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The name Noah, or Noach, נֹחַ, means: restful, quiescent, comfort, and when it is spelled with a Vav letter, נֹחַ, in the middle, it means, to rest, he rested, settled down, he was quiet, was relieved, he caused to alight, set down, he deposited, he let remain, he let alone, he abandoned, he permitted, easy, convenient, pleasing, kind, benign, convenience, comfort.

*Verse 8: But Noach found **Grace** in the eyes of Yahweh.*

What does the word **GRACE**, mean, in the phrase, Noach found **Grace** in the eyes of Yahweh? The English Word *Grace* is translated from the Hebrew word, Chen, חֵן, and this Hebrew word is translated in the Hebrew Scriptures as, a place of serenity, beauty, love, compassion, it means, grace, favour, kindness, pleasant, agreeable, charm. Therefore, by using this word, Chen, Grace, Yahweh is telling us, in this *verse*, that Noach, found serenity, beauty, love, compassion, understanding, favour and protection in the presence of Yahweh. It means that he experienced the character of Elohim, for these **ARE** the attributes of Yahweh's character. As I said above, one of the definitions of the word Chen, is Serenity, and I asked myself, why would one of the definitions of the word Chen be the word serenity?

Let's explore this a little further; derived from the parent root Chen, is the verbal root, Chanan, חָנַן, which has the same meaning as Chen. Another verbal root derived from chen, is the word Chanah, חָנָה, meaning to camp or encamp, and its noun form, is Machaneh, מַחֲנֶה, meaning camp. The Hebrew name of the writer of the book of John is, Yochanon, יוֹחָנָן, which means, favour or gift or beauty of Yah. Since the tribes of Yisrael were a nomadic people, they lived in tents, and those tents were their homes, their refuge, and if anyone asked you, where is the place where **YOU** find serenity? Then, more than likely you would say, it is in or at my home.

So when the Scriptures tell us that Noach found Chen, חֵן, Grace in the eyes of Yahweh, it is actually telling us, that in the presence of Yahweh, Noach found beauty, and received love, compassion and protection, and felt the calmness and tranquility, that comes from being in the will of Yahweh, for that **IS** the character of the Elohim that we serve.

It says in *verse 9* that Noach was a *just man*. The Hebrew word used here is Tzadiq, צַדִּיק, and this word is defined as, being just, righteous, pious, virtuous, right, correct, it also means, justice, righteousness, deliverance, victory, merit.

You might ask, **HOW** does one become **righteous** according to Scripture? There is only one way to

become **righteous** according to Scripture, and that is by willingly choosing to surrender our hearts, minds, souls and strength to our heavenly Father, in total loving surrendered obedience to **ALL** the Words of His Living Torah, His eternal **TRUTH**. And that **TRUTH** is found in *Deuteronomy 6:24-25* where it says: *And Yahweh Commanded us to do **ALL** these Statutes, to fear Yahweh our Elohim, for our good always, that He might preserve us alive, as it is at this day. 25 **IT SHALL be our RIGHTEOUSNESS, IF WE OBSERVE TO DO ALL THESE COMMANDMENTS** before Yahweh our Elohim, as He has Commanded us.*

As you can see, Scripture makes it very clear, that when we willingly choose **OBEY** the Words of our heavenly Father's inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, the Words of His Torah of Life, that **IT IS counted as RIGHTEOUSNESS for us**.

As I said above, Noah's name means *comfort* or *rest*, and comfort or rest comes from the great peace of mind that is found in believing and **obeying** Elohim's Word. Therefore, **BECAUSE** Noah willingly chose to **obey** the Words of Yahweh's Torah of Life, His inerrant Word, he was called **righteous, perfect** or **mature**, which can also mean, **complete**. Therefore to summarize, what is being said here, **IS**, that in willingly and lovingly choosing to believe, follow and obey the Words of our heavenly Father, the Words of His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, the Words of His Torah of Life, is what brings a person into the realm of Yahweh's **Righteousness** and it **completes** that person, making him or her, a child of Elohim, which makes them **perfect/mature** in the eyes of Yahweh.

