

# SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

## “THE PYRAMIDAL CITY OF GOD”

### HEBREWS 11: 8-11

*[8] By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.*

*[9] By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:*

*[10] For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.*

*[11] Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised.*

### HEBREWS 12: 22-24.

*[22] But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,*

*[23] To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,*

*[24] And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.*

**Ref: 1Corinthians 3:9-11, Ephesians 2: 19-22. Hebrews 11:10**

This subject is titled **Spiritual Reflection in time**: the blueprint of the eternal and spiritual building of God made visible in TIME. It is the revealing of the true position of those who are the living-stones of this great building of God and the works of His hands prepared from the foundation of the world in Christ (WORD, LOGOS). **Ephesians 2: 10.**

God is a Spirit: for anyone to contact this Spirit, it must be by Faith, which is the substance of things hoped for, and the evidence of things we cannot see, hear, taste, smell, or feel in the physical. A lot of people try to prove God by education, religion, civilization or any other human factor, and this is wrong, for God is not found in human systems, rather we seek, find and believe God by Faith and that faith is **REVELATION**.

Faith comes by hearing, but not with your ears, for to the spirit your physical ears are decorations to make you look good, but faith comes by hearing from the ear of your heart (spiritual) and it must be by the Word of God, meaning that the Word scans all that comes before you believe them. It was in this way that Abraham knew and believed God, that was why he searched out the spiritual aspects of all the blessings (the Promised Land and the Promised Son 'Isaac') promised him in the physical.

God never promised Abraham a city, but he was to inherit the Land of Canaan because this was the very Land that Adam lost when he fell. Paul said in Hebrews 11:10, that Abraham by faith looked beyond the **promised Land** by searching for a City with foundations, whose builder and maker is God. The same is true concerning the promise of a son, for it would not have been possible for the four-quarters of the earth (Gentiles) to relate to the blessings of Abraham through Isaac (The Physical Seed), therefore by revelation (Faith), Abraham looked beyond the physical that we might be called the seed of Abraham through his spiritual Seed '**Jesus Christ**' (The Spiritual Son).

**Galatians 3:16, Romans 9: 7-9.**

### **MORIAH: THE PROMISED LAND**

There must have been a very important reason why God would ask Abram (as he was formally called) to leave his home country to a land that God was to show him. God can bless a man anywhere He chooses but when the issue of **Place** is brought into view then it must be that it is part of God's eternal program made visible in time.

God was beginning the plan of restoring what Adam had lost and Abraham was to play a key role in this restoration plan.

**Genesis 22: 1-5.**

*1 And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am.*

*2 And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.*

*3 And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.*

*4 Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.*

*5 And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you.*

Moriah! The place where Solomon later built the temple of God, in the very spot where Abraham was to sacrifice Isaac (**2 Chronicles 3:1**). In the above passage we understand that though Abraham had Ishmael first, God did not consider the son of the bond woman a candidate for the inheritance. He referred to Isaac as Abraham's only son whom he loved, and that was it. This special seed must be offered to God upon one of the mountains of Moriah, which is also referred to by many wonderful titles such as '*the glory of all lands, the pleasant land, City of great kings, City of our God, the joy of the whole earth, the married land, Beulah, Delight, Eden*', etc. Ps 48:1, 106: 4, Isa 32:12, 62: 4, Jer23:10, Dan 8:9, Zech7:14.

**Isa 66:1** *Thus saith the LORD, The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my **footstool**: where is the house that ye build unto me? and where is the place of my rest?*

This Moriah is the place where the Bible refers to as the **footstool** of God, not all of the earth, for the Word of God is yet to be settled in all the earth, but He chose a place to put His NAME and that place is the **PLACE** of His REST; that place was Moriah which we know as **JERUSALEM**. It was not until the Lord Jesus Christ came that the footstool of God moved into the uttermost parts of the earth through the Christ that was in the apostles and it is still moving even now in the lives of those who are earnestly contending for **The Faith** of the apostles.

Remember that the Holy Ghost first came down upon the believers at JERUSALEM just as the Spirit of God did come down in the cool of the day to fellowship with Adam. Yes! It must thus be, for JERUSALEM is the FOOTSTOOL on earth for YAHWEH, His PLACE OF REST. **Zech14: 8, Luke 24: 46-48, Acts 1: 6-7.**

*Then David the king stood up upon his feet, and said, Hear me, my brethren, and my people: As for me, I had in mine heart to build an house of rest for the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and for the **footstool** of our God, and had made ready for the building: **1Ch 28:2***

*Exalt ye the LORD our God, and worship at his **footstool**; for he is holy. **Ps 99:5***

*We will go into his tabernacles: we will worship at his **footstool**. **Ps 132:7***

(Moriah was the place where man first set foot upon in the earth, and was also the place where Lucifer ruled and ministered to other angels, this was Eden, the garden of God.) **Ezekiel 28: 12-15.** Please read the message '**Holy City New Jerusalem**' by **Bro. Richard Gan**.

