



The Melchisedec Order

DAY 6

Joseph

The Fruitfruits

&

The First Ark

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Chapter 7

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There are several things and persons in the Bible that establishes a pattern that is within the foundational teachings of the Tabernacle and the Ark. Joseph's name is found 229 times compared to Abram/Abraham of 280 in the entire Bible. When David writes of Joseph in five different Psalms, it reveals the respect and admiration David has for Joseph and expresses the impact Joseph had on David's life. So Joseph has a significant role as far as his testimony to the New Testament Church. The words, "ring, throne, linen/many colors, crown, ring, sheaf-first-fruits," all of these speaks directly of the Tabernacle. When we read these words and consider who might remind us of, what comes to mind is none other than, JOSEPH!

To find more details connecting Joseph to the Ark of the Covenant, we must explore the Breastplate and the Ephod.

Ex. 28:4 And these are the garments which they shall make; a Breastplate, and an Ephod,

One of the great truths when studying the word of God is to look at how the Breastplate and Ephod were fabricated. They were a two separate woven piece of work fabricated from very fine linen. In fact, needle-work and embroidery work were also required. Each of the four colored threads was spiraled with a very fine

gold metallic thread. This made the Jeweled Breastplate and the Ephod firm liken unto a beautiful, brilliant glowing colored shield as the Outer Garments. What made it so unique was the two different patterns in which they were made.

Although the Breastplate is the first one mentioned, the instructions are for the Ephod to be made first. There is a reason for this curious manner.

Ex. 28:15 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 be. 16 Foursquare it shall be.

Ex. 39:2 And he made the Ephod of gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.

3 And they did beat the gold into thin plates, and cut it into wires, to work it in the blue, and in the purple, and in the scarlet, and in the fine linen, with cunning work.

All of the four colors started at the top right-hand side which went down first and went back up and down again until it reached the last run. Then the four threads started to return back upward from the bottom until the last series ran downward was completed. Then when the four colored threads were the furthest point from where it had begun, the four threads started their journey returning towards the very beginning where they had begun. The four threads ran side by side together as one ribbon. This gave the appearance that they were four colors with each strand-spiraled in gold had to be woven back and forth into all of the strands that ran up and down without breaking any of the threads; thus fulfilling the *instructions*, “*with cunning work.*”

Heb. 02803, Chashab, khaw-shab: to plait or interpenetrate, to weave or (gen.) to fabricate; to plot (a mystery) or contrive to hide, hence (to cause mental effort) to think, to regard its value, compute regard, think.

When all of the four threads with their gold wrapped around each strand had completed their journey back to where they had begun, they were tied together to the original four golden color threads where they had started, so that the beginning and the end was once more together. It created a colorful shield across the entire upper body when the High Priest stood to light the Seven Branch Candles Stand and gave the Outer High Priest Garment the appearance of being on fire when the shining light reflected upon it.

The other fantastic revelation was that the same light was also shining and reflecting the 12 Jewels on the Breastplate to radiate a rainbow of colored lights across the walls of the Holy Place when facing the Seven Lights. This was a specular view seeing that the walls were made of pure gold mirrors. The Jeweled Breastplate was fashioned in like manner as the Ephod but had a different purpose. It also was different in appearance and dimensions. The main difference was that when woven together, each thread was woven individually.

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Both the Ephod and the Breastplate, when finished, were placed together as one, and were never to be removed from each other.

This revelation holds the mystery of how to research God's word and also teaches us to never remove scriptures from the context in which they originated

from. This also teaches us to start at the beginning, where a word or words are first mentioned in the Bible, to reveal its true meaning for the very first time. The next thing to observe is to see how many times the word or topic is used and in each context, comparing each one with each other to confirm the truths “by the voice of many waters.” The number of times God uses a word or repeats Himself is also vital in understanding the reason God is placing His emphasis on a word or topic.

Here emerges another Pattern of words which are in the foundational teachings of the Tabernacle and the Ark. The “throne, linen, crown, sheaf-first-fruits and many colors” are at the top of the list that speaks directly of the Tabernacle. As we think about these words and consider who, and what comes to mind there is no one else but, JOSEPH! The first time these words, “a long coat of colors,” are mentioned in the Bible, it is in the story of Joseph, Genesis 37:3. The word “Throne” is first mentioned in Genesis 41:40. The first time “Linen” is mentioned is Gen.40:42. The connection is the Ark, which was covered with Linen of many colors just as Joseph was. And finally, the Coffin that Joseph was placed in is the same word as the Old English word for Ark, “arown” which means a coffin, box or a gathering place.

Gen. 50:26 So Joseph died, being a hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin (arown) in Egypt.

Here is where the Hebrew word for Ark is first mentioned as "arown," like a coffin. So when given for the first time, then the primary reason for the word is established, unless it does not fit the spirit of the context of scripture in which the word is given in. The only other time it is mentioned in the OT is in 2 Kings and 2 Chronicles, a total of 5 times where it means a chest or box to put money in. Other than that it simply refers to it as a "Coffin."