Let me quote you part of *Psalm 19* to show you what obedience to the Torah of Life will do for you.
*Psalm 19:7-10 The Torah (Law) of our heavenly Father is **PERFECT, converting the soul**
The Testimony of our heavenly Father is **SURE, making wise the simple**
The Statutes of our heavenly Father are **RIGHT, rejoicing the heart**
The Commandment of our heavenly Father is **PURE, enlightening the eyes**
The Fear of our heavenly Father is **CLEAN, enduring for ever**
The Judgments of our heavenly Father are **TRUE and righteous altogether**
More **to be DESIRED** are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold, **Sweeter** also than honey and the honeycomb. Moreover **by them** (the Torah, the Testimony, the Statutes, the Commandments, the Fear and the Judgments) **is your servant WARNED: and in keeping of them** (the Torah, the Testimony, the Statutes, the Commandments, the Fear and the Judgments) **there IS GREAT REWARD.***

In *Psalm 19*, the Psalmist tells us that the Words of Yahweh's Torah of Life, and **ALL** of its parts, the Testimony, the Statutes, the Commandments, the Judgments and the Fear of Yahweh **WILL**,
Convert our soul,
Make us **Wise**,
Rejoice our hearts,
Enlighten our eyes, our understanding
Endure forever,

And furthermore, we are told that **ALL** of the Words of His Torah are **TRUE** and **Righteous**,
And, that **BY THEM**,
That **IS** by the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life,
We are **warned** against all wrong doing, and eternal damnation,

And that, there is **GREAT REWARD** in keeping the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah.

Now **IF ALL** Scripture **IS** inspired by Yahweh, which I believe **IT IS**, and Yahweh says all of these beautiful things about the Words of **His Torah** and in *Psalm 138:2* the Psalmist says that Yahweh has **elevated** the Words of the Torah of Life, above even His Holy Name, then **MAYBE** we should pay very close attention to His Words of Life, His everlasting **TRUTH**, that He expounds upon, in His Torah of Life.

This therefore tells me, that we should learn to forget **ALL** the false man made religious and or secular doctrines that we have been taught in the past, and never again allow ourselves to be seduced by those kinds of **LIES**. Noah, chose to obey the Words of Yahweh, even though **NO ONE ELSE** in his community did, and he was ridiculed for it, for **ONE HUNDRED YEARS**, while he was building the Ark, **BUT**, he did **NOT** falter, he did **NOT** turn away from Yahweh's Directives, but instead, he chose to obey Yahweh and kept building the Ark, regardless of how people mocked him, and or laughed at him. And look at what happened to him and his family, because he willingly and lovingly chose with all of his heart, to walk the path that Yahweh had set out for him, and for all of mankind. **IF** you want the same kind of relationship with our heavenly Father that Noah had, then, use his life as a template, for your own life, and begin to obey our heavenly Father, as Noah willingly and lovingly chose to do, for Noah **KNEW** that his, and his family's well being, and even their very lives, depended on his obedience to the Words of our heavenly Father's inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions for Life, the Words of His Torah. The choice of course **IS YOURS**; we already know what path Noah chose, he chose obedience, **NOW** it is up to you, what will you choose?

In *Genesis 15:6*, it says that Abraham **believed** in Yahweh and Yahweh counted it to him for **righteousness**. **Righteousness IS A SYNONYM for OBEDIENCE to the Words of the Father's Torah of Life**, which happens to also be the description of Yahweh's character; therefore, we are to understand that the **TORAH, IS THE WRITTEN MANIFESTATION OF YHVH'S RIGHTEOUSNESS, AND HIS CHARACTER**. It is also imperative that we understand, that in the meaning of the word **believed, there is obedience**. By saying that Abraham **believed**, Yahweh, it means that Abraham **willingly obeyed** and kept the Words of My Torah of Life. *Genesis 26:5*.

The same is true for all of us. When Yeshua said in *Matthew 6:33* **Seek you first the Kingdom of Elohim and His Righteousness**, what do you suppose He meant? He meant seek out the Words of My Torah, My eternal **TRUTH**, (*Psalm 119:142*) and willingly choose to begin to believe, follow and obey them, for therein, in the Words of My inerrant and everlasting teachings and instructions, **IS** where **Righteousness** is found, and **Righteousness IS** the character and essence of Yahweh, and Yahweh's **Righteousness** can be yours, when you willingly and lovingly surrender your hearts to Him, and choose to **ALLOW** His Holy Spirit, to cause you to believe, follow and obey all the Words of His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, the Words of His Torah of life.

We are told in these verses that Noah had three sons. The number three in Scripture speaks of resurrection, or coming from death to life. Noah's sons re-populated the earth and brought human life back, to a flood ravaged earth, and that, to me, spells a form of resurrection of the human race.

In each of the sons names, is hidden their location, the location where their descendants settled.

