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#### Dedicated to Haddon and Abel

I had no idea that a couple of "little guys" could bring such unfathomable joy and hilarity into my life.

Boy, was I mistaken!

I thank the Lord Jesus Christ for both of you.

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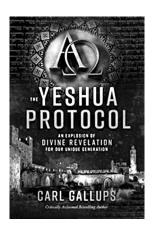
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Most of the world would rather scream with their eyes shut tight than listen with their eyes wide open. —Piper Kirstie<sup>1</sup> Eyes To See is essentially Part II of Carl's previous work titled Yeshua Protocol.

However, it is not necessary to first read *Yeshua Protocol* in order to thoroughly enjoy and understand this one from beginning to end.

We recommend that you eventually read both, in that they highly complement each other and bring forth a number of independently glorious revelations. Enjoy!

—Defender Publishing, Crane, MO



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#### FOREWORD

arl Gallups has done it, yet again! He's taken several complex theological and prophetic matters and made them understandable, enjoyable, and a delight to share with others.

I've known Carl for many years, and have published a number of his revelatory books. He has a gift for making these disclosures intimately relevant to our lives and to the prophetic times in which we live.

Eyes to See is no exception. When Carl first submitted the manuscript draft to Defender Publishing for potential publication, I was thrilled. I wrote him immediately and said, "Wow, Carl! I can't wait to read this finalized book!"

Rest assured, you're in for a whirlwind excursion of biblical unveiling. Enjoy the adventure!

—Tom Horn (February 28, 1957–October 20, 2023), CEO of SkyWatch TV and Defender Publishing



## A NOTE FROM THE AUTHOR

I f you've read any of my other books, you'll already know I often construct a much larger scenario as I move along. That fact most likely arises from the years prior to my ministry calling wherein I was deeply immersed in a decade-long law enforcement career.

Step by step, piece by piece, I am weaving together my case—collecting the evidence—praying that you, "the jury," will be convinced that I've carefully and contextually researched the matter to the point of rendering a proper verdict.

In the meantime, after being blessed to have authored a number of books, I've also learned that while people insist on a factual work, they also want an enjoyable read—one that's even entertaining and, at times, gripping. For a long time, I've endeavored to incorporate all those qualities into my writing, including organizing the information in short, understandable chapters as well as presenting a few sections of interesting and easy-to-read, immersive narrative. I pray you'll enjoy the results as you read this book.

My greatest desire is that you will come to see several marvelous truths from the Word of God magnified in the world around you... illuminated in such a way as to bring the highest glory to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ—*Yeshua HaMashiach*.

Thank you for taking this journey with me.





### **SEEING**

Jesus said, "For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, "Are we also blind?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, 'We see,' your guilt remains." (John 9:39–41)



### THE TIME MACHINE

The enemy—Satan and his demonic horde—did not fully understand what was happening right in their midst.

A s you flip over the last page of this chapter, you'll slide back in time almost two thousand years. Through your mind's eye, you will enter the city of ancient Jerusalem and walk those streets with Yeshua and His disciples.

After reading the series of those novel-like chapters and the staggering revelations embedded within them, we'll dive right into the Word of God and into the midst of the prophetic events of our own rapidly changing world. We'll also unveil additional disclosures of incredible biblical insight, including the latest dependable historical, archeological, and scientific discoveries that serve to bring the Bible into a realm of brightly illuminated relevance.

Beginning with the first chapters and continuing right up to the very last words, we'll weave all of those elements together into a tapestry of connected knowledge that will bring you into an incredibly magnified focus upon the prophetic times in which we live. I'm convinced those revelations will help you to more effectively apply the Word of God to the day-to-day journey of your walk with *Yeshua HaMashiach* (Hebrew for "Jesus Christ"). In other words, the further we go down this road together, the more personal this journey will become to you.

#### BACK TO THE FUTURE

Our adventure begins within the historical age when the Roman Empire ruled a large swath of the ancient world. It was the strongest and most technologically advanced civilization the planet had known until that time.

But those were also the days in which the Jewish ruling elite were suffocating their own people with their Scripture-nullifying traditions, and burdensome regulations—mostly for the sake of retaining their own prestigious positions of authority among the people, while holding on to their delicately privileged standing with the Roman government.

