# Who is Our Creator?

Modern science has finally allowed able scholars to state that matter did not always exist. Radioactive metals such as thorium and radium were not pre- existent, and these are a diminishing substance and one day will be no more. However, the world in general still allows schools to present and teach evolution as fact. It was Einstein's work that gives a springboard to the Biblical account of creation. He stated that all matter had a beginning. Matter did not always exist. At least we can now read the Bible account of creation with a bit more tolerance by the evolutionists.

The Bible opens with the very beginning of all creation by revealing it was Elohim (see our mini-study *Is Elohim a Pagan Title?*) Who did the creating of the earth, the heavens, humankind and all life: *In the beginning Elohim created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of Elohim moved upon the face of the waters, Genesis 1:1-2. The <i>Authorized Version* (AV) 1769 edition, translated from the 1611 version, is used throughout, unless otherwise noted.

Elohim did all the creation as described in the first chapter of Genesis. That is, Elohim created the celestial heavens, the earth, and all life on the earth. Before creation, before anything was made, time did not exist. Time exists only when there is matter. Time and space did not begin until that day when creation of heaven and earth took place. Time began with the creation of matter from Yahweh's energy. His energy, His spirit was changed to matter by His Word. In the spirit realm, time does not exist, and Yahweh the Father has stayed in that spirit realm.

Because time does not exist with Yahweh the Father, He can see the end from the beginning. Looking at a tree, He can see the little acorn; and He can see it sprout and start to grow. He can see the tree as a young sapling, and He can see it as a mighty oak and being cut down and cut into lumber. He can see us in the same way; both our birth and our growth and activity. He can see the end from the beginning. He can see you as a babe; a young child, a teen-ager and as an adult. With Him time does not exist. He is both eternal and immortal, dwelling in that bright, blinding light (1 Tim. 6:16.)

### Yahweh the Father, Not Seen by Humans

Yahshua told the woman at the well that Yahweh is Spirit. Not "a" Spirit, but He is *SPIRIT* (John 4:26). He is composed of Spirit energy, an invisible *SPIRIT BEING*:

But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeks such to worship him. Yahweh is Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth, John 4:23-24.

Yahweh dwells in (and has never left) the spirit realm. He has mandated that His Son be His contact with mankind and the physical realm. The spirit realm can be right here on earth among us, for spirit is neither matter nor substance, but is the unseen realm much like energy. We are unaware of the many forces of energy that are about us every day. Gravity we deal with every day, but we cannot see it, but are familiar with its workings. We cannot see electricity, but can see the lights go on, the motors run, and see what it does. Other types of energy we deal with every day include, magnetism, light, atomic force, etc. So it is with Yahweh Who is Spirit. He is not solid matter, but is of the highest spirit energy. Paul wrote

that Yahweh is not only all-powerful, invisible, but also immortal and is surrounded by a bright effulgence, and appears as a bright, blinding light: *Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise Elohim, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen,* 1 Timothy 1:17.

Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom [be] honour and power everlasting. Amen, 1 Timothy 6:16.

Yahweh the Father has never been seen by humans. He has stayed in that Spirit realm and has specifically sent Yahshua to reveal Yahweh the Father to mankind. Moses forsook the pleasures of Egypt because in his mind's eye he could see the invisible Yahweh (Heb. 11:27). No human has seen Yahweh the Father nor heard His voice, according to Yahshua. The Savior also said that He was in the bosom of the Father and therefore was then also with Yahweh, a spirit being:

No man hath seen Yahweh at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, He hath declared [Him], John 1:18.

And the Father Himself, which hath sent Me, hath borne witness of Me. Ye have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His shape, John 5:37.

Not that any man hath seen the Father, save He which is of Elohim, He hath seen the Father, John 6:46.

No man hath seen Yahweh at any time. If we love one another, Elohim dwelleth in us [dwells in us through His Spirit], and His love is perfected in us, 1 John 4:12.

If a man say, I love Yahweh, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love Yahweh whom he hath not seen? 1 John 4:20.

The evidence is clear that the Heavenly Father has never been seen of human eyes. He has stayed in that spirit realm where He keeps tabs on His physical creation. He is not far from every one of us (Acts 17:27), as the spirit realm could be right in this room and we would never know it. Just as today's common forms of energy such as radio waves, TV signals, gravity, are generally unnoticed, so is the spirit realm. We are unaware of the presence of the spirit world around us. The spirit realm can be likened to our atmosphere, where many forms of energy are present, but unseen. We could have a room full of various forms of energy which may never collide or interfere with each other. Using this example, a college physics professor stated that even with a room full of energy, one could turn on a flashlight, and add one more form of energy.

