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This is a special Tsiyon News Tsiyon.Net announcing the new Shmita Year!



Folded lead tablet from Mt. Ebal



The divine name YHW
from Mt. Ebal
in proto-alphabetic script



Drawing by Gershon Galil

**An amazing discovery
at Joshua's Altar
on Mt Ebal heralds
the Shmita Year that
starts today!**



From Eliyahu

Consider this:

I know this newsletter is lengthy, but it is speaking about profound things you need to know about, so please take the time to read it all.

A tiny lead tablet found at the site of Joshua's Altar on Mount Ebal has been found, and was reported to the public just a few days ago. This find is no accident, and has profound meaning as we enter into the new Hebrew Shmita Year today at sundown. More about the Shmita Year in a moment, but first, let's consider some details of this amazing find on Mount Ebal.

In the picture above is a photo of the site of Joshua's Altar on Mount Ebal. The altar structure you see there in the photo is likely a memorial structure dated to the time of the Judges, erected over the original Altar of Joshua, which has been located underneath the memorial site in the picture. This IS the exact place on Mount Ebal mentioned in Scripture!

About two weeks ago (March 17) Archaeologist Dr. Scott Stripling and other international scholars held a press conference in Houston, Texas. There Stripling revealed the discovery of a very small folded lead tablet at the site of Joshua's Altar on Mount Ebal. Haifa University Prof. Gershon Galil helped decipher the hidden internal text of the folded lead tablet based on high-tech scans carried out in Prague at the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic. Using the state-of-the-art technology, specialists were able to "see" inside the folded lead tablet, revealing writing preserved inside from very ancient times. The experts who were present agree this is, in fact, the earliest proto-alphabetic Hebrew text — including the name of God, "YHWH" — ever discovered in the land of Israel. Don't let the tablet's spelling "YHW" throw you off - remember, this tablet is written in ancient pictographic script that pre-dates Hebrew letters! This is somewhat comparable to comparing cell texting to reading an actual book - the meaning is the same with the cell texting, even if it uses emojis and is not fully written out in letters.

The translated message from inside the very ancient tablet is stunning:

<p>Mt Ebal Tablet</p> <p>Chiastic Parallelism</p> <p>Cursed, cursed, cursed - cursed by the God YHW.</p> <p>You will die cursed.</p> <p>Cursed you will surely die.</p> <p>Cursed by YHW - cursed, cursed, cursed.</p>	<p>The small folded lead tablet has:</p> <p>40 proto-alphabetic letters.</p> <p>10 times the word curse appears.</p> <p>2 times the word YHW appears.</p> <p>This is very early pictographic writing that pre-dates even the ancient Paleo-Hebrew script.</p> <p>The entire Torah could have originally been written in this very early pictographic script.</p>
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While the news conference informed the public with the basic information regarding this discovery, it still remains for a fuller scientific report to be published in peer-reviewed sources sometime later this year. To see the recent news conference, you can view this [YouTube video](#) Be sure to read the rest of this newsletter though, since there is vital information here not included elsewhere.

For Bible-believers who consider the basic facts of this find, it is immediately apparent that both the Altar of Joshua and this Curse Tablet are exactly where the Torah tells us they should be, on the Mount of Curses, Mount Ebal. The story behind the Mount of Curses, Mount Ebal, is set out by Moses in Deuteronomy and also in the Book of Joshua. You would need to read all the verses to get the whole story, but here is the first mention by Moses:

