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# HOW NAMES DESCRIBE SCRIPTURAL FULFILLMENT

At the end of each Gregorian Calendar year, the world celebrates a holiday in honor of the Savior's birth. Pageants, programs and scenes depict three wise men at a manger scene with a great shining star, a mother and father with a child in a manger. Sadly, what the world has been led to do is to lump the accounts of Matthew, chapters 1 and 2 with Luke chapters 1 through 3 which has a tendency to mislead and confuse rather than portray the truth. The timing of this observance also has a tendency to mislead and confuse because it can be proven that the Savior was not born at this time of the year. Some who understand that Mat. 1-2 and Lk. 1-3 are not contemporary have been led to deny that Matthew chapters 1 and 2 are even a viable part of Scripture, but were added at a later date in order to lead believers into the idolatry of Mithras worship. It is not the purpose of this article to address the Christmas scene nor to specifically address the situation of those who deny Mat. 1-2. You and refer to our article entitled "Manger Scene Confusion" for the coordination of Luke 1-3 with Mat. 1-2. The purpose of this article is to show you that the very names utilized in Luke and Matthew tell a story in and of themselves. Hopefully it will be a tremendous eye-opener for the readers.

## ANNOUNCING JOHN'S BIRTH

Luke is inspired to begin his evangel account with a priest named Zechariah (Lk. 1:5). He is of the course of Abia and the lot had fallen on him to burn incense, "And it came to pass, that while he executed the priest's office before Elohim in the order of his course, according to the custom of the priest's office, his lot was to burn incense when he went into the temple of Yahweh. And the whole multitude of the people were praying without at the time of incense," vv. 8-10.

The angel Gabriel appeared to him announcing that his wife, who had been barren, was to conceive and bear a son whom they were to name John (vv. 11-20). Zechariah found this announcement rather hard to believe since both he and his wife were well stricken in years (v. 18), so he was stricken with dumbness for his unbelief until the day that his son would be born (v. 20).

When Zechariah's wife delivered their neighbors and relatives called him Zechariah after his father, but the mother would have none of it, she said that his name would be called John (vv. 57-69). They turned to Zechariah seeking his help in solving the dispute. He asked for a writing table and wrote that his name would be John (vv. 62-63).

Immediately Zechariah's mouth was opened and he began to speak praising Elohim (v. 64).

The interesting thing concerning the name Zechariah is that it is a combination of two Hebrew words *zakar* and *Yah* or *Yahu*. *Zakar* means to mark, remember or mention. *Yah* or *Yahu* comes from the first two or three letters contained in *Yahweh's* name. Thus, Zechariah means "Yah's remembrance", "Yah's memorial", "Yah has remembered", etc.

What did Zechariah say? "Blessed *be* Yahweh Elohim of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people, and hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David; as He spake by the mouth of His holy prophets, which have been since the world began: that we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us; to perform the mercy *promised* to our fathers, and **to remember his holy covenant,**" Lk. 1:69-72.

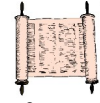
Is there a coincidence here or has Yahweh deliberately utilized a man whose name means "Yah has remembered" in order to announce the beginning of the fulfillment of the new covenant? Yahweh does things in an ordered way and at an ordered time. The time had come for Yahweh to bring His covenant of remembrance to fulfillment.

## ELIZABETH

Zechariah's wife was named Elizabeth (Lk. 1:5). Elizabeth is a combination of two Hebrew words "Eli" and "shebet." "Eli" means "My El." "Shebet" is related to two Hebrew words that are very closely interrelated. Those words are "shaba" and "sheba." They are numbers 7650 and 7651 in *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*. #7650, "shaba" is defined as; a primitive root; properly to *be complete*, but used only as a denominative from 7651; to *seven* oneself, i.e. *swear* (as if by repeating a



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declaration seven times)

#7651 “sheba” is defined as; from 7650; a primitive cardinal number; *seven* (as the sacred *full* one); also (adverbially) seven times; by implication, a *week*; by extension, an *indefinite* number.

