

Wavesheaf Day and the Journey to Mount Sinai in all their Fullness

In this chapter we will be examining the continuation of Native Israel's journey during the 50-day count to Pentecost from what will become known to them as the Wavesheaf Day of the omer of Barley from the **early harvest in the Land**. In the previous chapter we looked at the overlapping 4-days of the first Pilgrimage Festival of Unleavened Bread (UB) and the first 4-days of the Journey starting on the first day of the weekly cycle established at creation which we refer to as Sunday here at the end of the age. We used the Abib Calendar of the Elohim to clearly illustrate, alongside the scriptural pattern, the accuracy of what was presented. **The knowledge of how to conduct this calendar is an amazing gift for us who are called under the terms and conditions of the Second Marriage Covenant (SMC)**. As we have seen, this 4th day of UB holds many mysteries of hidden truth which the Elohim are revealing to us at this time for a very special reason. Not only does this 4th day of UB start the epic journey of Native Israel into the Wilderness east of the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez, it is also **the first physical enactment of baptism unto a physical salvation for Native Israel and the Mixed Multitude**, and a prophesy about Yehovah/Yeshuw'ua/The Word/Jesus if we have eyes to see and actually believe the patterns in scripture. **The very first act of baptism by water with a salvation attached to it was with the great flood in which only 8 people; the number of circumcision, were deemed worthy to not share in the watery grave of evil doers as we covered in an earlier chapter**. This 4th day of UB will also be designated as the day to start the harvest of barley once they enter the Promised Land. The actual instructions as to how it will be done were given prior to that entry as illustrated with Leviticus chapters 2 and 23, Deuteronomy 16 and many more.

On this 4th day out of Egypt, they went through the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez under the Cloud (which means it was daylight for it was not the pillar of fire, for those of you who may think it was during the night portion for the entire duration of it) fulfilling the initial requirement to travel 3-days into the wilderness and then offer sacrifices to Yehovah. A 3-day journey for a sacrifice is nothing new. Abraham did the same when he was to sacrifice his son Isaac at Mount Moriah. There is more to this as a pattern, but we will leave that to another study.

We will be looking at and examining the re-instituting of the Sabbath and its day of preparation to an apostate Native Israel and lots more.

In the previous chapter we covered the importance of the **Unleavened Firstborn** to the days of UB. The elect would be chosen from Native Israel to function in the task of the Bride in the household of the Elohim. The 7-days of UB is the timeframe allotted to Native Israel for the qualifying process to be completed with a specific number intended to be reached, one sufficient **enough to be able to handle all the multitude of tasks of that heavenly household**. We talked about the MM with them, who they were comprised of, and the fact they too could be allowed to participate in the Passover of Yehovah and the ingesting of unleavened bread for the following 7-day duration and **thus the sharing in the Bread of Life**.

As we move through this chapter, we will be pointing out many similarities between both Marriage Covenants with their physical shadows of the spiritual realities to come. It is going to be a fun and exciting chapter for many who read it. And no doubt an absolute abomination to the minions of the evil one who are deceived themselves and attempting to deceive others who are found in Christianity and in Judaism. We will be looking at the umbilical cord connecting both of the Marriage Covenants and thus the **Unleavened Firstborn** and the **Unleavened Firstfruit** in this chapter once again, but just not in the intent of the language, rather in the actual acts directed by the Elohim, and in particular by Yehovah, for He is the upfront member of the Elohim in scripture until it is time for Him to divest Himself of all His glory and leave it in the bosom of the other Elohim Being we know as Father under our SMC (Second Marriage Covenant) terms and conditions.

It is very simple for us to state that the Passover of Yehovah, the Pilgrimage Feast of Unleavened Bread, and The Feast of Weeks/Pentecost are intricately connected in purpose; with that purpose being to have the Second Adam lay down His life for a qualified Second Eve and her proving herself worthy to be included in the count at Pentecost of those who have completely internalized both the Lamb of Father's household and the Bread of Life. Yes, it will be a wonderful Jubilee for her under the guidance of the Elohim. That will be the first phase of having physical beings make the successful journey to becoming spirit in nature, and exist in the state of Oneness with Them. The second segment in the

timeline for other members to enter that family will not start until this one is finished and complete. It only comprises 2 of the 3 designated names given to the 50th day, which are the Feast of Weeks and Pentecost. **The designation as Feast of Firstfruits entails the start of the wheat harvest**, not part of the completion of the barley harvest, and is not about the Bride but the start of the process of reaping those who will hold the status/function of the firstborn from the union of the Second Adam and Second Eve.

We can follow the journey through Exodus and Numbers as to the various locations that Native Israel camped and then pulled up stakes to get to the next camp until they reach the valley floor of Mt Sinai in the Mountains of Horeb. But first, we have a lot to look into before we actually pick up the journey again centered here around the 4th day out of Egypt, the first day of the weekly cycle of the third full week in the month of Abib; the Head of the months. Let's start with:

Exodus 14:13 And Moses said to the people, do not be afraid! (of Pharaoh and his army who just showed up on the scene at the mouth of the big gorge) Take your stand! And see the salvation (#3444) of Yehovah, which He will prepare for you today (7th day of the week). For as you see the Egyptians today (hell bent for leather as the saying goes), you shall not continue to see them again forever.

Here we have Native Israel and the Mixed Multitude camping in the plain in front of the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez (east) and between a large mountain to the northwest and a very rugged hilly area to the southwest. There was only one reasonably easy way in or out which was a large gorge which was normally windy, and actually would provide some relief in itself by blowing the dust away that was caused during its transit by a large number of people. There is another gorge entering into the plain before the sea as well, but it would have been much more difficult to travel through with a vast number of people with their herds and flocks. They are clearly visible using Google Earth on your computer. Finally, a resting spot conducive to a quiet night in camp listening to the waves on the beach after 3 arduous days and nights of traveling. All of a sudden, the first elements of Pharaoh's army show up at the mouth of the big gorge. Native Israel knew that was not a good sign, they certainly were not there to wish them farewell. So, they immediately panicked in fear and started accusing Moses of

wrongdoing, which they had harbored in their hearts all along as the account bears out here and in the future. Moses did not debate them or try to rationalize with them, he simply told them, do not be afraid (do you not see the pillar of cloud before us) and to **yatsab #3320** make a stand here and now to this approaching menacing evil, (face it with the conviction you should have acquired by now witnessing all the mighty works of Yehovah to date). The surroundings are irrelevant when it comes to Yehovah and His promises to you. Lots of lessons to be learned here. He told them that Yehovah would be their salvation and would prepare the way of it right before their very eyes. He promised them this evil menacing threat would never be seen again as it was then.

Please take note that the Hebrew for salvation here is **#3444 Yeshuw'ah** or as **some spell it today Yesu'ah**. Did you get that brethren? **It is the name used by many in place of Jesus**. Strong's says of it: passive participle of **#3467 (yasha)**; something saved, deliverer, aid, victory, prosperity. It is used often of the salvation of Elohim from external evils with the added connotation of spiritual relevance. Native Israel, as well as the Mixed Multitude with them, were told to not be afraid and take your stand against such now. In the next verse Moses tells them to *"be silent"* which is a nice way of saying "shut your mouths and quit your whining."

"Yehovah will fight for you, and you be silent!"

Take this all into perspective here. They had just witnessed miracle upon miracle of mighty works performed by Yehovah for their welfare over the past several weeks. They witnessed things completely unheard of prior to this. **Native Israel showed their complete lack of faith in Yehovah's promises**, as well as in the very signs and acts of might He had done on their behalf, for their wellbeing. **That had to be very disappointing to the Elohim and in particular to Yehovah**. So here after 3-days of journeying Yehovah was going to provide a mighty sacrifice that would put all the surrounding nations in fear as well as the Egyptians left in Egypt. It would once again unfold before their eyes. The first thing He did was to move from the front of the camp to the rear of the camp between Pharaoh and the fearful Native Israelites. That put a halt to the armies of Pharaoh coming through the mouth of the gorge, so they also set up camp. He then caused the east wind to blow with intensity causing the waters to wall up on two sides and to dry out

the sea bottom. It stretched all the way over to the eastern shore of the Sea and thus to the Wilderness of Shur/Etham. Native Israel and the MM all made it through the next morning, the 1st day of the weekly creation cycle. Once again, you can use Google Earth here. Let your cursor start moving eastward from the beach area north of Ain Skhna to the beach area on the eastern shore north of Ra Ser. Preferably at the widest point which is around 15-16 miles across the Gulf of Suez at this location. It is bowl shaped. At the lower right-hand side of your screen you will see an elevation indicator and it will clearly demonstrate the land structure below the water. It is a gentle slope down to a flat area and then gentle rise up to the beach on the other side. It is no more than 150 feet deep at this location. And just imagine this all takes place before Pihahiroth.

If you remember we covered how Paul's description of this event of traveling through the Red Sea under the Cloud to salvation on the other side; was likened to baptism. Please do not lose sight of that on this special day as well as who participated in it. *Was it Just Native Israel? No, it was not. Both NI and the MM went through the Sea and under the Cloud. The MM were Gentiles/Neighbors who had attached themselves to Native Israel and as we read in the chapter on the Passover of Yehovah, they were going to be allowed to participate in it if they too were circumcised and obeyed the commands of it.* The evil menace pursuing them did not receive the salvation of Yehovah that day, the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez became a watery grave to them. Just as the whole earth had been at the time of Noah and his family's salvation. It never ceases to amaze us that people who actually believe the flood covered the entirety of the earth over the tallest mountains, can actually entertain attempts by minions of Satan to make this awesome 4th day miracle of Yehovah come across as some feeble undertaking of going across a shallow lake of reeds to justify its credibility.

