

# VAYEILECH - AND HE WENT

Deuteronomy 31:1-30 Hosea 14:2-10 Micah 7:18-20 Joel 2:15-27 Philippians 1:1-2:30 Hebrews 13:5-8

#### Joshua To Succeed Moses

At one hundred and twenty years old, God/*Elohim* directed Moses to confer his spiritual authority and leadership to Joshua publicly. It was Joshua, son of Nun of the tribe of Ephraim who would lead the twelve tribes of Israel into the land of their Covenant and inheritance.

Joshua is a prophetic picture of Yeshua, as his name in Hebrew is *Yeshua* and means *He will save*, *God/Elohim is Salvation, to be saved, be delivered, give victory, help; be safe; take vengeance, preserve, rescue, defend the cause, and savior* (Strong's H3091).

Moses exhorts Joshua to.

"Be strong and courageous, for you must go with this people into the land that the LORD/Yahweh swore to their forefathers to give them, and you must divide it among them as their inheritance. The LORD/Yahweh himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged" (Deuteronomy 31:7-8).

Moses led the Israelites in a redeemed lifestyle by teaching the pursuit of holiness, a prophetic picture of the Messiah in the Levitical priesthood (*Southern Kingdom / House of Judah*). Joshua, representing the prophetic picture of Elijah, an Ephraimite from the House of Israel (*Northern Kingdom/House of Joseph*), will then take the holy redeemed people into the Promised Land. Together Moses and Joshua (*Elijah*) uphold the holiness, redemption, and restoration for the right of return of all Israel (both Houses) into the land of Israel *for the restoration of the House of David* (1 Chronicles 7:27; Matthew 21:9).

Amos 9:11-15 "On that day I will raise up *The tabernacle of David*, which has fallen down, and <u>repair</u> its damages; I will raise up its ruins, and <u>rebuild</u> it as in the days of old; that they may possess the remnant of Edom, and all the Gentiles

[Nations] who are called by My name," Says the LORD/Yahweh who does this thing. "Behold, the days are coming," says the LORD/Yahweh, "When the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him who sows seed; the mountains shall drip with sweet wine, and all the hills shall flow with it. I will bring back the captives of My people Israel; they shall build the waste cities and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and drink wine from them; they shall also make gardens and eat fruit from them. I will plant them in their land, and no longer shall they be pulled up from the land I have given them," says the LORD/Yahweh your God/Elohim."

Matthew 17:1-4 "Now after six days Jesus/Yeshua took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves; and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light. And behold, <u>Moses</u> and <u>Elijah</u> appeared to them, talking with Him. Then Peter answered and said to Jesus/Yeshua, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, let us make here three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.'"

The Gospel: The Song of Moses - The Wedding Invitation

**Deuteronomy 31:9-13** "So Moses wrote this law [the Gospel] and delivered it to the priests, the sons of Levi, [the Levitical Kohaths] who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD/Yahweh, and to all the elders of Israel. And Moses commanded them, saying, 'At the end of every seven years, at the appointed time in the year of release, at the Feast of Tabernacles/Sukkot, when all Israel comes to appear before the LORD/Yahweh your God/Elohim in the place which He chooses, you shall read this law [Torah – the Gospel -the five books of Moses called the Song of Moses] before all Israel in their hearing. Gather the people together, men and women and little ones, and the stranger who is within your gates, that they may hear and that they may learn to fear the LORD/Yahweh your God/Elohim and carefully observe all the words of this law [Marriage Covenant - the Song of Moses], and that their children, who have not known it, may hear and learn to fear the LORD/Yahweh your God/Elohim as long as you live in the land which you cross the Jordan to possess."

The Kohath Levitical priests were given the care and responsibility to pass the word of Life on to God's/*Elohim* people. Today, through Yeshua's death and resurrection, His firstborn priesthood is restored. In Genesis, we see Adam, the first priest, given this responsibility.

Genesis 1:26-28 "Then God/*Elohim* said, 'Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.' So God/*Elohim* created man in His *own* image; in the image of God/*Elohim* He created him; male and female He created them. Then God/*Elohim* blessed them, and God/*Elohim* said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over

the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

God's/Elohim plan for mankind was to be fruitful and increase. In the Garden, there were two trees. The first tree was called the Tree of Life, Torah – the Word of Life. It bore fruit with life-giving seed that multiplied and reproduced a faithful witness of heaven upon the earth. The second tree, the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, also bore fruit, but its fruit had no ability on its own to multiply. If man ate from this tree, they would not increase the truth of heaven upon the earth, as there was no heavenly witness in that seed. Eating from the second tree caused a lie upon the earth that has been with mankind to this day. When man ate the non-producing tree, it produced death, as there was no life in it. This message has been from the beginning of time and has not changed.

