

# STONES OF FIRE

# OBJECTIVES

1. WHAT ARE THE STONES OF FIRE AND HOW DO THEY RELATE TO THE HIGH PRIEST?
2. WHAT IS THE EPHOD AND IT'S PURPOSE?
3. WHAT CAUSED "LUCIFER" TO FALL FROM GLORY?
4. HOW DO THE STONES OF FIRE RELATE TO THE NEW JERUSALEM?
5. HOW DOES HA-SATAN TWIST THE IMAGE OF THE NEW JERUSALEM?

**EXODUS 28: 8-21**

**EXODUS 39: 8-14**

**EPHOD =**

STRONGS #H646 – A GIRDLE; SPECIFICALLY THE EPHOD OR HIGH-PRIEST'S אפוד SHOULDER PIECE; ALSO GENERALLY AN IMAGE.

*THIS WORD IS OFTEN USED INTERCHANGEABLY WITH GIRDLE*

**STONES=** EBEN אבן STRONGS #H68 TO BUILD A STONE, CARBUNCLE, MASON PLUMMET, STONE, WEIGHT

**EXODUS 29:9** AND THOU SHALT GIRD THEM WITH GIRDLES, AARON AND HIS SONS, AND PUT THE BONNETS ON THEM AND THE PRIEST'S OFFICE SHALL BE THEIRS FOR A PERPETUAL STATUTE: AND THOU SHALT CONSECRATE AARON AND HIS SONS

## HIGH PRIEST'S BREASTPLATE

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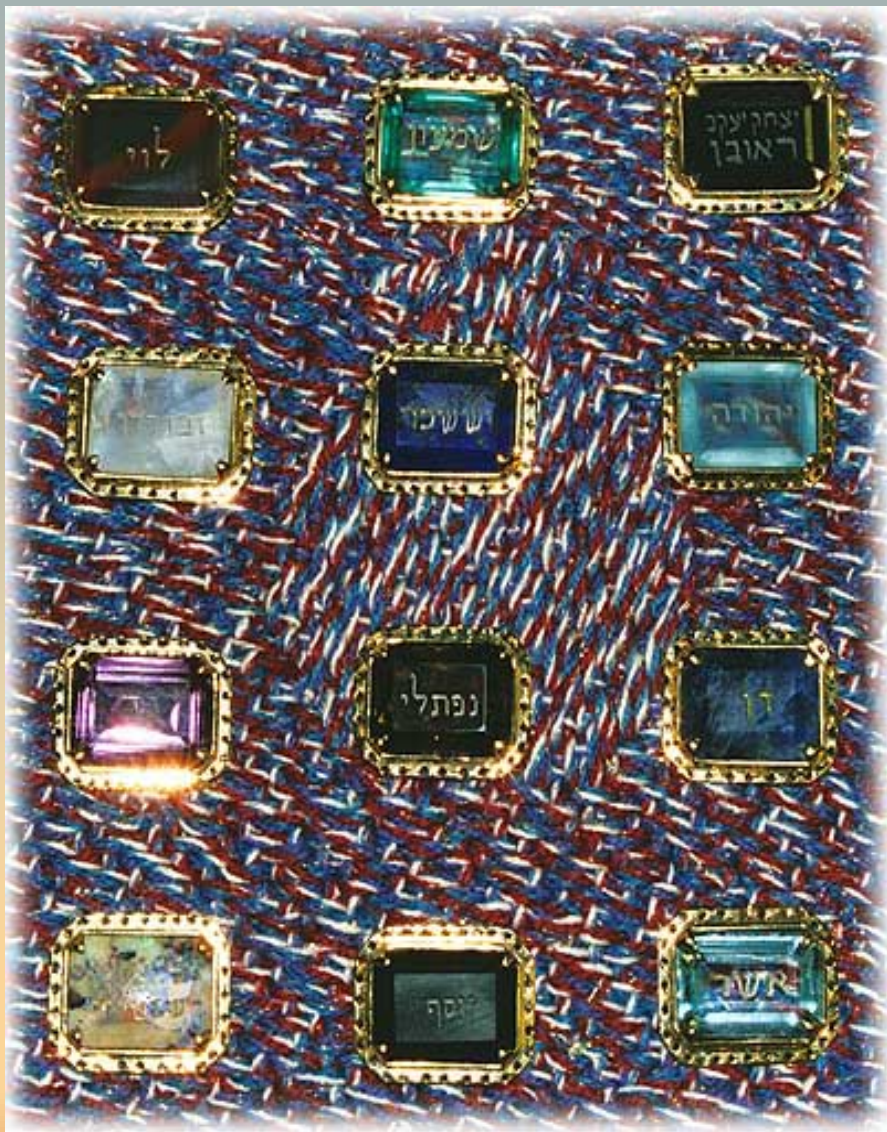




## The Colors Correspond to the Tribes' Banners

The only fact which is known with absolute certainty is the color of each stone. Although absent from the Biblical passages, this is recorded by the Midrash (Bamidbar Rabbah 2:7) where it is stated that each tribe's stone on the breastplate matched the background color of its flag

1. Ruby - Reuben - Red
2. Jade - Shimon - Green
3. Agate - Levi - Red, White, and Black Striped
4. Carbuncle - Judah - Bluish-Green
5. Lapis-Lazuli - Issachar - Blue
6. Quartz Crystal - Zebulun - Clear
7. Turquoise - Dan - Blue
8. Amethyst - Naftali - Purple
9. Agate - Gad - Grey
10. Aquamarine - Asher - Blue-Green
11. Onyx - Joseph - Black
12. Opal - Benjamin - A Stone Possessing All the Colors







The original Hebrew names of these stones as they appear here in the Bible are extremely obscure. They are not commonly used, and no description of the stones appears anywhere. In the course of many years, as nations flourished and fell, and civilizations migrated to new lands, languages evolved and the meanings of words changed. Thus in one location, a word may have one meaning and connote a particular concept, while in another land, the same word may carry the exact opposite meaning.

