

El Shaddai Ministries

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The Sign of Jonah in the Plagues: Exodus
and Revelation
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Torah Treasures Revealed

Numbers have significance in scripture and, in this lesson we will look at the significance of the numbers two, three, four, seven, nine and ten.

The number two represents difference or division.

The number three represents divine completion.

The number four represents creation.

The number seven represents spiritual completion.

The number nine represents judgment.

The number ten represents the perfection of divine order; a complete cycle.

Matthew 12:39-40 NKJV 39 But He answered and said to them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign, and no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. 40 "For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

The Sign of Jonah is the presence of the number three, a certain death situation and a miraculous deliverance.

Exodus 10:22 And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven. And there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days. (MKJV)

Matthew 27:45 And from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. (MKJV)

Exodus 12:12 12 'For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and **against all the gods of Egypt** I will execute judgment: I am the LORD. (NKJV)

At the end of the tenth plague, God completed His judgment against the gods of Egypt and accomplished the redemption of His people.

What is it that sets off the plagues against Egypt?

Exodus 5:1-3 NKJV 1 Afterward Moses and Aaron went in and told Pharaoh, "Thus says the LORD God of Israel: 'Let My people go, that they may hold a feast to Me in the wilderness.'" 2 And Pharaoh said, "Who is the LORD, that I should obey His voice to let Israel go? I do not know the LORD, nor will I let Israel go." 3 So they said, "The God of the Hebrews has met with us. Please, let us go three days' journey into the desert and sacrifice to the LORD our God, lest He fall upon us with pestilence or with the sword."

Notes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

~**Saturday, October 20th**- Guest Speaker Rabbi Shapira

~**Saturday, October 20th**- Women's Fellowship, 1-4pm @ CFAN

~**Monday, October 22th**- Guest Speaker Rabbi Shapira

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~**September, October 29th**-Guest Speaker David Nekrutman-

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~**Monday, November 26th**-Special Guest Paul Wilbur

Exodus 6:6-9 NKJV 6 "Therefore say to the children of Israel: '**I am the LORD**; I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, I will rescue you from their bondage, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments. 7 'I will take you as My people, and I will be your God. Then you shall know that I am the LORD your God who brings you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. 8 'And I will bring you into the land which I swore to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; and I will give it to you as a heritage: **I am the LORD.**'" 9 So Moses spoke thus to the children of Israel; but they did not heed Moses, because of anguish of spirit and cruel bondage.

Exodus 7:17 NKJV 17 'Thus says the LORD: "By this you shall know that I am the LORD. Behold, I will strike the waters which are in the river with the rod that is in my hand, and they shall be turned to blood.

Exodus 8:19 NKJV 19 Then the magicians said to Pharaoh, "This is the finger of God." But Pharaoh's heart grew hard, and he did not heed them, just as the LORD had said.

Exodus 8:22 NKJV 22 "And in that day I will set apart the land of Goshen, in which My people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there, in order that you may know that I am the LORD in the midst of the land.

Exodus 9:16 NKJV 16 "But indeed for this purpose I have raised you up, that I may show My power in you, and that My name may be declared in all the earth.

The ninth plague, the plague of darkness challenged the Egyptian god Ra, the sun god whom the Egyptians believed brought life.

Exodus 10:21 NKJV 21 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, darkness which may even be felt."

Darkness: Strong's #2822. חֹשֶׁךְ choshek, kho-shek' the dark; hence (literally) darkness; figuratively, misery, destruction, death, ignorance, sorrow, wickedness.

How do these plagues point to Yeshua as the Messiah?

John 2:23 NKJV 23 Now when He was in Jerusalem at the Passover, during the feast, many believed in His name when they saw the signs which He did.

John 3:16-19 NKJV 16 "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. 17 "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. 18 "He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. 19 "And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

In the prelude to Yeshua's second coming, God will send seven trumpet judgments on all the earth.

Revelation 8:7-12 NKJV 7 The first angel sounded: And hail and fire followed, mingled with blood, and they were thrown to the earth. And a **third of the trees were burned up, and all green grass was burned up.** 8 Then the second angel sounded: And something like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea, and a **third of the sea became blood.** 9 And a **third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed.** 10 Then the third angel sounded: And a great star fell from heaven, burning like a torch, and it fell on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water. 11 The name of the star is Wormwood. **A third of the waters became wormwood,** and many men died from the water, because it was made bitter. 12 Then the fourth angel sounded: And a **third of the sun was struck, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of them were darkened.** A third of the day did not shine, and likewise the night.

