

The Art of Spiritual Warfare Part 2 of 10: Wisdom; War in Heaven; Fall of Angels vs. Satan Cast Out (Presented in 2016)

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Today we are in part two of our series The Art of Spiritual Warfare. If you remember from part one, we began the study by looking at a particular event that took place at a particular time. That event happened in the days of Jared who was the father of Enoch. We read about angelic beings coming down from heaven and crossing the line into the fleshly physical realm by taking human women as wives. Through that union, offspring were produced. This wasn't just any offspring, but it was a vial and evil demonic offspring. We also learned that these offspring have come to make war against us. They have come to do battle against us, afflict us, and oppress us. There's something very important you need to understand about these demons, their hatred for you cannot be quenched. I want you to ponder that.

Generation after generation they afflict, oppress, and they do battle. It is never enough. They never come to a point where they say, "Oh my. I've afflicted man and woman generation after generation. I can't do this anymore. My heart doesn't allow me to do this any longer." No. It is the converse because they never stop coming. They just keep coming decade after decade and never give up. There is no mercy; they only know hatred. This is the reality of our situation.

This week we're going to continue to build upon this theme. This is going to be part two of laying the groundwork down. As an upfront disclaimer today, this is going to be a simple message that I'm going to give you. I'm making a simple point that I could probably do in less than 30 seconds. But there's no fun in that. So we're going to take the scenic route and at times have fun with today's message while at the same time appreciating the gravity of the situation.

So what today is about is understanding our surroundings and the environment that we live. We are going to take a look at the reality of our enemy regarding how powerful, evil, and how formidable he is. After today, if this information doesn't compel you to run to Yeshua, I don't know anything that will. This is kind of the last stop if you will. This information is so persuasive and compelling that if this doesn't prick your heart to fall at the feet of Yeshua, I don't know what is going to do that.

With that said, if you remember in our last study I brought you to the book of Enoch to give you that whole background of what happened according to Genesis 6. Today we're going to go back to the book of Enoch because if we jump ahead a few chapters, we're going to find out that Enoch doesn't stop there in articulating the reality of what we're faced with today. He goes on to describe another event that is even more horrific that has impacted the reality of our situation regarding what we are up against.

Now the passage we're going to look at will be somewhat encoded for some of you. For others, not so much. But we are going to go through the process of decoding this somewhat cryptic message. It's going to be quite easy for us to do so because today we have the New Testament and the Tanakh. So when we have these tools available to us, and we commit to spending time with Yeshua in the Word, not just studying it but walking it out, when we read passages like we're about to read they make perfect sense. When you do those things, there's no illusion. The meaning just jumps off the page at you.

With that said, I'm going to take you to the book of Enoch 42. And I can remember reading this for the first time while I was on a road trip. The first time I read it I was in awe. It was so awesome how it laid out the reality of these things that happened and that are being spoken of over and over again in Scripture. Only this does it in a parabolic fashion. So today you are going to see how cool, awesome, and precious the Bible is. It is the only thing I care about as far as literature goes.

This chapter is a brief chapter in that there are only 3 verses. But do not be deceived because it packs a prophetic punch. Enoch 42:1-2—¹ **Wisdom found no place where she might dwell. Then a dwelling place was assigned her in the heavens.** ² **Wisdom went forth to make her dwelling among the children of men, and found no dwelling place, and took her seat among the angels.** ³ **And unrighteousness went forth from her chambers: whom she sought not she found, and dwelt with them, as rain in a desert and dew on a thirsty land [emphasis added].**

At first glance, this passage may not seem like it is saying a whole lot or even making a whole lot of sense. But I can tell you it does. It is saying a lot here, and it does make a lot of sense.

I want to approach this in a specific fashion. I actually want to break this passage up into two parts because there are two ideas being conveyed. There are two separate events being conveyed. So I want to look at this first event by just looking at the first two verses.

I want to draw your attention to the word “wisdom.” What do you notice about this term wisdom in this passage? Well, the first thing that jumps out is that it is personified wisdom. In other words, it's referring to a person. The question here is, “Who is that person being described here?” This is where the Bible comes into play because when we read about wisdom in the Bible in the identical context where wisdom is being personified, there is only one candidate that fits this bill. That would be the Messiah Yeshua. Period. Yeshua is identified and personified as the wisdom of God. I am going to go on to prove this by showing you from Scripture, both the Old and the New Testament, and establish what is being said here in Enoch.