On the third day when Abraham found the place, he said to his men "*Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, **and come again to you***".

He spoke faith into action for before now no one had preached resurrection of the dead, but somehow, Abraham believed that even if God was asking him to offer Isaac, the PROMISE was in Isaac, therefore God was able to bring him back to life that the promise might stand, that is, the spiritual seed of Abraham (Jesus Christ) through Isaac. **Rom 9: 7.**

*4 Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.*

The bible is full of types, and these types help us in the understanding of God's setting. The promise of God to make Abraham a great nation was clearly defined in the life of Jacob who was in the third generation from Abraham a pointer to **Gen 22: 4**, also from the time Abraham lived to the millennium will be about 3000 years signifying the third day from his own day. The very God we worship is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob who also has become our God and He is the same in Word and in Power.

## **JACOB: THE PORTION OF YAHWEH**

### **Deuteronomy 32:7-8**

*7 Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father, and he will shew thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. 8 When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, **when he separated the sons of Adam**, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel.*

By revelation we understood that the Land of Canaan is the only land chosen and recognized by God, and by it He set the boundaries of the nations of the world, meaning that the Gentile world is practically "OUTSIDE" Canaan which stands out as God's place on earth.

'...according to the number of the children of Israel' actually refers to the 12 Sons of Jacob, not the total population of the people, but the 12 positions of inheritance as slated for the Old Testament.

This is clearly shown in the preparation of the **Urim** and **Thummim**, the breastplate of judgment worn by Aaron for a testimony. Ex 28: 30, Lev 8:8, Num27: 21, Deut33:8, 1Sam 28: 6, Neh7: 65.

*9 For the LORD'S portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance.*

Surely, the portion of the Lord is His people, a great nation called Jacob that was later changed to Israel 'for as a Prince hast thou Power with God...' Amen. **Gen 32: 28.**

## **12 THRONE: 14 CONTESTANTS.**

Jacob had 12 sons according to the already prepared design of the heavenly foundations and powers, but having missed Joseph, when the re-union finally came, he adopted the 2 sons of Joseph namely '**Ephraim** and **Manasseh**'. These two grandsons were promoted to the sonship position, and by doing this Jacob was actually securing the position of Joseph, the son of the woman he loved most, that his inheritance would not be lost.

### **Gen 48:5**

*And now thy two sons, **Ephraim** and **Manasseh**, which were born unto thee in the land of Egypt before I came unto thee into Egypt, are mine; **as Reuben and Simeon, they shall be mine.***

1. The sons of Joseph were born of Egyptian mother and by this they cannot be said to be proper Jews, instead they would have later be termed "**Samaritans**" just like the woman that met Jesus at the well, claiming not to have anything in common with Jesus (because he was a Jew) but having Jacob as her fore-father. **John 4: 12.**

2. Jacob was conscious of THE PROMISE of God to Abraham and his father Isaac. He knew that the Promise was connected to a special place and that was the Land which Adam lost, even Eden (the glory of all lands). His descendants though were prosperous in Egypt had no future in Egypt for every true Israelite loses his blessing outside the homeland, and this was the main reason why Jacob and Joseph insisted to be buried in the promise land.

With the adoption of Ephraim and Manasseh, the number of the sons of Jacob has risen to 14, but there were only 12 thrones to be inherited, for this reason they entered into a cold struggle. According to Genesis 49:1-28. this was the **original** order from the eldest to the youngest. **Reuben – Simeon – Levi – Judah – Zebulun – Issachar – Dan – Gad – Asher – Naphtali – Joseph – Benjamin.**

## **LEVI AND THE PRIESTHOOD**

**Numbers 1:49,- 52-53.**

**49** *Only thou shalt not number the tribe of Levi, neither take the sum of them among the children of Israel:*

**52** *And the children of Israel shall pitch their tents, every man by his own camp, and every man by his own standard, throughout their hosts. **53** But the Levites shall pitch round about the tabernacle of testimony, that there be no wrath upon the congregation of the children of Israel: and the Levites shall keep the charge of the tabernacle of testimony.*

**Numbers 3:6** *Bring the tribe of Levi near, and present them before Aaron the priest, that they may minister unto him.*

The tribe of Levi was separated immediately the children of Israel received the Law to carry out the worship of Yahweh in the Tabernacle built in the wilderness, but by this time there were 14 names of the sons of Jacob and 13 tribes in operation.

### **Original 12 sons of Jacob**

*Reuben – Simeon – Levi – Judah – Zebulun – Issachar – Dan – Gad – Asher – Naphtali – Joseph – and Benjamin.*

### **14 sons of Jacob after the adoption**

*Reuben – Simeon – Levi – Judah – Zebulun – Issachar – Dan – Gad – Asher – Naphtali – Joseph – Benjamin – Ephraim – Manasseh.*

The total number of men who were called sons of Jacob were 14 in all because Ephraim and Manasseh were adopted by Jacob as his own sons **with equal rights** to the already existing 12 sons.

