God And His Two Witnesses

ABRAHAM AND HIS THREE GUESTS

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<u>3</u> And said, My Lord, if now I have found favour in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant:

Israel unarguably is the only nation chosen by God (Yahweh) as his special People. God's dealing with them seems to run through an unnoticed course holden by his **Two Witnesses**. These Two Witnesses could be seen in many types/shadows in the scriptures both in heavenly and earthly manifestations. To understand this hidden code (pattern) with which the Lord God (Yahweh) dealt with Israel, we must visit the very beginning of the mention of this great nation, and people.

ABRAHAM (Gen.12-18).

It all started with one man, which has been the way we know God to do his things. He wanted mankind to fill the whole earth, but he chose to create only one, so that there would be order, and mankind could trace their source should there be any infiltration as was with Cain and Abel. God called Abraham out, separated him from his people, and promised him a Land flowing with milk and honey, which he and his seed should afterward inherit. This land was the very Land upon which Adam dwelled, and from where he ruled the world, even Canaan (Eden), the delight of God and the mountain of his holiness. The Lord had seven encounters in the space of 24 years with Abraham before the birth of the physical seed (Isaac), and on the day they had the last of the seven discussions, God appeared unto him in the plain of Mamre (Gen 18: 1-33). This is the account of the visit.

- Gen 18:1-10 The scripture introduces the visitors as 3 men.
- Gen 18:10-21 The 2 men are silent, and the one identified as 'The Lord' takes over the discussion, the same person and the only one that Abraham worshipped in verse 3.
- Gen 18:22 The identities of the 3 men are further stated. *It was the Lord God, and 2 men, but we are not told their names*.

The 2 men left the Lord God with Abraham and headed towards Sodom.

- Gen 18:23-32 Abraham stays back with the Lord negotiating for the life of Lot as God was determined to destroy Sodom.
- Gen 18:33 The Lord left Abraham after the negotiation failed and headed to accomplish his mission in Sodom.
- Gen 19: 1-2 The 2 men arrived Sodom as 2 Angels and are greeted in the city by Lot who also took them to his home.
- Gen 19: 15-22 The 2 Angels assisted Lot and his family to escape.
- Gen 19: 24 The Lord God himself arrives in Sodom as a consuming fire.

Did you notice that the Lord told Abraham that he was going to Sodom? Yes, He actually did. I am mentioning this because it appears as though only the 2 angels went to Sodom. God himself did go to Sodom. The very fire that consumed Sodom was no other but God, for the Lord our God is a consuming fire (Gen 18:21).

In all of God's visit to Abraham, it was in this last visit that he gave a specific time for the promise to be fulfilled, and he came with 2 men, who were later identified as 2 Angels upon their arrival in Sodom. These two are constantly present in all of God's earthly dealings with the people of Israel as his two witnesses.

THE START OF MONARCHY IN ISRAEL After some time, the people of Israel rebelled against God and demanded a King to be set over them. The prophet Samuel went to the LORD with this complaint and was comforted, as the LORD told him, that he, 'Samuel', was not the one rejected but that the people had rejected Him, 'YAHWEH (Jehovah)', from being their king. Watch the pattern by which the Kingdom of Israel was established.

SAUL And The 2 Men (I Samuel 10: 1-6):

Saul was the son of Kish, of the tribe of Benjamin (the last son of Jacob through the much loved **Rachel**). He had gone to search for his Father's lost asses and in the process, he encountered God through his prophet 'Samuel'. Samuel anoints Saul and kissed him saying "*Is it not because the LORD hath anointed thee to be captain over his inheritance?*" **1Samuel 10: 1**.

He then instructed him that he would find **2** Men by Rachel's sepulchre, and they will inform him of the lost asses of his father.

<u>These 2 Men ministered to Saul prophetically, they</u> <u>witnessed to him the very problem that took him</u> <u>out of his father's house</u>. 1Sam. 10: 2.

Again, in verse 3, he was to meet some other three (3) MEN at the plain of Tabor on their way to Bethel, the first carrying three kids, the second carrying three loaves of bread, and the third, a bottle of wine. By the articles they were carrying we could tell who these men were. We very much remember that Abraham once met Melchizedek who gave him bread and wine, which today represent the communion (The Lord's supper). In the case of Saul, his kingdom was not yet established, so he was given only 2 loaves of bread to <u>sustain</u> him until Samuel would meet him to establish his kingdom at Gilgal, but he failed as recorded in **1Samuel 13:8-15**.

