

School Meeting Minutes – 4 May 2025

*We assembled together on the 17th day of the 2nd month during the priest course of Abijah.

*On the 17th day of the 2nd month the “windows of heaven were opened.”

- Gen 7:11 KJV In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened. 12 And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights.

*This week we looked at the Messenger of the Covenant and focused on several key words: wait/endure, table/roll and suddenly/instant. We see the Messenger of the Covenant in Malachi 3:1.

- Mal 3:1 KJV **Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me:** and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly (pit'ōm) come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts. 2 But who may abide (hypomenō) the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap.
- In Malachi Chapter 4 (which ends the Old Testament), we see a reference to the 2 witnesses: Moses and Elijah.
- Mal 4:4 KJV Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments. 5 **Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD:** 6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and **smite the earth with a curse.**
- Thus, the Messenger of the Covenant testifies with the Curse Tablet.
- As we recall from our recent “Cup of Yeshua” message and the Passover Seder, in the Haggadah, an extra cup is poured out and a door is opened for Elijah to appear.

*John the Baptist by the spirit of Elijah (the 15th Year).

- In Matthew 11:10, Christ is talking about John the Baptist fulfilling the earthly ministry of the Messenger of the Covenant.
- Matt 11:10 KJV For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. 11 Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. 12 And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force. 13 For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. 14 And if ye will receive it, this is Elias, which was for to come. 15 He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.
- He was also the “Elijah to come”, connecting us back to Malachi 4. Elijah would turn the hearts of many, lest YHWH smites the earth with a curse. Something we see the Angel of the Covenant fulfilling in the heavenly ministry in the form of the Curse Tablet from Mount Ebal. We find the Angel of the Covenant in Revelation 10.
- Rev 10:1 KJV And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire: 2 And he had in his hand a little book open.
- In our recent study of the Scroll of Isaiah, we discussed how the ministry of Christ and the ministry of John the Baptist started in the 15th year.
- Luke 3:1 KJV Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar...2 ... the word of God came unto John the son of Zacharias in the wilderness. 3 And he came into all the country about Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins.
- John the Baptist, by the spirit of Elijah, started his ministry with a quote from Isaiah 40, a passage that sounds very similar to the Messenger of the Covenant who prepares the way.
- Luke 3:4 KJV As it is written in the book of the words of Esaias the prophet, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. 5 Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low; and the crooked

shall be made straight, and the rough ways shall be made smooth; 6 And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

- Isa 40:3 KJV The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. 4 Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain: 5 And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.
- In our previous study of the Scroll of Isaiah, we also highlighted the eagles' wings and how they relate to Revelation 12.
- Isa 40:31 KJV But they that wait (qāwâ, hypomenō) upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.
- Rev 12:14 KJV And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.
- Now we see the eagles' wings leading us to the third month!
- Ex 19:1 KJV In the third month... 4 Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself.
- We see the 3rd month in the 15th year in 2 Chron 15:10.
- 2 Chron 15:10 KJV So they gathered themselves together at Jerusalem in the **third month, in the fifteenth year** of the reign of Asa.

*Elijah Waited.

- We saw one of our key words "wait (hypomenō)" being mentioned in Isaiah 40:31.
- We see the same word being used 3 times in the book of Job, with Elijah waiting!
- Job 32:4 KJV Now Elihu had waited (ḥāḳâ, hypomenō) till Job had spoken, because they were elder than he. 5 When Elihu saw that there was no answer in the mouth of these three men, then his wrath was kindled.
- Job 32:16 KJV When I had waited (hypomenō), for they spake not, but stood still, and answered no more.
- Job 33:5 ABP If you should be able, give to me an answer for these things! Wait (hypomenō), stand against me, and I against you!
- We see a theme of "waiting" starting to emerge as we read the following verses:
- James 5:11 KJV Behold, we count them happy which endure (hypomenō). Ye have heard of the patience (hypomonē) of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy.
- Dan 12:12 KJV Blessed is he that waiteth (ḥāḳâ, hypomenō), and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days. 13 But go thou thy way till the end be: for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot at the end of the days.
- Matt 24:13 KJV But he that shall endure (hypomenō) unto the end, the same shall be saved.

*The Scroll/Tablet, Write and Wait.

- We saw how Elijah as the Messenger of the Covenant waited. We also see the theme of waiting with the tablet. We see it first in Isaiah 8.
- Isa 8:1 KJV Moreover the LORD said unto me, Take thee a great roll (gillâyôn), and write in it with a man's pen concerning Mahershalalhashbaz... 16 Bind up the testimony, seal the law among my disciples. 17 And I will wait (ḥāḳâ) upon the LORD, that hideth his face from the house of Jacob, and I will look for him.
- This great roll (h1549 gillâyôn) is a unique word that means a tablet for writing, a mirror (as a plate), a glass, or a roll, which could potentially indicate a modern-day tablet!

- The words "tablet" and "wait" are used together in Isaiah 30 and Habakkuk 2.
- Isa 30:8 KJV Now go, write it before them in a table (lûah), and note it in a book, that it may be for the time to come for ever and ever: 18 And therefore will the LORD wait (hākâ), that he may be gracious unto you, and therefore will he be exalted, that he may have mercy upon you: for the LORD is a God of judgment: blessed are all they that wait (hākâ) for him.
- Hab 2:2 KJV And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables (lûah), that he may run that readeth it. 3 For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait (hākâ, hypomenō) for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.

*The Tablet at John's Birth.

