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Message #8
REWARD - HIRED
Issachar
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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

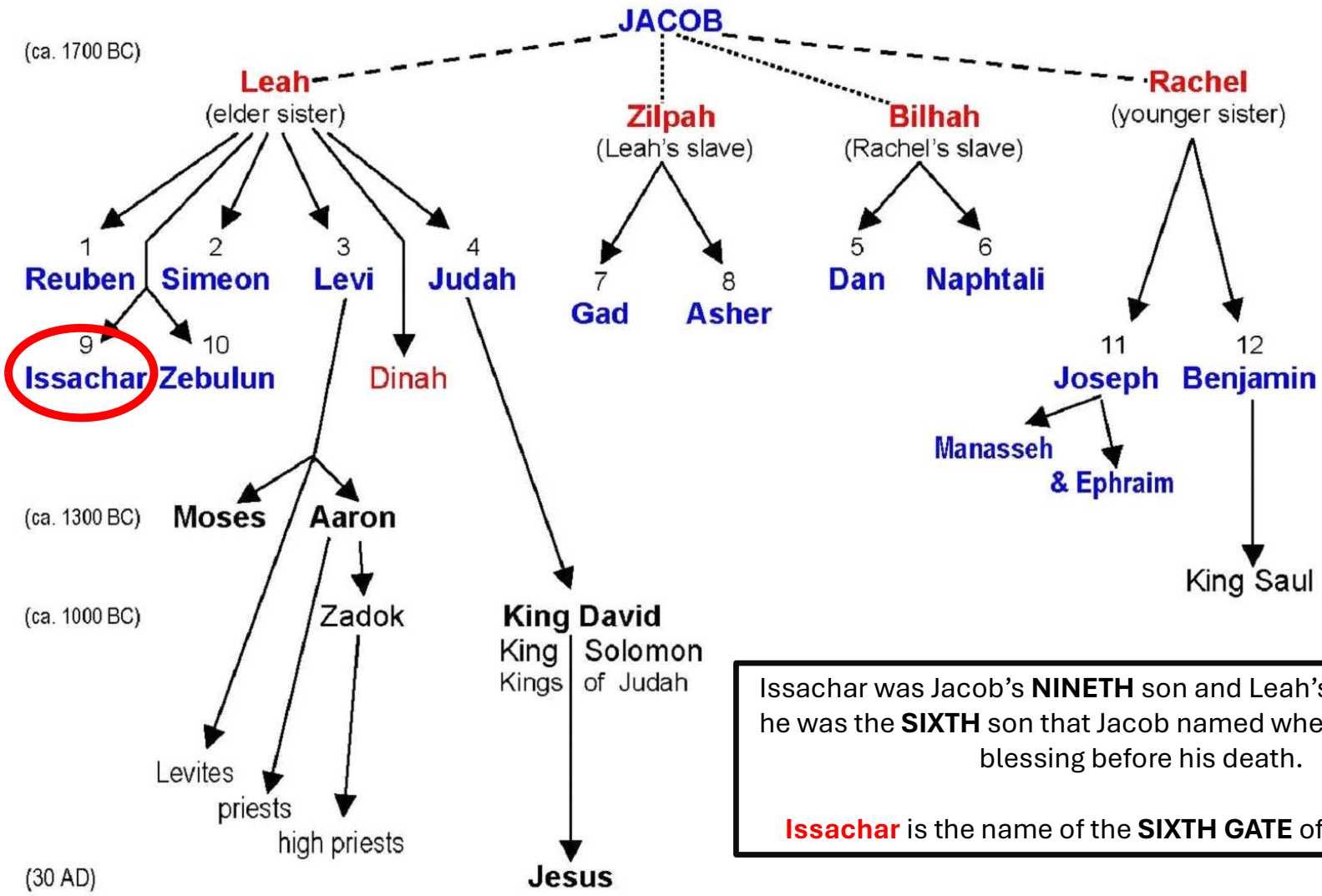


- Genesis 49:1-29 lists the names of the **twelve tribes of Israel**.
- They are:
- Rueben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Zebulun, **Issachar**, Dan, Gad, Asher, Naphtali, Joseph, Benjamin
- By studying each of these names, we will be able to see a **step-by-step growth** and **development** in the life of a 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.



ISSACHAR was the **NINETH** son
But **Jacob** addressed him
As the **SECOND** son.

Sons of Jacob / Tribes of Israel



Issachar was Jacob's **NINETH** son and Leah's **FIFTH** son, but he was the **SIXTH** son that Jacob named when giving his final blessing before his death.

Issachar is the name of the **SIXTH GATE** of the Holy City.



1st Gate

Reuben – Behold (SEE) a Son!
Salvation



2nd Gate

Simeon – He Who HEARS
Holy Spirit



3rd Gate

Levi – Joined in UNION
Ministry



4th Gate

Judah – Praise and Worship!
Celebrate



5th Gate

Zebulun - Habitation
Dwell Within



6th Gate

Issachar – Reward, Hired

Worth – Under Contract

- As Jacob’s workmen were busy harvesting the wheat crop, five-year-old **Reuben** played idly in the field.
- He noticed some attractive little cup-shaped white and purple flowers growing wild.
- Uprooting some of these plants, he took them to show his mother, Leah, who was with his aunt Rachel nearby.
- The flowers had a strong scent and the plant was of the taproot family (related to the potato).
- They were unmistakably **mandrakes**.
- In the Middle East, the large root of the mandrake, resembling the human form in shape, was supposed to have the medicinal property of inducing fertility.
- Consequently when Rachel, who was still childless, saw what her nephew had found, she greatly wanted to have some.
- **The sisters bargained a deal that Rachel could have some mandrakes, or love-apples, and Leah would sleep with Jacob.**
- Thus, Leah bore Jacob’s ninth son Issachar, Gen. 30. 14-18.
- Leah received full payment for her agreement with her sister.
    - And Jacob came out of the field in the evening, and Leah went out to meet him, and said, **Thou must come in unto me; for surely I have hired thee with my son's mandrakes. And he lay with her that night**.
    - And **God hearkened unto Leah, and she conceived**, and bare Jacob the fifth son.





- Jacob did not love Leah. He loved Rachel.
- At the birth of Issachar, Leah still had a longing for her husband. Leah had hoped and yearned through her four sons that her husband would love her. Now she has hopes once again, because God has allowed her to give Jacob a fifth son.
- Remember by this time he had had children by both Leah and Rachel's concubines.
  - And Leah said, God hath given me my **hire**, because I have given my maiden to my husband: and she called his name **Issachar**. Genesis 30:18
- It would be two years later before Rachel had a child!
- Leah gave birth to two sons and a daughter before God "remembered" Rachel.
- The key word in this verse is "HIRE".
- Issachar means, "**HIRE, REWARD, the payment of a CONTRACT, COMPENSATION, a PRICE, WAGES, WORKING FOR PAYMENT**".
  - Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak: **for your work shall be rewarded.** 2 Chronicles 15:7

