## **QUESTION AND ANSWER**

**Question-1**: In your article on being saved versus being born again, and the wilderness experience, it sounds like there are only two types of believers, but Yeshua said there were 4 types of seed. Can you explain the wilderness experience in terms of the 4 seeds?

<u>Answer</u>: Yes, no problem. Remember "Israel" was "saved" by the Blood of the Lamb at Passover. Then this "saved" group of people along with the "mixed multitude" of foreigners who had committed themselves to walk away from Egypt with Israel (to repent/walk away from their life of sin also) proceeded to be baptized in the "Red Sea". The crossing of the Red Sea representing the "womb" transfer.

This "saved" group can then be divided up four ways as follows:

- 1- The seed by the wayside; Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 13:3,4,18,19. These were like Korah, Dothan, and Abiram, who heard the Gospel, but rejected it in their hearts, and so just came along for the ride to escape Egypt. They "looked" saved on the outside, having partook in the Passover Lamb, and been baptized in the Red Sea, but were totally false in their conversion and full of "ulterior" motives. As such, they were swallowed up by the earth whole on the expressway to Sheol; Evreem (Hebrews) 10:26-29.
- 2- The seed in the rocky soil; Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 13:5,6,20,21. They heard the Gospel, received the Gospel, and rejoiced in the Gospel as saved individuals as long as things were going well, and so had some root. But whenever things became difficult, they continuously grumbled against God for the circumstance, and eventually came to believe it better if they had stayed in Egypt stayed in the world. These are those age 20 and older who fell in the wilderness who never made it to the Promise Land and represent those who never successfully enter the Kingdom of Heaven; Evreem (Hebrews) 6:4-8.
- 3- The seed among the thorny bushes; Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 13:7,22. These are those age 20 and under who were also "saved" through the "Blood of the Lamb" and "Baptized" in the Red Sea. They also were guilty of complaining at times; B'midbar (Numbers) 21:4-9; but mostly against Moses rather than against God, and never to the point of believing Egypt was better. Despite their complaints (that is, the thorns in their understanding and decision making) which caused them to not be as "fruitful" (as obedient) as they could have been, never desired to go back to Egypt, but kept their eyes on the Promise Land on the Kingdom of Heaven to come.

This group, like the Gentile church, despite their "thorny" docrtrines concerning obedience, eventually make it into the Promise Land as "saved" souls who through "good conscience; Romans 2:14-16, faithfully "endure to the end"; Mark 13:13 - but who are raised up "as a sheep" at the 2nd resurrection; Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 25:31-46; Revelation 20:11,12; 21:24.

4- The seed in the good soil; Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 13:8,9,23. These are those who are "saved", and who did not complain or grumble and who kept their eyes on the Promise Land and did not look back. Because they fully took in God's "Torah dna" and actively rejected "thorny" doctrines limiting their ability to grow in obedience, they became "born again" and fully indwelled with the Holy Spirit; Ma'aseh (Acts) 5:32. As such, even though they, like Moses, "slipped" occasionally into unintended sin; Ma'aseh (Acts) 3:14-19, and like Moses, sometimes died in the Wilderness - they were still overall faithful in their walk, and as such eventually bore much fruit. These are they who ultimately "exit the womb" as those victorious over their sin nature; Yehoshua (Joshua) 22:1,2; I Yehochanan (I John) 2:29 - 3:10 and who enter the

Kingdom of Heaven to reign with Yeshua as Kings and as Priests for 1000 years at the 1st resurrection; **Revelation 20:1-4**.

**Question-2**: You often say that Israel is part of the 1st resurrection, and the Gentiles in the second resurrection, but isn't the 2nd resurrection only for the wicked?

<u>Answer</u>: Yes, the Gentile church which believes it has replaced Israel believes that "it", representing all who have ever believed, will be the ones resurrected at the first resurrection, but that only the unbelievers will be at the 2nd resurrection.

