

Terumah 2023

Terumah/"Contribution", Exodus 25:1-27:19, details the request for the offerings to build the Tabernacle, and the revealing of the pattern! **Exodus 25:8** – "And let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them." Among them is the Hebrew phrase betokam בְּתוֹכָם better translated as "in them"! If Israel was to be the dwelling place, then what is the purpose of this physical structure they are to build? And does the answer to this question then reveal the perversion of that purpose in the coming third temple?

It seems at first glance, the physical tabernacle was to be a mirror image reflecting the true living tabernacle of Israel! Just as the ark carrying the bones of Joseph was carried alongside the Ark of the Covenant, one mirroring, revealing, and testifying of the other; so as to express the idea that "the one in this observed what is written upon the other" (Soṭah 13a et seq.). The same relationship is seen between the tabernacle and Israel! The bones of Joseph representing the whole house of Israel connected to the Ark – the Presence, just as Israel is encamped and connected to the Tabernacle, moving in tandem, one with another!

Exodus 25:1-2

Offering: Strong's #8641 terumah תְּרוּמָה contribution, offering; this is the first time this term is used, interesting because it seems to indicate this is a very specific and special offering required; from the root #7311 ruwm רוּם to rise, rise up, be high, lofty, or exalted; breaking apart terumah – ת prefix = you will; רוּם = rise up/lift up; ה = breath, to reveal – when you lift up the terumah, breath will enter in! This is the first clue regarding the purpose of the physical structure they're to build. It's about a resurrection taking place, life from the dead!

It's no accident that terumah contains the same root stem as the name Ramah רָמָה, seen in **Jeremiah 31:15** – "Thus saith Yahweh; A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, and bitter weeping; Rachel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children, because they were not."

*Remember the connection between the ark carrying Joseph's bones and the Ark of the Covenant? Israel gathered around the Tabernacle forms the bones waiting to be breathed on again in order to live!

This becomes a prophetic shadow picture pointing not only to the generation brought out of Egypt, but to our day, when the lost sheep of the house of Israel (JOSEPH) would be awakened, Rachel's children – our restoration as well is intertwined with the offering of a terumah and the forming of a tabernacle! The Tabernacle was to be the venue of resurrection!

Let's look closer at the Joseph connection! Joseph: Strong's #3130 Yoseph יוֹסֵף Yahweh has added; from the root yasaph יָסַף to do again, increase, or add; this name hints at redemption and yes resurrection! The numerical value of his name = 156, the same as 'ohel mo'ed אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד the Tabernacle/the tent of the congregation. It seems the resurrection of the house and the restoration of the birthright and inheritance (that was entrusted to Joseph), is directly connected to the tabernacle they are about to build!

Yet could this connection also be revealing that simultaneously to resurrection being offered, there is the opportunity for those who don't understand the pattern to be led into bondage (the exact scenario seen in Jeremiah causing the bitter weeping of Rachel)? This same scenario plays out here in Exodus. Israel is to build the Tabernacle, a venue for their own resurrection, yet instead they build the molten calf – the nation goes into a spiritual bondage, remaining as dead bones walking alongside the living Tabernacle!

Looking further at terumah, it is a cognate of #8649 tormah תִּרְמָה deceitfulness, under cover, to do something underhandedly with trickery in mind, in order to accomplish a secret plan, fraud or treachery; hmm....could there be a future scenario where there is the lifting up of a "terumah"/offering, yet it is an act of deceitfulness to accomplish a secret plan – one that will lead the people into bondage rather than into life?

Seen in **Zephaniah 3:13** – “The remnant of Israel shall not do iniquity, nor speak lies; neither shall a deceitful (tormah) tongue be found in their mouth.”

*The tormah/deceitful tongue is contrasted to the restoration of a pure language in **Zeph. 3:9** for the purpose of bringing an offering!

Pure: Strong's #1305 barar בָּרַר to purify, polish, select, test or prove; also to separate or sever! In fact this same term is seen in **Ezekiel 20:38** regarding the re-gathering and future exodus – “And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me...”

*Notice that the 2 letter root forms bar בַּר son; the restoration of the pure language is about restoring that which will mark you as His sons and daughters, therefore severing and separating you from those considered as rebels!

Language: Strong's #8193 saphah שָׁפַח lip, language, speech; but also shore, bank, side, edge, border, binding, or boundary; the language will become a boundary line as well as something that is binding; sounds as if the restoration of the pure language (the voice of Creation), will act as a boundary line dividing the people, as well as become a border that will seal/protect those who receive it!

