THE MIGHTY, MARVELOUS & MIRACULOUS "STONE"

THEME: This supernatural "STONE" is none other than "THE LORD JESUS CHRIST".

TEXT: Daniel 2:34-35:

³⁴ Thou sawest till that A STONE was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces.

35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the STONE that smote the image became a GREAT MOUNTAIN, and filled the whole earth.



Daniel 2:45: Forasmuch as thou sawest that "THE STONE" was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that "IT" broke in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold, THE GREAT GOD hath made known to the king what shall come to pass HEREAFTER: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

Question:

When shall this take place?

Answer:

Daniel 2:28: But there is a God in Heaven Who revealeth secrets, and



maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days. Thy dream, and the visions of thy head upon thy bed, are these;

Daniel 2:45: Forasmuch as thou sawest that the STONE was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it break in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold, the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the

interpretation thereof sure.

Daniel 2:44: And in the days of these kings shall the God of Heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not

be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

THE LAW OF FIRST MENTION

In the Science of Bible Interpretation, the Law of First Mention — that is, the first time a word is mentioned — reveals the meaning of TYPES or SYMBOLS which will be used throughout the rest of Scripture.



THE STONE

The first reference of a STONE in The Bible is in:

Genesis 49:24: But His bow abode in strength, and the arms of His hands were made strong by the hands of THE MIGHTY GOD of Jacob; (from thence is THE SHEPHERD, THE "STONE" of Israel)

The HOLY SPIRIT wisely introduces "THIS STONE" to the world as coming from the MIGHTY GOD of Jacob. For out of Jacob's seed, which is from Isaac's seed, which is from Abraham's seed, is Christ.

Galatians 3:16, 19

¹⁶ Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of One, And to thy seed which is Christ.

¹⁹ Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator.

The Holy Spirit does not come suddenly upon revealing "THIS STONE" to the world.

THE SHEPHERD

He precedes "HIS" (CHRIST'S) introduction FIRST by the Title: "The SHEPHERD". This was spoken by the prophet David:

Acts 2:29-30:

- 29 Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day.
- 30 Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;

David said:



Psalm 23:1: The LORD is My Shepherd, I shall not want.

Psalm 80:1: Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, Thou that leadest Joseph like a flock; Thou that dwellest between the cherubims, shine forth.

NOTE: In this passage of Scripture, Joseph's name is mentioned as being led by **The SHEPHERD of Israel**. It is in the first reference that we find that Jacob's prophetic message is also directed to Joseph, along with **the SHEPHERD**, in the Law

of FIRST REFERENCE.

Tracing Christ through the Old Testament as being the SHEPHERD, we now turn to:

Ezekiel 34:23-24:

²³ And I will set up ONE Shepherd over them, and He shall feed them, even My servant David [i.e. the seed of David] He shall feed them, and He shall be their shepherd.

²⁴ And I the LORD will be their God, and My Servant David [i.e. the seed of David] a PRINCE among them; I the LORD have spoken it.



Ezekiel 37:24: And David My Servant [i.e. the seed of David from the Hebrew translation] shall be king over them; and they all shall have ONE Shepherd; they shall also walk in My Judgments, and observe My Statutes, and do them.

NOTE: Observe that the prophecy designates only *One Shepherd* will be over the people in all previous references, and all future references point to **THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, ONLY**. Therefore, the Psalmist David cannot be the one being made reference to here in **Ezekiel**, else there would be two Shepherds reigning instead of **ONLY ONE**. Thus, you can see why the Hebrew designates "**The SEED** of **David**" which is **Christ**.

THE SEED OF DAVID

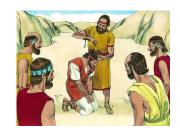
The Jewish people understood these two passages in Ezekiel that Christ would come of the Seed of David and is confirmed in the following passages.

John 7:42: Hath not the Scripture said, That Christ cometh of the Seed of David, and out of the town of Bethlehem, where David was?

