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Midrash Marathon Madness Contest Winner #1



During this Biblical 7th month our *Tsiyon Road* radio station is celebrating with a special event called *Midrash Marathon Madness* - All Midrash All the Time! We are midrashing the *entire* book of Genesis in *one month*! For more about this special event go to our home page at tsiyon.org.

An exciting feature of this special radio event this month is our [Midrash Marathon Madness Contest](#). Everyone who enters wins a prize, with special prizes for each week, and a Grand Prize for the entire month! The simple details can be found [here](#).

Now, the really exciting news -

Our first weekly Prize Winner is: **Lynette Dowell**

Listen to *Tsiyon Road* to hear Lynette's winning entry on the air - or hear it online at the bottom of the page [here](#).

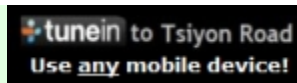
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7th Month Appointments: The first work day of the month began at sundown on September 8th. Starting with that day we count 6 work days, and then the 7th day is Sabbath. That puts the first regular Sabbath of the 7th Hebrew month on the 8th day, which this year, begins on September 14th. The regular Sabbaths of this 7th month, therefore, commence on the 14th, 21st, and 28th of September, and on the 5th of October. Because of *Yom Teruah* the 7th month is the only month of the Hebrew calendar on which the regular Sabbaths fall on the 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th of the Hebrew month. For dates of all the 7th month Appointments, please visit our [calendar](#). [Learn more about these 7th month special days in these passages: Lev 16:29-34, 23:1-34, Num 29:1-40, 2 Chron 7:7-11, Jn 1:14 etc. See also the book [Holy Time](#)]

A Special Broadcast Month - Midrash Marathon Madness Month: Apart from it's Biblical significance, this 7th Hebrew month marks the first full year of broadcast of our Messianic radio station, *Tsiyon Road*. We have a lot to celebrate this month and we invite all of you to join in the celebration with us! Full details are posted on the home page of our tsiyon.org website.

King David's Palace Brings Biblical Account to Life

JERUSALEM, Israel -- Israeli archaeologist Eilat Mazar announced to the world in 2005 she had uncovered the ruins of King David's palace in Jerusalem.

Since then, she has excavated various sites in Jerusalem, relying on the Bible to understand what she's found.

Some 3,000 years ago, the entire city of Jerusalem fit on one 12-acre hill. Here in the City of David, you can see part of the wall rebuilt by Nehemiah, the water tunnel dug by King Hezekiah and the pool of Siloam where Jesus healed a blind man.

Today, the City of David is one of Jerusalem's top tourist sites, with close to half a million visitors a year.

"This is one of the most exciting places on earth," Doron Spielman, director of development for the City of David, told CBN News. "People from all over the world come to this place and understand for the first time that what they're reading in the text matches the archaeology on the ground."

The City of David is more than just a tourist attraction. It's also a live archaeological dig. The Bible says this is where King David built his palace, which Mazar believes she's uncovered.

For Eilat Mazar, digging is a family affair. In 1948, her grandfather, Benjamin Mazar, was the first archaeologist to start digging in the newly reborn State of Israel.

And when the Israelis reunited Jerusalem in 1967, he began excavating the area around the Temple Mount. His granddaughter, Eilat, was working by his side when she was just 11 years old.

"What I learned from him...the major thing is that the Bible is part of our historical sources, to be used and re-studied and reexamined again and again, without any offense, or it doesn't object in any way to our scientific archaeological capability, with using the best methods of excavations," Mazar said. "It goes side by side and fits beautifully, and it should."

Like her grandfather, Mazar is uncovering the Jerusalem of the Bible, layer by layer.

In 2005, she started digging in the City of David with one goal in mind.

"King David's Palace!" she said, laughing. "Well, I had my assumptions based on the evidence at the time, and when I started the excavation, it was an open question."

It wasn't long before she found what she was looking for.

"We saw the large walls of some structure, but they were so large that I said, 'Wow, okay, forget about King David's Palace -- we are talking about a fortress here,'" she continued.

"We realized that this structure, as monumental and impressive as it is, is the first structure ever built on that spot," she continued. "So the question [was] who built this structure and what was this structure built for?"

Mazar soon found her answer.

"We've got a marvelous, marvelous historical source, which is called the Bible," she said. "The core of historical events surely are there."

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From Eliyahu

We are announcing our first *Midrash Marathon Madness Contest* winner in this newsletter, above. I want to thank everyone who entered and I promise, you will ALL get a prize! There is still time to get in on our contest. Who knows? You might even win our fabulous Grand Prize! It's fun and easy, so if you haven't entered yet, please give it a [go](#).

I hope you are enjoying this seventh month as much as we are here in Texas. Our *Midrash Marathon Madness Month* on *Tsiyon Road* has a bit of a hokey name, but the event itself is full of substance that is uplifting and exciting for this special time of year. It is an ancient tradition to read the Torah this time of year, and certainly reviewing the entire book of Genesis qualifies. As my family and I listen to the Midrash programs being aired this month we are being blessed with a reminder of truths learned, being reminded again in a fresh and living way. We've found the programs to parallel the Appointment days in an unexpected way that is greatly enhancing this special month for us. I hope you are having a similar experience with your family, enjoying every spiritual blessing coming forth from the Throne of Grace.

Blessings and Shalom!

Eliyahu ben David
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