The spiritual realities of all of this are very relevant to the reality of the terms and conditions we experience in baptism under our Marriage Covenant. We are baptized into the name of Jesus/Yeshuw'ah, pick whichever one you want. Our old self dies in that watery grave of total immersion and we come up out of it a renewed person with all our sins washed away with a newness of purpose.

However, the baptism we experience is the spiritual reality of this physical example on Wavesheaf day during the first keeping of Unleavened Bread by Native Israel coming out of the evil of Egypt. Paul instructs us in Romans:

Romans 6:2-4 Let it not be! We who died to sin, how shall we still live in it? Or are you ignorant that all who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Then we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, so also we should walk in newness of life.

Paul adds a little later as a result of that “we should no longer serve sin.” We will see that did not hold up well for Native Israel just as we did in the last chapter. Within 3-days they were back at it, certainly not walking in a newness of life. They failed the first test miserably. There will even come a time on the journey to Mt Sinai and Pentecost that they will even declare life was good under their servitude to evil Pharaoh.

So, what was missing in the equation? **Repentance before baptism!** Notice the type of baptism this initial account was:

1 Corinthians 10:1-2 And I do not want you to be ignorant brothers, that our fathers were all under the Cloud and all passed through the Sea. And all were baptized to Moses in the Cloud and in the Sea.

Their’s was a physical baptism with a physical salvation for it was not yet in or to Jesus.

Exodus 14:31 tells us that Native Israel feared Yehovah that day as well as believing in Yehovah and in His servant Moses. It would have been hard not to. But as we have seen in the previous chapter it did not last very long. Why? It’s all quite simple and that is why by the time we get to our Second Marriage Covenant (SMC) terms and conditions an element has been added. In fact, it was a transition element from the end of the FMC into the SMC. Peter makes the simplicity of it very easy to understand in Acts:

*Acts 2:38-39 And Peter said to them, **repent** and be baptized each of you in the name of Jesus Christ to forgiveness of sins. And you will receive the gift of the spirit holy. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all those afar off, as many as the Lord our God/Father Elohim shall call.*

What exactly were they repenting of? Having been part of the reason for the need for our Savior's death just like us because of their past sinful actions. It is fascinating that the Law and the Prophets were proclaimed until John the Baptist as Luke 16:16 instructs us, and that he was the one who brought a **baptism of repentance**. Let's read a little about this.

Luke 16:16 The Law and the Prophets were until John (the Baptist); from then on the Kingdom of God/Elohim is being preached, and everyone is pressing in (or better translated in context; is being seized. Remember the highways and byways? None of them had an inheritance in it and in most instances knew little or anything about it, thus took them completely off-guard).

John the Baptist was the end of one Marriage Covenants terms and conditions and the start of another which had **better promises**. The premier one is the gift of a spirit from the Elohim which would assist the spirit-in-man already in all of us, in the qualifying process. But first something had to happen as we were instructed by Peter in Acts.

*Matthew 3:1-3 Now in those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, and saying; **repent!** For the Kingdom of Heaven has drawn near (not ready to transition yet). For this is he spoken of by Isaiah the prophet saying: the voice of one crying in the wilderness! **Prepare the way of the Lord! Make His paths straight!***

We are told that in Acts 1:21-22 that a replacement apostle had to have been witnessing with them since the time that John baptized Christ. Don't lose sight of the purpose of water in this. In Acts 13:24 Paul tells us John preached a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel. In 19:2-4 he says:

*Acts 19:2-4 He said to them, when believing did you receive the spirit holy? And they said to him, we did not even hear what the spirit holy is. And he said to them, then to what were you baptized? And they said, **to the baptism of John**. And Paul said, John indeed baptized with a baptism of **repentance**, saying to the people that they should believe unto the One coming after him, that is, into the Christ, Jesus.*

There are patterns upon patterns with the subject of Baptism. We have just touched on them here so that you can understand how significant this all is and how it became more of the spiritual reality to come over the timelines it was used in.

There was no repentance with the baptism to Moses. Moses had been used to help prepare the way for Native Israel to cross through the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez. It was his arm that was stretched out with his staff. He was the one telling Native Israel to make a stand with Yehovah against evil for He will give you salvation from it. Here we have John the Baptist doing the same thing. He is being used to prepare the way for Jesus the Christ who we also know as Yehovah/The Word/Yeshuw'ah. **This is referred to as the baptism of John in the scriptures. It was the introduction of baptism with repentance, but it was not yet conducted in the name of Jesus, the only name to which salvation unto spirit life will come.** Just as the scriptures instructed us, Native Israel's baptism in the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez and under the Cloud was "to Moses" so too is this one "to John" at that time. It was intended to be a learning curve until the reality of it was given by Jesus Himself. Baptism is a very clearly visible sign of one's inward convictions and commitments. John would rebuke the Pharisees who came to him for baptism. Have you ever wondered Why? John and Jesus nailed it often: hypocrites and vipers as they referred to them. He called them part of an evil and **adulterous** nation which was not going to truly repent. Have you ever asked yourself why He called them that? The evil part is simple. It is **Poneros #4190**. Strong's says it is "*from a derivative of #4192 and means hurtful evil, or painfully evil, and morally ill and diseased.*" Look at all the times this is used. It is directed almost exclusively at the Pharisees. It was commonly used to describe them. The shoe fits! **But why adulterous? Because they, the Nation of Judah, were still married to Him. He had not died yet!** He had divested Himself of all His glory, and it was being held with Father in His bosom as scripture instructs us at that time, but He, Jesus/Yehovah was still married to them. He had only divorced the Nation of Israel. The Greek word used in these instances is "**#3428 moichalis**: a prolonged form of the feminine **#3432 an adulteress, literally or figuratively.**" He's talking to Pharisees not their wives. They were still married to Him but had taken up with another god/el who was not Him, Jesus/Yehovah/The Word. They even tried to tell Jesus it was His Father and Jesus told them you have never known My Father.

That was shortly after telling them their Father was the devil and thus extrapolated based on their accusations earlier in their confrontation about their god/el. We addressed this in an earlier chapter, and will more fully, but once again we jump over to Romans 7:1-4 picking it up in verse 3, with Paul instructing the Jews at Rome, his fellow countrymen in this section of the Book of Romans.

Romans 7:3 So then if while her husband lives, she marries another man, she will be called an adulteress (same Greek word; feminine); but if her husband dies, she is free from that law, (of the husband vs.1-2), so that she is no adulteress (same word) though she has married another man. Therefore, my brothers, you also have become dead to that law (of the husband) through the body of Christ, that you may be married to another, to Him who was raised from the dead, that we should bear fruit to God.

Bear here is Strong's #2592 "karpophoreo; from #2593, to be fertile, literally or figuratively." They had been married to the Being we know as Jesus the Christ who is also The Word/Yehovah/etc. **Paul tells the Jews of the Nation of Judah, and not necessarily the Jews of Judaism as discussed earlier**, that they have a second chance at becoming the Second Eve, with the intent that they can marry Him (Jesus/The Word/Yehovah) and they can become fruitful and multiply in every aspect of good. For those of you who have never heard these mysteries of the hidden truths of the Elohim, we are happy for you. We will have a lot to say about all of this in chapters to come. Back to the evil nation (of successive genealogy) with Peter linking it to baptism.

Peter makes a similar claim about the mindset of the day back in Acts when instructing them about baptism.

*Acts 2:40-41 And with many other words he earnestly testified and exhorted, saying, be saved from this **perverse** nation. Then those who gladly heard his words were baptized...*

There were a lot who didn't "*gladly hear his words*" as well. Take some time and read his message leading up to this. He called them all a bunch of murderers.

Just think, the premise of baptism with salvation for Native Israel and the Mixed Multitude started on this 1st day of the count to Pentecost and on the 4th day of

the first Pilgrimage Festival of UB. **Don't let that slip past you for it unified both the qualifying time frames allotted Native Israel in the FMC and the Gentiles/neighbors/sojourners in the SMC.** It takes place on Wavesheaf Day, the first day of the weekly cycle count of creation. This understanding is a key to dispelling many winds of doctrine blowing from the mouth of Satan and his minions. We certainly hope it can assist you in standing your ground against them.

This is the day when our Savior/Husband was accepted on our behalf, we Gentiles who were not granted to be called in mass numbers prior to its reality taking place. Here at the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez and under the Cloud, the Mixed Multitude shared in that baptism **to Moses** and the resulting salvation of **extended temporary life** coming out of it on the eastern shore of the Sea. This knowledge was given before the knowledge and understanding of the purpose of the Wavesheaf omer of barley. The criteria for determining the Head of the Months and its name were in place at that time but the knowledge of it would not be given until a later date for none of them would be planting or harvesting any crops on the Wilderness Journey. The facts are simple; they did not have to plant any crops (or eat any of their livestock) for they were given manna and quail which we will cover shortly.

There are so many mysteries of hidden truths in scripture it can be mind numbing at times when we first encounter them. At the same time our emotions can well up in rejoicing. Often, we ask ourselves how many times have I read this and all of a sudden now I am seeing it for what it really is? It's all part of our individual and collective journey folks. We will be addressing the Wavesheaf Offering in all its fullness and authority in the next chapter as to His being crushed and beaten and winnowed on our behalf, being the First of the Firstfruit. In all of this, remember, His promise to us:

Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for Yehovah your Elohim, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you.

Deuteronomy 31:8 And Yehovah, He is the One who goes before you. He will be with you, He will not leave you nor forsake you; do not fear nor be dismayed.

Hebrews 13:5 ...I will never leave nor forsake you.

Hebrews 13:8 ...Jesus Christ is the same yesterday (First Marriage Covenant) *today* (Second Marriage Covenant) *and forever* (The Kingdom).

