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The focal point of this teaching will be to seek to better understand the principles of God’s divine order, and in more detail, to reflect on the model or pattern that we have been called to follow as Priests in the Order of Melchizedek.

In order to fulfill our potential, we need to better understand our role in God’s divine plan as His church - the Body of Messiah (Jesus Christ); we need to come under God’s divine order as His set apart people.

The passages we’d like to focus on to set the scene are:

2 Peter 1:3-4

“3 For His divine power has bestowed upon us all things that [are requisite and suited] to life and godliness, through the [full, personal] knowledge of Him Who called us by and to His own glory and excellence (virtue). 4 By means of these He has bestowed on us His precious and exceedingly great promises, so that through them you may escape [by flight] from the moral decay (rotteness and corruption) that is in the world because of covetousness (lust and greed), and become sharers (partakers) of the divine nature.”

2 Peter 1:5-11

“5 For this very reason, adding your diligence [to the divine promises], employ every effort in exercising your faith to develop virtue (excellence, resolution, Christian energy), and in [exercising] virtue [develop] knowledge (intelligence), 6 And in [exercising] knowledge [develop] self-control, and in [exercising] self-control [develop] steadfastness (patience, endurance), and in [exercising] steadfastness [develop] godliness (piety), 7 And in [exercising] godliness [develop] brotherly affection, and in [exercising] brotherly affection [develop] Christian love. 8 For as these qualities are yours and increasingly abound in you, they will keep [you] from being idle or unfruitful unto the [full personal] knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One). 9 For whoever lacks these qualities is blind, [spiritually] shortsighted, seeing only what is near to him, and has become oblivious [to the fact] that he was cleansed from his old sins. 10 Because of this, brethren, be all the more solicitous and eager to make sure (to ratify, to
strengthen, to make steadfast) your calling and election; for if you do this, you will never stumble or fall. 11 Thus there will be richly and abundantly provided for you entry into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”

Psalm 110:4 “4 The Lord has sworn and will not revoke or change it: You are a priest forever, after the manner and order of Melchizedek. [Heb. 5:10; 7:11, 15, 21.]”

Hebrews 5:6 “6 As He says also in another place, You are a Priest [appointed] forever after the order (with the rank) of Melchizedek.”

Hebrews 7:11,17 “11 Now if perfection (a perfect fellowship between God and the worshiper) had been attainable by the Levitical priesthood—for under it the people were given the Law—why was it further necessary that there should arise another and different kind of Priest, one after the order of Melchizedek, rather than one appointed after the order and rank of Aaron? 17 For it is witnessed of Him, You are a Priest forever after the order (with the rank) of Melchizedek.”

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Hebrews 7:15-17 “15 And this becomes more plainly evident when another Priest arises Who bears the likeness of Melchizedek, [Ps. 110:4.] 16 Who has been constituted a Priest, not on the basis of a bodily legal requirement [an externally imposed command concerning His physical ancestry], but on the basis of the power of an endless and indestructible Life. 17 For it is witnessed of Him, You are a Priest forever after the order (with the rank) of Melchizedek.”

1 Peter 2:4-10 “4 Come to Him [then, to that] Living Stone which men tried and threw away, but which is chosen [and] precious in God’s sight. [Ps. 118:22; Isa. 28:16.] 5 [Come] and, like living stones, be yourselves built [into] a spiritual house, for a holy (dedicated, consecrated) priesthood, to offer up [those] spiritual sacrifices [that are] acceptable and pleasing to God through Jesus Christ. 6 For thus it stands in Scripture: Behold, I am laying in Zion a chosen (honored), precious chief Cornerstone, and he who believes in Him [who adheres to, trusts in, and relies on Him] shall never be disappointed or put to shame. [Isa. 28:16.] 7 To you then who believe (who adhere to, trust in, and rely on Him) is the preciousness; but for those who disbelieve [it is true], The [very] Stone which the builders rejected has become the main Cornerstone, [Ps. 118:22. 8 And, A Stone that will cause stumbling and a Rock that will give [men] offense; they stumble because they disobey and disbelieve [God’s] Word, as those [who reject Him] were destined (appointed) to do. 9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a dedicated nation, [God’s] own purchased, special people, that you may set forth the wonderful deeds and display the virtues and perfections of Him Who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. [Exod. 19:5, 6.] 10 Once you were not a people [at all], but now you are God’s people; once you were unpitied, but now you are pitied and have received mercy. [Hos. 2:23.]”
1] Let’s start off with the basic principle of God’s Divine Order...

Genesis 1 determines the following unwavering principle: GOD’S DESIGN BEGETS ORDER.

We will return here in a moment, but before we go through this in more detail, it will be necessary to cover the worldly and demonic alternatives to God’s divine order. You see, we have been taught these alternative systems for so long that we tend to regard them as the norm. Therefore, we should spend a few minutes to look at what they are and how they function, so that we can better ask ourselves the question: how much of these models/systems have I allowed to influence my thinking, and therefore my walk with God?

2] "Other" order systems:

A] The order of Science.

Ever since the end of the beginning of the Dark Ages, science has contended with faith to establish supremacy of thought. Science advocates a process based on logic, theory, and facts. There is an order system in place.

While science and this thought pattern has brought us forward out of the Dark Ages into a life of comfort and luxury through all sorts of new inventions and life improvements, we should certainly debate its absolute value.

The question is this: does this model, with all of the benefits that it has brought mankind, mirror God’s Order?

We will come to the conclusion that the answer is, NO...

The scientific model is simple:

• Logic thought …

• Thought Leads to a hypothesis …

• Hypothesis Leads to some initial testing …

• Testing Leads to a theory …

• Theory Leading to more rigorous testing …

• And when we find some degree of consistency in the results – it leads to a principle.
This all sounds so wonderful. However, we know today that the initial hypothesis is always subjected to the “worldview” (things such as culture, religious training, etc.) of the scientist involved. Testing often then always follows the expected thought pattern of those involved.

