing the limits of God’s mercy], a king of fierce countenance and understanding dark trickery and craftiness shall stand up.**

24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power; and he shall corrupt and destroy astonishingly and shall prosper and do his own pleasure, and he shall corrupt and destroy the mighty men and the holy people (the people of the saints).”

SATAN’S AGENT ↑↓		ROME ↑↓	↑↓
Nature of Suffering	Scatters the People into exile for 2000 yrs.	*Destroys the Temple *Institute Sunday Worship *Separates Body of Christ from “Jewish Ideas”	Kills the Messiah Anti-Semitism Holocaust

The Principality of the Beast / Leopard

The Torah / Bible is strangely silent in telling of the story of this kingdom. Suffice to say the Bible records that “Rome” was in control /had taken occupation of Jerusalem at the time that Jesus lived, died and rose up again.

The full force of Rome’s assault is recorded in the history of the 40-100 years after Jahshua was resurrected.

The Horn (Alexander) is responsible for some of the most diabolical attacks of deceit and misrepresentation against both the people of Israel as well as the Body of Christ. His infiltration into the leadership, his introduction of pagan ideas and organizational structures plunged the church into the **Dark Ages**.

Celebration of the Restoration of God’s Plan.	House of Judah and Israel / One assembly – Eph 2:19 – 21 “19 Therefore you are no longer outsiders (exiles, migrants, and aliens, excluded from the rights of citizens), but you now share citizenship with the saints (God’s own people, consecrated and set apart for Himself); and you belong to God’s [own] household. 20 You are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself the chief Cornerstone. 21 In Him the whole structure is joined (bound, welded) together harmoniously, and it continues to rise (grow, increase) into a holy temple in the Lord [a sanctuary dedicated, consecrated, and sacred to the presence of the Lord].”
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(For a more detailed description and in-depth analysis of this season of attack you can go to our book: “Restoring our Biblical Foundations”.)

11. JESUS' WORK OF REDEMPTION TO RESTORE THE UNITY OF THE ANOINTING OF PROPHET, PRIEST AND KING

Since the time of the fall of Adam, the full crown of authority and anointing of prophet, priest and king, had not been restored back to mankind.

David had pointed, as a shadow of things to come, towards the truth that this crown would be restored.

Satan, of course knew that this was part of the purposes of God. Jesus would establish the platform and the basis for his congregation/assembly to stand when the onslaught by the spirit of Rome would come against the body of the One New Man.

Satan does not waste any time to come with the test.

Luke 4:1-2 "1 THEN JESUS, full of and controlled by the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led in [by] the [Holy] Spirit
2 For (during) forty days in the wilderness (desert), where He **was tempted (tried, tested exceedingly)** by the devil. And He ate nothing during those days, and when they were completed, He was hungry."

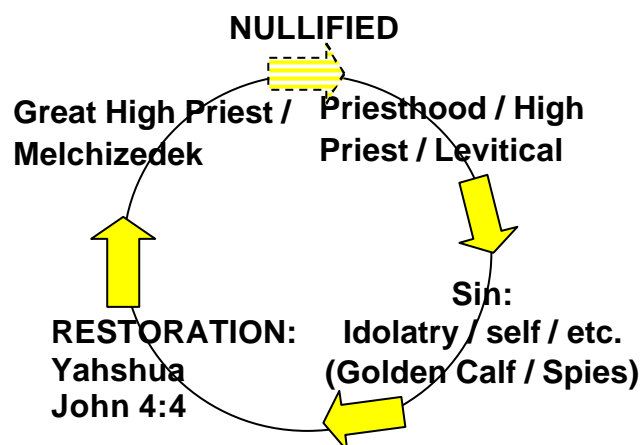
TEST AGAINST THE ANOINTING OF THE PRIEST

- a) Priest – body – we are living stones in the temple of God.
- b) Attack

Luke 4:3 "3 Then the devil said to Him, If You are the Son of God, **order this stone to turn into a loaf [of bread].**"

- c) Restoration of Priesthood

Luke 4:4 "4 And Jesus replied to him, **It is written, Man shall not live and be sustained by (on) bread alone but by every word and expression of God.**"



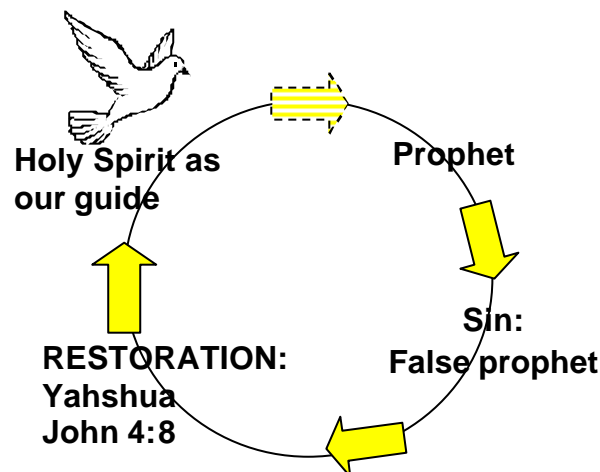
TEST AGAINST THE ANOINTING OF THE PROPHET

- a) Prophet – Soul – we hear, see and experience God face to face.
- b) Attack

Luke 4:5-7 “5 Then the devil took Him up to a high mountain and showed Him all the **kingdoms of the habitable world** in a moment of time [in the twinkling of an eye].
6 And he said to Him, To You I will **give all this power and authority and their glory** (all their magnificence, excellence, preeminence, dignity, and grace), for it has been turned over to me, and I give it to whomever I will.
7 Therefore if You will **do homage to and worship me** [just once], it shall all be Yours.”

- c) Restoration of Prophet

Luke 4:8 “8 And Jesus replied to him, **Get behind Me, Satan! It is written, You shall do homage to and worship the Lord your God, and Him only shall you serve.**”



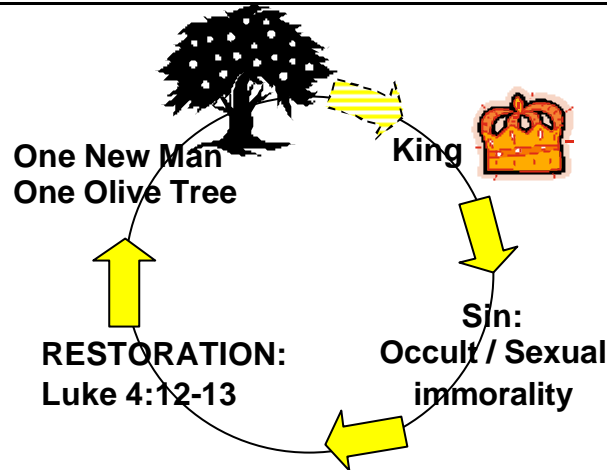
TEST AGAINST THE ANOINTING OF THE KING

- a) King – Spirit
- b) Attack

Luke 4:9-11 “9 Then he took Him to Jerusalem and set Him on a gable of the temple, and said to Him, If You are the Son of God, **cast Yourself down from here;**
10 For it is written, He will **give His angels charge over you to guard and watch over you closely and carefully;**
11 And on **their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.**”

c) Restoration of Kingship

Luke 4:12-13 “12 And Jesus replied to him, [The Scripture] says, **You shall not tempt (try, test exceedingly) the Lord your God.**
 13 And when the devil had ended every [the **complete cycle of**] temptation, he [temporarily] left Him [that is, stood off from Him] until another more opportune and favorable time.”



1 Cor 15:46 tells us: “46 But it is not the spiritual life which came first, but the physical and then the spiritual.”

The following table shows the progression caused by the wilderness experience

PRIEST	PROPHET	KING
Body	Soul	Spirit
Luke 4:4	Luke 4:8	Luke 4:12
Having restored the potential for man to live in Victory!		

Yahshua goes forth and starts His ministry in the power of the Spirit

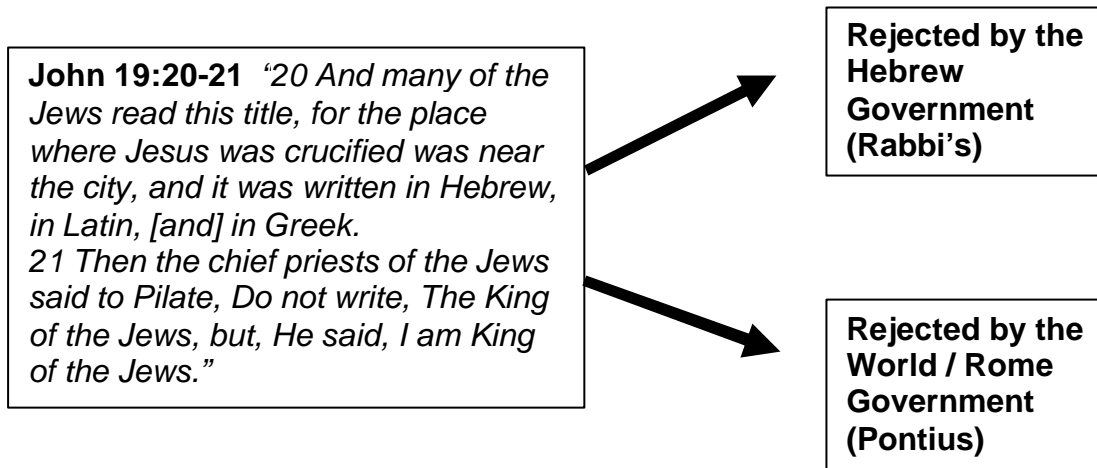
Luke 4:14-15 “14 Then Jesus went back **full of and under the power of the [Holy] Spirit** into Galilee, and the fame of Him spread through the whole region round about.
 15 And He Himself **conducted [a course of] teaching in their synagogues**, being recognized and honored and praised by all.”

Luke 4:18-19 “18 The **Spirit of the Lord [is] upon Me**, because He has **anointed Me [the Anointed One, the Messiah]** to preach the **good news (the Gospel) to the poor**; He has sent Me to announce **release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind**, to send forth as **delivered those who are oppressed [who are downtrodden, bruised, crushed, and broken down by calamity]**,
 19 To proclaim the accepted and acceptable year of the Lord [the day when salvation and the free favors of God profusely abound.]”

