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Numbers Chapter 2

Welcome once again to our study into the book of Numbers chapter two. My hope is that you were with us last week for our study into Numbers chapter one because if you have been, this week's study will be and even greater blessing because much of what we've already spoken about in Numbers chapter one is going to carry over into Numbers chapter 2 and 3 as we progress through these first few chapters.

Last week we spoke about something that is paramount for today's modern-day Christian to know and to understand. And that of course is the name of God that he has written within his God breathed Scripture over 6000 times and commands us to know forever and throughout our generations. And once again the very first thing that we'll see in Numbers chapter two is that very familiar phrase that we all know and love so much... "Yehovah spoke to Moses". And for those of you who have been with us throughout our study into our Father's Torah from the beginning, this will certainly not be of any surprise because once again, we see this signature of our Father's name in almost every chapter of his Torah (which is the first five books of the bible for those of you who are not aware of that knowledge already).

We also talked last week about the listing of the 12 tribes of Israel and how the listing of the 12 tribes of Israel had changed somewhat between the book of Genesis and the book of Numbers. This is something that we will also touch on again this evening, but we won't only be discussing the books of Genesis and Numbers... but we'll also take a look at the list of the 12 tribes of Israel found in the book of Revelation. So, stay tuned for that this evening.

Last week we also spoke about why the tribe of Levi was not mentioned in this census that God commanded Moses to take of the house of Israel counting of the men 20 years of age or older that were able to go to war. And tonight, we'll get a little deeper into that as well as we examine these different listings of the 12 tribes of Israel between the books of Genesis, Numbers and Revelation.

And we also touched on the fact that what today's modern day church calls "the ten commandments" were never originally called "the ten commandments" in either the Hebrew language or the Greek language. And this is once again, something that we will examine a little farther this evening as we dive into what our Messiah called these so called "ten commandments" during his ministry in the New Testament. Did our Messiah call them "the ten commandments" as the church today does?... or did our Messiah follow suit with the Torah and call them the "Testimony" of God his Father? And so, you might want to stay tuned for that as well.

Last week we also talked about why "God" is not God's name, and we talked about the morality of the blue chord commandment found in Numbers chapter 15 along with the rest of Yehvoah God's word, and we talked about the choice between life and death as it is written in the 30th chapter of the book of Deuteronomy. We also talked about the love of God found in both the Old and the New Testaments and before we ended last week we even mentioned what the book of Ecclesiastes tells us is the whole duty of man and for those of you who don't know what the whole duty of man is according to our God breathed Scriptures... you might want to checkout Ecclesiastes chapter 12 verses 13 and 14. Because I promise you... the whole duty of man has not changed from the beginning of time to today.

And so, once again last week's study of Numbers chapter one is indeed the very foundation of this week's study of Numbers chapter two, and there is a lot of biblical and historical information in last week's study that should be understood before moving on into this week's study here this evening. If you are joining us for the very first time, we'll do our best to keep you somewhat up to speed, but we really do want to encourage you to go back and view Numbers chapter one after watching this study if you have not already done so.

With that in mind... lets begin our study into Numbers chapter two by reading Numbers chapter two so that we can know exactly what it does say and just as importantly... what it does not say. Let's begin this evening with **Numbers chapter two. E1**

Arrangement of the Camp

Num 2:1 The LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying,

Num 2:2 "The people of Israel shall camp each by his own standard, with the banners of their fathers' houses. They shall camp facing the tent of meeting on every side.

Num 2:3 Those to camp on the east side toward the sunrise shall be of the standard of the camp of Judah by their companies, the chief of the people of Judah being Nahshon the son of Amminadab,

Num 2:4 his company as listed being 74,600.

Num 2:5 Those to camp next to him shall be the tribe of Issachar, the chief of the people of Issachar being Nethanel the son of Zuar,

Num 2:6 his company as listed being 54,400.

Num 2:7 Then the tribe of Zebulun, the chief of the people of Zebulun being Eliab the son of Helon,

Num 2:8 his company as listed being 57,400.

Num 2:9 All those listed of the camp of Judah, by their companies, were 186,400. They shall set out first on the march.

Num 2:10 "On the south side shall be the standard of the camp of Reuben by their

companies, the chief of the people of Reuben being Elizur the son of Shedeur,

Num 2:11 his company as listed being 46,500.

Num 2:12 And those to camp next to him shall be the tribe of Simeon, the chief of the people of Simeon being Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai,

Num 2:13 his company as listed being 59,300.

