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- Matt 4:12 12And יְהוֹשֻׁעַ, having heard that Yoḥanan had been put in prison, withdrew into Galil.13And leaving Natsareth, He came and dwelt in Keph̄ar Naḥum, which is by the sea, in the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali,14to fill what was spoken by Yeshayahu the prophet, saying,15"Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Yardeḥ, Galil of the nations –16the people who sat in darkness saw a great light, and upon those who sat in the land and shadow of death, light arose to them."17From that time יְהוֹשֻׁעַ began to proclaim and to say, "Repent, for the reign of the heavens has drawn near."

3 Nebuchadnezzar's Dream

- Dan 2:28 "But there is an Elah in the heavens who reveals secrets, and He has made known to Sovereign Nebukaḏnetstsar what is to be in the latter days. Your dream, and the visions of your head upon your bed, were these:...3131"You, O sovereign, were looking on, and saw a great image! This great image, and its brightness excellent, was standing before you, and its form was awesome.32"This image's head was of fine gold, its chest and arms of silver, its belly and thighs of bronze,33its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay.34"You were looking on, until a stone was cut out without hands, and it smote the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces.... And the stone that smote the image became a great mountain and filled all the earth... 4444"And in the days of these sovereigns the Elah of the heavens shall set up a reign which shall never be destroyed, nor the reign pass on to other people – it crushes and puts to an end all these reigns, and it shall stand forever.45"Because you saw that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it crushed the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold, the great Elah has made known to the sovereign what shall be after this. And the dream is true, and its interpretation is trustworthy."

4 Time-Line Of Gentile History

- And the stone that smote the image became a great mountain and filled all the earth... 44 "And in the days of these sovereigns the Elah of the heavens shall set up (Rock-Stone) a reign which shall never be destroyed, nor the reign pass on to other people – it crushes and puts to an end all these reigns, and it shall stand forever.

5 Prophecy Of The First Coming

- Deut 32:3 "For I proclaim the Name of יְהוָה, Ascribe greatness to our Elohim.4"The Rock! His work is perfect, For all His ways are right-ruling, An Ėl of truth and without unrighteousness, Righteous and straight is He.
- Psalm 95:1 Come, let us sing to יְהוָה! Let us raise a shout to the Rock of our deliverance.
- Ps 118:2222The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief corner-stone.23This was from יְהוָה, It is marvellous in our eyes.24This is the day יְהוָה has made, Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

- Is 8:13 "יהוה of hosts, Him you shall set apart. Let Him be your fear, and let Him be your dread.¹⁴"And He shall be for a set-apart place, but a stone of stumbling and a rock that makes for falling to both the houses of Yisra'el, as a trap and a snare to the inhabitants of Yerushalayim.¹⁵"And many among them shall stumble and fall, and be broken and snared and taken."

6 **Messiah Is The Rock!**

- Matt 21:37 "And at last he sent his son to them (Rock-Mountain), saying, 'They shall respect my son.'³⁸"But when the farmers saw the son, they said among themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him, and let us possess his inheritance.'³⁹"And they took him, and threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.⁴⁰"Therefore, when the master of the vineyard comes, what shall he do to those farmers?"⁴¹They said to Him, "Evil ones! He shall bring them (Jerusalem-Israel) to evil destruction, and lease the vineyard to other farmers who shall give to him the fruits in their seasons."⁴²יהושע said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures, 'The stone (Son-Elohim-Rock) which the builders (Judah-Temple) rejeted has become the chief corner-stone (Beginning of a great mountain). This was from יהוה (Day That Yah has made) , and it is marvellous in our eyes'?⁴³"Because of this I say to you: the reign of Elohim (Began with David) shall be taken from you and given to a nation (Spiritual Israel-Jew-Gentile...a light has come) bringing forth the fruits of it.⁴⁴"And he who falls on this stone (Stumbling to Both Houses) shall be broken, but on whomever it falls, he shall be pulverised (Statue-Daniel) ".⁴⁵And the chief priests and Pharisees, having heard His parables, knew that He was speaking of them.⁴⁶And seeking to lay hands on Him, they feared the crowds, seeing they held Him to be a prophet.

7 **Rashi...chabad.org**

8 **Kingdom Is Near!**

- 1Sam 17:40 And he took his staff in his hand, and chose for himself five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in a shepherd's bag, in a pouch which he had, and his sling was in his hand. And he drew near to the Philistine... 46⁴⁶"This day יהוה shall deliver you into my hand, and I shall strike you and take your head from you, and give the carcasses of the camp of the Philistines today to the birds of the heavens and the wild beasts of the earth, so that all the earth know that Elohim is for Yisra'el,⁴⁷and all this assembly know that יהוה does not save with sword and spear, for the battle belongs to יהוה, and He shall give you into our hands."⁴⁹ And Dawid put his hand in his bag and took out a stone, and slung it and struck the Philistine on his forehead, so that the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the ground.

9 **The Kingdom Is Growing**

- Luke 17:20²⁰And having been asked by the Pharisees when the reign of Elohim would come, He answered them and said, "The reign of Elohim does not come with intent watching,²¹nor shall they say, 'Look here!' or 'Look there!' For look, the reign of Elohim is in your midst!"
- Dan 2:35 And the stone that smote the image became a great mountain and filled all the earth.

- Matt 13:31³¹Another parable He put before them, saying, "The reign of the heavens is like a mustard seed, which a man took and sowed in his field,³²which indeed is less than all the seeds, but when it is grown it is greater than the plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the heaven come and dwell in its branches."
- 13:41 "The Son of Adam shall send out His messengers,(Servants) and they shall gather out of His (Growing Kingdom) reign all the stumbling-blocks, and those doing lawlessness,⁴²and shall throw them into the furnace of fire – there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

10 Messengers Sent Out

- Eph 4:10He who went down is also the One who went up far above all the heavens, to fill all.¹¹And He Himself gave some as emissaries, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as shepherds and teachers¹²for the perfecting of the set-apart ones, to the work of service to a building up of the body of the Messiah,¹³until we all come to the unity of the belief and of the knowledge of the Son of Elohim, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the completeness of Messiah,¹⁴so that we should no longer be children, tossed and borne about by every wind of teaching, by the trickery of men, in cleverness, unto the craftiness of leading astray,¹⁵but, maintaining the truth in love, we grow up in all respects into Him who is the head, Messiah,¹⁶from whom the entire body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the working by which each part does its share, causes growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

11 Weeding Out Tares

- 1Peter 2:4 Drawing near to Him, a living Stone – rejected indeed by men, (not with Observation) but chosen by Elohim and precious –⁵you also, as living stones (David's Bag-5), are being built up (Growing-Mountain), a spiritual house, a set-apart priesthood, to offer up spiritual slaughter offerings acceptable to Elohim through יהושע Messiah.⁶Because it is contained in the Scripture, "See, I lay in Tsiyon a chief corner-stone, chosen, precious, and he who believes on Him shall by no means be put to shame.(Wheat)"⁷This preciousness, then, is for you who believe; but to those who are disobedient, (Tares-Nations-Israel) "The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief corner-stone,(Beginning of a building-Mountain)"⁸and "A stone of stumbling and a rock that makes for falling,"(Furnace) who stumble because they are disobedient to the Word,(Genesis-Revelation) to which they also were appointed.

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