### **The 12 Tribes in operation plus Levi**

*Reuben – Simeon – Judah – Zebulun – Issachar – Dan – Gad – Asher – Naphtali - Benjamin – Ephraim – Manasseh + Levi, who was a priest unto God.*

Joseph was not counted because his two sons, were already adopted by his father Jacob and so there was no need for him to have a separate tribe except if he had another son who was not adopted by Jacob. Therefore, the number of the tribes in operation was 13 including Levi who stood in the Priestly office for God.

## **THE BLOTTING OUT OF NAMES**

Ex 32:32-33 *Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin--; and if not, **blot** me, I pray thee, out of thy book which thou hast written. **33** And the LORD said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against me, him will I **blot** out of my book.*

The children of Israel wondered after strange gods while Moses delayed in the presence of God on the mount, and the Lord sent him down to see what had become of them. The Lord God told Moses to stand aside that HE might destroy Israel and make Moses a name on earth, but the Prophet would not want this to be, and he stood in the gap asking the mercy of God.

The Lord ended the conversation with the warning that whosoever will sin against him, **his name would be blotted out of His book.** This was not an empty threat as I have seen many christian literatures, writing to excuse this subject and some will not want to have anything to do with discussing the blotting out of names from God's book.

## EPHRAIM AND DAN

### 1 Kings 12: 26-31

*26 And Jeroboam said in his heart, Now shall the kingdom return to the house of David: 27 If this people go up to do sacrifice in the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, then shall the heart of this people turn again unto their lord, even unto Rehoboam king of Judah, and they shall kill me, and go again to Rehoboam king of Judah.*

*28 Whereupon the king took counsel, and made two calves of gold, and said unto them, It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem: behold thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. 29 And he set the one in Bethel, **and the other put he in Dan.** 30 And this thing became a sin: for the people went to worship before the one, even unto Dan. 31 And he made an house of high places, and made priests of the lowest of the people, which were not of the sons of Levi.*

Jeroboam! The nightmare of the kingdom of Israel, like the many self acclaimed religious leaders of our time, though bright in appearance are agents of their real father 'Satan'. This man was from the tribe of Ephraim, a descendant of Joseph whom the Lord had favoured through king Solomon. He obtained the Kingdom by prophecy as it was freely given to him by God, and the first step he took was to try undoing all of God's eternal purpose for Israel.

Jeroboam dared to temper with the following; The promise Land (1Kings12: 27-28), The promise Seed (1Kings12: 27), and The ordained Priesthood (1Kings12: 31). Now, as if these were not enough, Jeroboam fell straight into a trap that was set down by God in the wilderness. We read that when the people compelled Aaron to make them a god to lead them instead of the God of the the prophet 'Moses' whom they thought of as being too slow, Aaron made them a **molten calf**.

**Ex 32:4** *And he received them at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, after he had made it a **molten calf**: and they said, These be thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.*

Now in the days of Jeroboam, he built 2 **golden calves** and made a blasphemous declaration that these were the gods that brought Israel out of the land of Egypt, by this very act, Jeroboam himself and all of his associates MUST be blotted out of God's book and if not, then it means God was only joking while He talked with Moses in the Wilderness. Unfortunately, the 2 tribes that fell into this doom were Ephraim and Dan. **1 Kings 12: 26-31.**

**Ex32: 34** *Therefore now go, lead the people unto the place of which I have spoken unto thee: behold, mine Angel shall go before thee: **nevertheless in the day when I visit I will visit their sin upon them.***

*Ephraim is joined to idols: let him alone. Hos 4:17*

*I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from me: for now, O Ephraim, thou committest whoredom, and Israel is defiled. Hos 5:3*

*They that swear by the sin of Samaria, and say, Thy god, O Dan, liveth; and, The manner of Beersheba liveth; even they shall fall, and never rise up again. Amos 8:14*

## THE 12 TRIBES SEALED AT THE END

Finally when the end came as shown in the sealing of the tribes in the book of Revelation chapter 7, the names of Dan and Ephraim were omitted and the tribes returned back to the original number of 12 including **Levi** and **Joseph**.

**Rev7: 4-8.**

**Judah, Reuben, Gad, Asher, Nephthalim, Manasses, Simeon, Levi, Issachar, Zebulun, Joseph, Benjamin.**

It is very clear that the names of Ephraim and Dan were missing, but more importantly we could say that Ephraim will find rest in the portion of Joseph, whereas DAN shows a clear case of God blotting one's name from His Book.

The sons of Jacob that made it to the book of Revelation are they which will inherit the 12 thrones slated for them and would be the 12 of the 24 ELDERS whose thrones are before the throne of God in heaven.