Acts 13:22-23:

²² And when He had removed him, He raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also He gave testimony, and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after Mine own heart, which shall fulfill all My Will.

²³ Of this man's seed hath God according to His promise raised unto Israel a Saviour, Jesus.



Romans 1:3-4:

- ³ Concerning His Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the Seed of David according to the flesh;
- ⁴ And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the Spirit of Holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.
- 2 Timothy 2:8: Remember that Jesus Christ of the Seed of David was raised from the dead according to my Gospel.

CHRIST IS THAT SHEPHERD

Psalms 23:1: The LORD is My Shepherd, I shall not want.



Psalms 80:1: Givest ear, O Shepherd of Israel, Thou, Who leadest Joseph like a flock; Thou Who dwellest between the cherubims, shine forth.

Ezekiel 34:23-24: (see above)

Ezekiel 37:24: (see above)

Zechariah 13:6-:7:

- ⁶ And one shall say unto HIM, What are these wounds in Thine Hands? Then He shall answer, Those with which I was wounded in the house of My friends.
- ⁷ Awake, O sword, against My Shepherd, and against THE MAN Who is My fellow, saith the LORD of Hosts: SMITE THE SHEPHERD, and the sheep shall be scattered: and I will turn Mine hand upon the little ones.

Matthew 26:31-32

- ³¹ Then said Jesus unto them, All ye shall be offended because of Me this night: for it is written, I will smite the Shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad.
- ³² But after I am risen again, I will go before you into Galilee.

John 10:11: I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD: THE GOOD

SHEPHERD giveth HIS LIFE for the sheep.

John 10:14: I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD, and know My sheep, and am known of Mine.

John 10:16: Other sheep I have, which are not of THIS FOLD: them also I must bring, and they shall hear My voice; and there shall be ONE FOLD, and ONE SHEPHERD.

NOTE: The Lord Jesus said "ONE SHEPHERD" exactly as Ezekiel prophesied.

Hebrews 13:20: Now the God of Peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that GREAT SHEPHERD of the sheep, through the Blood of the Everlasting Covenant.

- 1 Peter 2:25: For Ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.
- 1 Peter 5:4: And when the CHIEF SHEPHERD shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

NOTE: You can see how the Bible alone interprets the Bible. Using this very same method of allowing the Bible to interpret "THE STONE" exactly as it does THE SHEPHERD, we shall proceed with the Scriptural references concerning CHRIST, "THE STONE."

CHRIST. THE SUPERNATURAL STONE

- I. This STONE is a "LISTENING STONE"
 - A. Numbers 20:7-8:
 - ⁷ And THE LORD spoke unto Moses, saying, ⁸ "Take the rod, and thou gather, thou the assembly together, thou, and Aaron thy brother and ye speak unto the ROCK before their eyes; and 'IT' shall give forth HIS WATER, and thou shalt bring forth to them WATER out of the ROCK."



Why speak? Because this is a LISTENING ROCK.

- B. Joshua 24:27: And Joshua said unto all the people, "Behold, THIS STONE shall be a witness unto us; for it hath HEARD all the WORDS of THE LORD which HE spake unto us. it shall be therefore a witness unto you, lest ye deny your God.
- II. This STONE is also a "SPEAKING STONE".

(STONE and the ROCK are used inter-changeably)

2 Samuel 23:3: The God of Israel said, THE ROCK of Israel spake to me, He Who ruleth over men MUST be JUST, ruling in the fear of the God.

III. This STONE is also an "ALL-SEEING STONE".

NOTE:

Amazingly enough, **This LISTENING**, **SPEAKING**, and now **ALL SEEING STONE** is presented to us in an unforgettable manner.

The Lord Jesus' parables serve the very same purpose and pattern as the **TYPES AND SYMBOLS** in the Old Testament. These are "**TEACHING TOOLS**" and characteristic of God's unique method of communicating with us.