To illustrate this point (while in no way negating the value of science nor of progress that science has made) – here are a few random cases as examples.

**Global Warming**

Today, we can draw any number of studies by University professors and the like, that show conclusively that global warming is a major problem. These studies quote statistics in support of all of the arguments. Equally, however we can draw any number of studies, by other University professors that prove that the evidence provided is wrong – that the statistics presented are biased and inaccurate, in order to push an agenda.

Unfortunately you will find that those who have the loudest voices will get the biggest media attention…

**Bible Codes**

A few years ago we were astounded at the revelation that the Bible, if analyzed with a computer, could show by means of a series of “coded’ letters, supposedly randomly arranged, the date on which an Israeli Prime Minister, Yitzhak Rabin, would be assassinated.

Not long afterwards, we find equally scientific articles published, showing that the study could be seriously biased by the way in which the questions where posed, which would produce the required result.

**Carbon Dating**

And finally, carbon dating. We quite often hear of some ancient object that has been found and then dated to determine the approximate age. From a Biblical point of view, to be able to date an artifact would be a useful tool in validating the historical accuracy of the Bible. Evolutionists are so keen to use carbon dating to disprove the Bible – and “prove” the earth is thousands of years old. Unfortunately here too, science seems to be unable to keep its feet on the ground. Carbon dating has over and over again proven to be inaccurate and fickle. For example, rock from two sides of the Grand Canyon (USA) were found to vary by 100’s of thousands of years!!

From this we can conclude that science is also a system, or an order. Science however, strives to analyze the actual parts of creation. But at no stage can science recreate creation. Science can therefore never deem to define God’s Order…
B] The order of false religious systems.

We will not be focusing on the “other” religions such as Islam, Hinduism, etc. But rather want to draw attention to the fact that man has the ability and tendency to take the Word of God and turn it into a system that suits his own particular ego or selfish system. Y’shua (Jesus) warns us of this, in something He calls the “traditions of men”…

Mark 7:9-13 “9 And He said to them, You have a fine way of rejecting [thus thwarting and nullifying and doing away with] the commandment of God in order to keep your tradition (your own human regulations)! 10 For Moses said, Honor (revere with tenderness of feeling and deference) your father and your mother, and, He who curses or reviles or speaks evil of or abuses or treats improperly his father or mother, let him surely die. [Exod. 20:12; 21:17; Lev. 20:9; Deut. 5:16.] 11 But [as for you] you say, A man is exempt if he tells [his] father or [his] mother, What you would otherwise have gained from me [everything I have that would have been of use to you] is Corban, that is, is a gift [already given as an offering to God], 12 Then you no longer are permitting him to do anything for [his] father or mother [but are letting him off from helping them]. 13 Thus you are nullifying and making void and of no effect [the authority of] the Word of God through your tradition, which you [in turn] hand on. And many things of this kind you are doing.”

In a recent article published by the Times Israel, we find such an example of the “goings on” of the legalistic false religious system, as the world religions have “determined” that John the Baptist “carried out his baptisms on the Jordan side of the river”.

What are they trying to obtain by making this allegation…?

One world religion! Palestinians have a right to the land; who knows what their agenda really is…?

But in actual fact, the truth is that John came from Qumran, and therefore we ask ourselves, why would he cross over to a foreign land when he was a legitimate Priest in the line of the Levites. Why would John leave the Land…?

John baptized the Messiah, Who came first to the Jew AND only later on to the gentiles. Why, at the beginning of a ministry, would the Messiah start with the gentile side? John, in the process of baptism transfers the Priesthood from the order of Levi, to the order of Melchizedek. Therefore it would not make sense if John were to do the baptisms outside of the Land.

These man-made religious systems will always seek to change God’s Order for their own, by:

a) The substitution of God’s Feasts by their own feast days that do not correlate with God’s timing at all.

b) The substitution of the protocol of the Heavenly Tabernacle with their own high places (church buildings).

c) The substitution of God’s order of marriage by acceptance of gender confusion, or homosexuality.
Other Examples

“Grave sucking” has also become very popular in the western church - believers are flocking to the graves of those who were mightily used by the Lord in their day in the area of healing and miracle working power. They are trying to “suck up” the anointing from those graves, hoping to then be used by the Lord to do the same miracle working wonders. They wrongly quote:

**2 Kings 13:21** “As man was being buried (on an open bier), such a band was seen coming; and the man was cast into Elisha’s grave. And when the man being let down touched the bones of Elisha, he revived and stood on his feet.”

The above verse was ONE incident, and now they are building a doctrine around hugging graves, lying on graves, grave sucking, and so forth. The Bible clearly warns against these practices as GOD forbids this. Most cultures would identify this practice as ancestral worship, but many Christians today believe that a certain anointing, faith, power, and so forth can be transferred from the grave on to them as can be seen in this video on Youtube: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LrHPTs8cLls](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LrHPTs8cLls)

Other practices in the church have involved eating snakes and other things described in the Bible as abominable. ([https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3zl6YQeJxoo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3zl6YQeJxoo))

If you knew GOD’s Divine Order then you would not fall for this deception! GOD has given us His Word and He clearly explains to us what His teachings and instructions are in the first FIVE Books of the Bible:

**Leviticus 19:16** “And whoever in the open field touches one who is slain with a sword, or a dead body, or a bone of a dead man, or a grave, shall be unclean for seven days.”

The problem lies in the fact that the church in the west have created a “Western” Jesus and they only read the New Testament. But that opens us up for deception. We should be diligent to study the COMPLETE Word of God so that we will not be deceived in the last days.