Luke 20:21 *“21 They asked Him, Teacher, we know that You speak and teach what is right, and that You show no partiality to anyone but teach the way of God honestly and in truth.”*

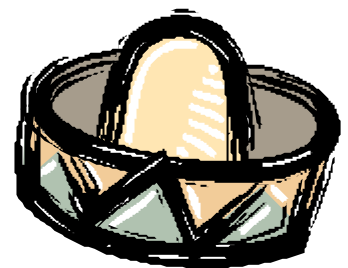
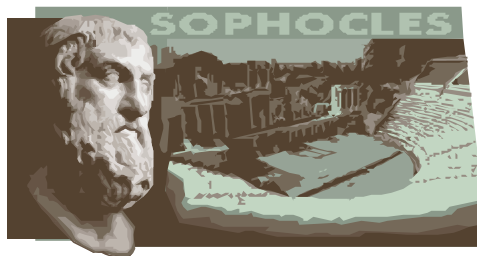
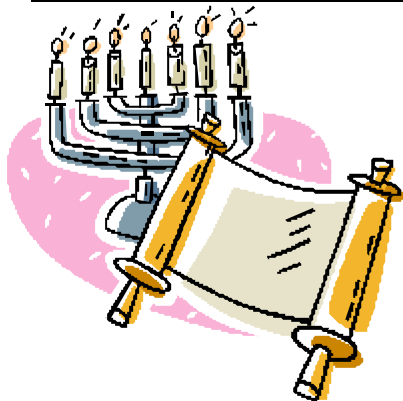
Not only did Satan try to negate the authority and anointing of the crown for the Bride of Christ, but mankind itself (those who do not accept Yahshua as the Messiah) record their rejection of the gift of God.

Yahshua is before the nations to be judged:



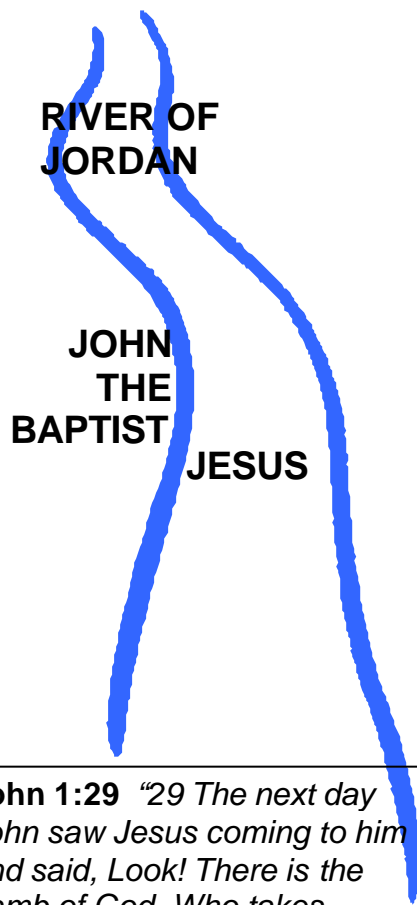
Note what happens – His title King of the Jews is written in Hebrew, Greek and Latin.

Hebrew	Greek	Latin
Priest	King	Prophet (the language of power)



Pictorially the restoration looks something like this:

PRIEST



John 1:29 "29 The next day John saw Jesus coming to him and said, Look! There is the Lamb of God, Who takes away the sin of the world!"

The order of Levi had been transferred into the order of Melchizedek.

John 1:32-34 "32 John gave further evidence, saying, I have seen the **Spirit descending as a dove out of heaven**, and it dwelt on Him [never to depart].

33 And I did not know Him nor recognize Him, but He Who sent me to baptize in (with) water said to me, Upon Him Whom you shall see the Spirit descend and remain, that One is He Who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.

34 And I have seen [that happen—I actually did see it] and my testimony is that this is the Son of God!"

PROPHET

Heb. 7:16-22

Acts 2:25-29

Ps. 110: 3-4 "3 Your people will offer themselves willingly in the day of Your power, in the beauty of holiness and in holy array out of the womb of the morning; to You [will spring forth] Your young men, who are as the dew.

4 The Lord has sworn and will not revoke or change it: **You are a priest forever, after the manner and order of Melchizedek.**"



KING

Ps. 110:1-2 "1 THE LORD (God) says to my Lord (the Messiah), **Sit at My right hand, until I make Your adversaries Your footstool.**

2 The Lord will send forth from Zion the scepter of Your strength; rule, then, in the midst of Your foes."



12. RESTORATION OF THE ANOINTING OF PROPHET, PRIEST AND KING BY THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

Jesus the Messiah has risen and sits at the right hand of the Father **“until / (God) make your enemies your footstool.”** (Ps.110:1)

a) God will make the enemies of Christ His footstool, but

b) From this position He (Yahshua) reigns over the Bride of Christ.

We find Christ’s mandate for His Bride – TO RULE.

Rev. 2:25-27 “25 Only hold fast to what you have until I come.
26 And **he who overcomes (is victorious) and who obeys My commands to the [very] end [doing the works that please Me], I will give him authority and power over the nations;**
27 And he **shall rule them with a sceptre (rod) of iron, as when earthen pots are broken in pieces, and [his power over them shall be] like that which I Myself have received from My Father;”**

c) To Fight (and God teaches us)

Ps. 18:34 “34 He teaches my hands to war, so that my arms can bend a bow of bronze.”

We must:

1) War against the forces of darkness (Eph. 6)

➤ To this end we need to see that God goes before us.

Is. 42:13 “13 The Lord will go forth like a mighty man, He will rouse up His zealous indignation and vengeance like a warrior; He will cry, yes, He will shout aloud, He will do mightily against His enemies.”

God goes before us against the powers and the principalities such as:

- Nazism / Anti-Semitism
- Socialism and communism
- Democracy Influence of self
- But also the more recent, radical Islam.

➤ WE NEED TO PURSUE THE ENEMY UNTIL HE IS DEFEATED!!

Ps. 18:37 “37 I pursued my enemies and overtook them; neither did I turn again till they were consumed.”

We do not focus on the kingdom of darkness but on the **anointing which God has restored to us so that we can gain the victory.**

With this focus we can say:

Ps. 45:5 *"5 Your arrows are sharp; the peoples fall under You; Your darts pierce the hearts of the King's enemies."*

2. War against the "spirit of the old man" that continuously attempts to return.

It may seem strange to put this point up for discussion; however we see that the returning Messiah speaks to the Bride of Christ before the process of Judgment comes into play on the entire world.

Christ as the Restoring Messiah says:

Rev. 1:11-17; 2:1

*"11 Saying, I am the **Alpha and the Omega**, the First and the Last. Write promptly what you see (your vision) in a book and send it to the **seven churches** which are in Asia—to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."*

Rev. 2:1 *"TO THE **angel (messenger) of the assembly (church)** in Ephesus write: These are the words of Him Who holds the **seven stars** [which are the messengers of the seven churches] in His right hand, Who goes about among the **seven golden lampstands [which are the seven churches]**:"*

What does He say?

He says that we as the Bride of Christ have become passive, have lost ground, but He encourages us to return to our former glory.

Rev. 2:7 *"7 He who is able to **hear**, let him **listen to** and give heed to what the Spirit says to the assemblies (churches). To him who **overcomes** (is victorious), I will grant to eat [of the fruit] of the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God."*

What is the "spirit of the old man" that we must conquer:

1. Regain love and compassion.

Rev. 2: 4 *"4 But I have this [one charge to make] against you: that you have left (**abandoned**) the love that you had at first [you have deserted Me, your first love].*

2. Accept trials and persecution (and don't go for the easy Christian life)."

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Rev. 2: 10 *"10 **Fear nothing that you are about to suffer.** [Dismiss your dread and your fears!] Behold, the devil is indeed about to throw some of you into **prison**, that you may be **tested and proved and critically appraised**, and for ten days you will have **affliction**. **Be loyally faithful unto death** [even if you must die for it], and I will give you the crown of life."*

3. Make a stand to set a standard of Holiness.

Rev. 2:14-15 “14 Nevertheless, I have a few things against you: you have some people there who are clinging to the **teaching of Balaam**, who taught Balak to set a trap and a stumbling block before the sons of Israel, [to entice them] to eat food that had been sacrificed to idols and to practice lewdness [giving themselves up to **sexual vice**].
15 You also have some who in a similar way are clinging to the **teaching of the Nicolaitans** [those corrupters of the people] which thing I hate.”

4. Set a standard of living under God’s authority and plumbline.

Rev. 2:20-21 “20 But I have this against you: that you **tolerate the woman Jezebel**, who calls herself a prophetess [claiming to be inspired], and who is **teaching and leading astray** my servants and **beguiling** them into practicing **sexual vice** and eating food sacrificed to idols.
21 I gave her time to repent, but she has no desire to repent of her immorality [symbolic of idolatry] and refuses to do so.”

5. Enjoy the gift of life that God has given and be a source of life.

Rev. 3:1-2 “1 AND TO the angel (messenger) of the assembly (church) in Sardis write: These are the words of Him Who has the seven Spirits of God [the sevenfold Holy Spirit] and the seven stars: I know your record and what you are doing; you are **supposed to be alive, but [in reality] you are dead.**
2 **Rouse yourselves and keep awake, and strengthen and invigorate** what remains and is on the point of dying; for I have not found a thing that you have done [any work of yours] meeting the requirements of My God or perfect in His sight.”

6. Set a standard of honesty and integrity in your speech.

Rev. 3:9 “9 Take note! I will make those of the **synagogue of Satan** who say they are Jews and are not, but lie—behold, I will make them come and bow down before your feet and learn and **acknowledge that I have loved you.**
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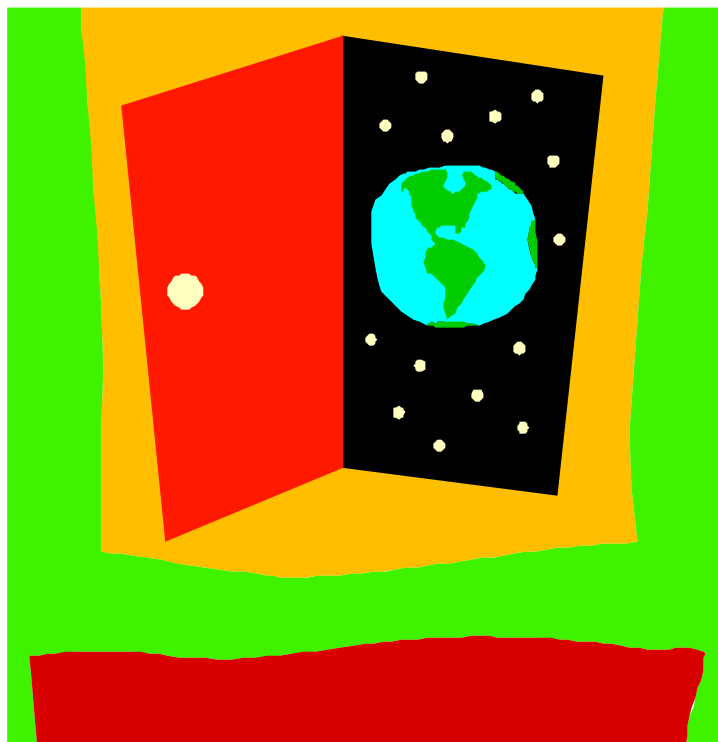
Rev. 3:15-16 “15 I know your [record of] works and what you are doing; you are **neither cold nor hot.** Would that you were cold or hot!
16 So, because you are **lukewarm and neither cold nor hot**, I will spew you out of My mouth!”