Let's take a lighter moment and address one of the lunacy winds of doctrines on the subject of the Red Sea crossing. There are a lot of them, some more wild than others, but please keep in mind who the real author of them all is. **Satan is constantly trying to diminish the visible power of the workings of the Elohim, and in particular of Yehovah as we first discussed back in chapter 2.** Satan knows exactly who He was, is, and will be in the Plan of Salvation and thereafter. Satan hates Him with a very deep loathing. **Thus, he is continually coming up with crazy ideas through his minions to make great miracles and such look like they were really not all that big of a deal.**

The first one that comes to mind is that Native Israel did not cross the Red Sea but a very shallow body of water to the north of what we call the Gulf of Suez. Maybe you have heard it before and maybe not. The whole point is they profess it was easy to cross it on foot, but the chariots wheels would get stuck in the mud and prevent them from reaching the other side. They attempt to use the designation of "Reed" to claim it was a very shallow lake. Really? Let's read some of the scriptures of the eyewitness accounts as to what actually happened once they sang about it on the other side of the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez. It is recorded in Exodus 15:1-21. Here are a few quotes.

*Exodus 15:4-5 Pharaohs chariots and his army He cast into the sea; his chosen captains also are **drowned** in the Red (Reed) Sea. The depths cover them, they went down into the deep like a stone.*

*Exodus 15:10 You blew with Your wind; the sea covered them; **they sank like lead in the mighty waters.** (mighty #117 addiyr from 142: wide, large, and powerful)*

Exodus 15:12 You stretched out Your right hand; the earth swallowed them.

Exodus 15:19 For the horses of Pharaoh went in with his chariots and his horsemen into the sea, and Yehovah brought back the waters of the sea on them; and the sons of Israel went on dry land in the midst of the sea.

With all the scriptures we could go to clearly showing the Biblical account of this, it's hard to imagine there are people who swallow the shallow lake of water doctrine, hook line and sinker. Don't think we have forgotten about the more recent lunacy "wind of doctrine" about them not crossing the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez until they got to what we call the Gulf of Aqaba. We have addressed that in detail in the past but let's just spend a short minute on it. It goes like this: Mt Sinai is located in the land of Midian because that is where Moses' father-in-law is from and that is where Moses supposedly saw the burning bush. The location they claim for it is in Saudi Arabia which simply means South Arabia. You may not have realized there was a North Arabia. Well, there was and it was prominent in writings during the Roman occupation of the eastern Mediterranean as in Paul's day and journey. It covered all the Sinai Peninsula, what we know as Jordan today, parts of Syria, and south to the Gulf of Aqaba. **The Gulf of Aqaba crossing spinners base their claim on a past huckster promoting one of his biblical sideshow events.** The claim is there are a lot of chariot wheels and such in the sea at that location. Oh yes, there are a lot of ancient artifacts near there, for it is one of the classic locations of ships going down transporting goods from around the known world of trade back then traveling to and from what we call Eilat today at the head of the gulf of Aqaba, a major trade route for merchant sailing ships full of goods. The port of entry and departure was located at Ezion Geber at the head of the Gulf of Aqaba which Eilat is located at today. No, Mt Sinai is not in Midian the land of Moses' father-in-law.

Exodus 18:27 And Moses sent his father-in-law away, and he went to his own land.

This instruction is right before we get to the account of them arriving at the foot of Mount Sinai in the immediate verses after it.

Need another one?

Numbers 10:29-33 And Moses said to **Hobab the son of Reuel the Midianite, Moses' father-in-law**, we are traveling to the place which Yehovah has said, I will give to you. Go with us, and we will do good to you; for Yehovah has spoken good concerning Israel. And said to him, I shall not go, **but shall return to my land and to my kindred**. And he said, please do not forsake us, because you know as to how we encamp in the wilderness and you shall be to us for eyes. And it shall come to pass when you go with us, it shall be that what good Yehovah shall do to us, we shall do good to you. And they pulled up from the mountain of Yehovah 3-days journey. And the Ark of the Covenant of Yehovah pulled out before them 3-days journey to seek out a resting place for them.

Mount Sinai is not located in Midian the land of Moses' father-in-law! Like father, like son, **testimony given!**

There are so many scriptures which tell us where Native Israel traveled in the first 47 days, and thus, where they did not. It is a mockery of Biblical sincerity and truth to claim such winds of doctrine like this are what actually happened. These people who promote such huckster propaganda are in many cases not deceived themselves, they just want your money and your allegiance. However, there are some who are truly deceived and will attempt to do so to others. Paul's instruction to Timothy, and thus us, is a classic warning about such stuff.

2 Timothy 3:13 But evil men and pretenders will go forward to worse, leading astray (deceiving), and being led astray (deceived)

Please avoid the rubbish of hucksters and deceivers for it has no place in our walk to salvation. If somebody says you should send them money, whether directly or indirectly, send them a hand wave goodbye. **You yourselves are to be learning how to administer the tithes you have been loyally keeping yourselves as part of your training to be kings and priests.** Maybe we will discuss that in a later chapter as well.

Now, we will take the time to address a future account which can be linked to the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez crossing and the miracle of the waters splitting and then engulfing the armies of Pharaoh who is just a depiction of Satan in many respects.

It will take place for those who are about to complete the qualifying number called from the SMC timeline who have remained faithful to their vows even unto the certainty of death. We can read about it in Revelation chapter 12. It takes place during the time of Michael and his angels casting Satan and his angels to the earth and their confinement to it. Satan realizes he has but a short time left and attempts to murder the Bride of Christ before she can become part of the Elohim existence.

Rev 12:15-16 And the serpent cast after the woman, out of his mouth, water (#5204 Hudatos: rain) as a river (#4215 Potamos: drinkable swift flowing running water) that he might make her to be carried off. But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed the river which the dragon had cast out of his mouth. And the dragon was enraged over the woman (the Bride, for she had qualified) and went to make war with the rest of the seed like her, those keeping the commandments of God and having the witness of Jesus Christ (but not yet willing to lay down their lives for it).

We will be visiting all this in more detail later, but here we have the Bride of the SMC times being pursued by Satan who was trying to prevent her from entering the Promised Land of Salvation and into the Oneness of the Elohim. We are not talking here about a time of baptism for that took place with the individuals here long before their walk got to this point. As much as we can draw parallels to this and the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez crossing, there is even a better understanding of it based on its timing. Just prior to Native Israel entering the Promised Land they too were confronted by a river. It is called the Jordan and it was at the turn of the year from winter to summer, the Month of Abib when they came to it. In those days there were no barriers to prohibit or siphon off all the waters coming down from the north. This was a time of year when you just did not cross it unless it was in an intercalated year, like during the time of Naomi and Ruth. Joshua 3:13 gives us instruction in it.

Joshua 3:13 And it shall be, as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests bearing the Ark of Yehovah, Lord of all the earth, come to rest in the waters of the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan shall be cut off,

the waters which come down stream. And they shall stand in one heap.

Joshua 3:15 ... and the feet of the priests bearing the Ark were dipped in the edge of the waters and the Jordan was full, over all its banks all the days of harvest (in a normal year), that the waters stood still, those coming down from upstream rose up into a heap, very far above the city of Adam, (don't let that one slide by, the Second Adam is intervening for His wife) which is beside Zaretan; and those going down by the sea of Arabah, the Salt Sea, were completely cut off.

Once again, we will cover this section in more detail in the next chapter when we speak about the Wavesheaf Offering. For now, notice all the similarities between this episode in the life of Native Israel and to the Bride spoken about in Revelation 12 just prior to being grafted into Spiritual Israel, and entrance to the Spiritual Promised Land. None of this is just coincidence. It is all about patterns in scriptures for us to learn from. We will have a lot to say about all of this later in the study. Now, back to the journey and the 50-day count.

In the previous chapter we covered some of the activities following the departure from the eastern shore of the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez and heading out into the Wilderness of Shur/Etham for a 3-day trek to Marah. It can be easily assumed that with all the festivities (Exodus 15:1-21) going on that 1st day of the week and 4th day of UB in regard to their miraculous crossing and the destruction of the Egyptian armies, that they spent the day and part of the night camped there. Add to it the obvious, that Moses made them “pull out/up” from there and that is the same language used for pulling up camp repeatedly mentioned throughout. The 3-day trek **into** the Wilderness (not along the shore of the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez) was one without finding water which we know was a test for them from Yehovah to see if they could hold their tongues from criticizing and complaining (Ex 15:25). There is no information given about the trek until the 3rd day. They reached a location where water was found that day, but it was bitter (unsuitable to drink).

Please keep in mind that we are in the first month of the year here in the Sinai and the entire region is green with growth of grasses, and such as it still is today from the rains of the winter. It takes at least a month or so for it to turn dry and thus take on the look of dead grass, etc. This was the time of year when water

was available throughout the entire area. Many nomadic peoples used the area to graze their flocks of sheep and goats and still do today. The Bedouins being the chief ones to do so. They move with the green grass to different locations and regions of the Peninsula. So, don't let the word "*wilderness*" befuddle you as it has many others who conjure up visions of lifeless landscapes which are inhospitable to life. That look only persists in some areas year-round on the Sinai Peninsula. We will be looking into a "*wilderness*" that the bride will also be taken to in Revelation in the next chapter.

The Hebrew word used here and throughout this account is **#4057 midbar**. Strong's says of it; "from **#1696** *in the sense of driving: a pasture i.e. open fields, whither cattle are driven, by implication a desert.*" **Kind of contradictory until you see that "desert" does not always means sand dunes and no life present.**

The BDB says of it *1) tracts of land used for the pasturage of flocks and herds. 2) Uninhabited land. 3) Large tracts of such lands bearing various names, in certain districts of which there might be towns and cities. 4) Wilderness of dry land.*"

All the districts they were traveling through during the journey to Mt. Sinai were all conducive to grazing flocks and herds during the "*winter months*" and then for a time into the change of the year, possibly up into the 3rd month or more based on precipitation that particular year. The same exists today as well and has for millennia. Even in the greater inhabited lands to the north which is Southern Israel today the same process takes place year in and year out. There are lots of Biblical accounts of this cycle happening in the scriptures. One of notoriety, that most can bring to memory is Joseph having to travel great lengths to find his brothers who were with their flocks.