What's more, it was the time in which the Romans had perfected the ancient form of punishment known as crucifixion. According to the National Institutes of Health (NIH), that pervasive first century horror was the most brutal and humiliating form of death known to humanity. A number of experts in such matters maintain that this gruesome fact is still true.<sup>2</sup>

It was during that prophetic period of history, when God would fulfill the grandest part of His glorious Word. The Word, who is Yahweh Himself, had become flesh, in the person of Yeshua. This, of course, was the beginning of the ultimate overthrowing of Satan's kingdom (John 1:1–14).

The Apostle Paul, writer of almost half the New Testament documents, strikingly emphasized that world-changing event.

But when the **set time had fully come**, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, **to redeem** those under the law, that we might receive **adoption to sonship**. (Galatians 4:4–5, NIV; emphasis added)

#### OUR TOUR GUIDE

The specific timeframe into which we will land is but a mere pinpoint on humanity's storied timeline—comprising only a handful of months in total. But as we step into that era, we'll experience the events as revealed through the eyes of the Apostle John, the "disciple whom Jesus loved" (John 13:23).

John's words are presented as though he is recalling the events, then describing them through the filter of his own experiences—particularly

in light of his constantly shuffling emotions, eternal lessons of mind-bending truth, and the wagonload of agonizing doubts that accompanied those monumental occasions.<sup>3</sup>

These were the last months that sealed the planned fate of Yeshua, through His horrific crucifixion—our Salvation. To this day, the entire planet is still staggering from that divinely appointed clash of the unseen realms that took place on Golgotha's cross and at the garden tomb. In the coming pages, you'll be there "in person" as the days leading to that event unraveled at breakneck speed. That ferocious spiritual collision also foreshadowed what was yet to come, in the ultimate day of evil.

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.

For our **struggle is not against flesh and blood**, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against **the powers of this dark world** and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. (Ephesians 6:10–13, NIV; emphasis added)<sup>4</sup>

Sadly, most of the world, along with sizable portions of today's institutional church, is oblivious to the grand demonic delusion that's currently happening right in our midst...the most prophetic times since the First Coming of Yeshua. The Holy Spirit-led correction of that eternal heartbreak is largely what this book is about.

However, before you can most fully understand it, you have to feel it, smell it, experience it...and *see it*. But to do that, you have to be there.

Now the adventure begins.



## BACK TO THE FUTURE

For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. (2 Corinthians 4:17–18)

There is a chain connecting the sin of humanity and its woe, but the links are not traceable by the human eye...but its works have led to the manifestation of the works of God in the divine plan of redemption. It is so in the instance of the man who was born blind. The blindness of this beggar will have its result, and therefore in the divine counsel had its purpose, in the light which will dawn upon the spiritual as well as upon the physical blindness, and from Him (Jesus Christ) will dawn upon the world.<sup>5</sup>



## ASTONISHINGLY Strange

"I've tried everything else! Who knows?

Maybe this will work!"

was standing right beside Yeshua at the moment it happened. On that day, I witnessed something utterly impossible! We all did. Me...Peter, James, Matthew, and the rest of the Twelve.

Even this many years later, I realize we were spectators of the most incredible miracles the world had ever seen. And we just happened to have front-row seats! Even then, we still didn't know the full importance of what was taking place—not until much later.

I'll start my recollection by looking back to a particular Sabbath day in Jerusalem.<sup>6</sup>

It was early fall, soon after the great Feast of Tabernacles, also known as Succoth, the last of the Seven Feasts of the Lord.<sup>7</sup> The temperature was unseasonably warm, and the Pharisees were on our heels again—this time with rocks in their hands. So we darted through the narrow streets of that ancient city until we were saturated in sweat.

The massive crowd, which only a few moments before had been intently listening to Yeshua teach in the Temple courts, unknowingly prevented the ones who clutched those murderous stones from gaining access to us. The religious authorities were desperately trying to get their hands on us, their eyes ablaze with seething hatred and their hearts on fire with searing, murderous rage.<sup>8</sup>

"Make way! *We demand it!* Clear the way...*now*!" They shouted their commands as they shoved their way through the masses,

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kicking out of the way several roaming street dogs as they went. The bulging veins of their foreheads, appearing as though they would pop at any moment, signaled their seething hatred for us.

