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Message #7

Zebulun
HABITATION

And had a wall great and high, *and* had twelve gates, and at the **gates** twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are *the names* of the **twelve tribes** of the children of Israel.

Revelation 21:12

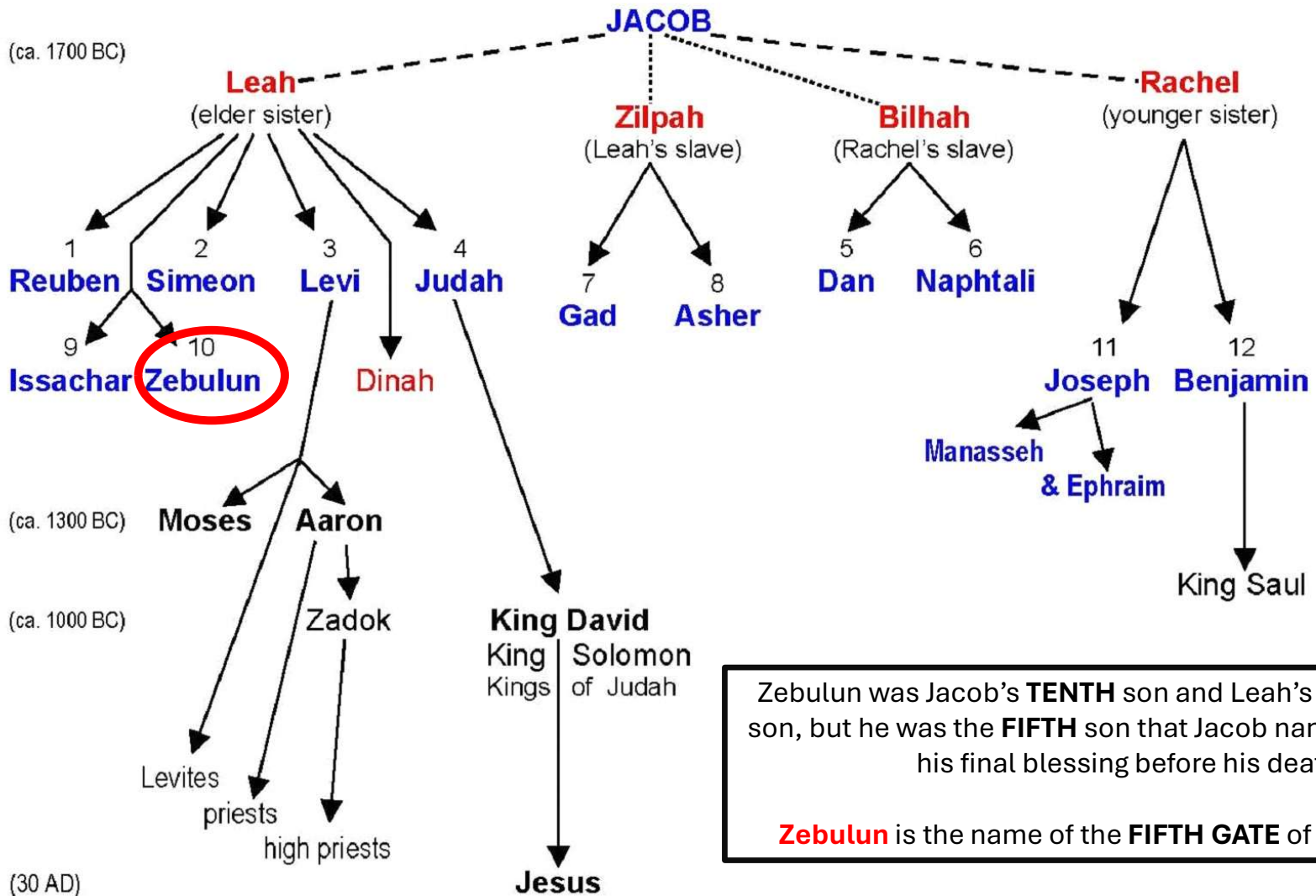


- Genesis 49:1-29 lists the names of the **twelve tribes of Israel**.
- They are:
- Rueben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, **Zebulun**, Issachar, Dan, Gad, Asher, Naphtali, Joseph, Benjamin
- By studying each of these names, we will be able to see a **step-by-step growth** and **development** in the life of a Christian in preparation for the New Jerusalem.
- From Rueben to Benjamin, we go **from infancy to maturity**.
- **Each of the gates** of the Holy City are a manifestation of this nature of God in you.



Zebulun was the **TENTH** son
 But **Jacob** addressed him
 As the **FIFTH** son.