Native Israel's sojourn in the many wilderness areas during the 40 years they did so, were all directed by Yehovah. He told them when it was time to leave an area and when it was time to stop and spend time in an area. There would always need to be grazing areas for the flocks and herds. The animals certainly did not live on manna and quail. Once again do not be turned around on such things like they "*had no grasses to graze on*" during the journey.

So, here on the 3rd day into the Wilderness of Shur/Etham, water is found but it is not useable for consumption. With the crossing taking place on the 1st day of the

week, which was the 4th day of the Pilgrimage Festival of UB and the day to be designated Wavesheaf Day, it is very easy to assess that they are now in what we call Wednesday or day 4 of the weekly cycle instituted at creation. Numbers 33:8 informs us they camped here with the name being given to it after their dilemma: Marah. It does not tell us how long they stayed there but only that they “*pulled up*” from there in verse 9 and that they came to a place called Elim next, where there was found 12 springs of water and 70 palm trees. It continues to inform us that they pulled up from there and traveled once again to the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez and camped there. They camped at Marah on the 21st of Abib. That is a given. From there on it is sketchy until they get to the 15th of the second month which we will get to shortly. We believe they left Marah the next day and traveled to Elim arriving sometime during the day of the 23rd. Yehovah refreshed them on what would become known to them shortly as the Sabbath day with the 12 wells and 70 palm trees. That’s us following patterns and having fun. That Sabbath would have been the 24th of Abib. (refer to calendars in previous chapter) Now, let’s jump back to Exodus to see some of the scriptural input into this duration of time, from Marah to Elim and to the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez.

As a reminder we did cover some of this in the previous chapter. Actually, up to verse 26 of chapter 15. A brief recap follows: Yehovah instructed Moses to cast a specific “tree” into the bitter waters and they were healed and made sweet, **#4985 mathaq**; or “*waters to be desired, relished*” for they had become pleasant. This will be a pattern for which mankind will want to follow. Please do not lose sight of that. In speaking about a specific tree, it is the Hebrew word; **ets #6086** and it will be used often by Yehovah for the healing of His people as part of their restoration as depicted during the timeline of the Pilgrimage Festival of Tabernacles/Ingathering and at the end of the age in healing the Gentile Nations. Ets can refer to wood, sticks, etc. of a tree and can be used in the plural sense as well. Take a look at how many instances the Levites used “cedar” in their purification ceremonies, etc.

We have often covered the remnant of Israel being “*Ingathered*” at the start of the timeline of the Feast of Tabernacles as to their restoration to their rightful place among the nations and the physical healing they and the Promised Land will receive from Yehovah. He will cover them with their booths as part of this healing process. Of course, **the reality is tied to the physical medicinal properties of each**

of the leafy boughs of the species of trees used to construct them. Remember: the date palm, both wild and domestic olives, willows, and myrtle. From willow leaves “*aspirin*” is produced which takes away pain, from date palm estrogenic substances are produced to assist in male and female reproduction, and much, much, more as we can go down a list for each mentioned.

Nehemia 8:15 And that they should make heard and cause to pass the call in all their cities, and in Jerusalem, saying, go forth to the mountains and bring olive branches and wild olive branches, and myrtle branches, and branches of palm, and branches of thick trees, to make booths, as it is written.

Ezekiel 47 instructs us about the healing waters coming out of the Temple. However, in verse 12 we can read;

Ezekiel 47:12 And all trees (ets) for food shall go up by the torrent, on its banks on this and on that; its leaf shall not fade, and its fruit shall not fail; it will bear by its months, because its waters come out from the Sanctuary. And its fruit shall be for food, and its leaf for healing.

Revelation 22:2 In the midst of the street and of the river, from here and from there, was a tree of life producing twelve fruits; according to one month each yielding its fruit. And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the Nations.

Here at Marah, on the 7th day of the festival of Unleavened Bread, the very first one apostate Native Israel is keeping, Yehovah explains to them that He is their **Healer**, after healing the waters so they were desirable to drink and after instructing them in what He expects them to do.

*Exodus 15:26 And if you **carefully listen** to the **voice** of Yehovah your Elohim, and you do what is right in His eyes, and you **give ear** to His commands, and keep all His statutes, I will not put on you any of the diseases which I put on Egypt: for I am Yehovah your Healer.*

Before we look into His statement here as **their Healer**, please note for the record, **He is talking to Native Israel in the third person**. Do not let this slip past

you, for He will do this often in the years to come as it is more increasingly understood by the Elohim that They will have no choice but to enter phase two of the search for a suitable Bride in all her fullness. **This will confound many as to His identity** as to who He was during the First Marriage Covenant relationship and Timeline from the Beginning of creation. The slippery and silvery tongued Satan will use this to propose monstrous abominable things such as: Father and Son having the same wife, etc.

Now to being their Rapha! Their Healer! We visited this word in the previous chapter without many references, just definition. Let's refresh our memories about it. Yehovah is talking to them as a nation here, not as individuals, but that can be applied as well. **The relationship as their Healer is tagged with caveats; terms and conditions.** The Elohim are law abiding Beings. As we read above, Native Israel had the responsibility to listen carefully to every word He had to say with their ears, and watch with their eyes, so they would not misuse what He had said. **No revisions to it, no making up your own rules and regulations, just adhere to Mine!** Specifically, to His commandments and statutes and generally to every word that He would voice. Does that sound familiar to you? It should, for when Yehovah/The Word/Jesus was addressing what Isaac had to do to keep the promises of a great nation coming from him, into a Promised Land, he had to follow exactly what his father Abraham had done in that regard.

Genesis 26:5 Because Abraham listened to My voice and heeded My charge, My commandments, My statutes and My laws.

Abraham's blessing will extend to all nations at a later time in the Plan of Salvation. Actually, it is happening here to the Mixed Multitude for they too received the same physical salvation when they accompanied Native Israel through the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez and while under the cloud. He is the father of the faithful as we discussed in an earlier chapter.

Genesis 22:18 In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice.

The emphasis here is being placed on "National" healing. Not only do many scriptures and contexts speak to that but the actual word does as well. **Rapha is**

#7495 in Strong's. He tells us it is a prime root meaning properly to mend by stitching, to repair and make whole.

The BDB instructs us it often is the healing of a nation's hurts, involving *restored favor, and often forgiveness from the consequences of backsliding*.

Vines tells us: to heal may be described as *restoring to normal*. A large number of the uses of rapha express healing of a nation, such healing not only involves God's grace (favor and acceptance), but also a nation's *repentance*.

We will see this exact relationship according to these definitions take place in securing a virtuous wife, and for the restoration of the apostate physical Nation of Israel, and for all mankind as we move through the timeline of the Plan of Salvation. Some from Native Israel will be joined with SMC Gentiles to form Spiritual Israel which will be presented as a mended, repaired, stitched together Bride of Christ/Yehovah/The Word. She will be made whole in every aspect of the word **Tamyim (#8552)**.

Now let's move into some realities reflected by their coming to Elim after leaving Marah.

Exodus 15:27 And they came to Elim. And there were twelve springs of water and seventy palm trees. And they camped by the waters (mayim #4325).

Here, they rested and were refreshed no doubt. It sounds like a beautiful place for both themselves and their herds and flocks. Twelve springs of drinkable water can bring to memory many scriptures and contexts. Water is used so often to represent healing powers it would be difficult to count them all. The number 12 is very significant throughout the timeline to come after this and before it. Here each tribe or family of the sons of Jacob had their own spring to drink from. To start off the calling of the Bride under the terms and conditions of the Second Marriage Covenant there will be 12 disciples/apostles who are also trained directly by Yehovah/Jesus the Christ. They will be used to judge at each of the 12 gates of New Jerusalem. That is where judgments take place throughout scripture in everyday life.

Luke 22:29-30 And I appoint to you, as My Father appointed to Me, that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom. And you will sit on thrones judging the 12 tribes of Israel.

The number 70 is also a very significant number used in judgment. We will see 70 elders in Israel being granted the same spirit which was in Moses and they in fact will participate in the very first Marriage Supper. It is a forerunner of the reality to come on Pentecost. Jesus/Yehovah/The Word will be sending out the 70 looking for “*sons of peace*” and they will have the power to heal the sick as a witness to their origin of authority being in Father and Christ. They will also be preaching to them about what is required to be a part of the Kingdom of God/Elohim.

As we have seen throughout this study to date, patterns of symbolism are a big deal to the Elohim for they put forth an undeniable visual record of what has taken place and what will take place centered around the symbols being used, whether numbers, actions of individuals, or that of specific peoples. There is a reason why They decided to make these numbers known here on this specific day in the journey to Mt. Sinai. They are putting together a trail and record of events which are building to a major defining time in the life of Native Israel and that of the Bride.

We have witnessed physical salvation through baptism, we have witnessed healing through a part of the creation surrounding them with the outcome of desirable waters to quench their thirst, and here we witness a day of refreshing which we will see holds the numbers of judgment and authority and righteousness.

After Elim, we get information from both Exodus and Numbers about the balance of the Journey to Mt. Sinai. Each gives us a little more than the other does so it is up to us to put it together. When the Elohim want a specific date made known They will tell us clearly as They do with all but one of the annual rehearsals or Feasts/Moedim with each having a specific day or number of days, in a specific month. That will take place shortly on this journey, but let’s follow the travels for a bit from Elim until then.

The information from Numbers 33 first.

Numbers 33:10-14 And they pulled up from Elim and camped by the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez. And they pulled up from the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez and camped in the Wilderness of Sin. And they traveled into the Wilderness of Sin and camped in Dophkah (**#1850 Dophqah** from **#1849**; a knock, a certain metal). Thus, associated with mining). And they traveled from Dophkah and camped in Alush. And they traveled from Alush and camped in Rephidim; and no water was there for the people to drink.

