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FORWARD

On the 13th of April 2021 the Word of the Lord came to me unexpectedly:

“My servant, I will make you My signet ring; for I have chosen you (Haggai 2:23) to lay the foundation of this house; your hands shall also complete it” (Zechariah 4).

In my own meditation time on this word, the Lord continued: *"This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' says the Lord of hosts. 'Who are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you shall become a plain! And he shall bring forth the capstone with shouts of "Grace, grace to it!" (Zechariah 4:6–7).*

"The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house; his hands shall also complete it. What are these two olive trees upon the right side of the candlestick and upon the left side thereof? And I answered again, and said unto him, What be these two olive branches which through the two golden pipes empty the golden oil out of themselves? And he answered me and said, Knowest thou not what these be? And I said, No, my lord. Then said he, These are the two anointed ones, that stand by the Lord of the whole earth." (Zechariah 4:9–14).



The message was clear!

We have to lay down the foundation to restore His temple! But we will not accomplish this by might, nor by power, but through His Holy Spirit, says the Lord. Therefore, the emphasis is on the two olive branches, which provide the oil (the Holy Spirit) through two golden pipes. It would be a constant flow of oil (Holy Spirit) that will level any great mountain standing in the way of accomplishing this assignment, says the Lord.



BACKGROUND

Immediately after this word came to me, I started to write down what the Holy Spirit had been downloading to me over the years. I experienced living water bursting from within me, flowing from my innermost being, just like the Scripture says!

Believe in me so that rivers of living water will burst out from within you, flowing from your innermost being, just like the Scripture says!"

John 7:38 TPT

These notes gave birth to the "**Laying Down of the Foundation**", explaining the Doctrine of Christ. This is a must for each and every believer to read, to study and to apply to his/her life. That water of the Holy Spirit never stops flowing in me and He led me to also write "**The Doctrine of Demons**". Satan always has a counterfeit for Adonai's plans. Since these seductive spirits are not visible, they must take a deceptive route in order to get their false message heard. They resemble their leader, satan, who is the "father of lies" (John 8:44). The works of satan and those of YHWH should always be clearly distinguished from each other. In 2 Corinthians 6:15 Paul says: "*What harmony can there be between Christ and Belial (Satan)?*" AMP

In the epistle to Timothy, Paul warns us in this regard: "Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times (*referring to the end of this age*) some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; ² Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron (1 Timothy 4:1-2 KJV).



With a solid foundation laid down and well underlaid with the Doctrine of Christ, the believer will soon develop a spirit of discernment after studying the Doctrine of Demons.

We can be confident that our “**temples**” will stand and last when the storm comes, because of Jesus’ promise: “He who comes to me and **hears** my words and **does** it (acts upon them) is like a person building a house, who ***digs a deep hole to lay the foundation on rock***. When the storm comes, it pushes against that house but cannot shake it, because it has been founded on the rock (Luke 6:47-48).

With this background the Holy Spirit proceeded to guide me on my journey to be a true witness of what it really means to be a signet ring for YHWH. Notwithstanding the fact that I had clearly received the message and did not only write it down, but also taught it, the deeper meaning penetrated my soul only when I started to walk the walk with the Messiah by His baptism of fire. After that experience, I realized just how much filthiness there still was inside of me that needed to be cleansed by the Holy Spirit!

I sincerely invite you, Believer, to join me on this journey to discover how to be a ‘*Signet Ring*’ for our beloved Bridegroom! Glory to Adonai!



APOSTASIA

When Paul wrote to Timothy he made it very clear that the Holy Spirit expressly showed him that in the final days, at the very end of the age, there will be a falling away of “**the faith**”. This is not a rejection of the faith, but a falling away. It means that the people will still believe in Christ, but they will fall away from the truth, as Paul wrote: “Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times (*referring to the end of this age*) some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; ² Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their **conscience seared with a hot iron** (1 Timothy 4:1-2 KJV).

For the time is coming when they will no longer listen and respond to the healing words of truth because they will become selfish and proud. **They will seek out teachers with soothing words that line up with their desires, saying just what they want to hear.**

⁴ They will **close their ears to the truth** and believe nothing but fables and myths. ⁵ So be alert to all these things and overcome every form of evil. Carry in your heart the passion of your calling as a church planter and evangelist, and fulfill your ministry calling.

2 Timothy 4:3-5 TPT

This *apostasia* will cause believers to seek out teachers who only preach what they want to hear. They will close their ears for the truth and believe only myths and false doctrines. Paul uses the words “*seared with a hot iron*”, which implies that the conscious mind becomes insensitive. It is like a hot iron that burns flesh, until that part of the body becomes insensitive to touch



and other stimuli. Paul used this term to describe the end time believer who will, likewise, have a seared conscious mind.

How do we respond to a culture that has a seared conscious mind and that does no longer know the Bible? Many become more and more illiterate and do not know the characters of the Bible anymore. Recently, when I referred to an Old Testament character in a conversation, one person replied jokingly that those pages are not in his Bible.

Paul gave Timothy the solution to apostacy!

Having suggested these things to the brothers, you shall be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the Words of Faith and by the **good doctrine** which you have followed (1 Timothy 4:6 MKJV).

If you continue to point these things out to the brothers, you will be a **good servant** of the Messiah Jesus, nourished by the words of the faith and the **healthy teaching** that you have followed closely (1 Timothy 4:6 ISV).

If you will teach the believers these things, you will be known as a faithful and good minister of Jesus, the Anointed One. Nurture others in the living words of faith and in the knowledge of grace which you were taught (1 Timothy 4:6 TPT).

The words used in these English Translations totally miss the deeper and true meaning of the original Greek manuscripts. The word that Paul used here is "***hupotithimī***". "***Hupo***" meaning "under" or "underneath" and "***tithimī***", which means to lay, to place or to position a foundation!



So, rather than saying “to suggest these things, or continue to point these things out” or to “*teach the believers these things*”, verse 6 actually reads:

“If you hupotihimi” the brethren ...

A LITERAL TRANSLATION WOULD BE: IF YOU “HUPO”, THAT IS CRAWL UNDER THE BRETHREN, AND “TITHIMI”, PUT A FOUNDATION UNDERNEATH THEM, YOU WOULD BE A GOOD MINISTER TO JESUS CHRIST.

Do you want to be a signet ring for YHWH? Then you need to become a servant and “*hupotihimi*” the brethren. This is exactly what Yahshua did during His ministry on earth. The people were astonished at his **doctrine** (Matthew 7:28; Matthews 22:23; Mark 1:22; Mark 1:27; Mark 4:2; Mark 11:18; Luke 4:32; John 18:19). Because of this, the Apostles continued stedfastly in His doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread and in prayers (Acts 2:42). To Timothy Paul constantly emphasized that he should preach a sound doctrine, because there will come a time that many will not endure sound doctrine, but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears (2 Timothy 4:3 KJV).

Yahshua warned the believer to beware of the leaven (doctrine) of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees (Matthew 16:12). John wrote: “Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the **doctrine of Christ**, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son (2 John 1:9).



Yahshua warned us again in Revelation to also beware of the doctrine of Balaam, the doctrine of the Nicolaitans and the doctrine of Jezebel (Revelation 2:14-15; 2:20). These doctrines are currently very much present in the Body of Christ. It is fully discussed in the Book “The Doctrine of Demons. (*Available on the website for free.*)

Paul gave us the Doctrine of Christ (Hebrews 6:1-3) to ensure that we have a solid foundation to build our temple on. The Doctrine of Christ is fully discussed in three parts in the Book “Laying Down the Foundation”. (*Also available on the website for free.*)

A Sound Doctrine will always follow a Blessed Life!

When people’s lives fall apart, it is clear evidence that no sound doctrine has been established. Sound doctrine is not being taught in the Body of Christ anymore.



SIGNET RING

To understand how to be a signet ring to YHWH, we first need to understand scriptures in this regard. In our text from Haggai there are some very important facts we need to understand.

“When that day comes,’ says Adonai-Tzva’ot, ‘I will take you, Z’rubavel, my Servant, the son of Sh’alti’el,’ says Adonai, ‘and wear you like a signet ring; for I have chosen you,’ says Adonai-Tzva’ot.” Haggai 2:23 CJB

Let us explore the meaning of this verse:

The Lord says He will make Zerubbabel a seal. The kings of David are sometimes called seals (Jeremiah 22:24). This means that the king is endowed with **authority** as the authorized representative of the Lord. This is the sign that the Lord Himself reigns over the king and guarantees the **fulfilment of His promises**. This authority is now conferred to Zerubbabel, a descendant of David. He is also now called the **servant** of the Lord, whom He has **chosen**. These two terms “servant” and “chosen” are also Davidic covenant terms indicating that the Lord **sets the king apart as the one through whom He works**.

In this way the people are comforted and assured that the **Lord will reign again** in Judah on the throne of David, through Zerubbabel.

This is indeed a significant discovery!



AUTHORITY

In order to be a signet ring for YHWH the believer must not only understand the believer's authority, but must also be in a position to apply it. I can testify with much confidence that my life has changed forever the moment I realized that all the authority that was given to Yahshua has also been given to us. Our KING is constantly backing us up with all the authority in the heavens! (Matthew 28:18-20)

On the Berashith Ministry website is a teaching available regarding the believer's authority. It is highly recommended! Satan does not want believers to discover that they have authority and dominion over him, over sicknesses and diseases and also authority to call family members unto salvation.

I sometimes make the remark that satan has no power anymore, but most believers cannot grasp it. Satan can only get power through a person who allows it. Scripture is very clear on this:

Then Jesus made a public spectacle of all the powers and principalities of darkness, stripping away from them every weapon and all their spiritual authority and power to accuse us. And by the power of the cross, Jesus led them around as prisoners in a procession of triumph. He was not their prisoner; they were his! Colossians 2:15 TPT



He stripped them from all their weapons! Saints, we have authority to rule and to reign. If you desire to be a signet ring for YHWH, it is crucial to understand and apply authority.

To be a signet ring does not, however, mean to execute authority with power or might, but by the Holy Spirit!

"This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' says the Lord of hosts. 'Who are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you shall become a plain! And he shall bring forth the capstone with shouts of "Grace, grace to it!"' Zechariah 4:6–7

Scriptures are very clear, Saints, that the set apart ones will have many persecutions, trials and storms. Yahshua warns us that only those who hear and doeth and dig deep to lay the foundation on the "Petra Rock" (Yahshua HaMashiach) will stand and last during the storm (Luke 6:46-50). It is only when we fully grasp this, that we can understand how crucial a firm foundation is to the one who desires to be a signet ring!

A king wears a signet ring. Haggai 2 clearly indicates that our King, Adonai, is the One who wears the ring, which is us as believers, who become His servants. On its own the ring is merely an instrument and cannot act. The King has to activate the ring for His use.



SERVANT

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. 1 Peter 2:9

We have already been chosen as His possessions, His servants, even before the foundation of this earth!

Just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will. Ephesians 1:4-5

We are all predestined to be adopted by Him to be holy and blameless, set apart for a special use and **to be His Signet Ring!**

The Greek word for **servant** is "**doulos**" and it signifies more than a servant. It is one who has chosen to serve his master out of love, bound with cords so strong that it could only be severed by death.

This may sound easy, but only when the storm comes, accompanied by fire, will it determine what is in the heart and thoughts of the servant. It is then that the Holy Spirit comes with His two-edged sword to pierce and divide the soul and the spirit, the joints and the marrow, the thoughts and the intents of the heart.



For the Word of God is living and powerful and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing apart of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. ¹³

Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in His sight, but all things are naked and opened to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do.

Hebrews 4:12-13 MKJV

One of Adonai's servants in the Old Testament, Elijah, was on top of a hill, when the king twice send a commander of fifty to him. Both times Elijah called fire from heaven to destroy them. When a third Captain over fifty was sent to Elijah, he fell on his knees before him and begged him to not destroy their lives.

And he turned and sent again a third commander of fifty and his fifty. And the third commander of fifty came up and fell on his knees before Elijah, and begged him, and said to him, Man of God, Please let my life and the life of these fifty, your servants, be precious in your sight. ¹⁴ Behold, fire has come down from the heavens and burned up the two commanders of the former fifties with their fifties. And now let my life be precious in your sight. ¹⁵ And the Angel of Jehovah said to Elijah, Go down with him. Do not be afraid of him. And he arose and went down with him to the king. 2 Kings 1:13-15 MKJV

When the Angel approached Elijah he told him not to be afraid, but to go down to the king. Out of fear Elijah tried to protect himself, by calling fire from heaven to destroy his enemies. With this story in mind, let us fast forward to Samaria in the New Testament, where Yahshua and His disciples wanted to stay over on their way to Jerusalem. The Samaritans hated the Jews and did not allow them to stay over. John and James, like Elijah, wanted to call fire from heaven to destroy these Samaritans. But instead, Yahshua rebuked



them and pointed out that they were not of the same spirit as them and should not operate like the unsaved.

And they did not receive Him, because His face was going toward Jerusalem.

⁵⁴ And seeing, His disciples James and John said, Lord, do You desire that we command fire to come down from Heaven and consume them, even as Elijah did? ⁵⁵ But He turned and rebuked them and said, You do not know of what spirit you are. Luke 9:54-55 MKJV

Peter did the same in the Garden of Gethsemane, when he wanted to protect the Messiah from execution. In the process he cut off the ear of Malchus. Instead of praising Peter, the Lord rebuked him. Yahshua showed mercy to his own enemy and healed Malchus's ear.

Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. And the servant's name was Malchus. ¹¹ Then Jesus said to Peter, Put up your sword into the sheath. The cup which My Father has given Me, shall I not drink it? John 18:10-11 MKJC

On the day of His crucifixion all of the disciples left him, except for John, the beloved disciple. Only one stood by His side as a true servant. John demonstrated that he was indeed a true “**doulos**”, the one who has decided to serve his Master out of love, bound with cords so strong that it could only be severed by death.

We all want to be bold like Peter. We too want to draw the sword, but when true persecution comes, we all run away like His disciples. During my own persecutions, I too have discovered that I still have the same spirit as the world deep inside of me. Only fire can expose that filthiness!



How ashamed I stand before my Beloved, because He still has to correct me. I sincerely pray to not only be purified while going through fire, but to also pass the test! How easily we sometimes confess to be His Shulamite Bride, but few will stand by His side on the day of true persecution.”

Realizing my own weakness in this regard, I can only weep from my broken heart as I imagine what Peter must have felt like after the rooster had crowed three times...

***If you can relate with my brokenness, just keep on reading!
Do not be discouraged! There is a bright light at the end of
the tunnel! I have very good news for all those who want to
be a signet ring for the Messiah.***



MINISTER / SERVANT / SLAVE

I discovered a deep Biblical truth about being a real servant. Paul uses the word “ministers” and some translations use the word “servants”.

There are three Greek words that better describe the meaning of “minister”, “servant” or “slave” of Adonai, namely “**doulos**”, “**huperetas**” and “**diakonos**”.

“**Doulos**”

Paul, Peter, James and Jude used this word to describe themselves. It means, if you are the “**doulos**” of Christ, you are totally swallowed up into the will of someone else. You have surrendered total control of your life to Christ Jesus.

Let the reader deeply meditate on this definition of a “doulos”. This is the only way to be a signet ring for YHWH. You have to lay down your own will, your own agendas and earthly desires. It is not any longer about you or your ministry. It is now about HIM, His will and HIS Kingdom!