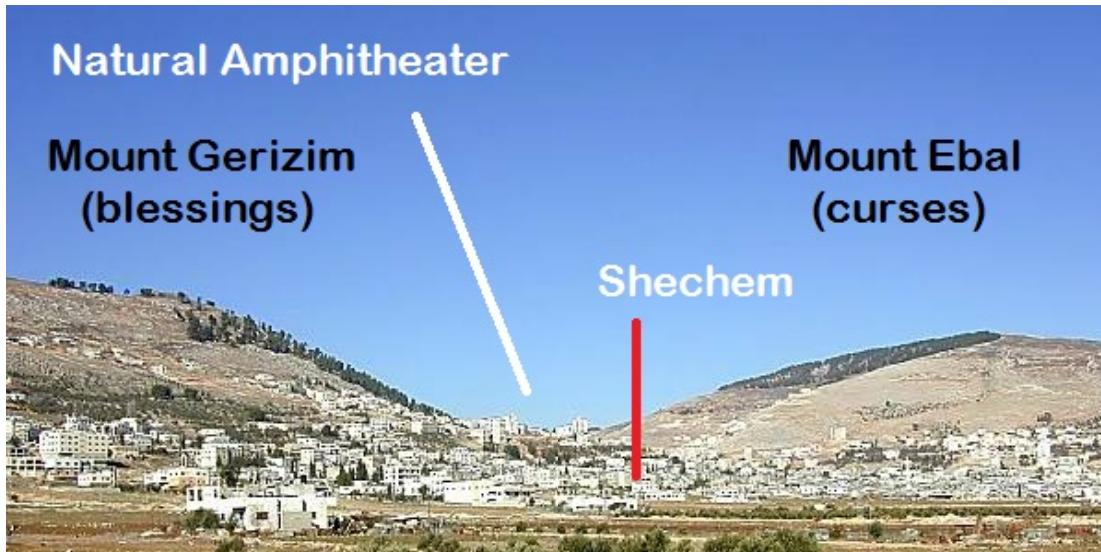
Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse: the blessing, if you shall listen to the commandments of YHWH your Elohim, which I command you this day; and the curse, if you shall not listen to the commandments of YHWH your Elohim, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which you have not known. It shall happen, when YHWH your Elohim shall bring you into the land where you go to possess it, that you shall set the blessing on Mount Gerizim, and the curse on Mount Ebal. Aren't they beyond the Jordan, behind the way of the going down of the sun, in the land of the Canaanites who dwell in the Arabah, over against Gilgal, beside the oaks of Moreh? For you are to pass over the Jordan to go in to possess the land which YHWH your Elohim gives you, and you shall possess it, and dwell therein. You shall observe to do all the statutes and the ordinances which I set before you this day. Deuteronomy 11:26-32 (See also Deut 27, Joshua 8)

As we see here, blessings of the covenant would come to the nation if the nation of Israel would keep the covenant with YHWH. On the other hand, curses would fall upon Israel if they would depart from the covenant. These blessings and curses are enumerated very specifically by Moses in Deuteronomy. Upon first establishing a foothold in the land, Israel was to commit themselves to the covenant by a sacred ritual linking the blessings of the covenant to Mount Gerizim and the curses of the covenant to Mount Ebal, two mountains located together near ancient Shechem. After miraculous victories for Israel over Jericho and Ai the Scripture tells us; "Then Joshua built an altar to YHWH, the Elohim of Israel, in Mount Ebal" where the nation accepted the blessings and curses as the terms of the covenant, agreeing to keep all of YHWH's commandments forever, from that time forward, just as Moses had instructed. Joshua 8:30

Given the Scriptural background of the Ebal site, and the words of the Curse Tablet, and the ancient writing which affirms the ancient authenticity of the find, it is impossible for any truly unbiased person to deny the evidence. This is profound, proving the skeptics to be wrong in asserting that early Hebrews were illiterate and could not have written the Torah when claimed. On those false grounds they further assert that the Torah is just a big story written centuries after

the time period it claims to cover. With ancient writing in a tablet from ancient times, in the very time and place the Torah sets out, and in the way described in Scripture, the skeptics are once again proven to be in error and the Bible proven to be without error. The writing even includes the Name of Israel's God YHWH. That's the icing on the cake!

Praise His name! We now have actual artifacts from this event!