C] The occult world of the second heaven.
The THREE Heavens

As with all kingdoms, there are levels of authority, governors of territories or regions, and so on. These beings operate within a region of the lower heavens. Although I want to save our discussion of the reality of a multiverse (as revealed within Scripture) for a later time, I do want to point out that there are three Heavens:

2 Corinthians 12:2  “I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—was caught up to the third heaven.”

Although the Kabbalah (this Jewish book contains many of the concepts within the mystery religions and is esteemed by Freemasons and the occult) teaches that there are seven Heavens, the Word of God only refers to three. Each is contained within its own dimensional reality but can affect lower sub-realities. I believe it looks something like this:

- Third Heaven — This is the home of Almighty God.
- Second Heaven — This is a dimensional reality between God’s Dwelling and our universe. Angels — both God’s angels and fallen angels — work to assist in the governing of nations and people from within this region. Occultists have referred to this as the “astral plane”.
- First Heaven — This is our universe.

The Second Heaven is alluded to in the Book of Daniel, when an angel was delayed in bringing a message to Daniel:

Daniel 10:10-13  “And behold, a hand touched me, which set me [unsteadily] upon my knees and upon the palms of my hands. And [the angel] said to me, O Daniel, you greatly beloved man, understand the words that I speak to you and stand upright, for to you I am now sent. And while he was saying this word to me, I stood up trembling. Then he said to me, Fear not, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your mind and heart to understand and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I have come as a consequence of [and in response to] your words. But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withheld me for twenty-one days. Then Michael, one of the chief [of the celestial] princes, came to help me, for I remained there with the kings of Persia.”

The prince of the kingdom of Persia was a fallen angel who ruled over and empowered the kingdom of Persia.

A Modern Guide to Demons and Fallen Angels provides powerful insights into roles of certain angels in the affairs of nations.

Dr. Michael S. Heiser has argued that the Greek translation of Deuteronomy 32:8 sheds some added light on this arrangement, in his paper "Deuteronomy 32:8 and the Sons of God"...

Deuteronomy 32:8-9  “When the Most High gave the nations their inheritance, when He divided all mankind, He set up boundaries for the peoples according to the number of the sons of God.”

1 This section taken from the book “The Shinar Directive” by Dr. Michael K. Lake
The Hebrew reads: "When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when He separated the sons of Adam, He set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel."

However, in place of "children of Israel" the Greek reads "angels of God."
If the Greek is correct, then what we are looking at is a specific event and time, in which God divided the nations of mankind according to the number of the angels of God. This is specified to have occurred when God divided all mankind. When did God divide all mankind? God divided mankind right after the tower of Babel incident, which was not long after the Flood.

Deuteronomy hints at the fact that the nations were divided under the leadership of angels and that men were driven to worship them instead of God.

Deuteronomy 4:19 “And beware lest you lift up your eyes to the heavens, and when you see the sun, moon, and stars, even all the host of the heavens, you be drawn away and worship them and serve them, things which the Lord your God has allotted to all nations under the whole heaven.”

Dr. Heiser has postulated that the angels in Deuteronomy 4:19 and 32:8-9 were a part of a divine council and that God will eventually judge them for leading men away from God and perverting justice. We find this reference in:

Psalms 82:1-8 “God stands in the assembly [of the representatives] of God; in the midst of the magistrates or judges He gives judgment [as] among the gods. 2 How long will you [magistrates or judges] judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked? Selah [pause, and calmly think of that]! Do justice to the weak (poor) and fatherless; maintain the rights of the afflicted and needy. Deliver the poor and needy; rescue them out of the hand of the wicked. [The magistrates and judges] know not, neither will they understand; they walk on in the darkness [of complacent satisfaction]; all the foundations of the earth [the fundamental principles upon which rests the administration of justice] are shaking. I said, You are gods [since you judge on My behalf, as My representatives]; indeed, all of you are children of the Most High. But you shall die as men and fall as one of the princes. Arise, O God, judge the earth! For to You belong all the nations.”

Men cannot be threatened with loss of their immortality, but angels can. When will this happen?

The point I am trying to make is that angels do not desire to inhabit human bodies. The spiritual bodies God gave them work perfectly fine, and they can manifest their presence in the earth without the need of a human host. In fact, on many occasions in the Word of God, angels take human form.

The angels of Psalm 82 assist in the governance of nations from the Second Heaven. For those who have aligned themselves with Lucifer, these angels prefer to be the puppet masters who pull the strings that sway nations. We must never underestimate the intelligence or power of these supernatural beings.

Today, modern spiritual warfare is littered with destroyed ministries and lives of those who arrogantly assaulted principalities and powers without a direct assignment from the Throne of God.
God's Concept of a Multiverse.

1. HELL

*(In Hebrew, “sheol”)*

It contains more than just a place of torment. It has two compartments, according to Y’shua, with an impassible gulf between them (Luke 16:19-31).

One side of sheol was a place of torment and the other was the “Bosom of Abraham” — there people who has died before the cross were waiting in that paradise for its fulfillment. When Y’shua rose from the dead, He emptied Abraham’s Bosom and took that great crowd of witnesses with Him to Heaven as the first fruits offering.

2. OUTER DARKNESS

*Matthew 8:12*  “While the sons and heirs of the kingdom will be driven out into the darkness outside, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.”

*Matthew 22:13*  “Then the king said to the attendants, Tie him hand and foot, and throw him into the darkness outside; there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.”

*Matthew 25:30*  “And throw the good-for-nothing servant into the outer darkness; there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.”

3. TARTARUS

The most common word used in the Greek New Testament for "Hell" is "Hades." Yet, Peter chose to use another word in his second epistle.

*2 Peter 2:4*  “For God did not [even] spare angels that sinned, but cast them into hell, delivering them to be kept there in pits of gloom till the judgment and their doom.”