We look at Proverbs 8:1—**Does not wisdom cry out, and understanding lift up her voice?** Do you notice anything? The entire chapter of Proverbs 8 is all about wisdom, and it is in the identical context of what we read in Enoch 42. Wisdom is personified. Here in Proverbs, we have wisdom, and it's crying out. It's doing something that a person would do, crying out and lifting up her voice.

I can draw the parallel here and show you this identical context. You notice in Proverbs 8 that wisdom is being presented here in the feminine in that wisdom lifted up her voice. What did we just read in Enoch 42? ¹ **Wisdom found no place where she might dwell.** And in verse 2—² **Wisdom went forth to make her dwelling.** These verses are a perfect parallel because both are utilized in the context of the feminine.

Now you might just say, “Well Daniel. Now that's confusing, and you seem to be contradicting yourself because you just reported that wisdom was the Messiah Yeshua. He is masculine. That would fall under the male term.” Well, this is where it's very important that you see from a Hebraic context and Hebraic mindset that it is consistent and common to take the masculine and represent it in the feminine. All you need to do is go through the Bible, and you see this over and over again.

I will give you a couple of examples of this. When you think about the nation of Israel, most times Israel is represented in the masculine. But at other times it's represented in the feminine. Look at Hosea 11:1—**And out of Egypt I called My son.** However, if we go to chapter 2 of Hosea, Israel is referenced in the feminine. This type of thing is consistent throughout Scripture.

When people came to Yeshua and told Him that His mother and brothers were seeking Him, what was His response? Matthew 12:48—⁴⁸ **Who is My mother and who are My brothers?....** ⁵⁰ **For whoever does the will of My Father in heaven is My brother and sister and mother.** So He could be looking at all these men and calling them His mother. Even the LORD identifies Himself at times in the context of a mother. Isaiah 66:13—**As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you.**

We find this over and over again, especially when speaking in the spirit or the parabolic arena. So this is very common to speak in the feminine. Do not be thrown off by this in that wisdom is being utilized in the context of the feminine. This is consistent in Scripture.

Let's move on. We are going to jump around a little bit because I want to build this case. In Proverbs 8:4, we find wisdom stating—**To you, O men, I call, and my voice is to the sons of men.** Who does that sound like to you? What candidate fits that bill? When wisdom is being personified, it is the Messiah Yeshua. Look at this verse in Revelation 3:20—**Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice** (Why would they hear His voice? Because He is crying out to the sons of men.) **and opens the door, I will come into him and dine with him, and he with Me.** Again in John 10:27—**My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.** So the very thing that we see wisdom doing in Proverbs 8 is the very thing we see Yeshua doing throughout His ministry. Even to this very day we these things are being fulfilled.

In addition, as we come to the first century we find that the Apostle Paul understood exactly what I just presented to you. Listen to what he says in 1 Corinthians 1:24—**but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.** Paul comes right out and says Yeshua is the wisdom of God. He is wisdom personified.

Going back to Proverbs 8:17—**I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently will find me.** Where have we heard that before? John 14:21—**He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.** Yeshua just got done saying the same thing that we just read in Proverbs 8. Look at this—**He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him** and manifest Myself to him (John 14:21). What did wisdom just say in Proverbs 8:17? **I love those who love me.**

There's no question we're dealing with the Messiah Yeshua. You can even look at Exodus 20—**showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.** The love is reciprocated. This is the context.

Jumping ahead in Proverbs 8:22-23 we read this—²² **The LORD possessed me at the beginning of His way, before His works of old.** ²³ **I have been established from everlasting, from the beginning, before there was ever an earth.** I want to draw your attention to this word “established.” This is about wisdom in that wisdom has been established. If you read this in the Hebrew, the word is נָסַךְ *nacak*. It means, to be poured out. So the context of what is stated is that wisdom is saying, “I have been poured out from everlasting.” Where have we heard that before? In Ephesians 1:3-7, Paul tells us that God chose us in Yeshua before the foundation of the earth. Yeshua was predestined to be our atonement, our forgiveness of sins. He was chosen to be poured out. And with this, the prophets agree.