Sons of Jacob / Tribes of Israel





Reuben – Behold (SEE**) a Son!
Salvation**

1st Gate



Simeon – He Who **HEARS
Holy Spirit**

2nd Gate



Levi – Joined in **UNION
Ministry**

0rd Gate



**Judah – Praise and Worship!
Celebrate**

4th Gate



Zebulun

5th Gate



5th Gate

**Zebulun means Habitation,
Dwell Within**

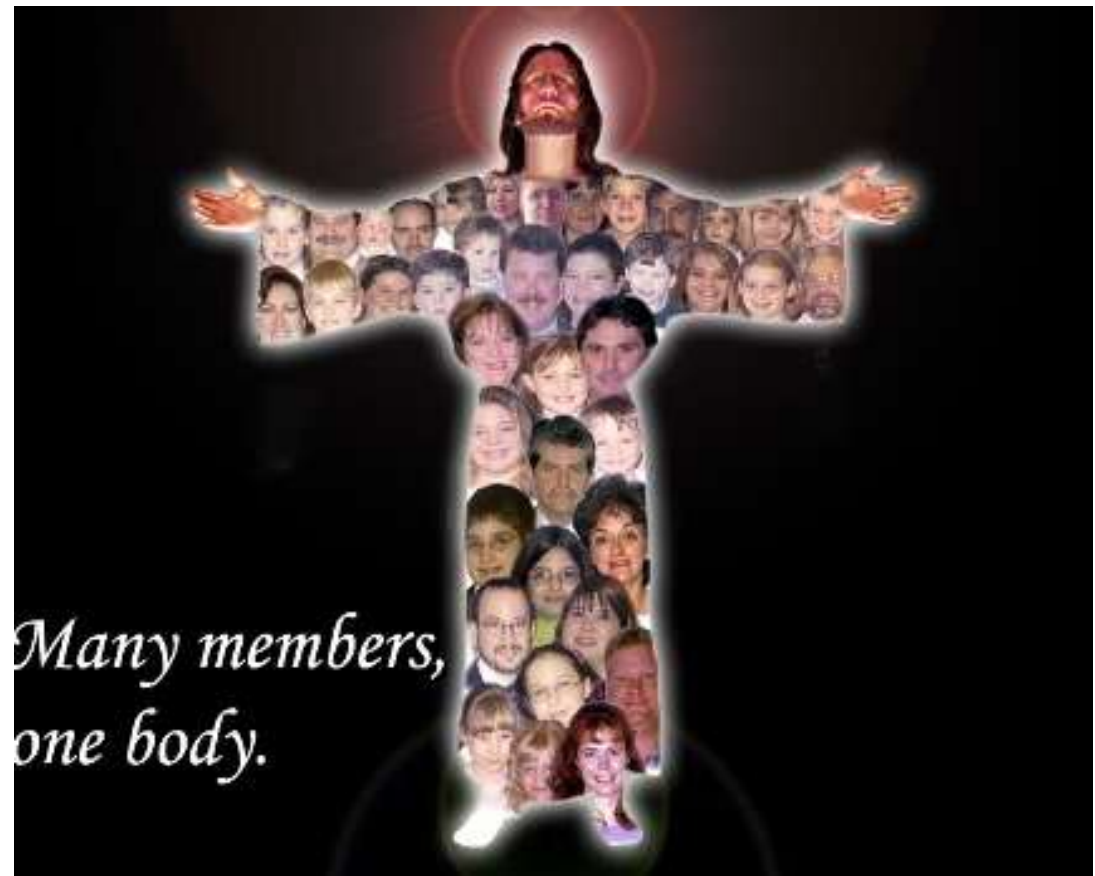
- Where your “I” becomes “WE”.



- Jacob did not love Leah. He loved Rachel.
- At the birth of her sixth and last child, Leah still had a longing to be **DESIRED**. Leah had hoped and yearned through her five sons that her husband would love her. Now she has hopes once again, because God has allowed her to give Jacob a sixth son. She hopes he will now **ABODE** or **stay** with her.
- Remember by this time he had had children by Rachel, whom he loves, and two concubines.
 - And Leah said, God **hath endued me with a good dowry**; now will my husband **dwell** (to be **desired**) with me, because I have born him six sons: and she called his name Zebulun. Genesis 30:20
- Zebulun means, “**Habitation**”.
- The **FIFTH** gate to the Holy City is the gate of Zebulun speaks of a **habitation to be desired**, meaning to enclose, reside, or **dwell within**.
- **This is the gate where we leave the individual realm and the “I” changes to “we”.**



