Lesson No. 125 – The Seven Parts of ELOHIM's Creation, Part Six

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Part 6 – The Ingathering, Duality In Motion

Now that we have read about the establishment of the New Covenant vineyard, the Household of Faith, our mindsets are on one mentality during this time of modernity.

This time of the new vineyard could easily be described also as the times of YESHUA's apostles. And yet, just as the prophets of YAHWEH wrote of these disciples' commission towards the testimony and the law, the apostles wrote about the prophets' impact on the New Covenant vineyard. Perhaps many of modernity's Christians failed to get the full memo written by the Apostle Paul here.

• Eph 2:11 Wherefore remember, that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands; Eph 2:12 That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world: Eph 2:13 But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.

Here the Apostle is addressing "called-out" Gentiles who were once aliens to the natural seed Yisraelites under the Old Covenant. They were once without hope and without ELOHIM because during the Old Covenant, ELOHIM was only concerned with the nation HE called HIS only son, the Children of Yisrael (COY). But now, ELOHIM's true SON, YESHUA HAMASHIAC, has made those who were afar off near by HIS own blood.

We recall that YESHUA told HIS disciples in Yochanan 10:16 that HE had others not of the fold of Yisrael that HE must bring, who will hear HIS voice, resulting in one fold and one shepherd. That fold is now the Household of Faith consisting of members of all of the families of the earth as promised to Abraham through his one seed, the one SHEPHERD YESHUA.

We should also recall how the Apostle Peter told those Yisraelites present at the first New Covenant Appointed Time of Weeks about those who were a far off to whom the promise was also unto. The Apostle Paul was sent to that other fold, those who were a far off.

• Eph 2:18 For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father. Eph 2:19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God;

These once a far off members of the nations are now fellow citizens with the saints, and members of the Household of Faith. And next is the key to the New Covenant church.

• Eph 2:20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; Eph 2:21 In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: Eph 2:22 In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

The Household of Faith, the New Covenant church, the one fold, is built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, unto one building, a holy temple unto YAHWEH, who came in the flesh as YESHUA. And this is key to our gaining the knowledge required to understand tonight's subject, the ingathering, duality in motion.

Today, this Household of Faith exists in the midst of an untoward world full of potholes specifically designed to tempt it towards failure. This is why YESHUA spoke the following words.

- Joh 6:26 Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled. Joh 6:27 <u>Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed.</u>
- Mat 10:22 And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.

For this new vineyard, this period of time could also very well be sub-titled, the Time of Endurance. Being saved and obtaining eternal life should be the goal of each member of the Household of Faith. To obtain this will take our endurance in the midst of these temptations, which our SAVIOUR has shown us the example of what it will take for this endurance.

Well, this ingathering looks forward to a future event of enormous statute that needs to be clearly understood as we endure. As with other phases of the MOST HIGH's plan of creation, the ingathering involves our learning more about YAHWEH's appointed times.

In fact, the word ingathering occurs only twice in ELOHIM's WORD. It is translated from the Hebrew word "asiph", meaning gathering of crops. Let's look back at these two occurrences.

• Exo 23:10 And six years thou shalt sow thy land, and shalt gather in the fruits thereof: Exo 23:11 But the seventh *year* thou shalt let it rest and lie still; that the poor of thy people may eat: and what they leave the beasts of the field shall eat. In like manner thou shalt deal with thy vineyard, *and* with thy olive yard.

Think how bountiful our crops would likely be if all mankind followed these Sabbaths of rest for the lands every seven years.

• Exo 23:12 Six days thou shalt do thy work, and on the seventh day thou shalt rest: that thine ox and thine ass may rest, and the son of thy handmaid, and the stranger, may be refreshed. Exo 23:13 And in all *things* that I have said unto you be circumspect: and make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of thy mouth.

Likewise, the COY were commanded to keep this weekly rest even before YAHWEH would give HIS appointed times to them in the 23rd chapter of Leviticus. They were not even to allow the names of other gods be heard from their mouths. And then, in addition to the weekly rest, YAHWEH commands three annual events to be kept by them.

• Exo 23:14 Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year.

These three feasts are the Hebrew word "chagag", festivals/celebrations.

• Exo 23:15 Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread: (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty:)

The first festival was the Feast of Unleavened Bread, which had been previously commanded as they were leaving Egypt. The Hebrew word here is "chag" meaning festival. It is the root word for "chagag".

• Exo 23:16 And the feast of harvest, the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: and the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field.

And then there is the Feast of Harvest, which is the first fruits of their labors. Some in modernity teach that this is a separate feast from Weeks, also called Pentecost in modernity. I wonder, have these truly considered what is different, between the Feast of Weeks and the Feast of Harvest or First Fruits? ELOHIM's WORD will make this plain shortly.