## **JEREMIAH 13:11**

FOR AS THE GIRDLE CLEAVETH TO THE LOINS OF A MAN,  
SO HAVE I CAUSED TO CLEAVE UNTO ME THE WHOLE  
HOUSE OF ISRAEL AND THE WHOLE HOUSE OF JUDAH,  
SAITH THE LORD, THAT THEY MIGHT BE UNTO ME FOR A  
PEOPLE, AND FOR A NAME, AND FOR A PRAISE, AND FOR  
A GLORY BUT THEY WOULD NOT HEAR.

**YESHUA WEARS A GIRDLE!!**

## EZEKIEL 28: 11-19

11) MOREOVER THE WORD OF THE LORD CAME UNTO ME, SAYING,

12) SON OF MAN, TAKE UP A LAMENTATION UPON THE KING OF TYRUS, AND SAY UNTO HIM, THUS SAITH THE LORD GOD; THOU **SEALEST** UP THE **SUM**, FULL OF WISDOM AND PERFECT IN BEAUTY.

*(REV 21:17) AND HE MEASURED THE WALL THEREOF, AND HUNDRED AND FORTY AND FOUR CUBITS, ACCORDING TO THE MEASURE OF A MAN, THAT IS, OF THE ANGEL.*

13) THOU HAST BEEN IN EDEN IN THE GARDEN OF GOD; EVERY PRECIOUS **STONE WAS** THY **COVERING**, THE SARDIUS, TOPAZ, AND THE DIAMOND, THE BERYL, THE ONYX AND THE JASPER, THE SAPPHIRE, THE EMERALD, AND THE CARBUNCLE AND GOLD: THE WORKMANSHIP OF THY TABRETS AND OF THY **PIPES** WAS PREPARED IN THEE IN THE DAY THAT THOU WAST CREATED.



**14) THOU ART THE ANOINTED CHERUB THAT COVERETH; AND I HAVE SET THEE SO; THOU WAST UPON THE HOLY MOUNTAIN OF GOD; THOU HAST WALKED UP AND DOWN IN THE MIDST OF THE STONES OF FIRE**

**15) THOU WAST PERFECT IN THY WAYS FROM THE DAY THAT THOU WAST CREATED, TILL INIQUITY WAS FOUND IN THEE**

**16) BY MULTITUDE OF THY MERCHANDISE THEY HAVE FILLED THE MIDST OF THEE WITH VIOLENCE, AND THOU HAST SINNED; THEREFORE I WILL CAST THEE AS PROFANE OUT OF THE MOUNTAIN OF GOD; AND I WILL DESTROY THEE, O COVERING CHERUB, FROM THE MIDST OF THE STONES OF FIRE**

**17) THINE HEART WAS LIFTED UP BECAUSE OF THY BEAUTY, THOU HAST CORRUPTED THY WISDOM BY REASON OF THY BRIGHTNESS; I WILL CAST THEE TO THE GROUND, I WILL LAY THEE BEFORE KINGS, THAT THEY MAY BEHOLD THEE**

## WHAT ARE THE STONES OF FIRE?

UMBERTO CASSUTO'S MASORETIC TEXT TRANSLATES THE STONES OF FIRE AS SPARKLING STONES- THAT IS, GEMSTONES WHICH HAVE BEEN CUT. EZEKIEL 28:14 IN THE CAMBRIDGE BIBLE (1970) READS:

“I WILL SET YOU AS A TOWERING CHERUB AS GUARDIAN; YOU WERE ON GOD’S HOLY HILL AND YOU WALKED PROUDLY AMONG THE STONES THAT FLASHED LIKE FIRE”

IT SEEMS THAT THESE STONES OF FIRE WERE NOT BURNING ROCKS, BUT GEMSTONES TO BE USED FOR SOME PURPOSE IN HEAVEN



HEBREW WORD FOR COVERING IS SAW-KAK= סַכַּךְ

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THE ENGLISH TRANSLATION IS SUKKOT THE HEBREW NAME MEANING BOOTH OR THE HEBREW WORD USED FOR THE 7<sup>TH</sup> FEAST OF ISRAEL-THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES.

THE ***IMPLICATION*** IS THAT THIS ANGEL WAS INVOLVED WITH SOME FORM OF TABERNACLE OR IMPORTANT STRUCTURE IN HEAVEN.

WHEN EZEKIEL DESCRIBED THIS ANGELIC CREATURE, HE INDICATED THAT THIS SPECIAL BEING POSSESSED A **GEMSTONE COVERING**, IN THE FORM OF A BREASTPLATE THAT COVERED HIS HEART OR PERHAPS HIS ENTIRE BODY.

EZEKIEL SAID THAT EVERY PRECIOUS STONE WAS THE COVERING OF THIS MAGNIFICENT ANGEL (EZEKIEL 28:13). THE WORD COVERING IN EZEKIEL 28:13 REFERS TO AN ADORNMENT OF STONE. JOSEPH WORE A COAT OF MANY COLORS THAT IDENTIFIED HIM AS HIS FATHER'S FAVORITE SON (GEN 37:3) AND THIS CHERUB WORE A COVERING- NOT OF CLOTH BUT OF STONES

ONE NEED TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY THAT, WORKING ON THIS MOUNTAIN, IS SATAN WHOSE VERY BODY IS GARNISHED WITH EACH STONE THAT HE CREATES FOR THE NEW JERUSALEM. PERHAPS, WHEN EACH LEVEL WAS COMPLETED, THE REWARD FOR OBEDIENCE AND WORK WAS THE GEMSTONE FOR THAT FOUNDATION, EITHER ON A GOLDEN BREASTPLATE OR LAYERED LIKE A STONE-STUDDED COAT THAT COVERED HIS VERY BEING.