Only those who have these characteristics / character elements will be empowered to take on the forces of the final assault. It is only these who will reflect the anointing of prophet, priest and king and will therefore be able to say:

Rev. 3:21 *“21 He who **overcomes (is victorious)**, I will grant him to **sit beside Me on My throne**, as I Myself overcame (was victorious) and sat down beside My Father on His throne.”*

And, the next chapter Rev. 4 starts with these words...

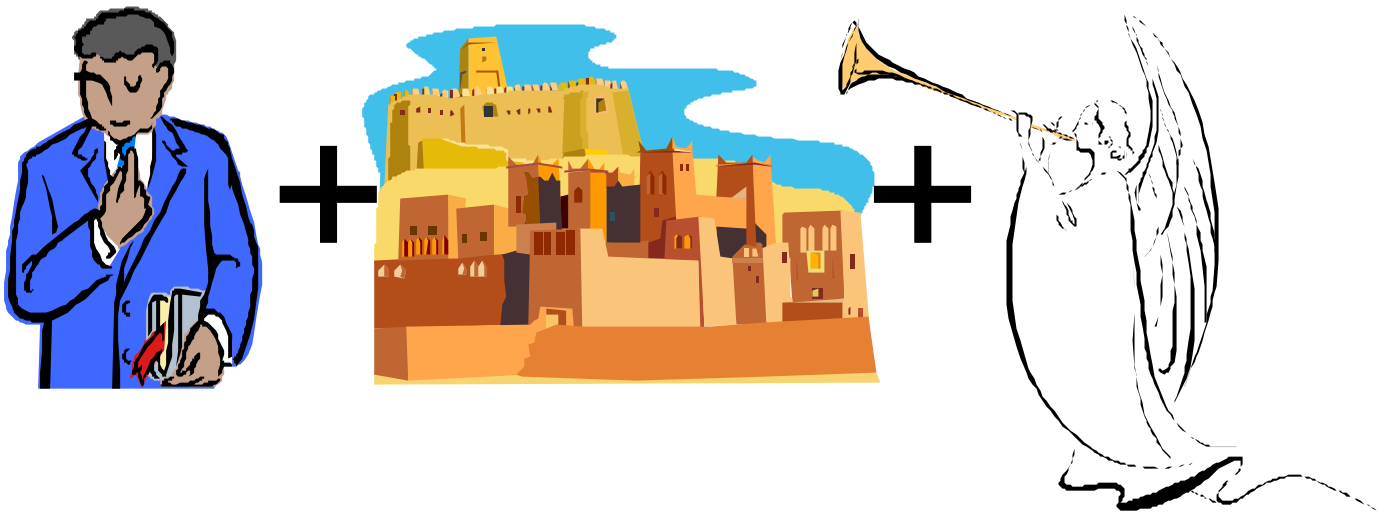
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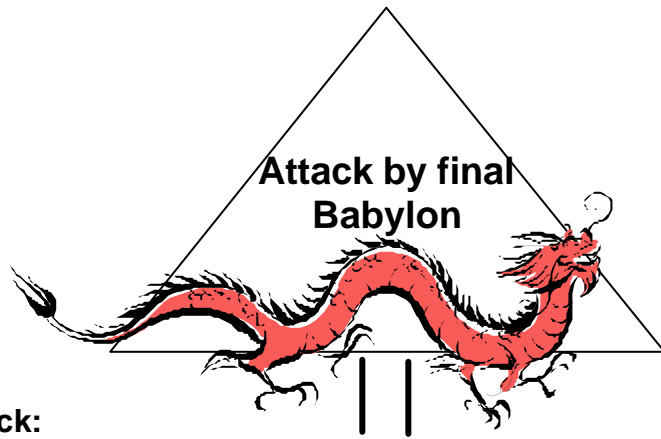
13. THE FIFTH AND FINAL ONSLAUGHT – ATTACK ON THE CREATOR AND ALL OF HIS CREATION

ONE NEW MAN

Prophet	Priest	King	+ City of Jerusalem (Where Gods presence is / will be)	+ Angels of Heaven + God, Himself
Soul	Body	Spirit		
New Mind	Living Sacrifice.	Re-born		



GOD AND HIS FULL CREATION.



Satan's Attack:

Ezek 38: 2-9 "2 Son of man, set your face against Gog, of the land of Magog, the prince of Rosh, of Meshech, and of Tubal, and prophesy against him,
3 And say, Thus says the **Lord God: Behold, I am against you, O Gog, chief prince (ruler) of Rosh, of Meshech, and of Tubal.**
4 And I will turn you back and put hooks into your jaws, and I will bring you forth and all your army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed in full armor, a great company with buckler and shield, all of them handling swords...
9 **You shall ascend and come like a storm; you shall be like a cloud to cover the land, you and all your hosts and many people with you.**"

Dan. 7: 24-27 “24 And as for the ten horns, out of this kingdom ten kings shall arise; and another shall arise after them, and he **shall be different** from the **former ones**, and he shall subdue and put down three kings.

25 And he shall speak words against the Most High [God] and shall wear out the saints of the Most High and **think to change the time** [of **sacred feasts and holy days**] and **the law**; and the saints shall be given into his hand for a time, two times, and half a time [three and one-half years].

26 But the judgment shall be set [by the court of the Most High], and they shall take away his dominion to consume it [gradually] and to destroy it [suddenly] in the end.

27 And the kingdom and the dominion and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heavens shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High; His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all the dominions shall serve and obey Him.”

Dan 8:23-26 “23 And at the latter end of their kingdom, when the transgressors [the apostate Jews] have reached the fullness [of their wickedness, taxing the limits of God’s mercy], a **king of fierce countenance and understanding dark trickery and craftiness** shall stand up.

24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power; and he shall corrupt and destroy astonishingly and shall prosper and do his own pleasure, and he shall **corrupt and destroy the mighty men and the holy people** (the people of the saints).

25 And through his policy he shall cause trickery to prosper in his hand; he shall magnify himself in his heart and mind, and in their security he will corrupt and destroy many. He shall also stand up against the Prince of princes, but he shall be broken and that by no [human] hand.

26 The vision of the evenings and the mornings which has been told you is true. But seal up the vision, for it has to do with and belongs to the [now] distant future.”

Restoration:

Zech 14:1-5 “1 BEHOLD, A day of the Lord is coming when the spoil [taken from you] shall be divided [among the victors] in the midst of you.

2 For I will **gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle**, and the city shall be taken and the houses rifled and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go into exile, but the rest of the people shall not be cut off from the city.

3 Then shall the **Lord go forth and fight against those nations**, as when He fought in the day of battle.

4 And His feet shall stand in that day upon the Mount of Olives, which lies before Jerusalem on the east, and the Mount of Olives shall be split in two from the east to the west by a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north and half of it toward the south...”

Dan 12: 1-3 “1 AND AT that time [of the end] Michael shall arise, the great [angelic] prince who defends and has charge of your [Daniel’s] people. **And there shall be a time of trouble, straitness, and distress such as never was since there was a nation till that time.** But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the Book [of God’s plan for His own].

2 And many of those who **sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake**: some to everlasting life and some to shame and everlasting contempt and abhorrence.

3 And the teachers and those **who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament**, and those who turn many to righteousness (to uprightness and right standing with God) [shall give forth light] like the stars forever and ever.”

Dan 11:45 “45 And he shall pitch his palatial tents between the seas and the glorious holy Mount [Zion]; **yet he shall come to his end with none to help him.**”

How this spirit comes against the Body of Christ:

Obadiah 1: 12-14 “12 **But you should not have gloated over your brother’s day**, the day when his misfortune came **and he was made a stranger**; you should not have rejoiced over the **sons of Judah** in the day of their ruin; you should not have spoken arrogantly in **the day of their distress**.
13 You **should not have entered the gate of My people** in the day of their calamity and ruin; yes, you should not have looked [with delight] on their misery in the day of their calamity and ruin, and not have reached after their army and their possessions in the day of their calamity and ruin.
14 And you should **not have stood at the crossway to cut** off those of Judah who escaped, neither should you have delivered up those [of Judah] who remained in the day of distress.”

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Rev 17: 5 – 6 “5 And on her forehead there was inscribed a name of mystery [with a secret symbolic meaning]: **Babylon the great**, the mother of prostitutes (idolatresses) and of the filth and atrocities and abominations of the earth.
6 I also saw that the woman was drunk, [drunk] with the blood of the saints (God’s people) and the blood of the martyrs [who witnessed] for Jesus. And when I saw her, I was utterly amazed and wondered greatly.”

It is not without reason that you or I are living in this day / age. God has placed us here with that purpose.

It is also easy, with hindsight, to see what happened to God’s people over the ages and how the prophetic word of Daniel was manifested in the **physical realm**.

We can also read that a remnant of God’s people repented and reacted in ways which lead to:

- A broader group of people becoming involved.

- Renewed commitment to a Godly lifestyle.
- An opening of the gates of heaven by intercessory prayer to enable the army of God's angels to war together with them.

We can therefore express these experiences as follows:

As we live in obedience and pray we **open** the gate of heaven for blessing and for support by God's Army of angels to flow from heaven and from all individuals. **The converse is also true, while we allow sin to be unconfessed, with a lifestyle of unholy action, then the gates of heaven are closed and all individuals are adversely affected.**

We see that:

All nations will gather up

And we know that:

The full aspect of creation will be attacked:

Prophet	King	Priest
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This debate / analysis is not meant to be a definite exposé of the current world situation in relation to its relevance to the prophetic word of Daniel.