And then there was commanded the Feast of Ingathering at the end of the year, when another harvest will be gathered out of the field. As we will learn, these feasts are ripe with metaphoric language that must be understood.

• Exo 23:17 Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the Lord GOD. Exo 23:18 Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leavened bread; neither shall the fat of my sacrifice remain until the morning. Exo 23:19 The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring into the house of the LORD thy God. Thou shalt not see the a kid in his mother's milk.

If we were to continue reading here, we would learn that these Feasts were commanded just before the COY were told about the angel that would guide them into the land promised to Abraham, Isaac and Yacob. And, notice that just after commanding these three feasts, YAHWEH commands that the first of first fruits be brought into HIS house. This will probably self-explain itself later. Later we read the second and final instance of the word ingathering.

- Exo 34:18 The feast of unleavened bread shalt thou keep. Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, as I commanded thee, in the time of the month Abib: for in the month Abib thou camest out from Egypt.
- Exo 34:21 Six days thou shalt work, but on the seventh day thou shalt rest: in earing time and in harvest thou shalt rest.

Again, the COY are commanded to keep the Feast of Unleavened Bread along with working for six days and resting on the seventh day of the week. And now we read a verse that appears to clarify the issue of whether or not weeks, harvest, and first fruits are indeed separate feasts.

• Exo 34:22 And thou shalt observe the feast of weeks, of the firstfruits of wheat harvest, and the feast of ingathering at the year's end.

And in this version of the commandment for the three Feasts, the second feast is clearly called the Feast of Weeks, of the first fruits of the wheat harvest. All three names (weeks, harvest and first fruits) are stated here. And, if we accept what YAHWEH is telling the COY in this second instance of commanding these three Feasts, it is clear that Weeks is the commanded Feast, and firstfruits and harvests are descriptions of what this Feast is picturing for a future time.

And finally, there again is the Feast of Ingathering at the year's end.

• Exo 34:23 Thrice in the year shall all your men children appear before the Lord GOD, the God of Israel. Exo 34:24 For I will cast out the nations before thee, and enlarge thy borders: neither shall any man desire thy land, when thou shalt go up to appear before the LORD thy God thrice in the year. Exo 34:25 Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leaven; neither shall the sacrifice of the feast of the Passover be left unto the morning. Exo 34:26 The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring unto the house of the LORD thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.

Again, these feasts were festivals (the Hebrew word "chag"), commanded relative to the land and what that land will yield. These commandments were given to Moses as he spent forty days and nights with YAHWEH. And toward the end of these commanded feasts, the first of the first fruits of the land must be brought into YAHWEH's house.

Later, when the COY were finally in the land, YAHWEH who tell the COY the following:

• Deu 11:13 And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto my commandments which I command you this day, to love the LORD your God, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul, Deu 11:14 That I will give you the rain of your land in his due season, the first rain and the latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil. Deu 11:15 And I will send grass in thy fields for thy cattle, that thou mayest eat and be full.

For their obedience to HIS commandments YAHWEH promises to give the COY the first and latter rains so that they may gather corn, wine and oil from their land, and eat and be full. To the COY as a nation, these were promises of physical sustenance associated with the land they had been given. And if we are seeing these words clearly, they are clear refences specifically to all three Feasts we just read about in Exodus. Hearkening to YAHWEH's commandments, loving and serving HIM and serving HIM with all of theirs hearts is and continues to be what the Feast of Unleavened Bread is all about. The first and latter rain and their future yields is what the Feast of Weeks and Ingathering, respectively, are all about.

We have all studied the Appointed Times of YAHWEH at various times and have gained perspectives on what they prophecy regarding the future of this great creation we call the earth. And yet, we must continue to humble ourselves to become as little children before ELOHIM. This means we must be willing to accept new knowledge, regardless of the consequences.

I believe we are clear that the Feast of Weeks, also one of YAHWEH's appointed times, clearly presents a picture of duality in motion. However, just for further understandings sake, note the following revelation by the Apostle Paul.

• 1Co 15:20 But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.

As always, YESHUA was the first example as HE was resurrected from the dead and became "a quickening spirit" (1 Corinthians 15:45). HE became the First Fruits of those that slept at HIS resurrection. When did that occur? It was 3 days and 3 nights after HE was buried, which will always place it on the afternoon of the third day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread. Now consider, the Feast of Weeks occurs approximately 50 days after the resurrection of CHRIST. As such, the Feast of Weeks is all about that harvest to follow YESHUA.