### THE OLD REFLECTING THE NEW

Saints! It is amazing that what we have just read about Israel in the Old Testament was reflected in the New Testament in the very ministry of our Lord and saviour, Jesus Christ. The Lord Jesus called 12 men to be his disciples and later he ordained them to be Apostles. Now this set of Apostles have no comparison in the scriptures because they were personally made apostles by the Lord himself. Their apostleship was not the type of the ascension apostles, certainly not in the same category because to these Apostles were kept 12 of the 24 thrones to be inherited before the throne of God.

The **Urim** and the **Thummim** was made in a foursquare shape and God instructed Moses that it must be **doubled**.

#### **Ex28: 15-21**

**15** *And thou shalt make the breastplate of judgment with cunning work; after the work of the ephod thou shalt make it; of gold, of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine twined linen, shalt thou make it.*

**16** *Foursquare it shall be being doubled; a span shall be the length thereof, and a span shall be the breadth thereof.*

**17** *And thou shalt set in it settings of stones, even four rows of stones: the first row shall be a sardius, a topaz, and a carbuncle: this shall be the first row.*

**18** *And the second row shall be an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond.*

**19** *And the third row a **ligure**, an **agate**, and an **amethyst**.*

**20** *And the fourth row a beryl, and an onyx, and a jasper: they shall be set in gold in their inclosings.*

**21** *And the stones shall be with the names of the children of Israel, twelve, according to their names, like the engravings of a signet; every one with his name shall they be according to the twelve tribes.*

**Matt 19: 28.** *And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon **twelve thrones**, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.*

There are 12 thrones to be inherited by the apostles of the Lord Jesus Christ but just as it was with the sons of Jacob, who had 14 contestants, the total names of the Apostles of Jesus Christ once rose to the same number 14.

#### **Matt 10: 2- 4.**

**2** *Now the names of the twelve apostles are these; The first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother;*

**3** *Philip, and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the publican; James the son of Alphaeus, and Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus;*

**4** *Simon the Canaanite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed him.*

### THE ORIGINAL 12 APOSTLES

**Simon (Peter) – Andrew – James – John – Philip – Bartholomew – Thomas – Matthew – James A. - Lebbaeus – Simon – Judas Iscariot.**

Immediately after the death of Judas Iscariot, the apostles by the instrumentation of lot casting chose **Mathias** to replace the late Judas Iscariot. Finally, we were faced with the supernatural conversion of **Saul** of Tarsus on his way to Damascus, and this was done by the Lord Jesus Christ himself, who when Saul asked "...*who are thou, Lord?*" He replied '*I am Jesus' whom you persecutest...*' Therefore we would be having a total of 14 contestants for only 12 thrones.

## TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS CALLED APOSTLES (14)

Peter – Andrew – James – John – Philip – Bartholomew – Thomas – Matthew – James A. -  
Lebbaeus – Simon – Judas Iscariot – Mathias – Paul.

We know that Judas Iscariot was tag the son of perdition, so he lost his place and the throne, leaving 13 persons.

1. Peter – 2. Andrew – 3. James – 4. John – 5. Philip – 6. Bartholomew – 7. Thomas – 8. Matthew –  
9. James A. - 10. Lebbaeus – 11. Simon – 12. Mathias – 13. Paul.

Even now while this material is being read, there are lots of arguments going on concerning the position of Mathias and Paul. There are many reasons why it should be Paul and one or two good reasons why the decision of the apostles should not be ignored, but there must be a spiritual formula somewhere to solve this riddle. In the Old Testament, God used the clear method of blotting out of names, and in the New Testament, we know that Judas' name was blotted out, but then what about Mathias or Paul whom we cannot lay a finger on. **Luke 10: 20**

**20** *Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because **your names are written in heaven.***

I am sure that there is no argument about who are the 24 Elders, for they are the 12 Sons of Jacob and the 12 Apostles of Jesus Christ, but who these 12 Apostles are is what we want to determine. A believer once asked that if the 24 elders are the 12 sons of Jacob and the 12 apostles of Jesus Christ, then where would God place Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob? The answer to this question is the secret of the actual person who is the 12<sup>th</sup> apostle of Jesus Christ.

Diagram 01.

*Shows the throne of God surrounded by the 4 living creatures, the seven lamp-stands represented by the 7 stars, and the 24 elders. (Rev 4:1-11)*



*Below is what is displayed before the throne of God;*

**12 SONS OF JACOB:** Perfect Government in the Old Testament.

**12 APOSTLES OF CHRIST:** Perfect Government in the New Testament.

**7 GENTILE MESSENGERS:** The Seven Spirits of God sent into the earth as Chamberlains (*Keepers of the King's Women 'Bride'*).

## THE PLACEMENT OF ABRAHAM, ISAAC, AND JACOB

The above diagram is a partial description of the throne of God as was shown to John in the vision of Patmos.

How could the sons of Jacob be placed without their father?

For without Jacob they would not have been sons, and without God giving the Promise to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob would not have come.

The four living creatures (*Lion, Ox, Man, Eagle*) **TYPES 'Faith, Love, Grace and Perfection'**, therefore if we place these **types** to the lives of the Patriarchal Fathers the outcome will give us a perfect match and a clue to the set-up of the heavenly Government.