- A. Zechariah 3:9: For behold, the STONE that I hath laid before Joshua; upon ONE STONE shall be seven eyes: behold, I will engrave the graving thereof, saith the LORD of HOSTS, and I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day.
- B. Revelation 5:6: And I beheld, and, Io, in the midst of the Throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a LAMB as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the SEVEN SPIRITS of GOD sent forth into all the earth.

IV. This STONE is a "CHIEF CORNERSTONE"

A. 1 Peter 2:6: Wherefore it contained in the Scripture, Behold I lay in Sion a CHIEF CORNERSTONE, elect, precious: and he that believeth on HIM shall not be confounded.



B. Isaiah 28:16: Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a STONE, a <u>TRIED</u> STONE, a <u>PRECIOUS</u> CORNER STONE, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste.

V. THIS STONE is a "TRAVELLING STONE"

A. 1 Corinthians 10:4: And [they] did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that SPIRITUAL ROCK that "FOLLOWED THEM," and that ROCK was CHRIST.

- B. Psalms 28:1: Unto Thee will I cry, O LORD My ROCK; be not silent to Me; lest, if thou be silent to Me, I become like them that go down into the pit.
- C. Deuteronomy 32:3-4:
 - ³ Because I will publish the NAME of the LORD: ascribe ye greatness unto our GOD.
 - ⁴ HE is THE ROCK, HIS WORK is PERFECT.
- D. 2 Samuel 22:2: The LORD is my ROCK, and my FORTRESS, and my DELIVERER.

VI. THIS ROCK PRODUCES "HONEY"

A. Psalms 81:16b: and with HONEY out of the ROCK should I satisfy thee.



- B. Deuteronomy 32:13c: . . . He made him to suck HONEY out of the ROCK...
- VII. THIS ROCK produces "OIL" a symbol of the HOLY SPIRIT.



Oil - a symbol of the HOLY SPIRIT

Psalms 23:5: Thou preparest a table before Me in the presence of Mine enemies: Thou anointest My head with OIL; My cup runneth over.

Psalms 92:10: But my horn shalt Thou exalt like the horn of an unicorn: I shall be anointed with fresh OIL.

- A. Job 29:6b: ... and THE ROCK poured me out rivers of OIL.
- B. Deuteronomy 32:13a & d: He made him ride on high places of the earth ... He made him suck OIL out of the flinty ROCK.

VIII. THIS ROCK brings forth HOLY FIRE (another symbol of the HOLY SPIRIT)

HOLY FIRE (another symbol of the HOLY SPIRIT)

Matthew 3:11: I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but He that cometh after me is mightier than I, Whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit, and with fire.

A. Judges 6:20-21c:

- ²⁰ And the Angel of God said unto Gideon, Take the flesh and unleavened cakes, lay them upon THIS ROCK . . .
- ²¹... and there rose up **FIRE OUT OF THE ROCK**, and consumed the flesh and the unleavened cakes.
- B. Judges 13:16, 19-20:
 - ¹⁶ The angel of the Lord said unto Manoah, "... if thou wilt offer a burnt offering, ... thou must offer it unto the LORD."
 - ¹⁹ Manoah took a kid with a meat offering, and offered it upon a ROCK unto the LORD.
 - ²⁰ And Manoah and his wife looked on it and fell on their faces to the ground.
- C. Matthew 3:11b: . . . He shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with FIRE.