Thankfully, their efforts were futile. The hordes of people were too densely packed, and we had already leapt down from the speaker's area before Yeshua's attackers could get near us. Before the gaggle of Pharisees knew what happened, we were gone.

We escaped from the immediate vicinity and blended into the crowd as we scampered among the throngs still swelling the city streets. Powerful aromas of the open marketplace wafted through the air; the sizzle of food cooking over oakwood fires, the heavenly scent of baking bread, and the sight of freshly ripened produce were comforting distractions. We were finally safe, for the time being. At least it felt that way—and it *smelled* that way, too.

So far, so good.

#### THE HOPELESS SOUL

A bit later, we stumbled upon a blind beggar in the streets of Jerusalem. At least we *thought* we had merely "stumbled" upon him. We would later discover this was no accidental encounter at all. Yeshua hinted to us that our rendezvous with this man had been planned from *the beginning* of time itself. In actuality, we hadn't yet understood the truth of that much bigger picture—the eternal nature of it all. In fact, at the time, we couldn't have even begun to comprehend such a thing...not for a while.

But what a pitiful sight the man was! To be honest, there were many other people in varying degrees of similar crisis scattered throughout the streets of Jerusalem. Each hoped that they, too, might get a few coins tossed their way so they could eat another scanty meal. But this particular person was different. He was known, among many in the city, to have been blind since the day he had drawn his first breath of life. Poor fellow! How miserable he must have been. None of us could even imagine living such a depressing life.

Our hearts ached for him from the moment we saw him. He could do little else than sit there, every day, in public places and plead with those who passed by...hoping to somehow stir the compassion of others to help supply his daily sustenance. This was the totality of his so-called life, and apparently it was all his existence would ever be. That's what we assumed. But we would soon witness a drastic turn of events.

As we eased up to the man, Yeshua exchanged a few tender words with him. That's when we saw the beggar clearly. The sockets where his working eyes should have been were grotesque. It appeared as if eyes had, in fact, been there at one time, but now the entire area was disfigured; the eyeballs seemed to have shriveled, and the places where they should have been were matted over with scar tissue.<sup>11</sup>

A few moments later, Yeshua stooped down and gathered up a bit of dirt in His palm and spit into it. He stirred the solution with a finger of His other hand, swirling it around to make a sticky paste. With the man's permission, Yeshua tenderly applied the clay-like substance to the area of his disfigurement.

Just then, the man perked up a bit. Yeshua had leaned over and whispered something else into his ear. After a brief exchange between the two, the blind man stood and began to amble his way toward the popular, superstition-laden Pool of Siloam, tapping his walking stick as he went, like he had probably done ten thousand times before. Only this time, he had a real purpose in his steps. He was on a mission.<sup>12</sup>

Click. Tick. Click. Tick. Click. Tick.

Sporting his newly muddied eyes, he swept his walking stick back and forth in front of his steps, searching for obstacles that might be in his path. But he never even stumbled. Instead, he steadily made his way to the waters of Siloam's pool.<sup>13</sup>

That's when it happened.

A few seconds after scooping some water from the pool and splashing it in his eyes, he began shrieking. "I can see! I can see!" Dozens of stunned onlookers rushed toward him. "My life has been made new!"

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he screamed. "I can see! I can see all of you! *I see! I see! I see!* I see you, and you, *and you*!" He pointed his finger at individuals in the crowd, seeming to desire to prove that he could actually see each of them.

I almost choked on the knot that welled up in my throat as I watched what was playing out in front of me. My eyes began to pour water; I could barely breathe. I fell to my knees and began sobbing like a child, my chest heaving as I continued trembling. What had I just witnessed?

#### CONTEXT

Before I tell you the shocking "secret" that Yeshua later revealed to us about the healing and the resulting outrage, I'll retell the saga by going back to what led up to this day. I'll take you to the events that unfolded several weeks before the blind man's eyes were opened. It's all intricately connected to the bigger picture of what you will soon get to experience for yourself. You'll see!

