

Bible Study Notes, June 24, 2016, His Word Stone, Considering the Jasper and Sardius Stones. Also Hill, Valley, and Mountain.

Meaning of Jasper in the Wall and the Foundation of the New City, and why it is in the appearance of God who is now sitting on the Judgment Throne in the Cornerstone of the 4th Heaven that is within the Firmament

The following is the meaning of the Jasper in the Wall of the New City, and also in the appearance of God who is now sitting on the Judgment Throne in the Cornerstone of the 4th Heaven that is within the Firmament.

Of course nearly everyone knows that the Word "Stone(s)" is/are symbolic of the unbreakable Sacred Word(s) of God. As the Lord bears witness in the Scriptures, Heaven and Earth could pass away, but the Words that are of God the Father will never pass away, but they will indeed accomplish the Work that they were sent to do.

The Jasper Wall, and the Jasper Foundation, testified to being the framework of the construction of the New City that comes down from the Father (*See Revelation 21:18-19*), are symbolic of the works of the Words of God accomplished by the Spirit of God in the Ways of the application of the Workings of the Ways of the Seven Spirits of God.

Here are the definitions of Jasper:

Strong's Greek: #G2393, ἰάσπις "iaspis" We call as "jasper". It is a precious stone of various colors (for some are purple, others blue, others green, and others the color of brass).

Strong's Hebrew: #H3471 יָשָׁפֶה יִשְׁפָּה yāsh-phêh, yaw-shef-ay'; from an unused root meaning to polish; a gem supposed to be jasper (from the resemblance in name):—jasper.

The verses of Rev. 21:18-19 are speaking of a clear crystal wall like glass, but when you look at it, it will reflect the colors of Jasper which are a mixture that sometimes reflects of blue, green, and brass. The brass represents the first three Spirits of God combined, and the Green is His Counsel, and the blue is the might of God. The purple is of course the color of the 7th Spirit and the Symbolic color of the Sabbath. Clearly this Stone is symbolic of the city being built on a foundation of hearing His Words and being doers of the works of the Seven Spirits of God. Note that it has the Sardius stone (That is flesh colored), listed as the sixth layer of the foundation of the wall. It is symbolic of our keeping the Ways of the Sixth Spirit of God that is the knowledge of the Work of the Kingdom that He has given us to do.

Revelation 21:9-21 ⁹Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls filled with the seven last plagues came to me and talked with me, saying, "Come, I will show you the bride, the Lamb's wife."
¹⁰And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, ¹¹having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, clear as crystal. ¹²Also she had a great and high wall with twelve gates, and twelve angels at the gates, and names written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel: ¹³three gates on the east, three gates on the north, three gates on the south, and three gates on the west. ¹⁴Now the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. ¹⁵And he who talked with me had a gold reed to measure the city, its gates, and its wall. ¹⁶The city is laid out as a square; its length is as great as its breadth. And he measured the city with the reed: twelve thousand furlongs. Its length, breadth, and height are equal. ¹⁷Then he measured its wall: one hundred and forty-four cubits, according to the measure of a man, that is, of an angel. ¹⁸**The construction of its wall was of jasper;** and the city was pure gold, like clear glass. ¹⁹**The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with all kinds**

of precious stones: **the first foundation was jasper**, (*Jasper is of different colors, sometimes it is green, other times blue, and other times a brass color. The Green symbolizes the Works of the Counsel of the Lord and the Fourth Spirit of God. The Blue represents the Might of God given to those who overcome the world. And the brass is symbolic of the mixture of the colors of primarily the first three Spirits of God (Red, Orange and Yellow). It symbolizes our hearing His Words and allowing His Words to enter so that the Light enters and Understanding is found.*) the second sapphire, the third chalcedony, the fourth emerald, ²⁰the fifth sardonyx, **the sixth sardius** (*Flesh colored. Symbolic of the Good Works of the Kingdom of God that are accomplished through man's obedience to His Words and the Ways of His Seven Spirits.*), the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth cryopreserve, the eleventh jacinth, and the twelfth amethyst. ²¹The twelve gates were twelve pearls: each individual gate was of one pearl. And the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass.