IX. "THIS ROCK" is a SHELTER, a HIDING PLACE, a REFUGE

A. Exodus 33:21-23:



- ²¹ And the LORD said, "Behold, there is a place by Me, and thou shalt stand upon a ROCK:
 ²² And it shall come to pass, while My glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a clift of THE ROCK, and will cover thee with MY HAND while I pass by:
- ²³ And I will take away My hand, and thou shalt see My back parts: but My face shall not be seen."
- B. Psalms 94:22: The LORD is my defense; and my God is THE ROCK of my REFUGE.
- C. Isaiah 2:10: Enter into the ROCK, and hide thee in the dust, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of His majesty.
- D. Isaiah 32:2: A MAN shall be as an HIDING PLACE from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; ... as a shadow of a GREAT ROCK in a weary land.
- E. Colossians 3:3: For ye are dead, and your life is HID with Christ in God.
- F. Psalms 32:7: THOU ART MY HIDING PLACE; Thou shalt preserve

- H. me in trouble, Thou shalt compass me about songs of deliverance.
- I. Psalms 31:20: THOU shalt HIDE them in the SECRET of THY PRESENCE from the pride of man.
- J. Psalms 91:1: He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

X. "THIS ROCK" from which flows Rivers of LIVING WATER

A. Exodus 17:6a: Behold, I will stand before thee there UPON THE ROCK in Horeb; and thou shalt smite THE ROCK, and there shall come water out of it, that the people may drink.



- B. Psalms 78:16: He brought streams also out of THE ROCK, and caused waters to run down like rivers.
- C. Psalms 78:20a: Behold, He smote THE ROCK that the waters gushed out, and the streams overflowed;
- D. Isaiah 48:21: And they thirsted not when He led them through the deserts: He caused the waters to flow out of THE ROCK for them: He clave the rock also, and the waters gushed out.
- E. John 4:10: Jesus answered and said unto her, "If thou knewest THE GIFT of God, and Who it is Who saith to thee, Give Me to drink; thou wouldest have asked HIM, and HE would have given thee LIVING WATER."

XI. "THIS ROCK" gives SPIRITUAL BIRTH, even THE NEW BIRTH

- A. Deuteronomy 32:18: Of the ROCK Who begat thee, thou art unmindful, and hast forgotten God Who formed thee.
- B. John 3:7: Marvel <u>not</u> that I said unto thee: YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN!!!!

The ALMIGHTY STONE

THE MARVELOUS STONE

THE MIRACULOUS STONE

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

made this declaration to the chief rabbi, and to all of us.

XII. We're exhorted to: "SING unto this ROCK" by the Almighty God, the Father.

Psalms 95:1: O come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the ROCK of our SALVATION.

Do you remember He is a LISTENING STONE?

A. Joshua 24:27: And Joshua said unto all the people, "Behold, THIS STONE shall be a witness unto us; for it hath heard all the words of the LORD which He spoke unto us: it shall be therefore a witness unto you, lest ye deny your God.



- B. Numbers 20:8: Take the rod, and thou gather the assembly together, thou, and Aaron thy brother, and ye speak unto the ROCK before their eyes; and it shall give forth water, and thou shalt bring forth to them water out of the ROCK: so thou shalt give the congregation and their beasts drink.
- XIII. Uuuuupppp!!!! "THIS STONE" becomes a "<u>STUMBLING STONE</u>" to those who do <u>NOT</u> OBEY the WORD OF GOD.
 - A. Isaiah 8:14: He shall be for a Sanctuary; but for a STONE OF STUMBLING and for a ROCK of OFFENSE to both the houses of Israel, for a gin and a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.
 - B. Romans 9:31: But Israel, which followed after the LAW OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, hath <u>not</u> attainted to the LAW OF RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Why? Because they sought it **not** by faith, but as it were by the works of the Law. For they stumbled at that STUMBLING STONE;

- C. Romans 9:33: As it is written, Behold, I lay in Sion a STUMBLING STONE and ROCK of OFFENSE: and whosoever believeth on HIM shall not be ashamed.
- D. 1 Peter 2:7: Unto you therefore which BELIEVE HE is precious:

but unto them which be disobedient, THE STONE which the builders disallowed, the same is made the HEAD of the corner.

Note: *Stone* and *Rock* used are interchangeably here also.