“**Huperetas**”

“**Huperetas**” is the Greek word used for “*minister*”, and is described as an “**under rower**”. Paul used this word in his second epistle to the Corinthians, when he wrote: “So let a man think of us as **ministers of Christ** and stewards of the mysteries of God” (1 Corinthians 4:1 MKJV). It describes the men rowing at the bottom line of the ships, where they become the engine of the ship. A total of 5 men were chained on a bench. These five men



represent the five-fold ministry Adonai ordained to equip his building to reach spiritual maturity and be transformed into the Holy of Holies.

And he has appointed some with grace to be apostles, and some with grace to be prophets, and some with grace to be evangelists, and some with grace to be pastors, and some with grace to be teachers. ¹² And their calling is to nurture and prepare all the holy believers to do their own works of ministry, and as they do this they will enlarge and build up the body of Christ. ¹³ These grace ministries will function until we all attain oneness into the faith, until we all experience the fullness of what it means to know the Son of God, and finally we become one into a perfect man with the full dimensions of spiritual maturity and fully developed into the abundance of Christ. Ephesians 4:11-13 TPT

Paul told the Ephesians to think of them as the engines of the ship, moving the body of Christ forward, while the passengers are on the deck having a free ride. Often they would criticize the under rowers and complain about not reaching their goals.

The truth is that if they would get down into the bottom line of the ship and grab a rowing paddle themselves, goals would be reached sooner!

Also note that these “***huperetas***” are “***chained to their positions***”! That chain is the symbol of commitment. Should the boat start sinking, the passengers would leave, but the “***huperetas***” are chained, they cannot leave.

In my own life sometimes the fire is so severe that I often consider quitting, only to find myself chained to this position. I then look up



*into the eyes of my Beloved and say: What else shall I do my Lord, but to serve You as a “**huperetas**”?*

The bottom galley of the ship is also the place where ship rats live. The ship rats do not bother the passengers, but the rowers. Isn't it ironical that there is also a rat community in the church, that is constantly irritating those who are responsible for moving the boat forward? Unfortunately the “*huperatas*” are chained to the bench and can't escape even these severe irritations and accusations.

“**Diakonos**”

“*Diakonos*” is the third term used to describe the servant, minister and slave of Adonai. Paul used this term in his epistle to Timothy, when he mentioned the deacon (1 Timothy 4:6).

Diakonos can be broken into two parts, namely, “**dia**”, which means “*on behalf of*” and the word “**konos**”, describing the “community”. Combined it means that your life has been given on behalf of the community. Paul borrowed this word to describe a group of people who chose to serve the community for the rest of their lives. It was not a high ranking position, but rather a service position.

To Be A Signet Ring

What Paul is saying here is that, if you want to be a signet ring, you will have to become a **hupotithimi**, who comes under the people and lays down the foundation. You have to become a **diakonos**, a minister who not only has gifts for the people, but who is the gift gifted to them. We are not our own.



We belong to those we've been given to. If you serve with this attitude, you will be a good servant, slave and minister unto Jesus Christ! You will be a minister just like Yahshua HaMashiach!

Paul wrote: *“Having suggested these things to the brothers, you shall be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the Words of Faith and by the good doctrine which you have followed”* (1 Timothy 4:6 MKJV).

The word **“nourished up”** is the word **entrephō** and means to taste, to eat, to swallow, to digest.

“For you to be like this minister, there are two things that are essential in your spiritual diet. Having suggested these things to the brothers, you shall be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the Words of Faith and by the good doctrine which you have followed”. 1 Timothy 4:6 TPT

“Words of faith” and **“words of doctrine”** are requirements for ministers to be like Yahshua. Unfortunately, in today's churches we rather find very high quality motivational messages and tremendous musical worship. There is nothing wrong with music as such, but you cannot build your foundation on music. The only way to build the house is on the Word of God. The Lord is very clear that He chooses you today as His signet ring to lay down the foundation. Those who receive this message, when they hear and do and dig deep, they will be like a person who builds his house on the *‘petra rock’*, the personal foundation, Yahshua HaMashiach. When the storm comes, it will last. But he who does not hear or do, when the storm comes, the house will collapse (Luke 6:46- 50).

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ROYAL LINEAGE

In order to keep track with our discussion, it is necessary to constantly refer back to our original text.

“When that day comes,’ says Adonai-Tzva’ot, ‘I will take you, Z’rubavel, my Servant, the son of Sh’alti’el,’ says Adonai, ‘and wear you like a signet ring; for I have chosen you,’ says Adonai-Tzva’ot.”

Haggai 2:23 CJB

The Lord says He will make Zerubbabel a seal. The kings of David are sometimes called seals (Jeremiah 22:24). This means that the king is endowed with **authority** as the authorized representative of the Lord. This is the sign that the Lord Himself reigns over the king and guarantees the **fulfillment of His promises**. This authority is now conferred to Zerubbabel, **a descendant of David**. He is also now called the **servant** of the Lord, whom He has **chosen**. These two terms “servant” and “chosen” are also Davidic covenant terms indicating that the Lord **sets the king apart as the one through whom He works**. In this way the people are comforted and assured that the **Lord will reign again** in Judah on the throne of David, through Zerubbabel.

Notice that Zurabbabel is from the David lineage, which makes Zurabbabel a royal. Because we are now reconciled with Christ, after our baptism by the Holy Spirit in the Body of Christ unto salvation, we too are now royal. (*It is highly recommended that you read “Laying down the Foundation” to fully understand the Doctrine of Baptisms.*)



But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. 1 Peter 2:9

We are called to be witnesses of the Gospel. For this purpose we all need the Holy Ghost!

But you shall receive power, the **Holy Spirit** coming upon you. And you shall be **witnesses** to Me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and to the end of the earth. Acts 1:8

Of what shall we be witnesses?

We are witnesses of Yahshua's death, burial and resurrection. That is why Paul only preached Christ and when he boasted, he only boasted in Christ Jesus! The gospel is all about God's Son. As a man Christ descended from David's royal lineage (*Jesus was the "seed of the woman" in Genesis 3:15, the "seed of Abraham" in Galatians 3:16 and here in Romans 1, the "seed of David"*), but as the mighty Son of God He was raised from the dead and miraculously set apart (*Or "marked [appointed] as God's Son, immersed in power"*) by a display of triumphant power supplied by the Spirit of Holiness. The Greek word for "**set apart**" comes from "horizo", meaning "the horizon." It means "to mark out the boundaries," "to decree," or "to define." We are moving towards a horizon, which is Jesus!. Jesus is our Lord and our Messiah!

"Through Him grace cascaded into us, empowering us with the gift of apostleship, so that we can win people from every nation into the obedience that comes from faith, to bring honor to his name. ⁶ And



*you are among the **chosen ones** who are called to belong to Jesus, the Anointed One” (Romans 1:5-6 TPT).*

That is so that we can be a Signet Ring for YHWH!

Zerubbabel was a governor, the king of Judah, and he led the first group of Jews (42 360), who returned from the Babylonian captivity in the first year of Cyrus the Great. He was always associated with the high priest, Joshua, son of Jozadak (Jehozadak), who returned with him. Together, these two men led the first wave of Jewish returnees from exile and began to rebuild the Temple! King Darius the First of Persia appointed Zerubbabel governor of the Province. It was after this appointment that Zerubbabel began to rebuild the Temple. Zerubbabel was of the main Davidic line through Solomon and Jeconiah.

My servant

It describes Zerubbabel as God's servant. This term is often associated with King David.

Wear you like a signet ring

A signet ring is an authoritative symbol that is associated with power. The king is a signet ring on Adonai's hand. Zerubbabel is to be made either the representative of YHWH, or the new king, who will restore the monarchy, or be the new world leader. Words like “messianic”, or “Messiah”, are sometimes used to describe Zerubbabel's role.

Zerubbabel was "a royal representative of God".



The term of the "signet ring" is a metaphor for Zerubbabel attaining God's authority on earth! From now on, since Zerubbabel has been chosen as a "**signet**", he will be sitting on the throne of David and will rule again in Judah. Zerubbabel was not the ruler of a nation, but the governor of a province. In Haggai we find a mutual destruction of political and military forces masterminded by God.

The Book Zechariah, Chapter 4 gives us further information about Zerubbabel:

*"This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' says the Lord of hosts. **Who are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you shall become a plain!** And he shall bring forth the capstone with shouts of "Grace, grace to it!"*" Zechariah 4:6–7

*The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house; **his hands shall also complete it.** ... The seven are the eyes of the Lord, which range through the whole earth ... the two olive trees ... are the two sons of oil (anointed ones) who stand by the Lord of the whole earth. Zechariah 4:9-14.*

Take note that we, as believers, are royal, chosen by Yehôvâh Elohim to be His signet ring. We are not of the same spirit as the world! It was with a specific purpose that I referred earlier to John, James and Peter who were rebuked by the Lord for still having the same spirit in them as the world.



In Zechariah, Chapter 4 it clearly indicated a mountain! The Lord of Hosts, also known as Adonai-Tzva'ot, asked this question "Who are you, o great Mountain?" to emphasize the fact that a great mountain was in front of Zerubbabel. There was a demonic force that was a counterfeit for what Zerubbabel needed to accomplish.

The Mountain

In the Gospels, the Lord teaches us to speak to the mountain, not bring it to Him or tell Him about it! Therefore it is crucial to understand the believers authority! We receive authority and power when Yahshua baptizes us in the Holy Spirit unto POWER. This is **Dunamis** Power! Yahshua made it very clear to His disciples before He ascended into the heavens.

**But you shall receive power, the Holy Spirit coming upon
you. Acts 1:8**

Then Yahshua said; *"Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them"*. Mark 11:23 NIV

To be a signet ring for YHWH you first need to receive your baptism by Yahshua, in the Holy Spirit unto Dunamis power! Now you can, as a servant, minister or slave, execute authority to command this mountain, standing in the way of your assignment, to throw itself in the sea.

Whenever mountains appear, we should not be discouraged by them, but speak to them with authority!



My Testimony:

Just after I had written “Laying Down the Foundation” and started to teach on this, an “**old**” mountain reappeared in my life. I was so discouraged that I almost missed what the Lord wanted to teach me. I just did not want to face an old enemy again! I told the Lord that David faced Goliath only once and Josaphat also faced his enemy only once, when El-Gibbor fought the battle for them (2 Chronicles 20). Just before this mountain reappeared in my life, I discovered that Adonai-Tzva’ot is our El-Gibbor - the God who fights for us! God used that mountain to prove that to me!

A Revelation from the Holy Spirit that I want to share:

The same spirit that was in Goliath in the valley of Elah is still manifesting, jeering and cursing with anarchy, coming with sword and spear, **BUT** we can, like **David**, declare: *“You are coming with a sword, a spear and a javelin, but I am coming to you in the Name of **Adonai-Tzva'ot!!!!** (The Lord of Hosts)”* 1 Samuel 17:45

The **Z** in Tzva'ot is called a **zayin** in Hebrew. It is shaped like a weapon/knife and it refers to a type of weapon. Our weapons of warfare are not carnal, but powerful to overthrow powers and principalities. For our GOD does not save with sword and spear, but He is Mighty in Battle! The battle belongs to Him and He will deliver us like he did David! Even more so because His son, Yahshua (from lineage of David), has already defeated the enemy, manifests in the Goliaths (giants) of the ages.



The Goliaths challenge us with a spirit of pride and boasting. We must have the opposite spirit, one of mercy, grace and humility!

The name David has two **D's**. In Hebrew the “D” is known as **dalet**, coming from the root word “**dal**”, which means **poor in spirit or essentially humble**.

When something is repeated in Hebrew it is very important or emphasized. This indicates that David was doubly humble! He was a man after GOD's own heart!

- Goliath represents a proud, boastful giant
- David represents a doubly humble shepherd king

It was indeed the humble king who was victorious in the valley of Elah!

Adonai-Tzva'ot and His humble servant David

The Holy Spirit also reminded me that David was an intercessor. Most Psalms written by him is filled with words of prayer and repentance. This proves his humble heart.

It deeply penetrated my heart to realize that Adonai is looking for the humble hearted, so that He, Adonai-Tzva'ot, can move and fight the battle for us. Not by might, nor by power, but through the Ruach HaKodesh will Zerubbabel complete his assignment! I can easily identify with Jehoshaphat, when the Ammonites approached them in battle. Jehoshaphat feared and set himself to seek Jehovah, and called for a fast throughout all Judah (2 Chronicles 20:3). This is exactly what I experienced when that “old” mountain unexpectedly reappeared in my life.



But the Lord answered Jehoshaphat while they fasted:

*And the Spirit of Jehovah came on Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, the son of Benaiah, the son of Jeiel, the son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph, in the midst of the congregation.¹⁵ And he said, Listen, all Judah, and you people of Jerusalem, and King Jehoshaphat! So says Jehovah to you, **Do not be afraid nor dismayed because of this great multitude. For the battle is not yours, but God's.** ¹⁶ Tomorrow go down against them. Behold, they come up by the cliff of Ziz. And you shall find them at the end of the valley, before the wilderness of Jeruel. 2 Chronicles 20:14- 15*

This battle is not your battle, emphasized Adonai-Tzva'ot . The difficult action Jehoshaphat had to take was to go and face the enemy, but God told him to not be afraid. To be a signet ring for YHWH means to have enough faith and boldness not to run, but to stand and face your enemy, just like David did with Goliath and Jehoshaphat with the enemy.

Now comes the encouragement:

***“You shall not fight in this battle. Set yourselves and stand, and see the salvation of Jehovah with you, O Judah and Jerusalem. Do not fear nor be dismayed. Tomorrow go out against them, for Jehovah will be with you.** ¹⁸ And Jehoshaphat bowed his face to the ground. And all Judah and the people of Jerusalem fell before Jehovah, worshiping Jehovah. 2 Chronicles 20:17-18.*



When giants mock you, when that spirit of Goliath in the valley of Elah manifests, jeering and cursing with anarchy, coming with sword and spear, when this world system is against you, fear will accompany it. But fear did not paralyze Jehoshaphat! He immediately called for a fast and for intercession. In this act of seeking the Lord, Adonai-Tzva'ot confirmed and promised that Jehoshaphat will not fight, but should go and face his enemy! Likewise can we also stand and observe how El-Gibbor will bring us victory!

*And he (Jehoshaphat) consulted with the people, and he appointed **singers** to Jehovah and praisers to praise the beauty of holiness as they went out before the army, and to say, Praise Jehovah, for His mercy endures forever.*

*²² **And when they began to sing and to praise, Jehovah set ambushes against the sons of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, who had come against Judah. **And they were beaten.**** ²³ For the sons of Ammon and Moab stood up against the people of mount Seir to completely kill and destroy. And when they had made an end of the people of Seir, everyone helped to destroy another. 2 Chronicles 20:21-23*

When Jehoshaphat and his people started to praise and worship, El-Gibbor broke through and the Ammonites were beaten. Glory to GOD!

Nehemiah

The same story repeated when Nehemiah restored the wall of Jerusalem (in contrast with Zerubbabel who restored the temple). A mountain raised up against them too.