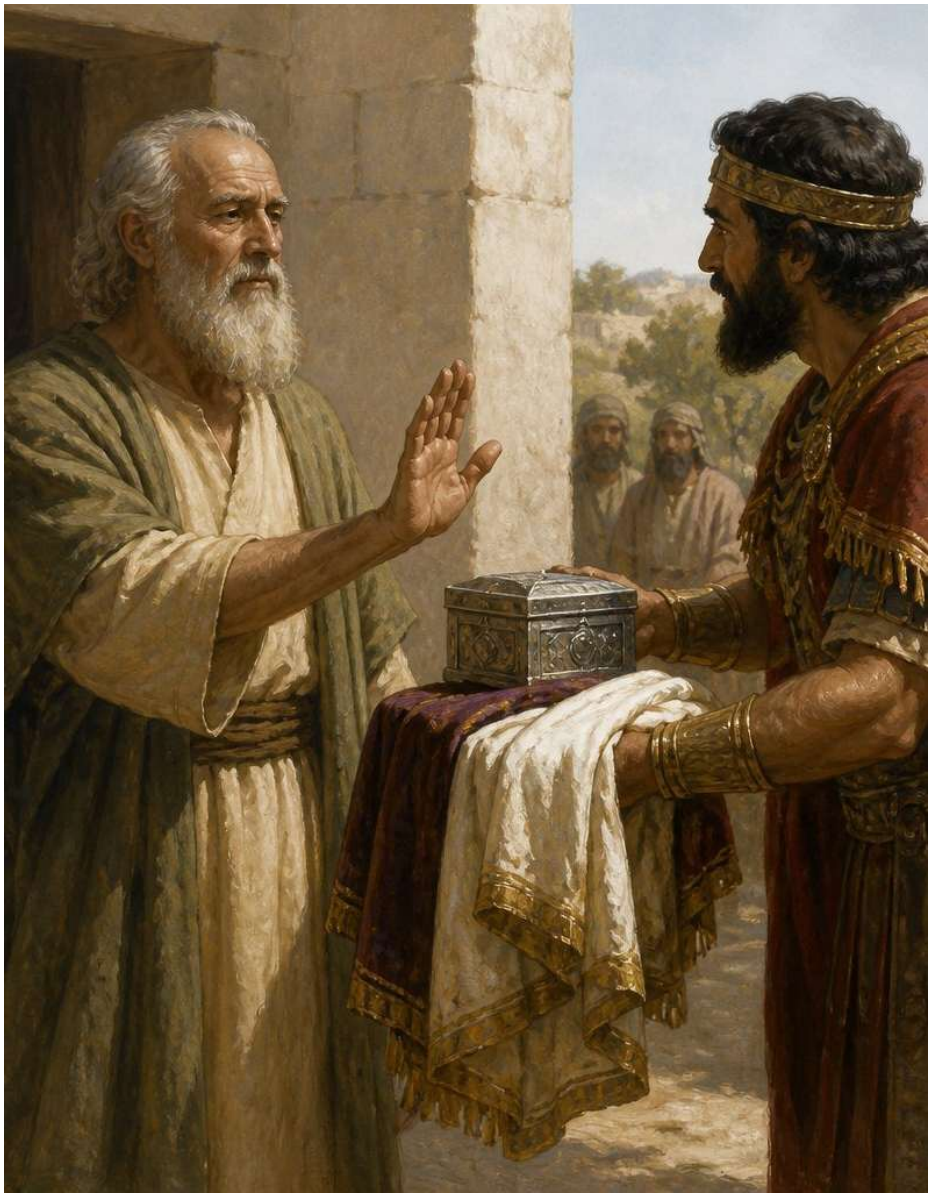




- Issachar means we **LOVE our MASTER** and we cannot be bought or hired.
- We are **BOUGHT** by the Lord and **cannot serve another**.
- We are **UNDER CONTRACT** (Covenant) to **HIM** and **He has exclusive rights to us!**
- There are many who owe their life to "**the system**".
- There are many in the **harlot system** who would like to buy those who are sold out, but **those coming through this gate cannot be bought**.
- Those identified with Issachar are **under contract** and will not serve another.
  - **No servant can serve two masters**: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon. Luke 16:13



- There are **few who cannot be bought**; **few that will make it through this gate.**
- Many owe their life to the "**system**", and **their allegiance is to others**.
- Many were trained in Saul's schools and have their lives invested in a **head** and **shoulders** system.
- **Jesus could not be bought.**
- **Satan showed him the world systems, but he refused.**
- **Naaman** tried to give money to **Elisha**, but **Elisha refused**.
    - And he (Naaman) returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and came, and stood before him: and he said, Behold, now I know that *there is* no God in all the earth, but in Israel: now therefore, I pray thee, take a blessing of thy servant.
    - But he said, ***As* the LORD liveth, before whom I stand, I will receive none. And he urged him to take *it*; but he refused**. 2 Kings 5:15-16



- Abraham took 318 men that he had trained himself and defeated five armies.
- The king of Sodom said to Abraham, "**Let me pay you for this**."
- Abraham said,
  - And Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lift up mine hand unto the LORD, the most high God, the possessor of heaven and earth,
  - **That I will not *take* from a thread even to a shoelatchet, and that I will not take any thing that *is* thine, lest thou shouldest say, I have made Abram rich**. Genesis 14:22-23
- After this, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision and said,
  - Fear not, Abram: **I *am* thy shield, *and* thy exceeding great reward**. Genesis 15:1
- Abram had **sold out to the Lord**, left his home, his family and had even gotten rid of Lot.



- After one has passed through the gate of Zebulun, they are able to discern the **corporate body of Christ**.
- **Many will try to buy you.**
- They may come and say, “Do you really agree with what the minister is teaching?”
- “Did you know…?’
- “Have you heard…?”
- “Well, I think this is the way it should have been done, don’t you?”
- Sometimes pastors, ministers, teachers would like to **possess** you and **control** and **manipulate** you.
- “The Lord told me you should be doing this….”
- **But Issachar cannot be bought, nor will he buy you.**
- Those who have passed through the gate of Issachar will not Lord over God’s possessions.



- There are few today who know what God's people ought to do.
  - **And of the children of Issachar, *which were men* that had understanding of the times**, to know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them *were* two hundred; and all their brethren *were* at their commandment. 1 Chronicles 12:32
- Laying with the harlot, the "strange woman" who is not the bride of Christ is **one of the ways many are bought.**
- **The harlot is the false religions.**
- Many say the **mother of harlots** is the **Catholic** church, and the **Protestant** churches are the daughters and granddaughters of her.
- But really it goes back much farther than that – back to **Nimrod** and even back to **Cain**.
- These were **antichrists** and **marked with the beast system.**
- God's people need to be **men of understanding**, and we need to understand that **we are not to be bought with the lies of the harlot religions.**



- Proverbs says:
  - My son, keep my words, and lay up my commandments with thee.
  - Keep my commandments, and live; and my law as the apple of thine eye.
  - Bind them upon thy fingers, write them upon the table of thine heart.
  - Say unto wisdom, Thou *art* my sister; and call understanding *thy* kinswoman:
  - **That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger *which* flattereth with her words**. Proverbs 7:1-5
- The harlot system is one that **FLATTERS** you. Verse 6 says,
  - For at the window of my house I looked through my casement.
- The one that is going to be **caught in a snare** is said to be among the **simple**.
- The word "**simple**" means "**immature**".
  - And beheld among the **simple** ones, I discerned among the **youths**, a **young man** (immature) **void of understanding**. Proverbs 7:7
- **The men of Issachar can not be snared.**
  - **"And of the children of Issachar, *which were men* that had understanding of the times"** 1 Chronicles 12:32



- Verse 8 says, “**Passing through the street near her corner; and he went the way to her house,”**
- A man **who lacks understanding will walk straight into the snare of the harlot**.
- The **greatest manifestation of the harlot system will be at the last day when the dark of night sets in.**
  - In the **twilight**, in the **evening**, **in the black and dark night:**
  - And, behold, there met him a woman *with* the **attire of an harlot**, and subtil of heart.
  - (She *is* **loud and stubborn**; her feet abide not in her house:
  - Now *is she* without, now in the streets, and **lieth in wait at every corner**.) Proverbs 7:9-12
- The second characteristic of the harlot system is that **she is loud and defiant and never stays at home.**
- The third characteristic is that she has **a church on every corner**.



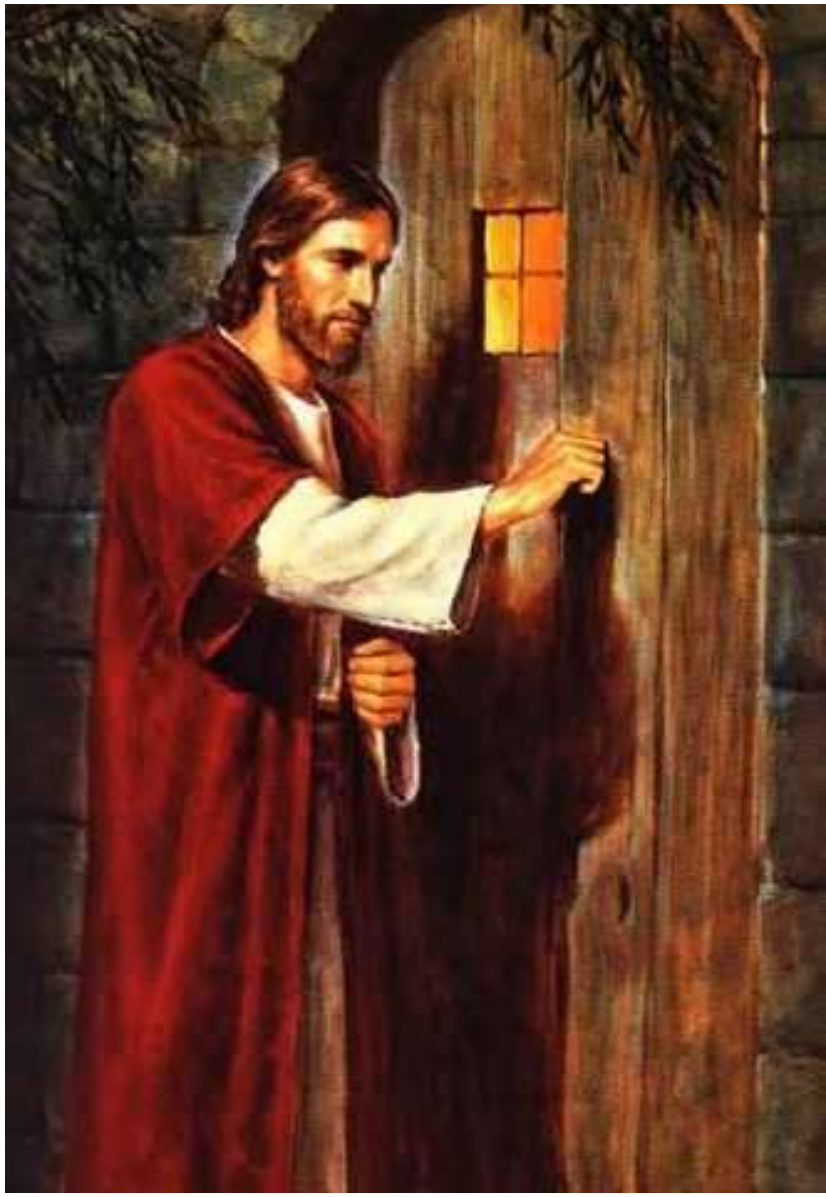
- Verse 13 says,
  - **So she caught him**, and **kissed him**, *and* with an **impudent (brazen) face** said unto him,
- "**she caught him".**
  - Maybe she **offered him a position** in the "church". Maybe she said, "You can **teach** a Sunday school class. We need you to **lead** our young people."
- **Let me make you feel important**.
  - "You just got saved, "Do you want to preach?"
- **"she caught him**, and **kissed him**, *and* with an **impudent (brazen) face"**
- This is an imitation of purity.