Numerical value of saphah = 385, the same as Shekinah שְׁכִינָה the presence of His Glory and the value of #4923 meshammah מְשַׁמָּה devastation, horror, desolation;

from the root shamem שָׁמֵם to be desolate, appalled, stunned, to stupefy (this is the Hebrew term used to describe the abomination of desolation)!

The terumah when offered is about restoring the creative power/tongue of Creation to the bones of Joseph as they are resurrected, they become the living tabernacle of the Shekinah, just as Adam was in the Garden! Simultaneously all those outside of this boundary line that's established will find themselves at the mercy of the coming rebellious one, the architect behind the scheming & the treacherous plan, the anti-messiah, who will also be focused on forming a dwelling place that will be meshammah – a place of desolation! Yet his dwelling as well will require an offering from the people!

Could this be why the powers that be will seek to build a 3rd temple, and it is here that the anti-messiah will assume control? They understand the pattern! It is a venue of resurrection and a way to breathe into/seed/word sons! This coming 3rd temple will become the throne of the resurrected Nimrod (by the way whose name means Rebel, from the same root seen in [Ezek. 20:38](#) regarding the rebels being separated from Israel) who will use it to breathe upon and seed his sons – all those who gather! It's a repeat of the Tower of Babel. Simultaneously it will reveal and divide the sons of promise (the living stones uncompromised tabernacle stones) from those from whom the glory has departed!

It's no accident that the root of terumah is seen in connection with this plot as well! [Daniel 8:11](#) – “Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away/ruwm, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down.”

Taken away: Strong's #7311 ruwm רוּמַם to rise, lift up, be exalted, to become powerful, to raise or rear children; the root of terumah! Though at times ruwm can infer the idea of to lift up as in off/away, the primary meaning is to exalt or make lofty! Is this an intentional mistranslation to cause many to think the coming anti-messiah will oppose the sacrifices? When in fact Daniel is revealing he will exalt them once again and by doing so become powerful, raising up children/sons in his image while simultaneously silencing all those who come under his covering!

Back to the dwelling Israel is commanded to build...here in Exodus instead of the normal terms of Mishkan or the Tent of the Congregation, the term used for sanctuary is miqdash!

Sanctuary: Strong's #4720 miqdash מִקְדָּשׁ sacred place, sanctuary, holy place; from #6942 qadash קָדַשׁ to consecrate, to sanctify, be holy, or to be separate; it infers the idea of being set apart for a specific purpose

Breaking this term apart though we have קָדַשׁ root = stench, rottenness, decay & connected to this is the קָדַשׁ = the root found in the term meaning green or fresh, to produce something, to sprout or to shoot forth, new life; it's the picture of

something that was dead (rotten and decayed) all of a sudden being transformed, growing and shooting forth new life! Once again resurrection!

Miqdash is said to be a combination of 2 words – Maqom מקום the place, the standing place, entails having correct or right standing & Qadosh קדוש holy; both Maqom and Qadosh are names of Yahweh, miqdash then infers the Standing Place where His NAME is and is instrumental in insuring that His Name has and continues to have right standing! Do you realize that His very Name has been written and encoded in our DNA? Could this be about restoring/repairing our DNA as we are the miqdash, the standing place of His Name, all in preparation and in order to protect us from what the enemy is currently attempting to do to bring desolation to this very miqdash?

The construction of the Tabernacle begins first with the bringing of the terumah. In vs. 2, it clearly states a defining factor of who is capable of bringing the terumah – those with a willing heart. In Hebrew the phrase is yidvenu libbo יִדְּבְּנוּ לִבָּם and has a numerical value of 110, the years of Joseph's life (Gen. 50:22)! When the bones of Joseph lift up the terumah, they will live again – it was dealing with a restoration of the authority and creative power, becoming born again sons that wear His Name!

*Another key clue regarding this coming 3rd temple where Joseph is not welcome...how can a proper terumah be gathered without Joseph?

Willing: Strong's #5068 nadab נָדַב to incite, impel, make willing; the 2 letter root forms #5067 ned נָדַד heap, pile, specifically describes the waters of the Red Sea as well as the Jordan River being parted and piled into a "heap"; waters are euphemistic of seed! When Israel crossed both the Red Sea & the Jordan River it was symbolic of the compromised seed line being cut off while the sons crossed over (Hebrew/Ivriy) functioning as an ark providing safe passage for the seed/Word of Yahweh!