If we hearken back to Genesis chapter 21, we find that Abimelech, and Phichol asked Abraham to “swear” (shaba, #7650) that he wouldn’t deal falsely with them because they knew that Elohim was with him (vv. 22-24). They entered into a covenant agreement whereupon Abraham introduced seven (sheba, #7651) ewe lambs as a testimony that he had dug the well. “Wherefore he called that place Beer-sheba; because there they sware both of them.” Being named “Beer-sheba” meant that the well would not only carry the distinction of the “well of seven” but also the “well of oath.”

Isaac had a similar confrontation with the people of the land as recorded in Gen. 26. Abimelech and Phichol also came to him desiring to make a covenant between them for they recognized that Yahweh was also with Isaac. After the ceremony of the covenant and the departure of Abimelech’s entourage, Isaac’s servants dug a well which Isaac called “Sheba.” The city that eventually was built around this well was named “Beer-sheba” or “Well of the oath.”

Elizabeth’s name corresponds with these principles. Her name has to do with the El of seven or the Oath of El.

## THE MEMORIALS

Another interesting thing about the word “zakar” is that the word “memorial” (zikrown) stems from it. There were three most important memorials given in the Torah. They were (1) the Memorial Name Yahweh (Ex. 3:15), (2) the Passover Memorial (Ex. 12) and (3) the Sabbath day (Ex. 16, 20:8-11). Zechariah means Yahweh’s Memorial or Yahweh’s Remembrance. Elizabeth means the oath of El or the El of seven.

In Ex. 2:24 we read, “And Elohim heard their groaning, and Elohim remembered (zakar) His covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.”

Isaiah is inspired to write, “Look unto Me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am El, and there is none else. I have sworn (shaba) by Myself, the word is gone out of My mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, that unto Me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear (shaba). ‘Surely,’ shall one say, ‘in Yahweh have I righteousness and strength:’ EVEN TO Him shall men come: and all that are incensed against Him shall

be ashamed. In Yahweh shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory,” Isa. 45:22-25.

Who is He speaking to? ALL ENDS OF THE EARTH as well as ISRAEL! This wasn’t possible under the first covenant. Yahweh, in the book of Luke and other New Testament Scriptures was declaring the beginning of the New Covenant that He had promised to Jeremiah, “Behold, the days come, saith Yahweh, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which My covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith Yahweh: but this shalt be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; after those days, saith Yahweh, I will put My law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their Elohim, and they shall be My people. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, ‘Know Yahweh:’ for they shall all know Me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith Yahweh: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more,” Jer. 31:31-34.

The mighty Elohim Yahweh had remembered (zakar) His covenant with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob to bring their descendants into the land of Canaan. He gave Moses His Memorial (zakar) Name (Yah). He gave Israel the Passover Memorial (zakar) which delivered them out of slavery. He then confirmed His oath (shaba) by giving them manna, bread from heaven, in order to lead them to His seventh day Sabbath. Note that the number seven (sheba) is involved here. Of course, they were to gather the manna for six days and rest on the Sabbath. The Sabbath memorial (zakar) was a day of rest wherein no man could work. In other words, the Sabbath belonged to Yahweh. It was His signature and oath that meant that their ultimate deliverance would rest on His shoulders not on their promises.

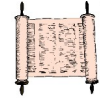
In utilizing Zechariah (Yahweh’s Memorial) and Elizabeth (El of the oath), Yahweh is beginning to announce that He has remembered His promise to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Israel, Judah and the rest of the world in order to begin to lay the foundation for their deliverance which He swore by Himself or His own great name.