E. 1 Peter 2:8: And a STONE of STUMBLING, and a ROCK of offense, even to them which stumble at the WORD, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.

XIV. "THIS STONE" is a TRIUMPHANT, EXPANDING, VICTORIOUS, WORLD CONQUERING "STONE."

- A. Daniel 2:35c: THE STONE that smote the image became a GREAT MOUNTAIN, and FILLED the whole earth.
- B. Revelation 19:11:-16:

¹¹ I saw Heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and HE [THE LORD JESUS CHRIST] [THE ALL POWERFUL STONE] that sat upon him is called FAITHFUL and TRUE, and in righteousness He doth JUDGE and make war.



¹² His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on HIS HEAD were MANY CROWNS; and HE had a NAME written, that no man knew, but HE HIMSELF.

- ¹³ And HE was clothed with a vesture dipped in Blood: and His NAME is called THE WORD OF GOD.
- ¹⁴ And the armies which are in Heaven followed HIM UPON white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.
- ¹⁵ And out of HIS MOUTH goeth a sharp sword, that with it HE should smite the NATIONS: and HE shall RULE them with a rod of iron: and HE treadeth the winepress of the fierceness of the wrath of Almighty God.
- ¹⁶ And He hath on His vesture and on His thigh a name written, KING of KINGS, and LORD of LORDS.
- C. Matthew 21:44 and Luke 20:18: And whosoever shall fall on "THIS STONE" shall be broken: but on whom soever IT shall fall, IT will grind him to powder:
- D. Daniel 2:34-35:
 - ³⁴ Thou sawest till that a STONE was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces.
 - 35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold,

broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the STONE that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

E. Daniel 2:44-45:

44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of Heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that the STONE was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

QUESTION: Upon whom shall "THIS STONE" fall?

ANSWER: Upon Those who REJECT HIM.

- 1. Luke 20:17: And He [Jesus] beheld them, and said, "What is this then that is written, THE STONE which the builders REJECTED, the same is become the Head of the corner."
- 2. Matthew 21:42: Jesus saith unto them, "Did ye never read in the Scriptures, THE STONE which the builders REJECTED, the same is become the Head of the corner: this is THE LORD'S doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?
- 3. Psalms 118:22-23:
 - ²² THE STONE which the builders refused is become the Head stone of the corner.
 - ²³ This is the LORD'S doing, it is marvelous in our eyes.
- 4. Isaiah 8:14: And HE shall be for a SANCTUARY; but for a STONE of stumbling and for a ROCK of offense to both the houses of Israel, for a gin and for a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

(Note: once again STONE and ROCK are used interchangeably):

- 5. 1 Peter 2:3-4:
 - ³ If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is Gracious.
 - ⁴ To WHOM coming, as unto the LIVING STONE, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God and precious.

6. 1 Peter 2:7-8:

⁷ Unto you therefore, which believe HE IS precious: but unto them which be DISOBEDIENT, "THE STONE" which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner.

⁸ And a STONE of stumbling, and a ROCK of offense, even to them which STUMBLE AT THE WORD, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.

XV. "THIS ROCK" is the *FOUNDATION* upon which the *CHURCH is resting*.

A. Matthew 16:16-18:

¹⁶ Simon Peter answered and said, "THOU art THE CHRIST, THE SON of the Living God.

¹⁷ And Jesus answered and said unto him, "Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath <u>not</u> revealed it unto thee, but My Father which is in Heaven.



18 And I say this unto thee, That thou art Peter [a little rock-Petros] and upon THIS ROCK

[Petra-a GIANT ROCK] I will build MY CHURCH; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

B. SPECIAL NOTE: When the apostle Peter declared: THOU ART "THE" CHRIST, "THE" SON of THE LIVING GOD, he was saying far more than meets the eye of the casual observer. For this adjective "THE" has a distinct meaning. "THE STONE" and "THE ROCK" = "THE" is a designated and distinguishing title like "The President of the United States'.