Revelation 9:3-6 NKJV 3 Then out of the smoke locusts came upon the earth. And to them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power. 4 They were commanded not to harm the grass of the earth, or any green thing, or any tree, but only those men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads. 5 And they were not given authority to kill them, but to torment them for five months. Their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it strikes a man. 6 In those days men will seek death and will not find it; they will desire to die, and death will flee from them.

Revelation 9:17-18 NKJV 17 And thus I saw the horses in the vision: those who sat on them had breastplates of fiery red, hyacinth blue, and sulfur yellow; and the heads of the horses were like the heads of lions; and out of their mouths came fire, smoke, and brimstone. 18 By these three (*plagues*) a third of mankind was killed--by the fire and the smoke and the brimstone which came out of their mouths.

Revelation 9:20-21 NKJV 20 But the rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, that they should not worship demons, and idols of gold, silver, brass, stone, and wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk. 21 And they did not repent of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual immorality or their thefts.

The seventh trumpet corresponds to the tenth plague on Egypt.

Exodus 12:3 NKJV 3 "Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying: 'On the tenth day of this month every man shall take for himself a lamb, according to the house of his father, a lamb for a household.

Exodus 12:5-6 NKJV 5 'Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats. 6 'Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight.

Without Blemish: #8549. תמיים tamiym, taw-meem' from 8552; entire, integrity, truth:--without blemish, complete, full, perfect, sincerely (-ity), sound, without spot, undefiled, upright, whole.

Exodus 12:22-23 NKJV 22 "And you shall take a bunch of hyssop, dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and strike the lintel and the two doorposts with the blood that is in the basin. And none of you shall go out of the door of his house until morning. 23 "For the LORD will pass through to strike the Egyptians; and when He sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the LORD will pass over the door and not allow the destroyer to come into your houses to strike you.

In the book of Revelation, John describes the two witnesses as the two lampstands standing before God.

Revelation 11:4 NKJV 4 These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands standing before the God of the earth.

Zechariah 4:11-14 NKJV 11 Then I answered and said to him, "What are these two olive trees-at the right of the lampstand and at its left?" 12 And I further answered and said to him, "What are these two olive branches that drip into the receptacles of the two gold pipes from which the golden oil drains?" 13 Then he answered me and said, "Do you not know what these are?" And I said, "No, my lord." 14 So he said, "These are the two anointed ones, who stand beside the Lord of the whole earth."

Revelation 11:1-2 NKJV 1 Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying, "Rise and measure the temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there. 2 "But leave out the court which is outside the temple, and do not measure it, for it has been given to the Gentiles. And they will tread the holy city underfoot for forty-two months.

Matthew 21:12 NKJV 12 Then Jesus went into the temple of God and drove out all those who bought and sold in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves.

Revelation 11:6 NKJV 6 These have power to shut heaven, so that no rain falls in the days of their prophecy; and they have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to strike the earth with all plagues, as often as they desire.

1 Kings 17:1 NKJV 1 And Elijah the Tishbite, of the inhabitants of Gilead, said to Ahab, "As the LORD God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, except at my word."

1 Kings 18:1 NKJV 1 And it came to pass after many days that the word of the LORD came to Elijah, in the third year, saying, "Go, present yourself to Ahab, and I will send rain on the earth."

Luke 12:49-51 NKJV 49 "I came to send fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! 50 "But I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how distressed I am till it is accomplished! 51 "Do you suppose that I came to give peace on earth? I tell you, not at all, but rather division.

David Bivins in his book Understanding the Difficult Words of Jesus, explains that these two verses are in the form of Hebraic poetry having the characteristic of parallelism.

I came to send fire on the earth = But I have a baptism to be baptized with and how I wish it were already kindled = and how distressed I am till it is accomplished

David Bivins renders these two verses as:

I have come to cast fire upon the earth
But how could I wish it were already burned up?
I have a baptism to baptize
And how distressed I am until it is over.

Isaiah 66:15-16 NKJV 15 For behold, the LORD will come with fire And with His chariots, like a whirlwind, To render His anger with fury, And His rebuke with flames of fire. 16 For by fire and by His sword The LORD will judge all flesh; And the slain of the LORD shall be many.