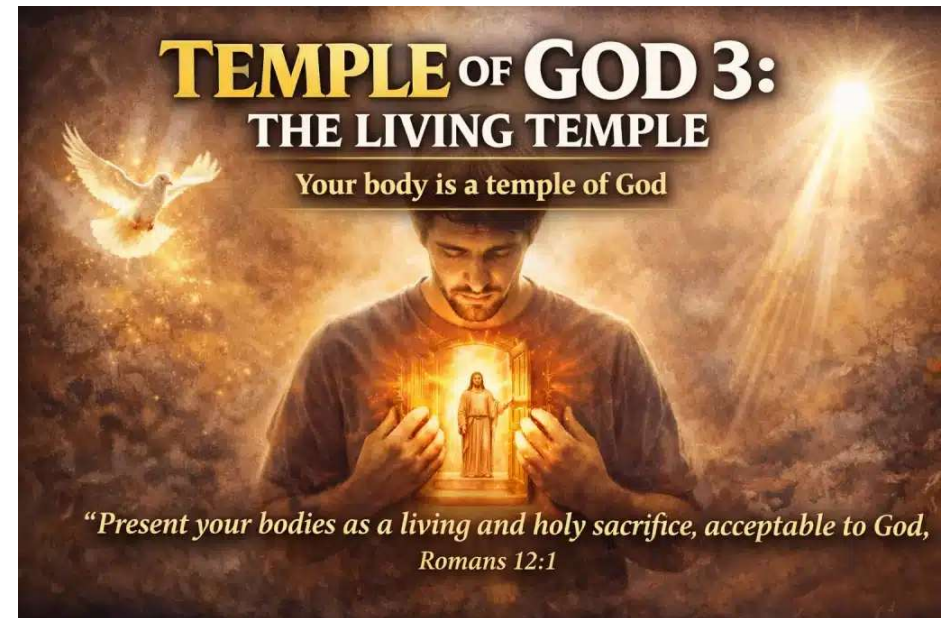
- Very few have walked through the fifth gate.
 - Most people are so caught up in what they are doing that they fail to realize that this level of maturity is about the **corporate body of Christ**.
 - The **Church** is the **Body** of Christ.
 - We are the **DWELLING PLACE** of God!
 - We are **HIS** place of **REST**...we are God's!
 - Anyone who has come through this gate will find that everything they **do**, they way they **think**, what they do with their **time**, their **talent**, and **treasure** is always for the **body of Christ**.
 - This gate means we are God's **HABITATION**.
 - Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, **but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;**
 - And are built upon the foundation of the **apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;**
 - In whom all the building **fitly framed** together **groweth** unto **an holy temple in the Lord:**
 - **In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.**
- Ephesians 2:19-22



- This gate means we are God's **TEMPLE**.
- There are **two Greek words** for "**temple**".
 - The first is "**HIERON**" which speaks of the **physical temple in Jerusalem**.
- However, when Paul wanted to convey the **truth** of Zebulun, **he calls US a temple in Ephesians 2:21**.
 - In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto **an holy temple in the Lord**.
- Paul also said:
 - Know ye not that **ye are the temple of God**, and *that* the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?
 - If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, **which temple ye are**. 1 Corinthians 3:16-17
 - And **what agreement hath the temple of God with idols?** for **ye are the temple of the living God**; as God hath said, I will **dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people**. 2 Corinthians 6:16



- And in 2 Thessalonians 2:4, Paul says,
 - Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he **as God sitteth in the temple of God**, shewing himself that he is God.
- In every one of these references the word used for “temple” **is not** the Greek word, “Hieron”, meaning a physical temple.
- It is the Greek word, “NAOS”, which means **a LIVING TEMPLE**.
- **It is the INNER Sanctuary.**
- **Everywhere** you see the word, “**temple**”, in the New Testament, with only one exception, 1 Corinthians 9:13.
 - Do ye not know that they which minister about holy things live *of the things* of the temple? and they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar?
 - **This is the ONLY reference to a physical temple.**



The New Testament redefines the temple as a spiritual reality where God dwells with and in His people, rather than in a localized, physical sanctuary.

- We are God's **TABERNACLE**.
 - Revelation 21:3 says, "the **tabernacle** of God *is with men*."
- We are God's **HOUSE**.
 - But in a **great house** there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour. 2 Timothy 2:20
 - But **Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we**, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end. Hebrews 3:6
- We are God's **SANCTUARY – HOLY PLACE**.
 - Now of the things which we have spoken *this is the sum*: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens;
 - **A minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man.** Hebrews 8:1-2



- We are God's **BUILDING**.
 - For **we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building.** 1 Corinthians 3:9
- We are God's **MANSION**.
 - Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.
 - **In my Father's house are many mansions:** if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
 - And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, *there* ye may be also. John 14:1-3
- The word “**mansion**” means “**ABODE** or **DWELLING PLACE** a **tabernacle**, a house, a sanctuary, a building”.
 - Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and **make our abode with him.** John 14:23
- All these point to the gate of **Zebulun**.

**WILL KEEP MY WORDS: AND MY
FATHER WILL LOVE HIM,
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TO HIM, AND MAKE OUR
STAYED WITH HIM.**

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John 14:23



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- One way you can tell if you have gone the gate of Zebulun is you have a desire **to hear revelation, hear anointed teaching**; you have **a desire to be with your brothers and sisters**.
- Are you more concerned with meeting your own needs than the needs of your brethren?
- **You cannot go through the gate of Zebulun by yourself.**
- There is nothing **in me** that wants to be around the brethren seven days a week.
- But, when we live in the **higher nature**, we want to be around our brothers and sisters.
- We need to get to know our **family** and **the CITY** that we are going to live in forever.
- Do you have a desire to spend more time with your brothers and sisters in Christ than your own flesh and blood family.
- Do you have more in common with your spiritual family?
- We have no life by ourselves.
 - That they all may be one; as thou, Father, *art* in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us. John 17:21
 - **For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself.** Romans 14:7