This is why the first New Covenant Feast of Weeks is so highly emphasized as an inception of the New Covenant church. Remember, those who were added to this church were also called "the Household of Faith". They were added to something that YESHUA had already started with HIS disciples. These were the first fruits of the land to be brought into YAHWEH's house. Today in modernity these are continually being added to with others being drawn and called-out to YESHUA, accepting this graceful invitation from FATHER ELOHIM. As we will read later, these have not yet been harvested, and as such have not yet become the first fruits.

YAHWEH used the physical harvests of the early and latter rains to symbolically picture the early and latter harvests of those to be brought into HIS house. What we know beyond the shadow of doubt is that the New Covenant YESHUA came to mediate, was based on better promises, eternal life in the Kingdom of ELOHIM. It was a totally spiritually based covenant.

• 1Co 15:21 For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. 1Co 15:22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. 1Co 15:23 But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming.

This Feast of Weeks both looks back to YESHUA HAMASHIAC, the FIRST FRUITS from the dead, and forward to those who will be HIS at HIS coming. The Apostle James (Yacob) referred to this future group as follows.

• Jas 1:18 Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

This verse describes the process if we can see it. The apostles and the prophets were made the foundation of the New Covenant church. YESHUA's granting HIS disciples the power to bind on earth what would be bound in heaven established the beginning of their fulfillment of the prophecy to bound the testimony. And though they became the first members of the Household of Faith, the essence of the inception of the New Covenant church began on the first New Covenant Feast of Weeks, when ELOHIM would pour out HIS spirit, the WORD of truth, upon those 3,000 souls that were called-out at that momentous appointed time. They became the beginning of those begat with the WORD of truth as a type of first fruits with the invitation to receive their promise at the second coming of CHRIST. They, like us, were required to receive, live by, grow in, and endure in the WORD of truth until their end in these mortal tabernacles. And so, the second phase of the duality of Weeks or First Fruits is a future resurrection of YESHUA's first fruits from the dead.

With this background, we are brought directly to the ingathering of the latter fruit from the land. It is generally accepted that this Feast of the Ingathering is also the Feast of Tabernacles.

Now, notice that I did nor say the Appointed Time of Tabernacles. Why? Because through additional study we now know that the Appointed Time of Tabernacles is the entire eight-day period. The Feast of Tabernacles is only the first seven days. And, what we will discover is that this seven-day festival also looks backward and forward. Why then is it called the Ingathering?

The metaphors and symbolisms must be understood throughout ELOHIM's WORD. For instance, the wave sheaf (Leviticus 23:10-12) offered to YAHWEH that begins the 50-day count to the Feast of Weeks, has been proven to be symbolic of YESHUA. We know that this symbolism also directly ties the annual Sabbaths of the land into YAHWEH commanding the COY to keep seven annual Sabbaths of years culminating with a fiftieth year Sabbath of Yubilee. Also, the two wave loaves (Leviticus 23:17) made with leaven have been proven to be symbolic of the Houses of Yehudah and Yisrael initially, and metamorphically, those called-out ones of the COY and the other families of the earth that shall become the first fruits at CHRIST's second coming. We see this duality throughout ELOHIM's WORD.

Now we have the ingathering, which Exodus 23:16 describes is "in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field". The key here is the gathering of the labors of the COY out of the field. We know that even the language end of the year is symbolic of the end of times. So, what does ELOHIM's WORD inform us will be gathered in the end of times?

• Eze 39:25 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the whole house of Israel, and will be jealous for my holy name; Eze 39:26 After that they have borne their shame, and all their trespasses whereby they have trespassed against me, when they dwelt safely in their land, and none made *them* afraid.

Sadly, many of my European Brethren have been taught a doctrine that believes that the COY are back in the land, and that many other COY are represented by the such affluent nations as the USA, Great Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and others. I must conclude that none of my Brethren have read these scriptures by the prophets in their entirety. As we continue this lesson, my European Brethren must discern the consistency of the prophets' writings about the status of the COY.

Through previous lessons we now know that 12 prophets wrote of the return of the COY from their current status as being scattered through the nations of the earth in captivity. The Prophet Ezekiel was chosen to provide much of the detail of this return to the land.

• Eze 39:27 When I have brought them again from the people, and gathered them out of their enemies' lands, and am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations; Eze 39:28 Then shall they know that I am the LORD their God, which caused them to be led into captivity among the heathen: but I have gathered them unto their own land, and have left none of them anymore there. Eze 39:29 Neither will I hide my face any more from them: for I have poured out my spirit upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

Here Brothers and Sisters is phase one of the future ingathering. YAHWEH will gather the COY out of their enemies' lands into their own land. Obviously, this has yet to occur. And, the lands of the USA, Great Britain and these other predominately European nations could never be confused with the land given to the COY as promised by covenant to Abraham.

