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The Eagle Nebula -- A Small Part of What YEHOVAH God Has in Store for His Spirit-Begotten Sons

The Last Great Day -- A New Beginning!

Lesson 23

An Open Letter from the Staff...

What is the real, true meaning of the one day festival that occurs at the close of the Feast of Tabernacles -- called Shemini Atzeret in Hebrew, or “the Eighth Day”? The awesome significance of this final festival day in YEHOVAH God’s Plan has gone unnoticed, misinterpreted, and misunderstood by millions! It does NOT picture the “Great White Throne” judgment at the close of the Millennium, as thousands have assumed -- but something far greater than that!

In the book of Leviticus we read a description of all the annual holy days of YEHOVAH God, beginning with Passover, Feast of Unleavened Bread, Pentecost, Trumpets, the Day of Atonement, and the seven-day Feast of Tabernacles or “Ingathering” of the harvest (Leviticus 23:1-36). Then, at the close of the Feast of Sukkot or Tabernacles, in the fall, we read: “...on the EIGHTH day shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: it is a solemn assembly; and ye shall do no servile work therein” (Leviticus 23:36).

This one-day festival occurs right at the end of the seven-day Feast of Tabernacles, which pictures the Millennial reign of the Messiah and YEHOVAH God (**Revelation 20:4; Isaiah 11**). The last or seventh day of the Feast of Tabernacles pictures the FINAL DAY OF HARVEST or INGATHERING -- that is, the final time of spiritual harvest which is pictured by the Great White Throne judgment, when all those who ever lived are resurrected and “judged” according to their works (**Revelation 20:11-15**). This “seventh day” of the Feast is also called “the great day of the feast” (**John 7:37**), and is the time when YEHOVAH’s spirit is poured out on ALL mankind (**John 7:37-39**). It pictures a truly “great day of salvation” when billions will be saved, and will come to know YEHOVAH God!

So what does this “eighth” day represent -- what happens next in YEHOVAH’s Plan for mankind? Read on for the incredible answer!



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What is the hidden, unrealized meaning of “Shemini Atzeret” -- or “the EIGHTH DAY”?

MILLIONS have lived and died -- yet have never once heard the NAME of Yeshua the Messiah! Without THAT name no one can be saved (**Acts 4:12**)!

Are they lost forever because they didn’t hear the gospel? Because the name of Yeshua had not reached them?

And what about little infants that die?

It is commonly assumed that time is FAST RUNNING OUT on YEHOVAH God. That He is desperately trying to get everybody saved before it is too late! Meanwhile Satan is pictured as trying to keep everybody lost! Satan, according to this view, is clearly the winner!

But this is not what the Bible says!

What of the millions enslaved under the dreadful yoke of pagan Islam? They have never been allowed to hear the Messiah’s GOSPEL. They didn’t choose to be born in such a society. Are they forever LOST? Is the door of salvation forever shut in their face because they can’t hear the truth in this life?

Paul says of the heathen peoples of this earth, “ye were without Christ, being aliens ... and strangers from the covenants of promise, HAVING NO HOPE, AND WITHOUT GOD IN THE WORLD.” (**Ephesians 2:11-12.**)

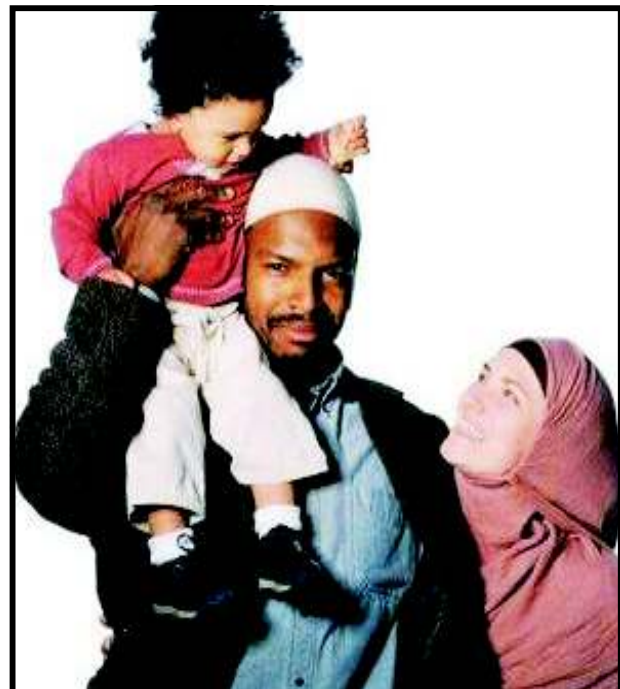
Clearly, people who have not heard the way salvation and the name of Yeshua the Messiah ARE WITHOUT HOPE OF SALVATION -- ARE LOST FOREVER -- IF THERE IS NO FUTURE OPPORTUNITY FOR SALVATION!

Would YEHOVAH God be fair to condemn them because they CANNOT hear the truth?

What about those who have died before they could learn about YEHOVAH’s plan? Perhaps some of your relatives and friends never grasped the importance of YEHOVAH’s plan in their lives. Are they DOOMED FOREVER?

