

Notes: January 1, 2022

Start: 10 AM

Order of service:

1. Meet and Greet
2. Introduction (if new people)
3. Ma Tovv
4. Open in Prayer for service
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6. Announcements
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Children's Blessing:

Transliteration: *Ye'simcha Elohim ke-Ephraim ve hee-Menashe*

English: *May God make you like Ephraim and Menashe*

Transliteration: *Ye'simech Elohim ke-Sarah, Rivka, Rachel ve-Leah.*

English: *May God make you like Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel and Leah.*

Introduction: Lord and Authority

On my way home from Ellsworth I was listening to Paul Wilbur and the song Adonai. As I was driving many thoughts tend to go through my head. One such thought started with the lyrics...

**Lord of Eternity, mystery behind the veil
Lord over Heaven and earth, God of Israel**

The word Lord kept being sung...

Lord of Eternity
Lord over Heaven and Earth

Then I was thinking Lord and Authority

What does that look like?
What does that mean?

Then I was reminded of our Tuesday evening bible study and one of the questions I responded to...

The Adversary says that he has power over all the kingdoms of the world, and the authority to hand that power over to whomever he chooses. Is it true that he had that power and authority or is he telling a lie, since he is a liar?

For some of you what I am about to share will be a review because I am going to share my response regarding the Adversary's power and authority.

Luk 4:5 The Adversary took him up, showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world,

Luk 4:6 and said to him, "I will give you all this power and glory. It has been handed over to me, and I can give it to whomever I choose.

Luk 4:7 So if you will worship me, it will all be yours."

I had recently talked about the authority of Adonai and that He is the only one who can give it. He did so to His Son Yeshua.

http://www.shalommaine.com/sermon_notes_pdf/The_Authority_of_God's_Word.pdf

Yet, does the Adversary possess any authority on earth?

We read of his fall in Revelation and thus being cast down from heaven where he would be bound to

Rev 12:7 Next there was a battle in heaven—Mikha'el and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back.

Rev 12:8 But it was not strong enough to win, so that there was no longer any place for them in heaven.

Rev 12:9 The great dragon was thrown out, that ancient serpent, also known as the Devil and Satan [*the Adversary*], the deceiver of the whole world. He was hurled down to the earth, and his angels were hurled down with him.

Yet, would still be able to travel from place to place...

Job 1:6 It happened one day that the sons of God came to serve Adonai, and among them came the Adversary [*Hebrew: Satan*].

Job 1:7 Adonai asked the Adversary, "Where are you coming from?" The Adversary answered Adonai, "From roaming through the earth, wandering here and there."

So the adversary was able to go about, thus he was not chained to the earth. Yet he did reside here. We have seen him in the Garden as well. Thus one might say, he gets around.

The New Covenant writings reveal more about the Adversary to us. Yeshua reveals his character to us as He is addressing the lies and deceptions of the P'rushim and Torah teachers during Sukkot...

Joh 8:44 You belong to your father, Satan, and you want to carry out your father's desires. From the start he was a murderer, and he has never stood by the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he tells a lie, he is speaking in character; because he is a liar—indeed, the inventor of the lie!

We further read of his influence upon the earth and specifically Israel...

1Ch 21:1 The Adversary [*Hebrew: Satan*] now rose up against Isra'el and incited David to take a census of Isra'el.

It is the one being accused by the Adversary that reveals more about his accuser...

Joh 12:27 "Now I am in turmoil. What can I say—'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very

reason that I have come to this hour. I will say this:

Joh 12:28 'Father, glorify your name!' " At this a bat-kol came out of heaven, "I have glorified it before, and I will glorify it again!"

Joh 12:29 The crowd standing there and hearing it said that it had thundered; others said, "An angel spoke to him."

Joh 12:30 Yeshua answered, "This bat-kol did not come for my sake but for yours.

Joh 12:31 Now is the time for this world to be judged, now the ruler of this world will be expelled.

Yeshua conveys that the world is to be judged and its ruler is to be judged as well.

Joh 14:28 You heard me tell you, 'I am leaving, and I will come back to you.' If you loved me, you would have been glad that I am going to the Father; because the Father is greater than I.