But it happened when Sanballat heard that we built the wall, he was angry and greatly displeased, and mocked the Jews. ² And he spoke before his brothers and the army of Samaria, and said, What are these feeble Jews doing? Will they fortify themselves? Will they sacrifice? Will they make an end in a day? Will they bring to life the stones out of the heaps of the rubbish which are burned? ³ And Tobiah the Ammonite was beside him, and he said, Even that which they build, if a fox goes up, he shall even break down their stone wall. ⁴ Oh our God, hear, for we are despised. And turn their curse upon their own head, and give them for a prey in the land of captivity. ⁵ And do not cover their iniquity, and do not let their sin be blotted out from before You. For they have provoked You to anger before the builders. ⁶ So we built the wall, and all the wall was joined together to the half of it. For the people had a mind to work. ⁷ And it happened, when Sanballat and Tobiah, and the Arabians, and the Ammonites, and the Ashdodites, heard that the walls of Jerusalem had gone up, and that the breaks were being filled, they were very angry. ⁸ And all of them conspired together to come and fight against Jerusalem and do harm to it. ⁹ But we made our prayer to our God, and set a watch against them day and night, because of them. Nehemiah 4:1-9

Tobiah, another Ammonite, came against Nehemiah, who was a servant of Adonai. He too was a signet ring, like Zerubbabel, and had to face this mountain that raised up against the work of the Lord. Nehemiah was not discouraged and he pushed forward!

And it was from that time forth that half of my servants worked in the work, and the other half of them held the spears, the shields, and the bows, and the scale-armor. And the rulers were behind all the house of Judah, ¹⁷ the ones who built on the wall, and the ones who carried burdens; with those who were lifting, one a worker in the work, and one held a weapon. ¹⁸ For of the builders, each one had his sword tied by his side, and built. And he who



sounded the trumpet was beside me. ¹⁹ And I said to the nobles, and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people, The work is great and large, and we are separated upon the wall, far from one another. ²⁰ In whatever place you hear the sound of the trumpet, gather there to us. Our God will fight for us.
Nehemiah 4:16-20

While they were restoring the wall of Jerusalem, they had to hold their swords in one hand to be ready for the enemy. Notice the profound words of Nehemiah: “**Our God will fight for us**” (verse 20). Please read the complete story for yourself to see how these Ammonites came with conspiracy against Nehemiah. In my own life it was because of the constant conspiracy and unrighteous deeds I had to face that I decided to stand and hold the ground and allow El-Gibbor to fight the fight like He did for Nehemiah and Zerubbabel.

Nehemiah finished the wall in a record time!

*And the wall was finished in the twenty-fifth day of Elul, in fifty-two days. ¹⁶ And it happened when all our enemies heard, and all the nations around us saw, they were very much lowered in their own eyes. **For they saw that this work was done by our God.** ¹⁷ And in those days the nobles of Judah were increasing their letters going to Tobiah; and Tobiah's came to them. ¹⁸ For many in Judah were sworn to him because he was the son-in-law of Shechaniah the son of Arah, and his son Jehohanan had taken the daughter of Meshullam the son of Berechiah. ¹⁹ Also they reported his good deeds before me, and told my words to him. Tobiah sent letters to make me afraid.*
Nehemiah 6:15-19



What an amazing discovery that, after Nehemiah had restored the wall, they rededicated the wall of Jerusalem to the Lord and invited the descendants of Levi to come from wherever they lived, to Jerusalem, so they could celebrate the dedication with joy, thanksgiving, and songs, accompanied by cymbals, lyres, and harps (Nehemiah 12:27). Also, they appointed men to gather the first fruits and tithes to benefit the priests.

Service at the Temple

“Also at that time men were appointed over the storerooms for the contributions, for the first fruits, and for the tithes, so those portions required by the Law could be gathered from the fields adjacent to the towns to benefit the priests and descendants of Levi, for the people of Judah rejoiced over the priests and the descendants of Levi who were serving” (Nehemiah 12:44). In the Book of Ezra they required the support of the prophets in the construction of the Temple. *So Shealtiel's son Zerubbabel and Jozadak's son Jeshua restarted construction of the Temple of God in Jerusalem. And the prophets of God were there supporting them* (Ezra 5:2). I find it very interesting that the prophets and even those appointed to gather the first fruits for the temple worked together to accomplish the task. For the New Testament believer it is as if Adonai points us to the five-fold ministry that He appointed to equip and nurture the saints in order to enlarge His building under His supervision.

To be a signet ring for YHWH you not only have to face trials, persecutions, and obstacles, but should also have boldness and faith that Adonai-Tzva’ot will fight for you!



OUR MOUNTAINS

“Who are you mountain in front of Zerubbabel?”

Who do you think you are to stop the will of Adonai?

Just like David, Jehoshaphat, Nehemiah and Zerubbabel, the Apostles and many other Old and New Testament saints had to face giants and mountains that tried to stop Adonai’s servants, likewise shall you face them too. The Holy Spirit clearly showed me that the end time giant we are facing is the stronghold, Jezebel, with her ten tentacles like an octopus. Besides facing this women the end time church also faces various seducing spirits.

Not only did Yahshua warn the end time church about this stronghold, Jezebel, but He also warned the church of Ephesus to beware of the **deeds** of the Nicolaitans (Revelation 2:6). So did He also warne the church of Smyrna, which was under the influence of the synagogue of satan (Revelation 2:9) and the church of Pergamum that accommodated the seat of Satan. They followed the doctrine of Balaam and the **doctrine** of the Nicolaitans (Revelation 2:13). Although these churches served God, they were under the influence of another false doctrine, the doctrine of demons.

Notice that doctrine follows deeds!

The Messiah also exposed that woman, Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, teaches in His church and seduces His servants to commit fornication and to eat things sacrificed unto idols (Revelation 2:20).



In my Book, “The Doctrine of Demons¹” I addressed these false teachings coming from seducing spirits, which are still very present in today’s congregations. To be a signet ring for Yahshua, we have to be able to discern these spirits.

“Let us not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers, for what fellowship had righteousness with unrighteousness? And what concord had Christ with Belial or what agreement had the temple of Adonai with idols? For know you not, that you are the temple of Adonai where He dwelleth. To all believers, YHWY’s message is very clear; **“Come out from them and be separate, say the Lord. Touch no unclean thing and I will receive you”** (2 Corinthians 6:14-17, emphasis is mine). This is the antichrist spirit, which is a counterfeit for Adonai’s truth. It is there to destroy everything - relationships, finances, marriages, health, joy and eventually the human race. You have to step up to conquer that mountain. It shall come like a plain in front of Zerubbabel, when you approach it like the Jordan river in the days of Joshua.

During harvest time the Jordan was flooded. So the river was at its fullest. The priests who were carrying the Ark of the Covenant came to the edge of the river. And they stepped into the water. Just at that moment, the water stopped flowing. It stood up in a heap a great distance away at Adam. This is a town near Zarethan. The water flowing down to the Sea of Arabah (the Dead Sea) was completely cut off. So the people crossed the river near Jericho. (Joshua 3:14-17)

¹ Available for free on <http://berashithministry.co.za/index.php/products/personal-books>



Put your feet in the water like the priests and if this is Adonai's will it will depart. It only requires faith like mustard seed to talk to this mountain. Tell it to **be removed** and it shall be removed! Learn to speak to your problems, talk to your mountain. It does not matter what it is! Whether it is sickness, disease, pain, financial shortages or broken relationships, if you talk to it, it shall depart. Not by my might or power, but by the Holy Spirit of Adonai! If we apply Kingdom principles and apply the Blood of the Lamb on the doorposts, meaning that you keep all doorways closed (everything you put in front of your eyes, ears, mouth, emotions), our blessings will follow and the breakthrough will come.

The following section will reveal to you Biblical principles to apply, so that you will escape the snare of the devil. Paul says that when we bring the truth to the captive, Adonai will give them repentance to acknowledge the truth and they shall escape from the snare of satan!

If perhaps God will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth,²⁶ and that they awake out of the snare of the Devil, having been taken captive by him, so as to do the will of that one.

2 Timothy 2:25-26 MKJV

The Passion Translation says: "... so they can see God's **gracious gift of repentance** and be brought to the truth.²⁶ This will cause them to **rediscover themselves and escape from the snare of Satan who caught them in his trap** so that they would carry out his purposes."

I daily experience that believers are being held captive by the snare of the devil. The following are just a few examples of what keeps us in captivity:



- Unforgiveness
- Bitterness
- Inferiority
- Envy and Jealousy
- Lust
- Religion
- The Jezebel Spirit
- The Ahab Spirit
- Occultism
- Self-hatred
- Lovelessness
- Infirmary
- Abuse
- Rebellion
- Mammon
- Anger and Rage
- Belial
- Adultery
- Division
- Guilt

I recently had a specific deliverance session with a woman and during one of her court cases all the above-mentioned aspects had to be repented of. Due to her circumstances, she walked in severe guilt and considered herself as useless (*lower as the lowest in society*). She constantly accused herself



and believed that she would be better off dead than alive. During the court case the Lord revealed to her a name that was attached to the docket. She had never before heard that name and had difficulty pronouncing it. It was the name "**Belial**". The Lord revealed to her that a great grandmother of hers was involved in the deeds of Belial. The demon manifested as she repented of the worship of other gods, sex crimes with wicked sons of Eli, corruption, impurity, lies and worthlessness. This is the spirit of the antichrist itself! After her deliverance she immediately smiled and said: "***I feel different! Suddenly I feel happy and not so depressed anymore!***"

Saints, this is a real example of how believers are captive and by repentance can escape the snare of Satan!

Apply the following principles to receive deliverance:

- **Forgive** and speak free all those who harmed you, cheated on you, talked about you, betrayed you, etc.
- Give up the **resentment**. Luke 17:4 in the Amplified Classic Bible says to give up the resentment and consider the offense as recalled and annulled! This verse tells the believer to forgive a person 70 times 7 a day.
- The next step is to **Bless** your enemy!. How quick we are to rather curse! Adonai did not allow Balaam to curse His people and He will also not allow you to do so! Therefore, we have to release blessing over our enemies. This is a Biblical principle and those who violate it, will be in torment and kept in the snare of the devil.
- Once you caught the enemy, according to Proverbs 6, he must **restore** all he has stolen from you sevenfold (*Men do not despise a*



thief, if he steal To satisfy himself when he is hungry: ³¹ But if he be found, he shall restore sevenfold; He shall give all the substance of his house. Proverbs 6:31). Few believers apply this principle. Once you have indeed done that, do not stop there, but move on to the next level! Summon the forces of darkness to, if there is any delay in this pay-out, immediately release one, or ten or 100 million souls coming from the darkness to the light. Then **bind** the works and plans and schemes of Satan and render it nil and void.

- Only YHWH has all the facts and only He can be our Righteous Judge. Claiming **righteousness and justice** is the final declaration to be made for your heavenly blessings to be released!

When applying these principles you will experience an immediate response from your heavenly Father, who has all the power, might, authority, love and kindness to restore what has been stolen from His servants.



YOUR HANDS SHALL FINISH IT

Where Adonai gives us an assignment and we step into our calling, our hands shall finished it. He will back it up, but we have to walk in faith. Only faith can please God (Hebrews 11:6). It is easy to start with an assignment, but it is not so easy to finish it. Many eagerly start their ministries and step into their calling, but when the first mountain appears, they give up and quit. We have to learn to keep going, to persevere! Let us learn this lesson from Nehemiah and Zerubbabel, from David and Moses and from the Apostles. They all kept going, moving forward, walking by faith towards the victor's crown. The calling of God is irrevocable. He is faithful also to complete it. That is a promise of Adonai.

Feast upon HIS promises!

Provision is in the promises!

Let us not only lay down the foundation, but let us also lay down the capstone and the cornerstone. Adonai will always work out all your problems for His good. Expect great things from GOD!

- Mountains represent the obstacles that prevent God's will.
- The Capstone represents the completion of God's will. Capstones are stones forming the top of a building. It is the finishing touch or crowning achievement of something. A Capstone is also the top of a mountain.

When following Adonai's will while facing your giants, He will give you the capstone. He will give you the completion, the answer. He will indeed turn your problems into the answer!



THE CORNER- AND THE CAPSTONE

In our teaching “Laying Down the Foundation” we clearly indicated that Yahshua HaMashiach is indeed our cornerstone. There is much confusion in the Body of Christ regarding the nation of Israel and the Bride of Christ. Directly after His resurrection, Yahshua ascended to heaven to wave the first fruits offering before the father. Then He came back to His disciples and said; “Peace be unto you” (John 20:19).

Paul wrote to the Ephesians explaining this to them. It is a very deep Biblical truth and I believe what really happened before the Throne of the Father that day, is somehow a mystery! Yahshua said to his disciples that there is now peace between us and the Father. The act on the cross, the crucifixion, burial and resurrection was the final once and for all offer made to reconcile us all (Jews and non-Jews) to the father. There is now Shalom Peace for us! In Messiah we all find our reconciliation!

¹⁴ Our reconciling “**Peace**” is Jesus! He has made Jew and non-Jew one *in Christ*. *By dying as our sacrifice*, he has **broken down every wall of prejudice that separated us and has now made us equal through our union with Christ**. ¹⁵ Ethnic hatred has been dissolved by the crucifixion of his precious body on the cross. The legal code that stood condemning every one of us has now been repealed *by his command*. His triune essence has made peace between us by starting over—**forming one new race of humanity, Jews and non-Jews fused together in himself!**



¹⁶ Two have now become one, and we live restored to God and reconciled in the body of Christ. Through his crucifixion, hatred died. ¹⁷ For the Messiah has come to preach this sweet message of peace to you, the ones who were distant, and to those who are near. ¹⁸ And now, because we are united to Christ, we both have equal and direct access in the realm of the Holy Spirit to come before the Father!

¹⁹ So, you are not foreigners or guests, but rather you are the children of the city of the holy ones, with all the rights as family members of the household of God. ²⁰ *You are rising like the perfectly fitted stones of the temple;* and your lives have been built up together upon the foundation laid by the apostles and prophets, and best of all, you are connected to the Head Cornerstone of the building, the Anointed One, Jesus Christ himself!
Ephesians 2:14- 20 TPT

Saints, this is huge! Yehôvâh Elohim formed a new race of humanity for Himself! We are now all fused together in Him. Why are you debating and arguing whether you are a Jew or a Gentile or even part of Israel? It is not relevant any longer, my dearest, beloved reader! We are now a new race in Christ Jesus. Nationality, education and ethnicity make no difference at all!

*Lay aside your old Adam-self with its masquerade and disguise. For you have acquired new creation life which is continually being renewed into the likeness of the One who created you; giving you the full revelation of God. **In this new creation life, your nationality makes no difference, nor your ethnicity, education, nor economic status—they matter nothing.** For it*



is Christ that means everything as he lives in every one of us! You are always and dearly loved by God! So robe yourself with virtues of God, since you have been divinely chosen to be holy. Colossians 3:5-14 TPT

To fully grasp this we have to look into the meaning of Christ being the cornerstone and simultaneously the capstone.

Capstone or Cornerstone?

All the quotations from Psalm 118:22 used in Matthew 21:42, Mark 12:10, Luke 20:17 and Acts 4:11 refer to Yahshua. In all these quotations “**kefalyngōnias**” is used, meaning “**head of the corner**”. In Ephesians 2:20 Paul uses “**akrogōnaios**”, meaning a **capstone**. In the next verse Paul says that the whole building is “joined together” in Christ and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. This would then refer to a “**capstone**”.