Num 2:14 Then the tribe of Gad, the chief of the people of Gad being Eliasaph the son of Reuel,

Num 2:15 his company as listed being 45,650.

Num 2:16 All those listed of the camp of Reuben, by their companies, were 151,450. They shall set out second.

Num 2:17 "Then the tent of meeting shall set out, with the camp of the Levites in the midst of the camps; as they camp, so shall they set out, each in position, standard by standard.

Num 2:18 "On the west side shall be the standard of the camp of Ephraim by their companies, the chief of the people of Ephraim being Elishama the son of Ammihud,

Num 2:19 his company as listed being 40,500.

Num 2:20 And next to him shall be the tribe of Manasseh, the chief of the people of Manasseh being Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur,

Num 2:21 his company as listed being 32,200.

Num 2:22 Then the tribe of Benjamin, the chief of the people of Benjamin being Abidan the son of Gideoni,

Num 2:23 his company as listed being 35,400.

Num 2:24 All those listed of the camp of Ephraim, by their companies, were 108,100. They shall set out third on the march.

Num 2:25 "On the north side shall be the standard of the camp of Dan by their companies, the chief of the people of Dan being Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai,

Num 2:26 his company as listed being 62,700.

Num 2:27 And those to camp next to him shall be the tribe of Asher, the chief of the people of Asher being Pagiel the son of Ochran,

Num 2:28 his company as listed being 41,500.

Num 2:29 Then the tribe of Naphtali, the chief of the people of Naphtali being Ahira the son of Enan,

Num 2:30 his company as listed being 53,400.

Num 2:31 All those listed of the camp of Dan were 157,600. They shall set out last, standard by standard."

Num 2:32 These are the people of Israel as listed by their fathers' houses. All those listed in the camps by their companies were 603,550.

Num 2:33 But the Levites were not listed among the people of Israel, as the LORD commanded Moses.

Num 2:34 Thus did the people of Israel. According to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so they camped by their standards, and so they set out, each one in his clan, according to his fathers' house.

One of the very first things that I would like to touch on this evening is the signature of God that we once again see written in the very first sentence of Numbers chapter two. Once again, we see here that "Yehovah" spoke to Moses and Aaron saying...".

What we see here in our English translated Bibles is once again the word "LORD" written in capital letters. This once again is a monumentally huge blunder made by our English translators who have shamefully covered up the very name of God that he wrote in his Bible over 6519 times. And if you do not already know this... please... please take just a moment to go back and make note of **Exodus chapter three verse 15. (scrn 1)**

God's Name...

Exo 3:15 God (ELOHIYM) also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'The LORD (YEHOVAH) the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

- 1. "God" is not God's name.
- 2. "I Am" is not God's name.
- 3. "Yehovah" is the name he is to be remembered by forever.

HOLY IMPACT

We won't go back over all of this again because we've already shown this information last week, but it is tectonically important for us to mention at the top of each chapter because at the top of almost every chapter of the book of Numbers we will indeed find that Yehvoah spoke to Moses saying something very important that he wants us all to hear. And it is tectonically important to know and to understand the name of our God... the name of our Father... the name of our creator... who has clearly told us what his name is thousands of different times throughout his Scripture and has commanded us to remember it and I quote... "forever".

Moving forward, I would also like to touch on the fact that according to Numbers chapter two verse two... each one of the 12 tribes of Israel had a banner, or a flag if you will that represented which tribe that they belonged to. Exactly what these flags or banners looked like has all but been lost throughout history and although some rabbinical traditions teach that they know what these banners may have looked like, we truly have no positive truth as to what they

looked like because none of these banners have ever been found for us to see and to know for sure what they looked like. The only possible glimpse of what these banners may have looked like is simply conjecture and human speculation. However... it is written that each one of the tribes of Israel did indeed have a unique banner or a flag if you will that identified which tribe was which.

What is important to understand is the camping order that Yehvoah God had commanded Moses to tell the house of Israel to camp in. Each one of the 12 tribes of Israel was commanded by Yehvoah God to camp in a very specific sequence around the Tabernacle of the Testimony. And Yehvoah was very specific as to which tribe would camp where.

When we begin to hear the layout of this encampment what is important to notice right off the bat is that the tribe of "Judah" is the first tribe mentioned in verse three. It was the tribe of Judah that had always led the house of Israel whenever it marched through the wilderness, and it was always the tribe of Judah that was camped first on the east side of the Tabernacle. And we should know why this was and what this pointed to if we remember the prophecy given to us by Jacob whose very name was changed to "Israel" by Yehovah himself. Let's turn once again to refresh our memories concerning Jacob's prophecy of Judah. (scrn 2)

The Scepter of Judah!