Psalms 22:14—I am poured out like water, and all My bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; It has melted within Me. This is a messianic song. We all know this pertains to Yeshua. There is no debate about this. Fascinating enough, as you continue in the book of Enoch, it talks about this personified wisdom—**For wisdom is poured out like water (Enoch 49:1).** So the simple point that I am making here is that when we read about wisdom in the 42nd chapter of Enoch, we know Scripture proves it is talking about Yeshua.

To further prove this point, just look at the description in this passage that's given regarding this wisdom because this personified wisdom has an action. Enoch 42:2—² **Wisdom went forth to make her dwelling among the children of men.** What do we know about Yeshua? We know that the Word became flesh. Yeshua said in John 6:41—I am the bread from heaven. This bread, this Word, came down from heaven, and He made His dwelling among the children of men.

Well, what happened when Yeshua came down? Something happened. Look at the second half of Enoch 42:2—**and found no dwelling place, and took her seat among the angels.** So when Yeshua came down from heaven, did He stay? No. He found no dwelling place whatsoever.

So here we found that there was no dwelling place for Him. This was describing Yeshua's ministry in that when he came down from heaven He ascended back up. Look at the second half of Enoch 42:2—**and found no dwelling place, and took her seat among the angels.** What happened to Yeshua when He ascended up to heaven? He took His seat. You need to pay close attention to what's described here.

Throughout the New Testament, you can see this. For example in Hebrews 1:3 we know that when Yeshua rose from the dead after paying our penance, He sat down at the right hand of the Father. He sat down on the throne of God. He took His seat. Enoch 42 is describing with perfect accuracy this event of Yeshua's coming with impeccable persuasion. It is amazing.

I never truly appreciated the passage I'm about to show you until I went through the book of Enoch because something just clicked. It made perfect sense to me. In Matthew 8:19 we find a scribe coming up to Yeshua and saying—**Teacher, I will follow You wherever You go.** Yeshua responded with a very peculiar statement that is not followed by any clarification. It is like Yeshua grabbed it out of thin air and threw it to the scribe. But after reading Enoch 42, it makes perfect sense. Look at what is recorded in Matthew 8:20—**And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head.**

Isn't that fascinating! When we look at Enoch 42, we find— **and found no dwelling place, and took her seat among the angels.** Then here in Matthew 8:20 Yeshua said—**Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head.** He found no dwelling place!

This is an amazing statement because this just starts to jump off the page. So Yeshua is telling this scribe that he may follow Him, but the scribe isn't going to follow Him into heaven. Yeshua was telling the scribe He was going back because there was nowhere on earth for Him. In other words, Yeshua must ascend.

The other thing I want to draw your attention to here that directly ties into the book of Enoch is the term "Son of Man." Now we find this term utilized in the book of Ezekiel. In the book of Daniel, it is specifically utilized in the context of the Mashiach. But what's interesting is when we talk about what's being said here regarding Yeshua not staying on earth and rising to heaven, this "Son of Man" term ties directly to the book of Enoch. Son of Man is one of the main titles for expressing the Mashiach in the book of Enoch. The book of Enoch utilizes this term in a mighty way like the book of Daniel does in that the Son of Man will sit on the throne. All of this ties together and is telling us the same story.

Now going back to continue in the book of Enoch. There's a second event recorded here that is the focus of today's setting of the stage. Going to Enoch 42:3 we read—**And unrighteousness went forth from her chambers: whom she sought not she found, and dwelt with them, as rain in a desert and dew on a thirsty land.** Who do you suppose this unrighteousness is referring to? Satan, the devil. HaSatan. We're going to prove this of course through Scripture. Before we go to Scripture, I do want you to notice that unrighteousness is looking for someone in particular, but we're told that she doesn't find the one she is looking for. This is very important.

To explain this, I want to take you to the book of Revelation and show you how this all ties in. Revelation 12:1—**Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars.** I want to stop here for a second. Who is this woman? How do we identify her? Well fortunately for us we are given a very significant sign of who this woman is. The sign of who she is is in the words, a garland of twelve stars. Who would be on the top of this woman's head? That would be Israel. This woman is Israel.