Joh 14:29 "Also, I have said it to you now, before it happens; so that when it does happen, you will trust.

Joh 14:30 "I won't be talking with you much longer, because the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me;

Joh 14:31 rather, this is happening so that the world may know that I love the Father, and that I do as the Father has commanded me. "Get up! Let's get going!"

Again, another reference to the ruler of the world. Though not referenced by name there is only one Adversary of Adonai and by association of us.

Joh 16:7 But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I don't go away, the comforting Counselor will not come to you. However, if I do go, I will send him to you.

Joh 16:8 "When he comes, he will show that the world is wrong about sin, about righteousness and about judgment—

Joh 16:9 about sin, in that people don't put their trust in me;

Joh 16:10 about righteousness, in that I am going to the Father and you will no longer see me;

Joh 16:11 about judgment, in that the ruler of this world has been judged.

Yeshua is not the only one who exposes the ruler of this world, his lies and corruption. Sha'ul takes his shots at the Adversary as well.

Eph 2:1 You used to be dead because of your sins and acts of disobedience.

Eph 2:2 You walked in the ways of the `olam hazeh and obeyed the Ruler of the Powers of the Air, who is still at work among the disobedient.

And thus instructs us how we are to fend off His attacks...

Eph 6:10 Finally, grow powerful in union with the Lord, in union with his mighty strength!

Eph 6:11 Use all the armor and weaponry that God provides, so that you will be able to stand against the deceptive tactics of the Adversary.

Eph 6:12 For we are not struggling against human beings, but against the rulers, authorities and cosmic powers governing this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realm.

Sha'ul further encourages us in our battle against the Adversary, the ruler of this world.

2Co 4:1 God has shown us such mercy that we do not lose courage as we do the work he has given us.

2Co 4:2 Indeed, we refuse to make use of shameful underhanded methods, employing deception or distorting God's message. On the contrary, by making very clear what the truth is, we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God.

2Co 4:3 So if indeed our Good News is veiled, it is veiled only to those in the process of being lost.

2Co 4:4 They do not come to trust because the god of the `olam hazeh has blinded their minds, in order to prevent them from seeing the light shining from the Good News about the glory of the Messiah, who is the image of God.

Yet, he has no authority over us when we submit to the authority of Yeshua. This world is to be judged and has been judged already. What does Yeshua convey that is not of this world?

His Kingdom!!!

Joh 18:33 So Pilate went back into the headquarters, called Yeshua and said to him, "Are you the king of the Jews?"

Joh 18:34 Yeshua answered, "Are you asking this on your own, or have other people told you about me?"

Joh 18:35 Pilate replied, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and head cohanim have handed you over to me; what have you done?"

Joh 18:36 Yeshua answered, "My kingship does not derive its authority from this world's order of things. If it did, my men would have fought to keep me from being arrested by the Judeans. But my kingship does not come from here."

Joh 18:37 "So then," Pilate said to him, "You are a king, after all." Yeshua answered, "You say I am a king. The reason I have been born, the reason I have come into the world, is to bear witness to the truth. Every one who belongs to the truth listens to me."

Though the Adversary was given authority on the earth, did not make him Lord of the earth. I would also use the term permitted that is he was given authorization, yet the authorization was limited.

When you are given a building permit you are authorized to build, yet you are required to follow certain stipulations either in the permit itself or the building code established. The same is true when you obtain a permit to assemble on public property, stipulations apply.

Thus the Adversary had authority, yet limited. His authority was given and thus did not originate with him. Thus he is never seen as Lord over the earth. He is seen as a ruler and thus identified by Yeshua as such, though the authority that has been given him is limited.

Lord has a very distinct perspective it is someone who someone having power, authority, or influence; a master or ruler. Yet the Adversary does not possess All Authority.

We see the origin of Adonai's Lordship over the earth in Genesis 1 because He established His authority through His Words

Psa 90:2 Before the mountains were born, before you had formed the earth and the world, from eternity past to eternity future you are God.

His authority existed before time began. The Psalmist conveys Adonai's authority was established before the earth and world were formed and that He is the one who formed them. You have authority over what you create. Copyright and Trademark laws follow this premise. What is created belongs to you. What Adonai

created belongs to Him. Thus He has authority over what He has created.

