

Part 1 - Highlights

- There are two ditches to get stuck in: Walk the line! Word/Truth
- Storehouse Blessing Biblical Principle
- Tithes, Offerings & Alms
- Different types of "Storehouse" tied to calling and purpose
 - Abraham, Joseph & Yeshua examples
- The "Land of Milk and Honey" Livestock & Agriculture
- Larger purpose, larger provision/Smaller purpose, smaller provision
- Yeshua was not a hippie begging for provisions, he had a house!
- Yeshua had a "Immediate use storehouse" with a half years wages
- Yeshua relied heavily upon storehouse #1 & #3, He didn't have #2
- Pro 13:22 A good man leaves an inheritance to his Grandchildren

Part 2 - Highlights

- Job 1:8-10 Blameless, upright, feared the Lord! Blessed his work!
- Deut 28:1-2 Blessing is tied to obedience to God Covenant!
- Intermediate/Longer term Storehouse Focused
 - o Joseph, 7 years' worth in Gen 41:33-36
 - Longer term storehouses can attract our trust and confidence!
 - Deut 32:13-18 & Luke 12:15-21 ~ "The Rich Fool"
 - "That's how it is with anyone who stores up wealth for himself without being rich toward God."
 - Wealth is only evil when it is put above God. Consider Him first!
- When we put God first... Acts 10:1-4 "and your acts of charity (Alms/Tzedakah) have gone up into God's presence, so that he has you on his mind." ~ Read Proverbs 15:6

Part 3 - Highlights

- Gen 28:10-22 God showed Jacob how blessing works, what we do here on earth triggers a response from Heaven via Angels. Jacobs gets the point of what God is showing him and dedicates a tenth.
- Yeshua discourages greed, encourages storing treasure in the safest and most enduring place, heaven! Mat 6:19-24 (Judas stole earthly)
- Yeshua is the mediator of all blessing! Deut 28:12-13 Joel 2:21-24
- When we are generous and obedient it triggers a response from heaven! Mal 3:10, Duet 28:1-2 & Proverbs 3:9-10
- 1Kings 17:8-16 It started by her giving what she had on earth, but the provision came from heaven! That's interdimensional! Beneficial now!
- Acts 9:40-42 Tabitha/Dorcas built up heavenly treasure by doing the commandments and practicing Tzedakah God paid her back!
- If treasure is for the next life only, she was already there enjoying them! Treasures in heaven come back on this earth in this lifetime and in ways we need!
- Let God be the one to determine what kind of treasure you reap!

Yair Levy on Tzedakah Charity Alms....



Psa 112:9 He distributes freely, he gives to the poor; his righteousness stands forever. His power will be increased honorably.

The Oppression Busting Good News!

Mat 11:2-6 Now when John heard in prison about the works of the Messiah, he sent word through his disciples and said to Yeshua, "Are You the Coming One, or do we look for another?" Yeshua replied, "Go report to John what you hear and see: the blind see and the lame walk, those with tza'arat are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised and the poor have good news proclaimed to them. Blessed is the one who is not led to stumble because of Me."

- 1. The blind see
- 2. The lame walk
- 3. The leapers are cleansed
- 4. The deaf hear
- 5. The dead are raised!
- 6. The poor.... Are remedied by the GOOD NEWS! (Repent for the Kingdom)

What we do on Earth...

Proverbs 3:9-10 Honor Adonai with your wealth and with the first of your entire harvest. Then your <u>Storehouses</u> will be filled with plenty, your vats will overflow with new wine.

Malachi 3:10 Bring the whole tenth into the <u>storehouse</u>, so that there will be food in my house, and put me to the test," says Adonai-Tzva'ot. "See if I won't open for you the floodgates of heaven and pour out for you a blessing far beyond your needs.

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From an unused root meaning to *heap* together; a *storehouse* (only in the plural): - barn, storehouse.

What we do on Earth...

Triggers a response from Heaven!



The three storehouses:

Immediate use, pantry, refrigerator, starter for the next loaf

1. Deut 28:5 Blessed will be your basket and your kneading bowl.

Intermediate use, a stockpile, longer term

2. Deut 28:8 Adonai will command the blessing on you in your barns and in every undertaking of your hand, and He will bless you in the land Adonai your God is giving you.

Heavenly Storehouse! For use here on earth!

3. Deut 28:12 Adonai will open for you <u>His good storehouse—the</u> <u>heavens</u>—to give <u>rain for your land in its season</u> and to <u>bless all the work of your hand</u>. You will lend to many nations, but you will not borrow.