"The" is a definite, undeclineable article, setting forth "ONE" Who is considered OUTSTANDING.

XVI. THE LAWS OF SCRIPTURE INTERPRETATION

A. One of the Laws of Scripture Interpretation is:

The LAW of FIRST MENTION. As stated earlier, it always sets forth the meaning and pattern for all succeeding references to the given subject. We saw that Genesis 49:24 is the very first reference to the STONE:

Genesis 49:24: But His Bow abode in strength, and the Arms of His Hands were made strong by the Hands of the MIGHTY GOD of Jacob, (from thence is "THE SHEPHERD", "THE STONE" of Israel:

B. Likewise, in **Zechariah** we have the first mention of **BRANCH**.

Zechariah 3:8b-9a

8b... for behold, I will bring forth MY SERVANT THE BRANCH.

^{9a} For behold STONE that I have laid before Joshua; upon ONE STONE shall be seven eyes: behold, I will engrave the graving thereof, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day.

The BRANCH is another symbolic designation for THE LORD JESUS CHRIST right side by side with THE STONE which is also found in this verse, so the one helps to identify the other symbol.

THE "TIME" Factor:

As to **WHEN** this vision of the **GREAT IMAGE** and **THE STONE STRIKING** the image causing it to crumble and be ground to powder

- A. The Fact that the GREAT STONE strikes the image down at its feet reveals the last stage of the Gentile kingdom rule over the face of the earth. That is why the Lord told Daniel this would take place IN THE LATTER TIMES, or the last days of man's rule over this world.
- B. Mankind's rule over the earth and dominion will ultimately end when the KING of KINGS COMES and replaces these earthly kingdoms to REIGN for 1000 years in peace and tranquility.
 - Daniel 2:35: Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the STONE that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

Christ's Kingdom

will be permanent,

unending, and indestructible.

- C. This coming reign of MESSIAH, THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, is revealed in THIS GIGANTIC STONE which becomes a great mountain and fills all the earth.
- D. CHRIST'S KINGDOM will be <u>PERMANENT</u>, <u>unending</u>, and <u>indestructible</u>.
 - 1. Daniel 2:44: In the days of these kings, shall the GOD OF HEAVEN set up a KINGDOM, which SHALL NEVER BE DESTROYED ... and it SHALL STAND FOR EVER.
 - 2. Luke 1:31-33:

 31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, And shalt call HIS NAME JESUS.

³² He shall be great, and shall be called THE SON of the HIGHEST: and The LORD GOD shall give unto HIM the throne of His father David;

³³ And HE shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of HIS KINGDOM THERE SHALL BE NO END.

3. Daniel 7:13-14:

13 I saw in the night VISIONS, and behold ONE like THE SON OF MAN came with the clouds of Heaven, and came to the Ancient of Days, and they brought HIM near before HIM.

14 And here was given HIM dominion, and glory, and A KINGDOM, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve HIM: HIS DOMINION is an EVERLASTING DOMINION, which shall not pass away and HIS KINGDOM that we



not pass away and HIS KINGDOM that which shall not be destroyed.

4. Daniel 7:27: And the KINGDOM and DOMINION, and the greatness of the KINGDOM under the whole Heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High, WHOSE KINGDOM is an EVERLASTING KINGDOM, and all dominion shall serve and obey HIM.

QUESTION: When shall this glorious event take place?

ANSWER: It is recorded in *Daniel 7:25. The anti-christ, the vicious dictator's rule, who is the <u>false</u> CHRIST, shall come to its end during the last half of the Great Tribulation.*

Daniel 7:25: And he shall speak great words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

²⁶ But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.

In Revelation 19:11-20, we are told that the "ONE" Who will defeat him will be THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Revelation 19:11-20:

And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and He Who sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He doth Judge and make war.