HIS BEAUTY WAS NOT IN THE TRADITIONAL SENSE OF BEAUTY- THAT IS, BEAUTIFUL EYES AND SKIN, A HANDSOME FACE, OR LOVELY HAIR. HIS BEAUTY WAS IN HIS **“COVERING”**

**HOWEVER, THERE ARE ONLY 9 STONES LISTED**

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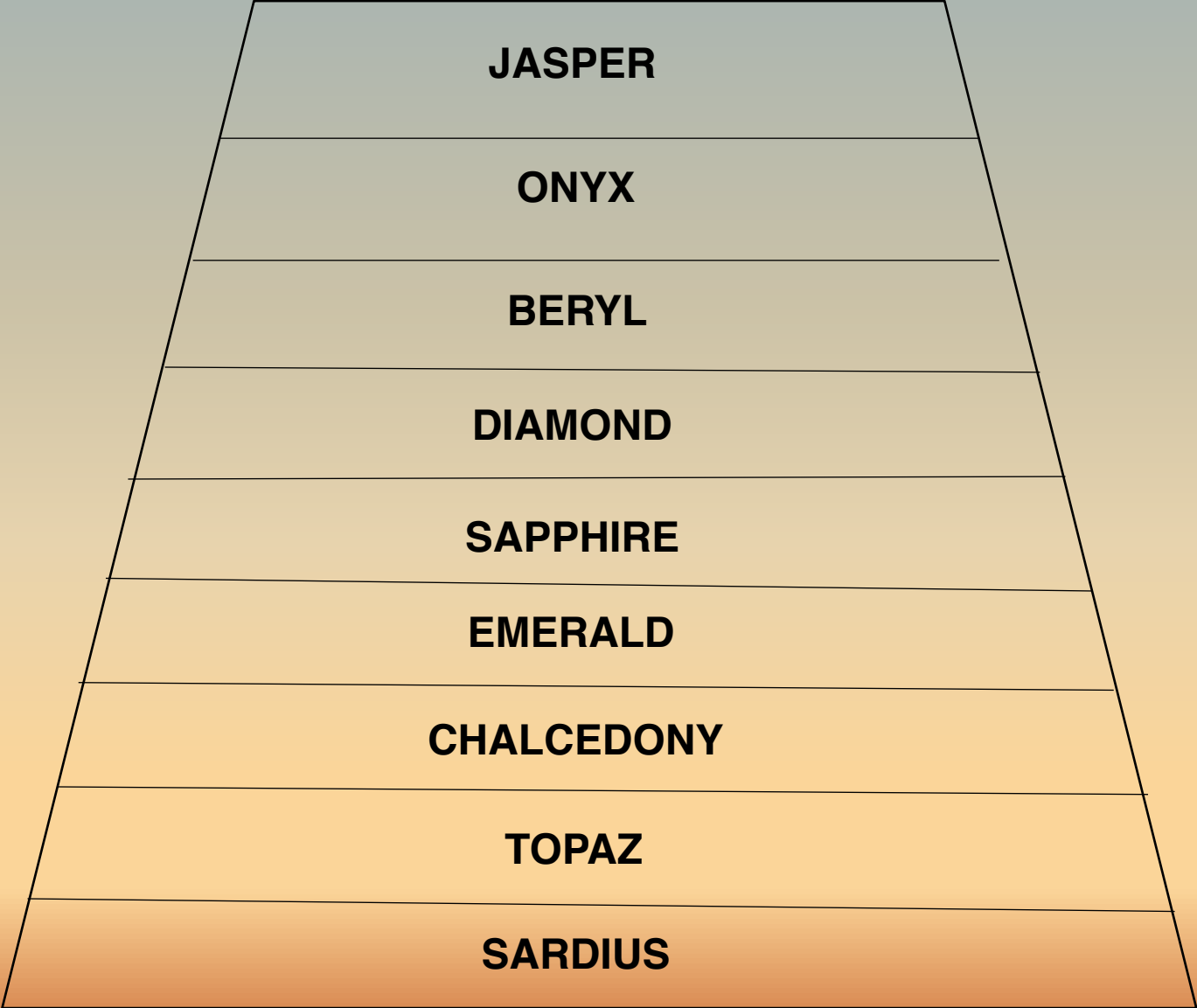
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## EZEKIEL 28: 2-5, 8

2) SON OF MAN, SAY UNTO THE PRINCE OF TYRUS, THUS SAITH THE LORD GOD; BECAUSE THINE HEART IS LIFTED UP, AND THOU HAST SAID, I AM A GOD, I SIT IN THE SEAT OF GOD, IN THE MIDST OF THE SEAS; YET THOU ART A **MAN**, AND NOT GOD, THOUGH THOU SET THINE HEART AS THE HEART OF GOD:

3) BEHOLD THOU ART WISER THAN DANIEL; THERE IS NO SECRET THAT THEY CAN HIDE FROM THEE:

4) WITH THY WISDOM AND WITH THINE UNDERSTANDING THOU HAS GOTTEN THEE RICHES, AND HAST GOTTEN GOLD AND SILVER INTO THY TREASURES:

5) BY THY GREAT WISDOM AND BY THY TRAFFIC HAST THOU INCREASED THY RICHES, AND THINE HEART IS LIFTED UP BECAUSE OF THY RICHES;

8) THEY SHALL BRING THEE DOWN TO THE PIT, AND THOU SHALT DIE THE DEATHS OF THEM THAT ARE SLAIN IN THE MIDST OF THE SEAS.