Can you imagine the multiple hundreds of billions of people who have been born, who have lived through miserable marriages, reared and lost children, and have grown old, suffered and died since the Creation of the Earth -- NEVER KNOWING THE GOD THAT GAVE

Muslim family under the yoke of a pagan, Satanic religion -- are they lost forever?



THEM LIFE -- NEVER ONCE HAVING SEEN A BIBLE OR HEARD THE NAME OF YESHUA THE MESSIAH PRONOUNCED IN THEIR EARS?

Are these poor ignorant people forever lost? Is the hope of salvation and eternal life forever beyond their grasp?

Can you imagine a merciful and just God condemning innocent little children -- whose lives were cut short before they could either walk or talk -- to remain dead for all eternity without the knowledge of YEHOVAH God's happy way of life? Is that the kind of sadistically cruel God you want to serve?

OF COURSE NOT!

That is the God preached by the false ministers of this world. But the God of your Bible is NOT THAT KIND OF GOD!!

YEHOVAH God is a God of love. He is also a God of justice. He punishes the wicked for their willful sins. But what of the millions for whom the Messiah died, yet who never knew of YEHOVAH's provision for their salvation? Are they doomed forever?

Not at all!

How, then, are they to learn of salvation? The answer to this is revealed in the Feast of Tabernacles step in YEHOVAH's Master Plan! This we covered in Lesson 20.

YEHOVAH God has, in His fairness, planned for everyone who has ever lived to receive the very same opportunity for salvation you are being given!

Just as the week is not complete without the Sabbath Day, so YEHOVAH's Master Plan is not complete without YEHOVAH's seventh annual Holy Day!

Seven is YEHOVAH's special number signifying completion and perfection. Without the knowledge of this seventh annual Holy Day, you can't understand the perfection of YEHOVAH God's Master Plan.

You are ready to begin the twenty-third lesson. In order to understand this final phase -- the wind-up -- of YEHOVAH God's plan, you must understand the last of YEHOVAH's annual

Holy Days, symbolizing the pouring out of YEHOVAH's spirit and a new beginning!

A Common Misconception

The Messiah told his disciples to follow his example, to do the same things he himself had done. "If ye know these things," said the Messiah, "happy are ye if ye do them" (**John 13:17**).

1. Did the Messiah observe the Feast of Tabernacles in New Testament times? **John 7:2, 8-10.**

COMMENT: The Feast of Tabernacles is a seven-day Festival. It is followed by an eighth day -- the Last Great Day -- the last of the seven annual Holy Days which YEHOVAH God ordained. However, the terms "Great Day of the Feast" and "Last Great Day" have been confused by many churches.

2. What day is the apostle John referring to in **John 7:37**?

COMMENT: In the New King James Version of the Bible the term "great day of the feast" is used which many have taken to mean the eighth day or Shemini Atzeret. However, this simply is NOT true!

This same verse, in the *Jewish New Testament*, is rendered, "Now on the last day of the festival [of Tabernacles or Sukkot] HOSHANA RABBAH, Yeshua stood and cried out, 'If anyone is thirsty, let him keep coming to me and drinking!'"

3. The last day of the Feast of Tabernacles -- THE SEVENTH OR FINAL DAY -- is called Hoshana Rabbah (The Great Hoshannas) and pictures the final day of salvation or harvest -- the Great White Throne judgment which occurs at the close of the Millennium. See **Revelation 20:5-14**.

4. What was the Messiah preaching on Hoshana Rabbah, the 7th and last day of the Feast of Tabernacles? **John 7:37-39.**

5. Did the Messiah speak of the time of the final resurrection in connection with the last day of the Feast of Tabernacles? Compare **John**

11:23-26 with John 6:39, 40, 44.

COMMENT: Here the rest of “saved” mankind is described -- those who will enter the Kingdom of YEHOVAH God during the Millennial reign of YEHOVAH God and the Messiah, and those who are resurrected to mortal life to be given their chance for salvation after the Millennium during the “Great White Throne” judgment period -- the “Great Day of Salvation” represented by Hoshana Rabbah, the SEVENTH and final day of the Feast of Tabernacles.

6. Turn to the central passage which outlines all of YEHOVAH God’s remarkable Holy Day plan (**Leviticus 23**). Here, in Old Testament symbolism, lies the New Testament gospel message.

Was there an eighth day of worship held immediately following the seven days of the Feast of Tabernacles? **Leviticus 23:34-36**.

7. Was this eighth day (Shemini Atzeret) one of YEHOVAH God’s annual Holy Day Festivals? Did YEHOVAH command His people to appear before Him on that day in Holy Convocation? **Same verse.**

8. Is it an annual Sabbath of rest? **Verse 39.**

9. Are YEHOVAH God’s people specifically reminded to keep this eighth day as a separate festival -- distinct from the Feast of Tabernacles? **Verses 39-42.**

COMMENT: Since the eighth day was observed immediately after the Feast of Tabernacles had ended, people who had come to the Feast of Tabernacles continued to keep the final eighth day as well. Unfortunately, it became confused, by modern theologians, with the last day of the Feast of Tabernacles (the 7th day), which is called the “Great Day of the Feast” in the New Testament (**John 7:37**).

