

Prophetic Word: Kingdom Mantles Will Emerge in 2021

As we progress into 2021, we enter the Hebrew month of Shevat, which is the Babylonian name for the 11th month on the religious calendar and the fifth month on the civil calendar, which began Wednesday, Jan. 13 at sundown.

This is a month where we remember the abundance of God coming forth into the earth. In this month is the celebration of Tu B'Shevat on 15 Shevat, which begins sundown on Jan. 27 and lasts until sundown on Jan. 28, in which another New Year on the Hebrew calendar is recognized. Tu B'Shevat represents the bringing forth of produce from the trees after a rainy season.

It is a time to remember we have abundance and sustenance from the earth. This abundance not only comes from our knowledge of understanding what is happening in the earth realms during this time but also how we, as followers of Messiah, live our lives abundantly and trust in His sustenance in order to advance His kingdom on the earth.

The month of Shevat is mentioned below in Zechariah 1:7-8:

"On the twenty-fourth day, in the eleventh month, which is the month Shebat, during the second year of Darius, the word of the Lord came to the prophet Zechariah, son of Berekiah, son of Iddo: I saw during the night a man riding on a red horse. But he was standing among the myrtle trees that were in the ravine, and behind him were red, sorrel, and white horses."

Myrtle trees are used to make medicine, and they often represent love, beauty and peace as well as fruitfulness and sustenance. It would be fitting that Zechariah received this vision among these trees. Queen Esther's Hebrew name was Hadassah, which means myrtle tree.

Zechariah 1:16-17 reads:

"Therefore thus says the Lord: I have returned to Jerusalem with mercy, and My house will be built in it, says the Lord of Hosts, and a measuring line will be stretched over Jerusalem. Cry out again, saying, Thus says the Lord of Hosts: Yet again My cities will overflow with goodness, and again the Lord will comfort Zion and choose Jerusalem."

The Lord is saying He will have compassion, or in the Greek, this word *racham* means love, mercy and pity. He is speaking among the trees which represent this very thing.

Psalms 1:1-3 reads:

"Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night. He will be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth its fruit in its season; its leaf will not wither, and whatever he does will prosper."

As we prepare for making an impact in 2021 and remembering Shevat, we must reflect on the fact that God has given us kingdom mantles to rule and reign on the earth today through sustenance already provided by Messiah. We have been given the tools we need in order to advance the kingdom through the finished work of Jesus Christ.

We are simply His change agents or sent ones to impact the earth on His behalf. We carry a corporate mantle of sustenance to the nations. We walk amongst the myrtle trees.

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