First of all, if the Gentile church has replaced Israel, then God is a liar, and you might as well become a Buddhist or Hindu or something else, because faith in Him would advantage you no more or less than any of these other religions if God is not pure, undefiled, unchangeable, truth. However, we know that God is truth and that it is mankind who lies; **Romans 3:4**, and that He changes not; **Malachi 3:6**.

So all of His promises to Avraham and his descendants and Israel will come to pass even as He prophesied; Romans 11:25-29. One of those prophecies is that Israel shall be resurrected; Yechezk'el (Ezekiel) 37:1-14, and have the Son of David as their King and Shepherd; Yechezk'el (Ezekiel) 37:21-24. This is none other than Yeshua. And as Romans states, "all Israel shall be saved"; Romans 11:26, and for the Gentiles who have been grafted in, they are to "not boast" against the natural branches; Romans 11:16-21.

Having said all that, the "Gentile" nations - not Israel, in **Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 25:31,32** are clearly brought before Him for "judgment" and separated as "Sheep and Goats"; **verse 25:33**.

In contrast, **Yechezk'el (Ezekiel) 37:10,11**; states that the resurrection will be of Israel - not of the Gentile nations. And that Israel will include some individual gentiles who assimilate into Israel as "grafted in" branches; **Romans 11:13-21**, to become as Israelites; **Ephesians 2:11**, <u>19</u>. These "grafted in" gentiles will likewise receive inheritance in the Promise Land along with Israel; **Yechezk'el (Ezekiel) 47:21-23**. and are no longer considered gentiles; **Ephesians 2:11**, 19.

But then the rest of the dead are raised "after" the 1000 years; **Revelation 20:5**. So if Israel was saved at the "first resurrection" then the only ones remaining for a "2nd resurrection" are the Gentiles, and those jews who assimilated to become like gentiles. And when the gentiles come before Yeshua, He is on a throne to "judge" them, and to "separate" them according to their works; **Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 25:31-46**. In parallel, the "rest of the dead" outside of the previously resurrected Israel, also stand before "a throne" to be "separated" according to their works; **Revelation 20:12**.

Likewise, in **Revelation 20:13** where this "separation" takes place, it reads "The sea gave up the dead who were in "*it*", and death and Sheol gave up the dead who were in '*them*'."

Notice closely here that 3 places of the dead are mentioned. 1- the sea, which is referred to as "it". and 2- Death and 3- Sheol, which together are referred to as "them". Then in Revelation 20:14 it only states that "Death and Sheol" are cast into the lake of fire. It does not say that those from "the sea" were cast away there.

Consider also that Sheol is associated with <u>fire and torment</u>; Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 18:8,9; Luke 16:19-31, as a <u>waterless</u> pit; Zachar'yahu (Zechariah) 9:11, and as a place "below"; Yesh'yahu (Isaiah) 14:15,19 Yechezk'el (Ezekiel) 26:20; 31:14-16; 32:18-30; where the "unsaved" go; B'midbar (Numbers) 16:30-33.

But that Avraham's "bosom", literally translatable as Avraham's "Brook", is spoken of and referred to as a place where "water" is located; **Luke 16:22-25**.

And so in Revelation at this place of "Judgment" and of "Separation" - Sheol, the place associated with fire and with the absence of water, is "cast into the lake of fire"; **Revelation 20:14**, but that the "sea" a place that we would associate with "water" even as Avraham's "Brook" was associated with water, is not cast into the lake of fire - but only death and Sheol are.

So Israel, and those gentiles grafted in to fully assimilate into Israel throughout the millennia; **Yesh'yahu** (Isaiah) 47:21-23; Romans 11:13-24; Ephesians 2:11-19, are part of the 1st resurrection along with those martyred during the tribulation; Revelation 20:4.

