

Yitro 2/11/23

Exodus 18:1–20:26.

- I. We want to shovel aside most of the traditional opinions regarding this man Jethro and work to extract the hidden truths of who he was, his relationship with Moshe, the timing of this Parsha in relation to the Exodus, where Moshe and Israel were when Yitro appears (He has with him Zipporah and the 2 sons of Moshe) and much more! Just as interesting, is why we have this event situated between the amazing events of the previous Parsha and the looming Encounter with YHVH at Mt. Sinai! Buckle up! In addition, there are multiple factors to consider that will help us understand why this Parsha is titled ‘Yitro’.

Jethro, H#3503, יתרו, Yitro, rendered ‘his abundance’; from Yeter indicating a remainder, excess, abundance, a small rope or cord that hangs free, residue, a bow or harp string. To preserve alive, have more than enough. A Remnant left behind. Who, then is this Jethro? What REMNANT was he possibly representing? Did you notice the buzzwords?

The Priest of Midian – The Man.

Most assume Jethro to have been a pagan priest, but, was he? Ex. 2:16 is the first instance that he’s designated as ‘The Priest of Midian’. Curiously, he is initially identified as “Reuel”, H#7467, רעואל, defined as ‘Friend of El’. Please note the root stem Resh - Ayin that gives us shepherd, ruler or teacher. Many will cite the Alef – Lamed root EL as depicting anyone considered a deity. However, there are other clues that we will uncover as we look closer. Again, note the buzzwords.

- Priest, H#3548, כהן, defined as ‘priest’, from the ancient root meaning to mediate in religious services. The ancient definition adds “*to stand up in anyone’s matter and labor in his cause.*” The law of 1<sup>st</sup> reference gives us context regarding the origin of the use of this title and seems to infer that others who follow the Pioneer of the title would also be called such. I found it interesting that the first time this word is seen is in Gen. 14 introducing Melchizedek! Only Melchizedek, Joseph and Midian are named as Shemite Cohen at the timing of our Parsha, while Pharaoh and Potipherah each had cultic counterfeits.
- Midian, H#4080, מדין, the traditional rendering gives us ‘strife’, yet the root stem Dalet – Nun indicates judging, judgment. The first time we see the

name is in **Gen. 25:2** where Abraham's 2<sup>nd</sup> wife (After Sarah's death) Keturah gives him 6 sons, one of which was this Midian. Her name is usually defined as 'Incense'. The smoke of which would rise in sacrificial rituals. We must take care to remind ourselves that the Hebrews understood the Prophetic Nature of naming their offspring. Her name would not have been an accident, neither her son's names! Additionally, there is no doubt that Midian would have been taught the Torah, circumcision, the Holy Convocations, etc. by Abraham. Moreover, we need to identify the land occupied by Midian as it is central to our Parsha.

#### Location of the Land of Midian:

There is without doubt, a preponderance of evidence, biblically, and extra-biblically being revealed currently that puts the land of Midian today in Northwest Saudi Arabia! Presently, there exists in the vicinity, an Arabic town called Al-Bad, which in ancient texts is also called Midian: Situated there in Al-Bad, is a system of ancient cave dwellings. Incidentally, the local name for Al-Bad is, "The Caves of Jethro"! (*Also called Magha'ir Shu'ayb, Magha'ir means cave, while Shu'ayb is the Koranic name given Jethro*) 2<sup>nd</sup> witness: Why is this important? Because this town is only 12-miles from Horeb and Sinai, ideal grazing distance for the flock of Jethro.

Such is not going to mean anything to those who adhere to the current proposed Catholic location of Mt. Sinai in the southern tip of the Sinai peninsula. This as with many other 'Biblical sites' is a farce and can easily be refuted! Now, as we continue, if Midian settled in this land within the shadows of the Mountain of YHVH – Horeb/Sinai – then we can naturally expect that Jethro must have had some insight regarding the location, and it also helps understand why Moshe fled to this area and spent 40-years learning the topography of the very place where YHVH would later meet with him!