Because of this connection of Joseph and the Hebrew word "Arown," Joseph becomes the veiled person within the testimony of the Ark/Arown/Coffin.

Consider that Joseph entire life points to Jesus who said He was the true bread that came down from Heaven to save the world. He is the Manna laid up before the Ark, just as Joseph was used in preserving and provided food for the known world in his day. Joseph was second only to Pharaoh, yet equal to him when Pharaoh was absent. Jesus is second to the Father, yet equal to Him as well. When Jesus made the statement: "You believe in God; believe also in me." He was declaring His equality with His Father. There are many other statements Jesus as the Son of Man reveals Himself as the Son of God as equal with God the Father. This one verse in John expresses this truth.

John 5:21-27 "As the Father has life within Him even so the Son has life within Him and is able to give life to who He wills."

Our conclusion is this; since God is a SPIRIT and there isn't a Throne large enough for Him, then He is the Throne Himself. Isaiah 66:1 and Acts 7:49. These verses reveal to us that a Person is a Throne and the Furniture is a presentation of that revelation.

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?

Consider now; this particular Throne is in two parts, which is the Ark. The bottom portion is the Coffin which is underneath the Mercy Seat. It appears that when God is taking us through any situation, from the lowest of the low to the highest of the high, He is there. The lowest experience of Man which is Death and the highest experience which is seated together with Him, He is still there.

Ps. 139:8 If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there.

Isa 57:15 “For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.”

Philippians 2:9-11 speaks to this truth entirely. God sent God the Son. The Son, known as The WORD, humbled Himself to become mortal flesh, the Acacia Wood. As we can see and read for your self, "The Word" never stopped being "The Word" but rather The WORD became flesh and dwelt among us. This explains why the Ark sits directly on the ground and not on four legs or a pedestal. He came in the likeness of man, just like us, yet without sin. There are several steps for us to understand these unique areas of revelations of the Son of God which are covered as we continue.

The first is that He became a man whose name was to be called "Jesus." Secondly, He was to become a servant to His equal, which is to His Father, God. He is to be recognized as a criminal, brought to trial, condemned, executed and buried in the lowest place. His Soul and Spirit were to descend into the lowest parts of the earth, hell, preaching to those that were in the lower parts of the earth. Three days later He rose and then ascended to the Father; from the lowest to the highest, from the Coffin to the Throne. It is essential to read Psalm 139:1-15 in light of this revelation where David spoke of this. In that chapter, we have a preview of David's experience with the aspect of the Ark, the Coffin, in mind. I recommend that one should read it in its entirety and then read it after studying this book. You will then recognize that David's writings are coming from his own experiences with the Ark of the Covenant. David knew the combined Throne was the Mercy Seat and a Coffin. Notice how David constructs his Psalm in the divine order as the Pattern of the Ark. The Mercy Seat upon him that is on the top and the mention of Death after.

Ps. 9:13 Have Mercy upon me, O LORD; consider my trouble which I suffer of them that hate me, thou that liftest me up from the gates of Death.

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Ps. 139:1-2 O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known me. Thou knowest my downsitteing and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off.

When Christian believers go through the darkest moments and worst periods of their lives, they should realize this eternal truth. It would help them immensely to remember Joseph what he went through, especially from his own beloved family, thrown first into a pit which was the beginning of his sorrows, then across the desert, into slavery. Joseph then had a brief moment of hope then into the dungeons of Egypt for many years and finally to the Throne.

Zech. 13:6 And one shall say unto him, What are these wounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer, Those with which I was wounded in the house of my friends.

When David wrote his Psalms, he included the names of Moses nine times and mentioned Aaron in two of them. However, when he wrote of Joseph, it was five times, one of them was including the Mercy Seat in particular; mainly when David chose the words, shadow of thy wings, he refers to them in four different passages.

Ps. 80:1 Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock; thou that dwellest between the Cherubims, shine forth.

Ps. 17:8 Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings,

Jesus gave His mind and heart to these patterns to keep His path straight. Therefore, God has highly exalted Jesus and given Him a name that is far above every name, that at the name of Jesus everyone, regardless of who they are, is going to bow the knee and declare that Jesus is LORD and Christ. We must let this mind that was in Him be in us. Apostle Paul puts it this way when he wrote this comment about the sentence of death was in us that the

life would also manifest in us, was he not explaining that we too were the Arks of God with His Testimony written within us. This example of Jesus, as well as us becoming Sons of God, has been lost due to a particular doctrine which we will now address.

Notes

Gen. 30:22 And God remembered Rachel, and God hearkened to her, and opened her womb.

23 And she conceived, and bare a son; and said, God hath taken away my reproach:

*24 And she called his name Joseph; and said, “**The LORD shall add to me another son.**” KJV*

His Brother Benjamin

Gen. 35:16 And they journeyed from Bethel; and there was but a little way to come to Ephrath: and Rachel travailed, and she had hard labour.

17 And it came to pass, when she was in hard labour, that the midwife said unto her, Fear not; thou shalt have this son also.

