

Ancient Jubilee Restoration

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Revelation 4 — Read Through the Ancient Meanings

Every key word opened by its first mention in Scripture (LSV).

Verse 1

After these things I saw, and behold, a door having been opened in the heaven, and the first voice which I heard, as of a trumpet speaking with me, saying: Come up here, and I will show to you what things must come to be after these things.

In the ancient hearing:

After these things I saw [horaō — first God's own seeing, Gen 1:4: "God saw the light, that it was good"], and behold, a door [thyra — first the ark's door, Gen 6:16: the single way in from the judgment outside] having been opened [anoigō — to open what covers: eyes, doors, the womb] in the heaven [ouranos — first Gen 1:1: the vault above, the dwelling place of Elohim], and the first voice [phōnē — first the sound of YudHeyVavHey walking in the garden, Gen 3:8] which I heard [akouō — hearing that lays its claim upon the hearer], as of a trumpet [salpinx — first at Sinai, Exod 19:13: the long blast that called Israel to the mountain] speaking [laleō — uttering speech] with me, saying: "Come up [anabainō — first Jacob's ladder, Gen 28:12: angels ascending and descending between heaven and earth] here, and I will show [deiknymi — first to Abram, Gen 12:1: "the land that I will show you" — God Himself the guide] to you what things must come to be [ginomai — first "Let there be light," Gen 1:3: coming into being] after these things.

Verse 2

Immediately I came to be in spirit; and behold, a throne was set in the heaven, and on the throne One sitting.

In the ancient hearing:

Immediately [euthys — first "straightway," Gen 15:4: the straight road with no turning] I came to be in spirit [pneuma — first hovering over the waters, Gen 1:2: wind, breath, spirit]; and behold, a throne [thronos — first Pharaoh's, Gen 41:40: the high seat from which a king judges and rules] was set in the heaven, and on the throne One sitting [kathēmai — first Abraham at his tent door, Gen 18:1: seated and settled].

Verse 3

And the One sitting like in appearance to a stone, jasper and sardius; and a rainbow around the throne like in appearance to emerald.

In the ancient hearing:

And the One sitting like [homoios — first "Who is like You among the gods?" Exod 15:11] in appearance [horasis — first Eden's trees, Gen 2:9: "pleasant to the sight"] to a stone [lithos — first the onyx of Havilah, Gen 2:12: memorials, altars, the tablets of the covenant], jasper [iaspis — first of the breastplate stones, Exod 28:18] and sardius [sardion — first stone of the breastplate, Exod 28:17: deep red, heading the twelve tribes]; and a rainbow [iris — the arch encircling the throne: the sign of covenant mercy] around [kuklothen — first the gold molding ringed around the ark, Exod 25:11] the throne like in appearance to emerald [smaragdinos — among the most prized green stones of the ancient world].

Verse 4

And around the throne, twenty-four thrones, and on the thrones twenty-four elders sitting, having been clothed in white garments, and on their heads golden crowns.

In the ancient hearing:

And around the throne, twenty-four thrones, and on the thrones twenty-four elders [presbyteros — first Abraham and Sarah, Gen 18:11: the honored head whose gray hair commands respect] sitting, having been clothed [periballō — first Rebekah veiling herself, Gen 24:65: the garment thrown around] in white

[leukos — first Gen 30:35: the color of purity and festivity] garments [himation — first Shem and Japheth covering Noah, Gen 9:23: the outer wrap], and on their heads [kephalē — first Gen 3:15: the seat of life, the emblem of authority] golden [chrysous — first Rebekah's gifts, Gen 24:22: incorruptible, the metal of God's house] crowns [stephanos — first David took the crown of Rabbah, 2 Sam 12:30: royal gold, the victor's wreath].

Verse 5

And from the throne go out lightnings and voices and thunders; and seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven spirits of Elohim.

In the ancient hearing:

And from the throne go out [ekporeuomai — first the river of Eden, Gen 2:10: proceeding from a source] lightnings and voices and thunders [brontē — first Job 26:14: heard as the very voice of heaven]; and seven [hepta — first Gen 4:15: the number of fullness] lamps [lampas — first the torches at Abram's covenant, Gen 15:17: marking the covenant-making] of fire [pyr — the element that burns] burning [kaiō — fire "eating" its fuel] before [enōpion — in the sight and presence of] the throne, which are the seven spirits of Elohim [theos — first named Gen 1:1: the Mighty One].

Verse 6

And before the throne as a sea glassy, like crystal; and in the midst of the throne and around the throne four living creatures full of eyes before and behind.