#### Midian and Melchizedek:

- II. If Abraham had been contemporary with Melchizedek (**Gen. 14**) as was his son Isaac, grandson Jacob, and later great-grandson Joseph, then it is no stretch to consider that Midian would also have known the Great Priest. In fact, note the parallels, The Melchizedek Priest comes to meet Abraham, The Priest of Midian comes to meet Moshe, Abraham's servant is Eliezer, Moshe's son is Eliezer. Melchizedek praises YHVH for delivering Abraham from his enemies, Jethro praises YHVH for delivering Moshe and Israel from Pharaoh! Both bring an

offering to YHVH and eat with their respective hosts. Finally, like Melchizedek, Jethro has no lineage mentioned. For ease of reference, pay attention to **Ex. 18: 7**.

*And Moshe went out to meet his father in law, and did obeisance, and kissed him; and they asked each other of their welfare; **and they came into the tent.***

Look also at: **Ex. 33:7** *And Moshe took the tabernacle, and pitched it without the camp, afar off from the camp, and called it the Tabernacle of the congregation. And it came to pass, that every one, which sought YHVH, went out unto the tabernacle of the congregation, which was without the camp.*

Many scholars, including those providing the text of the Targums, believed since Moshe is found judging the People when Jethro advises him, that he was sitting outside this tent, and it was this same tent that Moshe took Jethro inside of in **Ex. 18:7**. If so, this violates **Numbers 18:21-22** where no one is allowed inside the holy place who is not a PRIEST of YHVH! Moreover, Ancient Near Eastern custom only has one to do obeisance or bow to another if that one is superior to him!

Based on our evidence, is it possible that Jethro could have also been a Priest representing the REMNANT of the Melchizedek order and could Moshe have specifically went there to Midian in order to be set into his role as Melchizedek Priest over Israel? Please consider: Going to the land of Midian was not an idle decision born out of chaos for Moshe! He made a deliberate choice! Likewise, Moshe would never have married a pagan priest's daughter! Lastly, the Proposed Catholic site of Mt. Sinai is still today part of Egypt, thus, if Moshe was fleeing Egypt, he would not have stayed in Egyptian territory would he?

- A. Though some may immediately dismiss this, it is an established fact that as late as the reign of Hezekiah there existed two separate and distinct Temples in the Jerusalem area: One of the Melchizedek Order, the other located in Solomon's Temple. In fact, archaeological proof exists that King David actually went to the former one to worship on occasion prior to the building of Solomon's structure! Moreover, it is a fact that Israel was intended to be a Kingdom of Priests (**Ex. 19:6**). What 'Priestly' system would they have officiated under? The Levitical system was only later set in motion *after the Golden Calf incident*. It is also a fact that Moshe functioned as the Priest of Israel until Aaron is set in. Yet, afterwards he continues to serve as mediator between YHVH and Israel, a role consistent with that of High Priest. What system ordained him? Were there 2-different priestly sects? In support of our opinion, please consider the following...

There is in the Mishnah of Yoma a discussion where a 2<sup>nd</sup> Kohen Gadol (High Priest) is always prepared. The original retains his role and is bound by all special laws pertaining to the Kohen Gadol. I contend that Moshe functioned in a higher capacity as Priest of the Melchizedek order while Aaron became the Levitical representative. Furthermore, the Levitical Kohen Gadol could only function after a 7-day season of consecration. Thus, in order to be consistent, if Moshe did indeed operate as High Priest, when and where did his consecration occur? I am convinced during his time spent with Jethro that they were obedient to keep the Holy Convocations – Moedim that would have been passed down from Shem, the Melchizedek, to Abraham and ALL HIS CHILDREN therefore, these Convocations provide for two separate 7-day periods that would suffice for consecration of the Priesthood: Pesach (Passover & Unleavened Bread) and Sukkot (Tabernacles) during which all those who honor these Moedim would become part of that ETERNAL PRIESTHOOD Fulfilling **Ex. 19:6** – A Kingdom of Priests!