These 3 men, type (a reflection of) the same that met with Abraham when his promised seed was to be established.

Let us also consider the strategic position where Saul met the 2 men. When a son is to be made king, before he ascends the throne, he must first go to kneel before the mother for the last time, and the mother would express her joy such as, '*Oh! My son*, whom I bore, after now I am the one to bow before you as my king', then the son would rise after his response and take his place on the throne and will never submit to any flesh under his domain as long as he reigns. Saul was made to meet the 2 men at the sepulchre of the mother of Israel and his own mother "**RACHEL**" (figuratively speaking).

TWO OLIVE TREES (Zechariah 4: 1-14)

The prophet Zechariah was shown a mysterious vision that he could not understand (Zech. 4: 2-3). What he saw was the entire program of God for the Jews and the Gentiles. The angel that interpreted the vision told him what God was saying to Zerubbabel; in summary, that it was no longer going to be by **MIGHT** nor by **POWER** but by the **SPIRIT** of the LORD GOD. A careful check will unveil the ministry of the 2 messengers as '**MIGHT**' (*The Might of the Law*) and '**POWER**' (*The Power of the Prophets*). For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. Matt 11: 13 Luke 16: 16.

Zechariah the prophet asked concerning the 2 Olive trees, which also are the 2 Olive branches, and was told that they were the 2 ANOINTED ONES standing before the Lord of the whole earth (Zechariah 4: 11-14).

The unveiling of the identity of the 3 guest to Abraham and that of the 2 Olive trees/Branches in the Old Testament is crystal clear to any sincere reader. **Genesis 18:1** ¶ And the LORD appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day; **2** And he lift up his eyes and looked, **and, lo, three men stood by him**: and when he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground, **22** <u>And the men turned</u> <u>their faces from thence, and went toward Sodom</u>: but Abraham stood yet before the LORD.

Zechariah4: 14. Then said he, <u>These are the two</u> <u>anointed ones, that stand by the Lord of the whole</u> earth.

THE WISE MEN FROM THE EAST

The wise men that came from the East to worship the baby Jesus at birth were just 2 magi with their servants, and not 3 as we traditionally believed due to the 3 gifts presented. They were not friends and may not have known each other until they met on the way to Bethlehem. We have come to know that the magi, who were from **the region between Iran and its environs**, *travelled for months ONLY at night while they rested during the day*.

This is true because stars do not appear during the day. It was the star that brought them together, and today also, if we have seen His star and have the one true faith, then we would meet in **THE WAY** (JESUS CHRIST, the WORD). These men had depended on the star that led them until the night before they saw Jerusalem. The very moment they turned to the organised way of seeking God, the star disappeared. These 2 Magi is another representation (typing spiritually) of the 2 witnesses. **Matt 2: 1-11**.

ANGELSMINISTEREDUNTOHIMMatt 4:11Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold,
angels came and ministered unto him.behold,

As a little boy in the Sunday School Church, I have always believed that the heavens must have been emptied off of angels for Jesus to be ministered to, considering his position as God in human flesh. Now I praise God for the voice of the 7th angel messenger, who fulfils Malachi 4:5-6 and Rev10:7. It was by the message of this man (**William Branham**) that light was turned on to us in the last days. There were no more than two (2) angels that came to minister to Jesus Christ after his temptation. These 2 angels were no other than the two (Michael and Gabriel) that have been standing the presence of Yahweh (Jehovah) in all of his earthly affairs as shown in this message.

THE TWO ANGELS AT THE GRAVE OF JESUS

Luke 24: 4 And it came to pass as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, <u>two men</u> stood by them in shining garments: And as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead? John 20:12-14

And seeth <u>two angels</u> in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain.