The Greek word Peter uses is tartaroo (tar-tar-o'-o), which refers to the subterranean region known as Tartarus. In Greek mythology, Tartarus was the abysmal region below Hades, where the Titans were confined.

Since Peter was referring to the angels who sinned, he most likely was referring to the Watchers who had sinned with human women to produce the original giants (or Titans) of Genesis 6. The Book of Enoch tells us they were chained or imprisoned under the earth.

If we could diagram all this, it would look something like this:
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We’ll see that the ENEMY operates from the **SECOND HEAVEN**.
Satan’s Throne and the Second Heaven.

- A FALSE New Jerusalem is HERE (exact copy of TRUE New Jerusalem).
- A FALSE Temple is HERE (exact copy of what GOD told MOSES).
- A SATANIC chuppah over TEMPLE MOUNT.

All counterfeit/"mixed-seed" religions and/or spirituality operate from the second heaven. We give the example above of Babylonian religious practices/traditions, but there are MANY others, such as: Hinduism, Mormonism, Buddhism, Freemasonry, etc. — even MAN-MADE Judeo-Christian traditions operate from second heaven.

We must understand that MUCH of the DECEPTION in the world today, comes from (is channelled from) that which is in the second heaven, including the fallen angels, principalities, and nephilim of the second heaven.

Satan’s ATTACK is focused against:

1) The JEWS (the Jews will always first be attacked in the NATURAL, to try and destroy the GOD of Israel).
2) The Body of Messiah.
3) The Gentiles (all other religions).

Satan’s CURRENT AGENDA is:

- ONE World Singularity
- ONE Religion
• ONE Ruler
• ONE New Androgynous Man (Female/Male).

WORLDWIDE, we are seeing the ONE-world-religion, of the ecumenical movement, coming together ...

Satan’s AGENDA of a ONE World Religion.

In recent years, and particularly with the arrival of Pope Francis on the world scene, we are seeing on-going preparations for a ONE world religion, at this point, under the umbrella of the Catholic Church. Across the board, there is a push towards tolerance for all religions, and for everyone to “come together” in LOVE.

There has been a move in even the Protestant/Evangelical/Charismatic churches towards merging with the Roman Catholic Church. (For more info, see recent article of 14 March 2014, http://www.charismanews.com/world/43126-ulf-ekman-says-prophetic-word-confirmed-his-catholic-conversion)

TAPPING INTO Second Heaven.

In these days, we REALLY need to be GROUNDED in the WORD, and be on our GUARD against DECEPTION, asking the LORD for DISCERNMENT!!

We’ve seen that the enemy ALWAYS has a COUNTERFEIT to the REAL/Godly ...

With any/all anointings, manifestations, use of (anointing) oils, EXPERIENCES, visions, ART/CREATIVITY, music, prophetic words/actions, ETC.

We MUST MUST DISCERN the Power-SOURCE!!

• GODLY anointings, manifestations, prophetic, creativity, etc., are of the Holy Spirit ... (like BEZALEL and AHOLIAH, who were anointed by GOD and filled with HIS Spirit for the work of the Tabernacle)

• FALSE anointings, manifestations, prophetic, creativity is of the COUNTERFEIT — coming from tapping into second heaven ... (this is a FALSE Bezalel and Aholiah)

An interesting NOTE — the Tower of Babel was an attempt to reach the second heaven.

We need to be SO AWARE and DISCERNING of FALSE “holy spirit” MANIFESTATIONS!!

Y’shua (Jesus) warned for believers to keep watch against DECEPTION:

**Matthew 24:24-25** “24 For false Christs and false prophets will arise, and they will show great signs and wonders so as to deceive and lead astray, if possible, even the elect (GOD’s chosen ones). 25 See, I have warned you beforehand.”

**Revelation 16:13** “And I saw three loathsome spirits like frogs, [leaping] from the mouth of the dragon and from the mouth of the beast and from the mouth of the false prophet, for really they are the spirits of demons that perform signs (wonders, miracles).”
Have you ever wondered where some of the manifestations we are seeing today ORIGINATE from?!

**GOLD DUST**, for example, is found in Greek mythology, in the story of *Danae* and Zeus:

Fearful of an oracle’s word that the (future) son of his daughter Danae would kill him, King Acrisius imprisoned Danae in a bronze room, with the only opening being the roof (the room was open to the sky), that she would be kept away from all male company.

However, Zeus conceived a passion for Danae, and came to her through the roof, in the form of a *shower of gold*, and impregnated Danae. Their son was Perseus (who is associated with Pegasus, the horse with wings).

Gold dust (as well as “fairy dust”) is also used in VOODOO.

In regards to tapping into the second heaven, we need to also be on our guard against **KUNDALINI** and all it’s FALSE holy spirit manifestations.

*What then is the GODLY way of approaching the FATHER?*

The proper protocol of approaching the FATHER is pictured for us in the layout of the Tabernacle:

1. **ALTAR** — I lay down my LIFE.
2. **WASH BASIN** — I repent of all SINS.
3. **HOLY PLACE** — His Word as my MENORAH,
   - **ALTAR of INCENSE** are my PRAYERS,
   - **TABLE of SHOWBREAD** is representative of my WILL being in submission to the FATHER (as the grain is ground to make the bread, so my will is “ground” in submission to the FATHER)
4. **HOLY of HOLIES** — SHEKINAH GLORY, the INTIMACY of prayer/RELATIONSHIP.

**Above all, we are told not to fear!!**

We are to put on the helmet of SALVATION (of Y’shua) — the FATHER is in control, HE is at work with HIS Awesome Plan of REDEMPTION!!

*Our hope must be in Y’SHUA (Jesus)!*

Remember, the Day of the LORD is the LORD’s Day — HIS Finest Hour!! NOT the enemy’s ...