## ISAIAH 14: 12-15

HOW YOU HAVE FALLEN FROM HEAVEN, O LUCIFER **SON OF THE MORNING!** HOW YOU ARE CUT DOWN TO THE GROUND, YOU WHO WEAKENED THE NATIONS! FOR YOU HAVE SAID IN YOUR HEART: “I WILL ASCEND INTO HEAVEN, I WILL EXALT MY THRONE ABOVE THE STARS OF GOD; I WILL ALSO SIT ON THE MOUNT OF THE CONGREGATION OF THE FARTHEST SIDES OF THE NORTH; I WILL ASCEND ABOVE THE HEIGHTS OF THE CLOUDS, I WILL BE LIKE THE MOST HIGH. YET YOU SHALL BE BROUGHT DOWN TO SHEOL, TO THE LOWEST DEPTHS OF THE PIT.



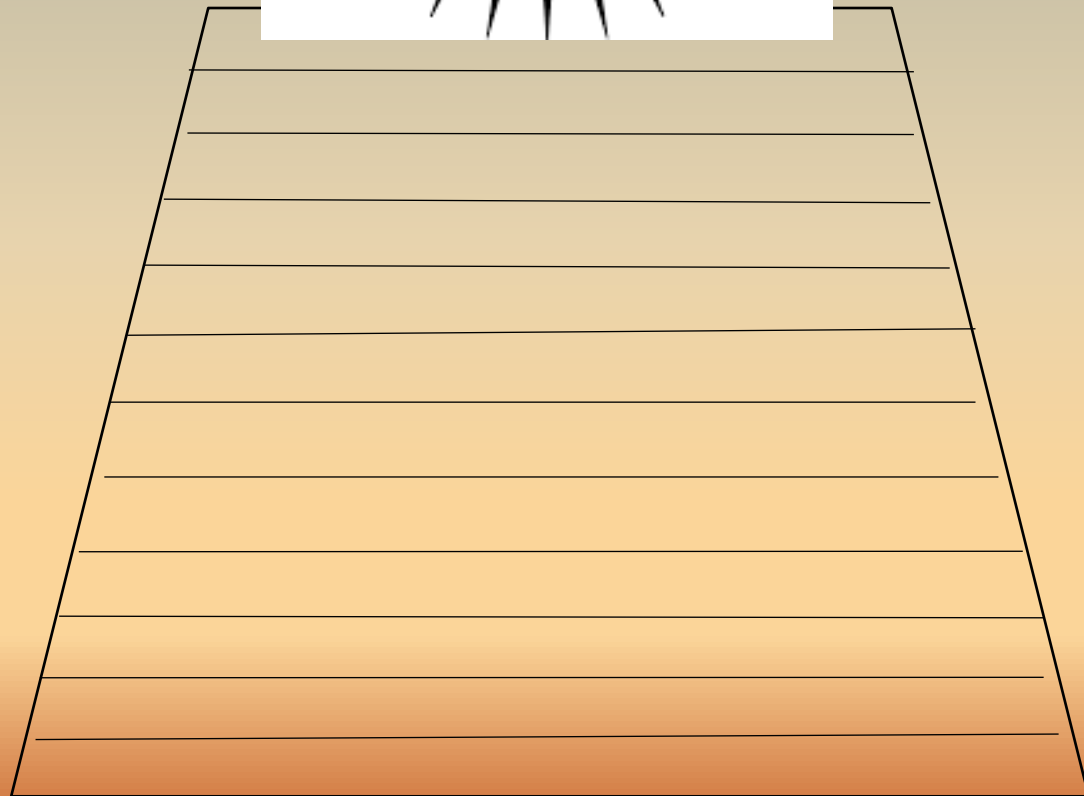
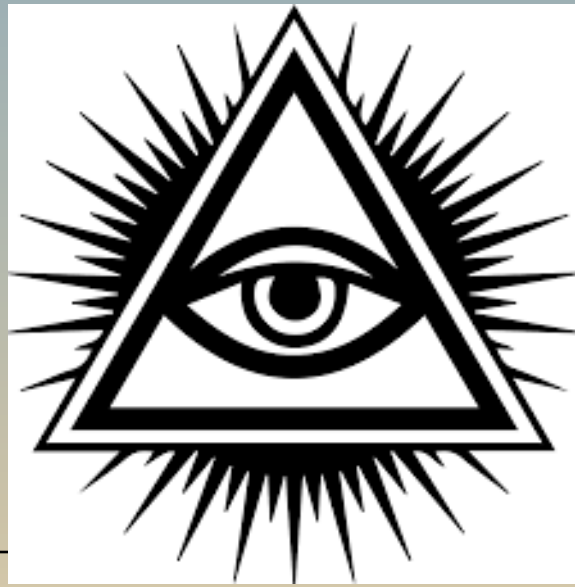
## FALL OF LUCIFER

BOTH ISAIAH AND EZEKIEL PROVIDE THE BEST COMMENTARY ON THE FALL OF THIS ANOINTED CHERUB FROM HEAVEN. EZEKIEL REBUKED THE WEALTHY ARROGANT PRINCE OF TYRE. EZEKIEL PROVIDED A SUMMARY OF THE KING'S WEALTH (EZEKIEL 27) AND EXPOSED THE DANGER OF HIS PRIDE AND EARTHLY WISDOM THAT MADE HIM POPULAR AND WEALTHY. (EZEKIEL 28: 1-5)

IN THE MIDST OF THE WARNING TO THIS KING, EZEKIEL PEERED INTO THE PAST AND COMPARED THE FUTURE FALL OF KING TYRE, WHO BELIEVED HE WAS A GOD (EZEKIEL 28:2), WITH THE DEMISE OF ANOTHER HIGH-RANKING BEING THAT ONCE SERVED AS A RULING ANGEL, WHO THOUGHT HE WAS A GOD, AND DESIRED SIT ON THE **MOUNTAIN** OF GOD AND LITERALLY SEIZE GOD'S THRONE FOR HIMSELF (ISAIAH 14:12-14)

HOWEVER, THIS CHERUB WAS VIOLENTLY EXCOMMUNICATED FROM THE FAMILY OF ANGELS AND HURLED OFF THE HOLY MOUNTAIN IN HEAVEN (LUKE 10:18), JUST AS THIS KING WOULD ALSO BE BROUGHT DOWN TO THE PIT (ISAIAH 14:15; EZEKIEL 28:8)