10. This one-day festival

occurs right at the end of the seven-day Feast of Tabernacles. What does the Feast of Tabernacles picture? **Revelation 20:4; Isaiah 11.**

COMMENT: The Feast of Tabernacles pictures the Millennial reign of the Messiah and YEHOVAH God. The last or 7th day of the Feast of Tabernacles pictures the FINAL DAY OF HARVEST or INGATHERING -- that is, the final time of spiritual harvest which is pictured by the Great White Throne judgment, when all those who have ever lived are resurrected and “judged.”

11. What standard are these peoples judged according to? **Revelation 20:11-15.**

COMMENT: They are judged according to their works.

12. This “seventh day” of the Feast of Tabernacles is also called “the great day of the feast” or Hoshana Rabbah -- as we have seen (**John 7:37**). What happens at this time? **John 7:37-39.**

COMMENT: This is the time when YEHOVAH’s spirit is poured out on all mankind. It pictures a truly “great day of

Today, for the first time since apostolic days, the gospel -- the Good News -- of the Kingdom of YEHOVAH God is reaching India as a witness. Yet only the few are hearing -- and far fewer understand! This is simply not the day the Messiah is trying to save everyone. Not until after the 1,000 years will India’s deceived billions, who have lived and died in utter ignorance, be called to the knowledge of the truth.



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Only the few in India have the benefits of Western education. Most have never heard the name of Yeshua the Messiah.

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What is the hidden, unrealized by many in the churches today, meaning of “Shemini Atzeret” -- or “the eighth day”?

YEHOVAH’s Final Festival

1. When YEHOVAH God established the Church in the wilderness, did He remind His people to appear before Him in Holy Day Festivals at three seasons of each year? **Exodus 23:14-17.**

2. What were these three seasons? **Verses 15-16.**

COMMENT: The three seasons are the beginning of spring, early summer, and the beginning of autumn. The spring Holy Days were the Passover and the Days of Unleavened Bread. About early summer, YEHOVAH’s people keep the Day of Pentecost. And in autumn — the great festival season — come the Day of Trumpets, the Day of Atonement, the Feast of Tabernacles and the Last Great Day. Within the three festival seasons fall all of YEHOVAH God’s annual Holy Days.



Hindu custom requires Indians to bathe in the Ganges River. Many millions of Indians are blinded by Hinduism.

3. How long are YEHOVAH’s people to continue keeping this final annual festival? **Leviticus 23:41.** Is it “forever”?

4. In the days of Solomon, was Israel keeping the Feast of the eighth day? **I Kings 8:66.** See also **II Chronicles 7:8-10**, the parallel account.

5. Did wise King Solomon know that the observance of the Feast of Tabernacles did not complete God’s Holy Day plan? **Same verses.**

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COMMENT: Beginning during the second week of the seventh month, King Solomon held a feast in celebration of the dedication of the new temple. This celebration included feasting and rejoicing for seven days (**I Kings 8:65** and **II Chronicles 7:9**), until the end of the 14th day of the seventh month. During this time Israel observed the fast day -- the Day of Atonement -- on the 10th of the month. The people then celebrated the Feast of Tabernacles for seven days (**I Kings 8:65**). Immediately after the Feast of Tabernacles, YEHOVAH's people observed the last or eighth day (**II Chronicles 7:9**). It was a solemn assembly held on the 22nd day of the seventh month. This day always falls on a weekly Sabbath. On the next day the people returned to their homes (**II Chronicles 7:10**).

6. After the Israelites had been taken into captivity for neglecting YEHOVAH God's Sabbaths, and forgetting His Holy Day Master Plan, a few of the people were permitted to return to Palestine. Under Ezra and Nehemiah, did this remnant remember that YEHOVAH's Master Plan was not complete until the eighth day was observed? **Nehemiah 8:14-18**

7. How was the eighth day celebrated in Nehemiah's time? **Verse 18**, note the words, "according to the manner."

COMMENT: The eighth day was kept according to the manner that was written in the Book of the Law, **Leviticus 23:36**.

8. What does it mean to keep the eighth day as a "solemn assembly"? **Nehemiah 8:18** and **Leviticus 23:36**.

COMMENT: The words translated "solemn assembly" in the King James Version should properly read, "day of restraint" (see marginal reference) from the Hebrew. The Septuagint clarifies this phrase, "a closing day," indicating that the eighth day -- sometimes referred to as The Last Great Day of the Feast of Tabernacles -- was the final Holy Day in YEHOVAH's Master Plan.

Meaning of Shemini Atzeret -- The Last Great Day

As we have already seen, the Fall Festivals picture the whole plan of YEHOVAH God. The Feast of Rosh Hoshana (Trumpets) pictures the call to repentance (the blowing of trumpets of warning) and the return of the Messiah, followed by the Day of Atonement, or Yom Kippur, which pictures the Judgment Day when the Messiah judges the world. This holy day is followed by the seven-day Feast of Sukkot, or "Ingathering," which pictures the Millennial reign of YEHOVAH God and the Messiah, for 1,000 years (**Revelation 20:10-14**). The last day of this feast (Sukkot or Tabernacles), the seventh or final day, called Hoshana Rabbah, pictures the final day of salvation or harvest -- the Great White Throne judgment, which occurs at the close of the Millennium (**Revelation 20:5-14**).