## JOHN THE BAPTIST

The angel Gabriel announced to Zechariah that his wife was going to bear a son and that he was to name him “John.” The original Hebrew name for



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John is “Yehowchanan.” Yehowchanan is a combination of two Hebrew words, “Yehow” and “chanan.” “Yehow” is another form for the name “Yahweh.” “Chanan” is defined as; a primitive root (compare 2583); properly, to *bend* or stoop in kindness to an inferior; to *favor, bestow*; causatively to *implore* (i.e. move to favor by petition).

“Chanan” is the primitive root word from whence the Hebrew word for “grace” (chen) is derived. Thus, the name John was an announcement that Yahweh, the Superior One, was going to bend, or stoop in kindness to an inferior.

It is interesting that when John the Baptist was told to begin his ministry that he came into all the country about Jordan preaching the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins. It is interesting because when Yahweh remembered His promise under the first covenant, He called Moses to be instrumental in delivering the children of Israel. Moses means “drawing out (of the water), i.e. rescued.” John was drawing the people out in order to immerse them in water because of their sins. This was in preparation for them to receive the True Messiah Yahshua when He would begin His ministry.

Now we can expand the meaning of the names Zechariah, Elizabeth and John for the fullness of clarification. The El Yahweh has remembered (Zechariah) the oath that He swore by Himself (Elizabeth) to have mercy, grace, favor (John/Yehowchanan) on His people.

## MARY/MIRIAM

In the sixth month of Elizabeth’s pregnancy, the Angel Gabriel was sent to a virgin Miriam in order to announce to her that she was to conceive in her womb and bring forth a male child named Yahshua. “Miriam” is a combination of two Hebrew words. The first is “meriy” which is defined as; from 4784; bitterness, i.e. (figuratively) rebellion; concretely, bitter, or rebellious. The last letter of Miriam’s name “m” comes from the Hebrew letter “mem” and has to do with water or spirit.

Miriam’s name has to do with the condition of the children of Israel at the time of John’s and Yahshua’s entrance into the world. The people had rebelled against Yahweh and His covenant and were suffering under the subjection, harshness and oppression of the fourth world ruling kingdom prophesied by the Prophet Daniel in chapter 2 which also was the fourth beast kingdom of Daniel 7.

Rome was a city which had expanded into a city state, and then a conquering republic, but under the

hand of Julius Caesar, Rome had undergone a change in nature from republic to dictatorship.

Julius Caesar’s life was cut short, but His nephew Octavian took his place declaring that a comet that appeared in the heavens at that time was the resurrected Julius Caesar ascending into the heavens as a god. Octavian declared himself to be the adopted son of Julius Caesar and therefore was the son of god. His name was changed to Augustus which means to venerate, reverence or worship.

Augustus had placed his cousin Herod the great as king over Judaea. Herod means “heroic” or “a hero.” His descent was from a combination of Esau and Ishmael. He was not a true king of Israel from the lineage of David.

While Herod supposedly practiced the faith of the Jews, he built the city of Caesarea wherein was a shrine dedicated to the worship of Caesar. Thus, his faith was feigned.

While he embarked on many great works and even restored the temple of Yahweh, the fact of the matter is that he was a very harsh, oppressive ruler. This caused the people to cry out in bitterness and oppression.

Miriam’s name had to do with the situation of bitterness that the people found themselves in because of their rebellion.

## JOSEPH

Miriam was espoused (engaged) to a carpenter named Joseph. The name Joseph means “Yahweh shall add” (Gen. 30:24).

Joseph was the namesake of a son of Jacob by his wife Rachel. He was sold into slavery by his brothers, but ended up as a savior and deliverer of the family because of his rise to power in Egypt. Jacob/Israel adopted or added Joseph’s two sons Manasseh and Ephraim as his own making the number of sons thirteen. Thus, it was through Joseph that salvation or deliverance was added to Israel as well as additional sons or children.

Joseph, the espoused of Miriam, was a carpenter. A carpenter is a builder. Yahshua became known as the carpenter’s son (Mat. 13:55). Yahshua, as the carpenter’s son, came to rebuild the temple (Jn. 2:19, Mk. 14:58, Acts 7:48, 2 Cor. 5:1, Heb. 9:11, 4).