In the book of Revelation we discovered that these FOUR BEASTS were placed in the 7 church age dispensations

**LION** working in Paul and Irenaeus in Ephesus and Smyrna.

**OX**: working in St. Martin and Columba during the ages of Pergamos and Thyartira.

**MAN**: working in Luther and Wesley in Sardis and Philadelphia.

The flying **EAGLE** in WILLIAM BRANHAM in this last church age called Laodicea.

The same TYPE is placed on the four Gospels (MATTHEW, MARK, LUKE AND JOHN).

**Matthew** shows Jesus as the KING (**Lion**).

**Mark** shows Jesus as the SACRIFICE (**Ox**).

**Luke** shows Jesus as the SERVANT (**Man**).

**John** shows Jesus as the DIVINE ONE (**Eagle**)

•**LION TYPES FAITH**: The father of faith '**Abraham**' the man who received the promised from God is no doubt the most suitable figure to occupy this position.

•The **OX (LOVE)** represents the beloved son '**ISAAC**', oh! How Abraham spent a good portion of his life waiting for him to come. Isaac whose life was tied around sacrifice like the spiritual son of Abraham (Jesus Christ) was the beloved of his father.

•The '**MAN**' represents **GRACE** and this position is linked to JACOB for God dealt with Jacob by grace knowing that he was unworthy of all he received and he was conscious of it. **Genesis 32: 9-10**.

•The '**EAGLE**' is the sum total product of the Lion, Ox, and the Man, this was expressed in the life of the man that was given the **birthright** of the house of Jacob (Israel), and that man was **JOSEPH**. The spirit of the eagle is the spirit of the prophet as was seen in Joseph, Daniel and John the beloved.

**5:1** *Now the sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel, (for he was the firstborn; but, forasmuch as he defiled his father's bed, **his birthright was given unto the sons of Joseph the son of Israel**: and the genealogy is not to be reckoned after the birthright. 1Chronicles 5: 1*

#### THE SPIRITUAL FORMULA

Abraham was represented by **Faith**, Isaac - **Love**, Jacob - **Grace**, and Joseph was the product of the first three (faith+Love+Grace), and that is **PERFECTION**.

**This now is the spiritual formula;**

Eagle, the last of the four beasts, reflects the first ELDER (Joseph) (1 Chronicles 5:1)

The last of the 24 ELDERS (which is Paul) is the first STAR MESSENGER, (Acts 13:47, 22:21)

And **BY** the last Star Messenger (William Branham) comes the Seven Seals, (Matt 17: 11, Rev10:1-7)

And with the opening of the Last Seal comes the Seven Thunders, (Rev 8: 1, 10: 4-7)

The final utterance of the Thunders produces the Seven Trumpets, (Rev 8: 2-6)

The Seventh Trumpet brings forth the out-pouring of the Seven **Vials**. Amen. (Rev 11: 15 to Rev15:8)

**Saints! Let it be known that at the OUT-POURING of the last Vial by the 7<sup>th</sup> and last trumpeting Angel (Rev.16:17-18), the Greatest Earthquake of all times will hit the earths and, perhaps, restore the great pyramid of Giza to its original position to NOT cast its shadow as in the past.**

Therefore if we find Paul to be the **first Star Messenger** to the Gentile dispensation, then he must be **the last of the 24 Elders** because the gospel must come to the Gentiles through one of the stems of the original vine (Israel).



Take note of the underlined scriptures below and you will understand that Paul was in nowhere behind the chiefest of the apostles, this is exactly what transpired between Jacob and the 2 sons of Joseph. **Gen48: 5.**

**Rom 1:5** *By whom we have received grace and **apostleship**, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name:*

**1Cor 9:2** *If I be not an apostle unto others, yet doubtless I am to you: for the seal of mine **apostleship** are ye in the Lord.*

**Gal 2:8** *(For he that wrought effectually in Peter to the **apostleship** of the circumcision, the same was mighty in me toward the Gentiles:)*

**2Cor 11:5** ***For I suppose I was not a whit behind the very chiefest apostles.***

**2Cor 12:11** *I am become a fool in glorying; ye have compelled me: for I ought to have been commended of you: **for in nothing am I behind the very chiefest apostles, though I be nothing.***

Truly, the man Paul is both the 24<sup>th</sup> Elder and the first Star Messenger as Joseph also is both the 4<sup>th</sup> (Last) living creature, and the first of the 24 Elders. Praise God!

### THE PYRAMIDICAL CITY: THE CITY WITH FOUNDATIONS.

**9** *And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.*

**10** *And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, **Rev 21: 9-10.***

Abraham was the man who received the promise of inheriting the Land of Canaan, the land flowing with milk and honey 'Moriah' which is known to us as Jerusalem. He peeped beyond the physical promise by searching, not for another land but a city with foundations. Why would the apostle use the term "**city which had foundations...**" ?