And the "rest of the dead" who died during the tribulation; **Revelation 20:5**, along with the gentile nations who lived and died throughout the millennia, including those jews who assimilated into the gentile nations to become like the gentiles, and which includes the Gentile church; **Romans 2:14-16**, are raised up at the 2nd resurrection to be separated as a "sheep or a as goat"; **Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 25:31-46**. These are the sheep of His "other fold"; **Yehochanan (John) 10:16** - the Gentiles who are saved who bring their wealth to the Israelites who live in the New Jerusalem; **Revelation 21:24** (NKJV).

This is interesting, because the 7th day Sabbath is the perpetual sign of God's people for all time; **Shemot (Exodus) 31:12-17**, and they are resurrected when? On the 7th Millennium to reign with Him as kings and as priests; (*See, "Time Line 1, The 6000 Years from Adam to Yeshua*). But the Gentile church that rejects the 7th day Sabbath, but honors the "first" day of the week as "resurrection day" are resurrected as "sheep of His other fold" when? On the 1st Millennium following the 7th! The 1st day of the new millennial week! Trees are truly known by their fruit!!!; **Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 12:33**.

**Question-3**: If in **Matthew 7:21-23** those who willfully breaks God's Law are told to depart from Yeshua, then how can anybody according to **Matthew 5:17-19** break the least of His commandments and still make it into the Kingdom of Heaven?

<u>Answer</u>: In Matthew 5:17-19 the least of God's commandments are dealing with externals outside of moral character. In contrast, the greater commandments have to do with internal character, that is, to do with integrity of character and moral uprightness.

Using explanations from previous studies on the Hebrew concept of "ascending", and as laid out in the graphic on the next page, we are all born into the lower plane of the devil's kingdom. Manmade religions emphasizing the good side of our fallen nature causes people to ascend to the next plane up, but because the values emphasized are limited to human understanding of right and wrong, and of truth and error, they can ascend no further.

People within Judaism and Christianity, because they have access to the true standard of right and wrong, and of truth and error, are able to ascend yet one more plane higher to the 3rd tier of ascension, but because both Judaism and Christianity compromise to some degree with the world and with human traditions, they are able to ascend no further than the 4th plane of ascension.

However, this 3rd vertical plane where many people first enter salvation at, moral uprightness and integrity of character is an absolute must to be learned and mastered before a person can successfully

ascend to any plane above the 4th plane of ascension.

The commandments that teach us this morality, and instill in us integrity of character, are among the more critically important of commandments. So important, that they must be learned and mastered before one can successfully ascend to the 5th vertical plane of ascension. The traditional, though erroneously entitled, "10 Commandments", the commands of the Sermon on the Mount; Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 5-7, and Galatians 5:16-26 provide a good summary of what these most critical of commandments dealing with the "inward" man looks like. They are commandments dealing mostly with issues like sexual purity, honesty, justice, and prohibition against idol worship and related activities.

The "least" of the commandments, are those commandments, judgments, and statutes outside those things directly related to moral uprightness and integrity of character, and deal largely with the "outward" man. They are commandments mostly dealing with externals like celebrating the feasts, wearing tzit tzit, not shaving the beard, matters related to health and disease control, and so on. They are things that though associated with and reflective of good character, are not an accurate measure in and of themselves of good character.

Another way put, a wolf in sheep's clothing is only a sheep outwardly (mostly planes 1 and 2), and a sheep in wolf's clothing is only a sheep inwardly (mostly planes 3 and 4); but a sheep in sheep's clothing is a sheep inwardly as well as outwardly (planes 5-7).

To provide an example of why practicing "the least of the commandments" associated with the higher planes 5-7, without doing the "greater of the commandments" associated with planes 3 and 4, is not acceptable before God, can be seen in **Yesh'yahu (Isaiah) 1:10-17** concerning the appointed times, and in **verse 58:3-14** concerning fasting.

