

Mt Hermon, The River of Life and Two Destinations

The River of Life. Knowing what to hold on to, and what to let go. Being washed from the things that detain us from our inheritance of Eternal life.

The name Mt Hermon comes from the complicated verb ??? (*haram*), meaning to designate something or someone (humanity) to one the two possible ways the afterlife can be experienced. Presumably life or death.

The river Jordan flows from Mount Hermon of the two choices, and comes from the Hebrew ????? Yarden, meaning "to go down", relating to the **Jordan** River flowing from the snow melted waters of Mt Hermon above Israel, passing just outside of Jerusalem, then goes down through Galilee and has its final destination in the Dead Sea, which is ironically the lowest elevation on planet Earth.

We see here embedded in the Land and the Hebrew language the preservation of the progression and purpose of the gospel. Only the Creator could do that. This is amazing!

You can see the Jordan River flows from Mount Hermon into the Dead Sea as one of the two options, the one with least resistance.

However for the other option one must go down into the river Jordan to be washed and come out clean from the debris of the head waters, and all the obstacles picked up along the way.

It was with Joshua that the Israelites were baptised through the Jordan River to be cleansed from the old, to go on into their inheritance in the promise land, the land where the promises have their fulfillment. Even as the writer of Hebrews put it "8 For if [b]Joshua had given them rest (in the land after dividing it among them), then He would not afterward have spoken of another day.

Showing us that these are just pictures that contain the gospel. The gospel message promises eternal life to those who have their old nature with all its baggage, to trade it in by unloading it into the Jordan river, to come up to walk in newness of life. This pictures the resurrection of faith. However, many side step this by faith and wait for facts.

The true Israel of God according to scripture is Gods only Begotten Son as defined here in Exodus 4.22. He is the true Israel and promise land and not the twelve tribes or a piece of land on earth. They too, like the pictures we are showing you today, are just pictures of Gods reality, just underneath carnal perceptions.

Yeshua or Jesus as commonly known today, is that promised land we are to participate in now. As the new covenant concurs that "all the promises of God are yes and amen in Christ" the true promised land. To be "in Christ" is to be "in the promise land" of spirit and truth. The land and the things shown here only symbolize and demonstrate in picture form, the invisible realities and promises of God in the Spirit for those who are born of the spirit.

(Please read John chapter 3 for better understanding of this)

Just as a side note: the names Joshua and Jesus originate from the same Hebrew name "Yeshua". The Hebrew language does not have a "J" sound. The old testament Joshua and Yeshua were just a picture of Gods Son who leads us into the land. They have the same name.

For this reason Joshua had to baptize the generation after Moses who had not been baptized through the Red Sea, to leave their old self, to come up clean, to have a blank slate to go forward and receive the promises of God.

For us, the river Jordan represents a timeline for the gospel that goes through earthen Israel first. Like Paul said "to the Jew first, then also to the gentiles. Not that the Jews are regarded as better, but showing us the wrong way to do it. It is not a physical matter, but a spiritual one that requires faith. The old way couldn't produce that. Hence "the new and living way" brought to us "in Christ".

And as Paul said to the Jews of his time saying "since you have judged yourself unworthy for the gospel, we are taking it to the Gentiles", as the next place in the progression of the gospel. Like the Jordan River goes to the sea of Galilee, symbolizing the gentiles.

Galilee means nations and gentiles and is really quite fitting given that the original promise to Abraham was that "in you all the nations (means gentiles and Galilee) of the earth shall be blessed. And that is where the Jordan River flows after it side skirts Jerusalem, then down to the nations. "And they will hear it".

For this testimony we can confirm in the book of The Revelation where "every tribe, nation and tongue worship the Lamb.

This is why John the Baptist at the river Jordan, spoke to the Jews and said "who hath warned you to flee from the coming wrath of God?" Showing us that they knew it was time to disassociate from that Jerusalem the Jews places and practices. That is why the River Jordan side skirts Israel, even to this day.

Just as Joshua baptised in the Jordan and with the time of the Jews being over, at the time of Christ all were coming out of Jerusalem, going to John the Baptist who said "who has warned you to flee from the wrath of God". They knew that they had to make a break with Jerusalem because of her pending doom.

They came out of her and went back to the beginning of the gospel for Baptism through the Jordan River for repentance unto salvation and newness of life. They aligned with Joshua. Just as he provided a do-over after Moses. They wanted one too.

The other option of life signified from Mt Herndon with the two ways of life, that makes its final deposit into the dead sea, or sea of the dead, of those who failed to cross over into "The land of promise", our Savior.

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Amen!