THE ALMIGHTY  
CLEARLY REPLACES  
THE FALLEN  
“MORNING STAR”  
WITH CHRIST WHO  
NOW BEARS THE  
TITLE MORNING  
STAR



**REV 22:16**  
I, YESHUA HAVE SENT  
MY ANGEL TO TESTIFY  
TO YOU THESE THINGS  
IN THE CHURCHES. I  
AM THE ROOT AND THE  
OFFSPRING OF DAVID,  
THE BRIGHT AND  
MORNING STAR

**REV 2:28**  
AND *I WILL GIVE* HIM  
THE MORNING STAR

WE KNOW THAT THE HOLY MOUNTAIN WAS CREATED FROM THE FOUNDATIONS OF THE WORLD.

**MATTHEW 25:34**

THEN SHALL THE KING SAY UNTO THEM ON HIS RIGHT HAND, COME, YE BLESSED OF MY FATHER, INHERIT THE KINGDOM PREPARED FOR YOU FROM THE FOUNDATION OF THE WORLD

**HEBREWS 11:10**

FOR HE LOOKED FOR THE CITY WHICH HAS FOUNDATIONS, WHOSE BUILDER AND MAKER IS GOD

## ISAIAH 54: 11-12

O THOU AFFLICTED, TOSSED WITH TEMPEST, AND NOT COMFORTED, BEHOLD, I WILL LAY THY **STONES** WITH FAIR COLOURS, AND LAY FOUNDATIONS WITH SAPPHIRES. AND I WILL MAKE THY WINDOWS OF AGATES, AND THY GATES OF CARBUNCLES, AND ALL THY BORDERS OF PLEASANT **STONES**



## REVELATION 21: 10-23

10) AND HE CARRIED ME AWAY IN THE SPIRIT TO A GREAT AND HIGH **MOUNTAIN**, AND SHEWED ME THAT GREAT CITY, THE HOLY JERUSALEM, DESCENDING OUT OF HEAVEN FROM GOD

11) HAVING THE GLORY OF GOD AND HER **LIGHT** WAS LIKE UNTO A **STONE** MOST PRECIOUS, EVEN LIKE A JASPER STONE, CLEAR AS CRYSTAL

12) AND HAD A WALL GREAT AND HIGH, AND HAD TWELVE GATES, AND AT THE GATES TWELVE ANGELS, AND NAMES WRITTEN THEREON, WHICH ARE THE NAMES OF THE TWELVE TRIBES OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL:

13) ON THE EAST THREE GATES: ON THE NORTH THREE GATES; ON THE SOUTH THREE GATES; AND ON THE WEST THREE GATES

**14) AND THE WALL OF THE CITY HAD TWELVE FOUNDATIONS, AND IN THEM THE NAMES OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES OF THE LAMB**

**15) AND HE THAT TALKED WITH ME HAD A GOLDEN REED TO MEASURE (SUM) THE CITY, AND THE GATES THEREOF, AND THE WALL THEREOF**

**16) AND THE CITY LIETH FOUR-SQUARE, AND THE LENGTH IS AS LARGE AS THE BREADTH: AND HE MEASURED THE CITY WITH THE REED, TWELVE THOUSAND FURLONGS. THE LENGTH AND THE BREADTH AND THE HEIGHT OF IT ARE EQUAL**

**17) AND HE MEASURED THE WALL THEREOF, AND HUNDRED AND FORTY AND FOUR CUBITS, ACCORDING TO THE MEASURE OF A MAN, THAT IS, OF THE ANGEL.**

**18) AND THE BUILDING OF THE WALL OF IT WAS OF JASPER, AND THE CITY WAS PURE GOLD, LIKE UNTO CLEAR GLASS.**

**19) AND THE FOUNDATIONS OF THE WALL OF THE CITY WERE GARNISHED WITH ALL MANNER OF PRECIOUS STONES. THE FIRST FOUNDATION WAS JASPER; THE SECOND, SAPPHIRE; THE THIRD, A CHALCEDONY; THE FOURTH AND EMERALD;**

**20) THE FIFTH, SARDONYX; THE SIXTH, SARDIUS; THE SEVENTH, CHRYSOLYTE; THE EIGHTH, BERYL; THE NINTH, A TOPAZ; THE TENTH, A CHRYSOPRASUS; THE ELEVENTH, A JACINTH; AND THE TWELFTH, AN AMETHYST.**

## EZEKIEL 28:2

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GOD

**21) AND THE TWELVE GATES WERE TWELVE PEARLS; EVERY SEVERAL GATE WAS OF ONE PEARL: AND THE STREET OF THE CITY WAS PURE GOLD, AS IT WERE TRANSPARENT GLASS.**

**22) AND I SAW NO TEMPLE THEREIN: FOR THE LORD GOD ALMIGHTY AND THE LAMB ARE THE TEMPLE OF IT**

**23) AND THE CITY HAD NO NEED OF THE SUN, NEITHER OF THE MOON TO SHINE IN IT: FOR THE GLORY OF GOD DID **LIGHTEN** IT, AND THE LAMB IS THE **LIGHT** (MORNING STAR) THEREOF.**



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## THE HEADSTONE

ZECHARIAH 4:6-7

5) THEN THE ANGEL THAT TALKED WITH ME ANSWERED AND SAID UNTO ME, KNOWEST THOU NOT WHAT THESE BE? AND I SAID, NO MY LORD.

6) AND HE ANSWERED AND SPAKE UNTO ME, SAYING, THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD UNTO ZERUBBABEL SAYING, NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD OF HOSTS.