- Verse 14-15 says,
  - *I have* **peace offerings** with me; this day have I payed my vows.
  - Therefore came I forth to meet thee, **diligently to seek thy face**, and **I have found thee.**
- **The harlot system will come after you, seek you out, badger you, harass you.**
  - I have **decked my bed** with coverings of tapestry, **with carved *works***, with **fine linen of Egypt.** Verse 16
- **Linen** speaks of **righteousness**.
- **Egypt** represents the **world**, so she is speaking of **unrighteousness**.
- **Her bed is decked with unrighteousness** and she is displaying her WORKS.
  - I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon.
  - Come, **let us take our fill of love** until the morning: let us solace ourselves with loves. Proverbs 7:17-18
- It **smells good**, **looks good**, but it is a lure.
- It is a **false love** that only gives **temporary satisfaction.**
- When the day breaks, the "love" is gone and leaves a bitter taste in your mouth **because you have been used.**
- **Your time, your talent, and your youth (immaturity) has been prostituted.**



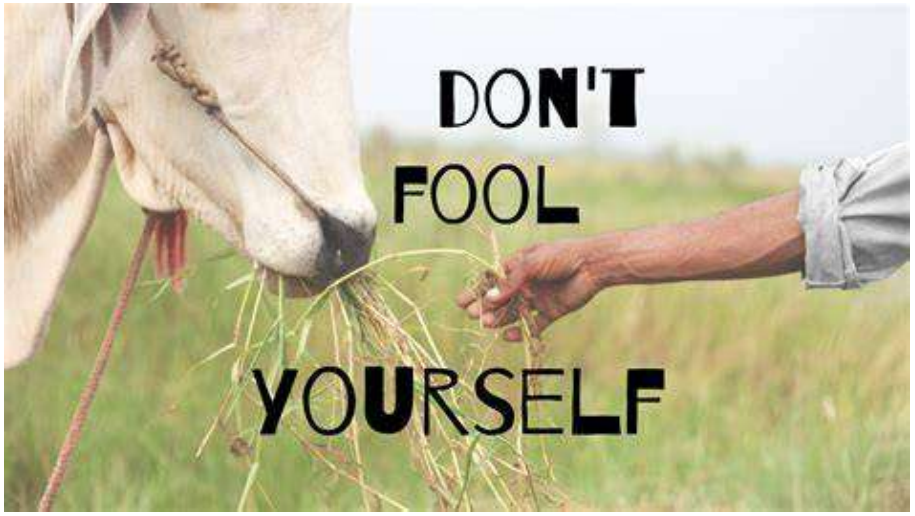
- Verse 19 says,
  - For the goodman **(my husband) *is* not at home**, **he is gone a long journey**;
- **True intimacy** is only found with **Jesus**.
- **Jesus is standing outside at the door, knocking, trying to get in.**
  - **Behold, I stand at the door, and knock**: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. Revelation 3:20
- The harlot **will not open the door and let Jesus in** because she would have to **change her doctrine**, her ways.
- Her husband has gone on a long journey.
- **Jesus has been away a long time in many peoples' lives.**



- Verse 20-21 says,
  - He hath taken a bag of money with him, *and* **will come home at the day appointed.**
  - With her much fair speech (**persuasive** words) **she caused him to yield**, with the **flattering of her lips** she forced (**seduced**) him.
- This is how the **harlot system manipulates you** through **flattery**, **fear** and **intimidation**.
- "If it **feels right**, it must be right"
- "If you don't follow "**our** doctrine" we will "**ex-communicate**" you."
- "If you don't believe the way we do, you will miss the **rapture**."



- Verse 22 says,
  - He goeth after her straightway, **as an ox goeth to the slaughter**, or **as a fool to the correction of the stocks;**
- **Committing fornication with the harlot is a life or death situation.**
- You **cannot participate with her** in her smooth and righteous sounding **man-made doctrines** and **not get burnt**.
  - **Till a dart strike through his liver; as a bird hasteth to the snare, and knoweth not that it *is* for his life.** Revelation 7:23
- The Word of God says, "**Come out of her**!"
  - And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.** Revelation 18:4





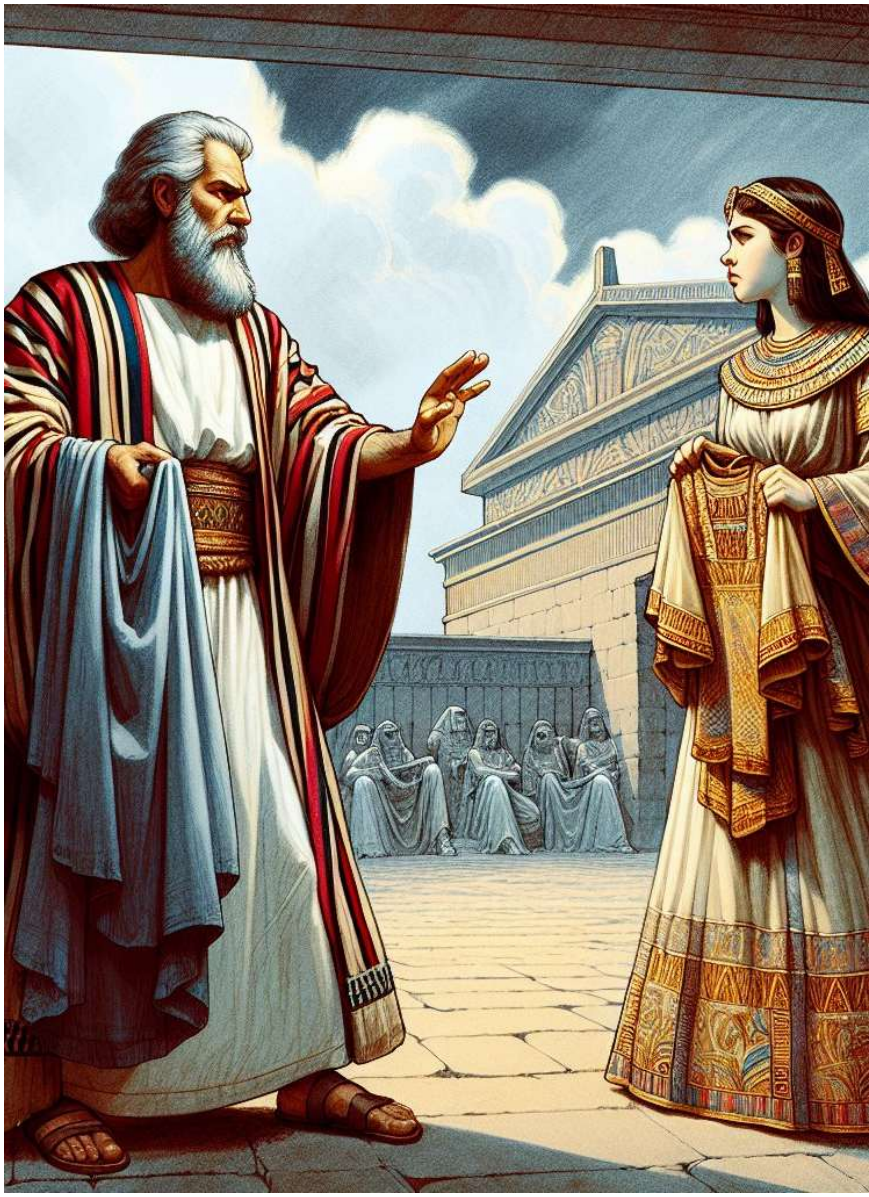
- The rest of the chapter gives advice to the sons of the kingdom.
  - Hearken unto me (**Listen to me**!) now therefore, O ye **children**, and **attend to the words of my mouth.**
  - **Let not thine heart decline to her ways, go not astray in her paths.**
  - For **she hath cast down many wounded**: yea, **many strong *men* have been slain by her.**
  - **Her house *is* the way to hell, going down to the chambers of death**. Proverbs 7:24-27
- In summary, **those who refuse to allow the Holy Spirit to lead them** through the experience of Issachar: are **simple**, are among the **foolish**, the **immature**, and **will be seduced** by smooth **flattering** talk of those who want to **control** and **manipulate** them to their way of thinking order to **build a kingdom for themselves** under the guise of doing it for Jesus.
- You cannot afford to become a part of any system that **prevents the free flow** of the manifestation of the Spirit of God!