Rephidim is **#7508 Rephiydym**, plural of the masculine of the same as **#7507** (*balusters*), a railing (*as spread along*) bottom. This is defining a geographical location that lies in front of them. There is a very specific area running from the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez northeastward that fits this description, as well as one to the immediate north of the Mountains of Horeb. Both are plains which are relatively flat just before you come to the small area of foothills of the Mountains of Horeb, the very tall Mountain Range in which the Mountain of Sinai is traditionally located. This is an old range with mountains and valleys but with only a few good access points. When standing on either plain, one can easily envision the thought of a Rephidim running at a higher elevation than the plain with mountain balusters protruding up from a bottom rail.

This account in Numbers 33 brings us up to the last-mentioned location they were camped at before they traveled into the Wilderness of Sinai to camp before the Mountain of Sinai. Exodus 16 will fill in a lot of information about what took place in this time period as to Native Israel's mindset and the workings of Yehovah with them. More testing and more commands and laws which is just preparing them for the entire package to come on Pentecost/Feast of Weeks.

Exodus 16:1 And they pulled out of Elim. And all the congregation of the sons of Israel came into the Wilderness of Sin, **which is between Elim and Sinai**, on the 15th day of the 2nd month after their going out from the land of Egypt.

So, we see here that it does not mention camping by the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez but it did in Numbers 33, so we put the two together, for the Elohim are not the authors of confusion. We also see here that after that, they entered the Wilderness of Sin which is between Elim and Sinai. Please remember they had

gone into the Wilderness of Shur/Etham for 3-days to Marah which was away from the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez. They then returned towards the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez and camped at Elim which was on the boundary of the Wilderness of Sin and then eventually finished the last day of that 3-day journey to it and camped by it. Then they pulled up and entered it and Numbers 33 gives us 3 locations they camped at. **This simply tells us the Wilderness of Sin is located between the Wilderness of Shur/Etham and the Wilderness of Sinai.** Please remember the meaning of “wilderness” which we covered earlier. Each one of the wildernesses were recognizable because of the distinct geological features of each, as well as specific activities which took place in each. Each of these districts was and still are distinct from each other geologically.

Now, a point of clarification. Have you ever asked yourself why was this area designated or called the Wilderness of Sin? If you did, it is a very good question for the actual name has nothing to do with our English word or understanding of “sin.” The word translated sin here is **#5512**. Strong’s says of it; *“ciyn pronounced seen; of uncertain derivation, sin, the name of an Egyptian town and probably the adjoining desert (wilderness).”*

It, in fact, is an Egyptian mining district which has a history of activity up through the 19th dynasty in their records. The Exodus is also located in that dynasties time frame. As another point of interest Strong’s instructs us that Sinai **#5514** is actually Ciynay and that it is of uncertain derivation and referenced as being in Arabia according to Paul. **The word Sinai or Ciynay is obviously derived from Ciyn.**

A lot of people get all worked up about its location who are under the Second Marriage Covenant terms and conditions **like it is some salvational issue**, that certainly attracts the hucksters to pitch their wares to eager itching ears. A real sign of our times. The more outlandish something presented is the more readily some folks lap it up. As to this issue, the hucksters (want your money and recognition) hustle the location of Mt Sinai being in Saudi (South) Arabia. We mentioned some of this earlier but let’s do so again. You may be asking yourself what does he mean South Arabia? Have you ever been informed that there is a North Arabia? Probably not for many of you. At the time of Paul and prior to it as history records, this is the name given for the area of all the Sinai Peninsula,

across the northern tip of the Gulf of Aquba, continuing eastward and northward up through the lands we call Jordan today and hitting its northern boundary in southern Syria. Some argue it went all the way to the Euphrates River but that is neither here nor there in establishing the point being made. Those are the facts which are easily verified historically. Paul was not talking about Sinai being located in the western wastelands of what we call Saudi (South) Arabia today. You can take it or leave it for that is all we will put forth on the subject in this study to stay focused.

What is important to us in this segment of the timeline of the Plan of Salvation and the First Marriage Covenant is the struggles of Native Israel within their relationship with Yehovah and His enduring patience and mercy. The Beings we know as Father and Son are setting the stage for the reality of the terms and conditions for the Second Marriage Covenant. This brings us to the next big point talked about in Exodus 16:1, where an actual date in an actual month is given. The 15th day of the second month and ties it to their departure from the land of Egypt which scripture instructed us earlier in the previous chapter was at night on the 15th day of the 1st month; Abib. The other months had not yet received names; thus, they are called 2nd, 3rd, etc. Please refer to the calendars in the previous chapter, specifically the 2nd month. The 15th day of the 2nd month is what we call the Sabbath, the 7th day of the weekly cycle given during creation week. It is also the 28th day of the count from crossing the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez on day-4 of the first Pilgrimage Festival of UB. That makes this day the end of the 4th perfect Sabbath count we were instructed in from Leviticus 23 which started on Wavesheaf Day, the day they received a physical salvation through baptism in the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez and under the Cloud. Let's continue in Exodus 16:2-3 now with this knowledge covered.

Exodus 16:2-3 And all the congregation of the sons of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron in the Wilderness of Sin/Ciyn. And the sons of Israel said to them, would that we had died by the hand of Yehovah in the land of Egypt (did you get that? They are looking at Yehovah to have killed them in Egypt because of their perceived worst conditions now), in sitting by the fleshpots, in our eating bread to satisfaction. (Now Moses' and Aaron's turn to get

accused as well) *For you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill all this assembly with hunger.*

Talk about revisionist history. They had been crying and howling out for deliverance from Pharaoh and the hard rigor they were placed under. For clarification, **hunger here is #7458 ra'ab** and means “*intense hunger.*” Do you think they actually were suffering in such a way under the protection of Yehovah? Not at all, they were just **lusting** as we will see later. What were they lusting for? Bread and meat! They did not have bread, for no grain was growing where they were journeying even though it was the time of barley harvesting back in Egypt. This is really amazing! **Here is Native Israel declaring to Yehovah how good they had it before He came along.** And now He wanted to starve them to death. This is just 28-days (life cycle of a woman) since they were saved from Pharaoh hell bent to slaughter them at the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez. And 25-days from Marah where He had tested them, proved Himself once again to them, and instructed them in what He expected from them to receive an existence without diseases, etc. We certainly think that covered being fed. This does not end in their relationship. In the near future Numbers 11:5-6 shows us how all this obstinate and delusional behavior festers in them and in the MM.

Numbers 11:5-6 And the Mixed Multitude that was among them (notice, not just with them) lusted with a burning lust; and the sons of Israel also turned back and wept, and said, who shall cause us to eat meat? We remember the fish that we ate in Egypt for nothing (are you kidding, they worked day and night in servitude gleaning straw and making bricks for Pharaoh); the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlic; and now our soul withers. There is nothing except this manna before our eyes.

What a miserable and ungrateful lot Yehovah is stuck with, or maybe not stuck with, time will tell. Continuing in Exodus 16:

Exodus 16:4-8 And Yehovah said to Moses, behold, I will rain bread from the heavens for you. And the people shall go out and gather the matter of a day in its day, so that I may test them, whether they will walk in MY law or not. And it will be on the 6th day they shall prepare what they bring in. And it shall be double what they gather day by

day. And Moses and Aaron said to all the sons of Israel, at evening you shall know that Yehovah has brought you from the land of Egypt; and in the morning you shall see the glory of Yehovah, in His hearing your murmurings against Yehovah. And we, what are we that you murmur against us? When Yehovah gives you flesh to eat in the evening, and bread in the morning to satisfaction; when Yehovah hears you murmuring which you are murmuring against Him you will see. And what are we? Your murmurings are not against us, but against Yehovah.

O how wrong you are about “*against us,*” Moses. He is rambling on here trying to convince Native Israel it’s not his and Aarons fault but Yehovah’s. So Yehovah says to Himself, are you kidding Moses, and takes things into His own hands, actually voice, so all could hear Him talking to Moses and Aaron in very specific terms and instructions. Backsliding Native Israel and the Mixed Multitude were at it again.

Exodus 16:9-12 And Moses spoke to Aaron, say to all the congregation of the sons of Israel, come near before Yehovah; for He has heard your murmurings. And it happened, as Aaron was speaking to all the congregation of the sons of Israel, they turned toward the wilderness, and behold! The glory of Yehovah appeared in the Cloud! (This confirms the time of day it was for the pillar of Cloud was visible during the day light and the pillar of Fire at night. So, they were on the daylight portion of the 15th day here which we have shown in the monthly calendars was the 7th day, Sabbath day) *And Yehovah spoke to Moses saying, I have heard the murmurings of the sons of Israel. Speak to them saying, **between the evenings** you shall eat flesh, and in the morning, you shall be satisfied with bread; and you shall know that I am Yehovah your Elohim.*

In case you do not know, **murmuring is #8519**. Strong’s says it is “*teluwnah*”, from **#3885** in the sense of obstinacy: a grumbling. So, with its root applied its meaning is to; stop obstinately, one can envision a spoiled little child stomping and pounding their feet and obstinately saying, no I won’t!

Here, we have Yehovah giving some very specific instructions in a way Native Israel knows it is coming from Him, but through Moses and Aaron. It will begin

after sunset on this day He is giving it here. That will be the start of the 1st day of the weekly cycle. In fact, He says “*between the evenings*” as the very specific time it is to take place. We established when exactly that time of a day was in an earlier chapter, between sunset and dark. That is when the Passover lamb was to be killed and prepared for consumption on the 14th of Abib, the Passover of Yehovah. That is also the timing of the future evening sacrifices to come on each and every day. Watch how easy that is to prove here as to when that time frame occurs.