The fuller perspective that I'll bring, perhaps, will also help you to "see" the truth in the same way we were made to understand it... gradually, yet powerfully. It was a discovery that floored us all, and one I'll never forget.

This is why I can't wait for *you* to also discover the depths of what actually happened over the course of those history-altering days. More than likely, the revelations will *not* turn out to be what you might be expecting at the moment!



### THE FESTIVAL

This was yet another infuriating fact for the Pharisees and other religious authorities to have to stomach.

The story really began to develop at the beginning of the fall Feast of Tabernacles, just a few weeks before we wound up in Jerusalem, while we were still near Lake Galilee. During that time, we were entering the last handful of months of Yeshua's earthly life and ministry.<sup>14</sup>

In truth, none of us understood that important detail. But, looking back, we should have known. Yeshua had done everything but draw us a map and paint a picture of what He was up to. However, we were still in the process of developing our own spiritual vision. So, at the time of the festival, we were yet to fully understand everything. But we would soon take a giant leap forward in that regard!

Thankfully, Yeshua was patient with us.

But then again, He always was.

#### GOING UP TO JERUSALEM

Previously, we had been ministering throughout the broader region surrounding Capernaum, several days' journey north of Jerusalem. It's a beautiful area, and Capernaum is one of the larger towns located on the western shores of Lake Galilee. <sup>15</sup> The most popular route used for travel from there to Jerusalem required a journey of about three days on foot—through Samaritan territory. <sup>16</sup>

But even that relatively short distance could prove to be dangerous. Bandits sometimes turned up along the most traveled paths, waiting to ambush straggling travelers. Occasionally, there were even 14 EYES TO SEE

politically motivated ruffians to contend with, most often involving the Samaritan population. And we would have to travel right through that area—one most Jews routinely avoided.

There are also the dangers that come with extreme weather shifts, and the hazards presented by the often-grueling terrain itself. And none of those concerns even included the rarer, but still possible, lion or bear attack.<sup>17</sup>

Because of those concerns, groups of caravans were forming, allowing for a greater measure of traveling safety. A number of those clusters were already on the road headed to Jerusalem and the ancient Temple Mount, the city's centerpiece.<sup>18</sup>

#### LET THEM ACKNOWLEDGE YOU!

Several members of Yeshua's wider circle of relatives, including the larger group of constantly growing "disciples," were urging Him to go up to Jerusalem for the feast as well.<sup>19</sup> They were certainly in awe of Him because of the widely known miracles He had performed and the incredible teachings He had shared for almost three years. However, they had not yet made the giant leap of calling Him the "long-awaited Jewish Messiah." That revelation was still well beyond their understanding.

Besides, making such a claim was not the safest political position to take at the time—not by a longshot. At this point in His ministry, some of Yeshua's relatives were still waiting for Him to be publicly recognized as Messiah by the Jewish leaders themselves before they said anything of the sorts.<sup>20</sup> If that happened, they thought, it would be much safer for them to join in with the growing public accolades. In their minds, there would be no better time for that official recognition to take place than at the Feast of Tabernacles, the most well attended Feast day of the year. If it was going to happen at all, they reasoned, that would be the absolute best occasion.

However, instead of joining them, along with the other convoys, Yeshua said, "You go on ahead. I'm not going to attend the feast until the proper time. That will be a moment I set for Myself, a time that

will make the greatest impact for the Kingdom mission. My occasion to be acknowledged has not yet fully developed...*but it will come*, I promise. When it does arrive, you won't be able to miss it!"<sup>21</sup>

It seemed Yeshua was always speaking in riddles. He had a certain glint in His eyes as He said these things to them. After He had answered them, He simply turned and walked away, going about His business, mingling with the crowds that continued to gather.

We remained in Capernaum for a while longer, until the day before the great feast was already underway in Jerusalem. It was during that time when Yeshua had instructed us to follow Him there. So we set out on our journey toward the Temple Mount. We had no idea what an unfathomable experience that would prove to be.

#### THE HOLY CITY

We arrived in Jerusalem a little more than three days later, during the middle of the feast. At Yeshua's direction, we went straight to the Temple courts where the bulk of people had assembled. It would be the perfect place for Him, once again, to teach among the crowds.