THE TWO MEN ON MT. OLIVET AT THE ASCENSION OF JESUS CHRIST

Acts 1: 9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. 10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; 11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

Below is a summary of the scriptural manifestations of the two witnesses of Yahweh from the Old Testament down to the New Testament. This arrangement in the right order of all we have mentioned so far:

- The Two Witnesses of God manifested as the Two Men that accompanied Yahweh (Jehovah) to meet with Abraham in Mamre. Gen18:1-3, 22.
- The Two men were later identified as Two Angels as they arrived Sodom. Gen19:1-2.
- God showcased his two witnesses as the Law and Prophets. By these, Israel was sustained until John the Baptist came to point their God. (Isaiah40:7-10, Matt11:13, Luke16:16).
- They were the same that witnessed to Saul, the first King of Israel. 1Sam10:1-2.
- In the book of Zachariah, they were called the following; Two Olive Trees, Two Olive Branches, Might and Power, Two Anointed Ones that stand before the Lord of the whole heart. Zech 4: 1-14
- The angels that came to minister to Jesus after his temptation were God's two witnesses. Matt 4:11
- The Two Angels at the sepulchre were the two witnesses. Luke 24:4, John 20:12-14.

• The Angels at his ascension on Mt. Olivet. Acts 1:9-11

MICHAEL and GABRIEL

These 2 archangels were the two men that accompanied Yahweh (Jehovah) when he visited Abraham. They are a perfect representation of the two witnesses of God; <u>MICHAEL representing the</u> LAW to ISRAEL and GABRIEL representing GRACE to the Church, which was later perfected in the ministry of *Moses* and *Elijah*.

Dan12:1a ¶ *And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people:*

Notice that Michael is to stand for the People of Daniel (ISRAEL), but *The Message* of Gabriel has always found a way to cross over to the Gentiles. He was sent to Daniel in a Gentile Land (Babylon), and announced the birth of John the Baptist who was to forerun Jesus Christ, in whom the Gentiles must also believe in to be saved. Let us compare the statement of the Man '*Gabrie*l' to Zachariah and that of *Elijah* the Tishbite to Ahab.

1Kings 17: 1

And Elijah the Tishbite, who was of the inhabitants of Gilead, said unto Ahab, As the LORD God of Israel liveth, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, but according to my word.

Luke 1: 18-19

And Zacharias said unto the angel, whereby shall I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife well stricken in years. And the angel answering said unto him, I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God; and am sent to speak unto thee, and to shew thee these glad tidings.

The common term here is '*Standing in the presence* of God or before God'. We all know that if this means literal standing, then there were others standing also, but it is pointing to a **Spiritual Position**. Gabriel and Elijah used the same body of words, and that is a point for us to consider. There is surely an undeniable similarity between Gabriel and Elijah.

Gabriel is the Pastor to the Nations, but do not forget that Israel is a nation too, for the Gentiles must source from one of the stems of Israel. Elijah was a Jewish prophet first before spreading his ministry outside the borders of Israel. Gabriel was sent to minister to Israel during their captivity in Babylon, but you cannot point to the archangel Michael giving any message to Israel outside their homeland; however, this lot fell on Gabriel as seen in the book of Daniel.

DISPUTING OVER THE BODY OF MOSES Jude 9. Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee. <u>2Pet 2:11</u> Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation against them before the Lord.

Have you wondered why Michael and Satan had to contest the body of Moses? Peter and Jude did not treat this as a subject, but in mentioning the excesses of the false prophets who will manifest in the last days, they both dropped this nugget for those who care to see. The subject of Michael contesting with Satan over the body of Moses was not strange nor hidden to lay Israelites, but to us Gentiles it is a confusing subject. Just as it is with some other scriptures, many will choose not to know, but if you do not mind, I wish to draw your attention to something.

What did both of them want with the body of Moses? (Jude: 9)

We must understand that Satan's demons do not possess dead bodies (corpses). Once a person dies, the spirits of hatred, fornication, murder, lying and others, can no longer reside in that body and they will certainly move on and find their next host. The truth is that these evil spirits that possess people today and hinder them from living for Christ, will abandon the body moments before death, because death cannot meet them in that body.