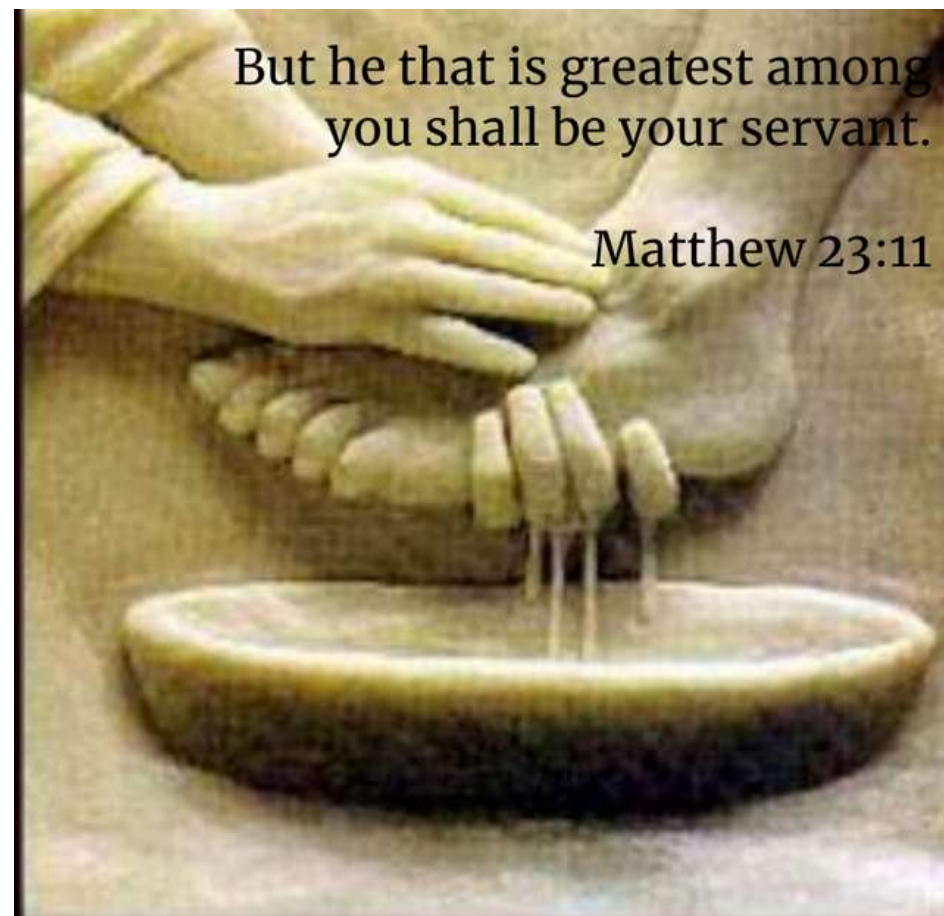
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Romans 14:7

- We cannot have fullness of joy **without one another**.
 - This is my commandment, **That ye love one another, as I have loved you**. John 15:12
- One of us could not hold it all – **the fullness of joy**, but **all of us together** can.
- If it comes down to a **choice** between **His family** and **your** physical family, there is no choice.
- **His family always comes first.**
- You may say, “But I want my mother in this family.”
 - Your mother can be in this family, if she wanted to be.
 - **If any *man* come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.** Luke 14:26
- This identification with the **Body** flows from a **New Nature** which is our Motivation.
- Not every Christian is **flowing** in this dimension.
- We are bone of **His bone**, flesh of **His flesh**, and life of **His life**.
- We are part of a living organism, every part of which **GIVES LIFE**.
- We must pour our lives into the **BODY** and live for the **BODY**.



- When we pass through the **experience of Zebulun** we will no longer be concerned with **my** ministry, **my** family, **my** healing, **my** testimony, **my** goals, and **my** vision.
- Instead, we will think in terms of **our** ministry, **our** life, **our** goals, and **our** vision.
- Rather than always placing our **wants**, our **needs**, our **desires** first in our thinking, we will think first of **how we can contribute to the needs of others**.
- We will use **our faith** to pray for **our** brother's **healing**.
- When we pray **for others' healing**, we will be healed.
- When we **give** to the **needs** of others, **our needs** will be **met**.
- Jesus said in Matthew 23:11
 - **But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant.**



- When we are in need, we find someone who has **a greater need** and **bless** them in the hour **of our need**.
 - **But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.** Matthew 6:33
- Paul and Silas were an example of those who sought the kingdom of God first.
- They were hurting, needed healing and deliverance, **yet they ministered to and worshiped God**.
- The only reason the saints of God are so **individualistic**, is because their ministry is.
- As long as the ministry keeps sending out their messages and their books, there will be those who make gods out of them.
- Even those with sincere motives will are not able to handle this “success”.



- When I come through Zebulun, I don't talk about **my** needs, I talk about **our** needs. I don't talk about **my** blessing, I talk about **our** blessings.
- I don't talk about **my** walk, I talk about **our** walk. I don't talk about **my** ministry, I talk about **our** ministry.
- **Lord, help us to move out of our individual, self-centered mentality into a corporate understanding of the body of Christ.**
- **Give and it shall be given to you; this is Zebulun.**
- The responsibility of ministers is to train the people of God to **minister life to one another.**
- It is not the minister's responsibility to be the only one who has the anointing to lay hands on people.
- We can anoint our brothers and sisters and pray over them.