We were no strangers to the scene. Whenever we had been there in the past, the Pharisees and Sadducees had often made a concerted effort to badger us. This time would be no different. In fact, their agitation of us would intensify. But, once again, this was where the people would be expecting to hear from Yeshua. So He would do what He frequently did when He was there: Instruct the crowds with an almost unbridled passion.

Yeshua was now a well-known figure throughout Judea, Galilee, the Decapolis region, and well beyond. In fact, by this time, a large number of people were coming to Jerusalem on the major feast days in the very hopes of seeing Yeshua and hearing Him explain the mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven. And of course, many of them were counting on witnessing Him perform more miracles. There was *always* that!

But one thing was certain. The religious authorities could not have imagined the turn of events that were about to take place during this last and greatest Feast of the Lord for that year.<sup>22</sup>



## FIRST THINGS

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. (John 1:1–5)



## THE HEBREW CONNECTION

Every letter representation in the most ancient Proto-Sinaitic alphabet also had a meaning or idea associated with it.

In my previous book, *Yeshua Protocol*, I included a section titled "The Beginning." In that particular portion of the book, I disclosed several revelations emanating from the first verse of the Bible, "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

Through several embedded illustrations, I then went on to connect those disclosures to a number of Old and New Testament passages demonstrating the numerous contextual links that are absolute human impossibilities. Yet there they are! Right before our eyes. Those revelations, along with their corresponding illustrations, proved to be jaw-dropping for a great number of readers.

In this, and the next two brief chapters, I have reproduced abbreviated and edited introductory material from *Yeshua Protocol*. This material will greatly assist in the presentation of the new material that follows. Naturally, if you've already read *Yeshua Protocol*, you can skip these chapters and go right to the chapter titled "The Magnified Word." If you aren't familiar with that material, though, it is critical that you read on.

#### PROTO-SINAITIC

The most ancient precursor to what we know as the Modern Hebrew alphabet is the *Proto-Sinaitic* alphabet, consisting of letters drawn as stick figures, or *pictograms*. Those letters were usually rudimentary

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portrayals of animals, tools, human body parts, and other generally recognizable objects of everyday life.<sup>338</sup>

Each picture was meant to represent the predominant sound of a specific letter of that alphabet. For example, if this same phenomenon were true in today's English alphabet then a depiction of a fish would indicate the "f" sound, a figure of a man would represent the sound "m," a figure of a hand would indicate the "h" sound, and so forth.

Most language experts agree that the Proto-Sinaitic script was the precursor to what would evolve into a number of modern alphabets of the world, including the biblical alphabet of the Old Testament that is academically known as *Paleo Hebrew*, 339 the alphabet used to write the original manuscripts of the Old Testament documents. 340

#### HEBREW IDEOGRAMS

Every letter representation in the most ancient Proto-Sinaitic alphabet also had a *meaning* or *idea* associated with it. Those letter meanings are referred to as *ideograms*. For example, the sound made by the letter *Ayin* was represented by a pictogram of an "eye." However, the Ayin also held the ideographic meaning of the eye itself, as in *the eye of God*, *to see*, or even the idea of *seeing God's salvation*.<sup>341</sup>

The ideogram meanings of the Proto-Sinaitic alphabet transferred over to the Paleo Hebrew of the Old Testament writings, and even into the Modern Hebrew letters. Even today, many Hebrew people around the world attempt to decipher the potential meanings associated with particular Hebrew words by combining the Proto-Sinaitic/Paleo *meanings* of each Hebrew letter into a single message.<sup>342</sup>

#### **IDEOGRAM CARRY-OVER**

Those ancient pictograms are rarely depicted in the Modern Hebrew alphabet schematics, and seldom referenced in academic circles. Despite this, a large number of Hebrew-speaking individuals, as well as a smaller assortment of Hebrew scholars, continue to be ardent researchers of the ancient letter meanings, or *ideograms*.<sup>343</sup>

In 2013, an article titled *In the Beginning: The Origins of the Hebrew Alphabet*, from *Haaretz*, <sup>344</sup> Israel's premiere Orthodox-leaning news publication, verified the existence of the modern recognition of the Hebrew ideograms.