Other prophets wrote more profound descriptions of this ingathering.

• Jer 23:1 Woe be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! saith the LORD. Jer 23:2 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel against the pastors that feed my people; Ye have scattered my flock, and driven them away, and have not visited them: behold, I will visit upon you the evil of your doings, saith the LORD.

Through HIS Prophet Yeremayah YAHWEH teaches us who was responsible for the scattering of the COY in the first place; the pastors who were supposed to lead the flocks to YAHWEH. What do we see happening today in modernity? This is still quite prominent in the communities of those brought by slave ships and scattered primarily throughout those nations that claim to be the COY.

The pastors continue to feed the remnant of this scattered people gods not known by the fathers Abraham, Isaac and Yacob.

• Jer 23:3 And <u>I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all countries whither I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds; and they shall be fruitful and increase</u>. Jer 23:4 And I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them: and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall they be lacking, saith the LORD.

When the true COY are gathered in the end days, as pictured by the end of the year festival, new pastors will be appointed by YAHWEH to feed this gathered labor out of the field, which is the nations of the earth. However, the Prophet Yeremayah taught us a little more of this timetable that my European Brethren apparently have never been taught properly.

• Jer 23:5 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. Jer 23:6 In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.

For sure these Brethren have heard and read these two verses. However, were they taught that this shall occur when the events of verse 3 occurs? Well, this is the consistency of the writings of YAHWEH's prophets.

Brothers and Sisters, the prophets of YAHWEH have made ELOHIM's plan of creation plain to all who would approach HIS WORD with a humble objective of truth and sincerity. This ingathering of the COY shall occur in the same days of another major phase of ELOHIM's plan of creation. This is the return of YAHWEH/YESHUA to the earth to begin what ELOHIM's WORD describes as HIS 1,000-year rule over the earth.

• Jer 23:7 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that they shall no more say, The LORD liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; Jer 23:8 But, The LORD liveth, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.

Before we go on, let's read from another of YAHWEH's prophets who teaches us a few more of the important details of this ingathering.

• Isa 10:20 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the remnant of Israel, and such as are escaped of the house of Jacob, shall no more again stay upon him that smote them; but shall stay upon the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, in truth. Isa 10:21 The remnant shall return, even the remnant of Jacob, unto the mighty God.

We will see shortly how that this remnant shall be established. This is the remnant that shall be left after being purged by YAHWEH that Yeremayah just taught us in the 23rd chapter verse 6 shall be saved and dwell in safety.

However, before continuing with Isaiah's writings, one of YESHUA's disciples was led by the Spirit of Truth to teach the following:

• Rom 11:25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. Rom 11:26 And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: Rom 11:27 For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins.

You know, the more we study to show ourselves approved, as little children, the clearer ELOHIM's WORD becomes.

By reading the Apostle Paul's words here together with the Prophets Yeremayah's and Isaiah's words in Yeremayah 23:6 and Isaiah 10:20, we are totally clear that the Apostle is teaching just what these Prophets have taught us, which is all about the remnant of those physical Yisraelites who shall be survive all of the destructive events prophesied to occur in the end days. At that time, the remnant that is saved shall represent "all Yisrael".

Yeremayah made it clear that the ingathering of the COY and the return of the MESSIAH shall occur at the same time. Let's continue with the Prophet Isaiah.

• Isa 11:1 And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: Isa 11:2 And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD; Isa 11:3 And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears: Isa 11:4 But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked. Isa 11:5 And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.

The members of the Household of Faith should be as one in their clear understanding that both the Prophet Yeremayah and the Prophet Isaiah here are teaching us about the returned MESSIAH to set up HIS Kingdom on the earth. HE is the stem of Yesse, the RIGHTEOUS BRANCH raised unto David, who will "with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked" upon HIS return.

And yet, here are some other signs of this time that too many Brethren have not been taught that accompany the return of YESHUA and the ingathering of the COY.

• Isa 11:6 The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. Isa 11:7 And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. Isa 11:8 And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den.

Even the fools of modernity could read these events and determine that they have not yet occurred. Yet, these will occur as all of the events of this chapter occur in the future. These are vital signs that must be understood to accompany the prophesied ingathering of the COY.

• Isa 11:9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea. Isa 11:10 And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.

We also know that many assume that whenever the word Gentiles is read it must refer only to European nations of the earth. It was YAHWEH HIMSELF that told Abraham that the third covenant between he and YAHWEH would result in all of the families of the earth being blessed. This is what the Prophet is referring to in verse 10. And notice another vital clue as we are told in verse 10 that this day shall be YAHWEH's rest, a future Sabbath which will read more of shortly.