Continuing in Revelation 12:2-5—**² Then being with child, she cried out in labor and in pain to give birth. ³ And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great, fiery red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads. ⁴ His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to give birth, to devour her Child as soon as it was born. ⁵ She bore a male Child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron. And her Child was caught up to God and His throne.**

What did we just read in the book of Enoch 42? Wisdom would come forth. And Revelation 12 refers to a male child being brought forth. And who was waiting for the male child? Unrighteousness. What did Enoch say? **And unrighteousness went forth from her chambers: whom she sought not she found (Enoch 42:3).** This is exactly what is being described to a tee in Revelation 12. This even goes to the point in Revelation 12:5 to state—**And her Child was caught up to God and His throne.** Same context as Enoch.

Moving on to Revelation 12:6-7—**⁶ Then the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, that they should feed her there one thousand two hundred and sixty days. ⁷ And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought.**

It says that a war broke out in heaven. Try to wrap your mind around what was just said here in verse 7. This war was not physical. This war was not here on earth. This war broke out in heaven. It was amongst the immortals, angels, of God. These are the ones who saw God face to face and worshiped Him.

Think about that. All of a sudden a war erupted in a place we can't even imagine. Who would ever think something like this could happen. When you sit down to think about this, we expect war here on earth. Especially in the physical realm. But not in heaven because that is where perfection reigns.

How is that possible? What happened? Something had to happen for this to erupt. What was the cause of this? The cause was Satan went after the throne of God. He went to assume the throne, and he was willing to fight for it.

What was the outcome of this war? We find out in the next verse in Revelation 12:8-9—⁸ but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. ⁹ So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old. This is interesting because this is directly taking you back to the Garden of Eden. Who deceived Eve? The Bibles say in Genesis that it was the serpent. So we have this in Genesis and Revelation.

Continuing in Revelation 12:9—called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. Satan was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. Trying to put this into perspective for a second. If we were to go back to Revelation 5, we would find the angels of heaven crying out, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain." And then we are given a number—ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands (Revelation 5:11). If you do the math, you conservatively come up with way over 100,000,000 angels.

We're creating some perspective here. You have way over 100,000,000 angels. If you read Revelation 5, most people would understand the context as referring to the very end after a third had already been cast out. So how many angels are we talking about when we cast out a third? We're talking hundreds and hundreds of thousands. Put that in perspective.

Why does that matter? Why do we need perspective on this? As we continue, we're going to find out. Read in Revelation 12:10-11—¹⁰ Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. ¹¹ And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death. Now listen closely as we continue in verse 12—¹² Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them!

Well, this is wonderful. The heavens get to rejoice because the accuser has been cast out and thrown out. But I want to ask the question that all of you want to ask, "What about us?" Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! Something monumental has taken place. For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time." ¹³ Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child. Dropping down to Revelation 12:17—And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war. This is what he has done. When he was cast out of heaven, he came to make war—with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

What I want you to understand is that we are at war. This is war. And this is not just against the evil spirits produced in the generation of Jared. This is much bigger than that because we are told that over a third of heaven has come which amounts to hundreds upon hundreds of thousands of angels coming down

This is a horrible situation. This is as bad as it gets. And if that weren't enough, guess what? They now have a leader. They have a leader who was second to none among the angels in heaven. Scripture tells us that Satan was the seal of perfection. Scripture tells us that he was full of wisdom and that he was perfect and beautiful. All of these accolades that HaSatan have to make sense because we're also told that he was the covering cherub who literally overshadowed the mercy seat. He was as close as you could get to God aside from Yeshua who sat on the throne.

What you think about that puts this in context. Now, this adversary is coming for us. He's coming to make war against those who confess Yeshua and have committed in their hearts to keep His commandments no matter what. They will not compromise.

In the interest of self-preservation, you might want to consider that fact. And understand something; walking away from Yeshua is not going to be an option for you. Giving up is not an option for us either. We are going to have to fight, or we will fall. Understand the situation, as far as enemies go this is the worst case scenario. Our enemy could not be more dangerous, and he is better at what he does than anyone. He is clever, and he is a deceiver. He is the father of lies, and he has mastered the art of intimidation. And make no mistake; he knows your vulnerable spots. He knows your weak spots, and he's going to hit you where it counts. He's going to try to take you out.

Let me be clear. We do not stand a chance against him or his army. In every way, he's more militarily advanced than we are. He's more capable, stronger, faster, quicker, and wiser than we are. It does not matter how many people that you get to join your fight; you will not prevail. There is only one who will prevail, and His name is Yeshua. Yeshua is the only one who can prevail. You have options, but you had better get on His team, or you will be beaten.