- A minister's responsibility is to encourage a **corporate relationship** where the river of living water will be flowing from **each of you to one another**.
- Let this gate always be OPEN.
 - If there be among you **a poor man of one of thy brethren within any of thy gates in thy land which the LORD thy God giveth thee**, thou shalt not harden thine heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poor brother:
 - But thou shalt open thine hand wide unto him, and **shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need, in that which he wanteth**.
 - **Beware** that there be not a thought in thy wicked heart, saying, The seventh year, the year of release, is at hand; and **thine eye be evil against thy poor brother**, and thou givest him nought; and he cry unto the LORD against thee, and it be sin unto thee.
 - Thou shalt surely give him, and **thine heart shall not be grieved when thou givest unto him: because that for this thing the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thy works, and in all that thou puttest thine hand unto**.
 - For the poor shall never cease out of the land: **therefore I command thee**, saying, **Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land**. Deuteronomy 15:7-11



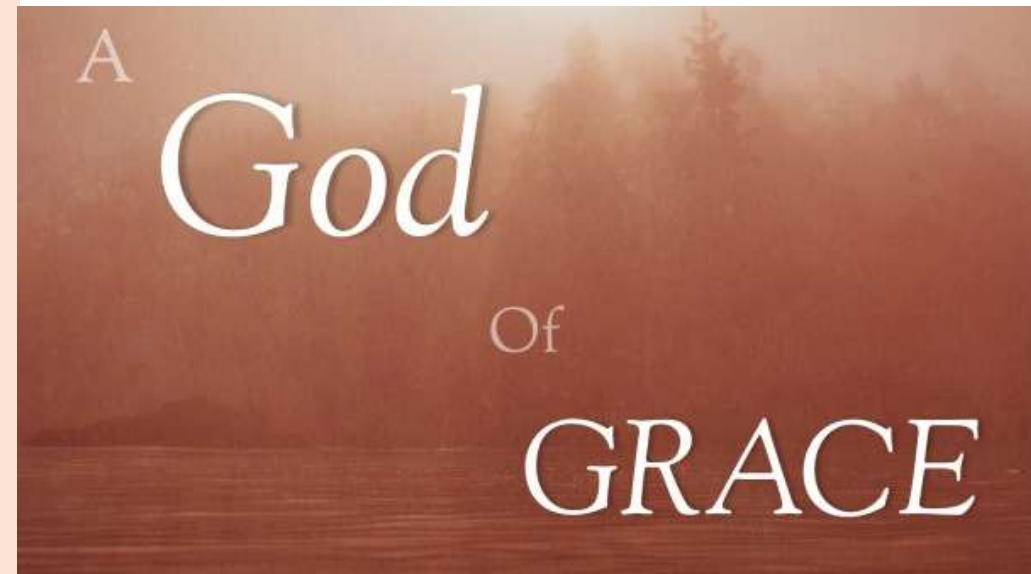
- Most people give because **they expect something in return.**
- In other words, they are for hire.
- They give of their time, talent, and money **in order to get something.**
- Most of you have been taught that if you give your tithes and offerings, God will open up the windows of Heaven.
- **If you are giving to get back, you might as well keep your money.**
- You can give because you know it is required of you and you want to be pleasing to God, **but there is a giving that can be done where there is absolutely no motive to give in order to receive.**
- God wants you to be like Him and **give of your time, talent, and money because you love the people you give to.**
- **When we approach the work of the Lord, we must do it whether we get anything out of it for ourselves or not.**



- We must leave the **individual** realm.
- We have one reason to live, and **that is to pour out our lives for the Body of Christ.**
- If this is not your reason for living, then you are living in a **lower realm.**
- Know that the way of the transgressor is hard.
- Jesus said “My yoke is easy, my burden is light.”
- When you pass through the gate of Zebulun you no longer think as an **individual**, but in terms of Him and **His Church.**
- You re not concerned about **your** welfare, but the welfare of **God’s people.**
- You are not concerned about **your** finances, but the finances of **God’s people.**
- You are not concerned about **your** health, but the healing of **God’s people.**
- You are not concerned with **your** reputation, but the reputation of **God’s people.**
- You are not concerned with what **your** family and friends say about you, but you are vitally concerned about what they say about **the Body of Christ.**
- **For you to pour out your life for the Body is not even a sacrifice, it is a privilege.**