18 And it came to pass, as her soul was in departing, (for she died) that she called his name Benoni: but his father called him Benjamin.

19 And Rachel died and was buried in the way to Ephrath, which is Bethlehem.

The Blessings of Jacob

Gen. 49:22 Joseph is a fruitful bough, even a fruitful bough by a well; whose branches run over the wall:

23 The archers have sorely grieved him, and shot at him, and hated him:

24 But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty God of Jacob; (from thence is the shepherd, the stone of Israel:)

25 Even by the God of thy father, who shall help thee; and by the Almighty, who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the breasts, and of the womb:

26 The blessings of thy father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren.

The Blessings of Moses

Deut. 33:13 And of Joseph he said, Blessed of the LORD be his land, for the precious things of heaven, for the dew, and for the deep that coucheth beneath,

*14 And for **the precious fruits brought forth by the sun, and for the precious things put forth by the moon,***

*15 And for the chief things of the ancient mountains, and for **the precious things** of the lasting hills,*

*16 And for **the precious things of the earth** and fullness thereof and for the good will of him that dwelt in the bush: let the blessing come upon **the head of Joseph,** and upon **the top of the head of him that was separated from his brethren.***

17 His glory is like the firstling of his bullock, and his horns are like the horns of unicorns: with them he shall push the people together to the ends of the earth: and they are the ten thousands of Ephraim, and they are the thousands of Manasseh. KJV

David's Reference to Joseph

Ps. 36:7 How excellent is thy loving-kindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under The Shadow of Thy Wings.

Ps. 72:14 He shall redeem their soul from deceit and violence: and precious shall their blood be in his sight.

Ps. 126:4 Turn again our captivity, O LORD, as the streams in the south.

5 They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.

6 He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.

Ps. 133:1 <<A Song of degrees of David.>> Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! (Joseph)

2 It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments.

*Ps 80:1 Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest **Joseph** like a flock; thou that dwellest between the Cherubims, shine forth.*

Ps 81:1 Sing aloud unto God our strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob.

2 Take a psalm, and bring hither the timbrel, the pleasant harp with the psaltery.

3 Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day.

4 For this was a statute for Israel, and a law of the God of Jacob.

5 This he ordained in Joseph for a testimony, when he went out through the land of Egypt: where I heard a language that I understood not.

6 I removed his shoulder from the burden: his hands were delivered from the pots.

7 Thou calledst in trouble, and I delivered thee; I answered thee in the secret place of thunder: I proved thee at the waters of Meribah. Selah.

Ps. 105:16 Moreover he called for a famine upon the land: he brake the whole staff of bread.

17 He sent a man before them, even Joseph, who was sold for a servant:

18 Whose feet they hurt with fetters: he was laid in iron:

19 Until the time that his word came: the word of the LORD tried him.

20 The king sent and loosed him; even the ruler of the people, and let him go free.

21 He made him lord of his house, and ruler of all his substance:

22 To bind his princes at his pleasure; and teach his senators wisdom.

Two Sons

Gen. 41:51 And Joseph called the name of the firstborn Manasseh: For God, said he, hath made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house.

52 And the name of the second called he Ephraim: For God hath caused me to be fruitful in the land of my affliction.

First Time Mentioned

(17 Words)

*Gen. 37:3 Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children because he was the son of his old age: and **he made him (of his long) coat**. “Of many colors,” is not in the original language.*

*Gen. 37:7 For, behold, we were binding **Sheaves** in the field, and, lo, my **Sheaf** arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf.*

*Gen. 37:25 And they sat down to eat bread: and they lifted up their eyes and looked, and, behold, a company of Ishmaelites came from Gilead with their camels bearing **spicery and balm and myrrh**, going to carry it down to Egypt.*

*Gen. 41:40 Thou shalt be over my house, and according unto thy word shall all my people be ruled: only **in the Throne** will I be greater than thou.*

*Gen. 41:42 And Pharaoh took off his **Ring** from his hand, and put it upon Joseph's hand, and arrayed him in vestures of **Fine Linen**, and put a **Gold Chain** about his neck.*

*Gen. 43:11 And their father Israel said unto them, If it must be so now, do this; take of the best **fruits** in the land in your vessels, and carry down the man a present, a little **balm, and a little honey, spices, and myrrh, nuts, and almonds**.*

*Gen. 46:34 That ye shall say, Thy servants' trade hath been about cattle from our youth even until now, both we, and also our fathers: that ye may dwell in the land of Goshen; for every **Shepherd** is an abomination unto the Egyptians.*

*Gen. 49:26 The blessings of thy father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the **crown of the head** of him that was separate from his brethren.*

Gen. 50:26 So Joseph died, being an hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and he was put in a Coffin in Egypt.

*Coffin, Heb.0727 'arown (in the sense of gathering); a box:--ark, chest, **and a coffin**. (The word 'Ark' is not a Hebrew word.)*

The Times Names Are Mentioned
(In Old Testament)

Abram/Abraham.... 210 times

Joseph..... 196 times

Judah..... 722 times