Simply as an archaeological find, this is a stunner! However, when we consider that YHWH is in control of the times and seasons, and that He has deemed it the right time to release this curse tablet, to confront the skeptics this Shmita Year before the eyes of the public, well, that's got to be meaningful! This is a CURSE TABLET WITH HIS NAME ON IT - TWICE! The timing suggests this is not just about ancient curses long past. This is a message lifted up at this time, is from YHWH Himself, speaking ancient curses into our world. We should be very concerned regarding the meaning of this.

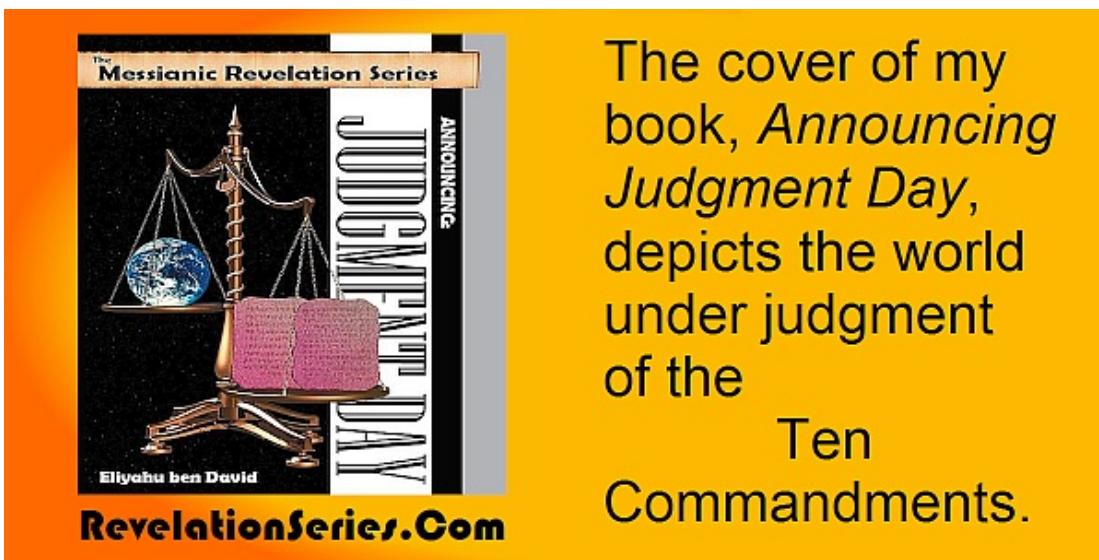
Why do I think it is so important this is coming to light just in time for the Shmita Year? Many of our readers already know about the Shmita Year, but some may not. YHWH organizes years in groups of seven. the last year of each seven year grouping is called the Shmita Year. "Shmita" means *release*. Most of us might know that the seventh year is a Sabbath year for the land, to allow the land to rest. However, the seventh year also makes special provision for the poor, being a year of release of all debts, and even indentured servants are to be released. (Leviticus 25:4, Deuteronomy 15:9, 12-15)

YHWH considers Shmita years as a very important covenant obligation in the land, to express His love and care for the poor through His people. In fact, He scattered His ancient people off of the land because

they would not observe the requirements of Shmita years, among other covenant transgressions.

Shmita years are also important to Bible prophecy, with major events of Biblical proportions often occurring on Shmita years. For example, the Shmita Years since 2000 AD have each begun in the spring, of 2001, 2008, 2015, and now 2022, respectively. Each of these Shmita years has changed the flow of recent history, with great tectonic shifts occurring in those years. 2001 brought us the terrorism war with its foreign wars and permanent institution of the surveillance state. 2008 brought us the Global Economic Crisis which permanently instituted the ongoing transfer of wealth from the poor and middle class to the ultra-wealthy. 2015 brought us UN Agenda 2030, now identified closely with the Great Reset and the New World Order, i.e. the One World Government prophesied in Daniel, Revelation etc.

The Shmita Years are also, of course, important to Israel, and I have published much about that. My point here, though, is this: We can expect that 2022 will also be marked as a world-changer of Biblical proportions. Doesn't it make sense that the curses of Mount Ebal being brought forward just in time for the Shmita Year must be meaningful - with the "great and terrible Day of the Lord" so close?