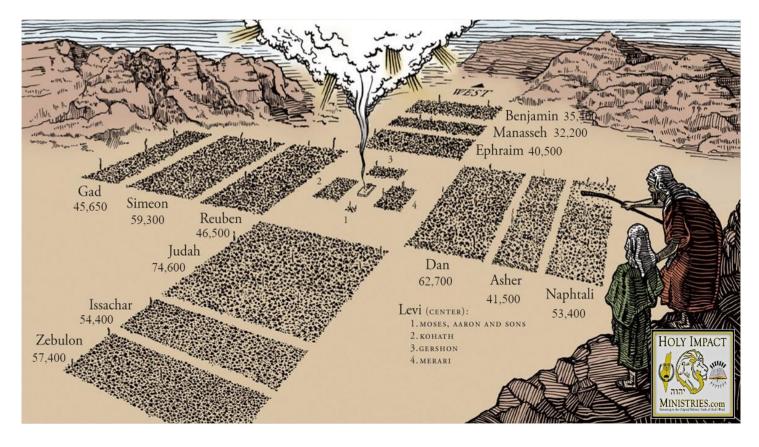
Gen 49:8 "Judah, your brothers shall praise you; your hand shall be on the neck of your enemies; your father's sons shall bow down before you. Gen 49:9 Judah is a lion's cub; from the prey, my son, you have gone up. He stooped down; he crouched as a lion and as a lioness; who dares rouse him? Gen 49:10 The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, until tribute comes to him; and to him shall be the obedience of the peoples.

Gen 49:11 Binding his foal to the vine and his donkey's colt to the choice vine, he has washed his garments in wine and his vesture in the blood of grapes.



It had already been prophesied by Jacob (also known as Israel) that the scepter would not depart from the tribe of Judah nor the ruler's staff from between his feet. It should be clear to all of us today in our time that Jacob was pointing directly at our Messiah Yeshua Jesus who would once again demand the obedience of the people. And this once again as we have said so many times before, was simply Yehvoah God's way of rolling out the red carpet for the arrival of his only begotten Son the seed of Abraham and the son of David.

Everything that we see Yehovah God doing in his Torah that is the first five books of our Bibles was done with his only begotten Son in mind. And this is something that we once again need to always keep in the forefront of our minds as we continue our study into our Father's instruction manual also known as... his Torah... his word... and his law. And in order to expound upon this red carpet that was being laid out for his only begotten Son I would like us to make note of how each one of the tribes of Israel were commanded to camp around the Tabernacle of the Testimony. (scrn 3)

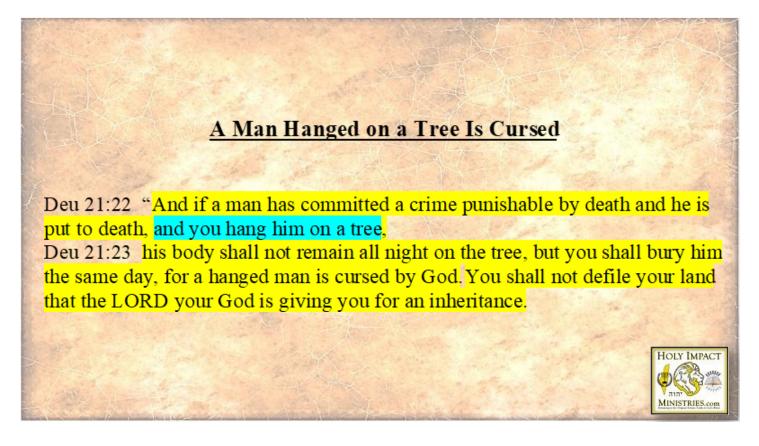


If you would have been up upon Mount Siani looking down on the encampment of the house of Israel... this is the image that you would have seen according to the number of the tribes of Israel and where they were commanded to camp.

Once again... everything that our Father in heaven ever did in the beginning of his Bible... his Torah... his word... his law... was done to roll out a red carpet and to point directly at his only begotten Son who he knew would fulfill his unfolding plan of salvation for his chosen set apart people. And you can clearly see by the numbers of each one of the tribes of Israel that this depiction of the encampment is truly accurate according to the numbers of each tribe.