But what happens AFTER this final period of JUDGMENT of the multiple billions of people on the earth -- including all who never understood YEHOVAH's truth, the vast numbers of "Gentiles," and those who were not called to be part of the "firstfruits" from the dead? What happens after they have been "harvested" and "in-gathered" into the Kingdom of YEHOVAH God?

1. Notice **Revelation 21:1-5**.

2. Now go to **Revelation 21:10-16**.

COMMENT: Could this magnificent city be in the shape of the Holy of Holies of YEHOVAH's Temple in Jerusalem -- a huge magnificent CUBE? It will represent the "Holy of Holies" in the earth, which will be the very throne of YEHOVAH God. Those who will be the "Bride" of the Messiah -- those who are in the FIRST RESURRECTION -- will dwell with YEHOVAH God and the Messiah in this magnificent "Holy of Holies"!

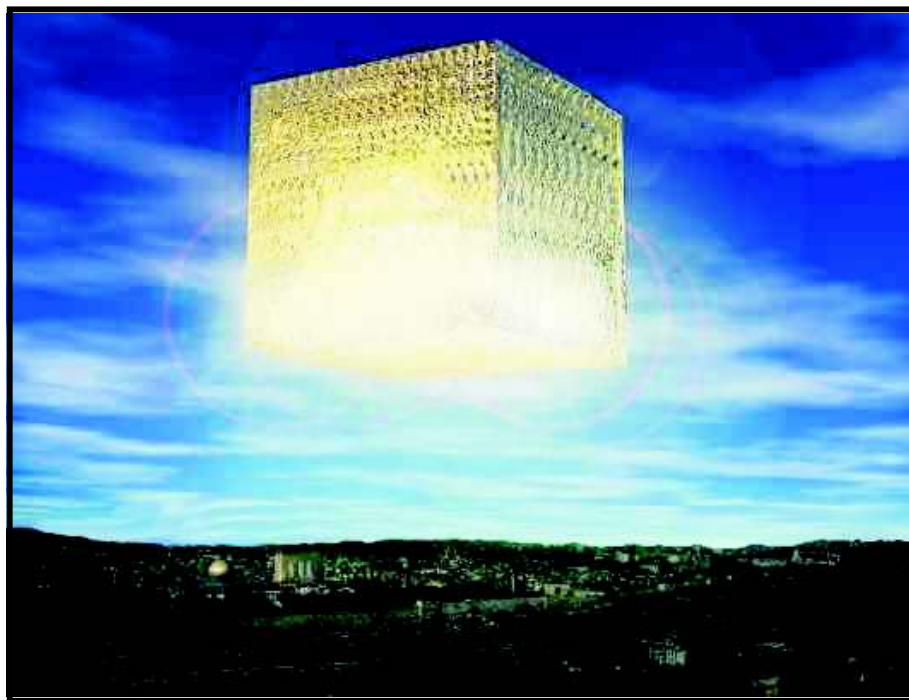
3. But notice further. Outside this city, in the magnificent New Earth, will dwell ALL THE NATIONS OF MANKIND that will be saved, and given immortality and eternal life!

Revelation 20:24-27.

COMMENT: The term “saved” also has a “present” connotation to it -- that is, the Greek word “saved” also means “those who are in a saved condition,” or “those who are *in the process of being saved*” (see **I Corinthians 1:18, 15:2; II Corinthians 2:15; II Timothy 1:9**). As a result, this verse has another incredible and fantastic implication!

4. Notice Isaiah 65.

COMMENT: In this chapter Isaiah the



An artist's rendition of the New Jerusalem descending to earth.

prophet describes the incredible scene of the New Heavens and the New Earth. He says that this is something to be rejoicing about FOREVER -- that is, for all eternity!

5. But notice what ELSE he says about this stupendous, fantastic time. **Isaiah 65:17-25.**

COMMENT: This passage is clearly DUAL in application. It describes the Messianic Kingdom of Yeshua the Messiah, who is coming soon to establish the Kingdom of YEHOVAH God on earth, as the fulfillment of hundreds of Messianic prophecies, and also the return of YEHOVAH God Himself to rule *with* the Messiah!

But, and notice this, it also describes, in a vivid and clear fashion, the “new heavens and new earth” (**Isaiah 65:17**). It clearly states that in that New Heavens and New Earth, *THERE WILL BE CHILDREN BORN* -- that YEHOVAH’s plan of procreation and multiplication of Sons of YEHOVAH God through human beings, will continue, throughout the ages, and perhaps even “beyond time”!

6. What did Yeshua the Messiah plainly tell the apostle John in **Revelation 21:5**?

COMMENT: Is “Shemini Atzeret” (the Last Great Day) in reality the “staging ground,” the threshold, the NEW BEGINNING of the NEXT PHASE of YEHOVAH’s plan? Its very name identifies it as a “new beginning.” YEHOVAH God will create a “new beginning” when He creates new heavens and a new earth. Yeshua the Messiah plainly told John -- “I make *ALL THINGS NEW*”!

7. Notice what the apostle Peter writes in **II Peter 3:10-13.**

COMMENT:

Here Peter writes of that coming awesome time.