- Not let's look at four examples of men **who could not be bought.**
- 1. **Joseph**, in Genesis 39:7-23, **ran from the harlot system** and she persecuted him **by telling her husband a lie**.
- The Pharoh's wife was filled with righteous indignation because she did not get her way, and **she turned on Joseph like a viper.**
- As a result, Joseph had much of his purity, his reputation, his integrity, and his ministry violated.
  - And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, **Lie with me**.
  - **But he refused**, …And it came to pass, as she spake to Joseph day by day, that **he hearkened not unto her, to lie by her, *or* to be with her.**
  - And it came to pass about this time, that *Joseph* went into the house to do his business; and *there was* none of the men of the house there within.
  - **And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out**. Genesis 39:7-12
- But God restored the years that the canker worm had eaten.



- 2. Moses – Hebrews 11:24-27 says,
  - By faith Moses, when he was come to years, **refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;**
  - **Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;**
  - **Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt**: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.
  - **By faith he forsook Egypt**, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.



- 3. David – 1 Samuel 20:24-25 says,
  - So **David hid himself in the field**: and when the new moon was come, the king sat him down to eat meat.
  - And the king sat upon his seat, as at other times, *even* upon a seat by the wall: and Jonathan arose, and Abner sat by Saul's side, and **David's place was empty.**
- This describes Saul’s table and all of his dignitaries were there except David.
- **You will NOT FIND DAVID at Saul’s table.**



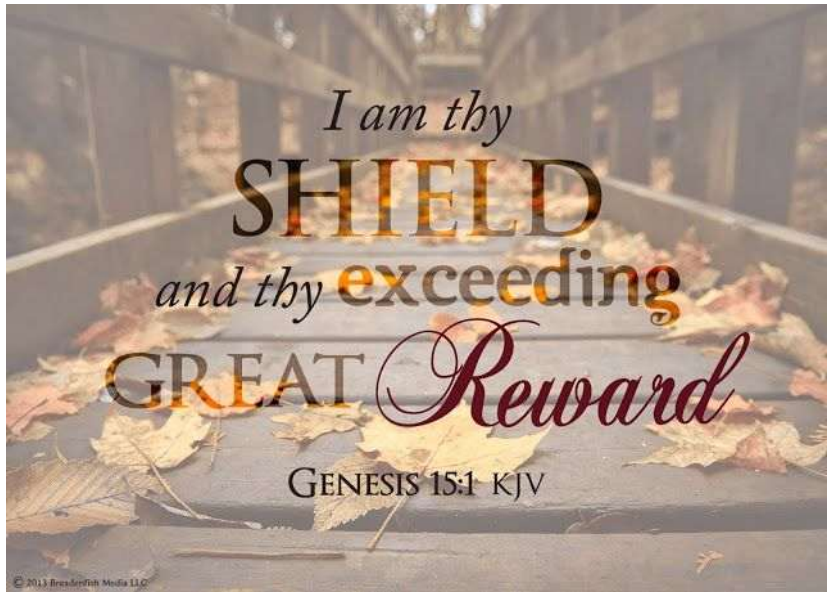
- 4. Finally, what about Jesus?
- John 6:15 says, “When Jesus therefore perceived that they would come and take him by force, to make him a king, **he departed again into a mountain himself alone**.”
- It can be a lonely road, especially when you first refuse to go along with the harlot system.
- But after God tries you and tests you in that commitment, He will then cause you to be identified with others who cannot be bought.
  - Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, **suffered without the gate**.
  - **Let us go forth therefore unto him** without the camp, bearing his reproach.
  - **For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come**. Hebrews 13:12-14



- If you cannot be bought, I have one question for you.
- **What is your reward**?
- Is it dying and **going over yonder**?
- If it is, then we have a problem because Revelation 22:12 says He is coming down here and bringing His reward with Him.
  - And, behold, I come quickly; and **my reward *is* with me**, to give every man according as his work shall be.
- So don’t miss Him on the way up, when He is on the way down.



- What is our **REWARD**?
- God told Abram in Genesis 15:1, “Fear not, Abram: I *am* thy shield, *and* **thy exceeding great reward**.”
- **Your reward is HIM.**
- **His reward is YOU.**
- **We are His Family!**
  - “**For the joy (reward) set before Him, He endured the cross**” Hebrews 12:2
- Jesus could not be bought because He knew He would be brought into a living union with a people who would have the same nature as His; **a people who could not be bought.**



- Jesus said in Matthew 6:6, “But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall **reward thee openly**.”
- This is talking about a divine nature.
- A **reward** that is **open** is a reward that is **revealed**.
- The book shall be opened.
- Your nature will be revealed for what it is.
- The Apostle Paul says we are an epistle that will be read and known by all men.
  - **Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men**: 2 Corinthians 3:2
- If you are going to be found in the book of life, it will be on the day when everybody’s nature is revealed by fire.
- Our reward will be rewarded openly on that day.

Jacob's Blessing Upon Issachar

- Jacob blesses Issachar.
  - **Issachar** *is* a **strong ass** couching down **between two burdens**:
  - And he **saw** that **rest** *was* good, and the **land** that *it was* pleasant; and **bowed his shoulder to bear, and became a servant unto tribute**. Genesis 49:14-15
- "strong ass" is in the Bible meaning strength or noble character.
- It represents an animal of great usefulness and worth. Isaiah says it is stronger than Israel.
  - The ox knoweth his owner, and **the ass his master's crib:** *but* Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider. Isaiah 1:3
- "saw" – Jacob had a vision of full stature.
- "rest" – His habitation was of God
- The "land" is the promise.
  - Till **we all come in the unity of the faith**, and of **the knowledge of the Son of God,** unto **a perfect man**, unto the **measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ**: Ephesians 4:13
- "**couching down** between two burdens" indicates **humility**.
- "**bowed**" as a **servant**
- "**shoulder**" used his **authority** to always bear burdens and not create them; **government**.
- "became" the true nature of **SONSHIP** is that of a **SERVANT**.



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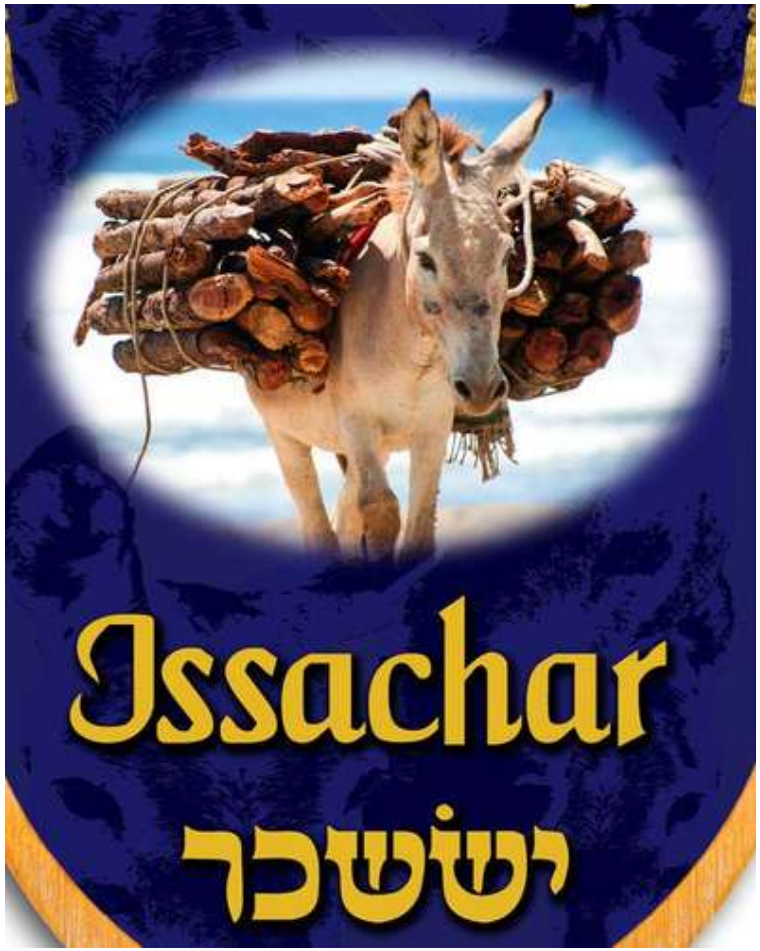
- "servant unto tribute" means "**a VOLUNTARY LOVE-SLAVE unto DEATH**".
- **Issachar has a balanced minister which is a burden for the lost and a burden for the Church.**
- It is likely that the **two burdens** represented the Patriarch's son couching down between the sheep-folds.
  - **Why abodest thou among the sheepfolds, to hear the bleatings of the flocks**? For the divisions of Reuben *there were* great searchings of heart. Judges 1:16
- Issachar's rest from his labors is **in Zion**.
- **He humbled himself to be a love slave.**