Peter uses “**akrogōnaios**” (*capstone*) in 1 Peter 2:4 - 7 when he points out that God had chosen Jesus to be the “**living stone**”. In most translations this word is not translated as “**capstone**”, but as “**cornerstone**”. Yet in the next verse Peter uses the word “**kefalyngōnias**” meaning the “**head of the corner**”, which would refer to a “**cornerstone**”. Peter uses two different words in the same paragraph.

Let us look at the translation found in the English Standard Version: “As you come to him, **a living stone rejected by men** but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves **like living stones** are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in Scripture:



'Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious,
 and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.'
 So the honour is for you who believe, but for those who do not
 believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the
cornerstone,'"

The translators do not distinguish between these two different words Peter uses, and they translated both with "**cornerstone**". **Yet it seems as though Peter was referring to two different stones!** Let us then consider whether there were indeed different stones used in buildings at that time. What exactly is a capstone and a cornerstone?

Jesus, the chief cornerstone of our faith

Isaiah 28:16 talks about a tried stone. A tried stone is a fine grained stone used for carving statues. Stone is a solid non-metallic mineral matter of which rock is made. A piece of stone can be shaped for a specific purpose.

In every stone building, one specific stone is crucial. It is the one laid first and its purpose is to ensure that the building is square and stable. It is the rock upon which the weight of the entire structure rests. This is the cornerstone. Scripture describes Jesus as the "Chief Cornerstone" of our faith. As the Chief Cornerstone Jesus ensures the stability of the whole system of our salvation. Jesus was and is the only plan of salvation. Isaiah 28:16 says:



‘Therefore this says the Lord God: ‘Behold, I lay in Zion a stone for a foundation, a tried stone, a precious cornerstone, a sure foundation.’

Paul writes in 1 Corinthians 3:9a: "For we are God's fellow workers, you are God's field, you are God's building." Jesus, being the Chief Cornerstone of our faith, brings unity to the body of Christ.

"Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ being the Chief Cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple of the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit. As fellow citizens, we are part of the kingdom of God. And as members of God's household, all believers become one spiritual family; and as a holy temple, all believers together form a habitation for God." Ephesians 2:19-22

Peter says in 1 Peter 2:9-10: "But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; you are a child of the Most High God! Give Him praise!"

In Matthew 21:42 Jesus said unto them: *“Did you never read in the scriptures, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner: this is the Lord’s doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?”* (KJV).



The stone that the builders rejected has become the capstone. The New International Version speaks of a cornerstone.

*“The stone that the builders rejected has become the **cornerstone**;...”*

English Standard Version

This is a quotation from Psalm 118:22, which is also quoted in Acts 4:11.

“The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner. Or Capstone...” Psalm 118:22:

What stone is Jesus referring to?

Is Jesus a capstone, a corner stone or the head of the corner? The Hebrew word in Psalm 118:22 should be understood as referring to a **cornerstone**, from which all measurements and direction was taken for the erection of the whole building. But in Greek two different words are used when referring to a capstone and a cornerstone.

A Capstone

When an arch was built, whether as part of a building or as a stone bridge, a specific wedge stone was hewn slanting on both sides. It was used at the very highest top of the arch. **This stone had the function of joining together both sides of the arch, to become a unity.** This stone, as the central point of focus, was often decorated to honour some deity or important person. Without this stone, the two parts of the arch would tumble in. Both Paul and Peter say that Jesus is indeed this “**capstone**”.



A Cornerstone.

When a building was to be erected, a specific large stone was hewn to perfect measures and carefully put on the **corner of the building as part of the foundation**. All measures and direction was then taken from this stone to ensure that the building is built square and to the correct measures. In modern times this original purpose of a cornerstone is no longer used, but the word usually refers to a **large stone near the base of a building where two walls meet**, often giving information about the building and sometimes put in position during a ceremony.

Matthew 21:44 uses yet another word, “**lithon**” (stone) to refer to **Jesus**. It indicates Jesus as the stone that could be referred to as either a “**capstone**” or a “**cornerstone**”. *“And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.”* A person can fall on a cornerstone, but it is a capstone that can fall on someone, crushing him.

Jesus is the cornerstone from where we should take all our measures and direction. At the same time He is also the capstone that joins together what needs to be connected as a unity.

Interesting that Jesus is also called the **stumbling stone**. Psalm 118:22 calls Christ *“the stone which the builders rejected”*, describing the Jews’ own attempt to build their house, but omitting the stone, Jesus Christ. In Matthew 21:42-44 Jesus said to them: “Have you never read in the Scriptures: The stone which the builders rejected has become the Chief Cornerstone, this



was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?" Jesus came to His own, and instead of embracing Him, they stumbled over Him and ultimately nailed Him to the cross. Jesus is also called the **Smitten Stone**. In Exodus 17, we read of Moses striking a rock, which brought forth water. When Paul mentions this in 1 Corinthians 10:4 he interprets the passage prophetically:

"They drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them and that
Rock was Christ."

The smitten stone of Exodus becomes a picture of the smitten Christ, who became the fountainhead of blessing as His blood gushed forth on the cross and He became the Redeemer of the world.

In Acts 4:11, when Peter is addressing the Sanhedrin, he is actually telling them: "Let it be known to you all, and to all of the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom 'you' have crucified and whom God have raised from the dead, by Him this man stands here before you whole. This is the stone which was rejected by your builders, which has become the 'Chief Cornerstone.' Nor is there any salvation in any other, for there is no other name under the heaven given among men by which we must be saved."



FULFILLMENT OF HIS PROMISE

Our main scripture in Haggai indicates that the king is also set apart to fulfil the promise to complete the temple.

“When that day comes,’ says Adonai-Tzva’ot, ‘I will take you, Z’rubavel, my Servant, the son of Sh’alti’el,’ says Adonai, ‘and wear you like a signet ring; for I have chosen you,’ says Adonai-Tzva’ot.” Haggai 2:23 CJB

Let us remind ourselves of the meaning of this verse:

"The Lord says He will make Zerubbabel a seal. The kings of David are sometimes called seals (Jeremiah 22:24). This means that the king is endowed with **authority** as the authorized representative of the Lord. This is the sign that the Lord Himself reigns over the king and guarantees the **fulfillment of his promises**. This authority is now conferred to Zerubbabel, a descendant of David,: He is also now called the **servant** of the Lord, whom He has **chosen**. The two terms “servant” and “chosen” are also Davidic covenant terms indicating that the Lord **sets the king apart as the one through whom He works**.

In this way the people are comforted and assured that the **Lord will reign again** in Judah on the throne of David, through Zerubbabel.

Not by might, nor by power, but through the Holy Ghost your hands will complete it, because Adonai backs it up with His authority! This will happen



once you allow yourself to be a signet ring on the right hand of the Father. God is with you! ***“Fear thou not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed, for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.”*** (Isaiah 41:10 ASV)

Remember that you have a high calling. Now is the time to move ahead with confidence! Whenever you come to stand against giants in your life, know that you already have the victory! Let us not forget that Christ made a spectacle of all the powers and principalities of darkness, stripping away from them every weapon and all their spiritual authority and power to accuse us!

¹² For we’ve been buried with him into his death. Our “baptism into death” also means we were raised with him when we believed in God’s resurrection power, the power that raised him from death’s realm. ¹³ This “realm of death” describes our former state, for we were held in sin’s grasp. But now, we’ve been resurrected out of that “realm of death” never to return, for we are forever alive and forgiven of all our sins!

¹⁴ He canceled out every legal violation we had on our record and the old arrest warrant that stood to indict us. He erased it all—our sins, our stained soul—he deleted it all *and they cannot be retrieved!* Everything we once were in Adam has been placed onto his cross and nailed permanently there as a public display of cancellation.

¹⁵ Then Jesus made a public spectacle of all the powers and principalities of darkness, stripping away from them every weapon and all their spiritual authority and power to accuse us. And by the power of the cross, Jesus led



them around as prisoners in a procession of triumph. *He was not their prisoner; they were his!* Colossians 2:12-15 TPT

You are a descended of David, and he did not run away nor stop, but he bravely faced the giant, Goliath. Each and every calling will have it's mountains and giants trying to withhold you from reaching your goal.

Jesus encourages each of us:

- I called and appointed you! Do not be discouraged and don't get weary of doing good. In due time you will reap the reward.
- Don't forget the calling on your life. I began the work and I am committed to finish it!
- Whatever the obstacle or sin is, break free from it so that you can fulfil your calling!
- Don't let your life be characterised by mountains and problems. Let it be characterised by capstones. I called you to do something great!
- Rise up by my Spirit and finish the course of your life! The mountains shall be removed.
- I will fulfil the purposes of your life on earth.
- You will walk in victory and you will put the capstone on the fulfilled purposes that I have called you to do.
- You shall shout grace, grace, grace! By my Spirit it will happen!

Let us trim and light our lamps for the Bridegroom is coming! Remember the two olive trees with golden pipes that constantly feed the lampstand with oil. The Holy Spirit is now outpouring a continuous amount of oil. This is the anointing we need to complete our task.



Now is the time not only to light our own candles, but also to light one another's candles, where they have possibly went out.

Let us remember that Messiah is the “light of this world”.

I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in the darkness, but shall have the light of life. John 8:12 ASV

To be a signet ring on the right hand of YHWH is to let your light shine in this dark world!

“My beloved ones, just like you’ve always listened to everything I’ve taught you in the past, I’m asking you now to keep following my instructions as though I were right there with you. Now you must continue to make this new life fully manifested as you live in the holy awe of God—which brings you trembling into his presence. ¹³ God will continually revitalize you, implanting within you the passion to do what pleases him. Philippians 2:12-13 TPT

“Live a cheerful life, without complaining or division among yourselves. ¹⁵ For then you will be seen as innocent, faultless, and pure children of God, even though **you live in the midst of a brutal and perverse culture. For you will appear among them as shining lights in the universe,** ¹⁶ holding out the words of eternal life”. Philippians 2:14-16 TPT

In Adonai’s promises we find our provision!

When combining the information we have gathered so far, we can agree that the Lord wants to tell us the following:



- I have chosen you, my son, my daughter, as my servant to wear you like a signet ring on my right hand.”
- I have appointed you as my royal representative with authority on earth to rebuild my temple.
- From now on, since you have been chosen as a "signet", you will sit on the throne of David and rule with Me.
- I, Adonai-Tzva'ot, will cause a mutual destruction of political and military forces masterminded by Myself, not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit.'
- Every mountain shall become as plain! 'Who are you, O great mountain, before my son and daughter? You, My signet ring, shall bring forth the capstone with shouts of "Grace, grace to it!"'
- Your hands have laid the foundation of MY house; your hands shall also complete it!

When we know that God is helping us, we can boldly go on. God gave Moses an impossible task to fulfil, but with His help, any impossible task becomes an inevitable success!

Now go ahead and do as I tell you, for I will help you ...

Exodus 4:12

With God's help, you can accomplish more than you could ever have imagined”.

To be a signet ring is to set things in order, firstly in your own life, then in your household and family, continuing into your neighbourhood and region



and to the very end of the world. Let **us** not only raise up and appoint leaders in every city, but let us allow YHWH to appoint his apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers to nurture and to equip His flock.

“Each of these leaders must be above reproach, devoted solely to his wife and whose children are believers and not rebellious or out of control.” Titus 1:6

“There are many wayward people, smooth talkers, and deceivers, especially the converts from Judaism. They must be silenced because they are disrupting entire families with their corrupt teachings, all for their dishonest greed” (Titus 1:10-11).

(Paul distinguishes three types of people who will refute and argue with church leaders, namely rebels, empty talkers, and deceivers. The leaders must be faithful to the Scriptures in order to correct these people and set them in order.)

It is true that all is pure to those who have pure hearts, but to the corrupt unbelievers nothing is pure. Their minds and consciences are defiled. They claim to know God, but by their actions they deny Him. They are disgusting, disobedient, and disqualified from doing anything good (Titus 1:15-16). Your duty is to teach them to embrace a lifestyle that is consistent with sound doctrine (Titus 1:1 TPT).

“There can be no deeper truth and no sounder doctrine than the ‘Doctrine of Christ’, as Paul explains in his epistle to the Hebrews, Chapter 6, verses 1-3. This is also our base text and scripture for the laying down of the foundation of Adonai’s Temple”.



To be a signet ring is to know, to apply and to teach a sound doctrine.

You have to lead the leaders *into disciplined lives full of dignity and self-control. Urge them to have a solid faith, generous love, and patient endurance... free from gossip and drunkenness and to be teachers of beautiful things. They must teach the younger women to love their husbands, to love their children, and to be self-controlled and pure, taking care of their household and being devoted to their husbands (Titus 2:2-5 TPT)*

Above all, (my dearest signet rings), set yourself apart as a model of a life nobly lived. With dignity, demonstrate integrity in all that you teach. Bring a clear, wholesome message that cannot be condemned, and then your critics will be embarrassed, with nothing bad to say about you. My servants are to be supportive of their Master and do what is pleasing in every way. They are not to be argumentative and should not steal but prove themselves completely loyal and trustworthy. (By teaching them this lifestyle) they will advertise, through all that they do the beautiful teachings of God our Savior (Titus 2:7-9 TPT). God's marvelous grace has manifested in person, bringing salvation for everyone. This same grace teaches us now how to live each day as we turn our backs on ungodliness and indulgent lifestyles and it equips us to live self-controlled, upright, godly lives in this present age (1 Titus 2:12 TPT). He sacrificed Himself for us, that He might purchase our freedom from every lawless deed and to purify for Himself people who are His very own, passionate to do what is beautiful in His eyes (1 Titus 2:14 TPT).



So preach these truths and exhort others to follow them. Be willing to expose sin in order to bring correction with full authority, without being intimidated by anyone. Titus 2:15 TPT

Remind (*my people*) to never tear down anyone with their words or with quarrels, but instead to be considerate, humble, and courteous to everyone. For it wasn't that long ago that you also behaved foolishly in your stubborn disobedience. We were easily lead astray as slaves to worldly passions and pleasures. We wasted our lives by doing evil, and with hateful jealousy towards each other. Remember that I saved you, resurrected you through the washing of rebirth. You have been made completely new by the Holy Spirit whom He splashed over you richly by Yahshua HaMashiach, your Life Giver. So, as a gift of His love, and since all believers are considered faultless and innocent before His face, we can now become heirs of all things, all because of an overflowing hope of eternal life. I want you to especially emphasize these truths, so that those who believe in God will be careful to devote themselves doing good works. It is always beautiful and profitable for believers to do good works (Titus 3:2-8).

But avoid useless controversies, genealogies, pointless quarrels, and arguments over the law, which will get you nowhere. ¹⁰ After a first and second warning, have nothing more to do with a divisive person who refuses to be corrected. ¹¹ For you know that such a one is entwined with his sin and stands self-condemned. Titus 3:9-11 TPT

To have a right-living life we first need a right-believing system. It is this Gospel of the Good News and of Grace that actually trains us to live right. As we turn our backs on ungodliness and indulgent lifestyles every day, it equips us to live self-controlled, upright, godly lives in this present age.



Therefore, I believe we need godly leaders who are of sound character and judgment to teach these Biblical truths. They are to set an example for the rest of the community of believers of how to live the truth of the gospel through godly living. They are also to firmly grasp the gospel message taught to them in order to teach other believers the essential truths of faith and how to respond to false teachings. Right living will always accompany right doctrine. Good words will flow from a solid understanding of God's Word and understanding of truth will bring a demonstration of purity through our lives. It is these right beliefs that should impact every area of our lives: family, relationships, work, and community.