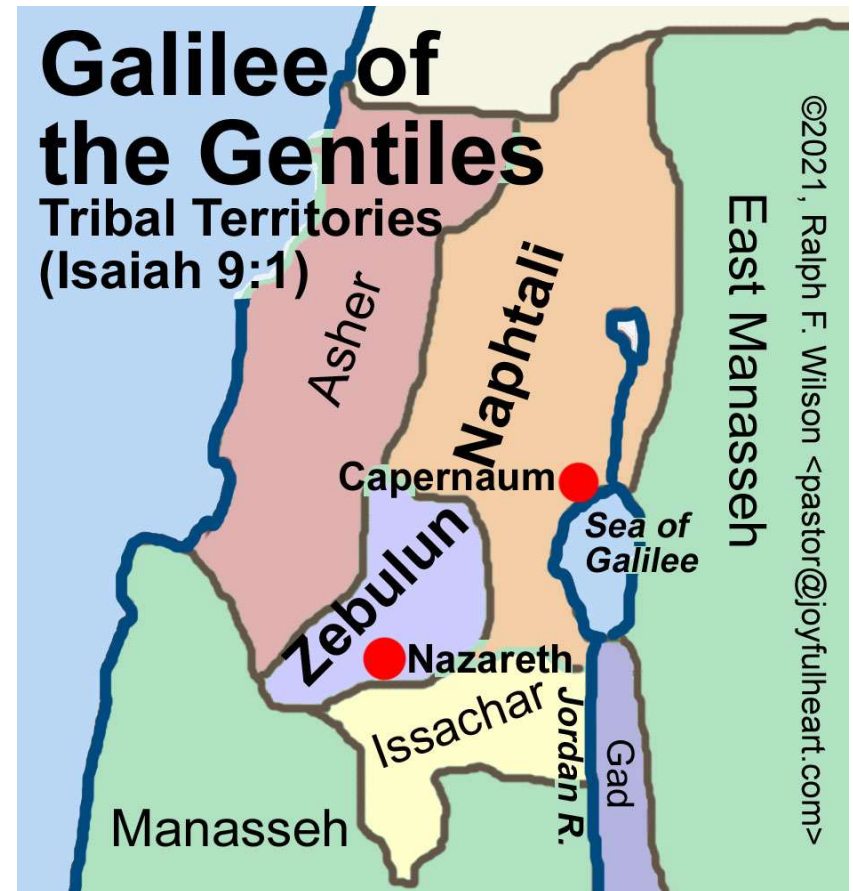
- **Zebulun** is only the **fifth** gate.
- **Five** is the number of **grace**.
- His **grace** is always **sufficient**.
- **Zebulun** stresses the importance of the **local assembly**.
- There are so many people who have had a **Reuben** experience, and some have moved on to experience **Simeon** and even **Levi** and **Judah**, but most of them have **stopped** here and become a **law unto themselves**, therefore they only minister corruption and death.



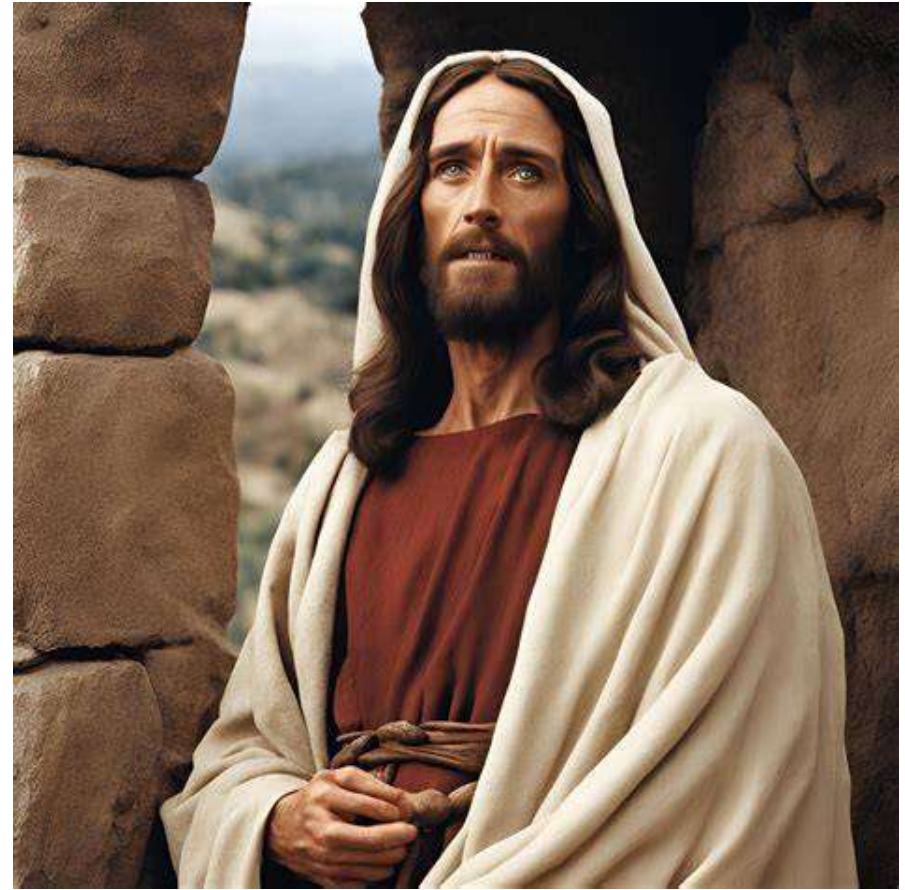
- There must be an **experience** of the Zebulun gate, and it cannot be forced.
- **We don't force people** to listen to a ministry, and we don't **condemn** them if they don't.
- We cannot do anything to put it in the heart of a man to be part of the family of God.
- Only from the Christ nature from within through the power of the Holy Spirit can a man get a vision of a local assembly.
- A lot of ministers may say God is leading them to do a lot of things, but I cannot hear a word they are saying because they are isolated from the Body of Christ.
- **They are alone and going about doing their own thing.**