The name Joseph testifies to the fact that Yahweh was going to add salvation to the children of Israel as He had promised in spite of their rebellion against Him. He would also provide a new body which would no longer be subject to sin, corruption and death.



## YAHSHUA

The name Yahshua means “The Salvation of Yahweh,” “Yahweh’s salvation,” or “Yahweh the Savior.”

It is through Yahshua that grace is able to be administered for the purpose of salvation of the children of Israel, Judah and the Gentiles as John wrote, “And of His fulness have all we received, and grace for grace (inexhaustible grace). For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Yahshua the Messiah,” Jn. 1:16-17.

This grace was spoken of by the Prophet Zechariah (Yahweh’s Memorial/Yahweh’s Remembrance), “Who art thou, O great mountain? Before Zerubabel thou shalt become a plain: and **he shall bring forth the headstone** thereof with shoutings crying, ‘Grace, grace unto it,” Zech. 4:7.

Yahshua is the stone spoken of here. Yahshua is the precious corner stone or head stone that Yahweh was bringing forth in order to bring forth that wondrous grace, “Wherefore also it is contained in the Scripture, ‘Behold, I lay in Zion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on Him shall not be confounded.’ Unto you therefore which believe He is precious: but unto then which be disobedient, the Stone Which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner. And a Stone of stumbling, and a Rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed,” 1 Pet. 2:6-8.

Thus, we find that through the names Miriam, Joseph and Yahshua, Yahweh was going to add (Joseph) His salvation (Yahshua) to the people who were in bitterness because of their rebellion (Miriam).

## BETHLEHEM

Yahshua was born in Bethlehem Judah. Bethlehem is a combination of two Hebrew words “bayith” and “lechem.” “Bayith” simply means house or temple. “Lechem” is the Hebrew word for bread. Therefore, Bethlehem means “house or temple of bread.”

This is a fitting name for the birthplace of Yahshua because He declared that He was the true bread from heaven, “Then said they unto Him, ‘What shall we do that we might work the works of Elohim?’ Yahshua answered and said unto them, ‘This is the work of Elohim, that ye believe on Him Whom He hath sent.’ They said therefore unto Him, ‘What sign shewest Thou then, that we may see, and believe Thee? What dost Thou work? Our

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fathers did eat manna in the desert; and as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’ Then Yahshua said unto them, ‘Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven. For **the bread of Elohim is He Which cometh down from heaven** and giveth life unto the world,” Jn. 6:26-33.

Remember the meaning of the name John? Doesn’t it have to do with a Superior One who stoops or bends down to an inferior? This is the point that Yahweh was making through the name of John. It was the point that Yahshua is making here and it is also the point that Paul was making in Phil. 2:5-8, “Let this mind be in you which was also in the Messiah Yahshua: Who being in the form of Elohim, thought it not robbery to be equal with Elohim: but made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.”

Returning to John 6, Yahshua told the people that He was the true bread from heaven and that He came down from heaven (vv. 35-38). He told them that He is the bread of life (v. 48) and the living bread that came down from heaven (v. 51). He went on to tell them that if anyone is to have eternal life he must eat His flesh and drink His blood (vv. 53-58).

It is important to point out that Yahshua, the true bread from heaven, having been born in Bethlehem, the house or temple of bread, was placed in a manger (Lk. 2:7). A manger is a crib for fodder.

Yahweh’s people understand that they are His sheep (Psa. 79:13). His people are called His sheep in Ez. 34:6, 11, 12, etc. Yahshua calls those who hear and follow Him His sheep (Jn. 10). Yahshua, the true bread from heaven, was born in Bethlehem, the house or temple of bread, and was placed in a manger or crib which holds fodder or food for sheep and other domesticated animals.