While here, take heed of the value of Moedim – 120: This number is significant to our Parsha in that Moshe lives to be 120-years old and his eye was neither dim nor his natural force abated. Moreover, **Gen. 6:3** tells us that man's days are numbered at 120. There were also 120 disciples of Yahshua gathered in the Upper Room at Pesach after His execution.

The original text of **Gen. 6:3** supplies context as the statement regarding man's days being numbered is inserted in the middle of discussing the intermingling of the daughters of Men with the Fallen Ones. It is my opinion the 120 years related to the coming of the flood, where the destruction of these Nephylim took place. If so, then 120 is significant in the future calendar of YHVH.

Consider: These Moedim were originally placed on a 30-day, 12-month, cyclical calendar of 360-days. **Matt. 24:22** tells us: The days are going to be shortened to the effect that the current 365-day year will be condensed to 360, thus dividing the calendar into 3 cycles of 120-days! When this happens, it could be timed with a 2<sup>nd</sup> great destruction of these Rebellious Fallen Ones! Leaving a Remnant Seedline in the ARK! The Ark is a type of Goshen! In every case of judgment those faithful are found within this sanctuary typified by Noah's ark. Effectually giving us a Remnant of Kingdom Priests! Following that pattern, in order to efficiently extricate us from Babylon – Egypt, there of necessity, must also be a Goshen available giving sanctuary to this Kingdom of Priests! It seems that the land of MIDIAN – THE LOCATION OF HOREB AND SINAI SERVED THAT PURPOSE for Moshe, Jethro and Midian.

Let me add one other note to the importance of Horeb and Sinai as the location of Gan Eden. Remember **Gen. 3:24** where at the gate of Eden Cherubims and a flaming sword are stationed? Cherubim is written H#3742, **כְּרוּבִים** while Sword is H#2719, **חֶרֶב**, cherev. Though written with Kaf and Chet respectively, the etymological root is the same as HOREB, H#2722 **הָרֵב**, the twin MOUNTAIN OF FIRE ALONG WITH SINAI! Could there have been a Flaming Mountain rather than a flaming sword at the gate to Eden? How often do you suppose a BURNING BUSH ON SINAI – HOREB could have been seen as resembling a flaming sword?

Since we're also speaking about A REMNANT – I.E. Pure Bloods, if the doorposts of the houses of Israel represented the thigh/loins of the Man, much like Horeb and Sinai, could the application of BLOOD – LIGHT – FIRE upon the doorposts signify the entrance to the Gate of Eden now being opened?

As we continue, it is my opinion that the REMNANT Pure Bloods – i.e. – those whose bloodlines are NOT tainted with corrupt seed – or those who have NOT been VACCA – Nated are already being shown where their respective Goshen is. I believe it lies hidden in the mechanism currently being revealed that will expose the deeply rooted tentacles of Babylon, while providing simultaneously, our Freedom. That Mechanism will be your Goshen! Your Ark allowing you to travel through the SEA of Commerce! Once that is established then the Remnant will begin to physically gather together ON THE LAND in an established Goshen area!

Give attention: The word *vaccinate* comes from Vacca – Cows and Nat – born, birth. The original vaccination involved the injection of cow puss, to counteract the Cowpox. Vaccinate then can mean Born of the Cow! Ironically, the Hebrew word for cow is Parah, as in Parah Adumah, the Red Heifer! The ordinance of the Red Heifer was enacted as an atonement for the Golden Calf, which itself set in motion the birthing of the Levitical Priestly System – the SECT Born of the Cow! If Yahshua fulfilled the Red Heifer Ordinance above, then the feverish movement to certify a new Red Heifer for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Temple service is openly exposing the return to a Golden Calf System, else it would not be needed! I do not intend to attribute my 'Rebirth' to this Genetically Modified Heifer system!