The cover of my book, *Announcing Judgment Day*, depicts the world under judgment of the Ten Commandments.

It occurred to me that the Curse Tablet from the Mountain of Curses, found late in the judgment period of the world, in these last days, can be seen as having a very similar message as that depicted on the cover of my book, *Announcing Judgment Day*. The curse Tablet contains the word "cursed" ten times. This is the same number as the Ten Commandments, and could literally be a reference to them, since these Ten Commandments embody the full righteous requirements of YHWH, expanded upon by the rest of the Torah. That the Name of YHWH

appears with these ten curses is a double witness to the message, attaching His own Name to it!

As you can see by looking at the cover of my book, the message therein is much the same. It shows the world in the balance, condemned by the heavy judgment of disobedience to the Ten Commandments. Further, my book announces Judgment Day falling upon the world. The Curse Tablet found at this time may very well be YHWH's own announcement of exactly the same thing!

Some people might be offended by the very idea that curses of God from ancient times could fall upon people of this world we live in today, since God has been reduced in the minds of many as having been neutered by the cross. However, this is simply not so, as Yeshua's disciple Peter has written:

But **by His word** the present heavens and earth are being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men. 2
Peter 3:7

Is Peter not saying here that the world of ungodly men is reserved under a curse for a fiery end? Notice that Peter says this cursed state of the world is "by His Word." What Peter is saying is that the world stands in disobedience of the righteous commandments of YHWH that are written in His Word! The curses of disobedience written in His Word must eventually fall upon the disobedient and the ungodly, resulting in a fiery "day of judgment." No, the curses of Mount Ebal are not so old as to be irrelevant. Rather, they are as eternal as the God who has set them out, and who is now reminding us of them. We should all be paying attention!

Did you know that the very last word of the Tanakh (Old Testament) is the word 'curse'? This is at the end of the book by the prophet Malachi, writing about a time just "before the great and terrible day of YHWH." Here is the passage:

"Remember the Torah of Moses my servant, which I commanded to him in Horeb for all Israel, even statutes and ordinances. Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and terrible day of YHWH comes. He will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the earth with a **curse** [of utter and complete destruction]." Malachi 4:4-6

The word translated as 'curse' here is the Hebrew word *cherem*. In this Biblical context the word means something devoted to complete and utter destruction. This is the same word used to describe the Canaanites, who YHWH decreed were to be completely and utterly exterminated. When is the last time you saw a

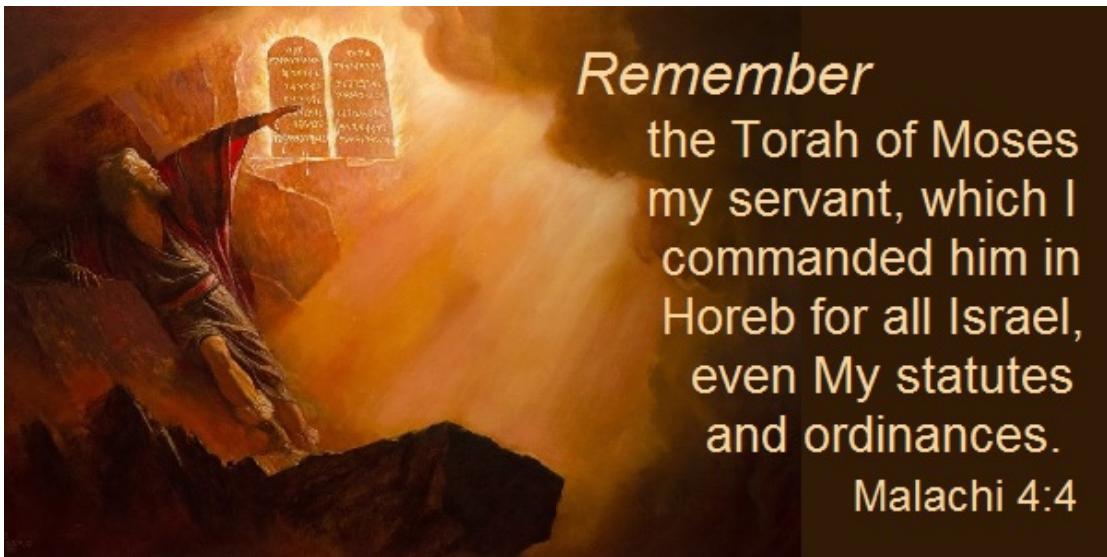
Canaanite? To "strike the earth with a *cherem*" means to destroy everything, leaving absolutely no survivors. The sense is not that repentance of some could keep the judgment of the world from happening (as some translations seem to infer). Rather, if some repent the judgment will not be of the nature of utter destruction, since the repentant ones will survive. In other words, the judgment of the world - the great and terrible day of YHWH - is coming no matter what. The only choice you have is whether you will repent and be delivered, or not repent and be destroyed with the world at "the great and terrible day of YHWH."