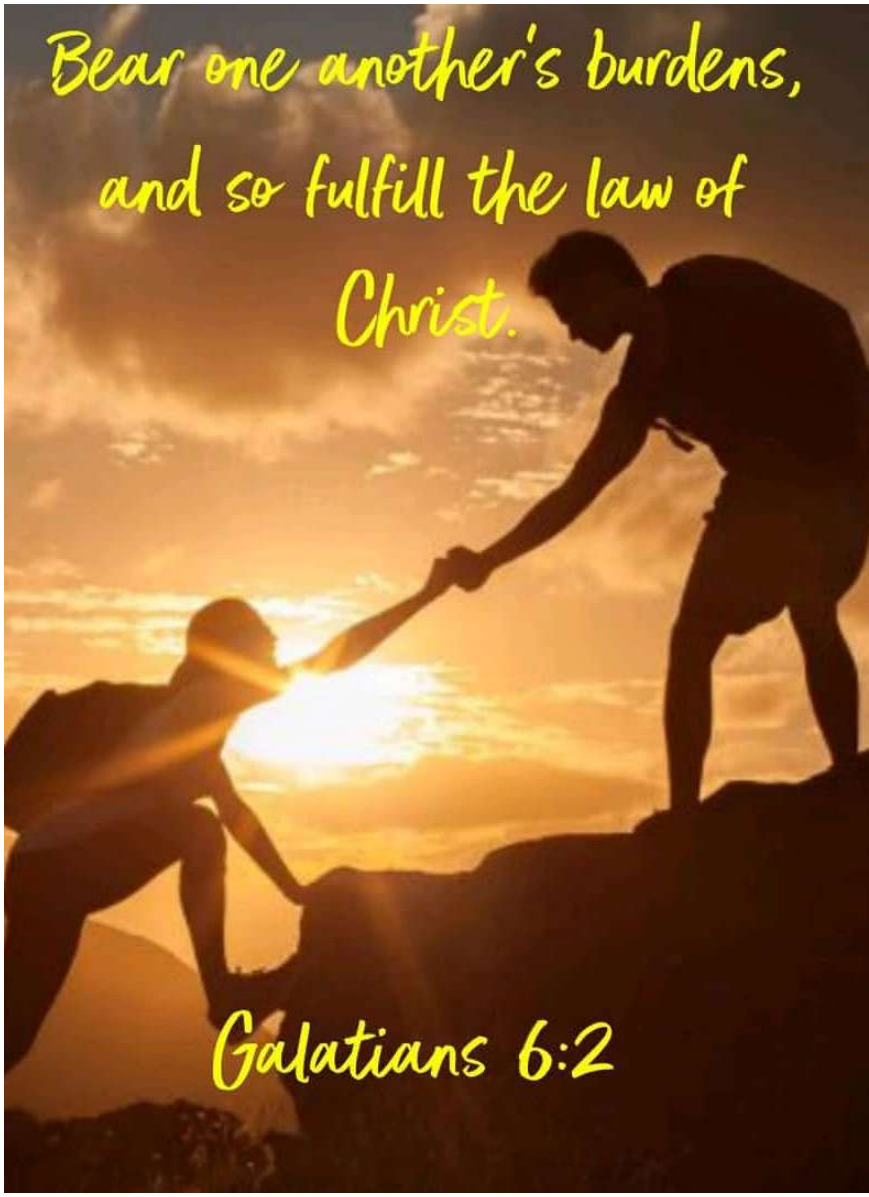
- How many Spirit-filled people are **voluntary love slaves to death**?
- Some have the attitude, "**What can I get out of this**?"
- Like Judas, they have their hand on the table.
  - But, behold, **the hand of him that betrayeth me *is* with me on the table.** – JESUS Luke 22:21
- This was treachery occurring within the inner circle of Jesus.
- **What can I get** from God? (for HIRE)
- If your attitude is "**What can I get from God**", I encourage you to **come up higher.**
- This attitude lives in the lower realm.
- I do not condemn those who are at this stage of development, but the **problem lies when people refuse to come higher when they are taught there is more.**



- There are also those in their walk who have the attitude of "**What can I do Lord**?" (burden-bearer)
  - Thus saith the LORD; **Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded**. Jeremiah 31:16
- This is a good attitude, and it is good to have people like this around.
- The danger with these people is that too many times, **it is jut them doing it and not the Lord directing them.**
- These types of people are usually more interested in **DOING** rather than **BEING**.
- Like **Martha**, they may think serving is more important than worshipping.



- Issachar is a **strong ass**.
- He is **bearing two burdens**.
- He is a **worker**.
- He is **spending** and **will be spent** for this Gospel.
- The Issachar gate has an attitude of **NO APPARENT REWARD**.
  - **Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ**. Galatians 6:2
  - We then that are strong ought to **bear the infirmities of the weak**, and not to please ourselves. Romans 15:1
- Many are only looking for their reward for serving God.



- If you want someone to recognize you publicly, Ok – **you have your reward**.
- Paul says,
  - For though I preach the gospel, **I have nothing to glory of**: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, **woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!**
  - **For if I do this thing willingly, I have a reward:** but if against my will, a dispensation *of the gospel* is committed unto me.
  - **What is my reward then? *Verily* that, when I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel of Christ without charge, that I abuse not my power in the gospel.** 1 Corinthians 9:16-18
- God does not need our work to establish the kingdom of God.
- His kingdom was in place **before we were born** and if we die, **it will still stand**.
- God did not call us to be "**successful**"; He called us to be **faithful**.
- Soon he will unveil His reward and **most likely it will be from the "little known" ministries.**



The Last Words of Moses to Issachar

- 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.**
- Isaiah 60 is a commentary on this passage and it says, “ARISE, SHINE!”



Tribes in the Birth Order - Genesis 49



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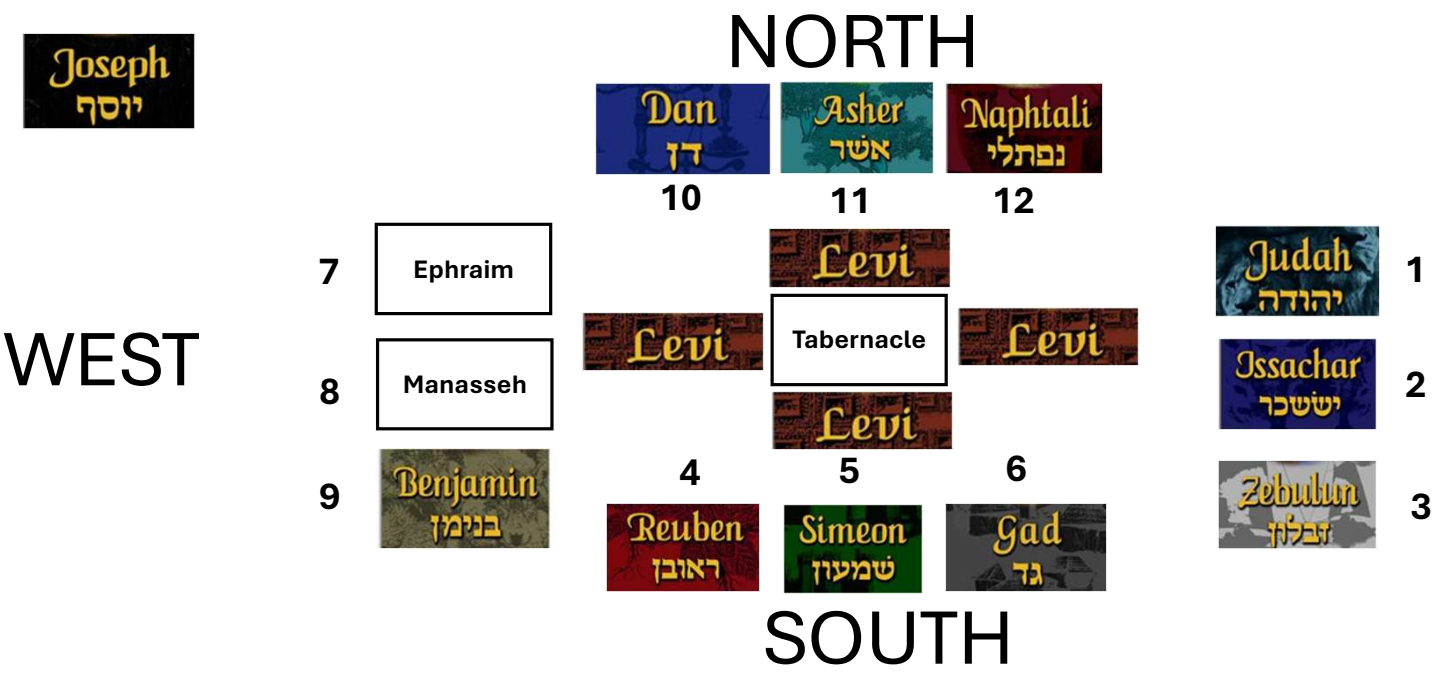
Tribes in the Camp Around the Tabernacle – Numbers 2:17-31



Issachar is right after JESUS – We must be SOLD OUT, NOT For HIRE

Issachar Rises from Nineth to Second Place



TOPAZ

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...Issachar. Numbers 2:1-3,5

- Issachar was the **SECOND** tribe to receive **allotment of territory** around the tabernacle, and thus the second stone, the **topaz**, in the High Priest's breastplate (Exodus 28:17)
- Issachar was the **NINETH** son of Jacob, yet he rose to the position of number **TWO** because
- It is not where you start that is important, but **where you are placed** in the setting.
- Issachar rose **SEVEN positions** from his birth because



TOPAZ Stone

- The men of Issachar did not ascend to fame but rather they lived quietly, gaining well-earned **rest** in their homes **at the end of each day's labour.**
- Their simple, rural life of "**sweat and toil**" makes the tribal stone, the topaz, most suitable.
- It is likely that the name of this stone came from a Greek word meaning "**to seek**".
- First found on a remote island in the Red Sea, this golden-yellow gem had to be sought assiduously, but, when found, **it well rewarded** the efforts of the sailors searching for it.