Mat 6:19-21 "Do not store up for vourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in or steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

- Yeshua stored up treasures on earth (Immediate use) \$20 to \$30k and it was stolen from by thieves! That's not what he's saying here!
- Even though Yeshua did not have a longer-term storehouse, it doesn't mean that God doesn't bless our longer-term storehouses!
- If we keep our priorities straight! God first! Luke 12
- What helps you keep your priorities straight is laying up treasures in Heaven!

2Kings 4:1-7 Now a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets cried out to Elisha saying, "Your servant my husband is dead—you know that your servant feared Adonai. Now the creditor has come to take my two children to be his slaves." "What should I do for you?" Elisha asked her. "Tell me, what do you have in the house?" She replied, "Your handmaid has nothing in the house except a jar of oil." Then he said, "Go borrow for yourself vessels from all your neighbors—empty jars—not just a few. Then go inside and shut the door behind you and behind your sons, and pour into all those vessels, setting aside what is full." So she left him and shut the door behind her and behind her sons. They kept bringing the vessels to her and she kept pouring. When the vessels were full, she said to her son, "Bring me another vessel." But he said to her, "There isn't another vessel." So the oil stopped. Then she came and told the man of God. So he said, "Go sell the oil and pay your debt, then you and your sons can live on the rest."

- The deceased husband had treasures in Heaven! We don't know what other than he "feared the Lord" that's the only detail we have! It puts him in the ranks of Job, Cornelious and Tabitha/Dorcas.
- It merited a tremendous harvest, and Elisha didn't hesitate to pronounce this blessing, so he was aware.
- Sometimes God can have you invest in your own deliverance (oil)
- Sometimes there is an action involved (Collecting pots, not just a few), action and faith together.
- It requires the Holy Spirits guidance to do this.
- Blessing is not stopped when a righteous person passes on! Gods faithfulness is enduring!

Psalm 25:12-14 Who is the person who fears Adonai? He will teach him the way to choose. He will remain prosperous, and his descendants will inherit the land. Adonai relates intimately with those who fear him; he makes them know his covenant.

Psa 112:1-3 Halleluyah! How happy is anyone who fears Adonai, who greatly delights in his mitzvot. His descendants will be powerful on earth, a blessed generation of upright people. Wealth and riches are in his house, and his righteousness stands forever.

- Not all get this advantage, only the righteous! It lives on!
- Righteous parents can impact unbelieving children, descendants!
- Heavenly treasure doesn't pass away when we do, "His mercy endures forever"! Psalm 136
- "To the thousands generation to those who love and fear him" Exo 20:6
- "And my God will supply all your needs according to His glorious riches in Yeshua the Messiah" Philippians 4:19

2Kings 4:8-17 One day when Elisha passed through Shunem, where there was a prominent woman who persuaded him to eat some food. And so it was, whenever he passed through, he would stop for a meal. Then she said to her husband, "Behold now, I realize that this man who often passes through is a holy man of God. Please, let's make a little walled room on the roof, and let's put there a bed, a table, a chair, and a lampstand for him. Then whenever he comes to us, he can stay there." One day he came there, and retired to the upper chamber and lay down there. Then he said to Gehazi his servant, "Call this Shunammite woman." When he had called her, she stood before him. He said to him, "Tell her: Behold, you have gone to all this trouble for us. What can be done for you? Can something be communicated to the king or to the commander of the army for you?" She answered, "I am living among my own people." So he asked, "Then what should be done for her?" Then Gehazi answered, "In fact, she has no son, and her husband is old." "Call her," he said. And when he had called her, she stood in the doorway. Then he said, "At this season next year, you will be embracing a son." But she said, "No, my lord, do not lie to your handmaid, man of God." Nevertheless, the woman conceived and bore a son during that season the following year, just as Elisha had told her.

Heavenly Storehouses

2Kings 4:18-22 Now when the child was grown, one day he went out to his father among the reapers. Then he said to his father, "My head, my head!" So he said to his servant, "Carry him to his mother." So he picked him up and brought him to his mother. The child sat on her lap until noon, and then died. She then went up and laid him on the bed of the man of God, shut the door on him and went out. Then she called to her husband, and said, "Please send me one of the servants and one of the donkeys that I may run to the man of God and come back."