- The principle of Zebulun is that he **stayed**, was in **training**, and **learned** about sailing before he went to sea.
- Jesus grew up in a carpenter's shop in **Nazareth**.
- **Nazareth territory was in the portion of land given to Zebulun.**
 - And leaving Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, **which is upon the sea coast**, in the borders of Zebulun and Nephthalim.
 - **That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet**, saying, The land of Zebulun, and the land of Nephthalim, by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles;
 - The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.
 - From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Matthew 4:13-17



- Nazareth is a **priestly city**, and priests would gather in Nazareth before going up to Jerusalem to perform their priestly duties.
- So, who was there to observe the ways of the priesthood?
- **JESUS!**
- Nazareth was a crossroads of travel, and every manner of thinking and cultural exchange took place there.
 - **Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?**
John 1:46
- Jesus was **submitted** to ministry before He **entered** His ministry.
- Jesus, at the age of **twelve**, confounded all the teachers of the law. **Yet, how long did he wait?**
- How long did He practice the principle of Zebulun? **18 Years!**
- I wonder how many young ministries are willing today to go through the **Zebulun** gate and become identified with **a dwelling place**; a people where they can learn about ministry **before they go to minister?**
- We must **submit our minister to the ministry of the Body of Christ**, because in the multitude of counselors, there is safety.



Jacob's Blessing Upon Zebulun

- Jacob chose to bless Zebulun before his older brother, Issachar.
 - **Zebulun** shall **dwell** at the haven of the sea; and he *shall be* for an haven of ships; and his border *shall be* unto Zidon. Genesis 49:13
- To **DWELL**, we must **stay put in training**.
- **Learn about sailing BEFORE you sail.**
- Jesus was in Nazareth.
- Nazareth was in Zebulun's territory, and Jesus **WAITED upon His Father for His Will to be done at His time**.



The families which belonged to Judah, Issachar and Zebulun (Leah's fourth, fifth and sixth sons), camped on the eastern side of the tabernacle during the pilgrimage to Canaan, and **moved together**, through the wilderness, at the head of the column.

The EASTERN side is the side of RESURRECTION, the **RISING SUN**, a **NEW DAY**.





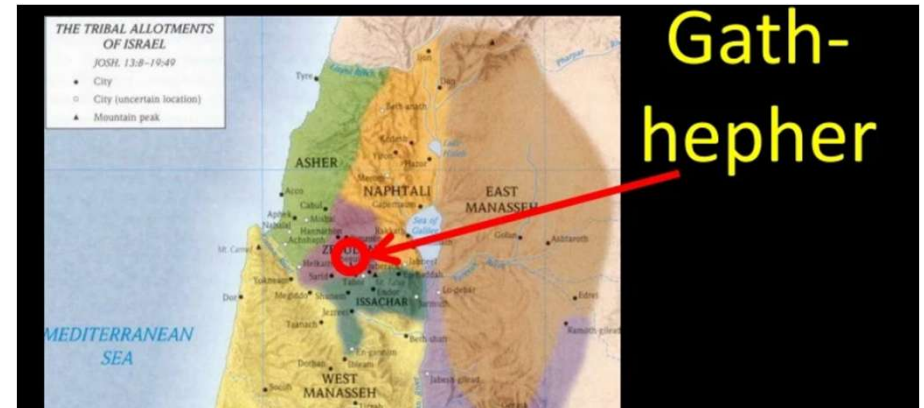
The territory occupied by the **Zebulun** tribe in Canaan probably included the western shores of the **Sea of Galilee**, and possibly extended to the **Mediterranean coast**.

Josephus, the Jewish historian, wrote that “the tribe of Zebulun’s lot included the land which lay as far as **Gennesarct**, and that which belongeth to **Carmel** and the sea”



This lends force to the literal interpretation of Jacob’s words. Galilean fishermen, plying their trade on the storm-tossed Lake Gennesaret, must have treasured **Zebulun’s havens** – harbours and beaches which were frequented by the Lord Jesus during His years on earth.

- **Jonah** lived at Gath-Hepher in **Zebulun**.
- Some of the **apostles** came from this same district, and it was specifically prophesied that the **Lord's ministry was to begin here**.
- **Zebulun** was able to rejoice over merchandise of every sort. Gold and other metals, cedar and other timber, wool and other fibres, wines of various quality, all passed through its busy ports.
- The greatest export of all, however, were the wondrous stories that emerged from places such as **Capernaum** and **Cana**, as **Jesus walked in Galilee**.



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Jonah

The Last Words of Moses to Zebulun

- And of Zebulun he said, **Rejoice, Zebulun**, in thy going out; and, Issachar, in thy tents.
- **They shall call the people unto the mountain; there they shall offer sacrifices of righteousness: for they shall suck of the abundance of the seas, and of treasures hid in the sand.** Deuteronomy 33:18-19
- The reference to sacrifice implies that the mountain was to be the site of the altar, **Mount Moriah**.
- It is interesting to see that it was as Moses spoke "of Zebulun" that he made reference to the **nations coming from afar to offer sacrifices to Jehovah at Jerusalem**.
 - Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the LORD thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee. Isaiah 60:9



- Fifty thousand of the tribe of Zebulun joined in the general acclaim to David as he became king over all Israel.
 - And these are the numbers of the bands that were ready armed to the war, and **came to David to Hebron, to turn the kingdom of Saul to him, according to the word of the LORD.** 1 Chronicles 12:23
 - **Of Zebulun**, such as went forth to battle, expert in war, with all instruments of war, **fifty thousand**, which could keep rank: *they were not of double heart.* 2 Chronicles 12:33
- **They outnumbered the representatives of every other tribe on that occasion.**
- According to the Ezekiel 48:33, in his vision of the temple in the New Jerusalem we see a **NEW APPORTIONMENT** for Zebulun.
- The **SOUTH** represents **blessings** and **growth**.