- His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns; and He had a Name written, that no man knew, but He Himself.
- ¹³ And He was clothed with a vesture dipped in Blood: and His Name is called The Word of God.
- And the armies which were in Heaven followed Him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

THEN will be fulfilled the Prophecy of:

- ¹⁵ And out of His mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it He should smite the nations: and He shall rule them with a rod of iron: and He treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.
- ¹⁶ And He hath on His vesture and on His thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.
- And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of Heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the Great God;
- 18 That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great.
- ¹⁹ And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him Who sat on the horse, and against His army.
- ²⁰ And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a Lake of Fire burning with brimstone.

QUESTION: Forever and ever? How long is that!!!

ANSWER: The "ORIGIN" of "THIS STONE":

The Holy Spirit reveals that "THIS STONE" is CUT OUT WITHOUT HANDS.



Daniel 2:45: Forasmuch as thou sawest that the Stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known

to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

The Hebrew Bible reveals that "A STONE" tore itself loose without hands and struck the image upon its feet that were of iron and clay, copper, silver, and gold, and ground them to pieces, and then to powder.

This **ALL POWERFUL DEMOLISHING STONE** has a unique and strange undefinable **ORIGIN**. It is **CUT OUT OF THE MOUNTAIN** <u>without</u> hands. Again we go back to:

Daniel 2:45: Forasmuch as thou sawest that the Stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.



QUESTION: WHO or WHAT is this MOUNTAIN?

ANSWER: The Bible contains much SYMBOLIC language, and types, and figures of speech. This is the Lord God's method of illustrating divine truth. First, a picture is much easier to remember than a thousand words. These WORD PICTURES are a teaching tool, as THIS STONE represents the Lord Jesus Christ:

So, this **MOUNTAIN** represents **ALMIGHTY GOD** and governmental authority. The following Bible references will reveal this statement more convincingly.

- 1. Isaiah 40:4a: Every valley shall be exalted, and every MOUNTAIN and hill shall be made low:
- 2. Jeremiah 17:3a-4a:
 - ^{3a} O MY MOUNTAIN ... I will give thy substance and all thy treasures to the spoil...
 - ^{4a} And you, even thyself, shalt discontinue from thine heritage that I gave thee; I will cause thee to serve thine enemies in the land which thou knowest not:
- 3. Jeremiah 51:25: Behold, I AM against thee, O destroying MOUNTAIN, saith the LORD, which destroyest all the earth. I will stretch out My hand upon you, and roll thee down from the rocks, and will make thee a burnt MOUNTAIN.

Interpretation: This MOUNTAIN has references to King Nebuchadnezzar who came into the Holy Land and brought waste and destruction to the nation of Israel.

- 4. Micah 4:1: But in the LAST DAYS it shall come to pass, that THE MOUNTAIN of the House of The LORD shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it.
- 5. Zechariah 4:7: Who art thou O GREAT MOUNTAIN? before Zerubbabel

thou shalt become a plain: and HE shall bring forth the HEADSTONE (THE LORD JESUS CHRIST) thereof with shoutings, crying, GRACE, GRACE unto it.

- 6. Revelation 17:9: Here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven MOUNTAINS, on which the woman sitteth.
- 7. The STONE (i.e. THE LORD JESUS CHRIST) that smote the image became a GREAT MOUNTAIN and filled the whole earth.

Daniel 2:35: Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and THE STONE that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST cut out of the MOUNTAIN i.e. not of human origin

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST cut out without hands... i.e. supernatural birth

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST cut out without hands i.e. Divine linage

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST came out from God the Father, THE GREAT MOUNTAIN.

John 8:42: Jesus said unto them, "If God were your Father, ye would love Me: for I proceeded forth and came from God, neither came I of Myself, but He sent Me."

John 16:27: [Jesus speaking] For the Father Himself loveth you, because ye have loved ME; and have believed that I CAME OUT FROM GOD."