### The Song Of Moses: The Day Of The LORD

God/*Elohim* (*Yeshua*, the Word made flesh) walked in the Garden in the *cool of the day*. The word *cool* is Strong's H7307 *ruach*. *Ruach* is a Hebrew word meaning *wind*, *breath*, *mind*, *spirit*, which gives the impression that while Adam and Eve were in the Garden walking in Torah (*before* they ate from the tree of the law of sin and death), they were in *the Day of the Lord* with Yeshua (Genesis 3:8; John 1:1,14).

Once Adam and Eve disobeyed and ate the fruit from the *Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, the tree that could not multiply*, they found themselves instantly uncovered and outside God's/*Elohim* provision and protection. This sterile tree was always in the garden with the potential to influence man if given the opportunity. Now Adam and Eve exposed this barrenness giving it a legal license in their lives.

When Adam and Eve ate from the tree that opposed *heaven's* witness on the earth, they were no longer in *one accord* with the *heavenly* witnesses (The Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit/*Ruach*) in their *earthly* bodies and their carnal nature had no attributes or abilities to create or sustain life. Therefore, they could no longer stand in God's/*Elohim's* Presence/Truth.

Adam and Eve, ashamed of their nakedness, tried to hide this fact by secretly making their own clothes. However, their coverings were not suitable, as man's efforts are always a poor substitute for God's/*Elohim* provision until they heard Him *walking* in the Garden in the *cool* of the day.

"Who told you were *naked*? Have you eaten from the tree [of the knowledge of good and evil]?" (Genesis 3:11)

Adam and Eve still had salvation, as they had a personal relationship with God/*Elohim*. However, they experienced a change in their *status* when they disobeyed. They moved from a life producing heavenly kingdom (the holy, redeemed, and clean realm) to a barren common realm (an unclean, unholy, and unredeemed realm). Adam and Eve were no longer pure-minded but open to sin such as bitterness, accusations, judgments, selfpity, envy, shame, jealousy, and fear etc. all ruled by the temptations of Satan.

- **Revelation 3:17-22** "Because you [believer] say, 'I am rich, have become wealthy, and have need of nothing' - and do not know that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked [for not being obedient in the Gospel] - I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined in the fire [Wisdom learned from His Word to purify and redeem your heart], that you may be rich; and white garments [produced by actively walking in *His right ways. These are the priestly attire and the wedding garments*], that you may be clothed [as a priest to serve Yeshua in His Heavenly Tabernacle here on earth], that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed [circumcise your heart to cover your nakedness with His righteousness]; and anoint your eyes with eye salve, that you may see [to re-clothe you with the Gospel - Mosaic Covenant - to restore your sight]. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Therefore be zealous and repent. 'Behold, I stand at the door and knock [the door -the Sabbath/Mosaic Covenant- which shows you the way back to righteousness - the Tree of Life]. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me. To him who overcomes [the unrighteous nature] I will grant to sit with Me [The King] on My throne [in My Kingdom - Davidic Covenant - eternal life], as I also overcame [your sin at the stake/cross] and sat down with My Father on His throne. He who has an ear, let him what the Spirit says to the churches/assembly/ekklesia."
- **2 Peter 3:10-14** "But the DAY OF THE LORD [*Yeshua/the Messianic* Age] will come as a thief in the night [unexpectedly if you have not prepared in the lifestyle of the Gospel of Righteousness], in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up [that which is opposed to Yeshua's holy lifestyle]. Therefore, since all these things [sinful nature] will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God/Elohim [Yeshua's redemption working in you – the restoration of the Gospel – the Mosaic Covenant], because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? [When believers return to walk in Yeshua's restoration, leaving pagan idolatry behind, God/Elohim Mosaic Covenant will set sinful natures aside for destruction. This is the day of *liberty, release and deliverance for His Bride from captivity*]. Nevertheless we [believers], according to His promise [Covenant], look for new heavens and a new earth [the walk of righteousness restoring the believer back into order with His Word, in which righteousness dwells [called the restoration of David's Tabernacle/Covenant]. Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, [reference to the Sabbath rest] without spot [reference to priestly wedding garments of Yeshua's restored priesthood and

blameless; [having returned to the Gospel which overcomes Satan's influence and puts to death the law of sin and death]."