It is because there is another city which had NO foundations, and its ground is sinking sand from earth to hell and beyond even to the bottomless pit, that city is the building of Satan.

To save time and space, we are not going to discuss in details the activities of Satan after he was cast OUT from the presence of God, but we must look backward to when he was in the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Eden. Satan was in the 1<sup>st</sup> Eden not as Satan but as **Lucifer** in **Ezekiel 28: 12-15**, the garden then was a garden of precious stones, and the habitation of Angelic beings and from there he (Lucifer) moved to and fro receiving orders from God and detailing the angels accordingly (**for he bore the light, and that light was the Word 'Thus Saith The Lord'**); that Eden was on the same spot where Adam's Eden was situated, it was Moriah "The holy mountain of God".

*Although Satan was cast OUT from heaven (Eden 'The presence of God, and His Footstool), he is yet to be cast DOWN. (Rev.12:9-10.)* Satan has no physical address on earth yet, but this will come to be during the middle of the 70<sup>th</sup> week (prophetic) of Daniel when he will incarnate the man of sin. (Dan9:27, 12:11, 2Thess 2: 3-4, **Rev 12:12-13, 13:14-18**).

Satan when he was cast into the earth has been blowing through the four winds of the earth '**Politics, Economy, Military, and Religion**' and it is by these that he had entered into all the systems of the world, building his empire without foundations.

Foundations cannot be established without Truth and that is why The Lord Jesus Christ said "...*I am the TRUTH*" for where there is Truth, life is sure, but where there is no truth, there will death abide.

# 'CITY WITHOUT FOUNDATIONS'

## HEAVEN

**BEGINNING**

Gen1:1  
 THE AGE OF THE ANGELS  
 FALL OF LUCIFER

Gen1:2  
 \* DESTRUCTION OF THE EARTH  
 \* REBELLIOUS ANGELS ARRESTED & CHAINED IN THE ABYSS. 2Pet2:4, Jude:6.

Gen1:3  
 \* THE AGE OF ADAM HIS REIGN, HIS FALL, AND HIS DEATH.  
 \* ABEL SATAN'S FIRST PRISONER. SATAN CONTINUED TO HOLD MEN BOUND BY DEATH UNTIL JOHN THE BAPTIST.

### Mt 27:50-53

When Jesus died the following Events took place:  
 \* The Veil of the Temple was rent in 2.  
 \* An Earthquake \* Rocks Rent  
 \* The GRAVES of those whose Souls were in ABEAHAM'S BOSSOM Opened.  
 \* These Souls came up to the grave level to WAKE THEIR BODIES UP, but did NOT come out of their Graves until after Jesus' resurrection. Col 1:18  
 \* They appeared to MANY in the HOLY City spending 40 days before being raptured with JESUS CHRIST.

ABRAHAM'S BOSSOM WAS TAKEN UP AND PLACED IN THE PARADISE below THE 3RD HEAVEN. 2 Cor12:1-3. THE JUST MEN WERE RAPTURED WITH JESUS AFTER THEIR 40 DAYS STAY IN THE HOLY CITY.

## EARTH

GRAVE REGION 6ft.

For 3 days SOULS of Just Men (Adam - John) waited in their already opened GRAVES. Mt27:52

They came out after Jesus' resurrection.

## HELL (SHOEL)

### PRISON HOUSE OF SATAN THE 2 COMPARTMENTS of HELL

#### JUST SOULS

NO TORMENT  
 ABRAHAM'S BOSSOM WAS THE PLACE OF THE DEPARTED JUST SOULS. Luke16:22  
 It housed the Souls of Abel - John the Baptist, and was closed up when Jesus Christ died on Golgotha hills.

#### UNJUST SOULS

SOULS IN TORMENT  
 HELL! PLACE OF THE WICKED SOULS WHO LIVED FORM 'CAIN - FLOOD' AND FROM THE FLOOD TILL THE RESURRECTION OF ALL THE DEAD. IT IS THE SINNER'S ABODE

GREAT GULF FIXED LUKE 16:26

## ABYSS

Rebellious Angels Chained in Darkness and RESERVED for the Judgment of the Great Day. 2Pet 2: 4, Jude vs 6.

THEY WERE CHAINED IN Gen1:2 BEFORE ADAM was put on the EARTH.