Exodus 16:13-14 And it happened in the evening (sunset, 1st day of the week starting and 7th day ending) the quail came up and covered the camp. And in the morning a layer of dew was around the camp. And the layer of dew went up, and behold, something small was on the face of the wilderness, scale-like, small like hoar-frost on the earth.

Exodus 16:16 This is the thing Yehovah commanded. Gather from it, each one according to the mouth of his eating (for your own needs); an omer for a head (per head count), by the number of your souls you shall take for each man who is in your tent.

Exodus 16:19-21 Do not let anyone leave from it (any of it) until morning (same rule as the Passover lamb). And they did not listen to Moses. (imagine that) And some left from it until morning; and it became rotten with maggots, and stunk. And Moses was angry with them. And they gathered it in the morning, each one according to the mouth of his eating. And it melted in the heat of the sun.

Once again, can't keep any of it past the time the next day's harvest will be ready. To be sure it did not happen He gave them a very visible sign and smell to make His point clear. Yehovah also made sure they were up early to get the work done for once the sun hit it, there would not be any left to collect.

Exodus 16:22-24 And it came about on the 6th day (Friday morning) they gathered double bread, 2 omer's for each one. And all the leaders of the congregation came and reported to Moses. And he said to them, that is what Yehovah said, tomorrow is a rest (#7677

shabbaton), a Sabbath (#7676 Shabbat) to Yehovah. What you will bake, bake (manna/bread from heaven). And boil what you will boil (quail). And lay up for yourselves all that is left over, to keep it until the morning. And they laid it up until the morning, as Moses commanded. And it did not stink and no maggot was in it.

First rule for the Sabbath here is you have the preparation day to do all your baking and boiling (cooking) so no doing so on the Sabbath. How simple is that? Yehovah has been helping them in their unbelief and their constant desire/need to see signs so He made sure they had them so the rules would be very understandable. First 6-days anything manna left over and not consumed would rot and stink. If you did not get to it fast enough to collect the next day, too bad it melted. They needed to gather double omer's for each of themselves the morning of the 6th day and it would not rot or stink being kept past the morning of the Sabbath, the 7th day of the weekly cycle put in place at creation. They were also instructed that the 7th day Sabbath was to be kept in rest, in shabbaton.

Exodus 16:25-26 And Moses said, eat it today, for today is a sabbath to Yehovah. Today you will not find it in the field. You shall gather it 6-days, and on the 7th is a Sabbath (#7676); in it none shall be found.

Once again reiterating the rules to them. Verse 27 instructs us some did not obey and went out looking for it. Now we can add belligerence to the obstinance! That obviously means some of them did not do enough baking on day-6. As a result of this, they were all instructed to stay in their place. Lots of instructions are given here during the 5th week of the count to Pentecost/Feast of Weeks. Now, we have 5 perfect weeks counted since crossing the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez on the 4th day of UB and the 1st day of the week, Wavesheaf Day. This is now the 22nd day of the 2nd month and the 35th day of the count.

Back to our point on “*between the evenings.*” It is so simple to see here. Count backwards with the calendar of the 2nd month. It all started after sunset on the 1st day of the week. It does not start at 3 pm to sunset on the 7th day of the week for that would have it adding more time to the week and really messing up the rules and commands given. On the 6th day they were busy preparing what they received and collected at its start, between sunset and dark; quail, and in its early morning hours, manna. There are some who are so arrogant in their teachings

they throw this out the door for their wind of doctrines on the subject. It all had to start on the 16th day of the month (Sunday) to make it all fit in the rules given by Yehovah here. Between the evenings is completely contained in one day not spread over 2, and certainly not from sunset to sunset for there were rules for the sunrise collection, that of the bread to go with the meat. Oh well, as my gramma always used to tell me, you can lead a horse to water but you can't make it drink. The Elohim are not the authors of confusion!

Native Israel was now completely without excuse for disobeying. Remember Yehovah said this was going to be a test for them to see if they would obey His commandments and laws. It will become an identifying sign between Him and His people.

*Exodus 31:12-17 And Yehovah spoke to Moses saying, and you speak to the sons of Israel saying, you shall surely keep My Sabbaths; for it is a sign between Me and you for your generations; to know that I am Yehovah your **Sanctifier**. And you shall keep the Sabbath, for it is holy for you; **the profaners of it shall be put to death**; for everyone doing work on it, that soul shall be destroyed from the midst of his people. Work may be done 6-days, and on the 7th day is a Sabbath (#7676) of rest (**shabbaton #7677**), holy to Yehovah; everyone doing work on the Sabbath day surely shall be put to death. And the sons of Israel shall observe the Sabbath, to do the Sabbath for their generations; it is a never-ending Covenant. It is a sign forever between Me and the sons of Israel; for in 6-days Yehovah made the heavens and the earth, and on the 7th day He rested and was refreshed. And when He finished speaking with him on Mount Sinai/Ciyay, He gave to Moses the 2-tablets of testimony, tablets of stone, written by the finger of God/Elohim.*

A sign between Yehovah and His people forever. **A never-ending Covenant.** Both physical and spiritual Israel are both required to keep it under their respective Covenant agreements. **It is a TEST commandment and TEST Covenant**, which will prove to be the most difficult of them all to keep in its fullness as it is a reflection of what is in the heart. We are required to take an entire 24-hour day out of the week, the 7th day, and keep it exactly how Yehovah says, under any and all

circumstances, in spirit and in truth. It is a time of sustained communication with the Elohim. It is not a day in which we can follow any of our weekly desires in life but to follow the Father's and the Son's.

*Isaiah 58:13-14 If you turn your foot away from doing what you please, because of the Sabbath, on **MY** holy day, and call the Sabbath a delight (not a hardship in any way), **glorified in holiness of Yehovah**; and shall glorify it, away from doing your own ways, from finding your own pleasure or speaking idle words; then you shall delight yourself in Yehovah. And I will cause you to ride on the heights of the earth, and make you to eat with the inheritance of your father Jacob. For the mouth of Yehovah has spoken.*

This can't be any clearer! It is all encompassing and focused on Yehovah. There is a promise to go with it, as if we should need any incentive. However, Satan has convinced most of Judaism to make a mockery of it with list upon list of do's and don'ts. It is not for everyone during this part of the timeline of the Bride qualifying under both Marriage Covenants. **Keeping to the spirit of the commandments and laws and this Covenant will prove too much for Native Israel, and also for most called during the Second Marriage Covenant timeline as well.** We know there is a very specific number being sought to qualify to be the Bride. It is 144,000. Exodus 20 and verse 6 attests to this simple and humbling fact as it is embedded into the giving of the 10 commandments as the basis of the Marriage Vows.

*Exodus 20:6 And doing kindness to **thousands** (not millions and certainly not billions at this segment of the timeline), **to those loving Me, and to those keeping My commandments.***

Here we have two very important aspects of the marriage relationship **for they are inseparable in spirit and in truth.** This is a prophecy for the timeline of the bride, which entails the timelines depicted by UB, 7-week Count to Feast of Weeks and thus Pentecost the spiritual Jubilee of the Bride of Christ. Only 144,000 will reach this threshold, 12 x 12, 12 tribes consisting of 12,000 each. Spiritual Israel!

1 John 5:3 For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments: and His commandments are not burdensome (to us).

1 John 4:16 And we have known and have believed that love which God has in us. God is love, and the one abiding in love abides in God and God in him.

This sounds like a very simple and desirable thing to accomplish, so why so few? We will be spending time on that aspect of a virtuous wife in the next chapter for it is to those who **have excelled** even though **many have done well**. The Sabbath day has its own set of rules and laws. **They are all very simple to observe if we have the right mindset of glorifying Father and Son in Their holiness on the day They have chosen**. This command for the Sabbath day sits at the head of all the appointed times of meeting. It is every week, while the others are once a year.

Leviticus 23:3 Work is to be done 6-days, and in the 7th day shall be a Sabbath (#7676) of rest (shabbaton #7677), a holy rehearsal; you shall do no work; it is a Sabbath to Yehovah in all your dwellings.

It is not enough to keep it by the letter, it must be kept in the spirit, the mindset of a pure delight with no reservations. It is a time all our own ways common to the 6-working days are put away and out of mind. No idle thoughts or speech. It is not an easy undertaking to be consistently meeting His requirements. We are to come completely out of the world around us, society around us, to fellowship with Father and with Yehovah/The Word/Jesus. That is why the very first rule given about it is to have **a preparation day** before it so that we can put all of our needs for the Sabbath in their proper place, so they are not a burden to us on the Sabbath. Native Israel was told they were not to work gathering food for they should have already have done so for two days, the 6th and 7th; by gathering, baking, and boiling enough for both of them on the 6th day (Friday). We are able to make short trips on that day as displayed by Jesus and the apostles as they visited the synagogues to speak and fellowship. However, **there is to be no money exchanged on the Sabbath in any commerce** for that to be met. Native Israel was told they had to stay in their dwelling places. That made it simple for the time being and in fact to also do so today can be very helpful in keeping the

day holy. **We are to use the preparation day to anticipate any of our needs that will need work to accomplish them and get them done on the 6th day, Friday.**

When Yehovah reintroduced the Sabbath Day to apostate Native Israel, He did so gradually and mercifully to not cause them to stumble in it. But as we have seen, by the time the 10 commandments were given at Mount Sinai as the basis for the Marriage Covenant vows, a death penalty was incorporated into keeping it holy shortly thereafter. That's how serious it is. **It is its own Covenant as well as being one of the 10 Commandments.**

Now, let's move on into the remaining 14 days to Pentecost/Feast of Weeks to get much more understanding about Native Israel's relationship with Yehovah and thus what is expected of us. It is important to note that Numbers 33:14-15 is key to getting the location of the last 14 days straight before we get to the explanation of the events taking place in them as recorded in Exodus 17-18. By locations, we are not referring to the actual geographical location on the Peninsula, for there are two options for that, **but for what took place in which Wilderness/District.** If the Elohim had have thought it was necessary for us to have pinpoint accuracy as to where each camping event was, They would have made that very clear. What they have done is give us names of several of the camps, in their respective Wilderness/Districts. That tells us a lot about their surroundings which help us to discern what a bunch of whiners Native Israel were and what a bunch of delusional revisionists they were as to the actual facts.