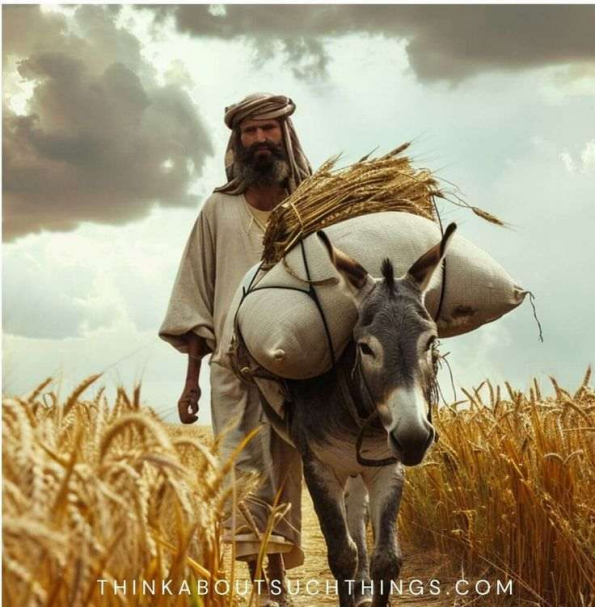




The golden altar of incense was at the entrance of the Most Holy Place, accessible by the High Priest.

NAVIGATING THE TIMES & SEASONS

THE TRIBE OF ISSACHAR



The tribe of Issachar formed a rural community who **“worked for reward**".



Issachar settled in the plain of Mount Carmel, Mount Tabor and the River Jordan as boundaries. This is an extremely fertile area.

In Solomon’s day, “Jehoshaphat the son of Paruah, in Issachar’ was one of the twelve officials responsible for providing farm produce for the royal household.1 Kings 4:17.

The districts of Taanach and Megiddo are mentioned in the same connection, 1 Kings 4:12.

These lands, ceded to **Manasseh**, were originally in the territory of Issachar, Joshua 17:11.

- Much of what the **Queen of Sheba** saw on the king's table had been **produced by members of the tribe of Issachar**.
- The patient **toil** of enabled the servants **in the palace kitchens** to prepare such a spread as added to the **glory of king Solomon**.
- This pictures the Holy Spirit, in us, who is intent on **providing fruit to the glory of Christ.**
- **We are God's husbandry**.
  - **For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, *ye are* God's building**. 1 Corinthians. 3:9





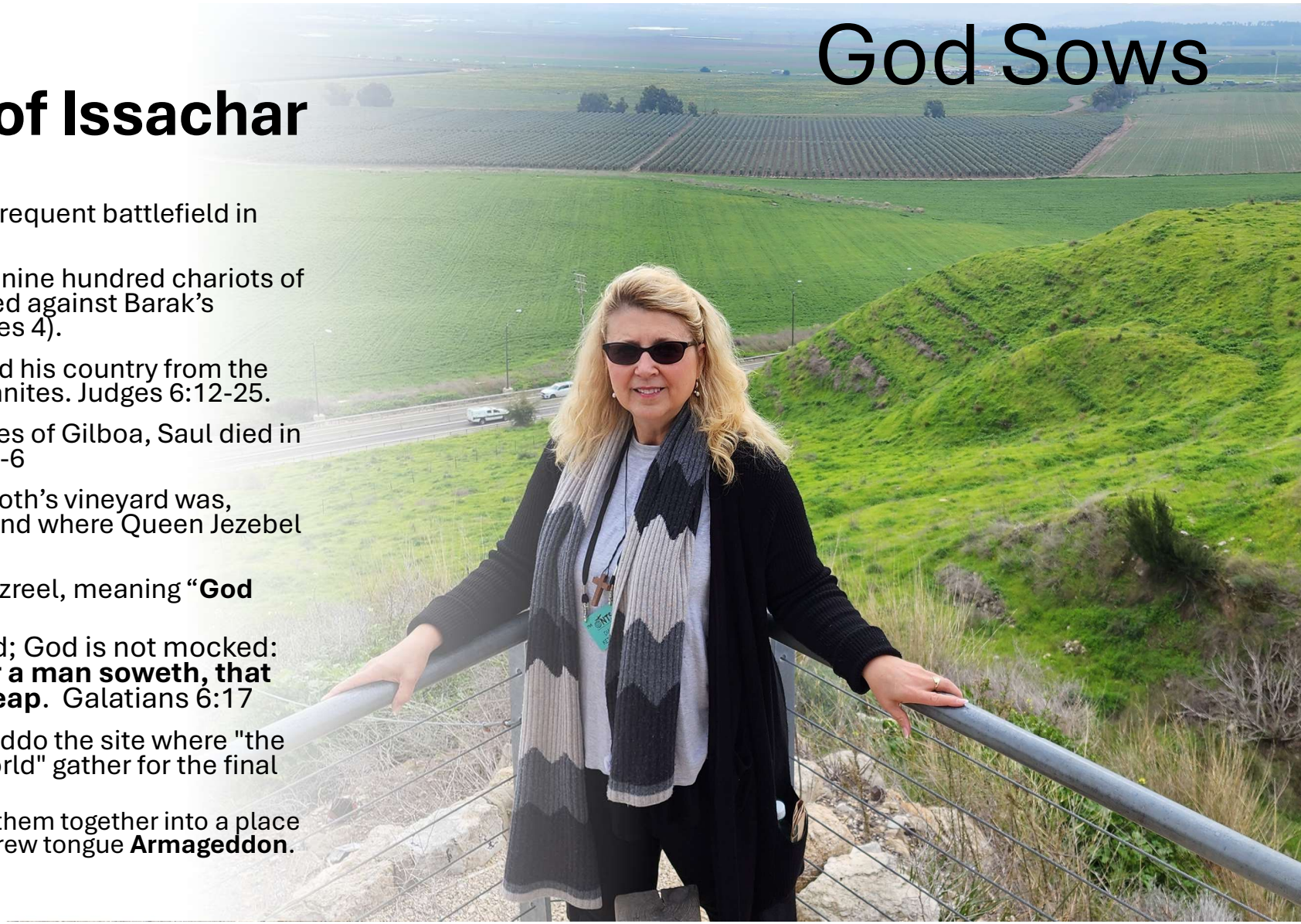
- It was in the territory of Issachar that the **Shunammite** woman **fed Elisha.**
  - And it fell on a day, that **Elisha passed to Shunem, where *was* a great woman; and she constrained him to eat bread.** And *so* it was, *that* as oft as he passed by, he turned in thither to eat bread. 2 Kings 4:8

- During the journey from Egypt to Canaan, **the size of Issachar increased by nearly ten thousand men**.
  - These *are* the **families of Issachar** according to those that were numbered of them, threescore and four thousand and three hundred. Numbers. 26:25.
- It would appear that this tribe **advanced in influence** also.
- Its leaders must have been **skillful** and **wise** advisers.
- As we learned, under David, they were "men that had **understanding of the times**, to know what Israel ought to do", 1 Chronicles 12:32.