I am merely taking current trends, news and am placing them on top of the prophetic word to see if / how it fits. The fact that we may seem to have a good fit in plans does not guarantee that our suppositions are in any way correct. We need to be constantly re-evaluating the facts in conjunction to the prophetic word.

The attack by **Rome**, one consolidated empire, focuses on all aspects of **the one new man**, body, soul and spirit.

We also know that the final onslaught will also be orchestrated by one empire – the name and extent of this empire is irrelevant – we do know that it must take on the **characteristics** of the Greek / Goat / Prince of Greece.

Why? This attack is focused on the destruction of the **spirit man** while **supporting** the attacks on the body and soul.

Sons of Sion – Son of Greece.

Zech. 9: 12-17

“12 Return to the stronghold [of security and prosperity], you prisoners of hope; even today do I declare that I will restore double your former prosperity to you.

*13 For I have bent Judah for Myself as My bow, filled the bow with Ephraim as My arrow, and will stir up your sons, O Zion, **against your sons, O Greece**, and will make you [Israel] as the sword of a mighty man.*

14 And the Lord shall be seen over them and His arrow shall go forth as the lightning, and the Lord God will blow the trumpet and will go forth in the windstorms of the south.

15 The Lord of hosts shall defend and protect them; and they shall devour and they shall tread on [their fallen enemies] as on slingstones [that have missed their aim], and they shall drink [of victory] and be noisy and turbulent as from wine and become full like bowls [used to catch the sacrificial blood], like the corners of the [sacrificial] altar.

16 And the Lord their God will save them on that day as the flock of His people, for they shall be as the [precious] jewels of a crown, lifted high over and shining glitteringly upon His land.

17 For how great is God's goodness and how great is His beauty! And how great [He will make Israel's] goodliness and [Israel's] beauty! Grain shall make the young men thrive and fresh wine the maidens."

UNDERSTANDING THE ELEMENTS OF THE PRINCE OF GREECE'S ATTACK

It encompassed the attack on the Anointing of the Prophet.

The prophet speaks of the senses of man and strives to hear from God in **word**, **prophetic action** etc. and to reveal this to us to give us direction.

The form of attack is bondage and slavery of the body, and mind so that:

- The introduction of idol worship
- The introduction of sun worship
- The introduction of self-gratification (eating habits etc.) will deaden the mind and close the gate of heaven.

It encompassed the attack on the Anointing of the Priest

The priest speaks of our daily **sacrifices** and offering to God. We are **living stones** in His temple. As priests we need to be holy and consecrated to the work of the temple, worship, praise and service

This attack on the body comes through:

- Witchcraft and astrology and other occult practices.
- Immoral / ungodly lifestyle
- Poverty and other physical destruction resulting in the burial of the bones before the due time
- Economical factors which will weaken the aged and ill.

It focuses on the anointing of the King

The Kingly anointing speaks of the indwelling spirit of God, which guides and leads us to have a holy life of a "**set apart people**".

The attack by the Prince of Greece is an all out effort to introduce the concept of alternative gods and other value systems. This Prince of Greece is represented in the form of **Zeus**.

ZEUS:

1. His altar of Pergamum was found in Athens.
2. The geographical spiritual route which leads from this altar is in the form of Athena, the goddess of War's Spear.
3. Jesus refers to this as the **Seat of satan**:

Revelation 2:13 *"13 I know where you live—a place where Satan sits enthroned. [Yet] you are clinging to and holding fast My name, and you did not deny My faith, even in the days of Antipas, My witness, My faithful one, who was killed (martyred) in your midst—where Satan dwells."*

4. We know that the predominant impact made under this spirit is **humanism** and **human philosophy**.

HERA (THE WIFE OF ZEUS):

Jeremiah identifies this spirit as the **Queen of Heaven**.

We know that the predominant impact made under this spirit is **occult worship** and **spiritual power**.

How did the Spirit of the Prince of Greece impact the Body of Christ?

1. By War

This spirit was the backbone of the Syrian attack against the Jews in the time of the Hasmonians. The image of Zeus in God's temple and other idol worship is recorded in history.

2. By propaganda

This spirit has spread the principle that man's understanding and reason was the bases for our existence:

- 1) Democracy,
- 2) Humanism,
- 3) Rationalization.

3. By Scepticism

The spirit spread its tentacles with the principle that unless something is understandable by logic and reasoning-out, it means one must doubt the authenticity. Consequently a spirit of skepticism has crept into our thought process to the extent that:

- The content of the Bible is in doubt

- The supernatural is questioned and
- Our basis of faith is worn down.

4. By syncretistic thought

The spirit has spread the concepts of:

- Diversity (we are many nations, languages etc and we should all be equal)
- Tolerance (we must make room for other thought)

These outworking of the spirit of Greece had lead to:

- Heresies
- The acceptance of pagan principles and feasts being integrated with God's **Word**.

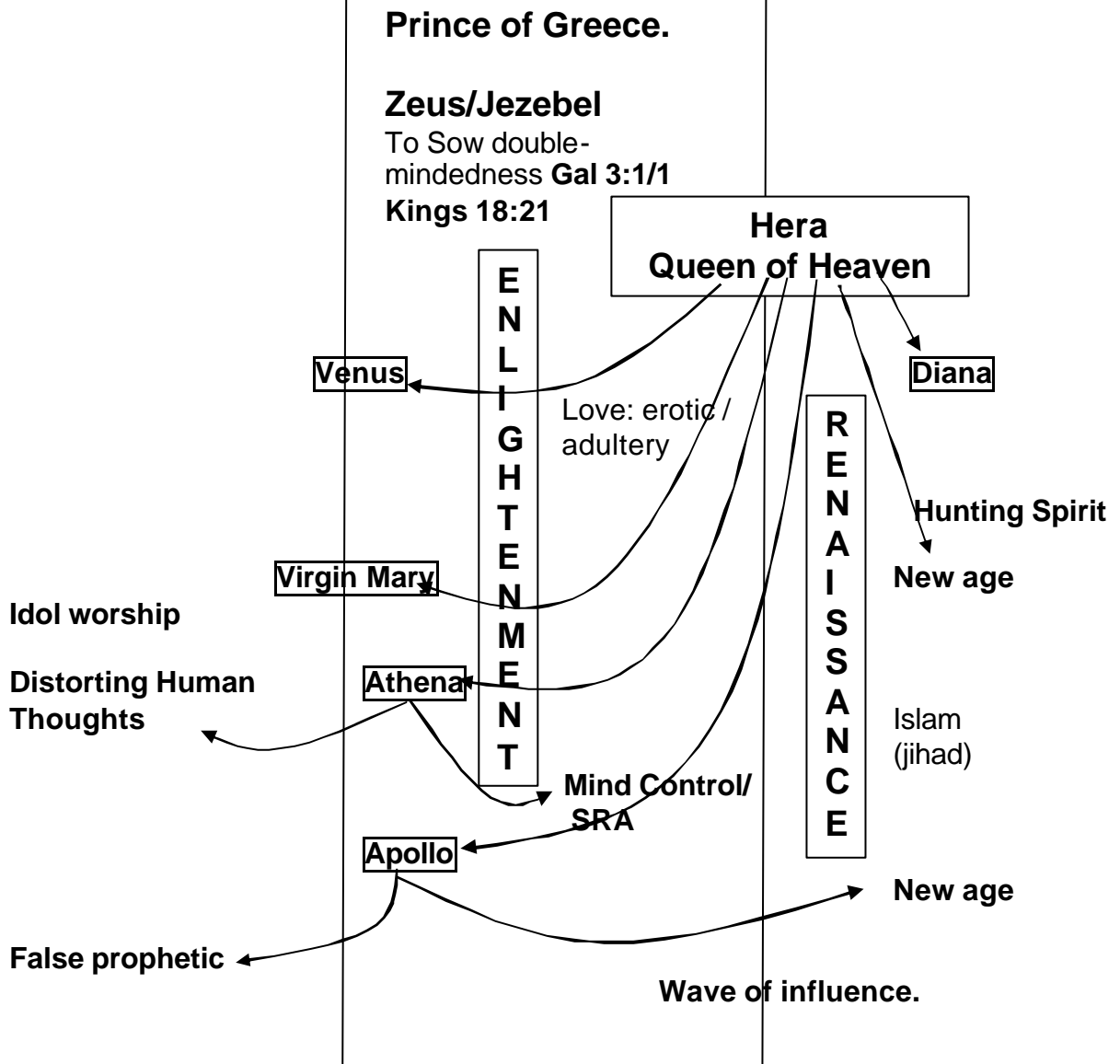
What are the consequences of the Spirit of the Prince of Greece / Dragon?

- The birthright of the Jewish people has been stolen
- Replacement theology has been introduced.
- The political power of the **one new man** has been taken over to the exclusion of the natural olive.
- Biblical principles of taking up our Jewish roots has been suppressed – allowing pagan influences in our worship.



So How do we think the Prince of Greece / Dragon will manifest in these times?

1st War - Prophet	3rd War - King	2nd War - Priest
Mind / emotion Intellect	Spirit (Enlightened / Reborn)	Body
Idol Worship Sun Worship Self-Worship		Witchcraft Occult Astrology



Celebration of the Restoration: JUBILEE

We need to develop a feast / memorial, a time when we honour God for Who He is and what He is to us.

The celebration must:

1. Honour the Prophetic calling and word.
Record and announce God's interaction with man
2. Honour the priest's calling.
Take vengeance on the spirit of Amelek –
 - We must remember that God saves – **Deut 25:17**
 - We must blot Amelek's name out while we stay in Canaan – **Deut 25:19**
 - We must not forget
3. Honour the king's calling.
We must go to war as the sons of Zion against the sons of Greece – **Zech. 9: 12-17.**

Rev 20: 4 – 6 *“4 Then I saw thrones, and sitting on them were those to whom authority to act as judges and to pass sentence was entrusted. **Also I saw the souls of those who had been slain with axes [beheaded] for their witnessing to Jesus and [for preaching and testifying] for the Word of God, and who had refused to pay homage to the beast or his statue and had not accepted his mark or permitted it to be stamped on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived again and ruled with Christ (the Messiah) a thousand years.***
5 The remainder of the dead were not restored to life again until the thousand years were completed. This is the first resurrection.
6 Blessed (happy, to be envied) and holy (spiritually whole, of unimpaired innocence and proved virtue) is the person who takes part (shares) in the first resurrection! Over them the second death exerts no power or authority, but they shall be ministers of God and of Christ (the Messiah), and they shall rule along with Him a thousand years.”