BOTTOMLESS PIT

## A SIGN IN EGYPT

### **Jeremiah 32: 17-20.**

*17 Ah Lord GOD! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee:*

*18 Thou shewest lovingkindness unto thousands, and recompensest the iniquity of the fathers into the bosom of their children after them: the Great, the Mighty God, the LORD of hosts, is his name,*

*19 Great in counsel, and mighty in work: for thine eyes are open upon all the ways of the sons of men: to give every one according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings:*

*20 Which hast set signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, even unto this day, and in Israel, and among other men; and hast made thee a name, as at this day;*

### **Isaiah 19: 19-21**

*19 In that day shall there be an altar to the LORD in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a pillar at the border thereof to the LORD.*

*20 And it shall be for a sign and for a witness unto the LORD of hosts in the land of Egypt: for they shall cry unto the LORD because of the oppressors, and he shall send them a saviour, and a great one, and he shall deliver them.*

*21 And the LORD shall be known to Egypt, and the Egyptians shall know the LORD in that day, and shall do sacrifice and oblation; yea, they shall vow a vow unto the LORD, and perform it.*

The Lord signified by the building of the pyramid on Gentile soil that He had something special to accomplish among the Gentiles. The Gentile Land is the bride land while Jerusalem is the home of the bridegroom on earth. The journey of restoration began at Jerusalem to Judaea, Samaria before reaching to the ends of the Earth, and likewise will this far journey make its return to where it started "Jerusalem".

Enoch built the pyramid for a sign, having known that God was going to destroy the earth with a flood, a sign had to be left for the survivors to be able to LOCATE the footstool of God which is Jerusalem. A similar incident occurred in Genesis 11, when men began to increase on the surface of the earth.

### **Genesis 11: 1-5.**

*11:1 And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.*

*2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there.*

*3 And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar.*

*4 And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.*

*5 ¶ And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.*

Nimrod who possessed the highest trait of the serpentine nature after the flood, a descendant of Ham and Cush, was a mighty hunter before the Lord. **Gen10:8-9.**

This Nimrod was not a hunter of beast alone, but was hunting men upon the surface of the earth also, and the phrase '*before the Lord*' does not indicate anything positive, rather the man Nimrod was out to challenge the WILL of God in every area possible.

It was the Will of God to have men fill the whole earth, but this Nimrod raised an evil standard by the construction of a **city** and a **tower** for the purpose of turning down the Will of God and making His Word of none effect.

*4. And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.*

Satan through Nimrod wanted the reflection of his evil city on earth, and the city was also Pyramidal, that its top will reach to heaven, just as Lucifer planned before man was on the earth. Isaiah 14:12-16. They also wanted to make a NAME so that they will not be scattered abroad upon the surface of the earth as God planned.

**Headquarters:** When Christian Churches today claim to be spreading the gospel by creating other centres in far and nearby towns/cities, only those who are spiritually blind fail to see their satanic plots. These churches do not front Christ Jesus but their own NAMES, so that they will not be scattered abroad, while you think that they are scattered abroad, they are not. These churches like Nimrod are out there as mighty hunters before the Lord, hunting the souls of men and trapping them in their cities so that they will not meet the true owner of the church 'The Lord Jesus Christ'.

I remember quite well when I was also trapped, I was not able to fit into any other church except it was the same name and traditions as that of the headquarters. Nimrod was trying to plant into the mind of the people that Babylon was the city of God and not Jerusalem, and up till the early 1980s everyone claimed that the true location of the lost Garden of Eden was in Babylon whereas it was actually Jerusalem. Every religious headquarter is an abomination before the Lord God Almighty because each one of them raise a man or group of men to control in deception the heritage of God. Nimrod and the tower of Babel's project is still going on today, and that is why by the word of the Lord no headquarter church will make it anywhere for God is not the author of confusion.

#### **WHY WAS IT BUILT IN EGYPT?**

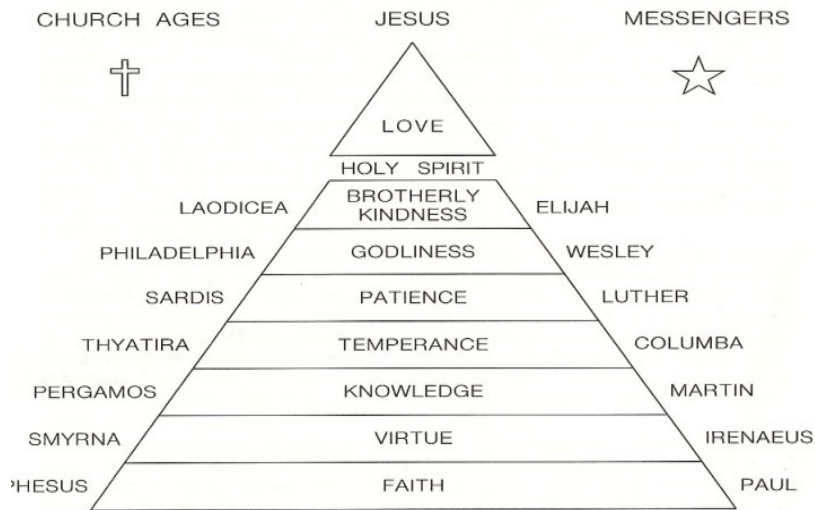
It was the Pyramid that Noah searched for that he might locate the region near Canaan, that pillar was a sign and an altar in the Land of Egypt and it is still standing to this day, whereas the headquarters of Nimrod had sunk because it had not foundations. The pyramid was the blueprint, as Joshua later came to build an ALTAR unto the Lord, not for burnt offerings and sacrifice but for a witness.