And now we shall learn another vital revelation to occur "in that day" that has not been properly taught to many, particularly my European Brethren.

• Isa 11:11 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea. Isa 11:12 And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

When this "RIGHTEOUS BRANCH raised unto David" appears, HE will recover HIS people from these places; "Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea". We could read more of the prophets to verify what this ingathering truly represents. However, that's not necessary. We need to be clear of what all this will mean to the COY, who shall be gathered "in that day". YAHWEH's prophets once again make it plain.

• Eze 20:33 As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out, will I rule over you: Eze 20:34 And I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out.

The Prophet Ezekiel teaches us that the COY will not be gathered from the nations of the world voluntarily. It shall only occur with a mighty hand, stretched out arm and with fury. Wow! Remember when they were brought out of captivity in Egypt? We have seen then, and continue to see in modernity, how that they obviously love the nations in which they were scattered, and the gods of those nations. However, they have been given a name that YAHWEH will not allow them to continually pervert.

• Eze 20:35 And <u>I will bring you into the wilderness of the people</u>, and there will I plead with you face to face.

• Eze 20:36 Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord GOD.

We should remember how that YAHWEH appeared before the COY brought out of Egypt at the Mount Sinai face to face to establish a covenant with them.

• Eze 20:37 And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant: Eze 20:38 And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me: I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

This teaches us how the remnant that will be allowed enter into the land shall be determined. They shall be brought under YAHWEH's rod. It is by the mouth of yet another prophet that we learn the size of the remnant that will enter into the land.

- Zec 13:2 And it shall come to pass <u>in that day</u>, saith the LORD of hosts, *that* I will cut off the names of the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembered: and also I will cause the prophets and the unclean spirit to pass out of the land.
- Zec 13:7 Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, and against the man that is my fellow, saith the LORD of hosts: smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered: and I will turn mine hand upon the little ones. Zec 13:8 And it shall come to pass, that in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off and die; but the third shall be left therein. Zec 13:9 And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD is my God.

Sadly, the rebelliousness of the COY, taught them by their pastors, will result in two thirds of them being cutoff as they pass under this rod. The remnant remaining that will enter into the land during this 1,000-year period, those ingathered, will be only a third of those initially gathered out of captivity. So, when the Apostle says that "all Yisrael shall be saved", we now know that he is referring only to the one-third of all those Yisraelites gathered from those nations from which the COY were scattered, that were refined and survived YAHWEH's rod.

The Prophet Ezekiel tells us why YAHWEH will do this to this stubborn people.

• Eze 20:42 And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the country for the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to your fathers. Eze 20:43 And there shall ye remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein ye have been defiled; and ye shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that ye have committed. Eze 20:44 And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I have wrought with you for my name's sake, not according to your wicked ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O ye house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

So, now that we are clear that the Feast of the Ingathering looks forward to the return of the COY to their land, we must understand the duality of this Festival. It is also called the Feast of Tabernacles, the first seven days of an eight-day event in the end of the year YAHWEH refers to as the Appointed Time of Tabernacles.

Now first, let me confess that I was in the past partly wrong when I taught and believed that those who taught that the Feast of Tabernacles represents the 1,000-year reign of YESHUA were wrong. Well, I wasn't entirely wrong as I will explain. However, it is obvious that this ingathering of the COY is a major part of the symbolism of this Feast of Tabernacles. Let's look into this a little further.

• Joh 7:1 After these things Jesus walked in Galilee: for he would not walk in Jewry, because the Jews sought to kill him. Joh 7:2 **Now the Jews' feast of tabernacles was at hand**.

These verses establish that YESHUA was attending the Appointed Time of Tabernacles at this time. I say Appointed Time here because of what we will read a little later.

• Joh 7:32 The Pharisees heard that the people murmured such things concerning him; and the Pharisees and the chief priests sent officers to take him. Joh 7:33 Then said <u>Jesus unto them, Yet a little while am I with you, and then I go unto him that sent me. Joh 7:34 Ye shall seek me, and shall not find me: and where I am, thither ye cannot come.</u>

As usual, the Pharisees were in attack mode. They are still around, still attacking, instead of listening as YESHUA was trying to teach them here. HE was letting them know that HIS time in this advent on the earth was drawing near a close, and they will be seeking HIM after HE leaves, and they won't find HIM. HE then says something quite profound, as is all of HIS words.

• Joh 7:37 <u>In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink</u>. Joh 7:38 <u>He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water</u>.