It is perhaps easier to understand when we remember that the Lord teaches us in Ezekiel 28:13 that the Lord made the covering of Lucifer to be of all the "PRECIOUS STONES". These are symbolic of saying that the Father had given Lucifer the knowledge of the Words of God and the Ways of the workings of the Seven Spirits of God, as well as His Eternal Plan for the building of His Kingdom by the Workings of man who are obedient to Him.

Ezekiel 38:13 ¹³You were in Eden, the garden of God; every precious stone *was* your covering: the sardius, topaz, and diamond, beryl, onyx, and jasper, sapphire, turquoise, and emerald with gold. The workmanship of your timbrels and pipes was prepared for you on the day you were created.

Therefore, when we read in Revelation 4:3 that the Father who is described as sitting in Judgment on the Throne (*The Throne that, as I have revealed in other Writings, is the Separation Judgment that is located within the Capstone that is the 4th Heaven.*), is described as having the appearance of the two stones of Jasper (*Symbolic of our hearing and keeping His Words*) and Sardius (*Symbolic of the works of our flesh.*). We can see that the description of the stones is the Way that the Father has come to Judge us (*And that is born witness to in John 12:48.*)

Revelation 4:1-3 ¹After these things I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven. And the first voice which I heard was like a trumpet speaking with me, saying, "Come up here, and I will show you things which must take place after this." ²Immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a throne set in heaven, and One sat on the throne. ³And **HE WHO SAT THERE WAS LIKE A JASPER AND A SARDIUS STONE IN APPEARANCE; AND THERE WAS A RAINBOW AROUND THE THRONE, IN APPEARANCE LIKE AN EMERALD.**

John 12:48 ⁴⁸**He who rejects Me, and does not receive My Words, has that which judges him—the Word that I have spoken will judge him in the last Day;**" (*And remember*

that He said in Luke 17:34 that the Separation Judgment will occur in the Night of His Day, and in John 9:4-5 He also confirms this, while adding that there will be a moment in the Night when a famine of His Light will come on the earth. That means that there is coming a famine of His Words in which all His Works are done (Psalm 33:4). But, those whom He sets His Seal of Truth upon, shall not stumble in the dark, but shall walk in Light (See Ephesians 1:13-14, John 5:24, Psalm 119:130).)



Notes June 24, 2016, Bible Study on Valley and Hill (*Joshua stops Sun and Moon, and Spy Assignment from Moses.*)

Tonight I would like to briefly review the Words of God “Valley”, “Hill”, and “Mountain”. I would like to consider these words in regard to the event of Joshua’s battle with the Amorite kings as is recorded in Joshua 10:1-15. This is the text of the very Famous Biblical event of Joshua calling out for the sun and moon to stand still, and the Father obeyed the amazing request of Joshua.

A meaning of these Words can be understood as follows:

