

FOR THE SAKE OF THE HOLY SEED

(PART 2)



(Luke 1:26-38)

From the beginning of times, Satan tried to destroy YAHWEH'S plan to bring about His purpose of redemption for humankind. It started with Cain who killed his righteous brother out of anger and resentment. But YAHWEH gave Adam and Eve a third son who carried the righteous lineage and from his descendants, Noah was born ten generations later. From the family of Shem, one of Noah's son, Abraham was born. The gap between Noah to Abraham was also ten generations. Here is the summary of Abraham's lineage:

1. Noah – name means: *Comfort or Rest*
2. Shem – meaning: *Renown; prosperity*
3. Arphaxad – meaning: *A healer; a releaser*
4. Shelah – meaning: *Sent Out, Branch or Javelin*
5. Eber – meaning: *To pass over, through, take away*
6. Peleg – name means: *Division*
7. Reu – name means: *Friend*
8. Nahor – the name means: *Breathing Hard*
9. Terah – name means: *Spirit, Spirited or Inspired*
10. Abram – *a high father* – later to be called Abraham – *father of multitude*

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YAHWEH called Abraham 400 hundred years after the death of Noah to establish him as the father from whose descendants YAHSHUA, YAHWEH'S Son was to come. Abraham's son, Isaac beautifully symbolized the submission of YAHWEH'S Son, when YAHWEH tested Abraham. The obedience of Abraham and the submission of his son confirmed YAHWEH'S covenant with Abraham with promise. After the death of Sarah, Abraham sent Eliezer of Damascus his servant, to find his son Isaac a wife. Abraham made him swear by the Lord, the God of heaven and earth, that he would not take a wife for his son from the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom he had settled. You should go to my country and to my relatives and take a wife for my son Isaac. (Abraham commanded his servant) (Gen. 24: 2-4). In obedience and faith, Abraham guided his servant according to YAHWEH'S will for the purpose to accomplish YAHWEH'S promise to Abraham. Eliezer, after a few days of traveling, met Rebekah, Isaac's distant cousin. The Bible registers how the two met in a symbolic way, representing YAHSHUA and His Bride- His church: Isaac went out to meditate and bow down [in prayer] in the open country in the evening; and he looked up and saw that, behold, the camels were coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she dismounted from the camel, for she [had] said to the servant, who is that man walking across the field to meet us? And the servant said, He is my master. So she concealed herself with it. And the servant told Isaac everything that he had done. And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and he took Rebekah and she became his wife, and he loved her; thus Isaac was comforted after his mother's death (Gen. 24:63-67).

Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, the daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Padan-aram, the sister of Laban the Aramean. After much prayer to the Lord, because Rebekah was unable to bear children, the Lord granted his prayer and Isaac's wife became pregnant (Gen. 25:20-21). Isaac was then sixty years old. Out of that union twins were born- Esau and Jacob. None of them had a great resume, but YAHWEH chose Jacob and rejected Esau. Jacob's behavior well represented the meaning of his name, which was supplanter. After having deceived his father Isaac for his brother Esau's inheritance's blessing, he fled from the presence of his brother to the land of his uncle, Laban as suggested by his mother, afraid Esau would kill him. On his journey over 400 miles, YAHWEH confirmed the covenant given to Jacob's grandfather

Abraham (Gen. 28:13-15) and Jacob went on his way and came to the land of the people of the East (Gen. 29:1).

He arrived in the land of his uncle Laban where he spent twenty years working for him. He fell in love with Laban's younger daughter but was deceived when given the older one. He worked seven more years to marry the one he loved. From his twelve sons, YAHWEH chose his son Judah. Judah was the fourth son of his first wife, Leah, the older sister. He was not in a sense, a perfect man. He married a Canaanite woman from where Abraham, his grand-father counseled his servant not to choose a wife for his son, Isaac. Two of his sons were wicked and YAHWEH took them away, leaving Tamar, their wife at different times, a widow. Judah fell to fulfill his promise of giving her his third young son after they died. Under the pretension of being a prostitute, Tamar enticed her father-in-law to intimacy with her, after his wife died. Not knowing who under the covering of pretense was, he fell to it and she became pregnant with twins. Two sons were born to Tamar. The name of the firstborn was Perez, meaning breaking forth.