Isn’t it amazing how Yahweh has utilized names in order to substantiate His word and plan?

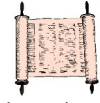
## NAZARETH

Joseph and Miriam dwelt in Nazareth and after Yahshua was born, that is where they went to live. While they did have to flee to Egypt until the death of Herod, when they were called back into the land, they returned to Nazareth (Mt. 2:22-23). Nazareth was Yahshua’s abode when He was called to begin His ministry.

Nazareth is a combination of two Hebrew words “na” and “zarach.” “Na” means to entreat, ask,



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pray. When the priest Zechariah was burning the incense on the altar, the people were outside praying. Of course, the prayers would have been for many things, but one of the prayers had to have been for the salvation of Israel.

“Zarach” means to irradiate, shoot forth beams, to rise (as the sun), to appear (*Strong’s Exhaustive Concordance*, Hebrew Lexicon, #2224).

When John was born, his father Zechariah declared, “Blessed be Yahweh Elohim of Israel; for He hath visited and redeemed His People, and hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of His servant David; as He spake by the mouth of His holy prophets, which have been since the world began: that we should be **saved** from our enemies, and the hand of all that hate us; to perform the **mercy promised** to our fathers, and to **remember** His holy covenant; the **oath** which He **swore** to our father Abraham, that He would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve Him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before Him, all the days of our life. And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of Yahweh to prepare His ways; and to give knowledge of **salvation** unto His People by the remission of their sins, through the tender **mercy** of our Elohim; whereby the **dayspring** from on high hath visited us, **to give light** to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace,” Lk. 1:68-79.

Notice that most of the highlighted words are words associated with the names that we have been discussing. Notice also that the word “dayspring” is employed. “Dayspring” is translated from the Greek word “anatole” which means “a rising of light.”

The light is Yahshua. Yahshua is living in Nazareth which means to rise as the sun. John’s ministry had to precede Yahshua’s by a time designated by Yahweh. John’s ministry was established to prepare the way for Yahshua’s. The earliest beams of the true dawn, the true light were beginning to irradiate forth. Nazareth has to do with asking, praying, entreating for the rising of that light.

When Joseph and Miriam brought Yahshua to the temple to present Him to Yahweh, a man named

## GALILEE

Luke 2:39 records, “And when they had performed all things according to the law of Yahweh, they returned into **Galilee**, to their own city Nazareth.” Also, Matthew records that after the visit of the wise men from the east, Joseph and Miriam had to

flee into Egypt until the death of Herod. When they returned from Egypt they returned to Nazareth of **Galilee** (Mat. Chapter 2).

“Galilee” comes from the Hebrew word “Galiyl” which is defined as; a circle, a valve of a folding door (as turning); also a ring (as round).

The name Galilee speaks of several things. We usually say, What goes around, comes around. Or we can speak of things coming back “full circle”

Yahweh’s plan in Yahshua is to ransom or redeem His people Israel and Judah and also the Gentiles. Therefore, we read such statements in Scriptures as, “**And the ransomed of Yahweh shall return**, and come to Zion with songs, and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness and sorrow and sighing shall flee away,” Isa. 35:10.

“Remember these O Jacob and Israel; for thou art My servant: I have formed thee; thou art My servant: O Israel, thou shalt not be forgotten of Me. I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and as a cloud, thy sins: **return unto Me; for I have redeemed thee**,” Isa. 44:21-22.

“Therefore **the redeemed of Yahweh shall return**, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away,” Isa. 51:11.

Time and time again Scripture speaks of Israel’s and Judah’s dispersal because of their evil works, their iniquitous and sinful ways, but Yahweh also promises that He is their Redeemer and will ransom them from their ways of evil so that they can return to Him and He will bring them back to the land. This is the message of Galilee.

Another **SOLID PROMISE** from Yahweh is found in Isa. 55:11, “So shall My word be that goeth forth out of My mouth: **it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing where-to I sent it**.”