“For God in heaven unveils his holy anger breaking forth against every form of sin, both toward ungodliness that lives in hearts and evil actions. For the wickedness of humanity deliberately smothers the truth and keeps people from acknowledging the truth about God. ¹⁹ In reality, the truth of God is known instinctively, for God has embedded this knowledge inside every human heart. ²⁰ Opposition to truth cannot be excused on the basis of ignorance, because from the creation of the world, the invisible qualities of God's nature have been made visible, such as his eternal power and transcendence. He has made his wonderful attributes easily perceived, for seeing the visible makes us understand the invisible. So then, this leaves everyone without excuse” (Romans 1:18-20 TPT).

The scriptures and instructions that God gave me came from the heart of the Lord and not from my imagination or own desires. The Lord has confirmed, through various members of His body, that we need to move forward and lay down the foundation of His temple. Being a signet ring for Him is essential in order to lay down a solid foundation.



SET APART

Yahshua sets you apart as His royal representative through whom He can accomplish His work.

“When that day comes,’ says Adonai-Tzva’ot, ‘I will take you, Z’rubavel, my Servant, the son of Sh’alti’el,’ says Adonai, ‘and wear you like a signet ring; for I have chosen you,’ says Adonai-Tzva’ot.” Haggai 2:23 CJB

You are set apart by Yahshua HaMashiach. He put you in right standing with Himself and even shared His glory with you. The way Paul declares it in Romans is profound, especially the part that says: “In view of all this, what can we say? If God is for us, who can be against us?”

Your hand shall indeed complete the assignment!

³⁰ And so those whom God set apart, he called; and those he called, he put right with himself, and he shared his glory with them. ³¹ In view of all this, what can we say? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² Certainly not God, who did not even keep back his own Son, but offered him for us all! He gave us his Son - will he not also freely give us all things? ³³ Who will accuse God's chosen people? God himself declares them not guilty! ³⁴ Who, then, will condemn them? Not Christ Jesus, who died, or rather, who was raised to life and is at the right side of God, pleading with him for us! ³⁵ Who, then, can separate us from the love of Christ? Can trouble do it, or hardship or persecution or hunger or poverty or danger or death? ³⁶ As the scripture



says, "For your sake we are in danger of death at all times; we are treated like sheep that are going to be slaughtered."

³⁷ No, in all these things we have complete victory through him who loved us! ³⁸ For I am certain that nothing can separate us from his love: neither death nor life, neither angels nor other heavenly rulers or powers, neither the present nor the future, ³⁹ neither the world above nor the world below - there is nothing in all creation that will ever be able to separate us from the love of God which is ours through Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:30-39 GNT

Notice that Adonai-Tzva'ot wears you like a signet ring. This ring is nothing but an instrument in His hands, which He actively uses for His purpose. It is important for us, as believers, to realize that we have no value apart from the King! Humanity cannot bear fruit!

Andrew Murray once asked: "*Who is to be blamed when there is not fruit?*"

The answer to this question is: "**Christ alone.**"

How is that possible?

In the book, "*The Blood Study Guide: Experience the Power to Transform You (pp. 165-167). Charisma House. Kindle Edition*", Benny Hinn wrote:

"It is not our strength that produces life, but His. Just before the crucifixion, Jesus had a meal with His disciples and gave them one of the greatest lessons found in the Gospels. He told them that they were not the vine and they were not the fruit, but they were the branches. We are an outlet for God's power, not the power itself.



Jesus said: ***“I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit”.***

You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.

John 15:1–5

God’s purpose as the “vinedresser”, is to keep the vine clean. The pruning of sin is not the result of our effort, but of His. All we are required to do, is to surrender. **Some Christians are struggling to bear fruit, but no branch has the power to make that happen. Jesus said: “You don’t bear the fruit. I do. But I give you the privilege of carrying it. The fruit is Mine. The vine is Mine. The branch is simply hooked onto Me. That’s all.”**

Someone once asked me: “If God is doing all the work, then what is my job?” “To hang on!” I replied. The vine supplies life to the branches, and the branches have the privilege of carrying the fruit.

In effect, our job is to become “fruit carriers.”

Take a close look at what exactly is attached to the branch. It is the fruit of the Holy Spirit, not of the flesh!



We become the channel through which love, joy, peace, and all the other spiritual fruit are given to the world (Galatians 5:22–23). What is the result of our branch-vine relationship? When we understand this concept and make the Lord the source of our lives, He answers our prayers.

Jesus said: “If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you (John 15:7).

Never forget that Jesus said: “***Without Me you can do nothing***” (John 15:5). This is true before, during, and after salvation. The vine is strong and the branch is weak, but branches are what God uses to deliver His fruit to the world.

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QUALIFICATIONS FOR THOSE WHO DESIRE TO BE SIGNET RINGS

I have discovered that certain characteristics and aspects must burn from our inner most being in order for us to be a signet ring on the right hand of the Father.

Paul wrote to Timothy and reminded him to stir up the gift of God, which was in him by the laying on of Paul’s hands. In essence (*for this purpose and in the context of this teaching*) it meant that Timothy needed to stir up the fire within him to be His signet ring.



The word “*stir up*” is the Greek “*anadzopureo*”, which means to be enthusiastic, fervent, passionate, vigorous, to do something wholeheartedly or zealously; to rekindle or to stir back to life again! Do whatever you need to do to stir up the fire within you so that the Master can use you as His signet ring!

Qualifications

1. God’s Word

In the first part of “Laying down the Foundation” we fully discussed the importance of God’s Word as a personal foundation in our lives. It cannot be denied that the Word of God is the highest authority and it cannot be broken (John 10:35). There is no treasure in this world that can replace the sweet words of the Lord:

“The rarest treasures of life are found in his truth. That’s why God’s Word is prized like others prize the finest gold. Sweeter also than honey are his living words— sweet words dripping from the honeycomb!” Psalms 19:10 TPT

It is the Word of God that sanctifies and purifies our lives, as Job testified:

¹⁰ But He knows the way that I take [He has concern for it, appreciates, and pays attention to it]. When He has tried me, I shall come forth as refined gold [pure and luminous]. ¹¹ **My foot has held fast to His steps; His ways have I kept and not turned aside.** ¹² **I have not gone back from the commandment of His lips; I have esteemed and treasured the words of His mouth more than my necessary food.** ¹³ But He is unchangeable, and



who can turn Him? And what He wants to do, that He does. Job 12:10-13

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Job treasured the Word of God more than the necessary food his physical body needed to survive!

“The Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart”. Hebrews 4:12 KJV

When we study the written Word of God it will quickly determine our heart's intentions. It pierces very deeply into our spirit and soul in order to start the process of sanctification. We need to be sanctified to be restored, as each person is born from a corruptible seed. The Word heals us (Psalm 107:20; Jeremiah 30:17), it makes us whole and holy again. Adonai commanded us to be holy, as He is holy (1 Peter 1:16).

Thus we can say:

- The Word of God is alive and powerful.
- Only the Word of God can penetrate the soul and spirit, the thoughts, and the heart.
- It discerns our hearts and analyses us to bring us unto holiness.

The Word of God is both like a fire and a hammer that breaks a rock into pieces. My dear friend, the Word of God can break the hardest heart into pieces and replace it with a new and kind heart of flesh!



“I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.” Ezekiel 36:26.

Is not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces? Jeremiah 23:29 KJV

Many mistake the Bible for just another book, but it is a book that holds the very presence, the power and the fire of Yehôvâh Elohim! The Word of God drives out darkness, it provides illumination, it burns away the chaff and it brings fire to people’s hearts to lit them up. We need to eat this Word until we are satisfied. Jeremiah said that His Word was in his heart as a burning fire, shut up in his bones (Jeremiah 20:9). We need this Word of God to put us on fire in order to be a signet ring on the right hand of the Father to restore His temple.

After Yahshua’s resurrection He walked with two people on the road to Emmaus. He spoke to them about Moses and all the prophets. “He expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning Himself”. (Luke 24:27) *Because of this their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight. And they said one to another, Did not our heart **burn** within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?* (Luke 24:31-32 KJV).

The Scripture and Spiritual Fire are connected!

The word “**burn**” (Gr. *kaio*) means: to ignite, to be set on fire, or even to be consumed with fire. Rick Renner’s personal translation of this verse is:



- “Did not our hearts feel ignited within us as He spoke the scriptures to us?”
- “Did not our hearts feel set on fire within us as He spoke the scriptures to us?”
- “Did not our hearts burn within us as He spoke the scriptures to us?”
- “Did not our hearts feel consumed with a burning blaze within us as He spoke the scriptures to us?”

Yahshua opened the scriptures to these two disciples and as a result their hearts were set on fire! This is because the Bible is fuel and divine fire! When you consume the Word, it ignites you!

You cannot be a signet ring if you are not consumed by the Word of God, which sets you on fire! This fiery Word of God will have the following effect on you:

- As fire brings warmth, God’s Word brings us warmth and comfort in times of difficulty.
- As fire can transform the appearance of an area, God’s Word transforms us by the Spirit. It transforms the heart, will, mind, thoughts, the emotions, all of our humanity! This transformation leads to the end of our faith, even the salvation of the soul (1 Peter 1:9).
- As fire has melting power, so can God’s Word melt any heart, as fire will melt the rock of stone (Jeremiah 23:29).
- As fire in the natural world destroys garbage, God’s Word burns debris from our lives.



- As fire is a purifier, God’s Word will purify our souls and cleanse us. Paul wrote to the Ephesians: “For he died for us, sacrificing himself²⁶ to make us holy and pure, cleansing us through the showering of the pure water of the Word of God.²⁷ All that he does in us is designed to make us a *mature church for his pleasure*, until we become a source of praise to him—glorious and radiant, beautiful and holy, without fault or flaw (Ephesians 5:25-27 TPT).

Yahshua Himself said: “Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you John. 15:3.

- As fire is a source of illumination, God’s Word will illuminate our lives. “Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path” Psalm 119:105.
- As fire empowers engines to operate, God’s Word empowers those who believe it. The Word of God brings physical, emotional and spiritual strength: “Strengthen thou me according unto thy word” (Psalm 119:28).

Loving the Word of God is the most important aspect to qualify you as a signet ring on the Father’s right hand to complete the Temple. Without a sincere love for the Word of God, you will be empty and lost without any strong foundation to stand upon.

2. Love for Souls

We cannot be signet rings, unless we have a love for souls. Too many believers are constantly being critical and sceptical, looking down on one



another and reluctant to help others. If we do not yet embrace the broken souls around us, we seriously need a change of heart in order to be a true signet ring for Yehôvâh Elohim!

Yahshua Himself gave the great commission:

And Jesus came to them and spake unto them, saying, All authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: ²⁰ teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

Matthews 28:18-20 ASV

Yahshua was urging His disciples to keep going! His command was not a once off event or outreach. They had to continue until the Messiah comes back again. The great commission must become a life style.

He promised that He will be with us during this mission until the end of the world. Notice the “**lo**”, the steadfast promise that He will be with those who are willing to GO! Those who go will experience Yahshua HaMashiach’s amazing presence. Do you want to trigger the promise and the power of Yehôvâh Elohim? Then you need to GO!

His presence will be demonstrated in the life of every believer and every ministry that is willing to GO!



I encourage each believer to set yourself available as a signet ring on the right hand of the Father to labour in the field, to share and witness of the Gospel or to, at least, fund those who do so.

William Booth wrote:

“Most Christian ministries would like to send their recruits to Bible college for five years. I would like to send our recruits to hell for five minutes. That would do more than anything else to prepare them for a lifetime of compassionate ministry”.

Unless we have a true love for souls, we would not be willing to sacrifice ourselves to save lost souls from hell. Jesus spoke about hell three times more than about heaven. My friend, hell is a real place, whether people believe it or not! It is such a reality that the Father sent His son to earth to give humanity an escape route out of hell. Why did Yahshua die on the cross? It was for the forgiveness of sins, so that the human race will be prevented from going to hell, which is satan’s domain.

3. Fear of the Lord

Those who are a signet ring on the right hand of the Father walk in the fear of the Lord!

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter. Fear God, and keep His commandments. For this is the whole duty of man. ¹⁴ For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it is good, or whether evil. Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 MKJV



Adonai repeated over 300 times in Scripture that we should “fear the Lord”. There are even promises in Scriptures for those who fear the Lord.

They will:

- be greatly blessed – Psalm 112:1
- find Him to be their help and shield of protection - Psalm 115:11
- have confidence, find a place of refuge and will have a foundation of life – Proverbs 14:26-27
- experience riches, honor and life – Proverbs 22:4

The Lord will take pleasure in those who fear him. Psalm 147:10- 11

“When you fear God, you fear nothing else, whereas if you do not fear God, you fear everything else” – J Oswald Chambers

Most believers struggle with the question of what the “**fear of the Lord**” actually means? Fear of the Lord does not mean we have to be afraid of Him. It refers to a specific sense of respect, awe and submission to a deity.

People subscribing to popular monotheistic religions might fear divine judgment, hell or God's omnipotence. In the New Testament, this fear is described by using the Greek word phobos, (“**fear/horror**”), except in 1 Timothy 2:10, where Paul describes gynaixin epangellomenais theosebeian as “**women professing the fear of God**”, using the word **theosebeia**. The term can mean fear of God's judgment. However, from a theological perspective “**fear of the Lord**” encompasses more than simple fear.



Robert B. Strimple says:

"There is the convergence of awe, reverence, adoration, honor, worship, confidence, thankfulness, love, and, yes, fear."

In the Magnificat (Luke 1:50) Mary declaims: "His mercy is from age to age to those who fear him." The Parable of the Unjust Judge (Luke 18:1-8) finds Jesus describing the judge as one who "...neither feared God nor cared for man." Some translations of the Bible, such as the New International Version, sometimes replace the word "fear" with "reverence" [citation needed].

The fear of the Lord, the gift of the Holy Spirit, doesn't mean being afraid of God, since we know that God is our Father who always loves and forgives us,...[It] is no servile fear, but rather a joyful awareness of God's grandeur and a grateful realization that only in him do our hearts find true peace."

In Proverbs 15:33 the fear of the Lord is described as the "discipline" or "instruction" of wisdom. This gift "fills us with a sovereign respect for God, and makes us dread, above all things, to offend Him." This fear of the Lord is described by C. S. Lewis as "*filled with awe*", in which you "*feel wonder and a certain shrinking*" or "a sense of inadequacy to cope with such a visitant and our prostration before it". It is a fear that comes forth out of love for the Lord.

But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; ¹⁶ because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy." ¹⁷ And if you call on the Father, who without respect of persons judges



*according to the work of each one, pass the time of your earthly residence in **fear**, 1 Peter 1:15-17 KJV*

The phrase “in all manner of conversation” in Greek is “**anastrophe**” and it depicts lifestyle; a person’s rising up and sitting down; it pictures how a person conducts life and how he behaves in every situation; a person’s total conduct – rising up, sitting down, going in, going out; a total picture of one’s life and behaviour.

David wrote in Psalm 34 that the Lord wants to teach us the fear of the Lord!

Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of
the LORD. Psalm 34:11 KJV

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom and the knowledge of the holy is understanding – Proverbs 9:10.