Shem, שֵׁם, means *the Name*, which can also be interpreted as the character of Yahweh. We are told that Yahweh dwelled in the tents of Shem, therefore that tells us that Shem stayed in the land of Yisrael.

Cham, חָם, means, *hot* חָם, which indicates that his people or descendants settled in Africa

Japheth, יָפֶֿתֿ, Yephet, or יֶפֶֿתֿ, Yaphet, means, to extend, to enlarge, the descendants of Japheth settled to the north and west.

Genesis 6:11 tells us: *The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence, except for Yahweh's remnant—eight people.*

Verse 12 And Elohim looked upon the earth, וַיִּהְיֶה נִשְׁחָחָהּ, VeHineh, *and, behold*, Nishchata it was **Corrupt**;
WHY?

*For ALL FLESH had corrupted his way upon the earth. 13 And Elohim said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before Me; for the earth is filled with **Chamas, violence** through them; and, behold, I will **destroy them with the earth**. 14 Make for yourself, an ark of gopher wood; you shall make rooms in the ark, and you shall pitch it within and without with pitch.*

In *verse 13* above, Yahweh said, the earth was filled with violence. The word *violence* in Hebrew is the word, Chamas, חָמָס. Can you think of a place here on earth, where it seems like history is repeating itself? As you know, or should know, the word Chamas **IS** the name of an Islamic terrorist group in the Middle East, and it certainly appears that they are trying to fill the earth with their man made Islamic religion, through violence.

Verse 14 Yahweh told Noah to make an ark and cover it inside and out with pitch. The words used for this verse are: *and you shall pitch it within and without with pitch*. In the Hebrew Script it says: וַיִּכְפֹּרְתָּ אֹתָהּ מִבַּיִת וּמִחוּץ בַּכֹּפֶר, VeKapharta Otah Mibayit UMichutz BaKopher. The first words *and shall pitch it*, is the Hebrew word VeKapharta, וַיִּכְפֹּרְתָּ which means, and pitch, and the last words *with pitch* is BaKopher, בַּכֹּפֶר, and the root word for both of these words, is Kopher, which means, *atonement*, like Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, and to prepare for the day of Atonement, we need Elohim's covering, that He places over His Torah obedient people. As you can see, they both have the same Hebrew letters at the heart of the word, and there are a few other words that have the same Hebrew spelling; Kuphar, כִּפָּר, means, received atonement, Kopher, כֹּפֶר, means atonement, Kapher, כָּפַר, means, to forgive, Kopher, כֹּפֶר, means ransom. The word Otah means you, the word Mibayit, means, inside and the word UMichutz, means, outside.

So, it appears that Noah, like Messiah was atoning for the Sin of the world by being 100% obedient to the Father, in the same manner that Messiah atoned for the Sin of the world, by His absolute and total loving surrendered obedience to the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life, even onto death on the cross. Please remember, Messiah died on the cross to **ATONE, KOPHER**, for the Sin of the world, and He too, did it out of loving surrendered obedience to the Father.

Through the word *Pitch, Kopher*, כִּפֶּר, and the Torah obedient Life that Noach chose to live, Yahweh is painting a picture of the Messiah, who would come and redeem the world, and give them the opportunity to *mend* the severed connection between mankind, and our heavenly Father, that was caused by the Sin, the Torah transgressions of Adam.

There is a pattern that Yahweh is establishing here, and that pattern *IS*, that surrendered contrite loving obedience to the Words of the Father's Torah of Life, *atones for Sin, it atones for the Transgressions of the Words of the Father's Torah of Life*, for all the people of the world, regardless of their ethnicity, but *ONLY* when they willingly surrender their hearts, minds, souls and strength to our heavenly Father. If there weren't any people in the world today, that are obedient to the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life, and *IF* Yahweh had *NOT* kept a remnant onto Himself, *THEN*, the whole earth would melt away with a fervent heat. In other words, *IF* the Words of Torah of our heavenly Father, the Words of His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, would somehow, disappear from the face of the earth, the earth would collapse, for the Word of our heavenly Father, *IS the Glue* that holds this world together, whether people choose to believe it or not.

Verse 15 speaks of *three* hundred cubit, *fifty* cubits, and then *thirty* cubits. As I have said many times before, when we encounter the number *three* in Scripture, it has something to do with resurrection, coming from death to life. So here, through the numbers that Yahweh gives us, regarding the size of Noah's Ark, we can see a picture of Yahweh's salvation plan. First we have the number *three* which speaks of the resurrection, the coming from death to Life, which shows us the story of Messiah beginning His ministry at age *thirty* and then we have the number *fifty* which speaks of the jubilee, which in turn is a picture of the *restoration of all things*, for in the year of jubilee, the *fiftieth* year, all possessions and lands were restored to their rightful owners and all debts (sins) were forgiven.