Numbers 33:14-15 And they pulled up from Alush and camped in Rephidim; and no water was there for the people to drink. And they pulled up from Rephidim and camped in the Wilderness of Sinai

Simple and to the point. They camped in Rephidim for an unspecified duration of time during the remaining 14 days of the count/journey to Pentecost. Lots of "events" take place while camped here as we will see but the only one mentioned here in Numbers is the fact there was not water there for the people. That's important for we see "take two" on this test from Yehovah. This is only a few weeks after their abysmal failure at Marah when confronted with water not fit to drink. The Wilderness of Sinai or District of Sinai is the next location mentioned for their camp **after** having pulled up camp from Rephidim. That is important to

understand for that is not brought to the forefront in Exodus chapters 17-18 which confuses a lot of people.

Exodus 19:2 **confirms** this very important point about Rephidim and its location. **It was not located in the Wilderness of Sinai. Thus, all the events taking place at Rephidim are not taking place at Mount Sinai or the valley floor stretching out before it as many “teachers” proport.** Rephidim is located on a plain looking into the small area of hill country before looking into the Mountain Range which is called **Horeb** (*noun; dryness, desolate*) or the Mountains of Horeb of which Mount Sinai is just one of the peaks/summits. That entire range is also deemed the Mountains of Elohim because of the majesty of their heights in comparison to the regions around them. Take a cruise through the area with Google Earth to see the limited area of the tall peaks to see this location on the Peninsula.

Exodus 19:2 And they pulled up stakes from Rephidim and came to the Wilderness of Sinai.

Once again, we are instructed that Native Israel pulled up camp and came **into** the Wilderness of Sinai. Simple deduction: Rephidim is not in the Wilderness of Sinai and the “*district*” it encompasses as both accounts confirm.

Now to Exodus 17:1 And all the sons of Israel pulled up in/from the Wilderness of Sinai according to their (recorded) journeys (the ones we just read) by the mouth of Yehovah. And they camped in Rephidim. And there was no water for the drinking of the people.

So why does this appear to contradict the scriptures in Numbers 33 and Exodus 19 we just read? Two witnesses of scripture say it is not in the Wilderness of Sinai. So that is taken off the table. What about an area between the two wildernesses of Sin and Sinai? Remember *Ciy*n and *Ciy*nay from earlier? The two are connected somehow but are recorded as two very distinct locations geographically. What is left is simple, it is located in the Wilderness of Sin on a border/boundary with the Wilderness of Sinai. Does this mean Alush is located in the Wilderness of Sinai and for some reason they came out of it to Rephidim? Looking back at verse 1 above you can see we have **in/from** highlighted. **Most translators chose to insert “from” and then attempt to locate Rephidim in the Wilderness of Sinai.** That has led to some preposterous winds of doctrine. The word there is #4480; min.

Strong's tells us: "*properly a part of; (when used as a preposition), **from** or **out of** in many senses [don't confuse what is being said here. To be a part of, means from it or something coming out of it as in part of it, thus some of its following uses]: above [it], after [it], among [it], at [it], because [of it], through [it], etc.*" Another use of min is "*alongside it.*"

Sounds to us like they were straddling the boundary moving in and out of it. The two very clear verses support this understanding. Now to the events. Verses 2-5 show us Native Israel is once again complaining even more violently about how hard life is in spite of all the quail and manna. Moses actually fears for his life; thinks they might stone him. Yehovah gives him instructions to go to a specific "*rock*" with the elders in "Horeb." Please remember what the word Rephidim means. They are right there at the foothill area before the mountains rise up out of the ground majestically. These are the Mountains of Horeb. He tells him to smite the "*rock*" with your staff. Keep in mind this forthcoming water from the rock was for Native Israel and all the flocks and herds to drink of when they are camped at Rephidim which we are told is not located in the Wilderness of Sinai and thus not before Mount Sinai.

Exodus 17:6 Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock (#6697 boulder/edge) in Horeb (its foothills). And you shall smite the rock, and water will come out of it; and the people will drink. And Moses did so before the eyes of the elders of Israel.

Moses and the elders walked outside of the camp to a specific rock at the edge of the mountains of Horeb and there the miracle took place relative to the camp in Rephidim so the people and animals had a close source of water. Yehovah once again provided water for an unbelieving Native Israel who were doubting Him. In verse 7 we are instructed some gave this current camp location names of; Massah and Meribah.

*Exodus 17:7...because of the wrangling of the sons of Israel, and because of their testing of Yehovah, saying, **is Yehovah in our midst or not?***

Can you see this pattern with Native Israel? We hope so, for it will persist for a very long time. As a result of all of this unfaithfulness of looking back to where

they came from, look what Yehovah allows to happen. Keep in mind they are almost at Journey's end, but many are waning during the timeframe of weeks 6 and 7. A great time for Satan to pick some of them off! They are now going to get their first taste of war in which they actually have to participate and not stand and watch Yehovah fight for them.

Exodus 17:8 And Amalek came and fought against Israel in Rephidim.

Amalek did not just "fight" against Native Israel here. They made a sneak attack on them at their weakest point which is the pattern of Satan doing so from the very beginning in the garden until his very end during the timeline represented by the 8th day of the festival of the 7th month. He puts evil thoughts into the minds of his minions to always attack the most vulnerable. Let's take a look ahead in scriptures of the timeline to see Satan's last attempt to broadcast his filth into mankind. It is referring to the time after he is released from his 1,000-year prison when he could not broadcast his thoughts into mankind to influence them in evil ways.

Ezekiel 38:10-11 Thus says Adonay Yehovih: on that day it shall come to pass that thoughts will arise in your mind, and you will make an evil plan: you will say, I will go up against a land of unwalled villages; I will go up to a peaceful people, who dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars or gates.

In this instance here at Rephidim:

Deuteronomy 25:17-18 Remember what Amalek did to you by the way as you came from Egypt; how he met you on the way and attacked your back, all the feeble ones in the rear, when you were faint and weary; and he did not fear Elohim.

What is relevant here is this took place at Rephidim as they were camped awaiting the final days of their journey/count to Pentecost/Mount Sinai. Folks can get very fluid in the mouth about all of this as to it revealing the location of Rephidim based on where they think Amalek resided. We could address all that but what would be the point? **There is a spiritual lesson to be learned from this physical event and the timing of it and do not forget the methodology of Satan.**

Exodus 17:9 And Moses said to Joshua (#3091 Yehowshu'a), choose men for us, and go fight against Amalek (#6002). Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill (#1389), with the staff of God/Elohim in my hand.

Lots of important things here. **Joshua is #3091 Yehowshu'a which is from #3068 Yehovah and #3467 yasha: "to free"**. The combination of these words means simply *"Yehovah saves or frees"*.

Hill is #1389 gib'ah, which Strong's says is feminine from the same as **#1387**: a hillock, little hill.

Lots of wind of doctrine fights ensue about Amalek, as to who they are and where they actually resided. There are cases to present as to being a descendant of Esau and others, but that is not what is important here. **The big one is with their participation, the fact they were complete minions of Satan who would attack helpless people is an indictment of Satan's motus operandi.**

Here we have Yehowshu'a choosing his own forces to fight these forces of evil to ensure the safety of those who are weak and feeble and weary, who are being preyed upon. That's a big deal as we will see shortly.

We also have Moses standing on a **gib'ah**, not a mountain, but in the foothills to oversee the battle from this elevated location above the plain. That is a hill or little hill. We have repeatedly stated they were in a geographical area representing a plain, a relatively flat area. There are only two on the Peninsula which fit the description of Rephidim relative to the Mountains of Horeb. One is to the north of the mountain range of Horeb or **above it** relative in direction to the Promised Land, and the other is to the west of it, **alongside it**, and north of the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez. Take your pick. Our suggestion is just don't waste a lot of brain cells on it, just have some fun. **It is not a requirement for salvation!**

Exodus 17:10 And Joshua did as Moses had said to him, to fight against Amalek. And Moses, Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill.

What is very insightful is not the fact that Moses needed his arms held up for the battle to be won, but the account of Joshua in verse 13:

Exodus 17:13 And Joshua (Yehowshu'a) defeated Amalek and his people by the mouth of the sword.

Mouth here is not a mistranslation but a very accurate one. Strong's tells us it is **#6310 peh**. It means "mouth as a means of blowing" in its fundamental use and has been assigned to the edge of a sword. Remember this is the same word used in the construction of the name of the mountain location they camped in when Pharaoh showed up at the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez; Pihahiroth or at the Mouth of the Gorges. **Here we have Yehowshu'a defeating the forces of evil by the mouth of his sword.**

Revelation 19:14-15 And the armies in Heaven (the Bride whom He had chosen) followed Him (as they always will wherever He goes) on white horses, being dressed in fine linen white and pure (symbolic of their wedding garments of righteousness). And out of His mouth goes forth a sharp sword, that with it He might smite the nations ...

We will be spending time on such things when we get to that part of the timeline later in the study. The point we are making is this is a physical pattern here at Rephidim of what is to come. The timing of it on the Journey here is very important for they are about to enter into The Wilderness of Sinai at the end of their count to it. Many have become weary and irritable and feeble minded and start whining; **where is the promise of His coming?** Is He among us or not? Verse 7 above.

In Chapter 18 we start out with Moses' father-in-law coming to him with his 2 sons and his wife whom he sent back to him.

Exodus 18:5 And Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, and his sons and his wife came to Moses, to the wilderness where he camped, (at) the Mount of Elohim.