In summary, the lesser commandments associated with the higher planes of ascension (planes 5-7) provide no benefit to the individual when practiced apart from the greater commands mandatory to learn and master at the 3rd and 4th planes of ascension. Additionally, just because somebody is practicing a commandment associated with a higher plane, like the feast days for example that are associated intimately with planes 5 through 7, does not automatically mean they are on plane 5, 6 or 7. Many Messianics for example practice the feast days, but have still not mastered the commandments concerning moral uprightness and integrity of character required of them on planes 3 and 4, and so in fact are on the same horizontal plane as most Protestants (vertical plane of ascension 4). See the Article "Another Gospel" for more details concerning the 7 planes of vertical ascension.

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## **HEAVEN/ABRAHAM'S BOSOM/PARADISE**

Those who enter Heaven without dying, like Enoch and Eliyahu (Elijah), and those caught up at Yeshua's Return.

(HORIZONTAL PLANE 7 on Vertical Plane of Ascension - Plane of Enoch, of Transcension)

Martyrdom for one's biblically based Faith, when combined with a clear conscience before God concerning one's sincerely, and honestly held understanding of Scripture.

(HORIZONTAL PLANE 6 on Vertical Plane of Ascension - Plane of Abel, of Martyrdom)

Biblically based faith with emphasis on salvation, personal repentance, and of obedience to God's commandments over human traditions. Compares self to Heaven's standard, successfully resists pressure to conform to non-biblical human traditions. Overcomes their sin. Has sacrificial love for others. Does not seek division from other believers, does not persecute others, but planes 1-4 do divide from them and persecute them in varying degrees. These interact with all denominations and sects, but are marginilized wherever they go.

(HORIZONTAL PLANE 5 on Vertical Plane of Ascension - Plane of David, of Overcoming)

Biblically based human religions that emphasize salvation, with Scripture as a foundational basis for morality, but which still emphasize some "human tradition" over the authority of Scriptures (Reform Catholicism/Protestantism, Messianic, Hebrew Roots, Mennonite, etc...). Somewhat still compares self with others, submits to peer pressure and divides from others to determine acceptance before God and man. There is light persecution between, within, and out from, all these groups. Most "saved" people walk out their walk, and gain access to eternal life on this plane.

(HORIZONTAL PLANE 4 on Vertical Plane of Ascension - Plane of Saul, of Imperfect Obedience)

Biblically based human religions that emphasize and reward the "good" side of our fallen nature, with Scripture as a general template for morality, but heavily emphasizes "human tradition" over authority of Scripture (Catholicism, Russian Orthodox, Greek Orthodox, Amish, Judaism, etc...). Still compares self with others, submits to peer pressure and divides from others, to determine acceptance before God and man. There is moderate to heavy persecution between, within, and out from, all these groups. There is "some" salvation to eternal life through Yeshua among a small number on this plane whose sins are in ignorance. The False Messiah enters here.

(HORIZONTAL PLANE 3 on Vertical Plane of Ascension - Plane of Cain, of False Pretense)

Non-biblical human religions and other human systems that emphasize and reward the "good" side of our fallen nature, but are devoid of the Truth of Scripture as their "compass" (Buddhism, Islam, Hinduism, etc...). Compares self with others, and submits to peer pressure and divides from others, to determine acceptance before God and/or man.

This plane often leads to civil societies, but not to Eternal Life.

(HORIZONTAL PLANE 2 on Vertical Plane of Ascension - Plane of Eve, of Self-Ascendency)

Satan's Kingdoms, Secular World, "division" oriented based on race, stature, reputation, talent, wealth, influence, sexuality, culture, nationality, personal beauty/strength/intelligence, competitive ability, education level, etc...

(HORIZONTAL PLANE 1 - The Plane of the Serpent, of Carnal Birth and Division)

**Question 4:** On your article of being saved vs being born again, **I John 5:1** states that whoever believes that Jesus is the Messiah is born again. This seems to say that being born again and being saved is the same thing. How do you explain your separation of these two phrases in light of this verse?

<u>Answer</u>: No problem. In Moshe's day they were "saved" on the night of the Passover through the "blood of the Lamb" and then "baptized" in the Red Sea. But according to Jewish history, they did not "receive the Holy Spirit" until Mt. Sinai where they agreed "to be obedient" to God at the signing of the covenant. This aligns with **Ma'aseh (Acts) 5:32** which states that God gives the Holy Spirit to those who "obey" Him. Obedience could not come until they knew the terms (the commandments) of the covenant.