Valley	<p>The Word “Valley” when used in His Pure Language adds the meaning that of the Valley symbolizing <u>the fruit – the works - that the desires of a person, a multitude, a peoples, or a nation</u>. They either desire to walk in the Way of producing Good Works that Glorify the Kingdom of God, and ultimately to eternal life for the person or peoples. The way of laying down in Green Pastures is likened to laying down in the hearing of the Words of God and waiting on Him to teach us Good Counsel (<i>The fourth Spirit of God is the symbolized in the color Green, and it is the Spirit of Counsel of God (See Isaiah 11:1-2).</i>).</p> <p>Or, they walk in the Ways of complacency or deceit, seeking to obtain their own desires, or their tradition of desires that are not in alignment with His Kingdom, and this will always ultimately result in Evil Works that lead to destruction of the people and all the peoples who live their life in a similar way.</p>
Hill	<p>The Word “Hill” when used in His Pure Language adds the meaning that of the Valley symbolizing <u>the way of the walk of the desire of the spirit of a person, a multitude, a peoples, or a nation</u>. We likely remember that the Lord talked about Caleb in that he had a different spirit in him than the others who went to spy out the land, for he was the only one who obeyed all the instruction of the Lord, and as a result he was the one who was blessed with strength of years added to his life (<i>Caleb fulfilled what the Lord speaks of in John 10:35-37, it that the Words of God were heard and were received by Caleb. Remember that if the Father teaches His Words to those in His household, that it will add years to their lives – Deuteronomy 11:18-21.</i>). If we hear His Words, seek out His instruction, then we will keep the Way of the Lord and we will enable His Promise.</p> <p>The Bible often speaks of those who walk in the desire to eat the food of the dragon. And when He speaks of this He refers to all their high hills. Also in Revelation 17 He speaks of the City that is founded upon seven hills. A meaning of this includes the fact that they do all their works in the exact opposite of the Ways of God. Such as they make graven images, they kill, they seek to change the seasons and times of God, they desecrate the Sabbath, and they seek their own might and not that of God. They seek to do the works of the words of the great dragon.</p>
Mountain	<p>The Word “Mountain” is symbolic of the Law that we follow. Do we recognize that God holds all Jurisdiction and all Copyright, and that we are to hear and keep His Laws? The Words of God are the Foundations of His Law (<i>Psalms 119:142, John 12:48, Deuteronomy 18:18-19</i>). I have explained in many writings about the Lord putting His Words into the Firmament on Day 4 of Creation so that His Words judge us. That is exactly what the Lord says in John 12:48 and Hebrews 4:12 will occur in these Days. Those who raise themselves up in defiance of God’s right of Jurisdiction (Such as the Queen and the Crowne Trust in these days) have built themselves a great mountain with its own laws and they ignore god’s jurisdiction, and because of this (And the Noah Covenant in Genesis) they</p>

As mentioned previously, a good example of the use of the meanings of these Words in doing the Ways of His Words “Hill” and “Valley” is the Words of Joshua. Joshua spoke in the Ways of the Words of God and highlighted the Promises of God that are in these Words of God, and He did so with understanding. He knew that God is always looking down to make Himself strong on behalf of those who are loyal to Him, but as He points out in Psalm 14:2-3 and Psalm 53:2-3, He cannot find those who are loyal to Him. Joshua was loyal to Him.

Psalm 14:2-3 & Psalm 53:2-3 ²The Lord looks down from Heaven upon the children of men, to see if there are any who understand, who seek God. ³They have all turned aside, they have together become corrupt; there is none that does “GOOD”, no, not one.

2 Chronicles 16:9 ⁹“For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show Himself strong on behalf of those whose heart is loyal to Him. In this you have done foolishly; therefore, from now on you shall have wars.”

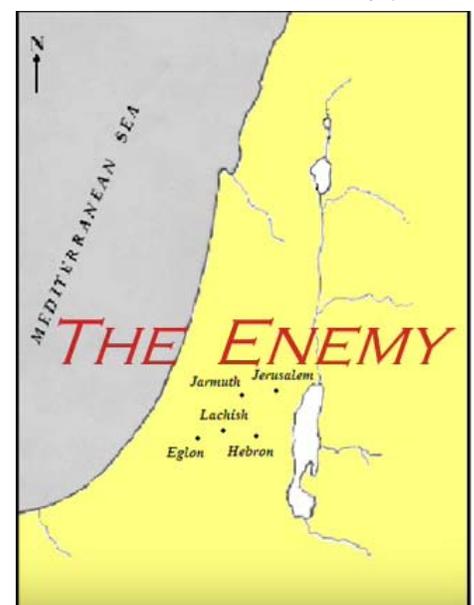
Psalm 33:4 For the Word of the Lord is right, and all His Work is in Truth.