And this is why I said appointed time. On the last day of this Appointed Time, that great day of the Appointed Time, YESHUA says "if any man thirsts, let him come unto" HIM and drink the living water. If we can see it, HE is giving us the blueprint for this entire eight-day Appointed Time of Tabernacles. The first seven days of this Appointed Time is the Feast of Tabernacles, also called the Feast of Booths, and as we have now read, the Feast of the Ingathering. Let's learn about the Feast of Booths.

• Lev 23:41 And ye shall keep it a feast unto the LORD seven days in the year. *It shall be* a statute forever in your generations: ye shall celebrate it in the seventh month. Lev 23:42 **Ye shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths**:

For the COY this is what they were commanded to do under the Old Covenant, dwell in booths for the first seven days as a celebration. Why?

• Lev 23:43 That your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

This dwelling in booths was to remind the COY of how YAHWEH "brought them out of the land of Egypt". For the Household of Faith, what is its requirement today in modernity?

Some Hebrew Yisraelites teach that one only needs to honor the first and the eighth day in modernity. However, I can't read anywhere in ELOHIM's WORD where that is justified. Some others teach that these first seven days represent the 1,000-year reign of YESHUA. However, the COY were told by YAHWEH of ELOHIM that these seven days were to remind them of how they were brought out of Egypt; i.e., out of captivity. There is another scripture we all know that is quite relevant here.

• Deu 28:64 And the LORD shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, even wood and stone. Deu 28:65 And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind: Deu 28:66 And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life:

• Deu 28:67 In the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say, Would God it were morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see. Deu 28:68 And the LORD shall bring thee into Egypt again with ships, by the way whereof I spake unto thee, Thou shalt see it no more again: and there ye shall be sold unto your enemies for bondmen and bondwomen, and no man shall buy you.

We have learned in this lesson how that the COY will ingathered from the nations in which they were scattered. These verses in Deuteronomy prophesied that this would happen. And yet, Moses was led to prophesy that they would be taken by ships into Egypt in captivity. We know that they were taken into by ships into many nations, scattered throughout the world.

This teaches us that this reference to Egypt is also metaphoric and symbolic of the world and its many paganistic spiritual symbols and practices. Let's once again remember what the Household of Faith is taught about this.

• Heb 8:6 But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises. Heb 8:7 For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second. Heb 8:8 For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah: Heb 8:9 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord. Heb 8:10 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:

This new covenant is entirely different. It is spiritual, based on better promises, not simply land. And, YESHUA made it plain through HIS words ands the words of HIS disciples, that although it began with the COY, it is to be offered to all the families of the earth. And yet, there is one big requirement that all who partake of this covenant must abide by.

• 1Jn 5:1 Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him. 1Jn 5:2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments. 1Jn 5:3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous. 1Jn 5:4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. 1Jn 5:5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

Those of this New Covenant must spiritually overcome that world into which the COY were scattered. They must keep YAHWEH's commandments in grace and truth. They must become children after being begotten of ELOHIM. As such, YESHUA said come unto HIM.

This is an ongoing process for the Household of Faith. The Household of Faith celebrates today for seven days, remembering that it has been brought out of the Egypt. Only not the Egypt that the COY were to remember. The Egypt that the Household of Faith must remember for seven days of the Feast of Tabernacles is the world.

• Jas 1:27 Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, *and* to keep himself unspotted from the world.

• 1Jn 2:15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 1Jn 2:16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. 1Jn 2:17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever.

Both the Apostles Yacob and Yochanan make it plain the duty of those who would be partakers in this New Covenant of YAHWEH, the Household of Faith. And verse 17 above puts this in perspective. The Household Faith is "called-out" of this world to do the will of YAHWEH and abide forever. They will not simply be ingathered to the land of Yisrael as the COY who shall be brought back by force to live for 1,000 years under a covenant of peace, which was first made with Abraham under the first two covenants he made with YAHWEH; the land and physical circumcision.

And so, the Household of Faith continues to honor the commandments of YAHWEH to celebrate before HIM for seven days in booths, simply temporary dwellings, to remember that we have been brought out of spiritual Egypt.

And yet there is something else to consider that many who understand this last statement apparently have not considered. The COY had been brought out of Egypt when this was commanded. The Household of Faith has been brought out of spiritual Egypt as they honor YAHWEH's commandment. So, why is this Festival command to be kept for seven days?

We must remember that the disciples of YESHUA were to bound the testimony and seal the law. Let's read what one of them teaches us.

• 2Co 5:1 For we know that if our earthly house of *this* tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

• 2Co 5:2 For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven:

The Household of Faith continues to exist in this earthly (physical) tabernacle. In fact, the Plan of ELOHIM calls for mankind to dwell in this physical dwelling for seven days, or seven thousand years. This is why we are commanded to keep this Feast for seven days. However, it has different meanings for the COY and the Household of Faith.