Satan keeps the body per-se because the soul of the person is locked up in his prison house (The house of death). The body of a dead person is of less importance to Satan and his demons because they can only possess what has life; also the Spirit of God cannot indwell the body of a dead person as was said in Isaiah 38: 18. *"For the grave cannot praise thee, death can not celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth."*

WHY THEN DID GOD COMMAND THE PRIESTS NOT TO TOUCH DEAD BODIES? Death is separation from God, and the Priests who were separated UNTO God were commanded not to defile themselves with dead bodies. This law was extended to the people of Israel stating that they must purify themselves after coming in contact with dead bodies. **Lev 21:** <u>10</u> \P And he that is the high priest among his brethren, upon whose head the anointing oil was poured, and that is consecrated to put on the garments, shall not uncover his head, nor rend his clothes;

<u>Il</u> Neither shall he go in to any dead body, nor defile himself for his father, or for his mother; Numbers 19:11 ¶ He that toucheth the dead body of any man shall be unclean seven days. <u>12</u> He shall purify himself with it on the third day, and on the seventh day he shall be clean: but if he purify not himself the third day, then the seventh day he shall not be clean. <u>13</u> Whosoever toucheth the dead body of any man that is dead, and purifieth not himself, defileth the tabernacle of the LORD; and that soul shall be cut off from Israel: because the water of separation was not sprinkled upon him, he shall be unclean; his uncleanness is yet upon him.

The Priests were asked by God not to come in contact with dead bodies so that they would not be polluted. It was not that these dead bodies were harmful, but God only gave them a shadow of something to come, of which we can see the <u>type</u> in many ways in the New Testament. Since death is separation from God, the reason for death is sin, so it is wholly interwoven with our separation through water baptism in the name of Jesus Christ as seen in Numbers 19:13.

MOSES' RESURRECTION

The struggle for the body of Moses by Michael and Satan was for resurrection, yes, and it was the resurrection of Moses.

Deut 34:5. So Moses the servant of the LORD <u>died</u> there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD. <u>6</u> And he buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, over against Bethpeor: but no man knoweth of his sepulchre unto this day.

After the death of Moses on the Mt. of Moab, God buried him and kept the grave site a secret from all men, and nothing was mentioned about this until the Apostles came and spoke of the contest for his body between Michael and Satan. **Moses was truly dead and God himself does not break rules**, for all the dead were held bound by Satan in his prison house, and Moses was no exception. Now the spiritual standing of Moses is that he is a manifestation of one of the two witnesses of the Almighty Yahweh, the God of the whole earth.

God had to sample resurrection, and Michael, <u>who</u> <u>is actually the Angel that led Moses and Israel out</u> <u>of Egypt, and who is also Christ in angelic</u> form; this Michael had to be the one to bring back Moses from the dead. A similar case recorded in the vision of John, which showed that the Elder who comforted John in Rev 5:5 was no other but John himself.

Who did God send to lead Israel?

It was the man '**Moses**'. What about the Pillar of Fire by night that usually turn to Pillar of cloud by day? This was the Angel of the Lord, and that Angel who bears the name of Yahweh's Christ to Israel is none other than **Michael**, the unseen one and messenger (angel) that led Israel out of Egypt.

Exodus 23:20-22 ¶ Behold, I send an Angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared. 21 Beware of him, and obey his voice, provoke him not; for he will not pardon your transgressions: for my name is in him. 22 But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries.

The message of the resurrection of Moses is made clear from the **Mt. Tabor** experience during the transfiguration. Peter, James and John saw in the vision Moses and Elijah talking with Jesus. They actually represented the two (2) groups of believers that enter into the glory of the Father through the finished work of Jesus Christ.

(a) Those who will not taste of death (Elijah) but will be translated (Raptured) into glory.

(b) Those who will die and be buried and at his coming will resurrect (Moses) to be translated (Raptured) into glory.

WHY MUST IT BE MICHAEL THAT WOULD COME FOR THE BODY OF MOSES?

As stated earlier, Michael is the great prince standing for the children of Israel; therefore, he takes responsibility for them. He, like Moses, would have nothing to do with the Gentile Nations unless the nation of Israel was involved. **Dan12: 1**. Gabriel while conveying the message to Daniel was held up by the prince of Persia. He would not fight his way out, for he guarded the secrets sent to Daniel. It took the intervention of Michael to rescue Gabriel from the prince of Persia (Dan 10:12-13). Please understand that Michael's involvement was only to release Gabriel, as it was Gabriel's jurisdiction to deal with the Nations as is clearly shown in these scriptures.