All I have said so far is being done to drive your commitment to righteousness. This is to drive your commitment to the LORD and to get the world out of your heart. You need to destroy the worldly emotions that are welling up inside you and get them out because you are being hunted. You're being hunted, and the demons and the angels are coming after you to take you out

The most important thing that you need to understand about the art of spiritual warfare is your need for your LORD, for the Messiah Yeshua's victory. This war is going to depend on you putting your faith in Him. This isn't a weak faith; this isn't going to be a convenient faith. This isn't one that's easily toppled over. It is steadfast to the end. It is a faith that will not waver, bend, or break. It's a faith that is going to be tested. It is a faith that will be refined.

Yeshua is our secret weapon. For us to live through this war, we're going to need Him. We're going to need Him to fill our heart in every way.

With that said I want to recap what we have covered thus far. We have identified not one event but two events that have dramatically impacted the way we live our lives today and our environment. The first event is fallen angels have come down to earth, and they spawned evil spirits. These spirits have come out against us to do battle and inflict torment. Then we have another event. Satan and a third of

his angels were cast out of heaven.

I want to be clear why I formatted these first two teachings the way I did. These are not the same event. And in my opinion, it is essential for you to have this perspective. To prove these are two different events, I want to ask the question, when was Satan cast out of heaven? We know what happened in the generation of Jared. So when was Satan cast out of heaven? Was it during the generation of Jared? We know for a fact that is not true if we hold to the testimony of the book of Enoch.

So again I ask, when was Satan cast out of heaven? Some of you might guess it was at the time of the garden because that's very plausible and would make sense. When Satan tempted man to sin would make some sense because as a result God could have taken action and thrown Satan out of Heaven because he corrupted His servants. Satan committed an abominable crime.

I can tell you that Satan was not cast out of heaven based on what he did to Adam and Eve in the garden. We know this because later on in the book of Job, what do we discover? We discover this—⁶ Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them. ⁷ And the LORD said to Satan, "From where do you come?" So Satan answered the LORD and said, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking back and forth on it" (Job 1:6-7).

This is clearly after the garden. There is a debate concerning when Job existed and the book of Job was written. We don't have answers to those questions, but we know for sure that the event talked about in Job 1:6-7 happened after the garden. We find, after the fact, the devil still had full access to present himself before the LORD.

This should make sense to you because what do we learn in Genesis 28. We learn about Jacob's ladder and the vision he experienced. He saw angels descending to the earth and ascending into heaven. There appears to be a portal for angels to go between heaven and earth.

So we know that after the garden incident Satan is still allowed to present himself. Why? Well, you can ask the LORD that when you get to heaven. I'm not entirely sure myself. It's just a fascinating thing.

So when exactly did this event happen? Does the Bible even give us any indication as to when Satan was cast out? Interestingly enough, the gospel of John gives us a little bit of insight. There are a couple of things Yeshua said that were recorded by John. When considering the topic we're talking about right now, I think these statements are going to resonate with you on a level they may never have before.

I want to show you what Yeshua said in John 12:27-31—²⁷ Now My soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose, I came to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify Your name." Then a voice came from heaven, saying, "I have both glorified it and will glorify it again." ²⁹ Therefore the people who stood by and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to Him." ³⁰ Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come because of Me, but for your sake. ³¹ Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out.

Yeshua said—**now the ruler of this world will be cast out.** I used to read this back in the day without a whole lot of thought other than thinking, "This makes sense. Yeshua came, and now the devil has no more power over us or the earth. He has been cast out." This makes sense until you get to see the bigger picture and realize what Yeshua was talking about when he says—**now the ruler of this world will**

be cast out. The key word is, now.

Let's build upon this by going to John 14:30—I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming, and he has nothing in Me. Think about that statement. Yeshua warns this generation that the ruler of this world is coming. Why would he be coming? Because he was getting cast out of heaven. When you go back and read Revelation 12, you find that it lines up perfectly.

So when did this happen? When can we Scripturally derive a timetable of when HaSatan and a third of the angels were cast out during the generation of Yeshua? When you think about this paradigm shift that existed in the universe with the coming of Yeshua to save His sheep and make atonement, it makes perfect sense. When Yeshua rose up in power, the Kingdom of Heaven was purged. Think about that! It is not just on earth but in the Kingdom of Heaven too. Think about who we serve. Think about that power and authority. We are to put our trust in that power!