14. OUR SPIRITUAL WARFARE: DEFENSIVE / OFFENSIVE STRATEGY

Strategy:

We know the BATTLEFIELD: My life and the Body of Christ

We know **who** will come up against the Assembly of God
We know **how** they will attack the Assembly of God.

We know the TIMING of the engagement: NOW!!!

But before we go to war we need to be sure that we will get to the end, to a time when the weapons of war **will be laid down forever.**

Isa 9:3 – 7

3 You [O Lord] have multiplied the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before You like the joy in harvest, as men rejoice when they divide the spoil [of battle].

4 For the yoke of [Israel's] burden, and the staff or rod for [goading] their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, You have broken as in the day of [Gideon with] Midian.

*5 For every [tramping] **warrior's war boots** and **all his armor in the battle** tumult and every garment rolled in blood **shall be burned as fuel for the fire.***

6 For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father [of Eternity], Prince of Peace.

7 Of the increase of His government and of peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from the [latter] time forth, even forevermore.

The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

ISA 2: 2-4

2 It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be [firmly] established as the highest of the mountains and shall be exalted above the hills, and all nations shall flow to it.

3 And many people shall come and say, Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, that He may teach us His ways and that we may walk in His paths. For out of Zion shall go forth the law and instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

*4 And He shall judge between the nations and shall decide [disputes] for many peoples; and **they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.***

OUR DEFENSIVE STRATEGY

A) Calling

We need to know that we are called and what it is that we have to do.

Jer 1: 9 – 10

9 Then the Lord put forth His hand and touched my mouth. And the Lord said to me, Behold, **I have put My words in your mouth.**

10 See, I have this day **appointed** you to the oversight of the nations and of the kingdoms to **root out** and **pull down**, to **destroy** and to **overthrow**, to **build** and to **plant**.

B) Take Ownership of the Place where God has placed you

The prime example of this is Abraham who is given the land of Canaan. He passes through the **length** and **breadth** of the land, **sets up alters** and claims his inheritance.

Gen 13: 14 – 18

14 The Lord said to Abram after Lot had left him, Lift up now your eyes and look from the place where you are, northward and southward and eastward and westward;

15 For all the land which you see I will give to you and to your posterity forever.

16 And I will make your descendants like the dust of the earth, so that if a man could count the dust of the earth, then could your descendants also be counted.

17 Arise, **walk through the land, the length** of it and the **breadth of it**, for **I will give it to you.**

18 Then Abram moved his tent and came and dwelt among the oaks or terebinths of Mamre, which are at Hebron, and built there an altar to the Lord.”

Abraham marks off his covenantal territory with **prayer altars**.

1. Abraham enters Canaan in the **North** at Shechem / Shiloh

Gen 12: 6

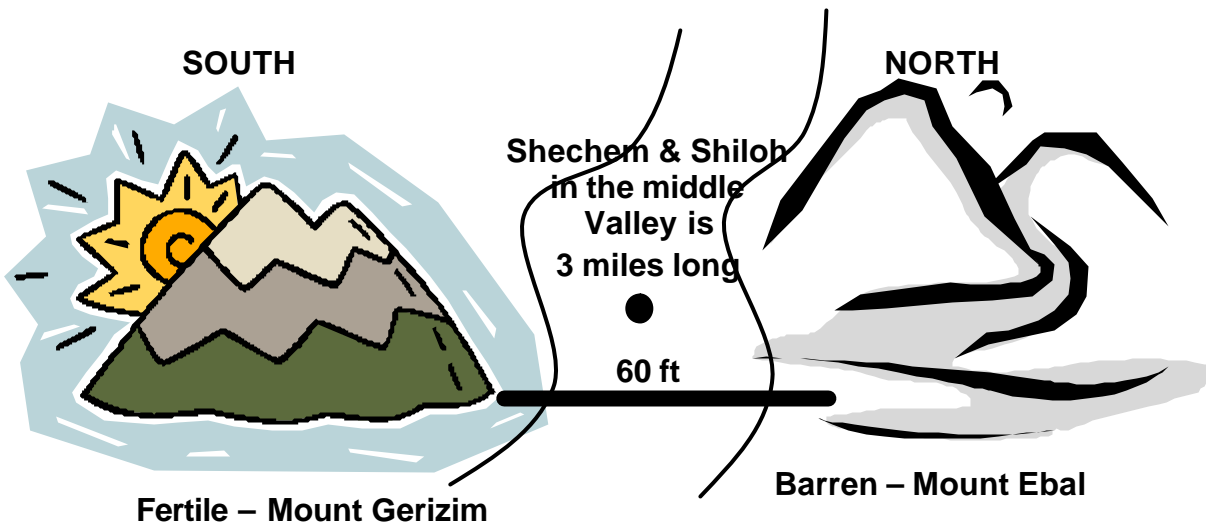
”6 Abram passed through the land to the locality of **Shechem**, to the oak or terebinth tree of Moreh. And the Canaanite was then in the land.”

The land is purchased by Jacob.

Gen 33: 18 – 19

”18 When Jacob came from Padan-aram, he arrived safely and in peace at the town of Shechem, in the land of Canaan, and pitched his tents before the [enclosed] town.

19 Then he **bought the piece of land** on which he had encamped from the sons of Hamor, **Shechem’s** father, for a hundred pieces of money.”



This is the area where the Assembly of God / House of Jacob come to repeat **the covenant** to “hear and do” the commandment, this time by faith – in a land where God is not so directly evident as He was in the wilderness.

2. Abraham goes West to Bethel

Mount Bethel



Gen 12: 8 “8 From there he pulled up [his tent pegs] and departed to the mountain on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and called upon the name of the Lord.”

It is here that Jacob confirms the covenant as the place which is the gateway to heaven.

Gen 28: 12 – 19 “12 **And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth**, and the top of it reached to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it!
 13 And behold, the Lord stood over and beside him and said, I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father [forefather] and the God of Isaac; I will give to you and to your descendants the land on which you are lying.
 14 And your offspring shall be as [countless as] the dust or sand of the ground, and you shall spread abroad to the west and the east and the north and the south; and by you and your Offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed and bless themselves.
 15 And behold, I am with you and will keep (watch over you with care, take notice of) you wherever you may go, and I will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done all of which I have told you.
 16 And Jacob awoke from his sleep and he said, Surely the Lord is in this place and I did not know it.

17 He was afraid and said, How to be feared and revered is this place!
This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gateway to heaven!
18 And Jacob rose early in the morning and took the stone he had put under his head, and he set it up for a pillar (a monument to the vision in his dream), and he poured oil on its top [in dedication].
19 And he named that place Bethel [the house of God]; but the name of that city was Luz at first.”

3) Abraham then moves South until he ends up in Hebron

Gen 12: 9 “9 Abram journeyed on, still going toward the South (the Negeb).”

Abraham also purchases land

Gen 23: 9 “9 That he may give me the cave of Machpelah, which he owns—it is at the end of his field. For the **full price let him give it to me here in your presence** as a burial place to which I may hold fast among you.”

4) Abraham goes to make a sacrificial offering – Jerusalem.

Gen 22: 2 “2 [God] said, Take now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the region of Moriah; and offer him there as a burnt offering upon one of the mountains of which I will tell you.”

Gen 22: 8 – 14 “8 Abraham said, My son, God Himself will provide a lamb for the burnt offering. So the two went on together.
9 When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there; then he laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar on the wood.
10 And Abraham stretched forth his hand and took hold of the knife to slay his son.
11 But the Angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, Abraham, Abraham! He answered, Here I am.
12 And He said, Do not lay your hand on the lad or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear and revere God, since you have not held back from Me or begrudged giving Me your son, your only son.
13 Then Abraham looked up and glanced around, and behold, behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up for a burnt offering and an ascending sacrifice instead of his son!
14 So Abraham called the name of that place The Lord Will Provide. And it is said to this day, On the mount of the Lord it will be provided.”

David later **purchases the land.**

Abraham prophetically starts his journey into Canaan at **Shechem.**

The name has two meanings:

“Portion” - it is where you discover your place / role / destiny in the world and it's the place where your abilities / talents are revealed.

“Shoulder” when everyone knows what his purpose is, he can join forces with his brother to build a nation / the body of Christ.

C) LIVE WITHIN THE BOUNDARY OF THE COVENANTAL TERMS:

- Renew your mind
- Deal with: Sexual Immorality
Murder
Idol Worship
Hatred etc.

D) TAKE UP THE DAILY LIVING REQUIREMENT FOR A COMMITTED SON OF GOD

- Put on the Armour of God

Eph 6: 10 – 20 *“10 In conclusion, be strong in the Lord [be empowered through your union with Him]; draw your strength from Him [that strength which His boundless might provides].*
11 Put on God’s whole armor [the armor of a heavy-armed soldier which God supplies], that you may be able successfully to stand up against [all] the strategies and the deceits of the devil.
12 For we are not wrestling with flesh and blood [contending only with physical opponents], but against the despotisms, against the powers, against [the master spirits who are] the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spirit forces of wickedness in the heavenly (supernatural) sphere.
13 Therefore put on God’s complete armor, that you may be able to resist and stand your ground on the evil day [of danger], and, having done all [the crisis demands], to stand [firmly in your place].
14 Stand therefore [hold your ground], having tightened the belt of truth around your loins and having put on the breastplate of integrity and of moral rectitude and right standing with God,
15 And having shod your feet in preparation [to face the enemy with the firm-footed stability, the promptness, and the readiness produced by the good news] of the Gospel of peace.
16 Lift up over all the [covering] shield of saving faith, upon which you can quench all the flaming missiles of the wicked [one].
17 And take the helmet of salvation and the sword that the Spirit wields, which is the Word of God.
18 Pray at all times (on every occasion, in every season) in the Spirit, with all [manner of] prayer and entreaty. To that end keep alert and watch with strong purpose and perseverance, interceding in behalf of all the saints (God’s consecrated people).

19 And [pray] also for me, that [freedom of] utterance may be given me, that I may open my mouth to proclaim boldly the mystery of the good news (the Gospel),

20 For which I am an ambassador in a coupling chain [in prison. Pray] that I may declare it boldly and courageously, as I ought to do.”

- Worship God daily

Rev 5: 12 “12 **Saying in a loud voice, Deserving is the Lamb, Who was sacrificed, to receive all the power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and majesty (glory, splendor) and blessing!**”

Zech 14: 16 – 21 “16 And everyone who is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year **to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Tabernacles or Booths.**

17 And it shall be that whoso of the families of the earth shall not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, upon them there shall be no rain.

18 And if the family of Egypt does not go up to Jerusalem and present themselves, upon them there shall be no rain, but there shall be the plague with which the Lord will smite the nations that go not up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles.

19 This shall be the consequent punishment of the sin of Egypt and the consequent punishment of the sin of all the nations that do not go up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles.

20 In that day there shall be [written] upon the [little] bells on the horses, holy to the lord, and the pots in the Lord’s house shall be holy to the Lord like the bowls before the altar.

21 **Yes, every pot in all the houses of Jerusalem and in Judah shall be dedicated and holy to the Lord of hosts, and all who sacrifice may come and take of them and boil their sacrifices in them [and traders in such wares will no longer be seen at the temple].** And in that day there shall be no more a Canaanite [that is, any godless or unclean person, whether Jew or Gentile] in the house of the Lord of hosts.”

- Be faithful

Rev 3: 7 – 13 “7 And to the angel (messenger) of the assembly (church) in Philadelphia write: These are the words of the Holy One, the True One, He Who has the key of David, Who opens and no one shall shut, Who shuts and no one shall open:

8 I know your [record of] works and what you are doing. See! I have set before you a door wide open which no one is able to shut; **I know that you have but little power, and yet you have kept My Word and guarded My message and have not renounced or denied My name.**

9 Take note! I will make those of the synagogue of Satan who say they are Jews and are not, but lie—behold, I will make them come and bow down before your feet and learn and acknowledge that I have loved you.

10 Because you have guarded and kept My word of patient endurance [have held fast the lesson of My patience with the expectant endurance that I give you], I also will keep you [safe] from the hour of trial (testing) which is coming on the whole world to try those who dwell upon the earth.

11 I am coming quickly; hold fast what you have, so that no one may rob you and deprive you of your crown.

12 He who overcomes (is victorious), I will make him a pillar in the sanctuary of My God; he shall never be put out of it or go out of it, and I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which descends from My God out of heaven, and My own new name.

13 He who can hear, let him listen to and heed what the Spirit says to the assemblies (churches)."

- Be obedient
- Celebrate the Memorials – Purim (Priest / Prophet) / Chanukah (King).

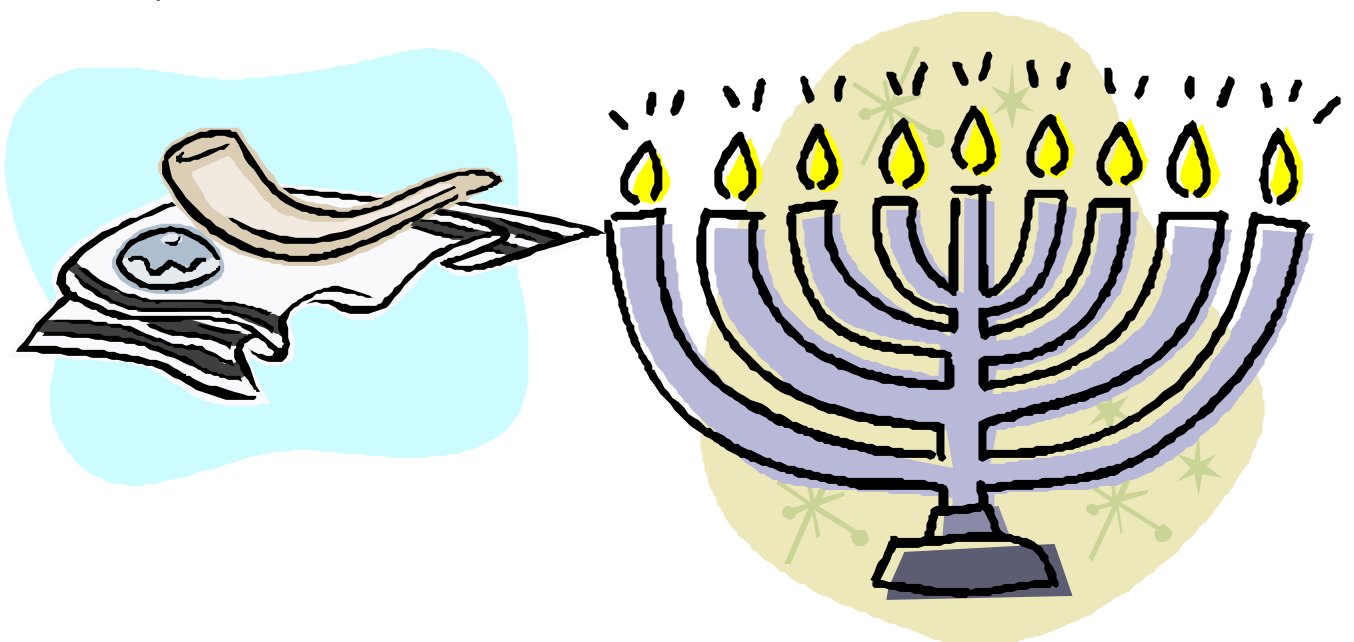
This is how the Jewish people celebrate these feasts / time. We have been under the **same attacks**. Study this prototype and take what you can / want to use in your own personalized celebration. Ask the Holy Spirit to give you new revelation to celebrate with today's music, etc.

Remember, we do not gather to remember the moment, but the

- **Past**
- **Present**
- **and Future.**

We gather to publicize / recite / shout the Name of **Hashem / God in public** .

Remember the celebration of the **all** out attack by the type of Rome / Babylon needs to reflect **both** Purim and Chanukah and the restoration of the Prophetic word.



OUR OFFENSIVE STRATEGY

A) Calling of the Warriors

In every generation God has called on his representatives on earth to stand in the gap and be counted as **warriors**.

1. **Abraham** and his family (± 300 people)

Take the land of Canaan

2. **Moses** – He sets up the tabernacle as the permanent place for God’s glory to reside.

He sets up the tabernacle]	So that God’s
He anoints the tabernacle]	presence can
He sanctifies the tabernacle]	dwell there.

– Moses also leads his people out of Egypt and leads them to numerous victories e.g.

Egyptians	Ex 14: 1 – 31	
Amalekites	Ex 17: 8 – 16	
Canaanites	Ex 21: 1 – 4	
Amorites	Ex 21: 21 – 32 ;	Deut 3: 1 – 21
Bashamites	Ex 2`1: 33 – 35	
Midianites	Ex 24: 17 – 18;	31: 1 – 54

3. **Joshua**

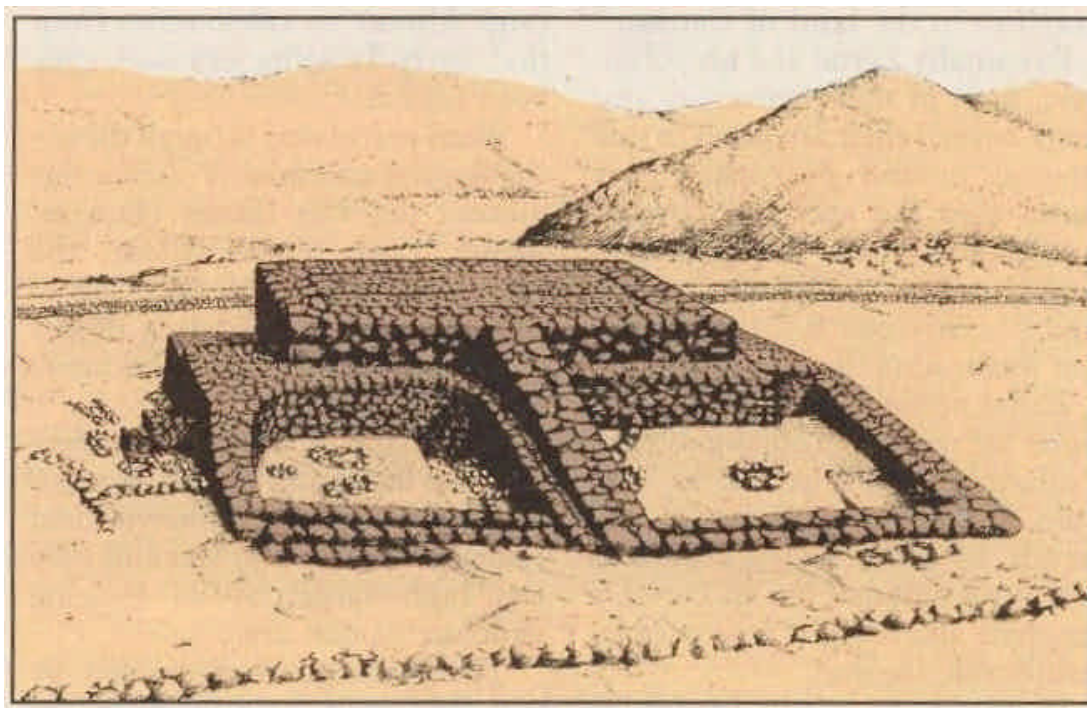
Jos. 24: 13 – 14 “13 I have given you a land for which you did not labor and cities you did not build, and you dwell in them; you eat from vineyards and olive yards you did not plant.

14 Now therefore, [reverently] fear the Lord and serve Him in sincerity and in truth; put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the [Euphrates] River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord.”

An excavation in Israel recently found an altar dated back to Joshua’s time.



Mount Ebal – Part of Manasseh Territory



(a) A hewn stone structure – 25 ft long and 30 ft wide and 6.5 ft high.

(b) Filling of the bones of bulls / sheep / goats
No bones from unclean animals i.e. cats/dogs/donkeys.

(c) Low inclining slope so that the priest's ankles would not be revealed. **Ex 20:26**

(d) **Interesting find:** a scarab – an three quarter meter long oval shaped Egyptian dung beetle dated back to the period between Ramses II and III (The time of the Exodus).