Dan 10: 20 Then said he, Knowest thou wherefore I come unto thee? and now will I return to fight with the prince of Persia: and when I am gone forth, lo, the prince of Grecia shall come. **21** But I will shew thee that which is noted in the scripture of truth: and there is none that holdeth with me in these things, but Michael your prince.

Gabriel was asking Daniel if he had now understood why he had to come to him, which was to make known the things that will befall the children of Israel (Dan10: 14), and after then, he was to return to fight with the prince of Persia. *Why was Gabriel returning to fight the prince of Persia*?

It was because Michael did not do that; he only made way for Gabriel, for that was not in his jurisdiction.

Finally, to prove that these two beings' ministry are manifested in that of the two witnesses, the man Gabriel said to Daniel "But I will shew thee that which is noted in the scripture of truth: and there is none that holdeth with me in these things, but Michael your prince.

If Gabriel is re-emphasising that Michael is the prince of Daniel's people (Israel), *then why was he there to talk with Daniel*? He did so because his ministry is to the nations, like Elijah, but the Gentiles themselves must source through one of the stems of the nation of Israel. Praise God!

MY TWO WITNESSES

Rev 11:3 And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth. <u>4</u> These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth. <u>5</u> And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed. <u>6</u> These have <u>power to shut heaven, that it</u> rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.

(I believe that a sincere reader should see Moses and Elijah in the prophecy of Rev11:3-6)

These 2 men mentioned in the book of **Revelation** 11: 3-12; were referred to as the 2 WITNESSES. Oh my! That is what they have been all along from Genesis 18. They never spoke while the **Lord God** was speaking to Abraham apart from the salutations, they were just there as witnesses. It is clear that the 2 men all along represent **THE LAW** to ISRAEL and **THE PROPHETS** to the NATIONS.

On the Mt. of Transfiguration, **The Lord Jesus Christ** was proven to be the God of the whole earth made manifest in the flesh when these 2 angels appeared in the bodies of **MOSES** AND **ELIJAH** to talk about his death. Matt17:1-5.

Jesus said exactly that some of his disciples would not taste death until they see him coming in the glory of his father with his holy angels. Yes, it happened after 6 days, and those holy angels were Moses and Elijah. Amen.

Matt 16:27 For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works. 28 Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.

<u>Matt 17:1</u> ¶ And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart, <u>2</u> And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light. <u>3</u> And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him.

The event on the Mount of transfiguration and the *Voice* that spoke on that day was to confirm **Zechariah 4:** <u>6</u> Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts.

The above prophecy was fulfilled on the mount of transfiguration in verse 5 of Matthew 17.

<u>4</u> Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias. <u>5</u> While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, <u>This is</u> <u>my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear</u> <u>ye him</u>.

These apostles who were not to taste of death before witnessing the Son of Man coming in his Father's kingdom (Peter, James and John) were made to know that it was no longer going to be by **MIGHT** (The LAW of Moses), or by **POWER** (The power of the **PROPHETS** 'Elijah'), but by HIS **SPIRIT** (God in his Son 'Jesus Christ', reconciling the world to Himself) says the LORD.

Another example is in the story of the rich man and Lazarus; when the rich man requested Abraham to send Lazarus to his 5 brethren on earth, he replied thus:

Luke 16:29 Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.

Abraham was simply saying to the rich man that the living had *The Law and The prophets*, which is represented by *Moses and Elijah*.

Surely, the Lord God Almighty had dealt with the nation of Israel through their years of existence in the Old Testament by his 2 witnesses (**The Law and The Prophets**).

It is also clear that before the great and dreadful day of the LORD will come at the end of Daniel's seventieth (70th) week, God will send again his WORD through these 2 WITNESSES and they will gather the **ELECTED JEWS** (144,000) unto Him. There is a relationship between the two men and the two angels mentioned so far in this message, as **Zachariah 4:11-14** is clearly seen in **Revelation 11:3-4**.

<u>A further reading will proof that the two witnesses</u> <u>standing before the God of the whole earth are none</u> <u>other than Moses and Elijah</u>.

Are we saying that Moses and Elijah were the two that escorted Yahweh (Jehovah) to the tent of Abraham in Genesis 18? The answer is NO.

Prior to the earthly ministry of Moses and Elijah, the Two Men who accompanied YAHWEH (Jehovah) to Abraham's house were the angels MICHAEL and GABRIEL. These have a special relationship and representation in the earthly ministry of Moses and Elijah.