Four elements distinguish the Hebrew alphabet from others.... Third, the names of the Hebrew letters have meaning [ideas] in the Hebrew language. That doesn't actually matter when writing or reading, but it is nice to know.<sup>345</sup> (Emphasis added)

*Hebrewtoday.com*, often used by teachers and academic publications, is an Israeli institution that describes itself as a professional Hebrew language learning establishment. It is also in line with *Haaretz's* assessment concerning the alphabet ideograms.<sup>346</sup>

Hebrew Today attests:

Each letter in the Hebrew alphabet has both a literal and mystical meaning. This means that each name has a mystical significance, based on the letters which form the name.<sup>347</sup> (Emphasis added)

#### THE MEZUZAH

Affixed on the doorpost of almost every modern Jewish household and business around the world is the Hebrew *Mezuzah*—a slender "box" that contains important scriptures.<sup>348</sup> The ideographic element of the Hebrew alphabet is also demonstrated by the fact that, on practically every one of those Mezuzahs is emblazoned the singular Hebrew letter "Shin," pronounced *sheen*.<sup>349</sup>

The *Shin* is placed on the Mezuzah precisely because of its spiritually symbolic meaning. Since the earliest days of the Hebrew language, the Shin has represented one of the most majestic names *of God*. The Shin stands for *El Shaddai...God Almighty.*<sup>350</sup>

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When used in this way, the Shin is a glaring example of the ancient Hebrew alphabet ideogram still in use today. Its message attests to the desired blessings of God upon the home or business to which it is attached.

Next, we'll examine the ideographic "message" of combining the first and last letters of the Hebrew alphabet, the *Aleph and the Tav*. In so doing, the Hebrew language begins to unveil one of its most striking mysteries, the meaning of which goes directly to who we are in Yeshua.



## The Aleph and the Tav

I am the first and the last, the beginning and the end.

In Isaiah 44:6 Yahweh declares He is the *first and the last*. The first letter of the 22-letter Hebrew alphabet is *Aleph*, and the last letter is *Tav*. This verse declares Him to be the *Aleph* and the *Tav*, and is a symbol of our all-encompassing, Omnipotent God.

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: "I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god." (Isaiah 44:6, emphasis added. Also see Isaiah 41:4, 48:12)

THE ALEPH



Proto-Sinaitic | Paleo-Hebrew | Modern

The ancient *Proto-Sinaitic* Aleph, the first letter of the Hebrew alphabet, was originally represented by the pictographic form of an ox head. In the illustration above you can observe the evolution of how that letter has been written down through the millennium.

The symbol of the Aleph carried with it the "meaning" of the *leader*, or the One who is *most powerful*. Thus, this first letter was often used to ideographically represent El, or Elohim—God Himself. The Harvard Theological Review confirms this in a publication titled *Yahweh* 

and the God of the Patriarchs, which explains that, since ancient times, the Hebrew letter Aleph represented the one true Creator God<sup>351</sup> and was pronounced *El.*<sup>352</sup>

#### THE TAV



Proto-Sinaitic | Paleo-Hebrew | Modern

The last letter of the Hebrew alphabet, the *Tav*, conveys the most startling revelation of all. In ancient pictographic representations, the Tav was represented by a symbol that looks like the *crucifixion cross* of Yeshua. It retained that appearance, even in the Paleo-Hebrew, the original script of the Hebrew Scriptures, and remained in use until nearly the 2<sup>nd</sup> century BC.<sup>353</sup> And, of all things, the ideographic *meaning* of the letter Tav is the *mark*, the *sign*, or the *covenant*.

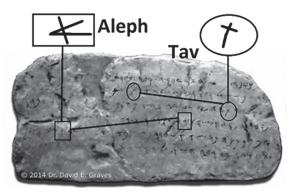
So, by declaring that He is both the *Aleph* and the *Tav*, Yeshua affirms that He is *God with us*, completely *one* with the Father, as well as being the Word that became flesh in order to become our Savior through the cross. Therefore, He truly is the *Aleph* and the *Tav*, God's "sign" to the world. He is the God who went to the cross to make His ultimate covenant of salvation with us!<sup>354</sup>

Next, you'll observe a picture of the ancient Paleo-Hebrew script, called the *Siloam Inscription*. It is the world's oldest verified archeological example, recognized by archeologists the world over.