Mount here is #2022 "has; a short form of **#2042** a mountain, or range of hills (sometimes used figuratively); hill country, mount(ain)." It can be used of either of them. We have demonstrated where this area is located where the plain connects to the hill country of the Mountains of Horeb, which are also referred to as the Mountains of God/Elohim. As we read on, we see that Jethro saw him struggling in judging every little matter that this squabbling people could possibly come up

with from morning to evening. He takes Jethro's advice and selects men to assist in this judging of disputes, **men who feared God/Elohim**, who were **men of truth**, and who **hated unjust gain**. (Titus 1:7-9; 1 Timothy 3:2-4, 8-9) They in turn were to teach the people about the statutes and laws as well as judge matters of lesser importance.

Exodus 18:25 And Moses chose men of ability (in the 3 things mentioned above) *from all of Israel* (not ones who thought they were somebody) *and made them heads over the people; keepers of thousands, keepers of hundreds, keepers of fifties, and keepers of tens* (to judge the small matters and Moses the hard matters).

This is a big assist in getting things done decently and in order and needed a few days to set up no doubt. We then find ourselves transitioning into Chapter 19 which we have addressed some of it in earlier chapters as it pertained to the day of the weekly cycle set at creation in which they arrived and in which they had left Egypt to demonstrate the accuracy of the Abib Calendar. Let's review the first part of the chapter to get it all back in focus.

Exodus 19:1-20 In the third month of the going out of the sons of Israel from the land of Egypt, **on that day** they came to the Wilderness of Sinai. And they pulled up stakes from Rephidim and came to the Wilderness of Sinai. And they camped in that wilderness. (not in the one they had left) *And Israel camped there before the mountain. And Moses went up to Elohim. And Yehovah called to him on the mountain, saying, you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell it to the sons of Israel. You have seen what I did to Egypt; and I bore you on wings of eagles* (protected them) *and brought you to Me. **And now if you will surely listen to MY voice and keep MY Covenant, you shall become a special treasure to Me above all the nations, for all the earth is MINE. And you shall become a kingdom of priests to Me, a holy nation. These are the words which you shall speak to the sons of Israel. And Moses came and called the elders of the people. And he put all these words before them which Yehovah commanded him. **And all the people answered unitedly and said, all which Yehovah has spoken we will do. And Moses brought back the words of the*****

*people to Yehovah. And Yehovah said to Moses, behold, I come to you in a darkness of clouds, so the people may hear My speaking with you, and in you they may believe forever. And Moses told the words of the people to Yehovah. And Yehovah said to Moses. Go to the people and sanctify them **today and tomorrow**. And let them wash their clothes. **And be ready for the third day. For on the third day Yehovah will go down before the eyes of all the people** on the mountain of Sinai. And you shall set limits to the people all around saying, be careful for yourselves, not going up into the mountain and touching its border. Everyone touching the mountain shall surely be killed. Not a hand shall touch him, but surely, he shall be stoned or surely, he shall be shot through. He shall not live, whether animal or man. At the sound of the Yobel/Trumpet they shall go up into the mountain. And Moses went from the mountain to the people. And he sanctified the people and they washed their clothes. And he said to the people, be ready for the 3rd day. Do not lie with a woman. And on the 3rd day, it being morning, it happened; there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain, and the sound of a trumpet, very loud and piercing! And all the people in the camp trembled. And Moses caused the people to go up from the camp to meet Elohim. And they stood at the bottom of the mountain. And the mountain of Sinai was smoking, all of it, because Yehovah came down on it in fire. And its smoke went up like the smoke of a furnace; and the mountain quaked exceedingly. And it was the trumpet sound (not rams horn) of a trumpet sounding and becoming very strong when Moses spoke. And Elohim answered him by voice. And Yehovah came down on the Mountain of Sinai, to the top of the mountain; and Yehovah called Moses to the top of the mountain; and Moses went up.*

Please keep a visual of all that is happening on the mountain. **It is a sign of the Feast of Weeks/Pentecost.** We will be using this and much more for identification purposes later in the next chapter: thunder, lightning, earth-quaking's, smoke, fire, etc. **The stage is set to meet Yehovah and for Native Israel to follow through with their earlier vow to agree to the**

Covenant terms and conditions. Before we get to all of that and what is taking place here on the 50th day of their Journey from crossing the Red Sea/Gulf of Suez on the 4th day of UB and the first day of the week, Sunday, we need to establish the authority for this count in the first place. We will be doing all of that in the next Chapter.

For now, it is enough to absorb the patterns we have addressed in this chapter for they are going to become very important in every chapter which follows. We will be building upon the spiritual equivalent of each of them and many more. Once we are moving through each of the patterns individually you will recognize a fullness to the scriptures and the Plan of Salvation as never before.

Before we move on, it is imperative that we address a pattern starting at Marah on the last day of UB, the 7th day of ingesting unleavened bread **which is symbolic of the Bread of Life being sin free.** We brought it up then, but it can't be overstated too much. It is the fact that Yehovah/The Word/Jesus addressed Himself in the 3rd person to Native Israel when He was instructing them that **He would be their Healer.** The reason He is doing so is because it has the future possibility of a reality of it taking place under the terms and conditions of the Second Marriage Covenant. He will be talking more and more about His future self in the reality of being a flesh and blood man after divesting Himself of all His glory to become the necessary sacrifice to save His wife and His marriage. At this point in the relationship that was not a given yet just a contingency plan if required. **A failsafe as we have referred to it earlier if Native Israel failed in their calling of faithfulness to reach the Bridal threshold of 144,000.** It did not become an active contingency until Native Israel's miserable abrogation of their marriage vows shortly after accepting them at Mount Sinai. In fact, it is after that incident of looking to one of the elohim of Egypt, the golden calf, that the contingency of the Wavesheaf Offering was put in place as we will discuss in an upcoming chapter, because of the need to invite others to the wedding supper. **From that time forward you will see Yehovah/The Word/Jesus referring to Himself in the 3rd person when addressing prophecies pertinent to His personal reality of the Passover Lamb and the Wavesheaf of the Elohim.** This one simple fact of pattern, this mystery of

truth of the Elohim, has been so twisted and contorted and misunderstood that it has been the basis of more “*winds of doctrine*” than all others combined. Some are simply idiotic, some are vile, some are abominable, and some are simply arrogant. Satan has used his minions to so confuse the world as to who the Being we know as Yehovah/The Word/Jesus; was, is, and will be, that in most cases there is no way any amount of truth presented to a deceived one will turn them from their path of error. **They have received an untreatable spiritual viral infection, not just a spiritual bacterial infection which, in fact, can be treated with a good steady dose of truth.** That is where many of us were when Father called us, infected by a spiritual bacterial infection, but He saw to it we were on a steady diet of the “*milk of the word*” to help us through until we placed our faith and trust and obedience in Christ our Savior and were granted to be healed and move beyond the milk in our faithful and obedient relationship with our Savior/Husband and with our Father.

One vivid and classical example of this viral deception being incurable with doses of truth is Christ’s exchange on the subject in John 8 with the sons of Satan. He names them that for He tells them Satan is their father. That was very direct, and a major put down of them in public. No greater insult could have been leveled at them. After He tells them that, they still claim Abraham is their father not getting the depth of the reality of what Christ is speaking to them. Look what follows this in verses 53-59. It says it all.

*John 8:53-59 Are you greater than our father Abraham? And the prophets died! So, whom do you make yourself out to be? (Wrong question because here comes the answer which is complete and total blasphemy to the Jews of Judaism) Jesus answered, if I glorify Myself, My glory is nothing; (why? Because all His glory was with Father in His bosom at this point in the timeline) it is My Father who glorifies Me, WHOM YOU SAY IS YOUR GOD/EL. (Christ answers this bogus and deluded claim that the Being we know as Father was never known by them in any way, shape, or form, by inspiring the Greek word **ginosko #1097** to be used and preceded by “not/never” here, even though they claim Him to be the God/El of the First Marriage Covenant times and thus their God/El) But you have never known*

(#1097) Him; But I know (#1492 eido; past tense, have seen as in knowing eye to eye) Him, and if I said that I do not know (#1492) Him I shall be a liar just like you. But I know (#1492) Him, and I keep His word. (Here comes Jesus revealing to them who He was before emptying all His glory and leaving it with Father) *Your father Abraham leaped for joy that he should see My day, and he saw it and rejoiced. Then the Jews (of Judaism) said to Him, you do not yet have 50 years, and have you seen Abraham? Jesus said to them, truly, truly, I say to you (the Jews of Judaism), before Abraham came into being, I AM! Then they took up stones that they might throw on Him (stone Him to death for blasphemy).*

Please make sure you follow the pattern of the 3rd person speaking of the Second Adam/Yehovah/The Word/Jesus in the unfolding relationship with Native Israel in the chapters to come whether we cover many of the instances or not. He is the Lamb of the House of the Elohim, He is the Wavesheaf of the House of the Elohim in all their fullness. **He knows all too well after Sinai that the realities of Him fulfilling each of those functions will need to take place, thus He knows He will be emptying Himself of all His glory and it will reside within Father's bosom until He has completed the work He has to do in the flesh.** We have covered such things often, but this is another watershed doctrine of our time. John confirms this often in correcting the apostasy of who was who which was erroneously laced all through Judaism, and was also infiltrating the body. John 1:1-18 is an absolute classic example of that correction of the record being set straight with it concluding with this statement in verse 18.

John 1:18 No one has seen (Father) Elohim/God at any time, only the begotten Son, who (His Elohim glory) is in the bosom of the Father, that One (the Son) explains/Reveals.

Thus, the ever-increasing usage of the 3rd person when speaking about Himself to come. What we have just mentioned here, is a great mystery of hidden truth to most of humanity, and a roadblock and detour affecting many.

Onward Christian soldiers!