*Come QUICKLY King Y’shua!!*

3] Now, let’s return and try to define the Divine Order of God...
As previously indicated, God’s Divine Order is set out in the “design” of the very beginning of time. The word divine needs some form of clarification or definition. Words that can be used to give some insight into the meaning and content of the word Divine are:

- Heavenly
- Eternal
- Holy
- Spiritual

It has three main elements:

**A) The Divine order of creation.**

1] God creates by declaring [Speaking] His intent “Let there be …”

2] God puts boundaries in place for every single thing under creation. When God creates light, it comes into being by being “separated” from darkness. There is therefore a boundary between light [enlightenment] and darkness [evil], and this example applies to each and every part of creation.

**Genesis 1:3-4** “And God said, Let there be light; and there was light. 4 And God saw that the light was good (suitable, pleasant) and He approved it; and God separated the light from the darkness.”

3] God declares that every specie on Earth will have a purpose. We see that each specie will grow; produce a seed after its own kind.

**Genesis 1:11** “God said, Let the earth put forth grass, seed-producing plants, and fruit trees.”

4] God declares that every specie will have a unique potential. The specie will produce a harvest, which will be measured in 30/60/100 fold return. There will always be more seeds in the fruit of one harvest that the plant itself…we see the principle of multiplication.

**Genesis 1:11, 22-23** “And God said, Let the earth put forth [tender] vegetation: plants yielding seed and fruit trees yielding fruit whose seed is in itself, each according to its kind, upon the earth. And it was so. 22 And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let the fowl multiply in the earth. 23 And there was evening and there was morning, a fifth day.”

5] God creates Mankind to have Dominion over all of creation. Man becomes the steward of God’s Kingdom, and the Divine Order of God is instituted.

**Genesis 1:26-30** “God said, Let Us [Father, Son, and Holy Spirit] make mankind in Our image, after Our likeness, and let them have complete authority over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, the [tame] beasts, and over all of the earth, and over everything that creeps upon the earth. [Ps. 104:30; Heb. 1:2; 11:3.] 27 So God created man in His own
image, in the image and likeness of God He created him; male and female He created them. [Col. 3:9, 10; James 3:8, 9.] 28 And God blessed them and said to them, Be fruitful, multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it [using all its vast resources in the service of God and man]; and have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and over every living creature that moves upon the earth. 29 And God said, See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the land and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. 30 And to all the animals on the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the ground—to everything in which there is the breath of life—I have given every green plant for food. And it was so.”

But, within the boundary of this intimate, covenantal relationship, God defined a principle of serving Him by a process called freedom of choice. We as mankind are given the right to choose… and the way this choice is exercised, is by deciding whether we will walk in obedience to His commandments.

**Genesis 2:16-17** “And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; 17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and blessing and calamity you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

God decides to give man a wife - called a ‘helper”, in exactly the same way that we are given the Helper, the Holy Spirit, Whom we will all receive when we accept Y’shua (Jesus).

This wife/helper, is the husband’s equal, opposite other half, and completes him. Husband and wife must both be in unity and exercise dominion together.

When you and I accept Y’shua (Jesus) as Messiah into our lives, we become a Son of Abraham, therefore partakers of the covenant promises and we allow the Holy Spirit to rule our walk with God; He is the Helper that guides our path.

6] God already has a plan of Redemption. Knowing that man would not always make the correct choice, God provides in advance for a way back into the Kingdom.

**John 1:1-5** “IN THE beginning [before all time] was the Word (Christ), and the Word was with God, and the Word was God Himself. [Isa. 9:6.] 2 He was present originally with God. 3 All things were made and came into existence through Him; and without Him was not even one thing made that has come into being. 4 In Him was Life, and the Light was the Light of men. 5 And the Light shines on in the darkness, for the darkness has never overpowered it [put it out or absorbed it or appropriated it, and is unreceptive to it].”

**Genesis 3:21** “For Adam also and for his wife the Lord God made long coats (tunics) of skins and clothed them.”

7] God tells us that His Kingdom will live and exist forever, moreover, He tells us that He
will never cease to be King to the Body of Messiah [Israel].

**Jeremiah 31:35-37**  “35 Thus says the Lord, Who gives the sun for a light by day and the fixed order of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, Who stirs up the sea’s roaring billows or stills the waves when they roar—the Lord of hosts is His name: 36 If these ordinances [of fixed order] depart from before Me, says the Lord, then the posterity of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before Me throughout the ages. 37 Thus says the Lord: If the heavens above can be measured and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, then I will cast off all the offspring of Israel for all that they have done, says the Lord.”

**B] The Divine Rhythm of Creation [Time]**

Not only does God deem it fit to have a divine order, but also determines that we should flow within a divine timetable. He sets in place a timetable that is defined by the moon and the months of the moon. Please note this verse does not talk about the light of day but rather of “signs and seasons”, since light was already created in verse 3.

**Genesis 1:14-18**  “14 And God said, Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night, and let them be signs and tokens [of God’s provident care], and [to mark] seasons, days, and years, [Gen. 8:22.] 15 And let them be lights in the expanse of the sky to give light upon the earth. And it was so. 16 And God made the two great lights—the greater light (the sun) to rule the day and the lesser light (the moon) to rule the night. He also made the stars. 17 And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth, 18 To rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good (fitting, pleasant) and He approved it.”

**Jeremiah 33:25-26**  “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], 26 Then will I also cast away the descendants of Jacob and David My servant and will not choose one of his offspring to be ruler over the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. For I will cause their captivity to be reversed, and I will have mercy, kindness, and steadfast love on and for them.”

Later on God will set out a pattern of Feast days that reveal His character, His redemption plan and His plan for final restoration with the Bride. Each Feast day is a celebration of the prophetic work of the Messiah, either completed in part, or still to be manifested in the future.
Each Feast is a time to bring a First Fruits offering to God to show your harvest of a walk of obedience.