‘When men no longer fear God, they transgress His laws without hesitation.’ – A.W. Tozer

In Acts 5 we find an example of two people who did not fear the Lord. *Ananias, with Sapphira, his wife, sold a possession, and kept back of the price, his wife also being privy to it, and brought a certain part and laid it at the apostles’ feet (Acts 5:1-2).* There was nothing wrong with keeping a part of it back for themselves. After all it was their land and they could decide about it as they wished. The problem was that they lied to the Holy Ghost. They mishandled the power of God and operated in impure motives. When Peter exposed their mishandling and impure motives both of them fell dead. Great fear came on all of them when they saw it (Acts 5:5).



That is the kind of fear and respect we need to show for Yehôvâh Elohim.

Notice that the very same power that struck Ananias and Sapphira also healed the sick and raised the dead in Acts 5.

“And great ***fear came upon all the church***, and upon as many as heard these things. ¹² And by the hands of the apostles were many **signs and wonders wrought among the people**; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch. ¹³ And of the rest durst no man join himself to them: but the people magnified them. ¹⁴ And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women.) ¹⁵ Insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them. ¹⁶ **There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one.** Acts 5:11-16 KJV

Where there is a healthy fear of the Lord, there is also an influx of the power, and spiritual fire of the Lord! That power, when handled with due respect, will release blessing and fire, but when used incorrectly, as Ananias and Sapphira did, can cost us our lives. When we become so at ease with Him, not having much respect left, the power of the Lord diminishes in our lives.

4. Humility

The Lord has recently dealt with me again regarding a humble heart, as already explained under my testimony shared with you previously. When you



walk in Biblical humility, Adonai is attracted to it and His power and fire will flow through you.

To be a signet ring on the right hand of the Father, we need to humble ourselves and walk in humility.

Biblical humility is not to think little of yourself. It does not mean that you have no right to speak or act. That is in fact a false humility and the work of the flesh.

The opposite of humility is pride. Whenever any unhealthy pride manifests in our lives, God will stand against us. This is a warning to all! I have already learned this lesson well in my own life. ***“Pride goes before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall”*** (Proverbs 16:18 KJV). Every person who operates in pride will eventually be eliminated by Adonai. Lucifer was the first to rebel and walk in pride. This pride was the cause for his fall. Today, we as Gentiles, are all born with the spirit of pride. Pride was the first sin that entered humanity in the Garden of Eden and it is the last sin that will be cast out. We all are familiar with Jeremiah 29, where the Lord announced that He knows the plans He has for us, that it is not evil, but a future and hope.

¹¹ For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. Jerimiah 29:11 KJV

Few are, however, aware of the previous verse. It refers back to Israel's 70 years of captivity. Because of Israel's pride and rebellion, Adonai stepped in to prevent their complete destruction. He rather put them



into captivity, forbidding their destruction, so that He could still execute His good plans for them.

For thus saith the LORD, That after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place. Jerimiah 29:10 KJV

Now, God can say: “For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end (Jerimiah 29:11 KJV).

James wrote to believers and said: “Therefore He says, God resists the proud, but He gives grace to the humble” (James 4:6 MKJV).

“**Resist**” is “**antitasso**” in Greek and is a military term that depicts the orderly arrangement of troops to successively wage combat against the non-compliant, those who do not react on an order given. It is a deliberate, premeditated arrangement of military might to crush an enemy; a well-planned, prepared resistance; to stand against; to set oneself against; to resist. God will arrange His troops against the non-compliant. He will arrange a military might to crush, to stand and to set Himself against and to resist the proud.

It means that GOD WILL stop you if you operate in pride! Why?

Because according to scripture destruction follows the proud and He loves you so much that He would rather eliminate you temporarily, as He did when He send Israel into captivity, than to see you being destructed. The word **proud** in Greek is “**huperephanos**” and is formed by combining two words, namely “**huper**” and “**phanos**”. The word “**huper**” depicts something that is



above or superior and “*phanos*” means to be manifested. When compounded it paints a picture of a person who sees himself as above the rest of the crowd, one who has an arrogant, haughty, high-and-mighty, and insolent attitude; one who thinks he is intellectually advantaged above others.

When someone has that attitude of “*huperephanos*”, Adonai will immediately step in and deal with it. You will be eliminated. That is why we need to learn to identify pride in our own lives, however subtle it may be, so that we can deal with it.

In the Booklet “Hidden Sin” I fully discuss the topic of pride. I want to encourage you to study it and to deal with the root of pride. On the 28th of November 2016 Adonai dealt with my own hidden sin. During that night the Lord showed me a peacock. In the vision, I laughed and said to the Lord that I knew that a peacock represents pride. He did not say anything. At that stage I could not identify pride in my own life. The next morning God convinced me of my own pride and I made an in-depth study on the subject. I then wrote the booklet that Berashith Ministry is still using for preparation work when believers come for their deliverance. If there is any pride in your life, you just might have to stop with whatever you are doing and repent. You will not move forward until the Holy Spirit has dealt with your pride.



Pride is the root of all sin!

- **Pride is the most serious and at the same time the most subtle sin.**
- It is often not even discerned and recognized.
- Pride is the root of *all* sin. It causes us to turn away from God instead of turning towards Him.
- **All disobedience has pride as its root.**
- **All rebellion has pride behind it.**
- All mistreatment and disrespect of other people is caused by pride. The prideful person puts his own self, needs and feelings above those of other people.

Definition of Pride, which is also Arrogance

- Arrogant: exaggerating or disposed to exaggerate one's **own worth or importance** in an overbearing manner.
- Arrogance: a feeling of superiority manifested in an overbearing manner or presumptuous claims.
- Pride: inordinate **self-esteem, conceit.**

Synonyms: **arrogant**, haughty, **overbearing**, disdainful, showing or feeling superiority toward others.



GOD HATES PRIDE

- Pride was the first sin to destroy the tranquillity of eternity.
- It was because of pride that Lucifer was cast from heaven. It was pride that cost our first parents their place in Paradise.
- Pride is the **first sin to enter a man's heart** and the last to leave.
- No sin is more offensive to God than the sin of pride.
- Pride has been referred to as the "**complete anti-God state of mind.**"
- It militates against God's authority, God's law, and God's rule.
- This is why the Bible equates rebellion with witchcraft (1 Samuel 15:23).
- Pride assaults God's throne and asserts its independence in an attempt to dislodge it.

God is the Sovereign Ruler of the universe. God hates pride, because He loves people. Pride prevents people from receiving help from God.

"The fear of the Lord is to hate evil; pride and arrogance and the evil way and the perverse mouth I hate." Proverbs 8:13 NKJ

"The Lord God has sworn by Himself, the Lord God of hosts says:
"I abhor the pride of Jacob, and hate his palaces; therefore I will deliver up the city and all that is in it." Amos 6:8 NKJ



Humility is the foundation of all virtue, but pride is the essence of all sin.

- The world system operates on the basis of **pride, for all that is in the world is lust and pride** (1 John 2:16).
- Pride and lust are root sins from which all other sins spring.
- Pride is the mother of evil.
- God detests (*hekel*) pride. He even hates a proud look (Prov. 6:16- 17).
- God’s loathing of pride is unalterable.
- “Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD” (Proverbs 16:5).

Good news is revealed to us in the rest of James 4:6.

“Therefore He says, God resists the proud, but ***He gives grace to the humble***” James 4:6 MKJV

Many mistake humbleness for weakness, but this is far from the truth. Biblical humility is the Greek word “***tapeinos***” and it means one who has become humble; to reduce one’s self-importance; to make small; to minimize oneself; to be willing to stoop to any measure that is needed. It describes a person who becomes humble. One who once was arrogant, operating under the spirit of pride, but Adonai dealt with that person and the person then became humble. The person then descends from that haughty position to be conformed to new, humble behaviour, as Adonai expects of him. Paul warns the believer not to estimate himself more highly than he ought to.



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. Romans 12:3 AMPC

The word “**more highly**” is the Greek word “**huperphroneo**” and it is a compound of the two words “*huper*” and “*phroneo*”. **Huper** means over, above, or beyond and the word **phroneo** means to think; to think of oneself more highly than he ought to think; to have an exaggerated opinion of one’s own importance.

When we walk in humility, we attract Adonai and His power. He sees us useable and puts us on His right hand as a signet ring to complete the building for His purposes. Just like a magnate attracts a piece of metal, humility attracts grace. This is profound!

Remember, to be a signet ring on the right hand of the Father is not about the ring. The ring is only the instrument to be used for His purpose. Carefully read and meditate on Paul’s prayers in Ephesians 3 when he wrote:

May He grant you out of the rich treasury of His glory to be strengthened and reinforced with mighty power in the inner man by the [Holy] Spirit [Himself indwelling your innermost being and personality].¹⁷ May Christ through your faith [actually] dwell (settle down, abide, make His permanent home) in your hearts! May you be rooted deep in love and founded securely on love,¹⁸ That you may have the power and be strong to apprehend and grasp with all the saints [God’s devoted people, the experience of that love] what is the breadth



and length and height and depth [of it]; ¹⁹ [That you may really come] to know [practically, through experience for yourselves] the love of Christ, which far surpasses mere knowledge [without experience]; that you may be filled [through all your being] [g]unto all the fullness of God [may have the richest measure of the divine Presence, and become a body wholly filled and flooded with God Himself]! Ephesians 3:16-19 AMPC

Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]—²¹ To Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations forever and ever. Amen (so be it). Ephesians 3:16-21 AMPC

When we get rid of the pride in our lives, Adonai gives us grace.

Grace in Greek is “**charis**”. In ancient Greece, a touch of the gods resulted in favor or grace; empowering touch; empowering presence, always demonstrating itself with a visible manifestation; a power that changes individuals; a power that enables one to do what he previously could not do.

Grace is Adonai’s supernatural touch of empowerment!

When we walk in Biblical humility, God says that He is going to get involved in our lives! Grace will follow and Adonai will give us power, fire and His presence. But, He will stand against the proud.



**Adonai will use those who are truly humble as His signet ring
on the right hand of the Father.**

For so says the high and lofty One who inhabits eternity; whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, even with the contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones. ¹⁶ For I will not contend forever, nor will I be always angry; for the spirit should fail before Me, and the souls I have made. ¹⁷ For the iniquity of his covetousness I was angry and struck him; I hid Myself, and was angry, and he went on turning away in the way of his heart. ¹⁸ I have seen his ways, and will heal him. I will also lead him, and restore comforts to him and to his mourners. ¹⁹ I create the fruit of the lips; peace, peace, to him far off, and to him near, says Jehovah; and I will heal him. ²⁰ But the wicked are like the troubled sea, which cannot rest, and its waters cast up mire and dirt. ²¹ There is no peace, says my God, to the wicked. Isa 57:15-21 MKJV

In conclusion, pride will eliminate you, but humility will promote you to being used as a signet ring on the right hand of the Father!

5. Holiness

Adonai commanded us to be holy: "**Be holy, for I am holy**" (1 Peter 1:16). *'God will it, Christ requires it, and all the Scriptures – the law, the gospel, the prophets, the wisdom writings, the epistles, the history books that tell of judgments of the past and the book of Revelation that tells of judgment to come – call for it'* (J.I. packer). The more we walk in holiness the more the Holy Spirit is visible in our lives. Just as Adonai will come down to the humble hearted, likewise will the Holy Spirit come and abide in those who walk in holiness.



Holiness in Greek is “**hagios**” and means separated, consecrated, holy, and sacred, never again to be regarded or used in a common way. Anything “holy” is in a category that is separate and sacred from other things. The “Holy” Bible is an example. The word “Bible” merely means a book. By adding the word “Holy” to Bible it immediately separates this book from all other books in the world. This book cannot be compared to any other book! It is holy, true and separated from all other books. This is the only book written under the influence of the Holy Ghost, although it was written by many different human authors. They were only the instruments in Yehôvâh Elohim’s hands! The Holy Bible was written over a period of hundreds of years and it still lasts. It could not be destroyed, nor did it disappear from earth, no matter how hard satan has been trying to destroy this deep message!

The word “**hagios**” in the Old Testament was used when Moses approached the burning bush. Adonai spoke from the fire and said: “*Do not come near here. Pull off your sandals from your feet, for the place on which you stand is holy ground*” (Exodus 3:5 MKJV). That place where Moses stood, looked similar to the surrounding area, but it was Adonai’s presence that separated it from the rest! God said that because of His presence, that ground was holy. This is profound, because it means that we are also holy, because of His presence!

Let us meditate on what Paul wrote to the Ephesians: ‘*May He grant you out of the rich treasury of His glory to be strengthened and reinforced with mighty power in the inner man by the [Holy] Spirit [Himself indwelling your innermost being and personality].*’¹⁷ *May Christ through your faith*



[actually] dwell (settle down, abide, make His permanent home) in your hearts! May you be rooted deep in love and founded securely on love'
(Ephesians 3:16-17).

Paul prayed that the Holy Spirit Himself would dwell in our innermost being and in our personality, to settle down and make His permanent home within us. When that happens we become holy. We are set apart for His special use and become His signet ring on His right hand! Even though all of us also look similar to an extent, we are put in a category of a supernatural race, because of His presence!

His triune essence has made peace between us by starting over—forming one new race of humanity, Jews and non-Jews fused together in himself! Ephesians 2:15b

God's presence on that mountain where Moses stood, separated the mountain, set it apart into a holy category, set parameters around it and His presence changed the status of that mountain! The mountain changed and was no longer in the same category than the surrounding mountains. It became a different mountain, distinguished from the rest and was called the "**holy**" mountain.

Likewise, when Adonai comes to settle down and dwell permanently in your inner most being, your status changes and you are no longer associated with the unbelievers and for that matter with the human race. You become a new creation man – a new human race! Paul confirms this in Ephesians 2:15, as noted above.



Paul wrote to the Romans saying: *'to all those who are in Rome, beloved of God, called to be **saints**^{G40}. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ'* (Romans 1:7 MKJV).

The word "**saints**" is G40 in the Strong's and means "**hagios**".

G40 (Strong)

ἅγιος

hagios

hag'-ee-os

From ἅγιος hagios (an awful thing) compare G53, [H2282]; sacred (physically pure, morally blameless or religious, ceremonially consecrated): - (most) holy (one, thing), saint.

We are called to be holy!

Once that transformation takes place, we are holy ground and ready to be His signet ring!

Let us remind ourselves that it was Adonai-Tzva'ot who brought us out of Egypt (referring to our bondage and slavery of sin). We too were once part of the unrighteous, the deceivers, fornicators, idolaters, adulterers, abusers and homosexuals, thieves, covetous, drunkards, reviles and extortioners (1 Corinthians 6:9-10).

But now you are washed, but you are sanctified, but you are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God. 1 Corinthians 6:11



Notice that we are washed from our previous old fleshly life by the Holy Spirit. It is the work of the Holy Spirit, so that no man can boast. It is not about us and our own self-efforts. We cannot do anything to become holy!

*For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should **abstain** from fornication* (1 Thessalonians 4:3). The word “sanctification” also comes from the root word “**hagios**”, which is the root word for holy; in this case it is translated as “sanctification”, which depicts us living differently from the rest of the world and living in a state of holiness in our daily lives.

Paul gives us a command to “**abstain**”. This is the Greek word “**apecho**” and it means to withdraw from; to stay away from; to put distance between oneself and something else; to deliberately or intentionally refrain from something; to put physical distance between oneself and another person, place or thing.