In the Old Testament the Angel (Messenger) of Yahweh contacted certain ones with messages from on High. Through the Bible Yahshua left us a written record of His experiences here on earth and through Him the Holy Spirit is available to mankind as a gift from Yahweh today.

#### **Elohim is Plural, More Than One**

Elohim is said to be the Creator in the creation account, and needs an explanation. The reference is to Yahweh, the Heavenly Father, Who is the source of all creation and is the Grand Architect, the Designer of all creation (Isa. 43:10-13). In a clear choice of words, Yahweh Elohim is given the credit of creating all things:

I have declared, and have saved, and I have showed, when there was no strange Elohim among you: therefore ye are my witnesses, saith Yahweh, that I am Elohim. Yea, before the day was I am he; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand: I will work, and who shall

let it? Thus saith Yahweh, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; ...I am Yahweh, your Holy One, the creator of Israel, your King, Isaiah 43:12-15.

Genesis 1:1 shows Elohim is the great Creator, the Master Architect of all creation. The word Elohim consists of more than one and is understood as the "Mighty Ones." Genesis reveals two Yahwehs, a Yahweh in heaven and a Yahweh on earth. The Yahweh in heaven cooperated with the Yahweh on earth and sent fire and brimstone from the heavens upon Sodom and Gomorrah:

Then Yahweh rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from Yahweh out of heaven, Genesis 19:24.

Elohim is a plural word meaning more than one. Elohim is like our English nouns such as school, board, assembly, council, etc. Such collective nouns take a singular verb, but mean more than one. Yahweh on earth (Yahshua) received cooperation and help from Yahweh in the heavens in the destruction of the two cities. There are times when Yahweh Elohim apparently confers with another Being and directs some action to be taken to solve a problem:

And Elohim said, Let **us** make man in **our** image, after **our** likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, Genesis 1:26.

And Yahweh Elohim said, Behold, the man is become **as one of us**, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever, Genesis 3:22.

Go to, **let us go down**, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech. So Yahweh scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city, Genesis 11:7-8.

Also I heard the voice of Yahweh, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will **go for us?** Then said I, Here am I; send me, Isaiah 6:8.

#### Yahshua the Creator

From the above we can see Yahshua was the actual physical Creator. Yahweh, the Father, was the Planner, the Grand Architect and Designer, but remained in the spirit realm while the physical Creator brought the material creation into being. It was Yahshua who did the act of creating in close consonance with Yahweh, the Father. Yahweh remained in the spirit realm, allowing Yahshua to do the creating under His direction. Yahshua admits He can do nothing of Himself, but whatever He does, He learned from the Father (John 8:28-29). Note how the New Testament speaks of Yahshua as the Word (*Dabar* in Hebrew, *Logos* in Greek):

In the beginning was the Word (Logos), and the Word was with Elohim, and the Word was Elohim. The same was in the beginning with Elohim. All things were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made, John 1:1-3.

He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not, John 1:10.

But to us there is but one Elohim, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Master, Yahshua Messiah, by whom are all things, and we by him, 1 Corinthians 8:6.

Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the **Word** of Yahweh, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear, Hebrews 11:3.

And He was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and His name is called The Word of Yahweh, Revelation 19:13.

The Old Testament uses the same phraseology as found in the New, with a reference to the Word (*Logos* in the Greek) as the Agent of creation, through the Holy Spirit.

By the **Word** (Dabar) of Yahweh were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath (ruach – spirit of his mouth), Psalms 33:6.

Some scholars contend that Proverbs 8:22 refers to the creation of Yahshua as being the first thing that Yahweh created; then Yahshua did the physical creation. They point to 1 Corinthians 1:30 and Luke 11:49 (*Companion Bible* note) as the Wisdom of Yahweh:

Yahweh possessed me ("created Me," Targum, Tanakh, Septuagint, RSV, NRSV, etc.) in the beginning of His way, before His works of old. I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, before the earth was. When there were no depths, I was brought forth, when there were no fountains abounding with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth, Proverbs 8:22-25 ASV.

# The Image of Yahweh

Yahshua the Son looks and appears just like the invisible Father, the very image. He says He and the Father are one: "I and my Father are one" (John 10:30).