Embedded in the number *fifty*, is of course the number *five*, and it is between the number *three* hundred, which represents Messiah's resurrection and the number *thirty* which represents the beginning of Messiah's ministry. The number *five* in Scripture denotes our heavenly Father's Torah of Life, that is contained in the first *five* books of Scripture, and it also denotes the *Grace* of Elohim, for Grace and Torah, are synonymous terms. Scripture makes it very clear, that it is *ONLY BY* the *GRACE* of Elohim that we are resurrected on eternal life, which is demonstrated by the selfless sacrifice of our Messiah, the Living Word, the Living Torah made flesh, and, as I said above, the number *five* also speaks of the Torah, the very same Torah that was given to Mosheh at Mount Sinai.

Therefore, I believe that Yahweh is showing us through these numbers, that, to have life, and be reconnected to our heavenly Father, we *MUST LEARN* to internalize the Words of His Torah of Life, the Words of His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, and have it embedded in our hearts, for the mouth always speaks what is on the heart.

Once we are regenerated, we are to walk in Elohim's cycles of righteousness, which are contained in the Words of His Torah of Life. The jubilee which comes around every 50 years speaks of cycles, Elohim's cycles, and when we walk in His cycles, we function in the manner and the timing that He has ordained for our *GOOD, Tov*, and through our surrendered obedience, we actually become the *manifest image* of our heavenly Father here on earth, in the same manner that Messiah's surrendered obedient life, was a manifest image of our Righteous heavenly Father. Messiah's Torah obedient

Life, **IS**, the example that we all **MUST** emulate, **IF we want to obey the mandate of being a light onto the nations of the world**, as Messiah was the Light of the world to us. *John 14:12 and even greater things than this shall you do also, for I go to the Father.*

Elohim goes on to say, that He will establish His Covenant with Noah. Why will Yahweh establish His covenant with Noah? It is because Noah **WILLINGLY CHOSE TO OBEY THE FATHER**. Therefore, since Scripture makes it abundantly clear, that Yahweh **DOES NOT CHANGE, THEN, IF and WHEN** we choose to obey the Word of Yahweh, as Noah did, **THEN, WE TOO, WILL BE IN COVENANT WITH YAHWEH AS NOACH IS, and we will be privileged to be able to partake of the RIGHTEOUSNESS of YAHWEH's Covenant, for it is** by loving surrendered obedience to the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah, that we **BECOME RIGHTEOUS**, which in turn, blesses us, and **ALL** those around us. Amein

There are no stand-alone Aleph Tavs in this section of *Genesis 6*, however there are **nine** Aleph Tavs that are attached to words with a Maqef, and **one** Vav Aleph Tav that is also attached to a word with a Maqef. As you know the number **nine** in Scripture, represents the **fruit of the Spirit**, and the number One represents Elohim and unity, and the combined total of these two numbers is **Ten** Aleph Tavs, and the number **Ten**, in Scripture, represent the words of our heavenly Father's inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, the Words of His Torah of Life, His Ten Commandments, His Ten Directives, which encompass **ALL** the Words of His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, for Life.

There are another twelve words that contain both the Aleph and Tav letters within them, and they are: Otah, אָתָּה, which means, her, it, the word, Me'ot, מֵאוֹת, which means, hundreds, the word, UVatah, וּבָאתָ, which means, you shall come, the word, Itak, אִתָּךְ, which means, with you, the word, Atah, אַתָּה, which means, you, the word, Ve'atah, וְאַתָּה, which means, and you, the word, Otiy, אֹתִי, which means, me, the word Ve'ishtecha, וְאִשְׁתְּךָ, which means, and your wife, the word, VeAsaphta, וְאַסַּפְתָּ, which means, and you shall gather.

The number twelve in Scripture represents Yahweh's perfect way of governing and controlling His kingdom. As you can see by the words that contain both the Aleph Tav letters within them, that the responsibility to follow Yahweh's instructions, rests squarely on the shoulder of the individual, **YOU** and **ME**, so let us ensure that we do our part. Amein!

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Have a great Elohim blessed week and may Yahweh bless your every thought, and your every deed. Until we meet again. Shalom Alechem; Amein