YEHOVAH’s Incredible Plan

1. Notice what YEHOVAH God says in the book of Genesis. **Genesis 1:26-28.**

COMMENT: How much authority does YEHOVAH God *really* intend to give mankind?

2. What does David tell us in the Psalms? **Psalms 8:4-6.**

COMMENT: Notice that David says “You have made him to have dominion over the works of Your hands; You have put *ALL*

THINGS [that is, ALL THE UNIVERSE!!!] under his feet.”

3. The apostle Paul referred to this Scripture in **Hebrews 2:8**.

COMMENT: He clarifies it by saying that “He left *NOTHING* that is not put under him.” YEHOVAH God intends for mankind, after he repents of his sins and learns his lessons, and learns to obey YEHOVAH God, and develops righteous, holy, Godly character, to become GLORIFIED AS HIS OWN CHILDREN whom He will give AUTHORITY to rule the entire Cosmos -- the UNIVERSE -- all the galaxies and star systems of space!

4. With this in mind, read what Paul says in **Romans 8:18**.

COMMENT: Paul was so overwhelmed by the thought of mankind’s destiny that he exclaimed, “For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the GLORY which shall be revealed in us” (**Romans 8:18**). How incredibly awesome is the plan of YEHOVAH God!

Onward and Forward Forever!

Will YEHOVAH God’s plan of reproducing Himself, expanding His Divine Family, through human beings made in His express image and likeness, continue throughout all eternity? There are many indications in the Bible that this is so.

1. Consider **Isaiah 9:6-7**.

COMMENT: Notice that it says, “Of the increase of His government and peace THERE WILL BE NO END...from that time forward, EVEN FOREVER.” The word “increase” in this passage is the Hebrew word *marbyth* and literally means “multitude,



Mankind will eventual inherit and rule over the galaxies in the far reaches of space.

offspring, greatness, increase.” The word for “end” is the Hebrew word *quetz* and means “extremity, utmost, border, finite.” In other words, YEHOVAH God is telling us here that the growing and multiplying and INCREASING of the SIZE AND SCOPE AND NUMBERS in YEHOVAH’s Kingdom will have NO “limitation” or “border” or be in any sense “finite” or “limited.” The increase will grow and continue like “compound interest,” FOREVER AND EVER AND EVER -- throughout the future ages and aeons of time and space!

2. There is further evidence of this in the book of Genesis -- notice **Genesis 9:12-16**.

COMMENT: In verse 12 the word for “generations” refers to HUMAN generations. The word for “perpetual” is the Hebrew word *olam* which literally means “forever, eternity, the vanishing point.” The expression “PERPETUAL GENERATIONS” therefore implies that human reproduction will go on FOREVER -- *IT IS THE PLAN OF YEHOVAH*

GOD TO CONTINUE REPRODUCING BEINGS IN HIS VERY LIKENESS AND IMAGE -- HIS OWN SONS AND DAUGHTERS -- FOREVER!!!

3. For a final proof of this read **Deuteronomy 7:7-8**.

COMMENT: Here YEHOVAH tells His people Israel that He has CHOSEN them as His special people -- not because of their own greatness, or goodness, but that He chose them because He loved them, and Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, their ancestors, to whom He had made wonderful promises, which He fully intends to keep.

4. Notice what YEHOVAH then said to Israel. **Deuteronomy 7:9**.

COMMENT: The Hebrew word for "generations" here is *dor* and literally means "ages," "generations," "revolutions." In the Bible, one of the key definitions of a "generation" is found in **Numbers 14**. If we use the number "40" as the length of a Biblical "generation," then YEHOVAH's statement in **Deuteronomy 7:9** that He would bless the righteous "to a thousand generations" would compute to a time period of 40 years times 1,000 generations -- in other words, 40 X 1000 = 40,000 years!!

Clearly, when we put all these Scriptures together, *there will be human beings born in the new heavens and new earth! They also will be given an opportunity -- without Satan or his demonic hordes to tempt or seduce them -- to qualify for salvation and eternal life!*

They will live in a wonderful Garden of Eden-like world, like Adam and Eve, only this time there won't be Satan or his demons to deflect, sidetrack, deceive, or seduce them! But they will have billions of "sons of YEHOVAH god," already in YEHOVAH's Kingdom, ready to help, instruct, guide and teach them, at a moment's notice! And when they have qualified, they, too, will become spirit beings -- literal "sons of YEHOVAH God" in the ever-expanding KINGDOM OF YEHOVAH GOD!

YEHOVAH God's Great Plan will

continue onward and forward -- for ALL ETERNITY, "to the vanishing point," that is, throughout "all ages"!

Truly, there is far more meaning and significance to "The Eighth Day" -- Shemini Atzeret -- than mankind has ever begun to imagine or entertain in his mind!

5. Notice what Paul says in **I Corinthians 2:9**.

COMMENT: Think of it! We, who are called now, have the opportunity to get in on the "ground floor," so to speak, of YEHOVAH's Kingdom -- to be a part of the BRIDE of the Messiah, to be the "Israel of God" (**Galatians 6:16**). The rest of the nations, mankind, including our own children who are not called now, in this age, will become members of YEHOVAH's Kingdom at a later time, when their "calling" comes to fruition.