Joshua applies another principle to ensure a successful offensive strategy. **He allocates land as an inheritance to each tribe and family, each man therefore has something to fight for.**

4. **Samson** God called him to **start** the war against the Philistines. His story shows interesting / unique battle plans for different circumstances.

5. **The Assembly / Church of God** – We have been commanded to put on the armour and to **stand**.

Eph 6: 10 – 20 *“10 In conclusion, be strong in the Lord [be empowered through your union with Him]; draw your strength from Him [that strength which His boundless might provides].*

*11 **Put on God’s whole armor** [the armor of a heavy-armed soldier which God supplies], that you may be able successfully to stand up against [all] the strategies and the deceits of the devil.*

12 For we are not wrestling with flesh and blood [contending only with physical opponents], but against the despotisms, against the powers, against [the master spirits who are] the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spirit forces of wickedness in the heavenly (supernatural) sphere.

*13 Therefore put on God’s complete armor, **that you may be able to resist and stand your ground** on the evil day [of danger], and, **having done all [the crisis demands], to stand [firmly in your place].***

*14 **Stand therefore [hold your ground],** having tightened the belt of truth around your loins and having put on the breastplate of integrity and of moral rectitude and right standing with God,*

15 And having shod your feet in preparation [to face the enemy with the firm-footed stability, the promptness, and the readiness produced by the good news] of the Gospel of peace.

16 Lift up over all the [covering] shield of saving faith, upon which you can quench all the flaming missiles of the wicked [one].

17 And take the helmet of salvation and the sword that the Spirit wields, which is the Word of God.

18 Pray at all times (on every occasion, in every season) in the Spirit, with all [manner of] prayer and entreaty. To that end keep alert and watch with strong purpose and perseverance, interceding in behalf of all the saints (God’s consecrated people).

19 And [pray] also for me, that [freedom of] utterance may be given me, that I may open my mouth to proclaim boldly the mystery of the good news (the Gospel),

20 For which I am an ambassador in a coupling chain [in prison. Pray] that I may declare it boldly and courageously, as I ought to do.”

6. The Martyred Saints

Rev 17: 6 *“6 I also saw that the woman was drunk, [drunk] **with the blood of the saints (God’s people) and the blood of the martyrs** [who witnessed] for Jesus. And when I saw her, I was utterly amazed and wondered greatly.”*

B) BOOK OF WAR

We find reference that God has a book of War. Is your name written down as a warrior for the Kingdom of Light

Num. 21:14 *“14 That is why it is said in the Book of the Wars of the Lord: Waheb in Suphah, and the valleys of [the branches of] the Arnon [River],”*

C) CALL UPON THE ARMY OF ANGELS, WHICH GOD HAS PUT IN PLACE FOR US.

Ezekiel describes God's army of angels which are ready to move on our behalf.

Our **goal** is to open the spiritual atmosphere **above our home** / city / land from a **ladder** (Jacob's ladder – **Gen. 28:12**) to a **spiritual double Highway** (**Is. 40:3; Is. 49:11**).

Gen. 28:12 *“12 And he dreamed that there was a **ladder** set up on the earth, and **the top of it reached to heaven**; and the **angels** of God were **ascending** and **descending** on it!”*

Is. 40:3 *“3 A voice of one who cries: Prepare in the wilderness the way of the Lord [clear away the obstacles]; make straight and smooth in the desert a **highway for our God!**”*

Paul takes only one verse to describe the entire hierarchy of satan. Long before this, in the days of Ezekiel (in the Book of Ezekiel), God reveals **His** structure in much greater detail. There are two good reasons for this:

1. To give us something to imagine / see and to hold onto during trials and tribulations
2. To tell us that this army will be instrumental in the events surrounding the last days and the establishment of the New Jerusalem which is described in the last few chapters of Ezekiel (Chapter 38 and onwards).

What is relevant and amazing is the complex hierarchy, which is in place. However not withstanding anything which indicate a focus on all 4 directions e.g. North / South / East / West
We note that the entire army is always in **unity**.

Ezek 1: 16 *“16 As to the appearance of the wheels and their construction: in appearance they gleamed like chrysolite; and the four were formed alike, and their construction work was as it were a wheel within a wheel.”*

Lowest level of angels who touch the earth.

Ezek 1: 15 *“15 Now as I was still looking at the living creatures, I saw one wheel **upon the ground** beside each of the living creatures with its four faces.”*

This is the next level of angels.

Ezek 1: 5 – 6 “5 And out of the midst of it came the likeness of four living creatures [or cherubim]. And this was their appearance: they had the likeness of a man,
6 But each one had four faces and each one had four wings.”

Seraphim (see coal of fire). We are told in Is. 6: 6 which angels brought coals of fire.

Ezek 1: 22 “22 **Over the head** of the [combined] living creature **there was the likeness of a firmament**, looking like the terrible and awesome [dazzling of shining] crystal or ice stretched across the expanse of sky over their heads.”

This verse tells us there is a firmament above the heads of the angels.

Ezek 1: 25 “25 And there was a **voice above the firmament** that was over their heads; when they stood, they let down their wings.”

God’s voice comes from above even this.

The place where God resides
Ezek 1: 25-28



Fourth Firmament
THRONE

The firmament above the heads of the Seraphim
Ezek. 1;22, 25
Heb. 9:5



Third Firmament
ARCHANGELS:
CHERUBIM

Ezek 1:5 &6

Ezek 1:13 “Coals of fire”

Is. 6:2 “Coals of fire”

} = **SERAPHIM**

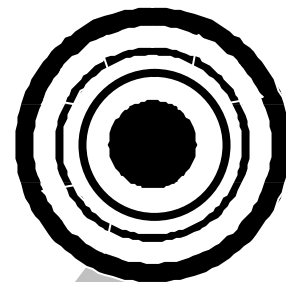
Second Firmament
SERAPHIM

living creatures
with 4 faces

The army is joined i.e in **permanent unity. Ezek. 1:9**

Ezek. 1:16 “16 As to the appearance of the wheels and their construction: in appearance they gleamed like chrysolite; and the four were formed alike, and their construction work was as it were a wheel within a wheel.

First Firmament
ANGELS



The Wheels touch the Earth
Ezek. 1:15

EARTH

D) We are called to defend Gods City of Jerusalem

- Jerusalem is the **center** of the spiritual world

Ezek 5: 5 *“5 Thus says the Lord God: This is Jerusalem; in **the center of the nations I have set her**, and countries are round about her.”*

- Jerusalem is the **prescribed** place of worship, chosen by God.

Deut 12: 5 – 7, 10 – 11 *“5 But you shall seek the place which the Lord your God shall choose out of all your tribes to put His Name and make His dwelling place, and there shall you come;
6 And there you shall bring your **burnt offerings and your sacrifices**, your tithes and the offering of your hands, and your vows and your **freewill offerings**, and the firstlings of your herd and of your flock.
7 And there you shall eat before the Lord your God, and **you shall rejoice** in all to which you put your hand, you and your households, in which the Lord your God has blessed you.
Deuteronomy 12:10-11 (AMP)
10 But when you go over the Jordan and dwell in the land which the Lord your God causes you to inherit, and He gives you rest from all your enemies round about so that you dwell in safety,
11 Then there shall be a place which the Lord your God shall choose to cause His Name [and His Presence] to dwell there; to it you shall bring all that I command you: your burnt offerings, your sacrifices, your tithes and what the hand presents [as a first gift from the fruits of the ground], and all your choicest offerings which you vow to the Lord.”*

- We are called to **pray for the peace** of Jerusalem.

Ps 122: 6 *“6 Pray **for the peace** of Jerusalem! May they prosper who love you [the Holy City]!”*

- **New Jerusalem**

We realize that within the spiritual realm there is no physical space. Concepts of an opposite nature can't be together e.g. we know that sin cannot be in heaven therefore the concept of good and bad can only be found together in the physical realm on earth.

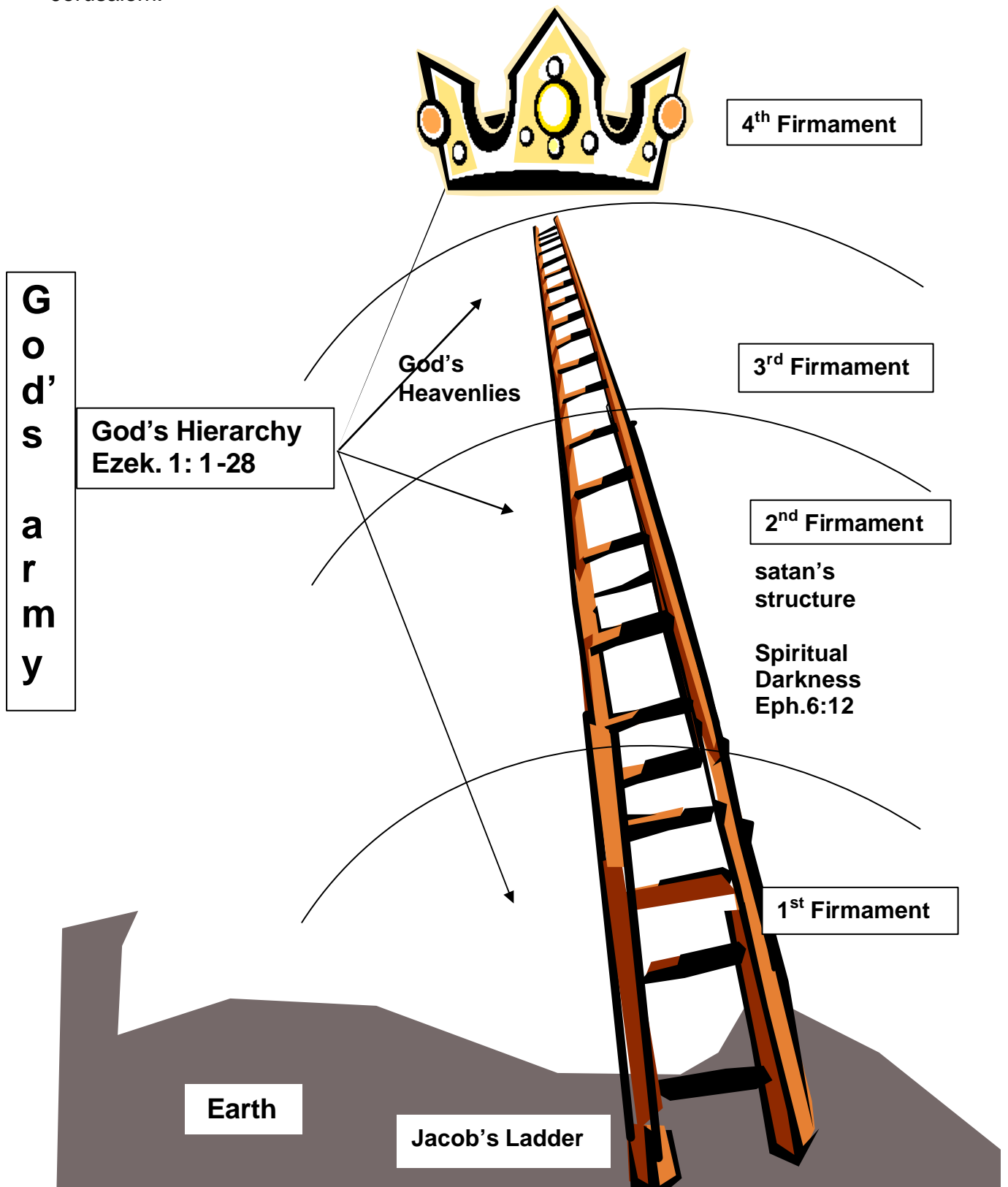
Spiritual entities, angels, can be bound to physical objects e.g. man, just as the soul is bound to the body. It stands to reason that it is **only in the physical realm that different spiritual beings (kingdom of light and kingdom of darkness)** can be brought together.