7) WHO ART THOU, O GREAT **MOUNTAIN**? BEFORE ZERUBBABEL THOU SHALT BECOME A PLAIN: AND HE SHALL BRING FORTH THE **HEADSTONE** THEREOF WITH SHOUTINGS, CRYING GRACE, GRACE UNTO IT.

## PSALMS 118:22

THE STONE WHICH THE BUILDERS REFUSED IS BECOME THE HEADSTONE OF THE CORNER

# THE CORNER STONE

**ACTS 4:11**

THIS IS THE **STONE** WHICH WAS SET AT NOUGHT OF YOU BUILDERS,  
WHICH IS BECOME THE HEAD OF THE CORNER

**1 PETER 2:7**

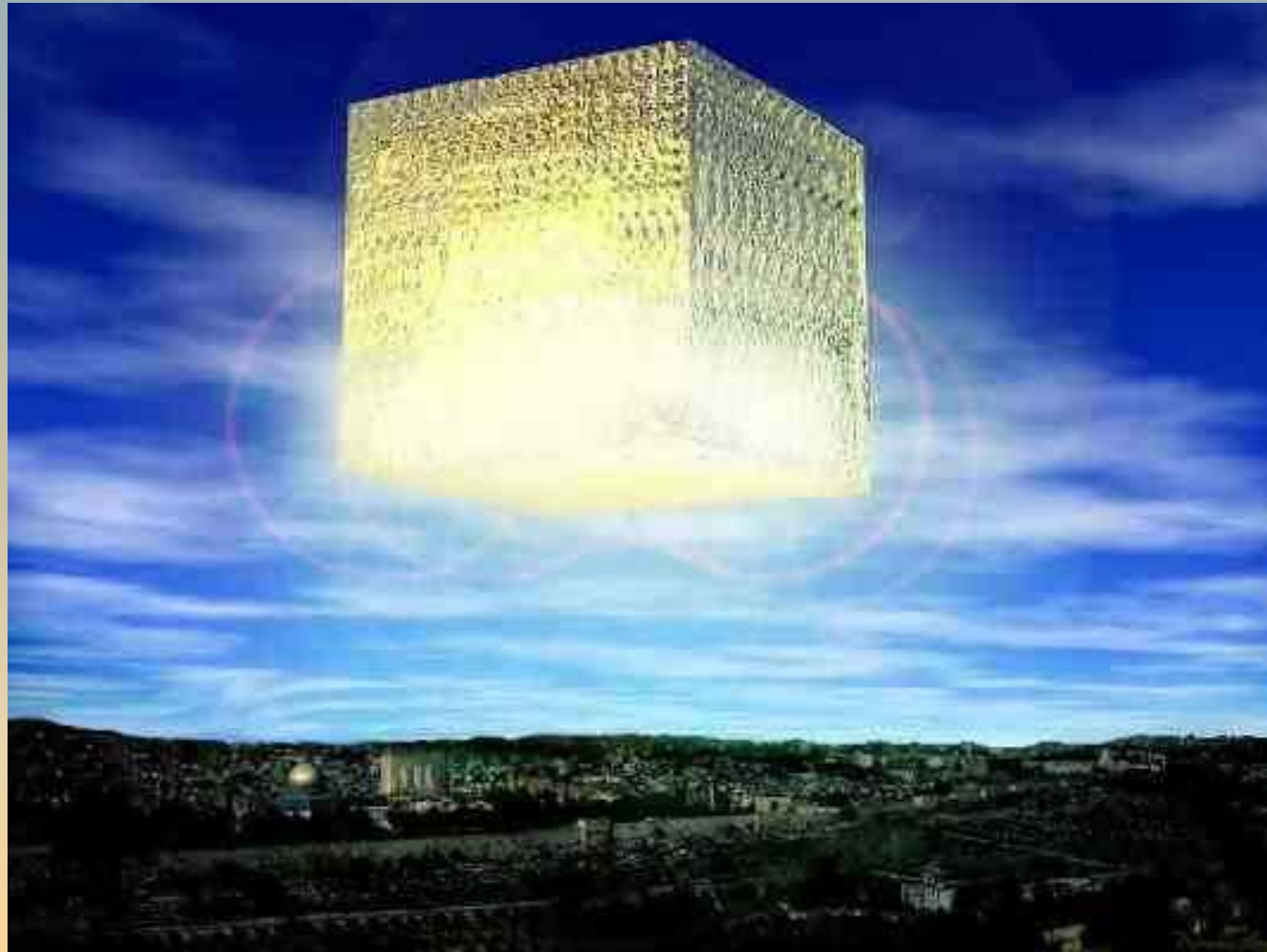
UNTO YOU THEREFORE WHICH BELIEVE, HE IS PRECIOUS: BUT UNTO  
THEM WHICH BE DISOBEDIENT, THE **STONE** WHICH THE BUILDERS  
DISALLOWED, THE SAME IS MADE THE HEAD OF THE CORNER

## JOHN 14: 2

IN MY FATHER'S HOUSE ARE MANY MANSIONS: IF IT WERE NOT SO, I WOULD HAVE TOLD YOU. I GO TO **PREPARE** A PLACE FOR YOU.