That is to say the Father and the Son are one or united in purpose, one in desire, one in goal, one in ultimate intention. We, as Yahshua's followers are also one in spirit and intention with Yahweh and Yahshua (John 17:22-23). We are to be united in spirit and goal to proclaim Yahweh's truth to the world, and to work together as a body with Yahshua as our Head. By His indwelling Spirit we become like Him and the Father.

Yahshua created everything, including the physical earth, sun, moon, stars and the invisible atoms, quarks, atoms, electrons, DNA, as well as the very air we breathe:

Who is the image of the invisible Elohim, the firstborn of every creature: For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: and he is before all things, and by him all things consist, Colossians 1:15-17.

Yahshua saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father? John 14:9.

In whom the Elohim (Mighty one) of this world has blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious evangel of Messiah, who is the Image of Elohim, should shine unto them, 2 Corinthians 4:4.

Not only did Yahshua create everything, He continues with His creative power by keeping everything under control; the planets stay in orbit; our world continues to maintain the four seasons; and the cosmos is prevented from flying apart, etc.

Yahweh, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom He hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also He made the worlds; Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the Word of His power, Hebrews 1:1-3.

Thou art worthy, O Elohim, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created, Revelation 4:11.

We again see His great power and energy in the account of creation. Note that the worlds were made from nothing but created by His spirit power, His energy turned into matter. Atomic energy proved that energy could be turned to matter and matter back to energy. Without matter, time and space do not exist. It is only through Yahweh that Yahshua was given the knowledge and power to create and give life to the physical realm. Not only was

Yahshua the Creator, but He was also the Redeemer who died at Calvary. Therefore, because He was the Creator, His shed blood was more valuable and worthy than that of an ordinary man. He died for His creation!

Thus saith Yahweh, the Redeemer, and He that formed thee from the womb, I am Yahweh that maketh all things; that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself, Isaiah 44:24.

### Yahshua, Heaven Sent

Does the Bible teach that Yahshua is an ordinary human being, or is He something higher than human? This question plagued the early assembly for centuries and is still with us. Yahweh's word in the New Testament clarifies the fact that Yahshua was not just an ordinary human being. Some of His enemies taught that He was the son of Mary and a Roman soldier. Others to this day contend He is simply a human being who was a good man and taught Yahweh's way of life. No man has ever seen the Father. The Bible teaches that Yahshua existed with Yahweh before He was sent to earth:

For he whom Elohim hath sent speaketh the words of Elohim: for Elohim giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him. The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand, John 3:34-35.

But I have greater witness than that of John: for the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father hath sent me. And the Father himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His shape, John 5:36-37.

Yahshua answered and said unto them, This is the work of Elohim, that ye believe on Him whom He hath sent, John 6:29.

For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of Him that sent me, John 6:38.

Yahshua answered them, and said, My doctrine is not mine, but His that sent me, John 7:16.

And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was. I have manifested **thy name** unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word. Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee. For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me. John 17:5-8.

And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but He that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven, John 3:13.

He that cometh from above is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh of the earth: He that cometh from heaven is above all, John 3:31.

I in them, and Thou in Me, that they may be made perfect in One; and that the world may know that Thou hast sent Me, and hast loved them, as Thou hast loved Me, John 17:23.

### A Fleshly Body Given

Paul considered Yahshua the "second Adam" as having a body differing from Adam, in that its origin was from heaven. Yahshua pre-existed with the Father and was a mighty spirit being, having a body of spirit energy which was turned to matter through the power of

Yahweh's Holy Spirit and He became flesh to be born of the virgin Mary. Paul explains the difference of the first and second Adam:

The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Sovereign from heaven. As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly, 1 Corinthians 15:47-49

We will bear the image of the heavenly (spiritual realm) when Yahshua returns and we are changed in that first resurrection. We will no longer be flesh and bone substance matter, but will become spirit, a glorified being (Rev. 20:6). Because Yahshua revealed that He was with the Father in the spirit realm, the Jews sought to kill Him because He had healed on the Sabbath and said He came from the spiritual realm of the Heavenly Father and was equally a deity (divine). Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill Him, because He not only had broken the Sabbath, but said also that Elohim was His Father, making Himself equal with Yahweh, John 5:18.

