

Refuse not the Mountain Call

I became disturbed by the admonition of Paul in Heb 12:25, "see that you refuse not the voice from heaven." What is this voice? What are the circumstances around this invitation and what is this call? We know the call is to Mt Zion, yet the themes of Mt Sinai are being drawn upon as YHWH came down on the mountain. Now, through the mediation of Christ (as Moses type) in the new testament the Mt Zion assembly around the Lamb happens again (Rev 14:1).

We understand the importance as the word used is a divine warning, χρηματίζοντα chrēmatiszonta in Greek used of the wise men in Mat 2 and as "answer from God" in Rom 11:37. What is this divine warning for the end times generation?

It would also seem apostle Paul is implying the response to this call determined who makes the promised land in that "they escaped not that refused" thus refusing the invitation lead to dying in the wilderness from various punishments. He also stated in chapter 4 of the entering the promised land by faith so that Exodus is implied in chapter 12.

Heb 12:25 See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth,

Refuse here in Greek is ironically the same word translated Excuse in the parable of the Wedding Supper with the field in Luk 14:18 and oxen in v19.

Refuse/Excuse g3868 παραιτέομαι paraiteomai; from 3844 and 154; to beg off, i.e. deprecate, decline, shun: — avoid, (make) excuse, intreat, refuse, reject.

And as ABP reads... refusing the One receiving a divine message χρηματίζω chrēmatiszō,... Heb 12:25

As we continue in Heb 12, Verse 25: "much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven." Thus implying a parallel with Ex 20:22 "Ye have seen that I have talked with you from heaven," but also Christ and the Holy Spirit gave orders to wait in Jerusalem, aka Mt Zion in Acts 1 and Luke 24:49 for Pentecost.

Heb 12:26 Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven.

?Hag 2:6 I will shake the ַתָּא heavens, ַתָּא and the earth, ַתָּא and the sea, ַתָּא and the dry land; And I will shake ַתָּא all nations, 21 I will shake ַתָּא the heavens ַתָּא and the earth 22 And I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms, and I will destroy the strength of the kingdoms of the heathen;

Heb 12:27 ESV This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of things that are shaken—that is, things that have been made—in order that the things that cannot be shaken may remain.

Or ...manifests the transposition μετάθεσις metáthesis of the things being shaken (Heb 12:27, ABP) this word Paul used of Enoch who by faith was transposed μετάθεσις metáthesis... (Heb 11:4-5, ABP)

Shaking

Two key words for shaking are used in this passage:

of whose voice the earth shook σαλεύω saleúō then; but now he has promised, saying, Still once more I will shake σείω seíō not only the earth, but also the heaven. (Heb 12:26, ABP)

The shaking happened on the Pentecost Acts 2:25 and again in 4:31 And in their beseeching the place in which they were being gathered together was shaken σαλεύω saleúō, and they were all filled of Holy Spirit,... (Act 4:31, ABP) Also Ps 2 quoted in: Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things? The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Χριστός Christos.

The shaking was also on Mt Sinai ,Ex 19:18 the whole mount quaked greatly.

"O Lord, in your exodus from Seir, in your departing from out of the field of Edom, the earth was shaken, and indeed the heaven was disturbed, and the clouds dripped water. 5. Mountains shook from the face of the lord; this Sinai from the face of the lord God of Israel." (Judg 5:5, ABP)

Set bounds about the mount, and sanctify it.

✨ Ascend at Yobel Exodus 19:12-13 And thou shalt set bounds unto the people round about, saying, Take heed to yourselves, that ye go not up into the mount, or touch the border of it: whosoever toucheth the mount shall be surely put to death: There shall not an hand touch it, but he shall surely be stoned, or shot through; whether it be beast or man, it shall not live: when the trumpet soundeth long (lxx & cloud), they shall come up to the mount.

...the giving of orders, saying, And if a beast should touch lightly upon the mountain, it shall be stoned, or shot with an arrow. (Heb 12:20, ABP)

✨ Don't Force It!

...Proceed, go down, and then ascend, you and Aaron with you! But the priests and the people shall not use force (סרַח hâras break through) to ascend to God, lest at any time the Lord should destroy some of them. (Exo 19:24, ABP)

Use Force βιάζω biázō, bee-ad'-zo from 970; to force, i.e. to crowd oneself (into), or to be seized:--press, suffer violence. Mat 11:12 ; Luk 16:16

✨ Ex 20:21 The people stood far off, while Moses drew near שגג nâḡaš to the thick darkness עֲרָפֶל 'ārāḡel where God was.

Ex 20:18 the people were afraid and trembled, and they stood far off and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, lest we die."

Deut 5:5 you did not go up into the mountain. v16 you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.'

Shavout πανήγυρις panēgyris the ἐκκλησία ekklēsia of πρωτότοκος prōtōtokos or firstfruits "thou shalt observe the feast of weeks, of the firstfruits of wheat harvest."

Council of 70 ...having in the heavens been registered ἀπογράφω apographō,... (Heb 12:23, ABP) rulers and elders = 77 Judg 8:14

Written in heaven "Rejoice χαίρω chairō, because your names are written γράφω graphō in heaven," Luk 10

Ex 32:32 your book that you have written.

Psa 69:28 book סֵפֶר sēper of the living יְיָ ḡay ζάω záō; let them not be enrolled כְּתָב kâṭab γράφω gráphō among the righteous.

δίκαιος díkaios Rev 22:11, 18 ...words of the prophecy of this scroll... 19...the words of the scroll of this prophecy,...

...to spirits of the righteous δίκαιος díkaios having been perfected, (Heb 12:23, ABP)

...the book of the living! and let them not be written with the just δίκαιος díkaios! (Psa 69:28, ABP)

1 Cor 13:10 which is perfect γ5046 τέλειος teleios is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

Heb 12:29 for our God is a consuming fire.

καταναλίσκω katanalískō, g2654 from 2596 and 355; to consume utterly: --consume.

Ex 24: Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring/consuming fire on the top of the mountain

Deut 4:24 For the LORD your God is a consuming καταναλίσκω katanalískō fire, a jealous God. v36 And on earth he let you see his great fire, and you heard his words out of the midst of the fire.

Ascend ἀναβαίνω anabaínō Rev 4:1; 11:12

Ex 24:1 Come up unto the LORD, thou, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship ye afar off. 9 Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel: And they saw the God of Israel: and there was under his feet as it

were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in his clearness. And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: also they saw God, and did eat and drink.

10 And the things under his feet were as a brick work of sapphire; and as the form of firmament of the heaven in the cleanliness. 11. And of the chosen ones of Israel, none dissented -- not one. And they appeared in the place of God, and ate and drank. (Exo 24:10, ABP)

Hebrews 12:24 And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

Exodus 24:6-8 And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basons; and half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar. And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that the LORD hath said will we do, and be obedient. And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled it on the people and said, Behold the blood of the covenant, which the LORD hath made with you concerning all these words.

Esther (Lord κύριος kýrios used 4:8; 6:1)

Death Inner Court 4:11 any man or woman goes to the king inside the inner court without being called, there is but one law—to be put to death

Sanctify 3 days do not eat or drink for three days, night or day.

3rd day garments 5:1 On the third day Esther put on her royal robes and stood in the inner court of the king's palace,

Passover with Judas So the king and Haman came to the feast that Esther had prepared. And as they were drinking wine after the feast

2nd Passover? 5:8 let the king and Haman come to the feast that I will prepare for them, and tomorrow

Shavout? 7:1 So the king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. And on the second day, as they were drinking wine after the feast.