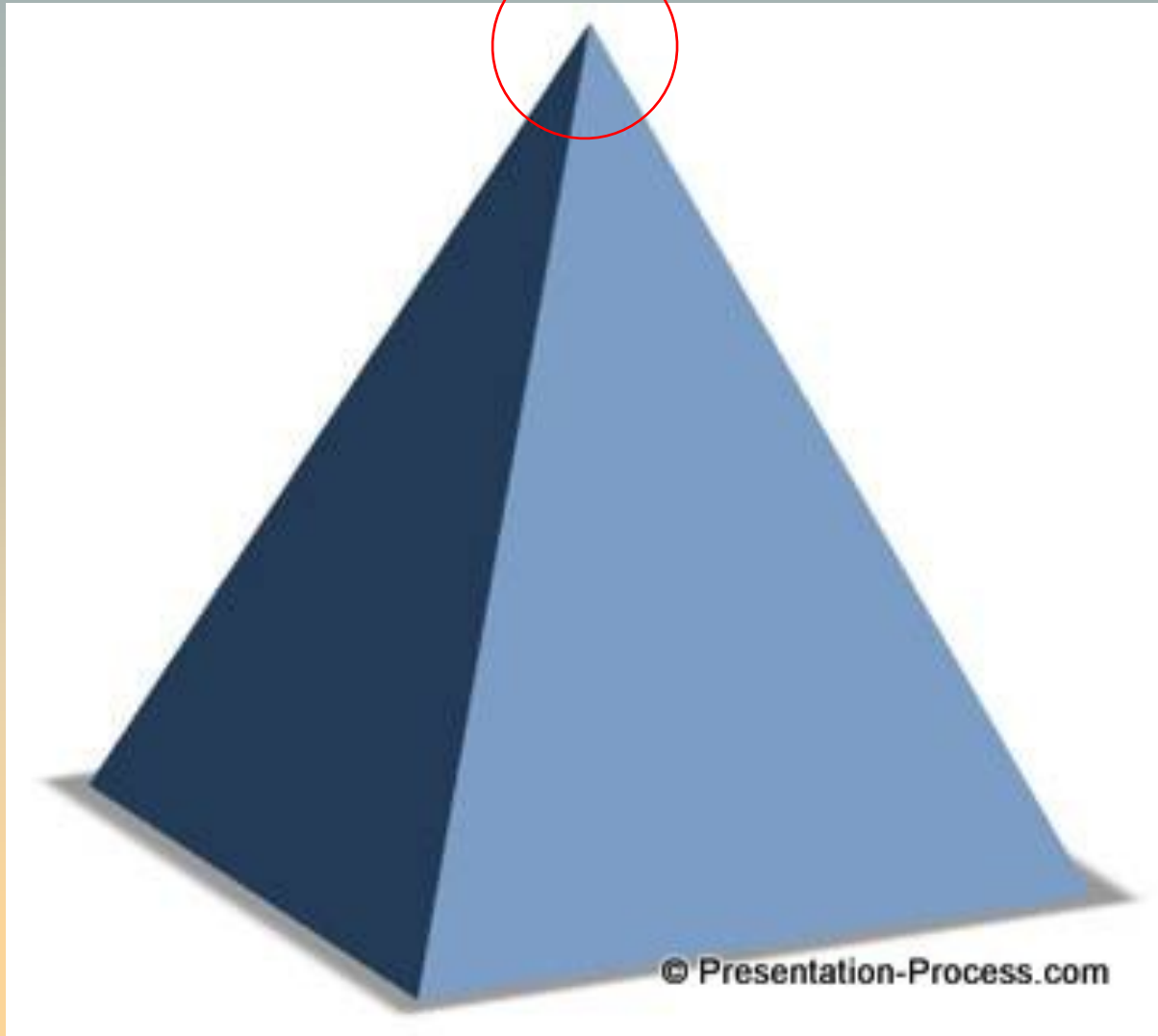
## HEBREWS 12:2

LOOKING UNTO YESHUA THE AUTHOR AND **FINISHER** OF OUR FAITH; WHO FOR THE JOY THAT WAS SET BEFORE HIM ENDURED THE CROSS, DESPISING THE SHAME, AND IS SET DOWN AT THE RIGHT HAND OF THE THRONE OF GOD