# Miracle of Spirit to Flesh

Paul agrees that Yahshua had come from the spirit realm of the Father, and therefore was of the same spiritual substance. To be born a human, Yahshua humbly accepted the change to a physical body, made from His spirit body. He lived obediently as a human for 33 years, finally dying the physical death of the fleshly, human family. In so doing He paid for the sins of the world. Yahweh raised Him back again to the spiritual realm:

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Messiah Yahshua; Who, being in the form of Elohim, thought it not robbery to be equal [as Spirit] with Elohim; but made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men; and being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death on the tree. Wherefore Elohim also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name, Philippians 2:5-9.

A number of times Scripture indicates that a special body was formulated for Yahshua as He was spirit, but became flesh to live as a human among mankind. Yahshua had dwelt with the Father in the spirit realm. Then His spirit body was slowed down to become physical flesh, and was placed in Mary's womb. This was certainly a miracle of His birth, namely, to place this majestic, powerful Spirit Being into the womb of Mary and have Him remain and grow as a human for some 30 years.

The account of Yahshua becoming human flesh and blood is the opposite of what will happen to the saints when Yahshua returns. Then the living and dead saints will be changed and become spirit beings (1 Cor. 15:50-54; Rev. 20:6). Yahshua's spirit body was made flesh and blood. He was taught the ways of Yahweh by Mary and Joseph, but the Spirit was not given Him in fullness until His baptism (Matt. 3:15-16) when the heavens were opened unto Him and He could read the thoughts of man:

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth, John 1:14.

Concerning His Son Yahshua Messiah our Sovereign, who was made of the seed of David according to the flesh, Romans 1:3.

But when the fulness of the time was come, Elohim sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, Galatians 4:4.

Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise took part of the same; that through death He might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil, Hebrews 2:14.

Wherefore in all things it behooved Him to be made like unto His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to Elohim, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people, Hebrews 2:17.

Wherefore when He cometh into the world, He saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared Me, Hebrews 10:5.

# **Resurrected to Spirit**

When Yahshua was resurrected from the dead He was resurrected to the spirit realm. He no longer was flesh and blood. He moved right through his burial clothes when He arose from the dead. He was able to come through closed doors and walls to visit the brethren. Now He dwells in that Spirit realm with the Heavenly Father, but His task is to keep the earth in its orbit, and all the celestial planets in their orbit.

Paul was aware that Yahshua was more than an ordinary man. When struck down on the Damascus road, Paul became acutely aware that Yahshua was all-powerful and the fullness of deity was within Him. The New Testament clearly says that Yahshua now has the fullness of the Majesty of Yahweh. He is full deity, being subservient to Yahweh the Father, having the fullness or completeness of the Holy Spirit:

For He whom Yahweh hath sent speaketh the words of Yahweh: for He giveth not the Spirit by measure unto Him. The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into His hand, John 3:34-35.

For it pleased the Father that in Him should all fulness dwell, Colossians 1:19

For in Him dwelleth all the fulness of the Majesty on High, Colossians 2:9.

Which is His body, the fulness of Him that filleth all in all, Ephesians 1:23.

For the invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and majesty; so that they are without excuse, Romans 1:20.

#### **United in Heart**

Not only is Yahshua in complete harmony with Yahweh, the Father, looking like Him, acting like Him, answering for Him, but Yahshua thinks just like Yahweh. They are of one mind, sharing the same purpose, the same goals, the same loving plans for mankind. Through the Holy Spirit we also can strive to share common goals with Yahshua and the Father:

I and my Father are one, John 10:30.

And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through Thine own Name those whom Thou hast given Me, that they may be one, as we are, John 17:11.

That they all may be one; as Thou, Father, art in Me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Me, John 17:21.

And the glory which Thou gave Me I have given them; that they may be one, even as We are one, John 17:22.

Paul clearly testifies that Yahshua is Sovereign, that is he is more than a mere human, that Yahshua is full deity and says Yahshua became Elohim in the flesh, seen of angels, was believed and is once again a spirit being:

Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of Yahweh calleth Yahshua accursed: and that no man can say that Yahshua is Sovereign, but by the Holy Spirit, 1 Corinthians 12:3.

And without controversy great is the mystery of holiness: Elohim was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory, 1 Timothy 3:16.

And again, when He bringeth in the first begotten into the world, He saith, And let all the angels of Elohim worship Him. And of the angels He saith, Who maketh His angels spirits, And His ministers a flame of fire. But unto the Son He saith, Thy throne, O Elohim, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom, Hebrews 1:6-8.

Thou art worthy, O Elohim, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created, Revelation 4:11.