**Leviticus 23:37-38** “These are the set feasts or appointed seasons of the Lord, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, to present an offering made by fire to the Lord, a burnt offering and a cereal offering, sacrifices and drink offerings, each on its own day. 38 This is in addition to the Sabbaths of the Lord and besides your gifts and all your vowed offerings and all your freewill offerings which you give to the Lord.”

**Sabbath:**

**Leviticus 23:3** “Six days shall work be done, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of rest, a holy convocation or assembly by summons. You shall do no work on that day; it is the Sabbath of the Lord in all your dwellings.”

**Passover:**

**Leviticus 23:5** “On the fourteenth day of the first month at twilight is the Lord’s Passover.”

**Pentecost:**

Leviticus 23:15-16 “15 And you shall count from the day after the Sabbath, from the day that you brought the sheaf of the wave offering, seven Sabbaths; [seven full weeks] shall they be. 16 Count fifty days to the day after the seventh Sabbath; then you shall present a cereal offering of new grain to the Lord.”

**Feast of Trumpets:**

**Leviticus 23:24** “Say to the Israelites, On the first day of the seventh month [almost October], you shall observe a day of solemn [sabbatical] rest, a memorial day announced by blowing of trumpets, a holy [called] assembly.”

**Feast of Atonement:**

**Leviticus 23:26-28** “26 And the Lord said to Moses, 27 Also the tenth day of this seventh month is the Day of Atonement; it shall be a holy [called] assembly, and you shall afflict yourselves [by fasting in penitence and humility] and present an offering made by fire to the Lord. 28 And you shall do no work on this day, for it is the Day of Atonement, to make atonement for you before the Lord your God.”

**Feast of Tabernacles:**

**Leviticus 23:33-36** “33 And the Lord said to Moses, 34 Say to the Israelites, The fifteenth day of this seventh month, and for seven days, is the Feast of Tabernacles or Booths to the Lord. 35 On the first day shall be a holy convocation; you shall do no servile work on that day. 36 For seven days you shall offer an offering made by fire to the Lord; on the
eighth day shall be a holy convocation and you shall present an offering made by fire to the Lord. It is a solemn assembly; you shall do no laborious work on that day.”

C] DIVINE MANDATE FOR MANKIND TO TAKE DOMINION

We have seen that God’s original mandate to man was that we should have dominion over all of the things of the earth. At no stage was man to have domination over other men. And so every single war on earth has been in direct opposition to God’s plan.

After the first sin, God reestablishes a plan for restoration. We are to become Priests in the Order of Melchizedek. But first, we need to understand the principle in the physical domain, in the form of the Tabernacle.

In fact, the Old Testament says so:

1 Corinthians 15:45-49  “ 45 Thus it is written, The first man Adam became a living being (an individual personality); the last Adam (Christ) became a life-giving Spirit [restoring the dead to life]. [Gen. 2:7.] 46 But it is not the spiritual life which came first, but the physical and then the spiritual. 47 The first man [was] from out of earth, made of dust (earthly-minded); the second Man [is] the Lord from out of heaven. [Gen. 2:7.] 48 Now those who are made of the dust are like him who was first made of the dust (earthly-minded); and as is [the Man] from heaven, so also [are those] who are of heaven (heavenly-minded). 49 And just as we have borne the image [of the man] of dust, so shall we and so let us also bear the image [of the Man] of heaven.”

And so God takes the children of Israel out into the wilderness, to rebuild a culture of unity, holiness, and intimacy. He shows us that our failures are forgiven, and that we should live to love one another at all times. He sets out what could be described as the Divine Order of the Marriage. God tells them to build the Tabernacle. The Tabernacle will rekindle all of the aspects of the original Garden of Eden, in the physical. Later on John tells us in Revelation that we [the Body] will experience the perfection and fullness of this restoration in the marriage of the Lamb and the New Jerusalem. God sets out a process, in the physical, that would show us how to have our body, soul and spirit come into alignment with His creation.

Later on Paul, will tell us that this Tabernacle is an exact replica of the Tabernacle in Heaven where Messiah functions as the Great High Priest in the Order of Melchizidek.

A] God Calls those who must build the Tabernacle, to ministry.

Exodus 31:2 “See, I have called by name Bezalel son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah.”

In the New Testament we see the same calling, sent out over all of those who are Sons of Abraham by adoption under the work of Messiah.

1 Peter 2:4-10 “4 Come to Him [then, to that] Living Stone which men tried and threw away, but which is chosen [and] precious in God’s sight. [Ps. 118:22; Isa. 28:16.] 5 [Come] and, like living stones, be yourselves built [into] a spiritual house, for a holy (dedicated, consecrated) priesthood, to offer up [those] spiritual sacrifices [that are] acceptable and pleasing to God through Jesus Christ. 6 For thus it stands in Scripture: Behold, I am laying
in Zion a chosen (honored), precious chief Cornerstone, and he who believes in Him [who adheres to, trusts in, and relies on Him] shall never be disappointed or put to shame. [Isa. 28:16.] 7 To you then who believe (who adhere to, trust in, and rely on Him) is the preciousness; but for those who disbelieve [it is true], The [very] Stone which the builders rejected has become the main Cornerstone, [Ps. 118:22.] 8 And, A Stone that will cause stumbling and a Rock that will give [men] offense; they stumble because they disobey and disbelieve [God’s] Word, as those [who reject Him] were destined (appointed) to do. 9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a dedicated nation, [God’s] own purchased, special people, that you may set forth the wonderful deeds and display the virtues and perfections of Him Who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. [Exod. 19:5, 6.] 10 Once you were not a people [at all], but now you are God’s people; once you were unpitied, but now you are pitied and have received mercy. [Hos. 2:23.]”