In the ancient hearing:

And before the throne as a sea [thalassa — first the gathered waters, Gen 1:10] glassy [hyalinos — a sea of glass: perfect stillness and clarity], like crystal [krystallos — first Ezek 1:22: ice hardened beyond melting; purity and brightness]; and in the midst [mesos — first Gen 1:4: at the center, surrounded — where His presence dwells] of the throne and around the throne four [tessares — first the rivers of Eden, Gen 2:10: the number of the earth's fullness] living creatures [zōon — first the sea creatures, Gen 1:21: anything

that breathes and moves] full [gemō — full to the brim, laden] of eyes [ophthalmos — first "your eyes will be opened," Gen 3:5] before and behind.

Verse 7

And the first living creature like a lion, and the second living creature like a calf, and the third living creature having the face as of a man, and the fourth living creature like an eagle flying.

In the ancient hearing:

And the first [prōtos — to stand at the head] living creature like a lion [leōn — first Judah, Gen 49:9: "a lion's cub is Judah" — royal power], and the second [deuteros — first the second day, Gen 1:8] living creature like a calf [moschos — first Pharaoh's gifts to Abram, Gen 12:16: wealth on the hoof], and the third [tritros — first the third day, Gen 1:13] living creature having the face [prosōpon — first Adam hiding "from the presence of YudHeyVavHey," Gen 3:8] as of a man [anthrōpos — first Gen 1:26: made in the image of Elohim], and the fourth [tetartos — first the fourth day, Gen 1:19] living creature like an eagle [aetos — first "I bore you on eagles' wings," Exod 19:4: swift, soaring deliverance] flying [petomai — first the birds, Gen 1:20: to move on wings].

Verse 8

And the four living creatures, one by one of them having six wings apiece, around and within they are full of eyes; and rest they have not day and night, saying: Holy, holy, holy, Lord, the Elohim, the Almighty, the One was and the One being and the One coming.

In the ancient hearing:

And the four living creatures, one by one of them having six wings [pteryx — first "on eagles' wings," Exod 19:4: the strong deliverer lifting the helpless] apiece, around [kyklos — the full circuit, the boundary drawn all the way around] and within they are full of eyes; and rest [anapausis — first the dove found no rest, Gen 8:9: a place to settle] they have not day [hēmera — first "Elohim called the light Day," Gen 1:5] and night [nyx — first "the darkness He called Night," Gen 1:5], saying [legō — first "And God said, Let there be light,"

Gen 1:3: His speaking is doing]: "Holy [hagios — first the burning bush, Exod 3:5: what belongs wholly to God], holy, holy, Lord [kyrios — first Gen 2:8: Master; the standing Greek rendering of the covenant Name], the Elohim, the Almighty [pantokratōr — first "YudHeyVavHey of hosts," 2 Sam 5:10: Commander of heaven's armies], the One was and the One being and the One coming [erchomai — motion toward, a return].

Verse 9

And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanksgiving to the One sitting on the throne, to the One living into the ages of the ages,

In the ancient hearing:

"And whenever the living creatures give [didōmi — first Elohim giving mankind its food, Gen 1:29: giving seals bonds] glory [doxa — first Jacob's, Gen 31:1: heaviness, substance, shining reputation] and honor [timē — worth, and the honor paid] and thanksgiving [eucharistia — the expression of gratitude for benefits received] to the One sitting on the throne, to the One living [zaō — first the swarming creatures, Gen 1:20: all breathing life] into the ages [aiōn — first "forever," Gen 3:22] of the ages,

Verse 10

Will fall down the twenty-four elders before the One sitting on the throne, and will worship the One living into the ages of the ages, and will cast their crowns before the throne, saying:

In the ancient hearing:

"will fall down [piptō — first Abram fell on his face as God spoke, Gen 17:3] the twenty-four elders before the One sitting on the throne, and will worship [proskyneō — first Abraham bowed to the ground, Gen 18:2: forehead to the earth] the One living into the ages of the ages, and will cast [ballō — to throw, hurl] their crowns before the throne, saying:

Verse 11

Worthy are you, the Lord and the Elohim of us, to receive the glory and the

honor and the power, because you created all things, and because of your will they were, and were created.

In the ancient hearing:

"Worthy [axios — of like weight, corresponding in value: the fruit must match the claim] are You, the Lord and the Elohim of us, to receive [lambanō — to take, lay hold of] the glory and the honor and the power [dynamis — first Pharaoh's host, Exod 15:4: might, the armed force], because You created all [pas — every one, with none left out] things, and because of Your will [thelēma — the settled wish of the heart] they were, and were created.

What It Is All Saying, Put Together

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