*The purpose of the tabernacle/dwelling place is to separate and distinguish the seed lines! Joseph - the firstborn, the heirs, the sons - are resurrected while the compromised/tainted ones are exposed/cut off! It seems the Tabernacle will serve the same purpose as Jacob's actions with the flocks and the water troughs while in Laban's house, separating the seed lines to build strong and sturdy stock!

Remember Israel has just exited Egypt who willingly intermingled and worshipped the fallen ones! The Tabernacle will be the mechanism to ensure those that are gathered are of untainted lineage (from the fallen ones), as well as repair the DNA of Israel that has been broken down while separated from the Presence!

With this being the case, it would seem of the utmost importance to understand the pattern correctly and to follow that pattern lest we find ourselves labeled as ichabod – the glory departed, and building the wrong house!

Pattern: Strong's #8403 tabniyth תְּבַנִּיחַ pattern, plan, form, construction, or figure; it refers to an image that is patterned after something else; Mosheh is being shown a pattern in the heavens that is the figure that must now be formed!

*Tabniyth is a synonym of the Hebrew word Demuth (#1823) דְּמוּת likeness, similitude; first seen in **Gen. 1:26** – “And Elohim said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness (demuth)...”; from the root damah meaning to be like or resemble. Could it be that Yahweh was revealing to Mosheh the intended role of Adam, one after His likeness, and this is the pattern Israel must now follow?

It seems this is further emphasized when looking at the roots of tabniyth, from #1129 banah בָּנָה to build, rebuild, establish, cause to continue, as in to build a house or establish a family; the heart of the word is ben – son! In Hebrew the י suffix is the diminutive form, it modifies the word to convey a slighter degree of its root meaning, or to convey the smallness of the object. Could it be that Mosheh is being shown the Son (Messiah Yahshua) who Israel is to become a smaller version emulating this pattern, they becoming sons as well that will build the house?

Looking closer at Demuth/damah (likeness), it contains the 2 letter root forming the Hebrew word dam (#1818) דָּם blood; before the fall Adam's body was not in a fallen condition, he housed the light of Yahweh, his very DNA contained the power of creation! However, after the fall, his physical tabernacle changes to reflect his current fallen status (remember the physical tabernacle mirroring the condition of the people?! He now is a vessel of blood, congealed light; its no accident that this Hebrew root damah can also mean to be silent! In this fallen condition, man's ability to give voice to the power of creation is made silent!

Could the tabernacle Israel is being instructed both to build and they themselves become be for the purpose of unlocking their voice? To once again restore the ability to speak forth with the creative power of Creation (**Zeph. 3:9**)? To once again fulfill the role Adam was intended to? And when confronted with the power of His Presence it would cause their blood to testify/speak, unlocking what has been encoded in our very DNA – His NAME and the power of that Name!

Paired with the understanding that Israel was being called to be a kingdom of priests (**Ex. 19:6**), it's easy to see that the whole purpose of this pattern being revealed is about restoring the authority of Adam! Yet when Israel rejects this role, the Levitical priesthood is ushered in, and with it a complex sacrificial blood system tainted with death! The voice/light/creative power is not restored to the people as a whole, instead once again, just like Adam, they are seen in a fallen compromised condition.

This is the end goal of the enemy in the days ahead...to ensure that the voice of Adam remains silenced. Hence the reason he will attempt to mark everyone within his power with the mark of the beast: #929 behemah בְּהֵמָה beast, cattle, or animal;

from an unused root meaning to be mute! Breaking it down further - כ = in & המה = (#1993) to growl, roar, howl, murmur, a strong emotional response of distress, related words indicate moving noisily or with commotion indicating confusion!

The beast marks and hunts those who are mute, unable to speak – to declare forth the Word of Yahweh with the Creative Power, and only are able to growl/howl/roar in distress and confusion! This is why Messiah came for the lost sheep of the house of Israel, He came to restore the authority of Yoseph, to breath upon the bones, causing life to enter them again, and to restore the ability to speak!

*It's no accident that behemah has a numerical value of 52, same value as בן Ben (#1121) Son! The mute beasts/cattle stand in stark contrast to the Sons (and daughters)!

While the enemy is marking/seeding his house, simultaneously Yahweh is doing the same! Breath is entering the bones as we are gathered from the 4 corners of the earth where we've been scattered, a terumah lifted up to become the dwelling place of His Presence, the manifestation of the sons and daughters all of creation has been groaning for, and a call is ringing out loud and clear – OD YOSEPH CHAI! Joseph still lives!