The question is... did the house of Israel know these things? Were they aware of these things? Obviously, the prophets were all well aware of these things. But would the house of Israel know

what a cross was? Would they have understood what it meant for a man to be hung on a tree? Some may say no... but I would be very hesitant before jumping to conclusions without understanding the whole of Scripture. Listen closely to what is written in the book of **Deuteronomy 21:22-23 (scrn 4)**



Clearly the house of Israel had seen this, or some facsimile of this idea of a man begin hung on a tree in their time and been aware of it. But... even if they did not understand this concept of a cross, they would have understood what their Messiah was going to suffer to some degree by the time the prophet Isaiah had arrived on the scene. **Isaiah chapter 53; E2**

Isa 53:1 Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

Isa 53:2 For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him.

Isa 53:3 He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Isa 53:4 Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

Isa 53:5 But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

Isa 53:6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own

way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Isa 53:7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth.

Isa 53:8 By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people?

Isa 53:9 And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Isa 53:10 Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

Isa 53:11 Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

Isa 53:12 Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

The prophet Isaiah tells us very clearly that it was Yehovah's will to crush Yeshua and to put him to grief when his soul made and offering for guilt, and that Yeshua would see his offspring, and Yehovah would prolong his days, and the will of Yehovah would prosper in his hand. And just like Jacob had prophesied... the scepter did not depart from Judah nor the ruler's staff from between his feet to this very day.

You see our Messiah was numbered with the transgressors. He who knew no sin... became sin, and he bore the transgressions of many as he made intercession for the transgressors (also known as the sinners).

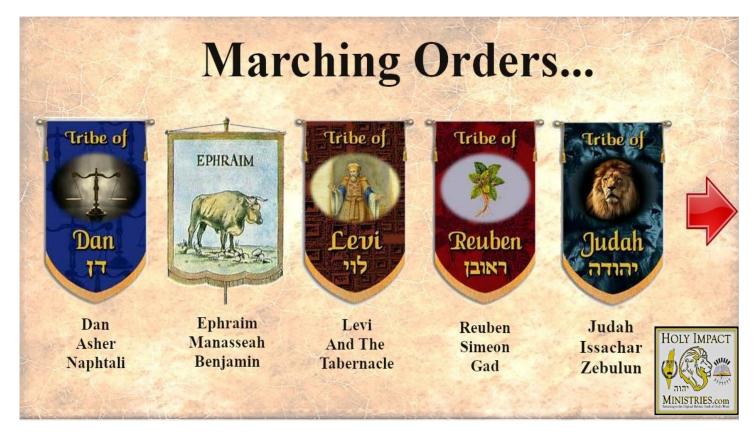
Even the very layout of the encampment of the house of Israel pointed directly to the unfolding plan of salvation that was already at work in the world because of what our Father in heaven was doing and showing his chosen set apart people. And even more than that... he has shown to us in our time. We who are living in these last days are able to now look back upon these things and see the magnificent clues that our Father in heaven has dropped throughout history like breadcrumbs for this generation to look back on and see.

The reason that the tribe of Judah was positioned towards the east is also significant to understand. From the very beginning of creation one of the very first things that Yehvoah God created was light. And that light came from the east. And that light that we see with our human eyes also represents a spiritual light... a knowledge if you will... an enlightenment that only those who have the eyes to see and the ears to hear will be granted.

Our Messiah was that symbology of that spiritual light, and this is why he was resurrected at

sunrise. He represents the light that his Father's word is. And this is why when the Tabernacle was set up, the gate of the Tabernacle was always commanded to be on the east end. The light comes from the east.

But this is not all that our Father in heaven has done to once again give us confidence in knowing that Yeshua Hamashiach is indeed the only begotten Son of God. The marching orders of the house of Israel are also a witness to the fact that the scepter shall never depart from Judah nor the ruler's staff from between his feet. (scrn 5)



According to the marching orders of the house of Israel, when the cloud lifted from the Tabernacle of the Testimony the house of Israel knew that it was time to pack up and begin to move throughout the wilderness following the cloud of Yehovah by day and the cloud of fire by night. We can find this concept in Exodus chapter 40 verse 36... but we can also find this in the book of **Numbers 9:15-23 E3**

The Cloud Covering the Tabernacle

Num 9:15 On the day that the tabernacle was set up, the cloud covered the tabernacle, the tent of the testimony. And at evening it was over the tabernacle like the appearance of fire until morning.

Num 9:16 So it was always: the cloud covered it by day and the appearance of fire by night.