In this time period it becomes very important to turn our attention to the Commandment of the Torah. We are specifically told "Remember the Torah of Moses my servant, which I commanded to him in Horeb for all Israel, even statutes and ordinances." As the day of the Lord approaches we are told to pay attention to the Torah - the very thing many Christians are told they need not do!

I stand with the prophet Malachi here, with the message that the Torah is vital to us if we are to survive the prophesied events that are coming very soon! At the Tsiyon website we offer a Torah Course unlike any other you will find anywhere, specifically designed to prepare you for the foretold events just ahead. If you haven't done it already, you should complete that course.

In our weekly studies we have completed four out of the five books of Moses, and have repeated our weekly studies of these four a number of times. We have deliberately waited on going into the fifth book, Deuteronomy, to go through it together through this Shmita Year! It has been our long-term intention to cover this fifth book this year, and that is exactly what we will be doing. Imagine my delight to see that YHWH is focusing the attention of the world on the central message of this very same book this very year! Coincidence? With YHWH there are no coincidences.

If you see the synchronicity of the Ebal discoveries with our plan to uncover the Torah message for our day in the book of Deuteronomy, you now have a very unique opportunity. Commit yourself right now to be with us at our live meetings online each week, to move forward with us as YHWH brings forth last days revelation from His Torah before our very eyes in real time!



Remember
the Torah of Moses
my servant, which I
commanded him in
Horeb for all Israel,
even My statutes
and ordinances.

Malachi 4:4

This Shmita Year is very significant, and we here at Tsiyon have a lot of new plans and information for this Shmita Year we want to share with you. Our first live online meeting of this new year will be broadcast April 10th with a special message to kick-off the new year. You won't want to miss this live online meeting!

Join us on April 9th at tsiyon.net, at 8 pm cst, to start off the year in step with the Remnant in these last days!

Blessings and good health to you!

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PS - Passover falls on April 16 after sundown, so start making your plans for that now. We would love to have you join with us at Tsiyon that night.

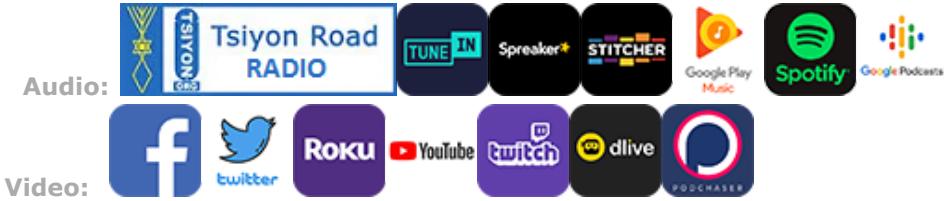
Luke 22:1-24

**Passover
April 16, 2022**

**Be prepared
with matza and
wine to join
with us in this
observance of
Messiah.**

Be still, and know that I am Elohim. I will be exalted among the nations. I will be exalted in the earth. YHWH of Armies is with us.

The Elohim of Jacob is our refuge. Selah. Psalms 46:10+11



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