Zebulun Rises from Tenth to Third Place

Carbuncle



God set the Order through MOSES by the assigned territory.

- And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, Every man of the children of Israel shall pitch by his own standard, with the ensign of their father's house: far off about the tabernacle of the congregation shall they pitch.... And on the east side toward the rising of the sun...Zebulun. Numbers 2:1-2,7
- Zebulun was the **THIRD** tribe to receive **allotment of territory** around the tabernacle, and thus the third stone, the **carbuncle**, in the High Priest's breastplate (Exodus 28:17)
- In the **carbuncle** the Saviour is presented as **Light** revealing eternal **truth**. The root of the word, carbuncle is bareketh and refers to **lightning**.
 - **His lightnings enlightened the world: the earth saw, and trembled.** Psalms 97:4
- Zebulun was the **TENTH** son of Jacob, yet he rose to the position of number **THREE** because of a desire to **DWELL, to WAIT**.
- It is not where you start that is important, but **where you are placed** in the setting.
- Zebulun rose **SEVEN positions** from his birth because he lived up to his name and became identified with the people of God; the body of Christ.

1 רָאוּבֵן Sardius Reuben	2 שִׁמְעוֹן Topaz Simeon	3 לֵוִי Carbuncle Levi
4 יְהוּדָה Emerald Judah	5 יִשָּׂשכָר Sapphire Issachar	6 זְבֻלֹן Diamond Zebulun
7 נַפְתָּלִי Ligure Nephtali	8 גָּד Agate Gad	9 אַשֶׁר Amethyst Asher
10 מְנַשֶּׁה Beryl Manassah	11 אֶפְרַיִם Onyx Ephram	12 בִּנְיָמִן Jasper Benjamin

The Gate Zebulon = HABITATION

- Identifying and **desiring** to be with your brothers and sisters in Christ.
- **NOT LIVING LIFE BY YOURSELF!**
- Getting to **know** your family and **THE CITY** you are going to live in forever.
 - I in You, You in Me, We in Him
- We must **pour our lives into the body** of Christ, **LIVE for the BODY.**
- **Pray** for others to be healed and you will be healed.
- **Give** to the needs of others and your needs will be met.



Losing Self Sufficiency

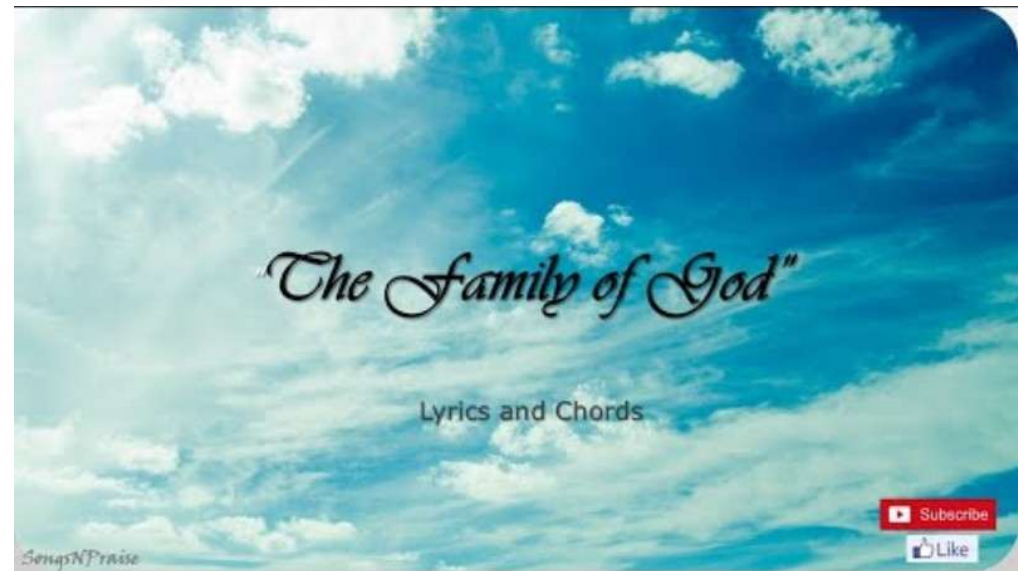


**to DESIRE the
Body of Christ**

The Family of God

I'm so glad I'm a part of the Family of God,
I've been washed in the fountain, cleansed by
His Blood!
Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod,
For I'm part of the family,
The Family of God

You will notice we say "brother and sister" 'round
here,
It's because we're a family and these are so near;
When one has a heartache, we all share the
tears,
And rejoice in each victory in this family so dear.



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