LET US PICK THE PIECES

In conclusion, let me show you the manifestations of these two witnesses in some hidden events in the scripture.

- <u>Ge 3:24</u> So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life. There were only 2 Cherubims and One Flaming Sword (the Word of God) placed at the east of Eden.
- Ex 25:18 And thou shalt make <u>two</u>. <u>cherubims</u> of gold, of beaten work shalt thou make them, in the two ends of the mercy seat. 22 And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from between <u>the two</u>. <u>cherubims</u> which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all *things* which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel. (What else proceeds from the mercy seat if not the Word of God?)

• <u>Num7: 89</u> And when Moses was gone into the tabernacle of the congregation to speak with him, then he heard the voice of one speaking unto him from off the mercy seat that was upon the ark of testimony, from between the **two cherubims**: and he spake unto him.

Num8: 1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

<u>2</u> Speak unto Aaron, and say unto him, When thou lightest the lamps, the seven lamps shall give light over against the candlestick. (See Zech 4: 1-14). **Dan10:21** But I will shew thee that which is noted in the scripture of truth: and there is none that holdeth with me in these things, but Michael your prince.

I have quoted the above scripture several times and it seem I cannot stop repeating it. Remember that unnamed angel that withstood Balaam, and the one that spoke to Mr/Mrs Manoah who later became Samson's parents; That angel was none other but Gabriel. The one that appeared to Joshua at the wall of Jericho was Michael, the captain of the Lord's host. Num22: 21-35, Jos 5: 13-15, Jud13:1-18.

<u>2Sa 24:16</u> And when the angel stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, the LORD repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed the people, It is enough: stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD was by the threshingplace of Araunah the Jebusite.

<u>1Ch 21:15</u> And God sent an angel unto Jerusalem to destroy it: and as he was destroying, the LORD beheld, and he repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed, It is enough, stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD stood by the threshingfloor of **Ornan** the Jebusite.

The angel that went forth destroying Israel into Jerusalem was none other than Michael that great prince that stands for them. This angel was seen by David, the elder of Israel, **Ornan the Jebusite** and his four sons.

<u>1Ch 21:16</u> And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the angel of the LORD stand between the earth and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched out over Jerusalem. Then David and the elders of Israel, who were clothed in sackcloth, fell upon their faces. <u>20</u> And **Ornan** turned back, and saw the angel; and his four sons with him hid themselves. Now **Ornan** was threshing wheat.

A closer look will show that it was not the angel David and Ornan saw that told Gad the prophet what David must do. The angel that spoke to Prophet Gad was Gabriel. God does not work haphazardly. The only reason why God allowed **Ornan the Jebusite** to see the mighty angel was for a confirmation, so he would not argue the selling off his inheritance to David.

WHY DID THE ANGEL STOP THE KILLING AT THAT SPOT?

The answer is simple, that spot is the spiritual gate to eden where the flaming sword and the 2 cherubim stood. The same mountain upon which Abraham was to sacrifice Isaac and where the temple was later built by Solomon. Amen!

<u>1Ch 21:28</u> At that time when David saw that the LORD had answered him in the threshingfloor of **Ornan** the Jebusite, then he sacrificed there.

<u>2Ch 3:1</u> Then Solomon began to build the house of the LORD at Jerusalem in mount Moriah, where the LORD appeared unto David his father, in the place that David had prepared in the threshingfloor of **Ornan** the Jebusite.

My Gentile friends, do you now see that we are too small to attempt to change the truth of God into a lie? If Abraham, Moses, David and other Jewish prophets did not follow the erroneous teaching of trinity, how can you be deceived by these reward seeking televangelists to believe that the one true God of Israel is a trinity of persons?

My people perish for lack of knowledge. God will send his two witnesses after the translation of the saints in what we call the rapture, and they will gather One Hundred and Forty four Thousand (144,000) Jewish Manservants unto God. That is not for us gentile, but for the Israelites. Rev7:2-4,11:3-4.

Your chance is now; Repent and be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. Acts 2:38, 19:1-5, Rom6:3-6, Gal 3:27, 1Pet3:21.

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God bless you richly!

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Your Brother in the blood of Jesus Christ. Amen