### A Glorified Body

After His resurrection to the spirit realm, Yahshua could move through walls and doors then slow down His body which would become visible flesh and bone. Yahshua became visible to the assembled brethren by which the resurrection is proved. He no longer had blood, for He shed His blood for you and me at Calvary. Instead, He now has spirit energy coursing through His veins. His body still carries the scars of His human sacrifice:

Behold My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself: handle Me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see Me have, Luke 24:39.

As thou hast given Him power over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as Thou hast given Him. And this is life eternal, that they might know Thee, the only true Elohim, and Yahshua Messiah, whom Thou hast sent, John 17:2-3.

And now, O Father, glorify Thou Me with Thine own self with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was, John 17:5.

For whom He did foreknow, He also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren, Romans 8:29.

### The Light of the World

When Yahshua was resurrected to the spirit realm, He became a bright, blazing being, with full power and position, truly the LIGHT of the world:

Then spake Yahshua again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life, John 8:12.

Then Yahshua said unto them, Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth, John 12:35.

I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness, John 12:46.

Thou art worthy, O Sovereign, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created, Revelation 4:11.

And sware by Him that liveth for ever and ever, Who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer, Revelation 10:6.

Thou, even thou, art Sovereign alone; thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all things that are therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and thou preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshippeth thee, Nehemiah 9:6.

Elohim that made the world and all things therein, seeing that He is Sovereign of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands, Acts 17:24.

As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world, John 9:5.

# Raised to the Spirit Realm

After His resurrection, Yahshua, as a spirit being, moved through locked doors, then He would slow down His body to become flesh and bone and was able to show Himself to the disciples. At times they could not recognize Him, but they did perceive Him upon seeing His hands in the breaking of bread. He offered to show His side and hands to the doubting disciples. His body did not contain blood, as that was shed at Calvary. Now spirit energy coursed through His veins, giving Him a bodily glow. Yahshua was raised from the dead to the spiritual realm by the glory (Spiritual power) of the Heavenly Father. He was no longer flesh and blood. He could now speed up His body and become a spirit being, disappearing from in front of them.

And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight [vanished...: or, ceased to be seen of them]. And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures, Luke 24:30-32.

And they told what things were done in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread. And as they thus spake, Yahshua himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit. And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have, Luke 24:35-39.

Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Yahshua and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Master. Then said Yahshua to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Spirit: Whose sins you remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose sins ye retain, they are retained, John 20:19-23.

## **Lights of the Kingdom**

Yahshua is introduced in Revelation as a bright, resplendent Being, glowing as the brightness of the noonday sun. Both Yahweh and Yahshua are bright, shining spirit beings and will be bright lights in the coming Kingdom:

And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks; And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire; And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many

waters. And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp two-edged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength, Revelation 1:12-16.

And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of Elohim did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof. And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it. And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there, Revelation 21:23-25.

So the Spirit took me up, and brought me into the inner court; and, behold, the glory of Yahweh filled the house. And I heard Him speaking unto me out of the house; and the man stood by me, Ezekiel 43:5.

# We Shall be Raised to the Spiritual Realm

Those in that first resurrection will be raised to the spirit realm. Now we are given the down payment, (earnest of the spirit, 2 Corinthians 5:5) and when the Savior appears we will be changed to spirit and rise to meet Him in the air. We will be changed to spirit beings with a spirit body such as He now has, immortal and invisible.

And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of Elohim; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory, Corinthians 15:49-54.

Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself, Philippians 3:21.

When Messiah, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory, Colossians 3:4.

#### Yahshua Our Creator and Redeemer

Yahshua has paid the price for the entire world to be saved. He was the physical Creator, the source of all life. Yet, He died for your sins and mine. Peter tells us to walk in His steps (1 Peter 2:21). Now He is calling only a few to become a kingdom of priests in the kingdom (Rev. 5:10). He is calling those who have ears to hear, eyes to see, and a heart to obey.

If you feel a compulsion to learn more of Yahshua and have a desire to follow in His steps, you are being called through His word. Are you preparing to meet the bridegroom? It is up to you to make yourself ready (Rev. 19:7). If we can be of help, feel free to keep in contact with us. We have a glorious future ahead of us for the promise is: "We shall be like him for we shall see Him as He is!" (1 John 3:2).

© 2007, 2017 Yahweh's Assembly in Yahshua 2963 County Road 233, Kingdom City, Missouri 65262 View us online at: www.YAIY.org Call Toll Free: (877) 642-4101 Main Line: (573) 642-4100