The RIV translated it as:

“Put space between you and any kind of temptation you are facing. You must build a barrier between yourself and temptations so that it is impossible for you to cross the barrier and do what is inappropriate for a holy person to do.”

RIV – Rick Renner Version

Saints, let us learn how to handle our bodies, which are now vessels for the Holy Spirit to dwell in. We have to pay a price to be holy. Don't defile your



bodies with all the rubbish the world offers. Be very cautious of your emotions, of what you listen to, look at and speak. Those are the areas of your soul where satan attacks. We can so easily be influenced by worldly desires.

*Let us sacrifice ourselves completely to God, since we have been given a new life! And use your **whole body as a tool to do what is right** for the glory of God (Romans 6:13 NLT).*

***‘We have largely lost sight of the holiness and purity of God today.
This is one reason why we tolerate sin so easily’.***

Billy Graham

6. Generosity

Generosity is an important requirement to be a signet ring on the right hand of the Father. If we are not generous, then we are stingy, unkind, greedy and self-seeking. The law of the kingdom is: What you sow, is what you reap.

Paul further explains: *“But I say this, He who sows sparingly shall also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully shall also reap bountifully. ⁷ Each one, as he purposes in his heart, let him give; not of grief, or of necessity, for God loves a cheerful giver” (2 Corinthians 9:7 MKJV).*

Generosity is not merely about giving, but also about the attitude of the heart. God loves a cheerful giver!

‘You can give without loving, but you cannot love without giving’

Amy Carmichael



What a statement to make! When “**agape**” love has been deposited within your innermost being, generosity will flow. The measure of your generosity indicates the amount of love you have.

I have made an observation that those who have much in life tend to give less. When Yahshua stood in the temple, watching the widow who gave her only and last penny, He said: “*Truly I say to you that this poor widow has put in more than all.*” (Luke 21:3). It is all about percentage

When the poor and the rich give the same amount, who is then generous and who is stingy?

When we love someone, we would want to bless them. “For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also” (Matthew 6:21). Therefore, Saints, it is not difficult to see what it is in life that a person loves. Just follow the flow of their money, because where their heart is, there they will put their money. That is where their attention will be.

When leaders talk about money, people usually feel offended.

“I am convinced that the devil has caused the subject of giving to stir up resistance and resentment among God’s people ...”.

Stephen Olford

Why are we so negative whenever the issue of money is addressed in the church?. As a matter of fact, during His time of ministry, Yahshua taught more about money than about any other subject. (***Sadly there are indeed many false teachings and deceptions in this regard.***)



After my own search for the truth I wrote a book called “**The Gift of Giving**” (Available on our website for free). YHWH gave his only Son, the very best He had, to this world. He wants us to also give our best! Yahshua demonstrated His own generosity and when we walk in His image and likeness, we would want to be generous too!

We serve a very generous God! He is not stingy. Adonai generously responds to us, when we choose to be generous!

Luke recorded in Acts 10 that Yahshua went about doing good!

*How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, and He went about **doing good**, and healing all those who were oppressed by the Devil, for God was with Him. ³⁹ And we are witnesses of all things which He did, both in the land of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed Him and hanged Him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised Him up the third day and showed Him openly, ⁴¹ not to all the people, but to witnesses hand-picked before by God, even to us who ate and drank with Him after He rose from the dead. ⁴² **And He commanded us** to preach to the people, and to testify that it is He who was ordained of God to be the Judge of the living and the dead. Acts 10:38-42 MKJV*

The word “**doing good**” in Greek is “**euergeteo**” and it pictures a benefactor, a philanthropist, one who financially supports charitable works; one who uses his financial resources to meet needs of disadvantaged people; used in connection with the provision of food, clothes, or some other commodity associated with physical or material needs.



John recorded that Yahshua had a ministry for the poor. He Himself appointed Judas Iscariot, who later betrayed Him, to take responsibility of the moneybag (John 12). If Jesus had a need of a treasurer, it indicates that there was a lot of money that had to be stewarded. Yahshua had enough resources to provide for the needy. He did not use it for His own comfort.

Listen to the words of the disciples when Yahshua fed the 5 000 households.

*And Jesus went out and saw a great crowd, and He was moved with **compassion toward them**. And **He healed their sick**.¹⁵ And evening coming on, His disciples came to Him, saying, The place is deserted and the time has already gone by. **Send the crowd away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves**.¹⁶ But Jesus said to them, They do not need to leave, you give them something to eat. Matthew 14:14-16 MKJV*

Matthew recorded that the disciples requested Yahshua to send the crowd away to buy food for themselves, but Mark recorded the following important remark: *'Send them away so that they may go to the surrounding fields and villages and buy loaves for themselves. For they have nothing to eat.'*³⁷ *He answered and said to them, **You give them food to eat**. And they said to Him, **Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii of loaves and give them to eat?*** Mark 6:36-37 MKJV

A denarius was one day's compensation (according to Matthew 20:2). We can then conclude that 200 denarii was 200 day's compensation, which, in today's currency, would be R40 000. The disciples must have known that



there were more than 200 denarii in the money bag, if they suggested to buy that amount of food.

Yahshua ministered to the poor and healed the sick at His own expense. In the Spirit Filled Life Bible, the New King James Version, in the commentary column, it explains Hebrews 1:7 as follows:

'Ministers are people who render public service at their own expense. They are generally signified as public servants.

Yahshua met the physical and tangible needs of the people, using His own funds'.

He commanded us to do the same" - Acts 10:42

When Adonai works amongst us, our hearts open to Him. When our hearts open our wallets also open and we begin to give. This is what the fire of Adonai does within us!

And they were continuing steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine, and in fellowship and in the breaking of the loaves, and in prayers.

⁴³ And fear came on every soul. And many wonders and miracles took place through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all who believed were together and had all things common. ⁴⁵ And they sold their possessions and goods and distributed them to all, according as anyone had need (Acts 2:42-45).

Acts 2 describes how the Holy Ghost came down and fell upon the disciples and 120 men in the Upper Room. That fire moved the disciples hearts and all became generous, as if they realized that everything they possessed belonged to Adonai



anyway and that they were all equal, with the same needs. It takes the fire of the Holy Ghost to come upon us and bring us to that point of being generous.

This generosity is proven throughout the Book of Acts: “And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the Word of God with boldness.

³² And the multitude of those who believed were of **one heart and one soul**. And not one said that any of the things which he possessed was his own. But they had all things common (Act 4:32-33).

Notice that when the Holy Ghost came, He moved them all into oneness - one of heart and soul, and they gladly shared all they had. All had hearts of generosity, resulting in boldness! They all witnessed of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus and GREAT GRACE was upon them all.

*All the believers were one in mind and heart. **Selfishness was not a part of their community, for they shared everything they had with one another.*** ³³ *The apostles gave powerful testimonies about the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and **great measures of grace rested upon them all.*** ³⁴⁻³⁵ *Some who owned houses or land sold them and brought the proceeds before the apostles to distribute to those without. **Not a single person among them was needy.*** Acts 4:32-35 TPT

Yes, not a single person was needy!

When you are generous with Adonai, He will be generous with you.



Give generously and generous gifts will be given back to you, shaken down to make room for more. Abundant gifts will pour out upon you with such an overflowing measure that it will run over the top! The measurement of your generosity becomes the measurement of your return.”

Luke 6:38 TPT

Remember our opening scripture on generosity: *“But I say this, He who sows sparingly shall also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully shall also reap bountifully (2 Corinthians 9:6 MKJV).*

We all struggle in the area of giving. At my own lowest point in life, the Holy Spirit spoke to me and said that I must start giving. I argued that I did not have anything to give, but the Holy Spirit immediately replied:

‘Yes you have’!

So I started to give R1, which became R2 and soon what I sowed returned to me a 100 fold. My wife and I are experiencing the blessing of the Lord, because we generously give and also obey the first fruit principle. It may take a while, but if you obey, the blessings WILL return.

Andrew Wommack made a remark in this regard:

“I was sometimes behind on my rent, but never behind on my tithe”.

His obedience rendered a huge blessing, because today Andrew’s Ministry, Charis Bible College, gives away more than \$5 million a month!



I have never seen anyone faithfully obeying the first fruit principle and still living in lack. But I have seen many in lack because they do not believe in this principle.

“In all of my years of service to my Lord, I have discovered a truth that has never failed and has never been compromised. That truth is that it is beyond the realm of possibilities that one has the ability to outgive God. Even if I give the whole of my worth to Him, He will find a way to give back to me much more than I gave”

Charles Spurgeon.

Oral Roberts wrote a book called; *“When you see the invisible you can do the Impossible”*. He witnessed how Adonai gave him an assignment to build a University by His authority and through the Holy Spirit. He completed the University in the early 60’s at a total expense of \$400 million in cash! He confirmed that his ministry was based on the first fruit principles. This is an amazing story worth reading.

ROBBING GOD

Oral explains 10 basic principles, starting with financial wisdom:

Will a man rob God? Yet you rob Me. But you ask, “How do we rob You?” In tithes and offerings. You are under a curse—the whole nation of you—because you are robbing Me (Malachi 3:8-9 NIV).



'The best poll available uncovered the incredible fact that only 32 percent of pastors tithe! That is less than one-third! The very basic beginning of financial wisdom is to get into the spirit of giving, with joy and expectation! We must both teach and practice God's principle of giving and receiving! This is Seed-Faith! Better still, personally practice Seed-Faith first, then teach it. I've found that God's people are hungry to know how to practice Seed-Faith once they learn that it is the core teaching of the Bible on seedtime and harvest (See Genesis 8:22). If my ministry and yours do not continually plant seeds of tithes, offerings and helping the unfortunate, then we will never reap the miracle harvests that the Lord intended for our lives and for our ministries. Never! A rejected (or neglected) opportunity to sow seeds of faith is a lost opportunity to receive a miracle harvest, which includes financial harvests. We see from Abram's example in Genesis 14:18-20 that tithing is not an option. It is the earthly manifestation of the seal of our faith. God says: "The just shall live by faith" (Rom. 1:17). God's spiritual laws of sowing and reaping, of seedtime and harvest, of giving and receiving are all predicated on our faith.

It's true that you can gain without following the Bible principles of giving and receiving, of sowing and reaping. But in the final analysis, your wallet will have holes in it. Your ministry will fall short and will dishonor God and yourself. If we ignore Scriptural instructions regarding sowing, tithing and offerings to the Lord's work, most financial miracle returns will pass us by. As I continue



to learn more about Seed-Faith, I would recommend that it becomes the pattern for your life and ministry.

Roberts, Oral. When You See the Invisible, You Can Do the Impossible (pp. 118-120). Destiny Image. Kindle Edition.

A harvest cannot be rendered without first planting seeds. You cannot fulfill God's calling on your life without first getting seeds in the soil. In other words, you cannot do the impossible (*receive the miracle*) without first seeing the invisible (*planting the seed*).

Roberts, Oral. When You See the Invisible, You Can Do the Impossible (p. 181). Destiny Image. Kindle Edition.

We are quick to quote Philippians 4:19 that says: ***“My God shall supply every need of ours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus”***.

This is Paul speaking to the Philippians, because they were extravagant givers. Please read the Book of Philippians and see how Paul praised them for being the only givers to support his ministry continually, even after he had left Philippi. At the end of his epistle to the Philippians Paul made this following remark:

“But my God will supply your needs so completely that He will eliminate all your deficiencies. He will meet all your physical and tangible needs until you are so full that you have no more capacity. To hold anything else. He will supply all your needs until you are totally filled, packed full and overflowing to the point of bursting at the seams and spilling over” Philippians 4:19 RIV (Rick Renner International Version)



This is a promise to the generous, not to the stingy! It were written to the Philippians, because their hearts burnt for God and for His work. Their treasure followed their hearts (Matthew 6:21).

Generosity is a crucial requirement for being a signet ring on our Father's right hand!

7. The Holy Spirit

I believe that the most underrated person of the triune God is the Holy Spirit. So many believers do not accept Him as a precious gift. Jesus instructed His disciples before He ascended, saying:

“Don't leave Jerusalem, but wait here until you **receive the gift** I told you about, the gift the Father has promised. ⁵ For John baptized you in water, but in a few days from now you will be **baptized in the Holy Spirit!**” Acts

1:4-5 TPT

Repentance and water *baptizō* are necessary for the believer to receive Him. Peter made it very clear: ‘*Repent ye, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ unto the remission of your sins; and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit*’ (Acts 2:38 ASV). It is the Holy Spirit who equips us with gifts, as Paul explains in his epistle to the Corinthians.

Christian brothers, I want you to know about the gifts of the Holy Spirit. You need to understand the truth about this. ² You know that before you were Christians you were led to worship false gods. None of these gods could speak. ³ So I tell you that no one



speaking by the help of the Holy Spirit can say that he hates Jesus. No one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the help of the Holy Spirit. 4 There are different kinds of gifts. But it is the same Holy Spirit Who gives them. 1 Corinthians 12:1-4 NLV

"Men ought to seek with their whole hearts to be filled with the Spirit of God. Without being filled with the Spirit, it is utterly impossible that an individual Christian or a church can ever live or work as God desires".

Andrew Murray wrote:

Believers are powerless today and weak to stand against the wiles of the devil. Yahshua made it very clear that power comes with the Holy Spirit.

But ye shall receive power, when the Holy Spirit is come upon you: and ye shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea and Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. Acts 1:8 ASV

It was only after the disciples had received the Holy Ghost that they could heal the sick, cast out demons and raised the dead.

And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; 18They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover Mark 16:17-18

As a result these Apostles drove away darkness. They were literally on fire by the Holy Ghost. If we ask believers today who they need, Yahshua or the Holy Spirit, most will choose Yahshua. But in fact, just before Yahshua ascended into the heaven, He said it was for our benefit that He had to leave,



so that the Father could pour out the Holy Ghost. Who is with us on earth today? The Holy Spirit!. God the Father came to do His work on earth through the Son, who was resurrected and ascended into heaven. When God the Son departed, God the Holy Spirit came in His place and He is still here with us, doing His work. What an amazing experience it is to receive the Holy Ghost as our Teacher!

But you have received the Holy Spirit, and he lives within you, in your hearts, so that you don't need anyone to teach you what is right. For he teaches you all things, and he is the Truth, and no liar; and so, just as he has said, you must live in Christ, never to depart from him. 1 John 2:27 TLB

Too many believers rely on other believers, instead of relying on the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and listening to His voice. When you invite the Holy Spirit into your live, He becomes your best friend and your constant guide to take you by the hand and lead you into all truth. What He will uncover and reveal to you in Scripture will make the Bible come alive! Beyond salvation, beyond being baptized in water, beyond the infilling of the Spirit the “third Person of the Trinity” is waiting for you to meet Him personally.

As the Messiah left the earth and ascended into the heaven, soon also the Holy Ghost will leave planet earth. This time the Holy Ghost will take the redeemed of the Lord with Him in the *harpazo*, the Netchatef, the rapture. We will be caught up with Him to meet the Lord in the air. Glory to GOD!