John 17:8: [Jesus speaking] "For I have given unto them the WORDS which Thou gavest ME; and they have received them, and have known surely that I CAME OUT FROM THEE, and they have believed that Thou didst send ME."

NOTE: THE SEVEN FOLD PURPOSE OF CHRIST'S COMING is set fort in a separate message.

8. **"THIS STONE"**, of Whom there is none other like it, will strike the huge image in its feet; i.e. the foundations of these ten Federated kingdoms, which are deteriorated being a mixture of part iron and part clay.

This SAME STONE which crushes the feet and ten toes also does the very same thing to the upper parts of the body — that is: THE GOLD, SILVER, BRASS, and iron.

9. THIS STONE does <u>not</u> gradually, and by degrees, defeat the devil's anti-christ and his satellite kingdoms of this world.

Some Preachers say that Christianity will gradually crowd out the devil's system. NO!!!!

That is <u>not</u> in the Bible. Christ will immediately and instantaneously destroy the kingdoms of darkness.

Matthew 21:44: And whosoever shall fall on THIS STONE shall be broken: but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.

10. IN CLOSING: THE DOMINION of "THIS STONE"



Daniel 2:35: Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found of them: and THE STONE that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

Daniel 2:44: And in the days of these kings shall the God of Heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

CHRIST will reign from the Holy City of Jerusalem in the Holy Land for 1,000 years. The saints will reign with HIM, but scattered over the face of the earth, as kings and priests unto God.

Our BLESSED LORD'S KINGDOM shall have no end, but continues to all the ceaseless ages of eternity,



world without end. This is our message to you, and it is the triumphant message to you till our Lord Jesus Christ returns.

This ALL-POWERFUL "STONE" <u>is</u> THE LORD JESUS CHRIST. HE <u>is</u> KING of KINGS and LORD of LORDS.

Hebrews 7:25: Wherefore, He is able also to save them to the uttermost who come unto God by HIM, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them.

He can save us from ALL forms of sin. What is more, HE can keep us from that which He saved us.

Romans 6:14: For sin shall not have dominion over you: for you are not under the Law, but under GRACE.

Micah 7:19: He will turn again, He will have compassion upon us; He will subdue all our iniquities; and you will cast them all their sins into the depths of the sea.

Therefore, we must conclude that *CHRIST JESUS our LORD is the LIBERATING STONE*, when viewed in the use of this SYMBOLIC Bible language, and typology; which is God's way of teaching us. By placing these word-pictures before us, we will more likely remember what is taught.

The faired sexed desires to be the LIBERATED GENDER. Some demand it, and others are determined to obtain it by various methods and means.

GENUINE LIBERATION, however, can only come from the GENUINE LIBERATOR, Who is none other than THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Liberty is the message of the Book of Galatians:

Galatians 5:1: Stand fast therefore in the LIBERTY wherewith CHRIST hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.

Galatians 5:13: For, brethren, ye have been called unto LIBERTY; only use <u>not</u> LIBERTY for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.

Galatians 2:4: And that because of false brethren unawares brought in [i.e. the church], who came in privily to spy out our LIBERTY which we have IN CHRIST JESUS, that they might bring us into bondage.

CONCLUSION:

I appeal to you who have never been set free from your sins. Come and be set free by the invincible power of the LORD JESUS CHRIST Who has all power in Heaven and earth. I invite you to come to the altar and call upon His Name.

Acts 2:21: And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.



Romans 10:13: For whosoever shall call upon the Name of the LORD shall be saved.

The LORD JESUS CHRIST, alone, can LIBERATE every sinner from the burden and bondage of his or her sins.

John 8:34a: Jesus said: "Whosoever committeth SIN is the SERVANT of SIN."

Then, HE said in:

John 8:34a: "If the SON, therefore, shall make you free, ye shall be FREE indeed."

He can do it. Why not let HIM do it right now? The altar is open, and Jesus will meet you here, right now. He is waiting on your coming.

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