The Apostle John reveals that Yahshua is Yahweh’s Word! “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with Elohim and the Word was Elohim. The same was in the beginning with Elohim. All things were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made. In Him was life; and the life was the light of men....And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth,” Jn. 1:1-4, 14.

Yahshua, came from heaven. He came from the Father. He was His Word. The Father sent the Word forth to accomplish His task and to return.



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Yahshua performed the job that He was given to do because He was the faithful Word of Yahweh. When He had accomplished His task, He had made the way possible for Yahweh's children to be able to return to Him and He returned to the Father having accomplished as prophesied! The circle (galyil) was in the process of being completed.

## THE DOOR

Another meaning for the word Galilee is a valve of a folding door as turning. If the valve is turning, then the door is moving which means that it is either opening or closing. In this case, the door of eternal grace and salvation had been shut, but in Yahshua, the door was opening.

Yahshua proclaimed that He was the door of the sheep and entrance to the sheepfold was only by and through Him, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. And when he putteth forth his own sheep he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him, for they know not the voice of strangers. (This parable spake Yahshua unto them: but they understood not what things they were which He spake unto them.) Then said Yahshua unto them again, 'Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep,' Jn. 10:1-7.

The question that should be on everyone's mind is, Am I a sheep of Yahshua? Am I a sheep of the true Shepherd, or have I been kidnapped by the thieves and robbers? There is only one door and Yahshua is that door. The ransom has been paid by Him and the door opened so that you can return to the Great Shepherd and Bishop of your soul, if you will only hear His voice.

## THE DOORS OF HEAVEN

John 10 is a parable which can only be revealed in Yahshua. Psalm 78 is also a similar parable, "Give ear, O my people, to my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old," vv. 1-2. It is a parable of Israel's sins and disbelief even though Yahweh performed great miracles to provide for and sustain them.

We read, "Though He had commanded the clouds from above, and **opened the doors of heaven**, and had rained down manna upon them to eat, and had given them of the grain of heaven. Man did eat the bread of the mighty: He sent them meat to the full, (vv. 23-25).

Yahweh opened the doors of heaven in order to rain manna down upon the people! The manna was the grain of heaven, the bread of the Mighty! But that manna, that bread from heaven was only a type of Yahshua Who is the true bread from heaven! We have already addressed this concept, but the fact of the matter is that if the doors of heaven were opened (the valves turned/galiyl), then the doors of heaven were opened in a much more powerful manner when Yahshua came down from heaven! (As He said and the Scriptures verify.)

This is what the name and word "Galilee" is declaring to those who will listen, to those who will hear and believe!

## CAPERNAUM

When Yahshua was baptized by John, the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in the form of a dove. The interesting thing here is that Yahshua was conceived in Miriam's womb by the power of the Holy Spirit, therefore, He already had the Holy Spirit as a possession, but now the Father was pouring an unlimited amount of the Holy Spirit upon Him. It was given to Him without measure, "He That cometh from above is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh of the earth: He That cometh from heaven is above all. And what He hath seen and heard, that He testifieth; and no man receiveth His testimony. He that hath received His testimony hath set to his seal that Elohim is true. For He Whom Elohim hath sent speaketh the words of Elohim: for **Elohim giveth not the Spirit by measure unto Him,**" Jn. 3:31-34.

After Yahshua had been given this immeasurable power of the Holy Spirit, He was led into the wilderness in order to confront the great rebel, prince of the power of the air and god of this world, Satan the devil. Having overcome him in the greatest battle of all wars and also hearing of John's death, Yahshua returned to Nazareth (a rising of light), "And He came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up for to read. And there was delivered unto Him the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was



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written, 'The Spirit of Yahweh is upon Me, because He hath anointed Me to preach the evangel to the poor; He hath sent Me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set a liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of Yahweh.' And He closed the book, and He gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on Him. And He began to say unto them, 'This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears,'” Lk. 4:16-21.