John 15:7 “If you abide in Me, and My Words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.” *(Nothing is impossible for those who believe the Words of His Voice and in the Promises of the Father. If these seek to receive the understanding of His Will for them and ask to enable Good Works for the Glory of His Kingdom accordingly, then it will be done as they desire. These do not ask of things for themselves, but always for the Work of His Kingdom/ All those of His Kingdom the Father takes care of without asking.)*

1 John 5:14-15 ¹⁴Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His Will, He hears us. ¹⁵And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him. *(His Will is for all His generations to be prepared and brought into the Kingdom of God by Good. And it is His Will that all men be saved and COME INTO the knowledge of Truth – the knowledge of His words and the Good Works that they enable when they are communicated to Him in His Pure Language – and of course if it is within His Will. This is laid out in His Plan for the Generations that is revealed within the Scriptures.)*

Consider this account of Joshua in Joshua 10:12 where He asked for the sun and moon to halt. Thus, stopping the Sun over “Gibeon” (*Means “Hill” – The Spirit of the Lord rising – “the Sun of Righteousness”*) and the Moon over the “Valley of Aijalon” (*Means the Testimony of the Works of all “His Words” that He has made known on the earth that is testified to in the Creation – As you can see in Romans 18:18-25.*)

Joshua 10:1-15 ¹Now it came to pass when Adoni-Zedek (*This name means “justice of the Lord”, “lord of justice”*) king of Jerusalem heard how Joshua had taken AI (*This name means “mass” or “heap”, of ruin*) and had utterly destroyed it—as he had done to Jericho and its king, so he had done to AI and its king—and how the inhabitants of Gibeon (*This name means “hill” “cup”, or “thing lifted up”*) had made peace with Israel and were among them, ²that they feared greatly, because Gibeon was a great city, like one of the royal cities, and because it was greater than AI, and all its men were mighty. ³Therefore Adoni-Zedek king of Jerusalem sent to Hoham (*This name means “woe to them”*) king of Hebron (*This name means “society; friendship”*), Piram (*This name means “a wild ass of them”*) king of Jarmuth (*This name means “fearing, or seeing, or throwing down, death”*), Japhia (*This name means “enlightening; appearing”*) king of Lachish (*This*



name means “who walks, or exists, of himself”), and Debir (*This name means “an orator; a word”*) king of Eglon (*This name means “heifer; chariot; round”*), saying, ⁴“Come up to me and help me, that we may attack Gibeon, for it has made peace with Joshua and with the children of Israel.” ⁵Therefore the five kings of the Amorites (*This name means a people who are “bitter; rebellious to the Rule and Will of God; a people who spoke with dark sayings - a babblers – a user of the occult”*), the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, and the king of Eglon, gathered together and went up, they and all their armies, and camped before Gibeon and made war against it.

Joshua 10:1-15 ⁶And the men of Gibeon sent to Joshua at the camp at Gilgal, saying, “Do not forsake your servants; come up to us quickly, save us and help us, for all the kings of the Amorites who dwell in the mountains have gathered together against us.” ⁷So Joshua ascended from Gilgal, he and all the people of war with him, and all the mighty men of valor. ⁸And the LORD said to Joshua, “Do not fear them, for I have delivered them into your hand; not a man of them shall stand before you.” ⁹Joshua therefore came upon them suddenly, having marched all night from Gilgal. ¹⁰So the LORD routed them before Israel, killed them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, chased them along the road that goes to Beth Horon (*This name means “house of wrath”*), and struck them down as far as Azekah (*This name means “strength of walls”*) and Makkedah (*This name means “worshiping; burning; raised; crookedness”*). ¹¹And it happened, as they fled before Israel and were on the descent of Beth Horon, that the LORD cast down large hailstones from heaven on them as far as Azekah, and they died. There were more who died from the hailstones than the children of Israel killed with the sword. ¹²Then Joshua spoke to the LORD in the day when the LORD



delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel: "Sun, stand still over Gibeon (*This name means “Hill” or “thing lifted up”. Remember that the Lord is going to rise at this Time when He establishes His Kingdom as the Son of Righteousness. And He may extend the Day on that Day for the Elect, while He may also shorten that Day on those whom He is setting apart for punishment.*); and Moon, in the Valley of Aijalon." (*This name “Aijalon” means “a chain; strength; a stag”. The Deer is the symbol of His Words of the Morning that He speaks and makes known, and the Lord had told them to go forth and to destroy these who defied Him.*). ¹³So the sun stood still, and the moon stopped, till the people had revenge upon their enemies. Is this not written in the Book of Jasher (*This name means “the righteous” or “the upright”*)? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and did not hasten to go down for about a whole day. ¹⁴And there has been no day like that, before it or after it, that the LORD heeded the voice of a man; for the LORD fought for Israel. ¹⁵Then Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, to the camp at Gilgal.

Here is the Covenant of the Lord for us that He gave in the days of Noah. He commits that NO FLOOD of waters (All men come forth from the waters and are called as being the Waters in Revelation 17:15.) will be allowed to destroy man and the earth. Satan’s servants cannot win, as they are already defeated the moment He said those Words in Genesis 9. The following is the account of Genesis 9 and His Covenant that guarantees that we will overcome the world if we will walk in obedience only to Him and do His Will.

(And we need to remember carefully what Revelation 18:1-8 states, as well as what is recorded in Hosea 4:6, Amos 8:11-14, Joel 2:12-20, Matthew 7:21-23, Proverbs 1:20-33, etc.)

The Flood Waters Recede

Genesis 8:1-5 ¹Then God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the animals that were with him in the ark. And God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters subsided. ²The fountains of the deep and the windows of heaven were also stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained. ³And the waters receded continually from the earth. At the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters decreased. ⁴Then the ark rested in the seventh month, the seventeenth day of the month, on the mountains of Ararat. ⁵And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month. In the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains were seen.

Genesis 8:6-12 ⁶So it came to pass, at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made. ⁷Then he sent out a raven, which kept going to and fro until the waters had dried up from the earth. ⁸He also sent out from himself a dove, to see if the waters had receded from the face of the ground. ⁹But the dove found no resting place for the sole of her foot, and she returned into the ark to him, for the waters were on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took her, and drew her into the ark to himself. ¹⁰And he waited yet another seven days, and again he sent the dove out from the ark. ¹¹Then the dove came to him in the evening, and behold, a freshly plucked olive leaf was in her mouth; and Noah knew that the waters had receded from the earth. ¹²So he waited yet another seven days and sent out the dove, which did not return again to him anymore.

Genesis 8:13-14 ¹³And it came to pass in the six hundred and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, that the waters were dried up from the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark and looked, and indeed the surface of the ground was dry. ¹⁴And in the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dried.

Genesis 8:15-19 ¹⁵Then God spoke to Noah, saying, ¹⁶“Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons’ wives with you. ¹⁷Bring out with you every living thing of all flesh that is with you: birds and cattle and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, so that they may abound on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.” ¹⁸So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons’ wives with him. ¹⁹Every animal, every creeping thing, every bird, and whatever creeps on the earth, according to their families, went out of the ark.

God’s Covenant with Creation

Genesis 8:20-22 ²⁰Then Noah built an altar to the LORD, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird, and offered burnt offerings on the altar. ²¹And the LORD smelled a soothing aroma. Then the LORD said in His heart, **“I will never again curse the ground for man’s sake, although the imagination of man’s heart is evil from his youth; nor will I again destroy every living thing as I have done.”** ²²“While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, winter and summer, and day and night shall not cease.”

God’s Promise to Noah

Genesis 9:1-10 ¹So God blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them: **“Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth. ²And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be on every beast of the earth, on every bird of the air, on all that move on the earth, and on all the fish of the sea. They are given into your hand. ³Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. I have given you all things, even as the green herbs. ⁴But you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood. ⁵Surely for your lifeblood I will demand a reckoning; from the hand of every beast I will require it, and from the hand of man. From the hand of every man’s brother I will require the life of man. ⁶“Whoever sheds man’s blood, by man his blood**

shall be shed; for in the image of God He made man. ⁷And as for you, be fruitful and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth and multiply in it.” ⁸Then God spoke to Noah and to his sons with him, saying: ⁹“And as for Me, behold, I establish My covenant with you and with your descendants after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you: the birds, the cattle, and every beast of the earth with you, of all that go out of the ark, every beast of the earth.