2 Peter 3:15-16 "And consider that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation [deliverance from the sinful nature into His heavenly righteous Kingdom] - as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you, as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand [needing spiritual maturity and the walking out of the principle over personal preference], which untaught and unstable people twist to their own destruction, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures."

# The Thief In The Night

**1 Thessalonians 5:1-2** "But concerning the [end] times and the seasons, brethren, you [believers] have no need that I should write to you. For you yourselves know perfectly that the DAY OF THE LORD/Yahweh so comes as a thief in the night."

There is a traditional Ancient Jewish story of a priest during Temple times that had charge of keeping the menorah flames burning throughout the night. The High Priest would do take nightly walks through the Temple and if he found the priest sleeping on night watch, he would set the tzitzit at the end of his tallit on fire. This exposed the failure (nakedness) in not covering his priestly duties, thus the name - thief in the night.

# The Thief In The Night: David

Another example of *the thief in the night* is seen in 1Samuel 24:4. Here David, who was appointed by *heaven* to reign as a king and a priest, secretly cut Saul's tzitzit from the garment he was wearing at the time. Heaven no longer authorized Saul's kingship. The tzitzit is a symbol of a heavenly witness on the earth. It also represented God's/*Elohim* name and His Covenant. To cut off a tzitzit was a sign that showed his earthly reign was barren and about to end. Thus Saul was rendered *naked* without his authoritative heavenly *covering* on earth (1Samuel 24:4).

# The Thief In The Night: Ruth

We also witness the *thief in the night* in the story of Ruth when she came to Boaz unexpectedly in the night (Boaz represents Yeshua our Kinsman Redeemer). When Ruth returned with her mother in law Naomi, she came from a barren place outside of God's/*Elohim* heavenly provision to a place of His heavenly redemption and multiplication. As Ruth applied God's/*Elohim* heavenly principles in her life she moved from the realm of death to the realm of life.

Ruth found Boaz resting on the threshing floor, a location used for separating the chaff from the grain (the earthly nature from the heavenly nature). That winnowing process

separated the pure seed, the *Tree of Life* (Yeshua, the word of God/*Elohim*), from the tares, the *Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil*. The threshing occurred during the season of the *later barley harvest called the Day of the Lord* - which encompassed the Day of Blowing/*Yom Teruah*, the Day of Atonement/*Yom Kippur*, the Feast of Tabernacles/*Sukkot*, and the Eighth Day called *Shemini Atzeret*.

Ruth 2:23,3:1-3 "So she stayed close by the young women of Boaz, to glean until the end of barley harvest and wheat harvest; and she dwelt with her mother-in-law. Then Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, 'My daughter, shall I not seek security for you, that it may be well with you? Now Boaz, whose young women you were with, is he not our relative? In fact, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Therefore wash yourself and anoint yourself, put on your best garment and go down to the threshing floor."

Boaz woke when Ruth lifted his garment (tallit/tzitzit) and said who is there? Meaning what is your <u>identity</u>? Ruth answered with confidence saying,

"Spread the corner [holding the tzitzit – upholding the Covenant] of your garment over me, since you are a kinsman-redeemer."

Ruth, represents the transformed, ingathered, and redeemed. She was saying,

"I have left my country and forsaken my old unrighteous earthly ways to walk in heavenly Covenant (the Gospel) with the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and to keep His holy ways; His Sabbath, His Feast days and New Moon festivals. Therefore, we are one in heart and purpose in His Kingdom, and as my kinsman redeemer I ask you to reciprocate. Spread your talet/your garment (representing God's/Elohim Torah principles, the Covenants, sanctification, redemption, holiness, and righteousness – the priestly garments) over me since I am made in His same image and I walk as you walk."

Boaz, being on the threshing floor, walked in the truth of heaven on earth and saw that Ruth actively engaged the Gospel (*the Mosaic Covenant /the Song of Moses*), as witnessed by her obedience to it. No longer was Ruth an outsider and no longer was she considered 'naked' (without God) in the eyes of all Israel. She was *one* in intimacy with the Living Word. She was truly redeemed and sanctified.