1 Kings 18:40-41 NKJV 40 And Elijah said to them, "Seize the prophets of Baal! Do not let one of them escape!" So they seized them; and Elijah brought them down to the Brook Kishon and executed them there. 41 Then Elijah said to Ahab, "Go up, eat and drink; for there is the sound of abundance of rain."

1 Kings 19:2-3 NKJV 2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by tomorrow about this time." 3 And when he saw that, he arose and ran for his life, and went to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.

Revelation 11:7-8 NKJV 7 When they finish their testimony, the beast that ascends out of the bottomless pit will make war against them, overcome them, and kill them. 8 And their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.

Revelation 11:9-10 NKJV 9 Then those from the peoples, tribes, tongues, and nations will see their dead bodies three-and-a-half days, and not allow their dead bodies to be put into graves. 10 And those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them, make merry, and send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth.

1 Corinthians 2:7-8 NKJV 7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the ages for our glory, 8 which none of the rulers of this age knew; for had they known, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

Isaiah 26:19-20 NKJV 19 Your dead shall live; Together with my dead body they shall arise. Awake and sing, you who dwell in dust; For your dew is like the dew of herbs, And the earth shall cast out the dead. 20 Come, my people, enter your chambers, And shut your doors behind you; Hide yourself, as it were, for a little moment, Until the indignation is past.

Exodus 9:1 NKJV 1 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Go in to Pharaoh and tell him, 'Thus says the LORD God of the Hebrews: "Let My people go, that they may serve Me.

Succoth is a Hebrew word meaning temporary dwelling place, a tent or tabernacle.

Exodus 13:19 NKJV 19 And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him, for he had placed the children of Israel under solemn oath, saying, "God will surely visit you, and you shall carry up my bones from here with you."

Revelation 11:11-13 NKJV 11 Now after the three-and -a-half days the breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them. 12 And they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they ascended to heaven in a cloud, and their enemies saw them. 13 In the same hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell. In the earthquake seven thousand people were killed, and the rest were afraid and gave glory to the God of heaven.

1 Kings 19:13-14 NKJV 13 So it was, when Elijah heard it, that he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood in the entrance of the cave. Suddenly a voice came to him, and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 14 And he said, "I have been very zealous for the LORD God of hosts; because the children of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, torn down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword. I alone am left; and they seek to take my life."

1 Kings 19:18 NKJV 18 "Yet I have reserved seven thousand in Israel, all whose knees have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

Deuteronomy 25:13-16 NKJV 13 "You shall not have in your bag differing weights, a heavy and a light. 14 "You shall not have in your house differing measures, a large and a small. 15 "You shall have a perfect and just weight, a perfect and just measure, that your days may be lengthened in the land which the LORD your God is giving you. 16 "For all who do such things, all who behave unrighteously, are an abomination to the LORD your God.

Luke 6:36-38 NKJV 36 "Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful. 37 "Judge not, and you shall not be judged. Condemn not, and you shall not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. 38 "Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you."

Revelation 11:15 NKJV 15 Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!"

Deuteronomy 16:16 NKJV 16 "Three times a year all your males shall appear before the LORD your God in the place which He chooses: at the Feast of Unleavened Bread, at the Feast of Weeks, and at the Feast of Tabernacles; and they shall not appear before the LORD empty-handed.

Exodus 12:35-36 NKJV 35 Now the children of Israel had done according to the word of Moses, and they had asked from the Egyptians articles of silver, articles of gold, and clothing. 36 And the LORD had given the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they granted them what they requested. Thus they plundered the Egyptians.

Leviticus 23:10 NKJV 10 "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: 'When you come into the land which I give to you, and reap its harvest, then you shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest to the priest.

Proverbs 3:9 NKJV 9 Honor the LORD with your possessions, And with the firstfruits of all your increase;

Jeremiah 2:3 NKJV 3 Israel was holiness to the LORD, The firstfruits of His increase. All that devour him will offend; Disaster will come upon them," says the LORD."

John 20:17 NKJV 17 Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, 'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.'"

1 Corinthians 15:20-23 NKJV 20 But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. 21 For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead. 22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. 23 But each one in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, afterward those who are Christ's at His coming.