B] God enables those who must do the work.

Exodus 31:3 “And I have filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom and ability, in understanding and intelligence, and in knowledge, and in all kinds of craftsmanship.”

We note again that God chooses to empower all of those who will willingly become living stones in his new Tabernacle, with the ability to serve the Body.

Romans 12:1-8 “I APPEAL to you therefore, brethren, and beg of you in view of [all] the mercies of God, to make a decisive dedication of your bodies [presenting all your members and faculties] as a living sacrifice, holy (devoted, consecrated) and well pleasing to God, which is your reasonable (rational, intelligent) service and spiritual worship. 2 Do not be conformed to this world (this age), [fashioned after and adapted to its external, superficial customs], but be transformed (changed) by the [entire] renewal of your mind [by its new ideals and its new attitude], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God, even the thing which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His sight for you]. 3 For by the grace (unmerited favor of God) given to me I warn everyone among you not to estimate and think of himself more highly than he ought [not to have an exaggerated opinion of his own importance], but to rate his ability with sober judgment, each according to the degree of faith apportioned by God to him. 4 For as in one physical body we have many parts (organs, members) and all of these parts do not have the same function or use, 5 So we, numerous as we are, are one body in Christ (the Messiah) and individually we are parts one of another [mutually dependent on one another]. 6 Having gifts (faculties, talents, qualities) that differ according to the grace given us, let us use them: [He whose gift is] prophecy, [let him prophesy] according to the proportion of his faith; 7 [He whose gift is] practical service, let him give himself to serving; he who teaches, to his teaching; 8 He who exhorts (encourages), to his exhortation; he who contributes, let him do it in simplicity and liberality; he who gives aid and superintends, with zeal and singleness of mind; he who does acts of mercy, with genuine cheerfulness and joyful eagerness.”

C] God requires a sign of willingness to be part of this rebuilding.

As an indication that we have committed to walk in this way, by keeping the Sabbath (“Shabbat” in Hebrew).

Exodus 31:13-16 “Say to the Israelites, Truly you shall keep My Sabbaths, for it is a sign between Me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I, the Lord, sanctify you [set you apart for Myself]. 14 You shall keep the Sabbath therefore, for it is
holy to you; everyone who profanes it shall surely be put to death; for whoever does work on the Sabbath shall be cut off from among his people. 15 Six days may work be done, but the seventh is the Sabbath of rest, sacred to the Lord; whoever does work on the Sabbath day shall surely be put to death. 16 Wherefore the Israelites shall keep the Sabbath to observe it throughout their generations, a perpetual covenant.”

And again, God requires a life that has been surrendered to a walk of Holiness.

Galatians 5:22-25 “22 But the fruit of the [Holy] Spirit [the work which His presence within accomplishes] is love, joy (gladness), peace, patience (an even temper, forbearance), kindness, goodness (benevolence), faithfulness, 23 Gentleness (meekness, humility), self-control (self-restraint, continence). Against such things there is no law [that can bring a charge]. 24 And those who belong to Christ Jesus (the Messiah) have crucified the flesh (the godless human nature) with its passions and appetites and desires. 25 If we live by the [Holy] Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. [If by the Holy Spirit awe have our life in God, let us go forward walking in line, our conduct controlled by the Spirit.]”

D) God includes each and every person in the process.

Exodus 31:12-13 “And the Lord said to Moses, 13 Say to the Israelites, Truly you shall keep My Sabbaths, for it is a sign between Me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I, the Lord, sanctify you [set you apart for Myself ].”

Paul expresses it in this way:

Galatians 3:26-29 “26 For in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God through faith. 27 For as many [of you] as were baptized into Christ [into a spiritual union and communion with Christ, the Anointed One, the Messiah] have put on (clothed yourselves with) Christ. 28 There is [now no distinction] neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is not male hand female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 And if you belong to Christ [are in Him Who is Abraham’s Seed], then you are Abraham’s offspring and [spiritual] heirs according to promise.”

E) God provides us with evidence of the marriage proposal.

We have proof that we are the Bride, preparing for the marriage supper of Succoth. ("Succoth" is the Biblical Feast known in English as the Feast of Tabernacles.)

In the same way that God provides the proof of the covenant with a sign of the tablets, so too does He provide the proof of the Heavenly Tabernacle with the sign of the Blood of atonement.

Exodus 31:18 “18 And He gave to Moses, when He had ceased communing with him on Mount Sinai, the two tables of the Testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God.”
Romans 3:22-25 “Namely, the righteousness of God which comes by believing with personal trust and confident reliance on Jesus Christ (the Messiah). [And it is meant] for all who believe. For there is no distinction, 23 Since all have sinned and are falling short of the honor and glory which God bestows and receives. 24 [All] are justified and made upright and in right standing with God, freely and gratuitously by His grace (His unmerited favor and mercy), through the redemption which is [provided] in Christ Jesus, 25 Whom God put forward [before the eyes of all] as a mercy seat and propitiation by His blood [the cleansing and life-giving sacrifice of atonement and reconciliation, to be received] through faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in His divine forbearance He had passed over and ignored former sins without punishment.”

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE TABERNACLE OF LIVING STONES...

Whilst the physical is clear for us to see in the picture of the old Tabernacle, God, through Peter helps us to understand the spiritual image that we should be revealing to the dark world outside there.

A) We are to be a Tabernacle made up of living stones.

The central point that we need to take from here is this; “we are to be connected/joined”.