The *Siloam Inscription* was discovered in 1880 when exploring the Siloam tunnel, also known as *Hezekiah's tunnel*, in Jerusalem<sup>355</sup>

From the ancient Paleo-Hebrew writing of the Siloam Inscription we observe that the *Aleph* and *Tav* letters of the Old Testament Hebrew script were in fact depicted in the manner I have described. Especially noteworthy is the distinctive shape of the *Tav* (again, the last letter of the Hebrew alphabet) in the form of a crucifixion cross. Below is the

Siloam Inscription, from the website of David Graves, PhD, renowned archeologist and former archeology professor at Oxford University, England.<sup>356</sup>



This is also precisely what Yeshua (Yahweh in the flesh) meant when He describes Himself in the book of Revelation as the *Alpha* and *Omega*, as is written in the Greek language of the New Testament.

I am the Alpha and the Omega [Hebrew-Aleph and the Tav], the first and the last, the beginning and the end." (Revelation 22:13, emphasis and brackets added; also see Revelation 1:8, 21:6.)

#### GRAMMAR MARKER

When the *Aleph* and the *Tav* are joined together as one Hebrew word, it is called the *eth*, phonetically pronounced *et*.

### ⊓ X The Aleph/Tav

The English language has no equivalent of the meaning of the Hebrew *eth*, and therefore remains unwritten and unpronounced in English translations of the Old Testament scriptures.<sup>357</sup>

However, this unique two-letter Hebrew word is found over *eleven* thousand times in the Old Testament Hebrew texts. It is found on practically every single page of the Tanakh, either free-standing, or in

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conjunction with other words and letters.<sup>358</sup> So what is this monumental and grammatical mystery behind the *eth*?

Strong's Exhaustive Concordance defines the *eth* as generally used to point out the object of a verb or preposition in certain cases of Hebrew sentence structure. In that use it becomes a Hebrew grammar marker called the *Accusative case pointer*. <sup>359</sup> We have no such need for a grammar marker like this in the English language, which is why most English readers consider this marker to be a bit odd. <sup>360</sup>

#### THE SPIRITUAL MEANING

However, in a large number of its appearances in the scriptures, the *eth* doesn't seem to have a particularly discernable grammatical purpose at all. In these strange cases its proper linguistic significance holds varying opinions of interpretation.<sup>361</sup>

Because of this surprising phenomenon, certain "mystical" interpretations of the *eth* are often suspected. According to orthodox Rabbi Eli Brackman the spiritual way of looking at the occasional non-grammar-marker presence of the *Aleph-Tav* (*eth*) is "ultimately...the most satisfactory explanation." <sup>362</sup>

Since Hebrew language scholars and Jewish rabbis admit there certainly are deeply spiritual meanings sometimes attached to the *eth*, this fact brings up an important consideration...the *eth* (Aleph-Tav) is also the name that Yahweh/Yeshua uses for Himself when referring to His eternal nature. He is the Alpha and the Omega, the Aleph and the Tav, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

But how is the Aleph-Tav in Hebrew Scriptures relevant to our walk with Yeshua? To find that out, let's go back to the beginning, in the first seven words of the Word of God. This is where our study of "having eyes to see" gets really exciting.



## THE ONE IN THE MIDDLE

One can make of this image whatever they wish, but there is no disputing the truth of its presence.

Let's observe Genesis 1:1 in both the English and the Hebrew. Unbelievably, the first verse of the Bible uses the word "eth," but the *way* in which it is used is the most revealing.

In English, the first verse of the Bible is expressed in ten words.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. (Genesis 1:1).

The grammatical use of *eth* in this verse is pointing the verb "created" to the objects of "what" was created…the heavens and the earth.

In the Hebrew text, however, something much more profound can be seen in the eth, other than a mere grammar marker. In Hebrew, Genesis 1:1 is made up of only seven words, and from that number, as many know, comes the biblical connotation of completeness, and perfection. This numerical meaning is the very essence of the entire message of Genesis 1:1.<sup>363</sup>

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hā·'ā·reș	wə·¹ ê <u>t</u>	haš·šā·ma·yim	ê <u>t</u>	'ě·lō·hîm;	bā·rā	bə·rê·šî <u>t</u>
דָאָרֶץ	וְאֵת	הַשָּׁמַיִם	אַת	אֱלֹהִים	בָּרָא	בְּרֵאשִׁית
the earth	(and)	the heavens	(eth)	Elohim	created	In the beginning.