6. Notice what Paul says in **Romans 11:26-32**.

7. Thinking on these marvelous things, what does Paul say in **Romans 11:33-36**?

Vast Majority to be Saved

YEHOVAH God Almighty, in His wisdom, has devised the best possible way for men of all times and nations to receive salvation and eternal life.

This Master Plan is so simple yet so effective that the overwhelming majority of mankind will flee the corruption of their desperately wicked human nature, and turn gratefully to YEHOVAH God -- submitting to His guidance and government. But if salvation were guaranteed to every man -- it wouldn't be necessary for you to struggle with and overcome your own wicked human nature. No righteous character could be built.

A very few people out of all the earth's population ever fail in YEHOVAH's plan. They fail because they stubbornly insist on their own ways -- the ways of death (**Proverbs 14:12** and **16:25**). They persist in living rebellious, sinful lives, making themselves and everyone else

around them miserable.

These people have proven by their repeated willful acts of sin they will not let YEHOUAH God govern them through His spirit. They have willfully rejected YEHOUAH's ways.

YEHOUAH God will give everyone all the help, encouragement and opportunity for success needed to inherit eternal life. YEHOUAH WILL NEVER QUIT HELPING you! But these rebellious people have quit on YEHOUAH! They no longer show by their actions they really want to inherit eternal life and so YEHOUAH, in love, will not give it to them.

In order to secure peace and prosperity -- order, real happiness and success throughout all eternity -- YEHOUAH God can't allow these wicked people to make life miserable for others around them.

Although YEHOUAH certainly has no pleasure in the death of the wicked (**Ezekiel 18:31-32**), these sinful people must be put out of the way. They must not be allowed to make themselves and others unhappy any longer.

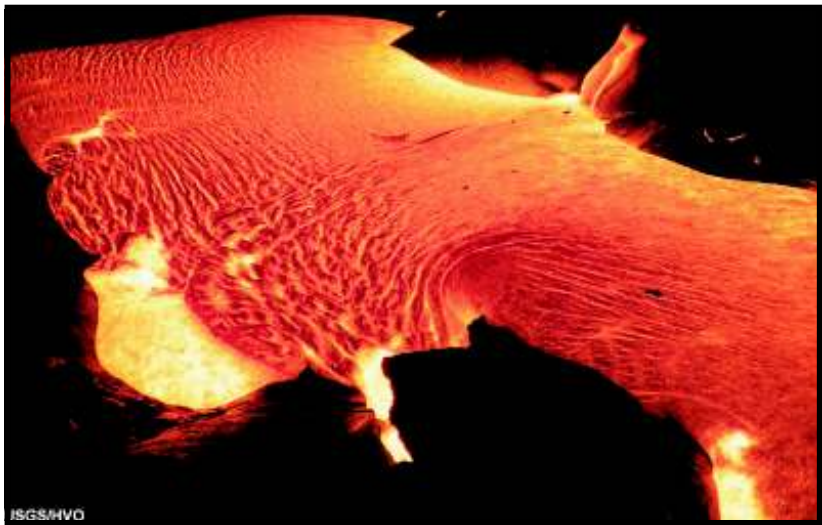
Let's recap the wind-up of YEHOUAH God's Master Plan and see what follows after the Great White Throne Judgment period pictured by the 7th and last day of the Feast of Tabernacles.

New Heavens and New Earth

1. Now that all YEHOUAH's children are born into His spiritual family, what is His new plan? **Isaiah 65:17-19**.

COMMENT: The Hebrew word "bara" used in **Isaiah 65:17** and translated "create" is actually the participial form of the verb, and should therefore be properly translated, "creating."

With parts of the earth immersed in the cleansing Lake of Fire as a type of baptism, the cycle of creation is complete. Rising from the Lake of Fire, a spiritual NEW HEAVENS and a NEW EARTH WILL APPEAR. THIS IS the site of YEHOUAH'S NEW project. Notice **verse 17** should read, "For, behold, I AM CREATING



All those who refuse to repent will be cast into the Lake of Fire to be destroyed and to remain dead forever.

new heavens and a new earth...." Let's get a glimpse of this new project YEHOUAH God has promised to begin.

2. We read of another aspect of this renewal process in the New Testament. **Revelation 21:1** and **II Peter 3:10**.

COMMENT: This quotation, from **II Peter 3:10** -- "the earth and the works that are in it will be BURNED UP" -- is a glaring mistranslation of the Greek in the Authorized or King James Version of this text.

The word EARTH (from the Greek term *GE*) means "land" or "any particular district of country," and the words "BURNED UP" is a mistranslation of the Greek term *KATAKAI*O which literally means "to find," "to discover" or "to uncover" -- and NOT burned up at all. The Rotherham and other versions of the Bible render it "discovered," and it is clear that Peter is here speaking of the day when the waters of the oceans will be re-orbited in the form of rings (the

earth, at one time, had rings like the planet Saturn) and 140,000,000 square miles of LAND (not earth) will be uncovered -- NOT burned up as many think.