The Land of Issachar

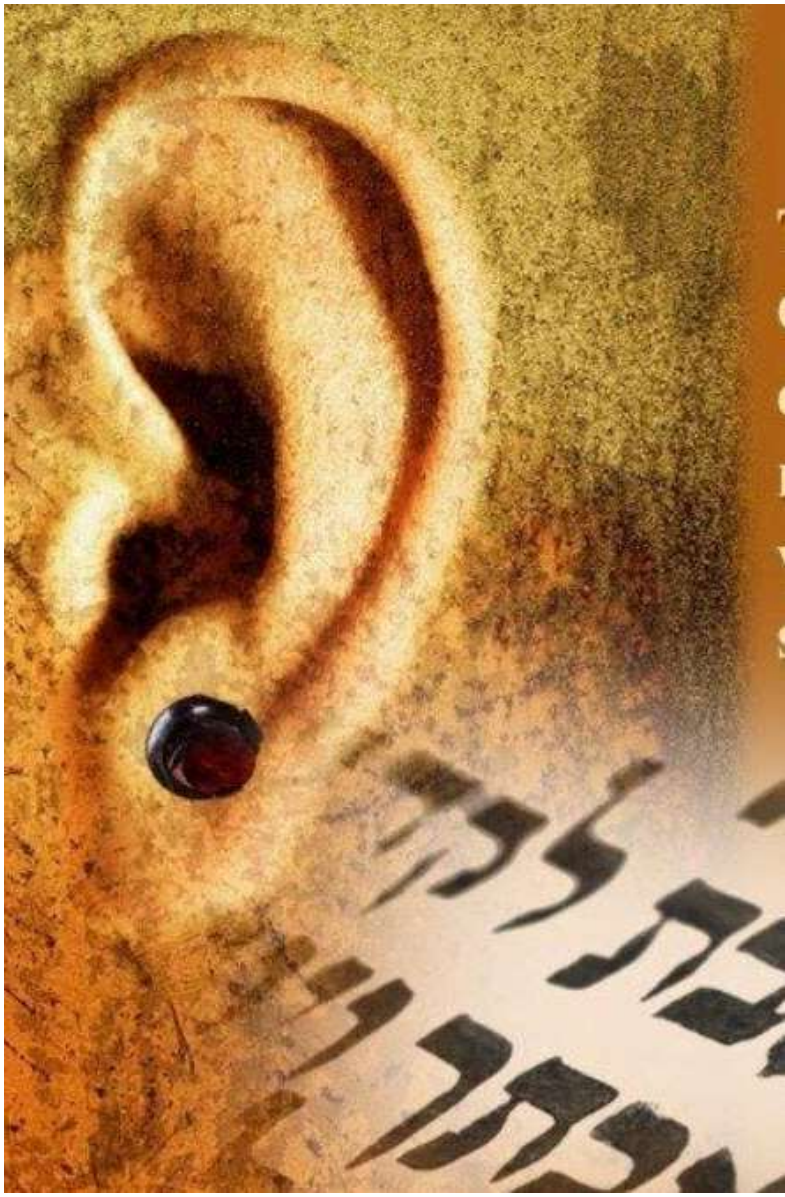
God Sows



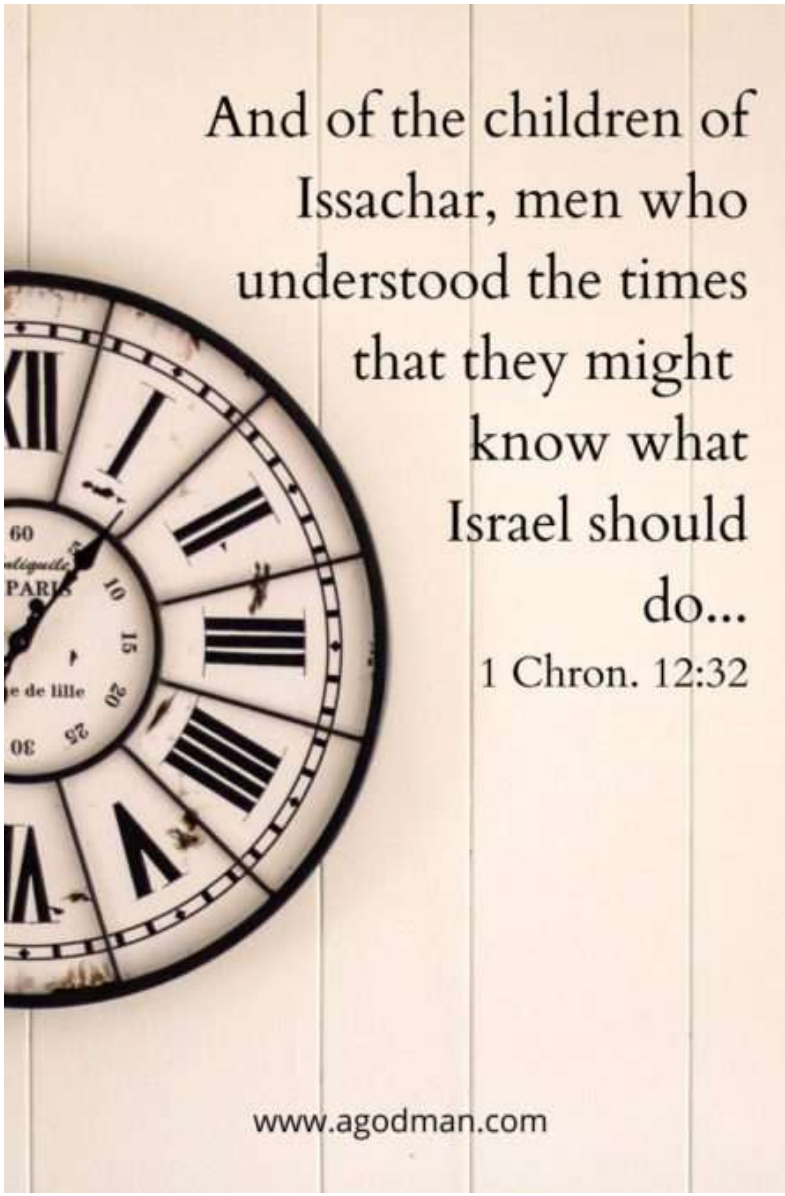
- This area was also a frequent battlefield in Israel's history.
- Through these plains nine hundred chariots of iron under Sisera failed against Barak's thousand men. (Judges 4).
- Here Gideon delivered his country from the Amalekites and Midianites. Judges 6:12-25.
- Here too, on the slopes of Gilboa, Saul died in battle. 1 Samuel 31:1-6
- The place where Naboth's vineyard was, stolen by King Ahab and where Queen Jezebel died.
- This is the valley of Jezreel, meaning "**God sows".**
    - Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for **whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap**. Galatians 6:17
- This is the hill of Megiddo the site where "the kings of the whole world" gather for the final battle against God.
    - And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue **Armageddon**. Revelation 16:16

I FREELY Serve My Master

- As a **PRISONER of LOVE**, we are **FREE** to do as we **WANT** or **DESIRE**.
- The principle is: **I am free to do whatever I want**, but I don't want…or desire…to do anything that does not bring pleasure to HIM!
  - And if the servant shall plainly say, **I love my master**, my wife, and my children; I will not go out free:
  - Then his master shall bring him unto the judges; **he shall also bring him to the door, or unto the door post; and his master shall bore his ear through with an aul**; and **he shall serve him for ever**. Exodus 21:5-6
- **Does God have your ear**?
- Is your **ear nailed to "THE DOOR" – JESUS?**
  - Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. John 10:7
  - He is a **rewarder** of them that **diligently seek him**. Hebrews 11:6



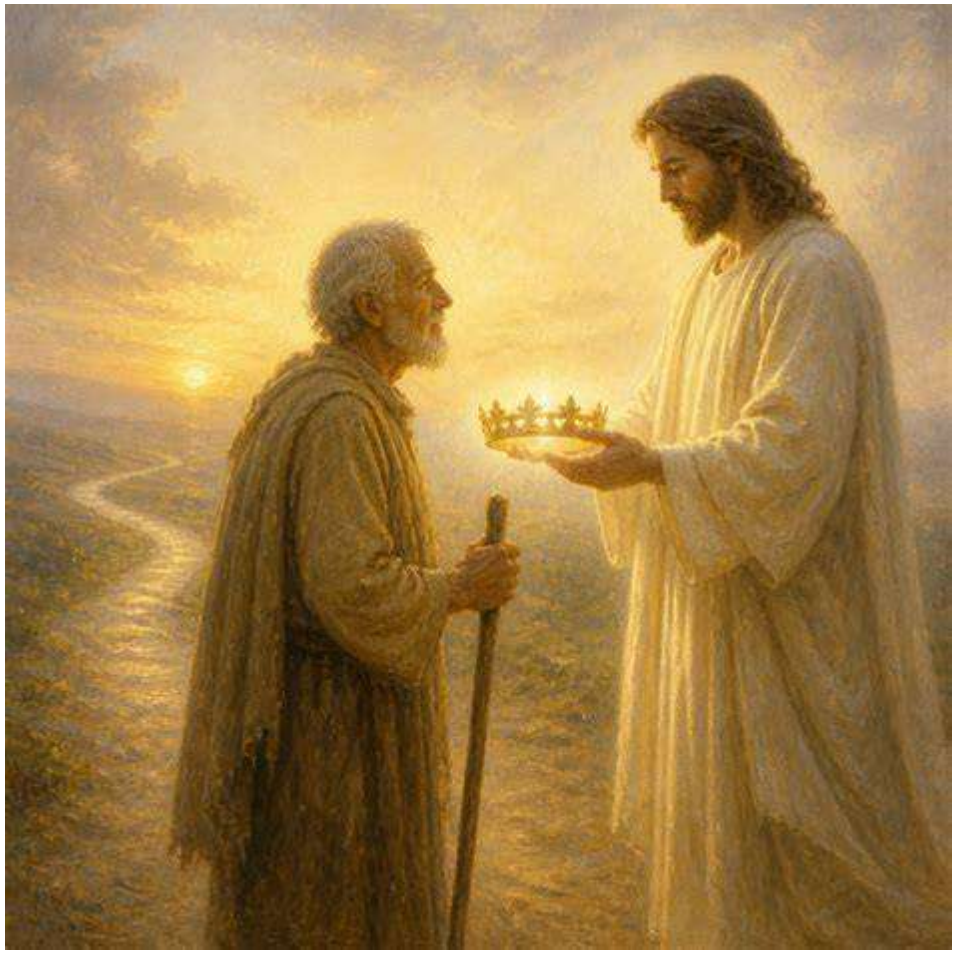
- Key spiritual attributes associated with Issachar include:
- **Discernment of Times:** The tribe was renowned for **understanding the times** and knowing what action to take.
- **Burden-Bearing and Humility:** Described as a strong donkey crouching between burdens, this represents **steadfastness**, **endurance**, and a willingness to **serve through hard work**.
- **Spiritual Sensitivity:** It signifies an intuitive connection to the Holy Spirit, allowing believers to **not be bought by the harlot system** and align with God's will.
- **Hidden Faithfulness:** Issachar embodies quiet, rooted devotion rather than public visibility, emphasizing that **faithful service** is seen and **rewarded** by God.