1 Peter 2:5-10 “[Come] and, like living stones, be yourselves built [into] a spiritual house, for a holy (dedicated, consecrated) priesthood, to offer up [those] spiritual sacrifices [that are] acceptable and pleasing to God through Jesus Christ. 6 For thus it stands in Scripture: Behold, I am laying in Zion a chosen (honored), precious chief Cornerstone, and he who believes in Him [who adheres to, trusts in, and relies on Him] shall never be disappointed or put to shame. [Isa. 28:16.] 7 To you then who believe (who adhere to, trust in, and rely on Him) is the preciousness; but for those who disbelieve [it is true], The [very] Stone which the builders rejected has become the main Cornerstone, [Ps. 118:22.] 8 And, A Stone that will cause stumbling and a Rock that will give [men] offense; they stumble because they disobey and disbelieve [God’s] Word, as those [who reject Him] were destined (appointed) to do. 9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a dedicated nation, [God’s] own purchased, special people, that you may set forth the wonderful deeds and display the virtues and perfections of Him Who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. [Exod. 19:5, 6.] 10 Once you were not a people [at all], but now you are God’s people; once you were unpitied, but now you are pitied and have received mercy.”

1 Peter 2:7 “To you then who believe (who adhere to, trust in, and rely on Him) is the preciousness; but for those who disbelieve [it is true], The [very] Stone which the builders rejected has become the main Cornerstone.”

1 Peter 2:8-10 “And, A Stone that will cause stumbling and a Rock that will give [men] offense; they stumble because they disobey and disbelieve [God’s] Word, as those [who reject Him] were destined (appointed) to do. 9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a dedicated nation, [God’s] own purchased, special people, that you may set forth the wonderful deeds and display the virtues and perfections of Him Who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. [Exod. 19:5, 6.] 10 Once you were not a people [at all], but now you are God’s people; once you were unpitied, but now you are pitied and have received mercy.”
This point is highlighted for us in the Old Testament, when Moses makes it clear that He will always include everyone of the 12 Tribes, who must always all stand together.

**Numbers 32:17-19** “17 But we will be armed and ready to go before the Israelites until we have brought them to their place. Our little ones shall dwell in the fortified settlements because of the people of the land. 18 We will not return to our homes until the Israelites have inherited every man his inheritance. 19 For we will not inherit with them on the [west] side of the Jordan and beyond, because our inheritance is fallen to us on this side of the Jordan eastward.”

We see that Moses and Jacob will both bless each one of the tribes. The tribes are all equal, needed; must be together when they enter the Land, and yet are unique as is demonstrated by the great variety in the individual blessing that are spoken over each tribe.

Paul equally describes the Body of Y’shua (Jesus) in similar terms, we are one Body consisting of different parts i.e. a hip, elbow, mouth etc. Everyone is unique, but also equal in the overall purpose of the Body of Messiah.

The Order of Melchizedek will reflect a priesthood that is joined together, equal in value and unique in purpose.

**B] We are to reflect the light of the Menorah in works that will.**

1. Separate us from other men and
2. Draw others to God, and
3. Be the image of the Word of God.

**Micah 6:8** “He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, and to love kindness and mercy, and to humble yourself and walk humbly with your God?”

**Romans 1:19-20** “For that which is known about God is evident to them and made plain in their inner consciousness, because God [Himself] has shown it to them. 20 For ever since the creation of the world His invisible nature and attributes, that is, His eternal power and divinity, have been made intelligible and clearly discernible in and through the things that have been made (His handiworks). So [men] are without excuse [altogether without any defense or justification].”

**C] We are to be a blessing to all of the nations of the earth.**

Israel was meant to be a reflection of the Torah, of God, and as such to be a blessing. When we reflect the fullness of God’s love and light, we become the vehicle that God can use to bring a blessing on others.

**Genesis 26:3** “Dwell temporarily in this land, and I will be with you and will favor you with blessings; for to you and to your descendants I will give all these lands, and I will perform the oath which I swore to Abraham your father.”
Conclusion…

God stands in the midst of the divine assembly. He watches to see if we will take up our role as Priests and Kings.

Where do we get the role model?

Realize that you are a priest. Be Holy so that, as a Priest, you can enter into the Tabernacle.

**Genesis 14:18-20** “18 Melchizedek king of Salem [later called Jerusalem] brought out bread and wine [for their nourishment]; he was the priest of God Most High, 19 And he blessed him and said, Blessed (favored with blessings, made blissful, joyful) be Abram by God Most High, Possessor and Maker of heaven and earth, 20 And blessed, praised, and glorified be God Most High, Who has given your foes into your hand! And [Abram] gave him a tenth of all [he had taken]. [Heb. 7:1-10].”

**Hebrews 7:1-3** “1 FOR THIS Melchizedek, king of Salem [and] priest of the Most High God, met Abraham as he returned from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him, 2 And Abraham gave to him a tenth portion of all [the spoil]. He is primarily, as his name when translated indicates, king of righteousness, and then he is also king of Salem, which means king of peace. 3 Without [record of] father or mother or ancestral line, neither with beginning of days nor ending of life, but, resembling the Son of God, he continues to be a priest without interruption and without successor.”

**1 Peter 2:5** “5 [Come] and, like living stones, be yourselves built [into] a spiritual house, for a holy (dedicated, consecrated) priesthood, to offer up [those] spiritual sacrifices [that are] acceptable and pleasing to God through Jesus Christ.”

**Psalm 82:1** “GOD STANDS in the assembly [of the representatives] of God; in the midst of the magistrates or judges He gives judgment [as] among the gods.”

He asks if you will be a **righteous Priest…**

**Psalm 82:2-4** “2 How long will you [magistrates or judges] judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked? Selah [pause, and calmly think of that]! 3 Do justice to the weak (poor) and fatherless; maintain the rights of the afflicted and needy. 4 Deliver the poor and needy; rescue them out of the hand of the wicked.”

**Micah 6:8** “8 He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, and to love kindness and mercy, and to humble yourself and walk humbly with your God? [Deut. 10:12, 13]”

Will you…?

**AMEN!!**