Isa 66:1 "Heaven is my throne," says Adonai, "and the earth is my footstool. What kind of house could you build for me? What sort of place could you devise for my rest?"

He proclaims His authority through His Word. You see something very different and rather limited in the Adversary's words...

Luk 4:5 The Adversary took him up, showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world,

Luk 4:6 and said to him, "I will give you all this power and glory. It has been handed over to me, and I can give it to whomever I choose.

Notice the contrast and thus limitation...

The kingdoms of the world verses that of Heaven and Earth.

Second, he will give Yeshua power and glory.

Where is the authority?

Yes, there is some authority granted through one who has power. Yet, was the Adversary willing to give up even his limited authority. The Adversary is a creator of nothing and an imitator of Adonai and an impostor of Yeshua, he is a false messiah, a false anointed one. His anointing does not come with the authority he is making others believe he has.

He takes on the premise he is with authority, yet we see in his interaction with Yeshua, three times tempting Him to submit, to turn away from the Lord over Heaven and Earth, The One True God of Israel, that he, the Adversary is not Lord.

If you can't trust your creator, then who can you trust?

If you can't trust His Word as it is revealed to us, then where will you place your trust?

The authority that resides in the One who created everything, because we also learned on Tuesday evening, that the number 10 signifies testimony, law, responsibility and the completeness of order. Ten times in B'resheet (Genesis) "God said" is recorded.

What is this but His testimony of the complete works of creation, thus establishing His authority. As I have shared previously, the one with authority is the only one who can give that authority to others. He permitted the Adversary some power and thus some authority, limited to the world and its kingdoms residing on the earth. Yet, he was not granted all authority.

I have shared with you previously how Yeshua's authority was established...

Mat 17:1 Six days later, Yeshua took Kefa, Ya`akov and his brother Yochanan and led them up a high mountain privately.

Mat 17:2 As they watched, he began to change form—his face shone like the sun, and his clothing became as white as light.

Mat 17:3 Then they looked and saw Moshe and Eliyahu speaking with him.

Mat 17:4 Kefa said to Yeshua, "It's good that we're here, Lord. I'll put up three shelters if you want—one for you, one for Moshe and one for Eliyahu."

Mat 17:5 While he was still speaking, a bright cloud enveloped them; and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love, with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him!"

The voice from Heaven, the throne of Adonai spoke in favor of His Son.

Mat 28:18 Yeshua came and talked with them. He said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

He is then Lord over all.

Mar 2:23 One Shabbat Yeshua was passing through some wheat fields; and as they went along, his talmidim began picking heads of grain.

Mar 2:24 The P'rushim said to him, "Look! Why are they violating Shabbat?"

Mar 2:25 He said to them, "Haven't you ever read what David did when he and those with him were hungry and needed food?"

Mar 2:26 He entered the House of God when Evyatar was cohen gadol and ate the Bread of the Presence,"—which is forbidden for anyone to eat but the cohanim—"and even gave some to his companions."

Mar 2:27 Then he said to them, "Shabbat was made for mankind, not mankind for Shabbat;

Mar 2:28 So the Son of Man is Lord even of Shabbat."

When was Shabbat established?

Genesis 2, after Adonai had established all things, thus establishing His authority over all of His creation.

Adonai established His authority over Shabbat, the conclusion of His creation, representing the perfection of His creation as the seventh day, by not speaking. It was through the action of His inaction that established Shabbat. Thus, whether spoken or unspoken, Adonai has established His authority. As such, only He can determine who He will grant authority to.

He granted all of His authority to His Son.

Thus Yeshua is Lord over all. All authority has been given to Him.

Isa 45:22 Look to me, and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God; there is no other.

Isa 45:23 In the name of myself I have sworn, from my mouth has rightly gone out, a word that will not return—that to me every knee will bow and every tongue will swear

Isa 45:24 about me that only in Adonai are justice and strength." All who rage against him will come to him ashamed,

Isa 45:25 but all the descendants of Isra'el will find justice and glory in Adonai.