#### **Joshua 22:26**

***Therefore we said, Let us now prepare to build us an altar, not for burnt offering, nor for sacrifice:***

This Pillar (Pyramid) is still witnessing today to both believers and unbelievers alike that there was a time when the antediluvian age got to its pick in science and development, where the men then were 100 times stronger, more knowledgeable than the men of this present time. The Pyramid was the only structure of the then world that survived to tell the story, and it is still telling the story until it will tell the last on the day of redemption, when the revelation of the 7 thunders would be made known.

## THE STATURE OF A PERFECT MAN! WHY IS IT PYRAMIDAL? THE STATURE OF A PERFECT MAN



SECOND PETER 1:1-8  
 ACTS 7:44-49, HEBREWS 10:5, MATTHEW 5:48  
 EPHESIANS 4:11-15, HEBREWS 11:32-40

*This is a copy of the drawing that Brother Branham drew on his chalkboard and to which he refers throughout this Message.*

## THE CITY ABRAHAM SOUGHT FOR WAS SHOWN TO JOHN IN PATMOS

### HEBREWS 11: 8-11.

[8] *By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.*

[9] *By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:*

[10] *For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.*

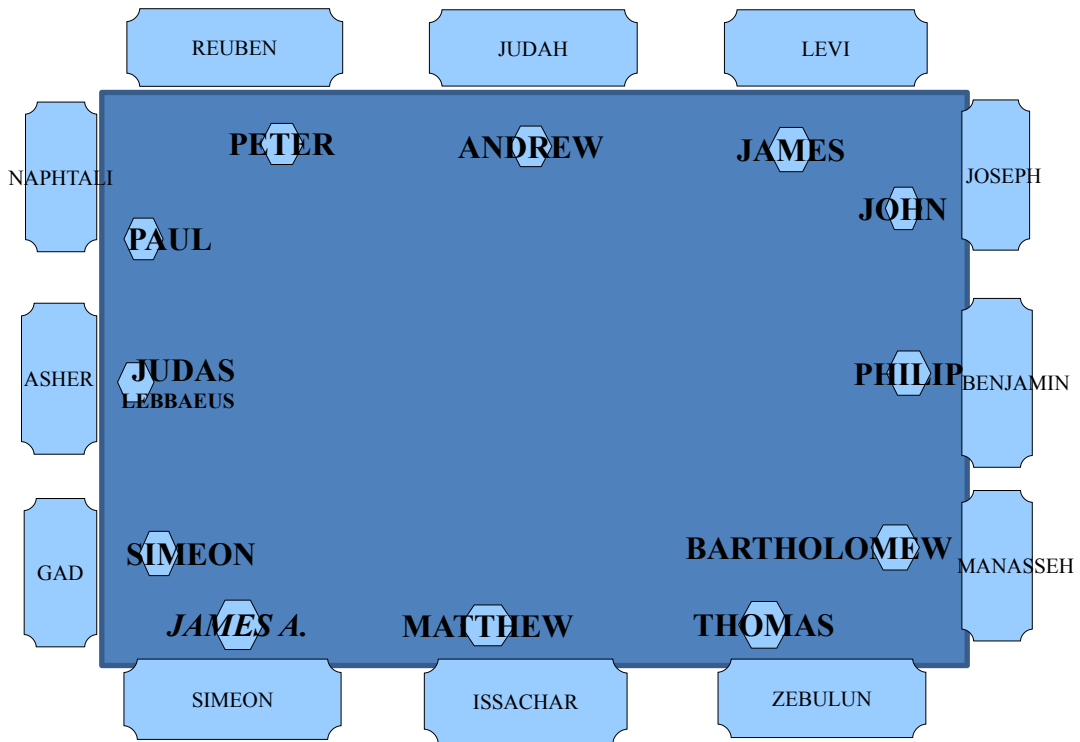
### REVELATION 21:9-10.

**9** *And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.*

**10** *And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,*

Abraham was asked of God to look up one night, if he could tell the stars and by the eyes of faith, he could see the church age dispensation afar off, the bride of Jesus Christ for which he is coming back for to take home. On the other hand, John in the preview was also shown a city whose builder and maker is God, that city was not a literal city, it was a spiritual city '**The Bride**' of Jesus Christ of all ages. John was blessed to see the preview of the city of God in full, and it reflected every the totality of the WORD of God (Old and New Testament), detailing the spiritual heavenly Government as mentioned in the scripture. The city was called a bride by the Angel who was pointing it to John and when John looked at it he could see that the city reflected the entire purpose and plan of God.

## The Gates and The Foundations of The City



- The City of our God as shown to John in Revelation 21: 9- 27, Ezekiel 48:29-35, Rev 7: 4-8.
- EPHRAIM AND DAN were replaced by JOSEPH AND MANASSEH.
- THE MAN ORDAINED TO REPLACE JUDAS ISCAIOT WAS PAUL.

## THE FINAL REFLECTION