Genesis 9:11-17 ¹¹“**Thus I establish My covenant with you: Never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood; never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.**”

¹²And God said: “This is the sign of the covenant which I make between Me and you, and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations: ¹³I set My rainbow in the cloud, and it shall be for the sign of the covenant between Me and the earth. ¹⁴It shall be, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the rainbow shall be seen in the cloud; ¹⁵and I will remember My covenant which is between Me and you and every living creature of all flesh; the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶The rainbow shall be in the cloud, and I will look on it to remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” ¹⁷And God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant which I have established between Me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

Here are important verses mentioned on the audio that goes with this Bible Study.

Revelation 17:15-18 ¹⁵Then he said to me, “**The waters which you saw, where the harlots sit, are peoples, multitudes, nations, and tongues.**” ¹⁶And the ten horns which you saw on the beast, **these will hate the harlot, make her desolate and naked, eat her flesh and burn her with fire.** (*The leaders in all the nations take notice that satan gets other people to kill those who serve him.*)

¹⁷For God has put it into their hearts to fulfill His purpose, to be of one mind, and to give their kingdom to the beast, until the Words of God are fulfilled. ¹⁸And the woman whom you saw is that great city which reigns over the kings of the earth.”

Zephaniah 3:8-9 ⁸“Therefore wait for Me,” says the LORD, “Until the day I rise up for plunder; My determination is to gather the nations to My assembly of kingdoms, to pour on them My indignation, all My fierce anger; **all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of My jealousy.**”

⁹“For then I will restore to the peoples a Pure Language, that they all may call on the Name of the LORD (*The summation of His Name is given in revelation 19:11-13, and it is the Word of God, for in the Words of God all things exist and all things consist. And he openly reveals in Revelation 19:11-13 that at this Appointed Time of His Day, the people never discerned His Name.*), to serve Him with One accord.”

Isaiah 58:13-14 ¹³“If you turn away your foot from the Sabbath, from doing your pleasure on My holy day, and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy (*Understanding is the knowledge of the Holy, and God’s Words are Holy – Proverbs 9:10*) of the LORD honorable, and shall honor Him, not doing your own ways, nor finding your own pleasure, **nor speaking your own words,** ¹⁴then you shall delight yourself in the LORD; **and I will cause you to ride on the high hills of the earth,** and feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father. the mouth of the LORD has spoken.” (*This means if we kept His Sabbaths and loved to have the Spirit of God to cause us to receive knowledge of His Words on that Day as is the Way of God on His Sabbath, then we will not be under this oppression and tyranny of the satanic One World Order.*)

The text of Revelation 12:7-17 reveals that the Archangel Gabriel casts the devil out of the second Heaven and restricts him to the earth for the entirety of the “Seven Hours” of the Day of the Lord (*That is also referred to as a “Time, a Times, and a Half a Time”*). In Revelation 12:15 the Scriptures reveal that Satan issues a “FLOOD” from his mouth. That verse is very important to understanding the works of the Lord in the Day of the Lord, as well as it explains the Way of the 70th Week of Daniel.

Revelation 12:7-17 ⁷And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, ⁸but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. ⁹So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. ¹⁰Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, “**Now salvation, and strength, and the Kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down.**” ¹¹**And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the Word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the Death.** ¹²**Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time.”** ¹³Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child. ¹⁴But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, **FROM THE PRESENCE OF THE SERPENT.** ¹⁵So **THE SERPENT SPEWED WATER OUT OF HIS MOUTH LIKE A FLOOD** after the woman that he might cause her to be carried away by the **flood.** ¹⁶But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the flood which the dragon had spewed out of his mouth. ¹⁷And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.