- We see the tablet at the birth of John the Baptist.
- When the angel Gabriel visited John's father Zacharias, Zacharias was serving in the Temple during the priest course of Abijah. Gabriel told Zacharias that John would prepare the way and turn the hearts of the disobedient, just like we see in Malachi. Because Zacharias did not believe the angel Gabriel about having a child in an old age, he was struck dumb and could not speak. When asked about the name of his son, Zacharias wrote on a tablet the name John.
- Interestingly, our study of the prophet Job started in the 9th month, in the 14th year during the priest course of Abijah. We were then introduced to Elijah at his appearance. This week we are meeting again in the priest course of Abijah! How marvellous are His ways!
- Luke 1:5 KJV There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judaea, a certain priest named Zacharias, of the course of Abia (Abijah). 11 And there appeared unto him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense.
- Luke 1:17 KJV And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.
- Luke 1:19 KJV And the angel answering said unto him, I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God; and am sent to speak unto thee, and to shew thee these glad tidings. 20 And, behold, thou shalt be dumb, and not able to speak, until the day that these things shall be performed, because thou believest not my words, which shall be fulfilled in their season.
- Luke 1:62 KJV And they made signs to Zacharias, how he would have him called. 63 And he asked for a **writing table**, and wrote, saying, His name is John. And they marvelled all. 64 And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue loosed, and he spake, and praised God.
- The word for the 'writing table' is g4093 pinakidion, which is a unique word only used in the above verse. The possible root word for g4093 is g4094 pinax, which is a word used to describe the plate/dish that John the Baptist's head was brought in after he was beheaded (see Matthew 14)!
- g4094 is a form of g4109 (plax), which traces back to the Tables of Stone, more specifically the Tables of the Covenant.

*Suddenly, in an Instant.

- The Messenger of the Covenant comes suddenly. The words "suddenly" and "in an instant" are our last key words. We see them in Habakkuk 2 and Isaiah 30 again.
- Hab 2:7 KJV Shall they not rise up suddenly (peṭa') that shall bite thee, and awake that shall vex thee, and thou shalt be for booties unto them?
- Isa 30:13 KJV Therefore this iniquity shall be to you as a breach ready to fall, swelling out in a high wall, whose breaking cometh suddenly (piṭ'ōm) at an instant (peṭa'). 14 And he shall break it as the breaking of the potters' vessel that is broken in pieces.
- We see the use of the two words together in Isaiah 29. We also see the thunder in that chapter!
- Isa 29:5 KJV Moreover the multitude of thy strangers shall be like small dust, and the multitude of the terrible ones shall be as chaff that passeth away: yea, it shall be at an instant

(peṭa') suddenly (piṭ'ōm). 6 Thou shalt be visited of the LORD of hosts with thunder, and with earthquake, and great noise, with storm and tempest, and the flame of devouring fire.

*The 7 "Suddenly" Thunders.

- From our past studies we know that the 7 thunders relate to keeping the 10 Commandments, and that the Angel of the Covenant and the Curse Tablet found on Mount Ebal testify of these things in the end days.
- Proverbs 6 is another place we see piṭ'ōm and peṭa' used together.
- Prov 6:15 KJV Therefore shall his calamity come suddenly (piṭ'ōm); suddenly (peṭa') shall he be broken without remedy. 16 These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: 17 A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, 18 An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, 19 A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren. 20 My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother: 21 Bind them continually upon thine heart, and tie them about thy neck.
- Prov 3:3 KJV ...bind them about thy neck; write them upon the **table** of thine heart.

*Suddenly the Sound (ēchos g2279) Came in the Third Month!

- We see the sound (ēchos) coming suddenly on the day of Pentecost. Acts 2 verse 1 describes this.
- Acts 2:1 KJV And when the day of Pentecost was fully come (third month), they were all with one accord in one place. 2 And **suddenly** there came a **sound** (ēchos) from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.
- We see the unique word for sound (ēchos) being also used in Hebrews 12:18.
- Heb 12:18 KJV For ye are not come unto the mount that might be touched, and that burned with fire, nor unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest, 19 And the **sound** (ēchos) of a trumpet, and the voice of words.
- This echo sound is also described in Exodus 19, in the third month.
- Ex 19:1 KJV In the third month...4 Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself.
- Ex 19:16 KJV 6 And it came to pass on the third day in the morning, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the people that was in the camp trembled.
- Ex 19:16 ABP And it came to pass on the third day, happening towards dawn, and there were voices, and lightnings, and overcast clouds upon mount Sinai; the voice of the trumpet sounded (ēchéō) greatly, and all the people in the camp were terrified. 17 And Moses led the people for a meeting with God from the camp.

*What have we learned?

- We saw how John the Baptist came in the spirit of Elijah and started his ministry in the 15th year. Before his birth, his father used the tablet to write his name on it since he could not speak. He was visited by the angel Gabriel in the priest course of Abijah. It was in the priest course of Abijah last year that we started our study on the prophet Job, and we are in the priest course of Abijah this week talking about Job again, and how Eliyahu (Elijah) waited! We were also introduced to the theme of waiting with the tablet as the vision "shall speak." As the vision terries, we are admonished to endure and wait, for it "will surely come." We saw another theme emerging that relates to the 3rd month with the eagles' wings mentioned in Isaiah 40. The eagles' wings relate to the Revelation 12 Sign, but they also bring us back to Exodus 19. Moses and the children of Israel arrived at Mount Sinai in the 3rd month. Here we also see the echo sound of the trumpet as YHWH came down on the Mountain. Are we hearing the sound (ēchos) of the trumpet as we wait with the patience of Job for the appearing of the Son of Man in the clouds?

We will meet again during our regular 4 time zone assemblies on May 11th! Have a blessed week as we continue to watch and pray, and obey the voice that came out of the Throne, saying Praise our God, all you His servants, both small and great!