If the Holy Spirit was withdrawn from the Church today, 95 percent of what we do would go on and no one would know the difference. If the Holy Spirit had been withdrawn from the New Testament Church (during the time of the Apostles), 95 percent what they did would stop, and everybody would know the difference

A.W. Tozer

The Holy Spirit's presence has been there right from the beginning. The first book of Genesis states that the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. Interesting to notice that throughout the Bible the Holy Spirit is always described as moving. Whenever the Holy Ghost moves, something great happens. Let us be sensitive for the Holy Spirit's movement in our lives. That is the time to quit all self-efforts and get out of the way for the Spirit to work. In Genesis 1 the Holy Spirit brought order into the chaos. He is the creative power of God.

The Spirit of God has made me, and the breath of the Almighty gives me life. Job 33:4.

The Scripture tells that God the Holy Spirit was the power of creation.

By His Spirit He has adorned the heavens. Job 26:13

Likewise does the Holy Spirit bring order into our hearts, souls and bodies when He moves! The Holy Spirit is our Helper. When the Messiah ascended, He sent the Holy Ghost in His place to help us. This is amazing!



“When the **Helper** comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me” (John 15:26).

It is the Holy Spirit that baptizes us unto salvation. This means, my dearest Friend, that the Holy Ghost constantly guides us through life on earth. Don't quench the Spirit, for you will be in desperate need of His help and guidance for the rest of your life!

Who was responsible for Mary's conception?

It was not the Father, but the Holy Ghost! Scripture confirms this: “Then Mary said unto the Angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? *And the Angel answered and said unto her, the Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee; therefore also that holy Thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.*” Luke 1:35 JUB

We can thus say that the Holy Spirit was the father of Yahshua in His human form! Amazing! The Holy Spirit moves and comes with power, just as He moved in Genesis 1 and has been moving ever since. The Holy Ghost was not only responsible for the conception of Mary, but this same Spirit descended like a dove onto Yahshua when He came out of the water, and lighting came upon Him.

The New King James Translation used the word “alight”. The verb means (of a bird) to descend from the air and settle. As an adjective it means on fire, set on fire, burning. “The Spirit of Adonai



descended like a dove from the air and settled on Him and set Him on fire!”

The Holy Spirit moved upon Yahshua and He was supernaturally empowered to start His ministry. If Yahshua needed the power of the Holy Spirit, how much more do we need it!

Why do so many believers ignore the help of the great **Helper**?

When the Spirit comes, He is loaded with packages! He desires to release much more in us and through us than we could ever imagine!

Jack Hayford

God desires that we should accept the gift of the Holy Spirit. He wants to “pour” Him on us:

Until the Spirit is poured upon us from on high,
 And the wilderness becomes a fruitful field,
 And the fruitful field is counted as a forest.
 Then justice will dwell in the wilderness,
 And righteousness remain in the fruitful field.

Isaiah 32:15–16

What a wonderful promise! God wants to pour His Spirit on us! He wants to breathe His Spirit into us, so that we, like Adam, can come alive!

8. Worship

Real divine worship opens up a portal for Adonai’s presence to manifest. In Part 1 of “Laying Down the Foundation” we discussed how Adonai is busy



transforming each and every believer into the Holy of Holies (Ephesians 2:22 TPT). The Tabernacle consists of three areas, namely the Outer Courts, the Holy Place and the Holy of Holies. We discussed the protocol to enter the Holy of Holies in Part 1 of “Laying Down the Foundation”. The password to enter the Holy of Holies is praise and worship!

You can pass through his open gates with the password of praise.

Come right into his presence with thanksgiving.

Come bring your thank offering to him

and affectionately bless his beautiful name! Psalm 100:4

Through our praise and worship we can come right into His presence in the Holy of Holies. This is a place of thanksgiving and not of partition. This is a place of silence and intimacy. This is where Yahshua shares mysteries and divine revelations with us.

Here is our divine protection: “for he that toucheth you toucheth the apple of his eye” (Zachariah 2:8).

He hides us. “Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings” (Psalm 17:8).

In the Book of Chronicles we find one of the most beautiful examples in the Bible of a battle won through praise and worship. When the people came to Jehoshaphat to tell him a great multitude is coming against him, Jehoshaphat feared and set himself to seek the Lord, and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah (2 Chronicles 20:1-3). And the Lord answered Jehoshaphat:

“Ye shall not *need* to fight in this *battle*: set yourselves, stand ye *still*, and see the salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: fear not,



nor be dismayed; tomorrow go out against them: for the LORD *will be* with you. ¹⁸ And Jehoshaphat bowed his head with *his* face to the ground: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem fell before the LORD, worshipping the LORD. ¹⁹ And the Levites, of the children of the Kohathites, and of the children of the Korhites, stood up to praise the LORD God of Israel with a loud voice on high. ²⁰ And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the wilderness of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and said, Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem; ***Believe in the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper.***

²¹ And when he had consulted with the people, ***he appointed singers unto the LORD***, and that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say, Praise the LORD; for his mercy *endureth* for ever. ²² ***And when they began to sing and to praise, the LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they were smitten.*** ²³ For the children of Ammon and Moab stood up against the inhabitants of mount Seir, utterly to slay and destroy *them*: and when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, every one helped to destroy another.” 2 Chronicles 20:17- 23

Amazing that Jehoshaphat appointed singers! When they started to praise and worship Adonai-Tzva'ot (*Adonai-Tzva'ot is the Lord of Host, the Lord of Armies – our military God*), El-Gibbor (The mighty God who fights the fight for us) smote the people and the realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet: for his God gave him rest round about (2 Chronical 20:30). When the presence of Adonai comes down through praise and worship, everything changes. A.W. Tozer made the



remark that any man or woman on this earth who is bored by and turned off by worship is not ready for heaven.

“My friend, if this is the case with you, then you are not yet qualified to be a signet ring on the right hand of the Father”.

“Praise and worship is the most momentous, the most urgent, the most glorious action that can take place in human life. That’s because it gets us ready for what’s to come” – Karl Barth.

Real worship is not merely making music. You can have the best musicians and singers, without true worship taking place. Real worship comes from the heart, before the Lord. Benny Hinn once said that he listened to a singer in church who were very talented, but there was no movement of the Spirit. A next singer came onto the stage, not that talented at all, but when the person started to sing, the Holy Ghost came down with such an anointing that it moved the whole congregation. That is worship! It does not matter how good or bad someone worships, but it matters what is in the heart of the worshipper before the Lord! This brings the supernatural power of the Spirit.

Rick Renner explains that the word “**worship**” (Gr. *proskuneo*) pictures one who fell on the ground prostrate before a superior to worship, or to collapse onto one’s face or on one’s knees in order to worship. It pictures worshipers who extended their arms toward a god in absolute love, affection, and devotion and even lovingly *blew kisses toward that god*; one who uses all available methods necessary to adore and worship a god.



Worship is to create an atmosphere where Adonai can move! It creates an atmosphere of love and we can blow kisses towards our El-Gibbor!

Interesting that Adonai-Tzva'ot did not tell Jehoshaphat to stay at home, but instead to stand up and to go and face the enemy with singers, to create the atmosphere for El-Gibbor to move! When He sees us in that atmosphere of praise and worship, blowing kisses towards Him, He comes and sits on top of our worship and hovers above it. That is why it is so important to create such an atmosphere where the Holy Spirit can hover above the crowd, before we can start to minister.

Let us take note that the only way to deal with the mountain in front of us, is to praise and worship the most High God! Then He, El-Gibbor, can level whatever mountain stands in the way. Those who live a life of worship are ready to be used as a signet ring on the right hand of Adonai-Tzva'ot.

9. Prayer

“No man is greater than his prayer life. The pastor who is not praying is playing; the people who are not praying are straying. We have many organizers but few agonisers; many players and payers, few prayers; many singers, few clingers, lots of pastors but few wrestlers; many fears but few tears; much fashion but little passion, many interferers but few intercessors; many writers but few fighters. Failing here, we fail everywhere” Leonard Ravenhill.

“Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not” (Jeremiah 33:3). To be called as a signet ring on



the right hand of God to restore His Temple requires much wisdom and knowledge. That is why we need an intimate prayer life with Adonai to receive these mystery revelations from Him to complete the assignment. There are many instances in the Bible where people prayed and Adonai-Tzva'ot showed up to do mighty things.

When Goliath mocked Israel and said to David that he will give David's flesh to the birds of the air and the beasts of the field, David replied:

"You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the **LORD Almighty**, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. ⁴⁶ This day the LORD will hand you over to me, and I'll strike you down and cut off your head. Today I will give the carcasses of the Philistine army to the birds of the air and the beasts of the earth, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel. 1 Samuel 17:45-46

David could say this, because he was a man of much prayer, praise and worship. Adonai declared: "***I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will***" (Acts 13:22). When we depend on people and institutions (*churches, schools, Universities etc.*) we will only receive what people and institutions can do for us, but when we depend upon prayers, we will receive what Adonai can do for us!

The Book of Acts is filled with examples of the Apostles praying and God acting upon those prayers.



When they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of god with boldness. Acts 4:31

Acknowledgement: Rick Renner YouTube teaching: A Life Ablaze.

Before being a signet ring on the right hand of Adonai-Tzva'ot we first need to live a powerful prayer life!



RULE AND REIGN AGAIN

In conclusion, Adonai-Tzva'ot chose us as His servants and wears us like a signet ring to fulfil His promise of restoring His Temple. The Lord set us apart as the one through whom He works..

“When that day comes,’ says Adonai-Tzva’ot, ‘I will take you, Z’rubavel, my Servant, the son of Sh’alti’el,’ says Adonai, ‘and wear you like a signet ring; for I have chosen you,’ says Adonai-Tzva’ot.” Haggai 2:23 CJB

Let us once again dig into the meaning of this verse:

The Lord says He will make Zerubbabel a seal. The kings of David are sometimes called seals (Jeremiah 22:24). This means that the king is endowed with **authority** as the authorized representative of the Lord. This is the sign that the Lord Himself reigns over the king and guarantees the **fulfillment of his promises**. This authority is now conferred to Zerubbabel, a descendant of David. He is also now called the **servant** of the Lord, whom He has **chosen**. The two terms “servant” and “chosen” are also Davidic covenant terms indicating that the Lord **sets the king apart as the one through whom He works**. In this way the people are comforted and assured that the **Lord will reign again** in Judah on the throne of David, through Zerubbabel.



Why does God want to restore His temple?

So that He, Adonai-Tzva'ot will rule and reign again! This is profound and divine! Adonai needs you and me as His signet ring to restore the temple so that He can return to rule and reign again!

“In the time of those kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed, nor will it be left to another people. It will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end, but it will itself endure forever” (Daniel 2:44).

We are standing at the doorstep! Adonai-Tzva'ot is establishing His everlasting Kingdom! In Daniel 12 the Angel revealed to him:

And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. ² And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³ And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever. ⁴ But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.



In these above-mentioned passages the Angel revealed the 7-year Tribulation to Daniel and the question was asked: “*And one said to the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, **How long shall it be to the end of these wonders?*** (Daniel 12:6).

⁷ And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and sware by him that liveth for ever that it shall be for **a time, times, and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.** ⁸ And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what shall be the end of these things? ⁹ And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end. ¹⁰ **Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried;** but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand. ¹¹ And from the time that the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall **be a thousand two hundred and ninety days.** ¹² Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days. Daniel 12:1-12



SCRIPTURES ARE CLEAR THAT IN THE MIDST OF THE 7-YEAR TRIBULATION THERE SHALL BE GREAT TRIBULATION SUCH AS NEVER BEFORE AND IT WILL LAST FOR 1290 DAYS. IN THAT TIME, IF MESSIAH WOULD NOT COME BACK TO INTERVENE, NO FLESH SHALL BE SAVED.

And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

Matthew 24:22 KJV

The question of “when” this shall take place, was constantly on the minds of the disciples: When shall the Messiah come to restore Israel and establish this everlasting Kingdom?

Every time they were gathered together, they asked Jesus, “Lord, is it now the time for you to free Israel and restore our kingdom?” Acts 1:6 TPT

Yahshua answered them: “The Father is the one who sets the fixed dates and the times of their fulfillment. You are not permitted to know the timing of all that he has prepared by his own authority. ⁸ But I promise you this—the Holy Spirit will come upon you, and you will be seized with power. You will be my *messengers (witnesses)* to Jerusalem, throughout Judea, the distant provinces—even to the remotest places on earth!” Acts 1:7-8 TPT

It is profound that the Messiah indicated to His disciples that it will happen, but first we need to be His witnesses! I, Adonai-Tzva’ot, first need to choose many as my servants to restore My Temple. This I will do by using all of you like a signet ring on my right hand and your hands shall accomplish this. You will be the witnesses of the Good News, the Gospel of Peace! You need to



witness to the world that I, the Messiah, died on the stake, was buried and raised from the dead on the third day.

Look, I was dead, but I am alive for evermore, holding now the keys of hell and of death. Revelation 1:18

And when you witnessed and preached this gospel of the kingdom in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come (Matthew 24:14)!

The end of this age is nigh! The Good News of peace has been preached to all nations. Soon, the son of perdition will be released on planet earth and the earth will become the inhabitant of demons!

‘And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird’. Revelation 18:2

This is the trigger point for the 7-year Tribulation. The saints of Adonai will not be part of this period! The tribulation is about Jacob’s trouble and the salvation of Israel. (A complete teaching on this topic is available on our website: “The Mystery of the Second Coming of Christ”).

Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: ³⁰ And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. ³¹ And he shall send his angels with a great



sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. Matthew 24:29-31 KJV

On His return the final judgment of the earth will take place.

And before him shall be gathered all nations; and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats (Matthew 25:32).

The goats will be on His left and He shall say: *Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels (Matthew 25:41)*

To those on his right He will say: *Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world (Matthew 25:34).*

To those who are ready and chosen to be a signet ring – there is no time left! Let us lay down our will and lives to Adonai-Tzva'ot so that He can establish His will through us. Let us labour to gather the harvest for His Kingdom.



I HEAR HIS WHISPER...LET WORRY BE FAR FROM YOU.

My Word is full of promises for you. Every promise I make is as sure as tomorrow's sunrise. I have set all things in place to cause you to advance in my ways. Every word I speak has been refined seven times and found to be trustworthy and dependable. Rest in my promises and you will succeed. What will defeat you? Is it worry that troubles you? I call you to a life free from worry and anxious care. You are not to worry about anything—not one thing.

Dive into my Word and feast upon these promises. Remind yourself of who I am and the power I have. **Remember, not only am I able to help you, but I want to help you. However, I want you to believe it.** I want you to feel the love that I have for you. I want you to think back to the many times I've come through for you. You will come through! Not only will you see my promises come to pass, you will be a testimony of my faithfulness, encouraging others on their journey.

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To Be His Signet Ring!

My servant, I will make you My signet ring, for I have chosen you (Haggai 2:23) to lay the foundation of this house and your hands shall also complete it (Zechariah 4). This was the assignment that Adonai gave to Zerubbabel. Likewise, He also ordains His Bride to fulfil this same assignment in the end times. The Bride has been endowed with authority to be the authorized representative of Adonai. This is the sign that the Lord Himself reigns over His Bride and He guarantees the fulfilment of His promises. You, Beloved Believer, are chosen as His servant! You have been set apart as one through whom He works. Through you He wants to comfort and assure His people that He will reign again! He will indeed establish His everlasting Kingdom on earth very soon! This Book highlights the importance of being a Signet Ring on our Bridegrooms right hand and specifies the qualifications for those who are ready to serve. He wants to use us for His purpose to enlarge His building and to transform each and every one of us into the Holy of Holies, His dwelling place! (Ephesians 2:22).

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