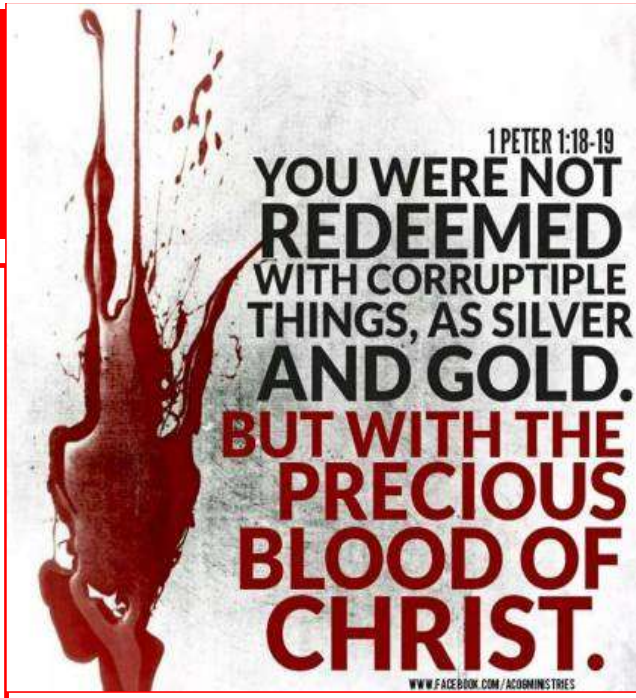
- God is calling those **who want to come through the Issachar gate** to
  - know that you have been **bought with a price**.
  - **Understand the times** and the **seriousness** of the **end-time work** for which you are called.
  - you have been called to **work in the field, sowing the seeds of God**, knowing that you will be **rewarded in due time**.
  - Know that the **field is the world** which is also the **place where battles are fought**.
  - Know that **you are HIS REWARD and HE is YOUR REWARD**.
  - **You have been HIRED by Jesus to carry two burdens – one for the lost and one for the church.**
  - We are **UNDER CONTRACT** (Covenant) to **HIM** and **He has exclusive rights** to us!
  - **keep yourself from the harlot system**, not taken in by her **flattery** and learn to **discern** her heart.
  - You are a **VOLUNTARY LOVE-SLAVE unto DEATH.**



- In the New Testament, **rewards** for consecrated **service** are spoken of under the **symbol of crowns**.
- An **incorruptible crown** for those who complete the Christian race,
  - And every man that **striveth for the mastery** is temperate in all things. Now they *do it* to obtain a **corruptible crown**; **but we an incorruptible**. 1 Cor. 9:25.
- A **crown of rejoicing** for soul winners,
  - For what *is* our hope, or joy, or **crown of rejoicing**? *Are* not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming? 1 Thess. 2:19
- A **crown of righteousness** for those who love the Lord's appearing.
  - Henceforth there is laid up for me a **crown of righteousness**, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that **love his appearing**. 2 Tim. 4:8
- A **crown of glory** to those who are examples to the flock.
  - **Feed the flock of God** which is among you, taking the oversight *thereof*, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;
  - Neither as being lords over *God's* heritage, **but being ensamples to the flock**.
  - And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a **crown of glory that** fadeth not away. 1 Pet. 5:2-4
- A **crown of life** for those who are **faithful unto death,**
  - Blessed *is* the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him. James 1:12
  - Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast *some* of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a **crown of life**. Rev. 2:10



The Gate of Issachar
UNDER CONTRACT, WORTH

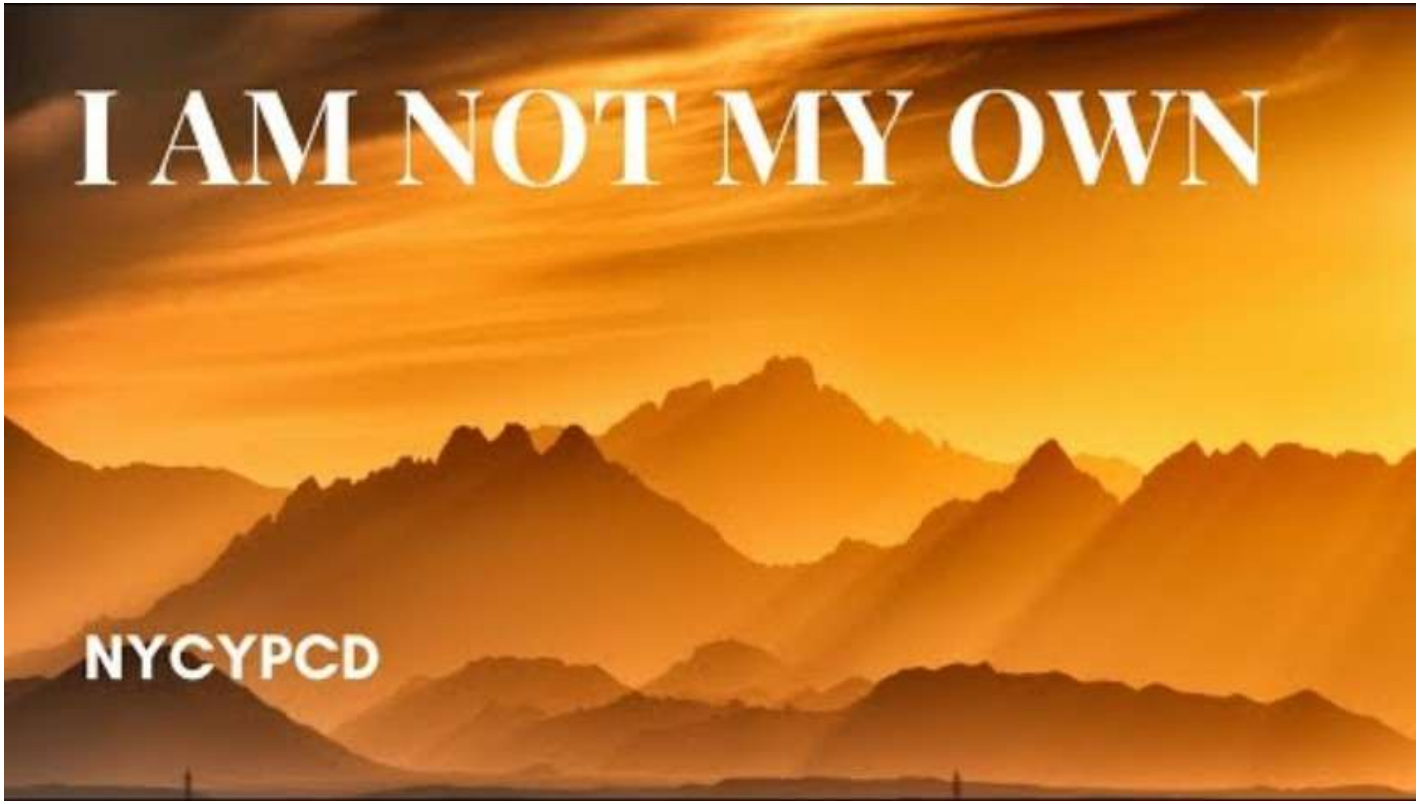


- We have been **bought by our master**.
- **We love our master** and cannot be bought by any other.
- **We owe our life** to our master.
- We refuse to lay with or be the **Harlot**.
- We are His **Reward**. (Rev 22:12)
- We are his **Servant** (3 types: What can I get from God? What can I do for God? No reward for what I do.)
- **I am FREE, but I choose** to bring pleasure to Him! (Ex 21:1-6)



Cannot be Bought

I’m Not My Own, I Belong to JESUS!



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