There are ten generations from Perez to David. Even though only men's names were included in generations, there were three women's name mentioned in passing in the generation that led to YAHSHUA'S birth as YAHWEH saw fit to include. They were Tamar, Judah's daughter-in-law, Rahab a prostitute who protected the spies and was saved from the destruction of Jericho, and Ruth the Moabite, who left Moab with her mother-in-law back to her mother-in-law's country, Israel. These were the most important mothers in the world, including Mary the mother of YAHSHUA. YAHWEH, in His purpose and knowledge, chose a generation of the poor, a prostitute, and a foreigner to bring forth His Son. With Him, there was no distinction between people and race. All men sinned and none is perfect in His sight. None is worthy of being part of the generation from where His Son was to come. In choosing these women, YAHWEH showed us that His plan of salvation, in a prophetic and symbolic way, included the entire world. The book of Ruth is a picture of a beautiful and fulfilled plan of God through a Gentile woman – Ruth, and a picture of YAHSHUA'S Bride- made of Jews and Gentile. Ruth was kind and caring toward her mother-in-law, who also was a widow. Her ultimate decision was to forsake her gods, her culture to accept Naomi's YAHWEH, and adopt the culture and custom of her country. She was the kind of emigrant who mingled with what the culture of the country represented. Naomi and Ruth arrived in Israel during the harvest season. Naomi suggested her to glean in the field of Boaz, Naomi's husband's kinsman. Ruth found favor with Boaz. They were married and had a son whom they called Obed. Obed was David's grandfather. There are fourteen generations from Abraham to David. Fourteen generations from David to the Babylon captivity. From Babylon captivity to YAHSHUA fourteen generations.

The Holy Seed now comes in the picture as the angel Gabriel comes to a virgin called Mary, who was engaged to be married to a man whose name was Joseph, a descendant of the house of David, to announce her role as a mother of God's Son, YAHSHUA. He said, Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found grace with God. And listen! You will become pregnant and will give birth to a Son and you shall call His name YAHSHUA. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord

God will give to Him the throne of His forefather David, and He will reign over the house of Jacob throughout the ages; an of His reign there will be no end... Then Mary said, Behold, I am the handmaiden of the Lord; let it be done to me according to what you have said, and the angel left her (Luke 1:27,30-33,38). Mary, from that time on, was the most blessed woman on the face of the earth. She was, as the angel called her, "the favored one."

Satan knew that YAHSHUA was God's Son who had come to save men from the penalty of their sins. He knew that once man accepted the news, he would lose them. He tried to kill YAHSHUA through the order of Herod, by having all the babies from birth to two years old to be killed. That was prophesized by the Prophet Jeremiah 31:15: Thus says the Lord: A voice is heard in Ramah, lamentation and bitter weeping, Rachel is weeping for her children; she refuses to be comforted for her children; because they are no more. All through His ministry, YAHSHUA was persecuted and sought to be killed by the authorities of His people. But He escaped all the attempts, for those were not the times. He was not going to be killed under Satan's wishes and in his time. His Father was in control of the time and the manner in which He was to die. Satan also tried to kill Him under the mercilessness Roman's 120 floggings. Although completely unrecognized and deformed, YAHSHUA overcame and was able to carry the cross where He was made a curse for us when crucified. With that, He paid the price of our redemption in full!

Throughout the years of Israel's existence, YAHWEH preserved the holy seed from where His Son was to come. Israel suffered punishments, captivities and Jerusalem was left forsaken. But the holy seed [the elect remnant] is the stump and substance (Isaiah 6: 13). And out of the stump left alive, the remnant was established from whom YAHSHUA came. Nothing is impossible for YAHWEH. He directs the time and season to accomplish His purpose for each life and for the world.



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