Finally, it is my opinion that those who celebrate the Moedim - 120 – are indeed acknowledging the Melchizedek Order that sanctifies them twice yearly and are the Pure-Blood Remnant of Israel! 120 is also the value of H#4539, **מָסַךְ**, Masak, something mixed, mingled, to cover, screen or hide. Incidentally, this is the root

word seen in Molten – H#4541, Masekah, as in Molten Calf – H#5659, Egel! Can you see the English word MASK there as well?

If so, let's continue the excavation of the events setting the stage of our Parsha...By the way there currently is a medical clerical system called International Classification of Diseases, where specific codes are established for diseases, injuries and other health disorders. There exists a code: Z28.310 that identifies every individual who has **NOT** been vaccinated. This subsection applies to persons with potential health hazards related to communicable diseases! You are labeled as a threat! What kind of care will you receive at a medical facility when that is discovered? Moving on...

Why was Midian at Horeb and Sinai?

III. We have previously taught that upon the division of the lands in the days of Peleg (See Gen. 3:5, 25) *according to their tongue, families, in their nations*, that the Shemites would have been given charge of the HEBREW (Ivri – from Eber/abar – a Crossing over – a fording or protected place) TONGUE – and the Land associated with that crossing – protected place – EDEN!

- Eden, H#5731, עֵדֶן, usually rendered as: delight. Look at the letter Ayin, indicating an eye or well, the source of waters - while the Dalet-Nun gives us judgment or 'to plead – litigate'. To subjugate. The Well of judgment or litigation?
- Midian, H#4080, מִדְיָן, this word is usually given as: Strife, to contend, yet has this same Dalet-Nun root! Not to mention the prefixed 'Mem' – a WELL or WOMB – chaotic waters! Can you see their connection?

Perhaps this is mere coincidence, yet, considering the Mts. Of Horeb and Sinai – i.e. The Mountains of YHVH, I doubt a coincidence! My reasons? I contend that the root-stem of Horeb – sword, to cut, 'circumcise' and Sinai – the Learned One represent the original place of circumcision – Eden! Now we can see why the Sages teach that Circumcision is the doorway to Eden for Israel! However, I strongly disagree with the Sages who contend that Adam was born circumcised, when in fact, YHVH formed his physical body and he was created to speak his sons into existence rather than through a physical sexual relationship! The Hebrew word for formed is H#3335, יָצַר, yatsar whose value is 300, the same as עָרַל, 'arel, meaning 'uncircumcised'!



Therefore, if after the fall he is revealed as naked and in need of a covering for his loins and I believe he knows that He was supposed to represent the Circumcised One – i.e. the one who would be CUT OFF for His People, yet he failed! Thus, YHVH introduces HIMSELF AS THE VOICE – YAHSHUA THE MESSIAH and I believe He probably circumcised Adam just like Abraham, allowing Adam to take on a Prophetic role of the Circumcised Flesh of Messiah rehearsed in the form of a temporary skin covering until the Perfect One Who Would Come born of the flesh! It is also possible that the Manifest One – Yahshua in the Garden also circumcised Himself – **Rev. 13:8** (*Lamb was slain before...*) in order to initiate redemption through the Melchizedek order! This would be consistent with the Rabbi's teaching that the blood of their circumcision was mingled with the blood of the lamb on the doorposts at Pesach!

I heard a collective 'gasp' here, yet do you recall that Joseph was a type of Messiah Yahshua? If so, then perhaps you'll also remember that the Sages teach that he revealed his own circumcision to his brothers as proof of his identity!

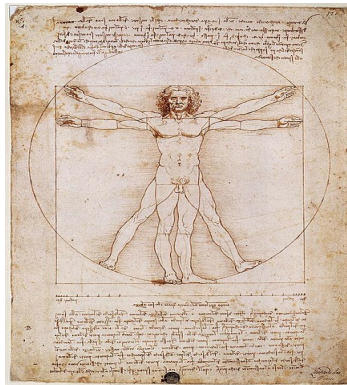
That being said, Horeb and Sinai are the Mountains of Circumcision. The Place where the Covenant of Life is initiated! Upon leaving Egypt, Israel has to meet YHVH at this exact location once more! Thus, circumcision, though an act in the flesh, was intended to reflect a circumcised Heart in expectation of the coming of Messiah, who would die for Adam! Midian/Yitro and later Moshe, would be well aware of the importance of this Edenic location! I believe Circumcision was a rite practiced by the Melchizedek Order that acknowledges YHVH/YAHSHUA AS MESSIAH who would come in the flesh!

There exists other evidence giving reason for Midian settling this area that has been chronicled throughout the ages. The narrative giving credence is from none other than **Gen. 2 & 3** regarding the Garden of Eden, it's Oasis-type environment, and the expulsion of Adam and Chavah who were relegated to a Nomadic existence outside Eden. Now, enter once more the Midianites: They are themselves desert NOMADS who hold dear the importance of an oasis and are forever compelled to wander in search of the same! This is what Scholars considered the Kenite-Midianite Hypothesis! This same scholarly work suggests that Moshe was first introduced to YHVH while in Midian! Our last teaching dealt exclusively with the identity of YHVH in relation to that of YAHSHUA, who we believe are one and the same! If so, introducing YHVH – Yahshua in the flesh - who was "AFTER THE ORDER OF MELCHIZEDEK" would have initiated Moshe into that same King/Priestly Order!

What is more, we've also taught extensively that Shem would (As a result of being the caretaker of the Creation language and Eden) have most likely been recognized as the Priest of YHVH, i.e. the Melchizedek mentioned in **Gen. 14**. In fact, I submit that this location is in the vicinity of the battle of the Kings of **Gen. 14: 5-6** where Abraham later meets Melchizedek and would explain why he (Melchizedek) was caretaking the land! (A.K.A the Valley of Kings)

This is consistent with our opinion that the Land given Israel was formed in the shape of a Man laying upon the earth, encompassing everything in a 360-degree arc much like DaVinci's Vitruvian man.

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It is my opinion DaVinci's drawing replicated **Gen. 2** and the forming of the Adam. Therefore, following that pattern, the two columns of Horeb and Sinai would likely have represented the waist – thigh area of that Man! The same area where blood is applied upon the lintels of the House, which also represented the LOINS or procreative area where the SEED resided.

Moshe, Zipporah and Yitro:

- IV. What we're about to examine is the character one of the most convoluted individuals in Torah along with the intricate details of her life with Moshe: Zipporah.
- Zipporah, H#6855, **צפורה**, most often translated as 'Bird'. It comes from a primitive root tsaphar, meaning to go in a circle, to revolve or turn oneself about, to leap, dance, chirp or twitter. To leave early. The Tzade-Pey-Resh root hints at a sharp, piercing shrieking sound, or sharp point. From this root



we get Tsephardea – Frog. **צפרדע**, is seen only 1-other time in **Ezek. 7:10** where it is translated as a circuit – as in ‘*what goes around comes around*’ in this case it hints at a gloomy turn of affairs. Not coincidentally, knowing what is coming in the text, her name carries the idea of a piercing, circular movement, much like circumcision, yet to leave it off early, or incomplete! Thus, leading to a disastrous turn of affairs.

It is not argued that she is the daughter of Yitro. However, some believe that she is the only wife of Moshe and is in fact the Ethiopian or Cushite wife that Miriam makes derogatory comments about. However, Yitro is described as a Midianite and the two terms ‘Midianite and Ethiopian’ are never used together, but always separately describing distinct Nations! Moreover, the text makes it clear that she is put away – divorced by Moshe and after the initial encounter at the well, she is never shown in a favorable light. Why? Let’s peer a bit deeper into the conventional views of her from an earlier text.

#### YHVH Threatens Moshe:

- V. We’re about to examine the most enigmatic text in all of Torah. Please bear in mind that Scholars for centuries have debated this issue and we only want to present a ‘Non-Traditional’ viewpoint! Afterwards, we’ll use what we discover to explain why Yitro is returning Zipporah to Moshe in our Parsha! Much of what I present I cannot prove conclusively, but the evidence is overwhelming!

If we read **Ex. 4: 18 – 31** we find Moshe leaving Midian on his journey to Egypt with Zipporah and his 2 sons. It seems from the text and the ancient commentaries that YHVH is upset with Moshe for not circumcising his sons, the eldest in particular since he is the firstborn – Gershom, H#1647, **גרשם**, translated as foreigner or stranger, exile. I firmly believe that Moshe would not have overlooked this ritual, neither would Yitro. So, what’s the deal? I submit that it wasn’t whether he was circumcised, but how it was done! This research has made me rethink how I previously taught this topic and prayerfully you’ll consider it as well!

To begin with, we have evidence from several Biblical and extra-biblical, historical texts that circumcision was indeed prevalent in Egypt long before Moshe’s day! In fact, from at least 2400 BCE circumcision in Egypt was a rite belonging specifically to the priesthood and royalty! Thus, Moshe himself would have been circumcised if not by his Hebrew parents, surely by Pharaoh’s house! What really happened?

The text of **Ex. 2: 2** indicates that the baby Moshe was 3-months old upon being discovered by Pharaoh's daughter. By all accounts, he should have received a Hebrew circumcision. But, did he? Bear in mind the timing, Pharaoh has just issued a death sentence to all Hebrew children. (**Ex. 1:22**). **Ex. 2: 6** tells us upon finding him, that Pharaoh's daughter identified him as Hebrew. This could have been by his clothing or his circumcision, or his hairstyle as Hebrews and Egyptians were more than likely the same skin tone. I submit, though I can't prove it, that in order to preserve Moshe's life and because of having released him in proximity to Pharaoh's house, that as an act of self preservation, and desperation, his parents would have circumcised him as an Egyptian!

### Was Moshe Circumcised and if so, How?

Based on empirical data, it seems likely that Moshe was circumcised in the manner of an Egyptian else he would have never been taken into the House of Pharaoh. She could hide his clothes, his hairstyle, but NOT his circumcision! As we fast-forward, I am convinced that what follows is an event similar to that of **Gen. 3** where YHVH circumcised Adam. For emphasis please note:

**Ex. 3:5** *And He said, draw not nigh hither: Put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground.*

Pay attention to: *Put off thy shoes from off thy feet* – Literally, Moshe is being told to UNCOVER HIS FEET! The same thing happens between Ruth and Boaz! The feet, H#7272, רגל, regel, is also a euphemism for the Pudenda! Remember the text says 'An Angel of YHVH appeared unto him' - וירא אליו מלאך יהוה – I noticed that Malak, has the same root stem as Muwl, the Hebrew word for circumcision! By changing the vowel points this verse could read: V'jera elav muwleka YHVH - And YHVH revealed his circumcision unto him! I.E. Egyptian circumcision would not suffice! I believe Moshe was circumcised here just as Adam was in **Gen. 3**. Once again, it is my opinion that Moshe was in close proximity to where Abraham originally met Melchizedek – The Valley of Kings - עמק המלך – Emeq h'melek - The gematria is 305, the same as ערלה, Orlah – meaning foreskin or The Valley of Circumcision!

### The 2<sup>nd</sup> Time Around!

Let's look forward a bit to another related and interesting passage in **Josh. 5:2** *At that time YHVH said unto Joshua, Make thee sharp knives, and circumcise again*

*the children of Israel the second time!* The text has H#8145, שְׁנִית, shenit - rather than sheni indicating an additional circumcision from what they currently had! Many scholars agree that the Hebrew text indicates a previous circumcision! Could that generation have been circumcised as the Egyptians were? If not, there's nothing left to circumcise the 2<sup>nd</sup> time in Hebrew fashion! Don't forget: This was right before Pesach! Why celebrate it now by circumcising the people, when it was obviously celebrated in the wilderness by these same "Uncircumcised"?

Verse 5 seems to explain this in the KJV reasoning that none had been circumcised during the wilderness. I used to teach this myself. However, it is an established fact that a minority of the camp longed to return to Egypt and such an act would appease the conscience regarding circumcision and yet satisfy their lust to return. Though this may be hard to accept, current events typify the same: The Religious of Israel today are attempting to revert back to a GOLDEN CALF SYSTEM of animal blood-letting whose roots are deep in Egypt – Babylon! [The phrase מִצְרַיִם חֶרְפָּה refers generally to the fact that some Jews up until that point had retained some Egyptian customs (see [Ralbag](#) to Joshua 5:9)]

Continuing:

Now, look at Ex. 4:26 *So He let him go: Then she said, A bloody husband thou art because of the circumcision.* The latter verse in the KJV has circumcision, H#4139, מוּלָה, mulah, only the text reads: לְמוּלָה, la'mulote - THE CIRCUMCISIONS – another circumcision! 2 distinct cuttings!

To make it plain and reiterate, history records the Egyptian form of circumcision as only making a dorsal incision of the foreskin, whereas the Hebrews completely removed it! This ritual was THE REPROACH OF EGYPT that was ROLLED, H#1556, גְּלוּתִי, galuti, away! From the root to roll in a circle, to encircle, a ring or cut in a circular fashion! The circumcision was complete! The Hebrew word for reproach shown above: H#2781, חֶרְפָּה, cherphat, can also indicate PUDENDA – the Male organ - Is. 47:3 It's root, charaph, means to pluck off!

Our position would also explain why Moshe replies to YHVH that he is also slow of speech – a thick tongue – a malady the Rabbis associate with one who is uncircumcised! Ex. 4:10.

From these examples we can glean that both Moshe and Gershom most probably had been partially circumcised similar to that of an Egyptian. As a result, YHVH seemingly confronts Moshe. Again, the mystery in the text of Ex. 4:24-26 has puzzled Scholars for centuries! Why does it appear that YHVH is intent on killing Moshe? Was there something wrong with Moshe, or was it Zipporah? To begin, let me ask you a question: Based on the previous Burning Bush encounter and commissioning of Moshe, and setting aside all the traditional bias, why would YHVH now attempt to kill the newly commissioned Deliverer of Israel? In addition, what would our perspective of the following events tell us about Zipporah? The Sages give the impression that she was a Saint, giving up her husband for the greater good of Israel. Some latter day church scholars going so far as to note the resemblance between she and Mary: The ride on the donkey, the ‘stop at the inn’, and both obvious virtue. Yet, clearly Zipporah had been married some 40-years!

Observe Carefully the Following Ex. 4:24-26:

*And it came to pass by the way in the inn, that YHVH met him, and sought to kill him. Then Zipporah too a sharp stone, and cut off the foreskin of her son, and cast it at his feet, and said, surely a bloody husband art thou to me. So He let him go: Then she said, A bloody husband thou art, because of the circumcision.*

Perhaps you’ll recollect our opinion regarding where this is occurring: Mt. Sinai and Mt. Horeb. The place where I contend Gen. 3 would have occurred and where we have the first instance of Circumcision. Now, circumcision is figurative of one who is considered ‘Dead to the world – flesh’. Is it possible that we’ve missed some hidden spiritual significance? Please look at the phrase: *And it came to pass* – which is 1<sup>st</sup> seen in Gen. 4:3. A phrase, by the way, which the Sages acknowledge as always consistent with the timing of a Mo’ed – as shown in Gen. 4:3 a reference, I believe to the Pesach. Moshe, like Abraham would have been circumcised 3-days earlier on the 10<sup>th</sup> of Nissan if this is true. It is also interesting that this incident occurs after our circumcision of Gen. 3 once again connecting us to our example.

Next we see the words: ‘in the inn’ – במלון – B’malon – The letter Bet indicates a preposition ‘in’; yet could also picture a house. The gematria here is: 128, the same as H# 2502, חליץ, Chalatz, the LOINS, the seat of virility! The root word translated inn is out of place here considering the physical location and thus, many scholars believe it should have been translated as ‘In the Place of Circumcision’.

[H. Gunkel apud H. Gressmann, Mose und seine Zeit Gottingen, 1913, p. 58 n.4]  
This lends credence to the place being known as “*The House of Circumcision*”

Take note of the word foreskin, normally rendered Orlah, H#6190, ערלה, only this time it is in the plural form ערלות – Orlothe – foreskins! This could only be if there had been a previous Egyptian circumcision splitting the one flesh into 2 distinct parts that now must be removed! Orlothe has a value of 700, the same as H#3730, כפתר, Kaptor, the ornamental top or crown of a pillar, and Kapporet, the covering lid of the Ark that served as a propitiation or atonement! Circumcision is a shadow picture of removing this covering giving access to full reconciliation! Much like the middle wall of partition!

As we Continue...

Remember that Moshe is a type of Yahshua. Is it possible that YHVH is revealing to Zipporah that Moshe who is in the 3<sup>rd</sup> – day of his circumcision (The 3<sup>rd</sup> – day being the worst and as a result - figurative of death) has been circumcised on behalf of Israel – cut off from the Flesh! Much like the ritual Passover blood on the doorposts of Israel, those who are themselves circumcised and inside the house are protected by the SEAL on the DOORPOSTS! She now remembers Gershom is also in need of saving and she responds the same as Israel in **Ex. 12** during the 3-days of darkness where all of Israel is circumcised in preparation for the next event where the Blood is applied to the Doorposts? In response, she takes the blood of Gershom’s circumcision and casts it at his (Moshe’s) feet – a euphemism for the Pudenda – her actions placing blood literally across his waist and thighs, loins – in the same manner as Passover!

Is it also possible that Zipporah was willing to acknowledge Moshe – as a type of Yahshua – where he is seen as Deliverer of Israel from the standpoint of being sent to overthrow the military government of Egypt – Rome, much as in the role of Messiah ben David - yet she could not reconcile Moshe – Yahshua as dying for the Nation in the role of Messiah ben Yosef? In fact, she seems to sarcastically call him: ‘*A bloody husband*’ - חתן-דמים chatan-damim. Chatan being husband, bridegroom, but it also represents a newborn circumcised son. This was the intent from **Gen. 3** forward! How so?

Every circumcised Son experiences a new birth – a born again experience, destroying the works of the flesh. This newborn son now redeems the House! The plural form of blood-Dam according to the Sages is always related to blood-

guiltiness! Moshe as a type of Messiah Yahshua was indeed typifying the Born again experience with the shedding of His blood taking away the blood guiltiness of all Israel! This was the purpose of Circumcision from **Gen. 3** forward! It testifies of the Shedding of Yahshua's blood and it's redemptive work found mediated only by the Melchizedek Priesthood. The Levitical sacrifice of animals could never atone and never reconcile the intent without a true Circumcision of the heart first! This is why I believe Moshe divorces her! The same thing happened to Israel and Judah at the coming of Messiah!

Because of her attitude she is put away. Her children like Gershom – Outcasts - Exiled - are to remain in exile until the Melchizedek Priesthood is restored and she is brought back to Moshe – Yahshua! She must acknowledge Yahshua as **SHEDDING HIS BLOOD AND** being Cut Off for the Nations and follow suit by her own circumcised heart! This is typified in Yitro bringing her to Mt. Sinai, only to have the Golden Calf incident set in motion a season where the Kingdom of Priests becomes subject to the Levitical Priestly order!