

Look!

The tabernacle of God is among men!

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are those persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Revelation 2 17 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it. Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. *Psalms 27:5* For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.



Gilgal: Where it all starts: "Today I have rolled away the reproach from you. So the name of that place is called Gilgal to this day."

If you were to go to Gilgal in the days of the Israelites, what would you see?" The answer; stones, some pretty specific stones. The first camp of the Israelites after they crossed the Jordan into the Holy Land was at a place called Gilgal. This camp served as their base of operations during the initial conquest of the Holy Land under Joshua. Many years later, Gilgal was the starting point of a pilgrimage that ended in the great prophet Elijah being carried up to heaven in a whirlwind. Finally, in the course of calling the people of Israel to account for their abandonment of the Lord, the prophet Micah reminded them of God's care for them in their early days in Gilgal and elsewhere, thus bringing the story of Gilgal full circle. They are on 'redemption' ground so to speak, and that is why Gilgal is of significance. The meaning of Gilgal is 'a rolling away', to a place of new beginnings.

Ephesians 1:10 That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him: *11* In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will: *12* That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. *13* In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,



Rev 3:2 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem's which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name. *13* He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

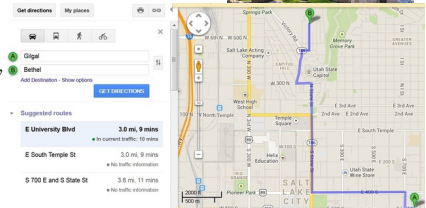
Matthew 5:13 Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. *14* Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. *15* Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.



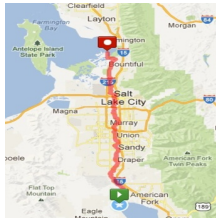
The Stone of Bethel; Remember יַעֲקֹב (Ya'aqov) Jacob, How He set up the stone he had slept on as a pillar, consecrated it. Then said; 'How dreadful is this place! this is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven. And called the name of that place Bethel.' Bethel means "house of God." A house of God is an earthly, physical place as the dwelling place and where the ark of the covenant of God was set up.



Hebrews 9:1 Then verily the first covenant had also ordinances of divine service, and a worldly sanctuary. *2* For there was a tabernacle made; the first, wherein was the candlestick, and the table, and the shewbread; which is called the sanctuary. *3* And after the second veil, the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of all; *4* Which had the golden censer, and the ark of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, wherein was the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant;



Jordan: Beth Barah; "place of ford,"



John the Baptist preached at the river regularly and baptized everyone who repented (Luke 3:2-3). Jesus Himself came to John at the Jordan River to be baptized. It was at the Jordan River that the Father proclaimed His love for and pleasure with the Son. *Luke 3:21* Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened, *22* And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased.

In Joshua 3, instructed the priests bearing the Ark of the Covenant to stand in the water of the river. They obeyed, and the Jordan immediately stopped flowing to make a way for the people to cross over on dry ground. After the miraculous crossing of the Jordan River, Joshua had the people set up memorials of stones.

The river's name in Hebrew is יַרְדֵּן (Yarden), and it is derived from יָרַד (yasad) meaning to "descend" or "flow down".

Isaiah 2:2 And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORD'S house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it.

Isaiah 56:6 Also the sons of the stranger, that join themselves to the Lord, to serve him, and to love the name of the Lord, to be his servants, every one that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant; *7* Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people.

Take and hold these with firmness, and enjoin thy people to hold fast by the best in the precepts.

ALL IN EARTH'S FLEETING STATE
AS SYMBOL IS STILL MEANT;
HERE THE INADEQUATE
GROWS TO FULFILMENT;
HERE IS BROUGHT THE INSCRUTABLE,
TO SILENCE THAT AWES US,
LOVE ETERNAL IMMUTABLE,
ON EVER ON DRAWS US.

IN A SENSE KNOWLEDGE SHRINKS
AS WISDOM GROWS. FOR DETAILS ARE
SWALLOWED UP IN PRINCIPLES.
THE DETAILS OF KNOWLEDGE WHICH ARE
IMPORTANT WILL BE PICKED UP *ad hoc* IN
EACH AVOCATION OF LIFE; BUT THE HABIT
OF THE ACTIVE UTILIZATION OF WELL-
UNDERSTOOD PRINCIPLES IS THE FINAL
POSSESSION OF WISDOM.

ALL PARES THE LAND,
TO HASTENING, ILLS A PREY, WHERE
WEALTH ACCUMULATES, AND MEN DECAY,
PRINCES AND LORDS MAY FLOURISH, OR
MAY FADE, A BREATH CAN MAKE THEM,
AS A BREATH HAS MADE;
BUT A BOLD BRAVE PEASANTRY, THEIR
COUNTRY'S PRIDE, WHEN ONCE DESTROYED,
CAN NEVER BE SUPPLIED.

I BESEECH YOU THEREFORE, BROTHERS, BY
THE MERCIES OF GOD THAT YE PRESENT YOUR
BODIES A LIVING SACRIFICE, HOLY, ACCEPTABLE,
UNTO GOD, WHICH IS YOUR REASONABLE SERVICE,
AND BE NOT CONFORMED TO THIS WORLD; BUT BE YE
TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWING OF YOUR MIND,
THAT YE MAY PROVE WHAT IS THAT GOOD, AND
ACCEPTABLE, AND PERFECT WILL OF GOD.

HERE OUR VOICES WILL RAISE
AND WE'LL SING TO THY PRAISE,
SACRED HOME OF THE PROPHETS OF
GOD, THY DEEMANCE IS RIGH, THY
OPPRESSORS SHALL DIE, AND THY LAND SHALL
BE FREEDOM'S ABODE, O ZION, DEAR ZION,
LAND OF THE FREE, IN THY TEMPLES WE'LL PRAY,
ALL THY RIGHTS, WE'LL DEFEND,
AND OUR HOME SHALL BE EVER WITH THEE.

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

COME UNTO ME ALL YE THAT LABOUR
AND ARE HEAVY LADEN AND I WILL
GIVE YOU REST.
TAKE MY YOKE UPON YOU AND LEARN
OF ME; FOR I AM MEEK AND LOWLY IN
HEART, AND YE SHALL FIND REST
UNTO YOUR SOULS.
FOR MY YOKE IS EASY AND MY
BURDEN IS LIGHT.

THOUGH DEEPER IN TRAILS
THROUGH YOUR WAY,
PRESS ON PRESS ON
YE SAINTS OF GOD!

Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.