There is a vast difference between burning up the entire earth and uncovering some 140,000,000 square miles of NEW LAND, and it is obvious that this was the theme of Peter's words and that he had no thought of a completely burned up earth! Some areas of the earth that have been polluted by man will be purified by fire, but vast areas never touched by man will be uncovered.

3. Notice what **Ecclesiastes 1:4** says.

COMMENT: Peter believed the prophets and accepted their words that "the earth abideth FOREVER."

4. Not only that, but YEHOVAH God said the earth was TO BE INHABITED -- **Isaiah 45:18**. We can rely on their words, not upon the words of the faulty English translators, and we can rest assured that the earth will NEVER be completely burned up!

5. Is this the time when the New Jerusalem will descend out of heaven to the earth, and become the capital of the universe? **Revelation 21:2** and **Isaiah 52:1**.

6. Isn't this the first time in history that YEHOVAH God the Father will PERMANENTLY reign with Jesus Christ on earth with His newly born spiritual sons? **Revelation 22:3-5**.

COMMENT: Prior to the cleansing of parts of the world in the Lake of Fire, YEHOVAH God the Father -- in His Shekinah Glory form -- would temporarily sojourn on the earth. When it is purified He will establish His personal headquarters and throne in this Holy City.

7. Doesn't YEHOVAH God intend to share this new project with His spiritual sons? **Isaiah 66:22**.

8. Who is it that will live in the Holy City, and have a part with YEHOVAH God and Yeshua the Messiah in the refurbishing of the universe? **Revelation 22:14**.

9. How will the Holy City be built? **Revelation 21:10-25**. Notice the size of the city. How big will it be? **Revelation 21:15-17**.

COMMENT: A furlong in the days of Yeshua the Messiah and the apostle John was approximately 582 feet. This would make a city nearly 1,500 miles in each direction!

10. Are rivers of living waters to be available in this New Heavens and New Earth? **Revelation 22:1-2**. Isn't this time pictured by the Last Great Day (Shemini Atzeret -- Eighth Day)? The final day in YEHOVAH God's perfect Master Plan for man's ultimate spiritual re-creation? Of course it is. Doesn't Luke in writing Acts describe this as the RESTITUTION OF ALL THINGS? **Acts 3:21**. Aren't all reborn Christians to receive spiritual refreshment from YEHOVAH God at this time? **Acts 3:19**.

Now You Understand YEHOVAH's Holy Days

Consider for just a moment!

Before you began to study your Bible with the aid of the HOPE OF ISRAEL MINISTRIES BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSE, you probably knew nothing at all of YEHOVAH God's plan for the eventual salvation of mankind. Now this knowledge has been made available to you. Your mind has been opened to understand things that men all over the earth want to know. You now know the answers to the basic, important, over-all questions concerning life and the purpose for which you have been born, because YEHOVAH God has chosen to reveal it to you.

This is a startling fact -- did you ever wonder why such a thing is true?

Why has this vitally important, essential knowledge been made available to the entire world through only one source, and why has it been made available to you -- now?

1. When the multitudes asked the Messiah for a sign, that his work was the work of YEHOVAH God the Father, what did he reply? **John 6:28-33**.

2. Did Yeshua make clear that whoever was FEEDING YEHOVAH'S PEOPLE was doing YEHOVAH's work? **Verses 32-33**. Did the people understand or were they only interested in feeding their physical bodies? **Verses 26 and 34**.

3. Did Yeshua the Messiah mean that YEHOVAH God's true work in any age would be operating food or soup lines? Or didn't he mean that YEHOVAH's work would be feeding the starving MINDS of humanity with the vital truths of YEHOVAH's inspired Word? **Verse 35**. See also **Matthew 4:4**.

4. Did the Messiah command the apostle Peter to faithfully feed the spiritual Church? **John 21:15-19**. Later, didn't Peter pass on this command to the elders of the New Testament Church? **I Peter 5:1-2**.

5. What is it that YEHOVAH God's ministers are commanded by Yeshua the Messiah to preach? **II Timothy 4:2**. Is this to be done at SPECIFIC SEASONS OF THE YEAR? **Same verse**.

6. What must YEHOVAH's ministers preach to His Church in specific seasons of the year? **Leviticus 23:4**. Isn't this the reason YEHOVAH God originally created the seasonal cycle? **Genesis 1:14**.

COMMENT: From the creation of the heavens and earth, YEHOVAH God has been illustrating His remarkable Holy Day plan to mankind. YEHOVAH's Holy Days are patterned according to the seasons of spring, summer and autumn. The only church (as far as we know) fulfilling the Messiah's command to proclaim the truth of YEHOVAH's seasonal plan in its DUE SEASON IS the Hope of Israel Ministries.

7. What does YEHOVAH think of ministers who don't feed the people of YEHOVAH God in proper season, who don't give them the understanding of His wonderful plan? **Ezekiel 34:2**.

COMMENT: Other organizations may seem to have some little truth, but it has been cleverly mixed with the POISON OF ERROR!

The mixture is DEADLY! Imbibing of this diluted poison will sooner or later end in your eternal death -- THE SECOND DEATH! These diluted poisons may appear to be good, but they are improperly labeled as "Christian," and contain poison just the same.