Matthew reveals, “And leaving Nazareth, He came and dwelt in **Capernaum**, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying, ‘The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles; the people which sat in darkness say great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.’ From that time Yahshua began to preach, and say, ‘Repent; for the kingdom of heaven is at hand’,” Mat. 4:13-17.

“Capernaum” is another combination of two Hebrew words “kaphar” and “nahum.” “Kaphar” means **to cover** (specifically with bitumen); figuratively, to **expiate** or condone, to placate or **cancel**.

Kaphar has to do with covering, or atoning, an atonement.

“Nahum” is defined as, a primitive root; properly, to sigh, i.e. breathe strongly; by implication, to be sorry, i.e. (in a favorable sense) to pity, console or (reflexively) rue; or (unfavorably) to avenge (oneself).

In one sense it has to do with repentance. In another sense it has to do with comfort or comforting.

Yahshua told His disciples, “If ye love Me, keep My commandments. And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another **Comforter**, that He may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth; Whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him: but ye know Him; for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. **I will not leave you comfortless**: I will come to you....But the **Comforter, Which is the Holy Spirit**, Whom the Father will send in My name, He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your **remembrance**, whatsoever I have said unto you,” Jn. 14:15-18, 26.

Yahshua, the LIGHT, had risen and begun His wondrous ministry. He had to leave Nazareth (a rising of light) because His work would now consist of preparing His people to receive the Holy

Spirit, the Comforter and also through His shed blood, have their sins atoned for, covered. Capernaum, the city that carries the name of the Covering Spirit, the Atoning Spirit, is the name of the city that became the base of His operation.

It is the Comforter, the Holy Spirit, that brings Yahshua’s words back to remembrance (zakar)!

## DELIVERANCE BEGUN

How magnificent is the mighty and powerful Word of Yahweh! He is able to utilize so many ways in which to declare His word, His truth, His plan, His purpose.

He even utilizes the name of people and places in order to provide a hidden message, which when discovered powerfully confirms His message! His message is written in the Scriptures openly and it is also hidden in the Scriptures for us to search out. It is written in the heavens and also in the earth if we have the Spirit and wisdom to be able to search it out, which also comes from Him so that no man can claim superiority.

When Yahweh turned His hand to deliver His people from Egypt, He called a man named Moses which means drawn from water. He began to utilize John the Baptist in order to draw people to Yahshua and His ministry through the waters of baptism.

He gave His Memorial name Yahweh to Moses so that the people would know Him. Yahshua came in His father’s name and has that name as a possession. “I am come in My Father’s name, and ye receive Me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive,” Jn. 5:43.

He delivered the people from Egypt through the memorial of the Passover sacrifice. Yahshua is our Passover sacrificed for us, “Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even the Messiah our Passover is sacrificed for us,” 1 Cor. 5:7.

It was through the giving of the manna, bread from heaven, that the people were led to know when the seventh day Sabbath occurred. Yahshua is the true bread from heaven Who will lead us to the true rest which is the millennium. We know that Yahweh did His work of restoring, recreating the earth in six days, setting aside the seventh day of creation for rest. Peter declares that one day with Yahweh is as a thousand years and a thousand years as one day (2 Pet. 3:8). It is Yahshua, the true bread from heaven, Who will bring that rest into reality.

Thus, the three primary memorials (zakar/zkrown/Zekariah = Yahweh’s memorial/remembrance) given to Israel were speaking of and directing us to



Yahshua.

Do names have meaning? When Yahweh gives them and incorporates them into His word, emphatically YES!!!

It is the purpose of this work to declare the honor and majesty of our Savior Yahshua. We truly hope that the truths found in this article have helped to open your eyes to that honor and majesty. If you are able to read and understand it, HalleluYah!!! If not, please continue to read and pray for more understanding of His honor and majesty. May Yahweh bless you all as you behold the Father through His Son.

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