We read of a New Jerusalem / a new temple, which will by a miracle, in a day come down from heaven.

Ezek 40: 2 “2 In the visions of God He brought me into the land of Israel and set me down upon a very high mountain, on the south side of which there was what seemed to be the structure of a city.”

Ezek 48: 35 “35 The distance around the city shall be 18,000 [4 x 4,500] measures; and the name of the city from that day and ever after shall be, the lord is there.”

We therefore realize that the earthly Jerusalem is connected with to **heavenly** Jerusalem.



God says that, the very dimension of creation – the stars, moon etc. have all been infused with his Torah / Word and will stand on his commandment.

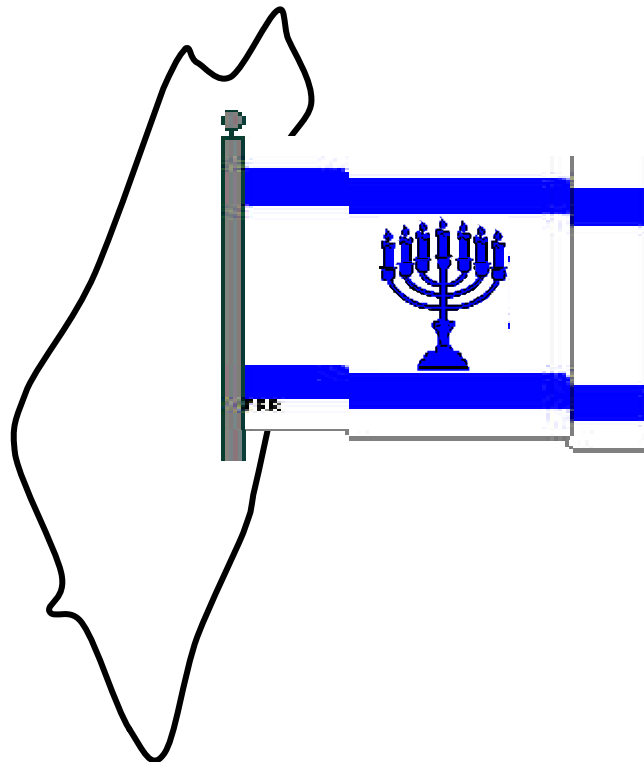
Jer 33: 25 *“25 Thus says the Lord: If **My covenant with day and night does not stand**, and if I have **not appointed the ordinances of the heavens and the earth [the whole order of nature],**”*

Finally God **prays** in Jerusalem.

Is 56: 7 *“7 All these I will bring to **My holy mountain** and make them **joyful in My house of prayer**. Their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on My altar; for My house will be called a house of prayer for all peoples.”*

Any spiritual force, representing the concepts of **Persia, Greece, Rome or Babylon**, manifesting in the physical Jerusalem are therefore in opposition to God's will.

We therefore need to constantly pray, petition / intercede for God's City.



REGENERATE YOUR SPIRIT – THE GIFT OF YOUTH

We have already debated the principle of Esau and Jacob – i.e. that whatever kingdom we worship and serve gain the upper hand over the other.

We find here, another application of this principle:
God's Kingdom on earth is a reflection of the Kingdom of Heaven. How God runs the earth within the Body of Christ reveals something of heaven as well.

We all grow older and with age the physical body becomes weaker. So too does our power in the spiritual realm become weaker with exhaustion.

A Levite was called to “army work” in the temple but had to retire at the age of 50.

Num. 8: 24-26 *“24 This is what applies to the Levites: from twenty-five years old and upward they shall go in to perform the work of the service of the Tent of Meeting, 25 And at the age of fifty years, they shall retire from the warfare of the service and serve no more, 26 But shall help their brethren in the Tent of Meeting [attend to protecting the sacred things from being profaned], but shall do no regular or heavy service. Thus shall you direct the Levites in regard to their duties.”*

If you want to retain your youth – your gift of life – then you need to draw on the strength from the heart of the battle, from the comradeship with your friends, from the role model of the hero's in battle so that your enthusiasm and drive will be kept alight in time of tribulation.

We must build memorials of the time when we record Spiritual victory so that we can draw on this deposit in time of need.

CONCLUSION

We know that God is Light and in Him there is no darkness (1 John 1:5).

We know that Jesus is Light (John 8:12; Rev 22:23; John 1:4).

We know that in the New Jerusalem there will be no sun and no moon, i.e. light as we know today will cease (the sun, moon, stars, etc.).

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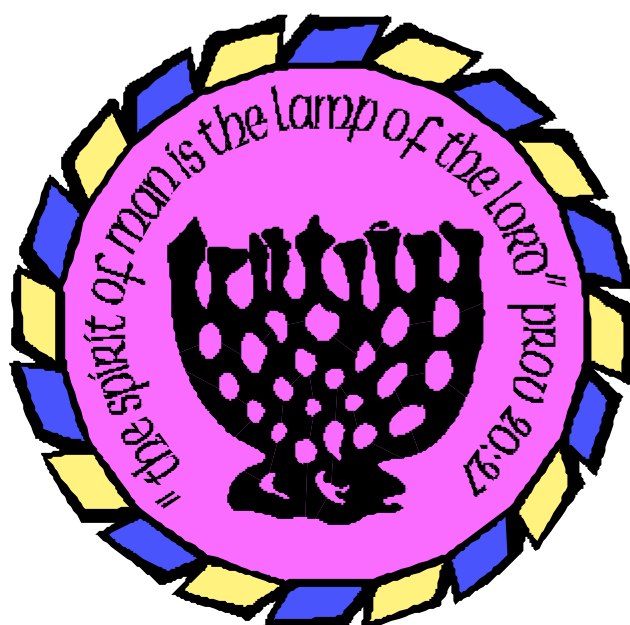
They will be replaced with the **Glor**y of God and the **Ligh**t of the Lamb.

We know that the **number 7** is the fullness of man therefore the **number 8** is something more, something beyond, some place where no light has been.

Our body is the temple (living stones). Jesus came to dedicate Himself. He was/is the Eighth Light – the fullness. We should strive to be the same.

Finally, the essence of Chanukah is also a legacy from Abraham. The fundamental call for this time is a challenge to new heights of renewal. This can only be done by the “young” at heart. When Abraham was commanded to offer his son, Abraham “returned to his youth”, i.e. he took on this new challenge with all the enthusiasm of a young man.

Is. 60: 1 “**I ARISE** [from the depression and prostration in which circumstances have kept you—rise to a new life]! Shine (be radiant with the glory of the Lord), for your light has come, and **the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!**”



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APPENDIX A

JEWISH HOLIDAYS

HOLIDAY	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
PURIM	14 Mar	4 Mar	21 Mar	10 Mar	28 Feb	20 Mar	8 Mar	24 Feb	16 Mar
*PASSOVER	13 Apr	3 Apr	20 Apr	9 Apr	30 Mar	19 Apr	7 Apr	26 Mar	15 Apr
First day									
Second day	14 Apr	4 Apr	21 Apr	10 Apr	31 Mar	20 Apr	8 Apr	27 Mar	16 Apr
Third day	19 Apr	9 Apr	26 Apr	15 Apr	5 Apr	25 Apr	13 Apr	1 Apr	21 Apr
Fourth day	20 Apr	10 Apr	27 Apr	16 Apr	6 Apr	26 Apr	14 Apr	2 Apr	22 Apr
*SHAVUOT	2 June	23 May	9 June	29 May	19 May	8 June	27 May	15 May	4 June
First day									
Second day	3 June	24 May	10 June	30 May	20 May	9 June	28 May	16 May	5 June
*ROSH HASHANAH	23 Sept	13 Sept	30 Sept	19 Sept	9 Sept	29 Sept	17 Sept	5 Sept	25 Sept
First day									
Second day	24 Sept	14 Sept	1 Oct	20 Sept	10 Sept	30 Sept	18 Sept	6 Sept	26 Sept
*YOM KIPPUR	2 Oct	22 Sept	9 Oct	28 Sept	18 Sept	8 Oct	26 Sept	14 Sept	4 Oct
*SUKKOTH	7 Oct	27 Sept	14 Oct	3 Oct	23 Sept	13 Oct	1 Oct	19 Sept	9 Oct
First day									
Second day	8 Oct	28 Sept	15 Oct	4 Oct	24 Sept	14 Oct	2 Oct	20 Sept	10 Oct
*SHEMINI ATZERET	14 Oct	4 Oct	21 Oct	10 Oct	30 Sept	20 Oct	8 Oct	26 Sept	16 Oct
*SIMCHAT TORAH	15 Oct	5 Oct	22 Oct	11 Oct	1 Oct	21 Oct	9 Oct	27 Sept	17 Oct
CHANNUKAH (8 days)	16 Dec	5 Dec	22 Dec	12 Dec	2 Dec	21 Dec	9 Dec	28 Nov	17 Dec

*RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS – NO WORK ON THESE DAYS