Num 9:17 And whenever the cloud lifted from over the tent, after that the people of Israel set out, and in the place where the cloud settled down, there the people of Israel

camped.

Num 9:18 At the command of the LORD the people of Israel set out, and at the command of the LORD they camped. As long as the cloud rested over the tabernacle, they remained in camp.

Num 9:19 Even when the cloud continued over the tabernacle many days, the people of Israel kept the charge of the LORD and did not set out.

Num 9:20 Sometimes the cloud was a few days over the tabernacle, and according to the command of the LORD they remained in camp; then according to the command of the LORD they remained in camp; then according to the command of the LORD they set out.

Num 9:21 And sometimes the cloud remained from evening until morning. And when the cloud lifted in the morning, they set out, or if it continued for a day and a night, when the cloud lifted they set out.

Num 9:22 Whether it was two days, or a month, or a longer time, that the cloud continued over the tabernacle, abiding there, the people of Israel remained in camp and did not set out, but when it lifted they set out.

Num 9:23 At the command of the LORD they camped, and at the command of the LORD they set out. They kept the charge of the LORD, at the command of the LORD by Moses.

(scrn 5)



The marching orders of the tribes of Israel were also important to understand because it was the tribe of Judah that once again led the house of Israel, and it was the tribe of Dan that wound up being the tail. According to the book of Numbers chapter two, the tribe of Judah and its eastern tribes would begin the march along with the tribes of Issachar and Zebulun. Then the tribe of

Ruben would lead the tribes of Simeon and Gad. And then the tribe of Levi would follow carrying the tabernacle and all of it's furnishings which we'll see in Numbers chapter 3. Then the tribe of Ephraim would lead the tribes of Manasseh and Benjamin. And then would follow the tribe of Dan who would then lead the tribes of Asher and Nephtali. And these were the marching orders of the house of Israel according to all that Yehvoah had commanded Moses.

And before we move forward, I want us to all notice that if we take a close look at these marching orders, we will once again see that there are more than just 12 tribes of Israel listed here in Numbers chapter two. We actually have 13 tribes of Israel that are included in these marching orders. Why 13?

Because just as Yehvoah had commanded Moses... the tribe of Levi was not to be counted. According to Numbers chapters one and two... the Levites were not listed among the people of Israel because Yehvoah God had commanded Moses not to count them. Why? Because the tribe of Levi was once again not to be counted among the men of Israel that were counted as able for war. The tribe of the Levites were chosen by Yehvoah to be used exclusively for the upkeep, maintenance, and protection of the Tabernacle of the Testimony of Yehovah. And the tribe of Levi was chosen exclusively by Yehovah God for this special task alone.

The actual listing of the 12 tribes of Israel does indeed change between the book of Genesis, the book of Numbers, and the book of Revelation. (scrn 6)

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| Genesis 29-30 | Numbers 1 | Revelation 7 |
| Reuben | Reuben | Reuben |
| Simeon | Simeon | Simeon |
| Levi | | Levi |
| Judah | Judah | Judah |
| Dan | Dan | |
| Naphtali | Naphtali | Naphtali |
| Gad | Gad | Gad |
| Asher | Asher | Asher |
| Isaachar | Isaachar | Isaachar |
| Zebulun | Zebulun | Zebulun |
| Joseph | | Joseph |
| | Ephraim | |
| | Manesseh | Manasseh |
| Benjamin | Benjamin | Benjamin |

In the beginning of the Bible (also known as the Torah) we find the original listing of the 12

tribes of Israel as appointed by Yehvoah God himself. In the book of Numbers, we see only the tribes that were able and ready for war are listed. And in the book of Revelation, we see only the descendants of the 12 tribes of Israel who are chosen to preach the testimony of Yehvoah and his kingdom to the world at the end of the age.

There are indeed reasons... for this changing of the listing of the 12 tribes of Israel if we will look closely. Genesis chapter 49 gives us the original 12 patriarchs (or tribes) of Israel. And once again... in the book of Numbers only the men who were able to fight in war along with their tribes are listed. Therefore... here in the book of Numbers, Levi is excluded, and Joseph is also excluded, because Joseph's two sons Ephriam and Manasseh were inserted to represent Joseph. But when we get to the book of Revelation... the tribes of Dan and Ephraim are both removed and the tribe of Levi and Joseph are put back into place.

So why are the tribes of "Dan" and "Ephriam" removed from the listing of the 12 tribes of Israel at the end of the age in the book of Revelation?