2Kings 4:32-37 When Elisha entered the house, there was the child, dead and laying on his bed. So he entered and shut the door behind the two of them and prayed to Adonai. Then he got up and lay on the child, and put his mouth on his mouth and his eyes on his eyes and his hands on his hands, and he stretched himself upon him. So the flesh of the child became warm. Then he stepped down and walked in the house to and fro, and then he got up on the bed and stretched himself on him. The child sneezed seven times, then the child opened his eyes. He then called Gehazi and said, "Call the Shunammite." So he called her. When she came in to him, he said, "Pick up your son." She came, fell at his feet and bowed down to the ground. Then she picked up her son and went out.

Generosity, providing food, providing shelter. Taking care of Gods anointed

Mat 25:34 Then the King will say to those on His right, 'Come, you who are blessed by My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger and you invited Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.' "Then the righteous will answer Him, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You? Or thirsty and give You something to drink? And when did we see You a stranger and invite You in? Or naked and clothe You? When did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' "And answering, the King will say to them, 'Amen, I tell you, whatever you did to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.'

Power over money

- Yeshua said "For where your wealth is, there your heart will be also" Mat 6:21
- That's why its important to be generous, because when you give you demonstrate power over money, you are in control of it!
- Some people manage money well, save it, disciplined spending etc. That doesn't mean you are not impacted by it.
- When you give money generously, that's fruit that it doesn't impact you, you have power over it, you control it! It doesn't control you!
- Giving brings a grace from God on your finances! Giving generously was a characteristic of the Church/Assembly/Congregation in Jerusalem!
- Lets look at the Church in Jerusalem from the book of Acts...

Act 2:44-47 All those trusting in Yeshua stayed together and had everything in common; in fact, they sold their property and possessions and distributed the proceeds to all who were in need. Continuing faithfully and with singleness of purpose to meet in the Temple courts daily, and breaking bread in their several homes, they shared their food in joy and simplicity of heart, praising God and having the respect of all the people. And day after day the Lord kept adding to them those who were being saved.

- Not communism, volunteerism... It can't be forced or coerced!
- Big focus on selling possessions, furniture etc...

Act 4:33-35 With great power the emissaries were giving witness to the resurrection of the Lord Yeshua, and abundant favor was upon them all. No one among them was needy, for all who were <u>owners of lands or houses would sell</u> them and bring the proceeds and set them at the feet of the emissaries. And the proceeds were distributed according to the need each one had.

- Major shift to selling real-estate in Jerusalem!
- This is unique vs other Churches in the body
- The Church here is being led to do this by the Spirit!
- Pulling up stakes, leaving Jerusalem: Acts 8:1 & Acts 8:4
- He was leading them to go out and duplicate the model
- Fulfilling the command "witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea & all of Samaria" Acts 1:8

Yeshua prophesied about the destruction of Jerusalem:

Luke 19:41-44 As He drew near and saw Jerusalem, He wept over her, saying, "If only you had recognized this day the things that lead to shalom! But now they are hidden from your eyes. For the days will come upon you when your enemies will surround you with barricades and hem you in on all sides. And they will smash you to the ground—you and your children within you. And they won't leave within you one stone upon another, because you did not recognize the time of your visitation."

- Roughly 40 years later, this came true!
- Vespasian was General for the time in which the believers left.
- Titus came in and killed thousands! God led them to a safe place!

Josephus Describes the Romans' Sack of Jerusalem

- CH 8 (404) But when they went in numbers into the lanes of the city, with their swords drawn, they slew those whom they overtook, without mercy, and set fire to the houses wither the Jews were fled, and burnt every soul in them, and laid waste a great many of the rest; (405) and when they were come to the houses to plunder them, they found in them entire families of dead men, and the upper rooms full of dead corpses, that is of such as died by the famine; they then stood in a horror at this sight, and went out without touching anything.
- CH 9 (420) Now the number of those that were carried captive during this whole war was collected to be ninety-seven thousand, as was the number of those that perished during the whole siege eleven hundred thousand. (2,100)

- The Church in Jerusalem was a model for the other Churches abroad, they enabled the other churches by charity, by bringing the Gospel with great fervor and by being led out of Jerusalem.
- They were laying up treasures in Heaven!
- God led them away from Jerusalem as a blessing to all nations, as an act of justice because of Israel rejection of the Messiah and Kingdom.
- God forewarns and safeguards, better than wealth!
- "For out of Tziyon will go forth Torah, the word of Adonai from Yerushalayim." Isaiah 2:3d
- More on the Church in Jerusalem next week!

Shabbat Shalom!

Part 5 Coming Soon

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS