

VaYachel 2/26/22  
Exodus 35:1–38:20.

- I. Our Parsha ‘VaYachel’ is another of the weekly mysteries that are hidden as a special treat for those Kingly sons who would search them out! (Pro. 25:2) Embedded here are riddles that abound with revelation regarding the Body of Messiah and the Dwelling Place of YHVH! Shall we pursue them? WORD OF CAUTION - Be careful admitting you want to know the hidden things, because they will change everything you’re traditions taught you!

We’ll begin by looking at the title: VaYachel. It is actually a 3-word phrase; “and he gathered-assembled”. Yet, it emanates from the root of H#6950, קהל, qahal, to gather or assemble, convocation. This root originates from Qoph-Vav-Lamed, translated Qowl and meaning ‘Voice’. In fact, the first time this word is seen is Gen. 3: 8 where this קול, Qowl-Voice is ‘heard’ walking in the Gan Eden.

The letter Hey – ה - in the midst of Qoph-Lamed (Qahal) gives us ‘Behold, pay attention’. By ‘assembling’ the House of Israel (Who are actually the Living Stones for building the Tabernacle) Moshe is in effect saying: “Come **behold** the Voice/Word Who Will Walk Among us”. What he’s referring to is the intent of YHVH to walk between the Houses of Israel throughout the Wilderness ordeal and dwell in their midst! Just as He walked between the Pieces in Abraham’s stead! This promise comes as a result of the Golden Calf incident and the exchange of Israel as the Tabernacle to a Wilderness Tent! He – Yahshua will walk between the pieces until He comes to bring the ultimate sacrifice and restores the Tabernacle Man!

Now, what is said next is one of the most powerful statements in Torah: ... Ex. 35:1b *These are the words which YHVH hath commanded that you should do them.* \*Note the 2-highlighted words that follow: **Words – Do.**

- Words, H#1697, דבר, Dabar, words, speech.
- Do, H#6213, אשה, asah, to fashion, or make, to produce, prepare, etc.

As a frame of reference, this word ‘asah’ is prominent in the Creation or Re-Creation account. Point of fact - Two words are used to describe the creation account: **Bara**, meaning to bring into existence something that had never been before and this word **asah** – to fashion or form, or to make something from what

had already existed. In our case, the WORD - Qowl - Voice pre-existed! From what we read in the Hebrew text it seems Israel is being commanded to take the Word given them by YHVH and use it to form or fashion it – The Tabernacle - into shape! This would require doing ‘work’ of sorts. Such seems quite absorbing since the very next statement leads in to a short discussion regarding a supposed NOT WORKING on the Sabbath day!

**Ex. 35:2,3** *Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall be to you an holy day, a Sabbath of rest to YHVH: Whosoever doeth work therein shall be put to death. You shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations upon the Sabbath day.*

Am I Missing Something? Why insert the command regarding Shabbat here?

II. Initially, let me begin by explaining that there’s an undisputed link between the construction of the Tabernacle and the Creation Account where both are contextually related in the Hebrew, with both shown using Temple construction/Creation language! Let me show you.

#### Genesis

#### Exodus

Gen. 1:31 And Elohiym saw everything That He had made, and behold it was very Good. And there was evening and there Was morning, the sixth day.

Ex. 39:43 And Moshe saw all the work, and behold, they had done it as YHVH had commanded, so had they done it. Then Moshe blessed them.

Gen. 2:1 Thus the heavens and the earth Were finished, and all the hosts of them.

Ex. 39:32 Thus all the work of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting was finished and the people of Israel did according to all that YHVH had commanded Moshe; so they did.

Gen. 2:2 And on the seventh day Elohiym finished His work that He had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all His work that He had done.

Ex. 40:33 And he erected the court around the tabernacle and the altar, and set up the screen of the gate of the court. So Moshe finished the work.

Gen. 2:3 So Elohiym blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it Elohiym rested from all His work that He had done in Creation.

Ex. 39:43 And Moshe saw all the work, and behold, they had done it; as YHVH had commanded, so had they done it. Then Moshe blessed them.

That being said, as we shared during our teaching on Terumah, the Wilderness Tabernacle became the vehicle of choice after the Golden Calf incident and was the template designed to represent the Tabernacle Man in the fashion of carnal Man after the Fall of Adam and the 2<sup>nd</sup> choice of YHVH with Israel as a whole bestowed the original the Title of - the Tabernacle or Dwelling Place. Moreover, the creation account and the Tabernacle language reveal both Adam and Israel as the emissary or Image of YHVH in the earth. Following the creation account of both - the subject of the Shabbat stands brilliantly clear (Gen. 2:1 & Ex. 35:2) as the culmination or climax of each distinct creation: First, Adam is created, likewise the Tabernacle in our Parsha a.k.a. Israel the Dwelling Place with both followed by the institution of the Sabbath.

As that 'Image' or likeness, equally Adam and Israel function as the Dwelling Place; thus, there are certain responsibilities/characteristics central to our understanding. In order to see how this relates to work done on the Sabbath let's revisit Gen. 1: 27, 28, 29.

*And Elohiym said, let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have **dominion** over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So, Elohiym created man in His own image, in the image of Elohiym created He him; male and female created He them. And Elohiym blessed them, and said unto them, be **fruitful**, and **multiply**, and **replenish** the earth, and **subdue** it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.*

I've highlighted the 5-foregoing words: **Fruitful**, and **multiply**, **replenish**, **subdue** and **Dominion**. From the progression seen in each of the 5-steps in the above process, it becomes apparent that the PURPOSE of Elohiym in creating both Man and THE DWELLING PLACE – TABERNACLE – ISRAEL – 'in His Image' would somehow be demonstrated in their becoming fruitful, multiplying, subduing and exercising dominion in His Stead! Further, what, if anything does this have to do with the institution of the Sabbath immediately following each?

For the sake of argument, let's consider the supposed need for the above? Based on the Creation Account it is readily apparent that the earth had once experienced a Rebellion that changed the natural order of His original Perfect Creation (Gen. 1: 1) with those original offenders having been cast down! This subsequent 're-creation' is now restored to proper order by highlighted by Elohiym creating Man in His Image and while bestowing upon them His Image,

He has also endowed them with the ability to reproduce and subjugate any future rebellion that would challenge that order!

From the above, we may conclude that this ‘re-creation’ (Days 1 – 6) might also be expected to descend into chaos or disorder again. Thus, we have explained to us the Creation of Man and that he is now strategically placed in Gan Eden to ‘Dress it and to Keep it’ (Tabernacle Language) in order to abrogate any future rebellion. In order to accomplish this purpose, Adam has been given the commands that become his tools allowing him to carry out his instructions regarding the exercise of dominion – in effect, he is charged with the ‘doing of His-Elohiyims’ Words’. Israel is told the same in our parsha. *These are the words, which YHVH hath commanded that you should do them.*

Fast Forward to our Parsha:

- III. As we’ve shown earlier, Moshe ‘Qahals’ – summons, convokes the assembling of Israel in order to Hear-Shema the same Edenic Tabernacle Command given Adam: Namely, *To hear the words and do them, i.e. to dress and keep it!* However, the following text of **Ex. 35: 2,3** regarding the Sabbath work prohibitions seem to suggest otherwise. Or, is it possible that we’ve been sold a bill of goods concerning strictly limiting Sabbath ‘work’ that was intended to redirect us? \*Remember Yahshua was sorely attacked for ‘working’ on the Sabbath!

Again, context is everything! For us to comprehend what Moshe is saying here in VaYachel regarding the assembling (A word which can mean to gather, but also to put something together, to build) of Israel and the Shabbat must be uncovered from the perspective of its first usage. So, we must examine this ‘idea’ of a Sabbath.

If we look at every preceding day (Day 1- Day 6) each one is described consistently as: “*And the evening and the morning were...Day 1- 6*”. **Gen. 1.**

However, in **Gen. 2:** it records the 7<sup>th</sup> day as having no evening or morning i.e. without GENEALOGY – NO BEGINNING OR END! We’re not told exactly when it began nor are we told that it has ended! Thus, the 7<sup>th</sup> day is a different segment of Time than the previous days. As such, the 7<sup>th</sup> day initiates the Melchizedec Order! This is once again – Temple language consigning us to an eternal Priesthood with no beginning or end. Moreover, **Gen. 2:3** has no time differentiation between the institution of the Sabbath and Elohiym ceasing ‘work’ and **Gen. 2:7** where He forms Man from the Adamah! Therefore, the events of Gen. 2 reveal Adam literally fulfilling the above 5-steps on the Sabbath

as he demonstrates proper administration of Kingdom authority! To counter any argument, if those events had initiated a new day (Day 8-new beginnings) why was there no distinction made? Obviously, the Sabbath was intended as an eternal day in which Elohiym could rest from His work of ‘re-creation’ while allowing Adam-Man to manage the Kingdom in His stead!

Like the example of the Tabernacle, the Sabbath is both blessed and sanctified! Though in fact, the Wilderness Tent was temporary, while the Living Stones Tabernacle and the Sabbath will last eternally. Moreover, though we have no idea how long before Adam’s fall, we do know that some 6000 years have transpired since and yet, we’re still in the Sabbath Day! I know that will shock some, but we’ll explain in a bit! First we must add more clarity!

Before leaving here, as we look back at the term ‘ **blessing** ’ it carries the idea of both relationship and the ability to carry out a function, while  **sanctified**  implies being set-apart for that function or task. As such, the Sabbath is set apart from all the other days in 3 distinct ways: #1. The Day YHVH ceases His Creative work, #2. It is Blessed #3. It is Sanctified.

- **Blessed** , H#1288, בָּרַךְ, barak, to bless. One must remember that as with other creation days what is being blessed is tied to its’ function. I.E. Blessed for a purpose – such as being fruitful and multiplying. Blessing is contingent upon and allows for, fruitfulness! In fact, if we rearrange the letters of barak to form בְּכֹר, Bechor, we have firstborn! The gematria of barak equals 222 an extension of 22 – the number of the Hebrew letters that are the building blocks of creation and the Tabernacle or Dwelling Place! Therefore, one might suppose the Sabbath as the beginning of ‘BEGGETING’! In addition, 222 is the value of the phrase וַיְדַבֵּר, V’yidaber, “*And He Spoke*”.
- **Sanctified** , H#6942, קִדְּשׁ, qadash, to declare holy. This is interesting. It is not merely making a declaration. The Hebrew infers that to declare something qadash-holy indicates a status that is relational to the Creator and is now being sanctified or set-apart in a Divine manner and can never be made common again! Just as the 1<sup>st</sup>-born of Israel were declared a Holy – qadash Son, they, like the Sabbath are His exclusively! They are His Dwelling Place. Both the Sabbath – 7<sup>th</sup> day and Israel are His alone and as such He has empowered each to function as the Day and The Place where - in which - His Rest can take place! Further, no one may substitute another Day (Sun-day) or Nation (The Church) in their stead!

Replacement theology inculcates an irreverent notion that man has the ability to declare anything holy!

### What Then Makes The Sabbath Unique?

IV. Most would simply answer - because YHVH said so. However, there must be a reason for justifying such: “**Gen. 2: 2** *And on the Seventh day Elohiym **ended** His work which He had made; and He rested on the Seventh day from all His work which He had made*”. \*Note the bold word ‘**ended**’.

- **Ended**, H#3615, כלה, kalah, to cease, accomplished, bring to an end. It is not an accident that this word is written with the same Hebrew letters for Bride. How can the Bride cease or come to an end? Perhaps something else is intended and has been hidden in order to propagate another agenda?

If you recall, early on we established that the re-creation came about as a means to reestablish Divine order out of what was Tohu V’bohu, waste and desolate - after the Rebellion. If indeed this was the case, then it would seem something had to cease (Work?) or be brought to its’ end in order to justify the sanctification and holy estate of the Sabbath as THE Day it (Work?) ended! Was it simply Elohiym’s work in general or was it a specific labor that ceased and not the entirety? What then could this have been and how does it relate to the prohibition of WORK on the Sabbath in our Parsha?

The Septuagint (LXX) offers the Greek - G#4931, synteleo, in place of the Hebrew Kalah-ended. If we examine each word closely the central idea of both is not the end of all activity (work) rather (If He ceased all labors then creation as we know it would end) it is the conclusion of a specific INTENT. In the present case a specific intent related to the former 6-Days! What were the 6-days of re-creation for? Why was Man given the above Blessing-Mandate as it relates to the above 6-days and empowered to accomplish it on the 7<sup>th</sup>- Day? Wouldn’t that be work?

The answer to both lies in the INTENT of Elohiym to restore order out of Chaos and launch a new period – a Day wherein no Chaos or rebellion should exist called Sabbath! What HE intended for them has come to fulfillment, completion and now they (Man & The Sabbath) begin a new period of holiness reflected in a Temple/Tabernacle setting – The Image of an Eternal Dwelling wherein Elohiym is worshipped in an orderly, structured fashion without Chaos or rebellion! Remember the words of Messiah on the execution stake? “*It is finished*”, from the Greek Gk.#5055 teleho, from telos, the same root of synteleo that is rendered

Kalah! Did Yahshua's work end? Or was a specific intended work brought to completion while His eternal purpose continued?

The idea of this cessation is seen in **Heb. 8:8** *For finding fault with them, He saith, Behold, the days come, saith YHVH, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:*

The Bold phrase: **I will make** is this Gk. H#4931, synteleo. Did the first covenant end or was the purpose for it – its' intent – brought to a completion?

Let me throw this out. **Psalms 90:4** and **2Pet. 3:8** both (We have two witnesses certifying Truth) declare: A thousand years is as one day. Now, suppose we 'Seven' the Sabbath which has no beginning or end, is it possible that we're looking at a Prophetic timetable regarding the tenure of Man as the Image of Elohiym on the earth?

We've been taught man's days are numbered at 120-years (**Gen. 6:3**) x 50-jubilees or 6000-years for man to reign in his fleshly condition. But, what if the Sabbath contained a prophetic message that a Spiritual Man would rule the earth as the Image or in the Image of Elohiym for eternity? Suppose, the end or Cessation of those 6000-yrs – 6-days represented the re-creation account all over again and the intent of Elohiym to re-establish His Image – The Last Adam and the Living Stones Tabernacle are once again redefined in the Sabbath day where order and chaos do not rule the day? Will no work be allowed in that DAY the Sabbath millennium? In fact, Yahshua will rule the Nations with a rod of iron throughout the 7-th millennium!

From our evidence we must conclude, if it is eternal and hasn't ended, then the Sabbath simultaneously launched the Melchizedec Order, an eternal season wherein Adam would rule as High Priest established after the pattern of Messiah who would Himself be High Priest forever – after or in the fashion of – this same Melek Zadek Order/Rule!

In addition, if this Melchizedec Order/Rule like the Sabbath would exhibit no beginning or end, no genealogy, then neither has ceased! One can argue that the Melchizedec priesthood was superseded by the Aaronic priestly system, but the argument would not work since the former was instituted to function in a holy environment where chaos and rebellion did not rule (The Law of the Spirit of Life) while the latter would function where carnal men were subjected to the Law of Sin and Death. Until such time as the Redemptive – Re-creation work of Yahshua would once again allow Man to walk, not after the flesh but after the

Spirit and the Melchizedec/Shabbat order would serve as a means for the Edenic Intent of Elohiym to be restored!

Does the Law of the Spirit of Life determine what work is done on Shabbat?

- V. It would seem that both the Sabbath and the Melchizedec order are predicated on the Blessing and Sanctification declared in **Gen. 2** and that Man who is the Image of Elohiym should engage himself in administering this Law of The Spirit of Life much like the Creator who disengaged Himself from the 6-days of restoring creation yet, continued to maintain His rule over and His participation in His completed work! It is my opinion that both the Sabbath and the Melchizedec order were NEVER superseded by any means. Eden was an idyllic place for the Intent of Elohiym for Man-Adam to manifest. This ‘ORDER’ was interrupted again until the coming of the Last Adam who would open the door through the Melchizedec Priesthood for US to return to an eternal Sabbath found only in EDEN! Yes, we will return again! This is the truest intent of Teshuvah – where the root of Shabbat is married to this return!

Continuing, both the Sabbath and the Melchizedec order have always existed in their pure, holy, and sanctified forms ever ready for those who would walk, not after the flesh, but after the Spirit (**Roms. 8:1-4**). However, it is a given that no man could walk in such a manner while the Sabbath, Tabernacle or Priesthood was administered or sanctified by the blood of animals! Thus, until Yahshua’s execution, death ruled in the Temple and Priesthood (**Rom. 5:12**) in expectation of the One In Whom No Sin Was Found – He, and He alone could properly administer the Sabbath and the Melchizedec order! Remember, the Sabbath was **made** for **man** and not man for the Sabbath! (**Mark 2:27**). \*Note the bold words ‘made and man’.

- **Made**, Gk.#1096, ghin-om-ahee, came into being, was brought to pass, to be ordained, to be married. This word in the LXX is related to the Hebrew H#1961, **היה**, hayah, from the root of **הוה**, Havah, to breathe, to exist from the breath of the Creator! It is seen throughout the Re-creation account and the Eden chronicles as well!
- **Man**, Gk.#444 anth-ro-pos, the LXX has this word for the Hebrew word ADAM!

The Sabbath was breathed out of the Creator as the vehicle for the ordination or implementation of the Marriage of Adam & Chavah who, together would



function as Priests after the Order of Melchizedec while dispensing the government of the Kingdom (Being fruitful, multiplying, subduing and having dominion) ensuring that no rebellion or chaos should arise again during the Sabbath reign! After the Fall, neither the Sabbath nor the Melchizedec order were done away with. However, both the Sabbath and the Melchizedec Priesthood did lack a Man to officiate and conduct the affairs of the Kingdom. As a result, YHVH had to implement the Wilderness tabernacle and Levitical priesthood until Yahshua arrived on the scene, thereby reaffirming both the Sabbath and Melchizedec Order, once again establishing a means whereby the Son(s) of Man – could rightfully superintend the Kingdom through the Sabbath and mediate the Covenant of Yahshua’s blood through the Melchizedec order!

This would seem consistent with the work of Yahshua shown on the Sabbath. Further, the 4<sup>th</sup> commandment states in **Ex. 20:8** *Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it **holy**.*

This is followed by a reference to the 6-days of Creation – *6-days shalt thou labor and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the Sabbath of YHVH Elohiym: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:*

Does this mean ALL Work is prohibited?

The word for **holy** above as we’ve shown is: H#6942, **קדש**, indicating to consecrate, sanctify, prepare, dedicate, to treat as sacred. The LXX word is GK#37, hag-ee-ad’zo, meaning ‘to render’, to separate profane things, to cleanse externally, to purify ceremonially, to purify by expiation – i.e. to render compensation, indemnify (compensation for loss, damage, or injury) to recompense, to redress, to make amends, a repayment!

The Sabbath and the Melchizedec order were to be administered by the **Man In His Image**, who would sanctify the 7<sup>th</sup>-Day by redressing/correcting any wrong, injury, damage, loss or other, sustained by those walking in The Law of The Spirit at the hands of the Rebellious Ones who would attempt to bring chaos to Elohiym’s Kingdom! Thus, the work prohibited is any work that upsets the Divine Order and promotes a carnal lifestyle wherein chaos and rebellion rule!

You can see this in **Is. 61** and **Luke 4:18,19** *The Spirit of YHVH is upon, because He hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year*

of YHVH! **READ Is.61** This is WORK THAT SHOULD BE DONE ON SABBATH!

But what about **Ex. 35:2**?

- VI. **Ex. 35:2** *Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall be to you an holy day, a Sabbath of rest to YHVH: Whosoever doeth work therein shall be put to death.*

Once again, any work that exalts the flesh, (Normal eating is not exalting) which is emblematic of the **Gen. 3** rebellion and counter-productive to the intent of the Sabbath Rest, brings one back under the LAW OF SIN AND DEATH as stated by Moshe!

Further, context is the principal rule in interpreting Scripture! The last several chapters and the preceding ones deal with Building the Tabernacle (A transition that occurs after the Golden Calf incident) which was a pattern of the Fleshly Man – This event here in chapter (**35: 1-3**) is not chronological and occurs after Moshe brings YHVH's instructions down the mountain and BEFORE WORK STARTS ON THE TABERNACLE!

Therefore, all TABERNACLE WORK that embodied exalting the Fleshly Man must cease on the Sabbath! This Tabernacle and its' Priestly system was full of death (Bloodshed) and death/rebellion cannot be tolerated on Sabbath!

Moreover, the most infamous of Sabbath (Rabbinic prohibitions) is kindling a fire on Shabbat. Yet, when understood in its' truest sense that it is a euphemistic term for gendering strife in ones' home, then it becomes much clearer!

\*Please note **Matt. 12: 1-12** where Yahshua examines this very topic and concludes with: *Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the Sabbath days!* For us today, stopping to purchase a meal to feed your family is NOT BREAKING SABBATH!

If I can pull an animal out of a pit on Sabbath then why can't I feed and warm my family? If the Levitical system allowed the Priests (**Vs.5**) to profane the Sabbath (According to Rabbinic law) by taking care of necessary obligations to the Tabernacle (Man) which represents our fleshly body and we are a Kingdom of Priests after a Higher Order, then why do we suffer the bondage of the former system to enslave us to a dead work?

**Matt. 12:8** For the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath day. The LXX Gk.#2962 kyrios is translated as having the power to decide, the possessor,

Sovereign. It hints of one possessing the power to determine what is suitable to the Sabbath and of releasing him and others from its obligations! This is what one in HIS IMAGE was first charged with on the creation of Sabbath! This is why the Law of the Spirit of Life has made me free from the Law of Sin and death – I am no longer obligated to it, I have been released, set free!

In conclusion, it should come as no surprise that Ezekiel whose writings prophetically reveal the Living Stones Tabernacle is himself referred to as ‘Son of Man’ over 90-times putting in allegorical perspective the restoration of the Tabernacle Man – The Outcasts of Israel – who collectively will serve in the capacity of Son of Man revealing the Image of Elohiym in the earth and once again becoming fruitful, multiplying, subduing and exercising dominion in HIS stead once again!

*I am crucified with Yahshua, nevertheless I live! Yet, not I, but Messiah lives in me: And the life I live now in the flesh, I live by faith of the Son of YHVH, who loved me, and gave Himself for me! Gal. 2:20*

Shabbat Shalom!