Some biblical scholars will tell us that both the tribes of Dan and Ephraim were removed from the listing of the 12 tribes of Israel because of their idolatry. And they will point to these two tribes as being done away with by God because of their wicked idolatry. In order to get a better perspective on why they think this way we need to take a look at some documented history. (Go To Website Scroll down to "Claims of descent from Dan" and "Book of Revelation" sections)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tribe_of_Dan

Claims of descent from Dan

Simon Magus, also known as Simon the Sorcerer and Simon the Magician, came from the village of Gitta (also spelled Getta) in Samaria, according to Justin Martyr;[12] a site settled by the tribe of Dan according to Josephus.[13][14] Justin, who was himself a 2nd-century native of Samaria, wrote that nearly all the Samaritans in his time were adherents of Simon. Surviving orthodox texts, such as those of Irenaeus, Justin Martyr, Hippolytus, and Epiphanius, regarded Simon as the source of all heresies, including Gnosticism.

Ethiopian Jews, also known as Beta Israel, claim descent from the Tribe of Dan, whose members migrated south along with members of the tribes of Gad, Asher, and Naphtali, into the Kingdom of Kush, now Ethiopia and Sudan,[15] during the destruction of the First Temple. This position is supported by former Sephardic Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef.[16] They are said to have fought with the natives.[17] Charles Upton relates the serpent vodou (voodoo) God Danbhala as derived in part from a heterodox form of Ethiopian Judaism.[18] Some 19th century writers such as Edward Hine claimed that the Tribe of Dan settled in Ireland.[19]

Book of Revelation

Revelation 7:4–8 mentions that people from the twelve tribes of Israel will be sealed. The

selection of the twelve tribes does not include the names of Ephraim and Dan, although their names were used for the twelve tribes that settled in the Promised Land. It has been suggested that this could be because of their pagan practices.[24] This led Irenaeus,[25] Hippolytus of Rome and some Millennialists to propose that the Antichrist will come from the tribe of Dan.[26][27]

And so, this is why many biblical scholars today will try and tell us that the tribes of both Ephriam and Dan were excluded in the book of Revelation. They will surmise that both of these tribes have been done away with. But... I would contend once again, that this is not what the Bible says, and this was not in any way what the prophet Isaiah tells us in his writings. Let's take the time to read what Isaiah has to say about the tribe of Ephraim in **Isaiah 11:1-16 E4**

The Righteous Reign of the Branch

Isa 11:1 There shall come forth <mark>a shoot from the stump of Jesse</mark>, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.

Isa 11:2 And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him<mark>, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.</mark>

Isa 11:3 And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear,

Isa 11:4 but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Isa 11:5 Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

Isa 11:6 The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them.

Isa 11:7 The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

Isa 11:8 The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den.

Isa 11:9 They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

Isa 11:10 In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

Isa 11:11 In that day the Lord will extend his hand yet a second time to recover the remnant that remains of his people, from Assyria, from Egypt, from Pathros, from Cush, from Elam, from Shinar, from Hamath, and from the coastlands of the sea.

Isa 11:12 He will raise a signal for the nations and will assemble the banished of Israel, and gather the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

Isa 11:13 The jealousy of Ephraim shall depart, and those who harass Judah shall be cut off; Ephraim shall not be jealous of Judah, and Judah shall not harass Ephraim.

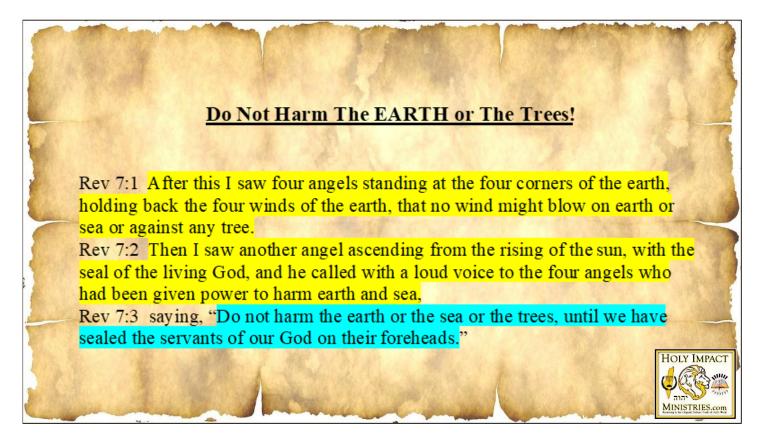
Isa 11:14 But they shall swoop down on the shoulder of the Philistines in the west, and together they shall plunder the people of the east. They shall put out their hand against Edom and Moab, and the Ammonites shall obey them.