Once Ruth declared herself to Boaz, they both entered into His rest; a prophetic picture of the Messiah's return - the Millennial Kingdom. The *Sabbath Rest* represents *the Feast of Shemini Atzeret – The Eighth Day* (Deuteronomy 32:9; Psalm 47:4; Hebrews 8:8-10; Jeremiah 31:31-33).

Revelation 16:15 "Behold, I [Yeshua] come like a thief
[unexpectedly]! Blessed is he who stays awake [doers of His word – the
Gospel] and keeps his clothes [white linen priestly garments which is
the witness of identity in Yeshua] with him, so that he may not go naked

[be found outside in the earthly nature eating the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil] and be shamefully exposed." (NIV)

Revelation 19:7-9 "Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear." [Fine linen stands for the witness of the righteous acts of the saints who have prepared their wedding garments by walking and obeying their Wedding Covenant]. Then the angel said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!" And he added, "These are the true words [Gospel] of God/Elohim."

### The Song Of Moses: The Wedding Feast

After appointing Joshua as his successor, Moses wrote out the entire Torah - *The Song of Moses* – *the invitation of the Bride* and gave it into the care of the *Kohathite* priests, the sons of Levi. Moses then commanded the priests,

Deuteronomy 31:10-13 "And Moses commanded them, saying: 'At the end of every seven years, at the appointed time in the year of release [called the ShmitalSabbath year], at the Feast of Tabernacles/Sukkot [the future Wedding Reception], when all Israel comes to appear before the LORD/Yahweh your God/Elohim in the place which He chooses, you shall read this law [of Life - the Song of Moses – The Bride's Ketubah - Wedding Covenant] before all Israel in their hearing [to reminded them to be faithful to Me]. Gather the people together, men and women and little ones, and the stranger who is within your gates, that they may hear and that they may learn to fear the LORD/Yahweh your God/Elohim and carefully observe all the words of this law [of Life/Torah, the Gospel – in order to have Godly offspring], and that their children, who have not known it [the law of righteousness], may hear and learn [we need to teach the Law of Life to each generation in order] to fear the LORD/Yahweh your God/Elohim as long as you live in the land which you cross the Jordan to possess."

We are all sojourners learning to rejoice in the Torah, *The Tree* that gives the true word of life from heaven, because that which was lost and kept hidden for so long is now being revealed on earth, fulfilled in the resurrected body of Yeshua, the Messiah. That is what the prophets longed to see in our day. That is the message of the Cross.

#### Final Words To Moses

God/*Elohim* then called Moses and Joshua to the entrance to the Tent of Meeting and spoke to them from the cloud saying,

"You [Moses] are going to rest with your fathers, and these people will soon prostitute themselves to the foreign gods of the land they are entering. They will forsake me and break the covenant I made with them" (Deuteronomy 31:16).

God/*Elohim* also revealed the future destruction and desolation of the people and the land of Israel, as Israel would choose to turn from Him and serve other gods.

Even upon hearing what lay ahead for the Children of Israel, Moses, on his last day, continued to respond in love and service. He followed God's/*Elohim* instructions to pass the Gospel of life to His people that if they ever fell away, they would always know how to return. Once the people received the instructions, they were now given the charge to respond and uphold all the Words of Life and pass them on to their next generations that they too might live long in the land (Galatians 3:24).

# The Song Of Moses: The Witness

Revelation 15:2-4 "And I saw something like a sea of glass mingled with fire, and those who have the victory over the beast, over his image and over his mark and over the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having harps of God/Elohim. They sing the song of Moses, the servant of God/Elohim, and the song of the Lamb, saying: 'Great and marvelous are Your works, Lord God/Elohim Almighty! Just and true are Your ways, O King of the saints! Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name? For You alone are holy. For all nations shall come and-worship before You, For Your judgments have been manifested."

The Song of Moses and the Song of the Lamb are one in the same song. This song is also called, The Five Books of Moses, The Mosaic Covenant, The Gospel, The Sabbath, The Sign of Heaven, The Law of Life, The Law of Righteousness, The Ketubah: The Wedding Invitation to the Bride, The Day of the Lord, The Teaching and Instruction Yahweh gave Moses at Mount Sinai, The Testimony, The Marriage Covenant, The Royal Law, The Law Of Liberty, The Ten Commandments, The Principles, The Kingdom Of God/Heaven.