Acting Out YEHOVAH's Plan Annually

All of YEHOVAH God's annual Holy Days are built around the annual harvest season in Palestine -- but it is the SPIRITUAL harvest that YEHOVAH is interested in. Old Testament Israel was reminded of their dependence upon, and relationship to, YEHOVAH God by the seasonal cycle of harvest Holy Days. Now YEHOVAH's faithful New Testament Christians can go -- individually -- to their own Bibles and receive the vital life-saving knowledge of YEHOVAH God's Master Plan for spiritual harvest through these SAME HOLY DAYS!

What man wants to REMEMBER, HE MUST CONTINUALLY REVIEW.

As true Christians observe each annual Holy Day Festival in its season, they are reminded of YEHOVAH's Master Plan, and their individual part in it. Each year the cycle of Holy Days is repeated, and each year these festivals act as a reminder of YEHOVAH's over-all purpose for the salvation of all mankind.

YEHOVAH's annual Holy Days give you the opportunity to "ACT OUT" the purpose for which you were born. By "acting out" YEHOVAH's plan each year, your goal is constantly kept in the front of your mind. It is reviewed for you because you are symbolically "reliving" it each year.

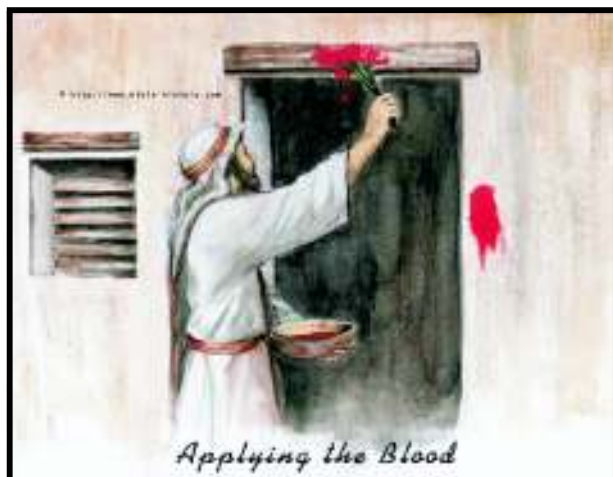
YEHOVAH God Almighty, in His loving mercy, has revealed this wonderful knowledge to you. If you intend to achieve the purpose for which you have been born, you MUST BEGIN TO KEEP the Holy Days which point out that purpose. If you neglect your opportunity for salvation, how can you escape the Lake of Fire and the second death (**Hebrews**

2:3)?

What you will do with this knowledge is up to you.

Notice YEHOVAH's admonition: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. BECAUSE YOU HAVE REJECTED KNOWLEDGE, I WILL REJECT YOU from being priest for Me; because you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children" (**Hosea 4:6**).

What will you do?



Applying the Blood

Applying blood to the doorposts and lintel -- Exodus 12:7.



Keeping YEHOVAH God's Passover today.

Hope of Israel Ministries -- Taking the Lead in the Search for Truth!

NOTES:

Articles to Write for:

The Mystery of SHEMINI ATZERET -- the "Eighth Day"

The Annual Holy Days Reveal the Awesome Plan of YEHOVAH God!

Does It Really Matter What Days We Keep?

Answers to Questions in Lesson 22:

1. The relationship of man to YEHOVAH God.
2. To love YEHOVAH God with all your heart.
3. The relationship of men -- one to another. 4. No 5. Yes. 6. Yes. 7. Yes. 8. Yes. 9. The money must be repaid in double. 10. Death. 11. A healthy and virtuous family life. 12. It declines. 13. No 14. The Tenth.

The Last Great Day -- A New Beginning!

NOTES:

Check Your Progress --

Question 1: What's the Hebrew name for "The Last Great Day"? _____

Question 2: The Last Great Day has been confused with what day? _____

Question 3: What is the Hebrew name for the 7th day of the Feast of Tabernacles? _____

Question 4: What event, in YEHOVAH's plan, is represented by the 7th day of the Feast of Tabernacles? _____

Question 5: Is the Last Great Day a commanded annual Holy Day? _____

Question 6: What day of YEHOVAH's month is the Last Great Day observed on? _____

Question 7: Does this day always fall on a weekly Sabbath? _____

Question 8: The "bride" of the Messiah will be in what resurrection? _____

Question 9: Will children be born in the New Heavens and New Earth? _____

Question 10: What will the New Heavens and New Earth rise from? _____

Question 11: What does Luke call YEHOVAH's spiritual re-creation? _____

Question 12: Who will live in the Holy City besides YEHOVAH God and the Messiah?

Question 13: In what form has YEHOVAH God resided on the earth in the past? _____

Question 14: Does II Peter 3:10 reveal that vast areas of the earth will be uncovered when the oceans are removed? _____

Question 15: Will the entire earth be burned up in the Lake of Fire? _____

Question 16: Shemini Atzeret can also be referred to as _____

The answers will be found in the next lesson. Approximately 3 weeks after receiving Lessons 21-24, you will receive a mail-in test that covers these four lessons. The test will be returned to you after grading. Following the completion of the Hope of Israel Bible Correspondence Course you will receive a **Certificate of Completion**. If you complete the course with a grade of 75% or better you will also receive an **Outstanding Student Award**.