I want to close today by taking you back to Genesis 8 and show you there's a story that pretty much articulates everything we covered today. It just utilizes different imagery. This is going to be a lot of fun! Going to Genesis 8:6—So it came to pass, at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made.

I want you to understand there are some details we're going to be covering in Genesis 8 because with due respect you have to ask yourself why these details were even included. It is because there is a deep prophetic spiritual connotation to the imageries that we're going to be covering in these passages that echo everything we just talked about. It is very powerful.

The first thing I want to say is you need to understand the ark is representative of heaven. When God came to destroy the earth, where did Noah go? God told him to go into the ark—Then the LORD said to Noah, “Come into the ark, you and all your household because I have seen that you are righteous before Me in this generation (Genesis 7:1). These words echo the words of Yeshua found in Matthew 25:34—Then the King will say to those on His right hand, ‘Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

So you see what is happening to Noah symbolically. He is being brought in the ark and concealed from what? From the wrath of God. This ark is representative of the Kingdom of Heaven. You will see this even more as we continue.

The next thing we read in Genesis 8:7 is—Then he sent out a raven. I want to point something out because it is always the details that are important. He sends out a raven. The word raven in the Hebrew is עֹרֵב `oreb. It is an unclean bird. This is a very important piece of information. It is an unclean bird he sent out, a raven. And what did this raven do? Genesis 8:7—which kept going to and fro until the waters had dried up from the earth. We just read in Job 1:7 that Satan told the LORD he was going to and fro throughout the earth. What is this unclean, or you could say unrighteousness, raven doing? It is doing the same thing that we discovered Satan did. It was going to and fro. Interesting enough the next thing we read in Genesis 8:8 is—He also sent out from himself a dove. This is a clean bird.

Let's take it a step further. When John saw Yeshua after he was baptized, what did John witness? He saw the spirit descending upon Yeshua as a dove. Right?

So now we have this dove sent out from the ark—to see if the waters had receded from the face of the ground. ⁹ But the dove found no resting place for the sole of her foot (Genesis 8:8-9). What does it say here? It found no resting place for the sole of her foot. What did we read in Enoch 42? Wisdom found no place where she might dwell (Enoch 42:1). Yeshua said the same thing in Matthew 8:20—and Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head.” This is crazy; you can't make this stuff up.

The LORD is trying to tell us things. Are we willing to see them? He is telling us the same stories over and over again and again. The book of Esdras is a phenomenal example of that. This is how cool Scripture is.

So the dove goes out the first time and cannot find a place for the sole of her foot. What a coincidence! Genesis 8:9—and she returned into the ark to him. Yeshua returned to heaven.

Continuing in Genesis 8:9—for the waters were on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took her, and drew her into the ark to himself. I love how it is using the feminine. Enoch also utilized wisdom in the feminine. Continuing—And he waited yet another seven days. Seven is the time of completion. So he waited for the right moment, and what does he do? And again he sent the dove out from the ark (Genesis 8:10). This is a direct representation of the second coming! Now listen to this in Genesis 8:11—Then the dove came to him in the evening, and behold, a freshly plucked olive leaf.

So he sends out this dove a second time, but the dove comes back with something. A leaf. A leaf represents life, but it's not just any leaf. It is an olive leaf. And what does Israel represent metaphorically? Where do we see this? We see this in the prophet Jeremiah. We see this in the Psalms, and we see this in Romans 11. Israel is likened to an olive tree.

Israel is likened to an olive tree. And here this dove has a freshly plucked olive leaf in her mouth celebrating life and resurrection. Finishing the Genesis 8:11-12 verse—and Noah knew that the waters had receded from the earth [the time had been completed]. ¹² So he waited yet another seven days [He waited until the appointed time was over] and sent out the dove, which did not return again to him anymore. The dove never went back.

That is interesting because we know when Yeshua plucks all the olive leaves and goes back up to heaven, He conceals us until the wrath of God is passed. We are told that at that time heaven comes down to earth. It will never return again to heaven. There will never be a division again. New Jerusalem will come down to earth permanent. How awesome is that?