Today also, we come to Him initially in repentance to that which we acknowledge and comprehend to be "sin" at the time we are "saved". But many people once "saved" are not willing to grow in obedience beyond the level of obedience engaged in by their peers or denominational traditions and expectations, and so are not obedient for purposes of being "born again" after they have been saved.

So how does this fit with I Yehochanan (I John) 5:1? In I John, Yehochanan is speaking to Jewish believers who already had prior knowledge of Torah, and so are also fully committed to that more complete knowledge of His Law prior to becoming believers in Yeshua. So the level of commitment to full obedience required for being "born again" at the very moment they were "saved" was already present in their hearts and actions at the time they were first saved.

Also, by the time Yehochanan wrote this Epistle, many Gentiles had also come to faith in Yeshua under the leadership and tutorship of the Apostles - a time in history when every Gentile becoming a believer understood that becoming a believer meant committing oneself to following all of God's commandments as understood through Jewish eyes, not through Catholic eyes which did not exist yet in that time of history, and that would not exist for another 200+ years.

However, concerning gentile believers today, they rarely have any background or foreknowledge of Torah prior to being saved, and are many times completely ignorant of the Jewish roots and original Hebrew expression of the Faith. As such, they are not able to demonstrate at the beginning of their salvation a full commitment to obedience in their heart above and beyond what their denomination, traditions, and expectations of their peers, will allow them to demonstrate.

So until they are presented with those opportunities to embrace spiritual growth and maturity over and above the traditions of men and denominational expectations of their peers, they remain simply saved. And to be simply saved is a good thing. It leads to eternal life. But being saved, and also born again, is even better, for those who are "born again" will enter the Kingdom - the 1000 year reign on earth; xxx.

So yes, it is possible to be saved and born again at the same time on the same day; but in today's world dominated by various Catholic and Reform Catholic (Protestant) traditions and doctrines confusing what full obedience looks like, it is next to impossible today for a person to fully commit themselves to the full truth at the beginning of their walk to experience a combined "saved" and "born again" experience.

The good news is that being born again is not required to have Eternal life, only initial salvation through repentance of sin and belief in Yeshua is necessary to set a person on this road to eternity. But the greater good news, is that if you are one who is willing to ascend above and beyond human traditions and denominational peer pressure to live a life that is pleasing to God, regardless of resistance from others, then you will be born again to be able to rule with Yeshua for 1000 years as kings and priests with Him.

To be saved, or to be saved AND born again, is the difference, respectively, between having eternal life as a citizen of Heaven (a saved, ungrafted in gentile; Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 25:31-46; Romans 2:14-16; Revelation 20:5, 11-15; 21:24), and having eternal life as a member of the Royal Family (a saved Israelite or grafted in gentile; Mizmor (Psalm) 149:1-9; Yechezk'el (Ezekiel) 37:9,10; 47:21-23; Romans 11:26,27; Ephesians 2:11,19; Revelation 12:17; 20:4).

**Question 5:** On your Time Line 7 dealing with the 7 year covenant you coordinate every verse conceivable it seems concerning that last 7 years before Yeshua comes, but nowhere on there do you mention the 7 trumpets. Where do those fit in? If the 7 years begins this year like you believe would the 1st trumpet be blown this year or next year?

<u>Answer:</u> Revelation 8:1-4 introduces the 7 Trumpets with a Yom Kippur service and an earthquake. That means that the rumblings would begin in the earth after this Yom Kippur 2020, and then next Yom Teruach/Rosh Hoshanna 2021 would mark the blast of the 1st Trumpet. Then Fall 2022 would mark the blast of the 2nd Trumpet and so on with the 7th, and "Last Trump" being blown Yom Teruach/Rosh Hoshanna 2027.

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