Leviticus 23:41 commanded the Feast to be a celebration. This celebration looks back to the past ingathering, and yet forward to the future ingathering. For the COY, it looked back to the nation of Egypt to which it was brought out of slavery. This was indeed a reason to celebrate. For the Household of Faith of modernity, it looks back to the spiritual nation of Egypt, which we know represents the world all about us, in which we are continuing to overcome. In fact, we now know that this overcoming is a process that will last for seven days, the seven thousand years while we exist in these tabernacles of flesh.

And then there is this constant thing we continue to learn about ELOHIM's WORD. It is duality in motion. The COY also celebrated because they were to look forward to their ingathering at the end of the year. The COY did not understand this. And yet they were constantly warned that their disobedience would eventually take them back into captivity and away from the land. Thus, the Feast of Tabernacles was first called the Feast of the Ingathering to the COY. They metamorphically were celebrating their future ingathering, being brought back to their land during a time 12 prophets of YAHWEH refer to as "in that day".

And here is the duality. The Household of Faith metamorphically celebrate a future day when the disciple of YESHUA teaches "it will be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven".

So, what is the conclusion of the ingathering, duality in motion?

Does the first seven days of the Feast of the Ingathering, also known as the Feast of Tabernacles or Booths, represent the actual ingathering of the COY back to their land, and in duality, the Household of Faith being ingathered from physical tabernacles into spiritual houses? Or, does it simply look forward to these events? Without a doubt it does.

However, it does not represent the 1,000-year rule of CHRIST. What it does represent is the ingathering of the COY, and in duality, the ingathering of the saints of YESHUA, at the beginning of this day, called "in that day" which is an end of the times Sabbath rest that will last for 1,000 years.

Also, perhaps there is another possibility we should consider. Chapters 40 thru 48 of the Book of Ezekiel describe how the ingathered COY will live in the land when they are brought out of the nations in which they are currently scattered. Here are a few facts that the prophet details will happen during this 1,000-year period.

• Eze 45:18 Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the first *month*, in the first *day* of the month, thou shalt take a young bullock without blemish, and cleanse the sanctuary: Eze 45:19 And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering, and put *it* upon the posts of the house, and upon the four corners of the settle of the altar, and upon the posts of the gate of the inner court. Eze 45:20 And so thou shalt do the seventh *day* of the month for every one that erreth, and for *him that is* simple: so shall ye reconcile the house.

Some of my European Brethren, who do not accept the reality of this prophecy, have failed to understand the first two covenants made with Abraham. When the COY are returned to the land, they also return to those covenants which are all about the physical land.

Chapter 44 describes how that the physical circumcision shall be reinstituted. All of these chapters describe the return to the animal sacrifices. What should this clearly say to them?

The remnant of the COY who shall enter into the land will not have placed themselves under the blood of the LAMB. They are ingathered only because ELOHIM's name is in them, and, it is a major part of ELOHIM's plan of Creation for this earth. This is what their initial ingathering shall be like.

• Eze 45:21 <u>In the first month</u>, in the fourteenth day of the month, ye shall have the Passover, a feast of seven days; unleavened bread shall be eaten. Eze 45:22 And upon that day shall the prince prepare for himself and for all the people of the land a bullock *for* a sin offering.

They shall keep the Passover similar as they once did, yet not with a lamb but a bullock. You see, the true LAMB of ELOHIM has already been killed once. These COY rejected it and by force will be brought back to their land.

• Eze 45:23 And seven days of the feast he shall prepare a burnt offering to the LORD, seven bullocks and seven rams without blemish daily the seven days; and a kid of the goats daily for a sin offering. Eze 45:24 And he shall prepare a meat offering of an ephah for a bullock, and an ephah for a ram, and an hin of oil for an ephah.

Once again, they will keep the Feast of Unleavened Bread for seven days with burnt and sin offerings. Why? Let us not forget, this is a forced obedience to learn how to transition from a form of physical obedience to the desired spiritual obedience.

• Eze 45:25 In the seventh *month*, in the fifteenth day of the month, shall he do the like in the feast of the seven days, according to the sin offering, according to the burnt offering, and according to the meat offering, and according to the oil.

And finally, we read how that they will once again keep what we know is the Feast of the Ingathering, Tabernacles and Booths. During this time, the COY shall continually dwell in these physical tabernacles, once again celebrating for seven days their being brought out of the nations in which they were scattered. But what about looking forward? As we will read in Part 7, their future hope lies in events that will occur after the 1,000-year reign of YESHUA and HIS saints.