Isa 11:15 And the LORD will utterly destroy the tongue of the Sea of Egypt, and will wave his hand over the River with his scorching breath, and strike it into seven channels, and he will lead people across in sandals.

Isa 11:16 And there will be a highway from Assyria for the remnant that remains of his people, as there was for Israel when they came up from the land of Egypt.

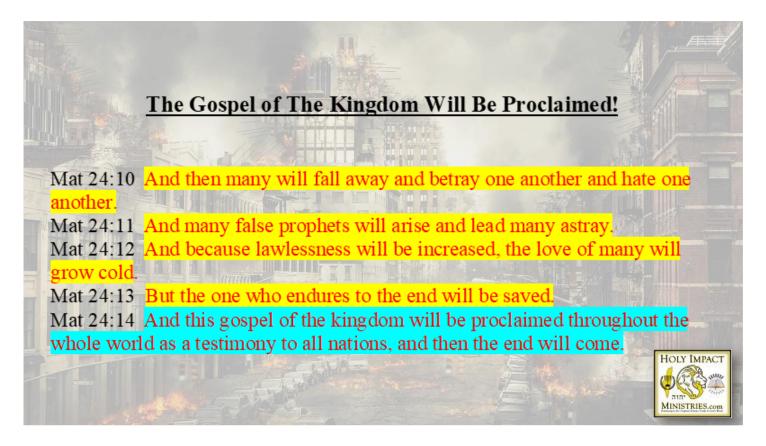
Notice that here in Isaiah chapter 11 verse 13, that it is written that Ephriam shall not be jealous of Judah and that Judah will not harass Ephraim at the end of the age. And therefore... the tribe of Ephraim is still indeed included in the end time tribes of Israel according to Isaiah. And so... we must ask ourselves... if Isaiah is correct in his inclusion of the tribe of Ephraim in the last days... why then are the tribes of Dan and Ephriam not seen in the listing of the 12 tribes found in Revelation chapter 7?

We must remember that these tribes listed in the book of Revelation were the tribes that were sealed upon the earth at the end of the age. In other words,... these tribes still had descendants living upon the earth at that point in time. Listen closely to **Revelation 7:1-3 (scrn 7)**



And so, it should be clear to us that these twelve tribes listed here in Revelation had descendants still alive on the earth at the end of the age. And what were these descendants of these 12 tribes of Israel marked for? They were marked so that no harm would come to them during the end of the age. Why? Why would they be protected during the end of the age? Think

for just a moment what our Messiah told us was going to be the last thing that would happen before the end would come? Matthew 24:10-14 (scrn 8)



The very last thing that our Messiah tells us will happen before the end comes is that this gospel... this "yoo-ang-ghel-ee-on" (euaggelion) in the Greek... this "good message" of the coming kingdom would be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony... as a "martoo-ree-on" (marturion) in the Greek... which leads us right back to the Testimony of Yehvoah God that we have already talked about during our last week's Study in the first chapter of the book of Numbers! This gospel of Yeshua Jesus... will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a what?... as a testimony... just like the "testimony" of his Father was proclaimed throughout all of God's chosen set apart people who were at that time... the house of Israel.

During our first study of the book of Numbers chapter one we discussed how the Levite's were to protect and serve the "Tabernacle of the Testimony". And we spoke in some detail about how the "Testimony" of Yehvoah God was a Testimony to all of his spoken word. And we spoke about why it was that today's modern day denominational "Church" has gone off the rails by replacing this Testimony with thier "the ten commandments" that do away with all other commandments of God.

Once again, the Greek word here in the New Testament in Matthew chapter 24 verse 14 is "Testimony". In the King James Version of our translated Bibles, it uses the English word "witness". But the original Greek word here is "mar-to-ree-on" (marturion) and it means the same thing as the Hebrew word "ay-dooth" (eduth) which is "testimony".

What today's church calls the "ten commandments" also known as the "Decalogue" ... was never called the "ten commandments" anywhere in the original Hebrew or Greek languages. It was always referred to as the "testimony" of God because it was this "testimony" that testified to all of Yehvoah God's word and not just half of it. You simply cannot keep what the Church today calls the "ten commandments" without keeping the whole of the law. The problem is once again that today's denominational "Churches" have no idea how to keep the law of God spiritually. They still think that you either have to keep the letter of the law or you can't keep it at all. And this my friends goes against everything that our Messiah and his Apostles ever taught! For example... (scrn 9)



Everything that these first five offerings accomplished in the Old Testament can still be accomplished by today's modern-day Christian today by simply following the instructions that our Father in heaven and his only begotten Son have laid out before us. Every one of these first five offerings were designed to bring us back to our Father in heaven and out of the worldly sin that we were born into. Every one of these first five offerings were designed and put in place in order to accomplish something. What was that "something" that these offerings were put in place to accomplish?