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As noted, most experts in Hebrew grammar would point out that the only function of Aleph-Tav (*eth*) in Genesis 1:1 is as the accusative case pointer, indicating the object of the verb *created*, is Elohim. In this case, I would agree with the Hebrew grammar experts, except for the word "only."

Since Aleph-Tav is the very same term employed by Yeshua as His divine title, it also means that this two-letter, uninterpreted Hebrew word is pointing to Yeshua as the Creator. This is true because Yeshua says it does!

The New Testament declaration of Yeshua confirms this. Observe how the Apostle Paul describes it in his letter to the church at Colossi. 364

For in [Yeshua] all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. (Colossians 1:16–17, NIV; emphasis added)

The Apostle John mirrors the same understanding of the *eth* in Genesis 1:1.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made....And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. (John 1:1–3, 14, emphasis added)

The message of Colossians 1 and John 1 is the same as that which appears to be "coded" in the first verse of the Bible! Everything about Genesis 1:1 points directly to Yeshua, the Alpha and the Omega—the Aleph and the Tav.

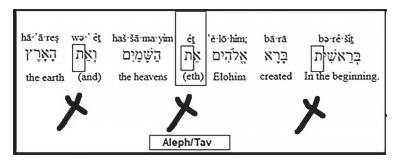
#### THE GOLGOTHA POINTER/PREDICTION— FROM THE BEGINNING

The Gospels tell us there were three crucifixions carried out on Golgotha's hill on the day of Yeshua's execution.<sup>365</sup> Jesus hung on the cross in the middle, and the two thieves were on either side of Him. Remarkably, there are also three depictions of those "Golgotha crosses" in Genesis 1:1.

Remember from the illustration in the last chapter that the Proto-Sinaitic and the Paleo Hebrew pictographic form of the *Tav*, the last Hebrew letter of the alphabet, was in the shape of a cross, a symbol that was identical to the sign of the crucifixion cross.

We also saw that the *Tav* carried with it the ideographic meaning of the *sign of the covenant*. Indeed, the cross of Yeshua is the globally recognized *sign* of Christianity to this day, and this cross sign is found squarely in the middle of Genesis 1:1, along with two other crosses.

Looking at the seven Hebrew words that comprise Genesis 1:1, we find the *Tav* is used exactly three times. They appear in that verse in a strikingly symmetrical manner, with the *eth* (the Aleph/Tav of Yeshua) being that verse's center word. The cross symbols of the *Tav* are only visible in the Paleo Hebrew, the alphabet in which Genesis 1:1 was originally written.



The Aleph/Tav is the name Yeshua/Yahweh ascribes for Himself.

Imagine that! Through the presence of the three *Tav*'s used in that verse, Genesis 1:1 paints a profound picture of Golgotha's hill, as it

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was on the day of Jesus' crucifixion. The visual of those three "crosses" places Yeshua on that hill exactly as the New Testament describes, as the one in the middle, between two others. One can make of this image whatever they wish, but there is no disputing the truth of its presence.

What we've uncovered reveals the deeply relevant biblical message connecting the Old Testament to the New Testament. Genesis 1:1 is genuinely portraying the eternal truth that Yeshua, the *Aleph/Tav*, created everything. He is God the Creator, in the flesh. He was the Lamb slain before the foundation of the world, and the One in the middle on Golgotha's hill, securing our covenant-salvation in the person of *Yeshua HaMashiach*.

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Again, if you've not read *Yeshua Protocol*, I want to encourage you to do so. If the information you've just seen is thrilling to you, then you'll be absolutely *exhilarated* by the other revelations embedded in Genesis 1:1. The imagery found in the book connects other passages of the Old and New Testaments, which will truly amaze you.

However, what you will see in the next few chapters should prove to be yet another stunning revelation of the humanly impossible interconnection of the Old and New Testaments.

I can't wait for you to see it!