Well, hopefully we are now a little clearer in our understanding of the ingathering for the COY. However, there once again is a duality, the Household of Faith. Remember, today it looks forward to new spiritual homes to dwell in. When will this occur?

• 1Jn 3:1 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. 1Jn 3:2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

This change will occur when the Household of Faith that endured will see YESHUA. When they shall see HIM, they shall be like HIM, so says the Apostle Yochanan. However, another apostle makes it plain.

• 1Co 1:1 Paul, called *to be* an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God, and Sosthenes *our* brother, 1Co 1:2 <u>Unto the church of God which is at Corinth</u>, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours: 1Co 1:3 Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.

As it is with all of his writings, the Apostle Paul wrote ONLY to the church, the "called-out ones". This time it was specifically to those who were in Corinth, but globally he was writing to the entire Household of Faith.

• 1Co 15:47 The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven. 1Co 15:48 As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. 1Co 15:49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

We like the COY of old and all mankind must first bear the image of the earthy in these physical tabernacles.

• 1Co 15:50 Now this I say, brethren, that <u>flesh and blood cannot</u> <u>inherit the kingdom of God</u>; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

Now the Apostle teaches us that flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of Heaven. So, when the COY are back in the land in their physical dwellings, they are not a part of the Kingdom of Heaven.

• 1Co 15:51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 1Co 15:52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 1Co 15:53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

But, for the Household of Faith, the church, all that endured shall be changed at the last trump incorruptible and immortal. But when will this change occur?

• 1Th 4:13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. 1Th 4:14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

• 1Th 4:15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive *and* remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. 1Th 4:16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 1Th 4:17 Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. 1Th 4:18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

That change for the Household of Faith will occur when YAHWEH returns. Yes, at the same time period HE ingathers the COY back to the land, HE calls HIS church to change into their new spiritual homes to do what?

• Rev 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and *I saw* the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received *his* mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and **they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years**. Rev 20:5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection. Rev 20:6 Blessed and holy *is* he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but **they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years**.

This is that time known as the first resurrection. This is what the Household of Faith looks forward to during the Feast of the Ingathering, Tabernacles, and Booths. This all will occur at the beginning of a special day ELOHIM's WORD teaches us is the ultimate Sabbath.

• Heb 4:4 For he spake in a certain place of the seventh *day* on this wise, And God did rest the seventh day from all his works. Heb 4:5 And in this *place* again, If they shall enter into my rest.

• Heb 4:6 Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter therein, and they to whom it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief:

We know that during the creation week, ELOHIM did rest from all HIS works. Yet, there remains yet another Sabbath rest to be entered into.

• Heb 11:39 And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise: Heb 11:40 God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect.

This rest spans all those who received a good report from the beginning of the world until the return of YESHUA to establish the Kingdom of Heaven on the earth. While this Kingdom shall last 1,000 years, these two ingatherings will both occur at the beginning of this day.

• Heb 4:7 Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, Today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts. Heb 4:8 For if Jesus had given them rest, then would he not afterward have spoken of another day. Heb 4:9 There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. Heb 4:10 For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his. Heb 4:11 Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.

This Sabbath that the Household of Faith labors to enter is the final rest on the earth, a Sabbath day's rest to last 1,000 years, just as the first rest taken by ELOHIM during the initial creation week lasted 1,000 years.

But the COY who did not enter into this rest, who shall be alive during this rest as the remnant, what are they looking forward to?

Well, as we close this Part 6, we read about the Feasts that the remnant must keep when they shall be returned to the land; the Passover, Unleavened Bread, and the seven days of Tabernacles. There are other Appointed Times that were originally commanded that are not included. These include the Appointed Times of Weeks, Trumpets, Atonement and the Eighth day Sabbath. Why is this?

Well, if we have understood what we have been reading, all of these Appointed Times will have been fulfilled when YESHUA returns and gathers HIS saints, the resurrected Household of Faith. They will be the objective of Weeks, the future first fruits from the dead. All of the destruction that shall cleanse the earth before the arrival of YESHUA to claim what is HIS by right shall be completed. The Atonement, which is the death and resurrection of YESHUA, shall be completed when its purpose, the final atonement of HIS church, is completed at HIS coming. And the eighth day, called by the prophets as "in that day", will be fulfilled by the entire 1,000-year reign of YESHUA and HIS saints.

For the COY, there yet exists another hope to be fulfilled when the final part to ELOHIM's great creation is accomplished. This is what they shall look forward to. Unfortunately, their failure to accept the commission originally given them, shall further inflict them even during the eighth-day Sabbath when the Household of Faith has received its reward, as the prophets have written. Their reward must wait until the final part of the creation, which we will study in Part Seven.

Shalom and Bless Up!!