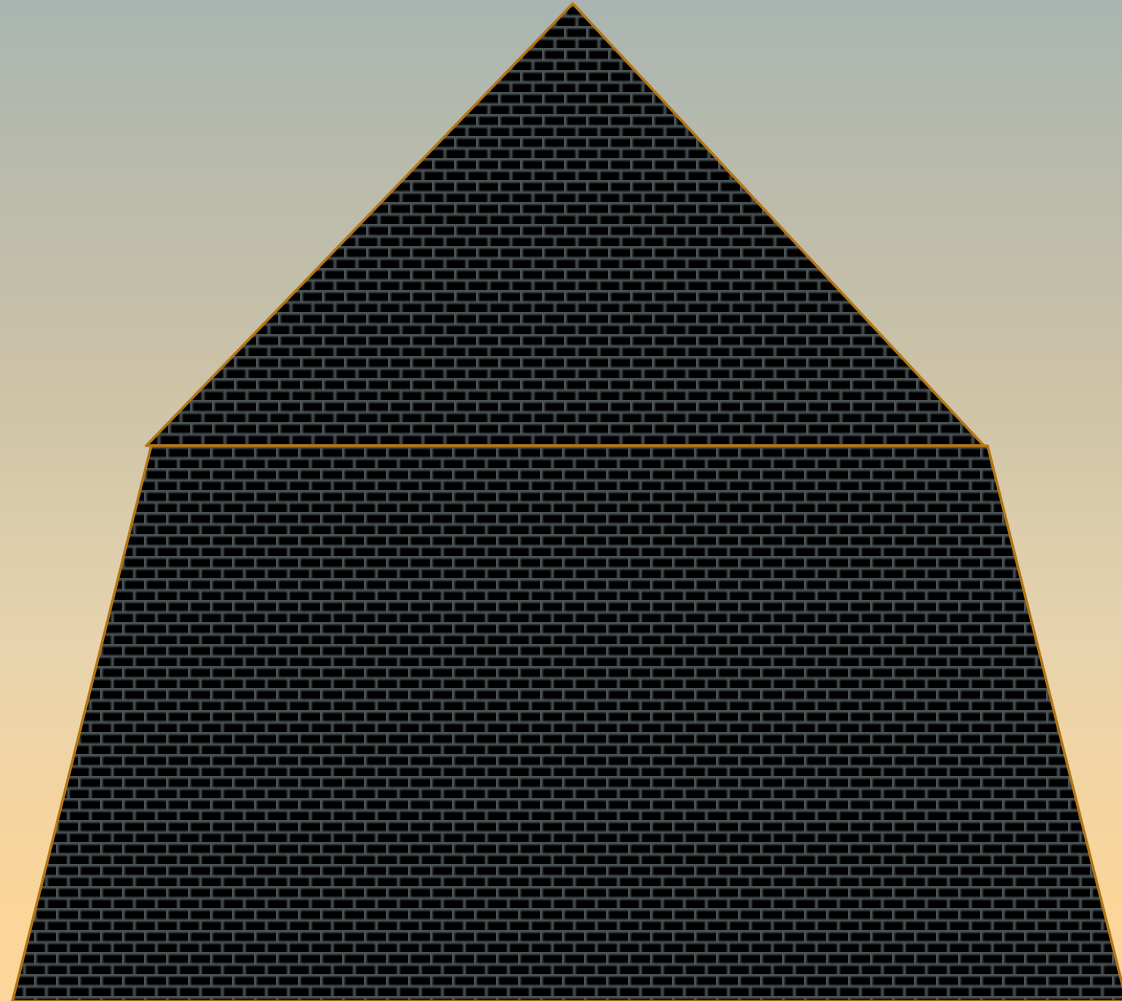


SO WHERE ON THIS IMAGE OF THE NEW JERUSALEM  
CAN YOU GET A HEADSTONE AND A CORNERSTONE?









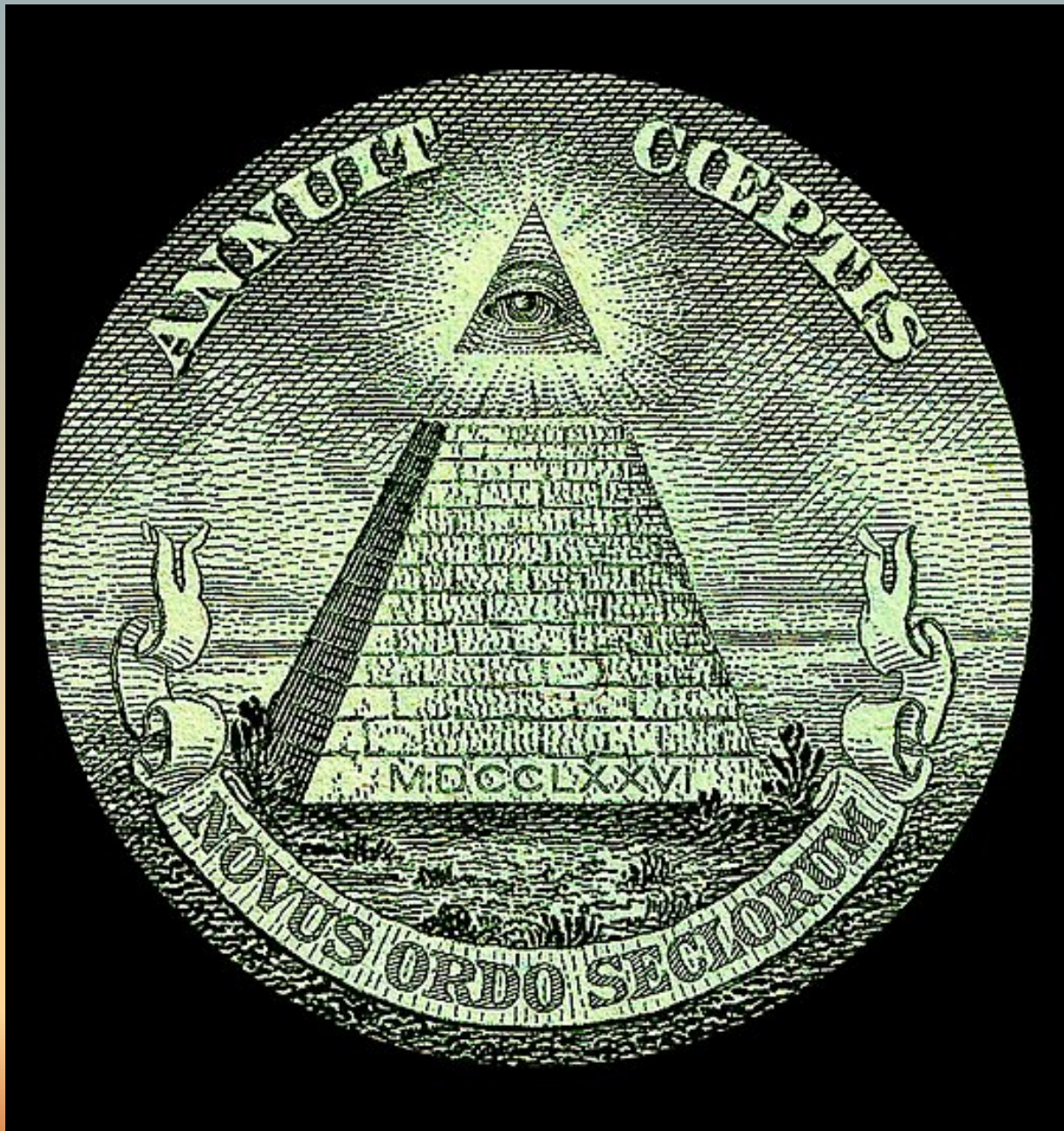






















## **IN CONCLUSION**

**1) THE STONES ARE A TYPE AND SHADOW OF THE NEW JERUSALEM**

**2) THE STONES REPRESENT THE WHOLE HOUSE OF ISRAEL**

**LEV 14**

**3) THE STONES ARE A REMINDER OF OUR HOPE AND FAITH IN MESSIAH AS  
FINISHER OF OUR FAITH**

**MATTHEW 16:18**

**4) THE STONES ARE THE PLACE WHERE ISRAEL RESTS**

**GEN 28:11**