**Deuteronomy 31:19-22** "Now therefore, write down this song [of Moses] for yourselves, and teach it to the children of Israel; put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness [a testimony / evidence / sign] for Me against [to] the children of Israel. When I have brought them to the land flowing with milk and honey, of which I swore to their fathers, and they have eaten and filled themselves and grown fat, then they will turn to other gods and serve them; and they will provoke Me and break My covenant. Then it shall be, when many evils and troubles have come upon them, that this song will testify [be an answer for them to respond to] against [paniym Strong's H6440 face/My Presence] as a witness [testimony/evidence]; for it [My Covenant] will not be forgotten in the mouths of their descendants, for I know the inclination of their behavior today, even before I have brought them to the land of which I swore to give them. Therefore Moses wrote this song the same day, and taught it to the children of Israel" (Deuteronomy 29:14-20).

As the Song of Moses (the Gospel - the five books of Moses) serves as a witness in a believer's walk, it can also testify *against* them *if* they should break their Covenant Marriage vows (Deuteronomy 28).

Yeshua said,

John 5:45-47, "But do not think I will accuse you before the Father. Your accuser is Moses, on whom your hopes are set. If you believed Moses, you would believe me [Yeshua], for he wrote about me. But since you do not believe what he [Moses] wrote, how are you going to believe what I say?" (Revelation 15:2-4)

# The Song Of Moses Is The Song Of The Lamb -Yeshua's Renewed Covenant

The early Church father's rejected the heavenly kingdom by distancing themselves from the main contents of the Gospel and its Hebraic influence. God's/*Elohim* Sabbath, Feast Days, and principles given at Mount Sinai, were not endorsed or celebrated once Hellenization was established. From that time forward, the Church did not teach or sing the Song of Moses. Consequently, it lay hidden for generations. Yeshua's death and resurrection also became disassociated from the Gospel of Moses and relabeled as "the Gospel of faith." However, without the Song of Moses God's/Elohim Children can not fully enter into His Presence.

In the Book of Revelation, we see the future through the revelation Yeshua gave to John. There the Song of Moses is sung by God's/*Elohim* remnant, those who are *victorious* over the influence of sin and death.

Scripture declares that those who uphold Yeshua's Gospel, knowing the difference between clean and unclean, holy and unholy, and who actively enter His Priestly Feast Days by keeping His true weekly Sabbath on the seventh day and celebrate His New Moon/*Rosh Chodesh* Festival each month, will lead victorious prosperous lives. Those who learn to walk in His right ways are actively true prophets and priests in Yeshua and known as the Bride of the Lamb. They are the ones who will sing the Song of Moses and the Song of the Lamb – *the Gospel* (Ezekiel 44:23-25; Revelation 15:2-4).

A remnant will always sing the Song of Moses. That is the only song Yeshua, the true Lamb, sings. During the time of Moses, Israel sang the *Song of Moses/the Song of the Lamb* prophetically not only for their generation but also for those not yet born. His wedding song is prophetic for our generation, especially believers in these end times Messianic Age (1Peter 2:8-10).

Yeshua said in John 5:46.

"For he [Moses] wrote about Me [Yeshua]."

**Revelation 15:5** "After this [the singing of the song of Moses] I looked and in heaven the temple, that is, the tabernacle of the Testimony, was opened."

The Mosaic Covenant [Song of Moses/the Song of the Lamb] is the only gateway or door that brings believers into the presence of God/Elohim.

# Moses' Final Earthly Act

When Moses finished teaching the people the Song of Moses, he transcribed all of the Words from beginning to end. When the Torah was complete God/*Elohim* then said,

**Deuteronomy 31:26** "Take this Book of the Law [the Torah − the Marriage Covenant], and put it beside the ark of the covenant of the LORD/Yahweh your God/Elohim, that it may be there as a witness against you" (a sign so you will never forget Strong's H5707) (1Kings 8:9).

*Yeshua Ha Mashiach* is our living witness. He is the same yesterday, today, and forever (Hebrews 13:8).

Isaiah 55:1-5 "Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost. Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and your soul will delight in the richest of fare. Give ear and come to me; hear me, that your soul may live. I will make an everlasting covenant with you, my faithful love promised to David. See, I have made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander of the peoples. Surely you will summon nations you know not, and nations that do not know you will hasten to you, because of the LORD/Yahweh your God/Elohim, the Holy One of Israel, for he has endowed you with splendor."

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