The very reason that these different offerings were put into place was for Yehvoah God's chosen set apart people to re-establish a relationship with him as their Father. These offerings were designed to cause us to bring gifts to our Father in heaven and to seek after peace, and to ask him for forgiveness, and to rid ourselves of the guilt that comes from transgressing his word!

Every single one of these offerings can still to this very day be fulfilled by us if we truly love him and walk in his ways and keep his commandments, his rules, his feast days and celebrations, and his Sabbaths. This is how we build a relationship with him today in our time... this is how we show our love for him. This is how we let him know that it is his word and his wisdom that we seek after, and not man's word and man's wisdom.

By not only saying that we believe in his only begotten Son... but doing what is expected of us in order to show our love for him in return... all of these offerings that were set up in order to establish a relationship with him are being fulfilled by our High Priest in the order of Melchizedek who is Yeshua Hamashiach. Just as James tells us in the book of James chapter two if our faith does not have works it is dead. Our faith just as James tells us is completed by our works. You see it's not about throwing the law of God in the trash my friends... it's about understanding the spiritual aspects and implications of the law of God that sets us apart from the world.

But today's modern day denominational empires of dirt teach nothing of these offerings. They teach nothing of the spiritual fulfillment of these offerings that the testimony of Yehovah God testifies of or points directly to! How blind... how misguided... how deaf... how dark has the so called "Church" today become?

In both the Old and the New Testaments... we read that it is the "testimony" of God that will be preached throughout the whole world that must take place before our Messiah can return. And who is it that this testimony of the Kingdom will be brought forth from? Are we not told that it will be the 144,000 that will be marked on earth so that no harm can come to them during this time? Are we not told that the truth would be preached to the whole world by them? Those who have been marked... those who come from the original tribes of Israel? And is it not written that it was the house of Israel that was to originally become a light to the nations according to the will of Yehvoah God? (scrn 10)

You (Israel) Will Be A Light To The Nations!

Isa 42:6 "I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations,

Isa 42:7 to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.



(scrn 11)

You (Israel) Will Be A Light To The Nations!

Isa 49:5 And now the LORD says, he who formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him; and that Israel might be gathered to him—for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—

Isa 49:6 he says: "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."



You (Israel) Will Be A Light To The Nations!

Isa 52:10 The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.
Isa 52:11 Depart, depart, go out from there; touch no unclean thing; go out from the midst of her; purify yourselves, you who bear the vessels of the LORD.
Isa 52:12 For you shall not go out in haste, and you shall not go in flight, for the LORD will go before you, and the God of Israel will be your rear guard.



(scrn 13)

You (Israel) Will Be A Light To The Nations!

Isa 60:1 Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
Isa 60:2 For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you.
Isa 60:3 And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.



Make no mistake about it my friends... it will be the 12 tribes of Israel who will proclaim this message and be this light to the whole world at the end of the age, and when they have completed this mission... just our Messiah tells us... then... and only then... will the end finally come.

Just like Jonnah ran from Yehovah God and the mission that was given to him and wound up in the belly of the great fish... so too have the 12 tribes of Israel ran from Yehovah God and the mission that was given to them and wound up in that same dark place next to death. But just as Yehovah God had intended from the very beginning... the 12 tribes of Israel... just like Jonnah... will indeed complete the mission that God has given them. And I tell you the truth my friends... that day is now closer than when we first believed.

And with that, we will close the second chapter of the book of Numbers and begin our journey into Numbers chapter three next Thursday evening at 7pm Eastern standard time as we take a close look at the sons of Aaron and the duties of the Levites, and the redemption of the first born.

And until that time... I will do as I always do and ask that everyone within the sound of my voice would please take what you have heard here this evening to your own prayer closet. Bow your head and bend your knee and face the holy promised land of Jerusalem and ask in the name of Yeshua Hamashiach if what you have heard here this evening be true or not.

Ask, seek, and knock on his door and on his door alone, and the proper door will be opened to you. And if you will do that... and if you will stay the course to the end... you and I will surely walk through the gates of his soon coming kingdom together.