

HEBREW: HOUSE or SON (2) –Letter ‘Beth’

BETH

The second Hebrew letter is ‘**Beth**’, pictured at right.

*The rabbis picture **Beth** as a **House**.* We can visualize it as a building that has an open side facing west towards Egypt, the Biblical type of slavery or bondage or obedience.

*The **Seed** in the center is the master of the House.* The **Seed** sits on the stone ‘Holy Land’. We know this **Seed** to be the **Seed** of the Woman, the **Seed** of Abram: the Messiah, the **Son of God**.

***Beth** means: Obedience to the Seed (House) and Son of God (Son).*

The House is comprised of the people of the Holy Land who worship YHVH and obey his commands, i.e. the Law of God.

This is how the New Testament interprets the purpose of the **Law**:

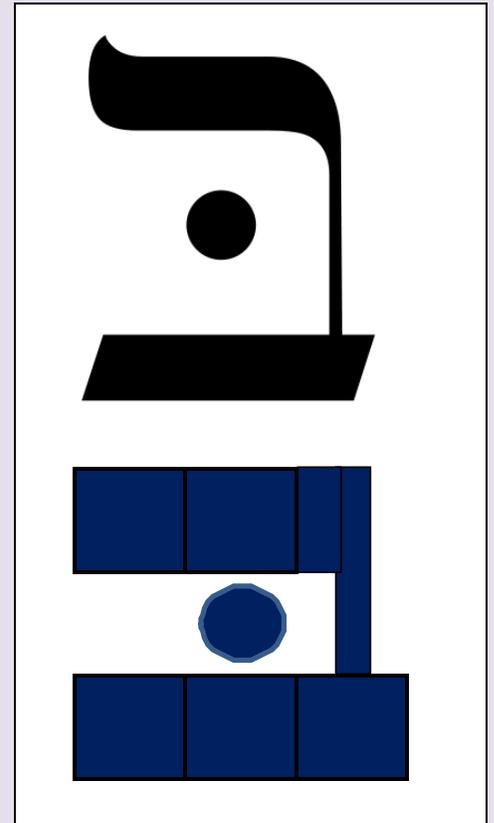
“The promises were spoken to Abraham and to his **Seed**. Scripture does not say ‘**Seeds**’ meaning many people but ‘and to your **Seed**’ meaning one person, who is **Christ**. The **Law** does not set aside the covenant previously established by God and thus do away with the promise. What then was the purpose of the **Law**? It was added because of transgressions until the **Seed** to whom the promise referred had come.” (Galatians 3:16-25)

Christ was an ethnic Jew born under the **Law**. He also fulfilled all requirements of the **Law**, in fact he superseded them!

“But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under Law, to redeem those under Law that that we might receive full rights as sons.” (Galatians 4:4-5)

The sum of the value of the dark squares of **Beth** is 34. The spiritual meaning of 34 is “**Man’s Religion**”. Religion is for the sons of Adam: for fleshly man, not for the sons of God by faith in Jesus **Christ**.

When Jesus began his ministry the first public words he spoke to describe why he had come were these:



To the Jew:

Obedience to the Seed means obedience to the Law. In this case Beth is a symbol of the entire Holy Land under the Law and the Seed is the Ark of the LORD in the Temple or the Messiah on the throne in the Millennium.

To the Christian:

The perspective is different. We are not the servants of the house, we are “in the Seed” meaning we are the family of God, joint-heirs with the Seed, a kingdom of priests. The rules of the House are made for the servants. As children of God we rule the House with Christ. So we are not under Law.

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor;
he hath sent me to heal the broken hearted
to preach deliverance to the captives,
and recovering of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty them that are bruised:
To preach the acceptable year of the Lord” (Luke 4:18-19)

Jesus calls his believers ‘brothers and sisters’. We are seated with Christ in the heavens, not assembled at his footstool, the Temple of God on Earth. We will return to reign with Him on Earth.

Jesus came to open the door of the prison to the captives. The captives were the sons of Israel who were captive, slaves to the Law of God. The Law of Moses was a prison because it offered those under it no salvation, no forgiveness of sins. Yes, there was temporary covering of sins through animal sacrifice, but no final atonement for sins once and for all.

The letter Beth has an open door to Egypt. The spirit of slavery blew into the Holy Land while the Law of Moses was in effect. Jesus came to release the captives from the bondage of the Law and to put a new spirit in their heart, a spirit of freedom:

“If the Son therefore shall make you **free**, ye shall be **free** indeed.” (John 8:36)

The door that Jesus opened was not a physical door, it was a spiritual door: faith in him. Jesus said:

“Because straight is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leads to life, and few there be that find it.” (Matt. 7:14)

“Jesus said to him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man comes unto the Father, but by me.” (John 14:6)

To understand the mysteries of how faith in Christ delivers the captives, it is necessary to study the rest of the Hebrew letters!

Footnote: **Beth** is the Hebrew character that has the Seed inside the house. Another Hebrew character **Vet** is exactly the same but has no Seed inside the house. **Beth** is pronounced ‘b’ and **Vet** is pronounced ‘v’.

ANALYSIS OF BETH – IN GOD’S TRUTH SQUARE (Appendix on last page explains the Truth-square)

The spiritual numbers of the two stones which are not covered or cancelled by the figure of Beth in the Truth-Square is $11 = 5 + 6$. The spiritual number 11 means ‘Mystery’. The members of the House, the Jews in the Holy Land under the Law, are blinded as to the true identity of their Messiah:

“What then? What Israel sought so earnestly it did not obtain, but the elect [believers in Jesus] did. The others [Jews who refused to believe in Jesus] were hardened, as it is written: ‘God gave them a

spirit of stupor, eyes so that they could not see and ears so that they could not hear, to this very day.' May their table become a snare and a trap, a stumbling block of retribution for them. May their eyes be darkened so they cannot see and their backs be bent forever." (Romans 11:7-10)

APPENDIX – GOD’S TRUTH SQUARE

The Truth-Square is a set of blocks or stones arranged in a 3 x 3 square. The spiritual **number 3** means 'God' and 'Truth'. The number 9 = 3 x 3 means **God's (3) Truth (3): 'Judgment' (9)**. The LORD is "Judge of all the Earth" (Gen. 18:25).

In the **Truth-Square** we see the **four corners of the Earth**, each one in the direction it belongs relative to the Holy Land: **Europe** is North; **Americas** are West, **Africa** is South, and **Asia** is East. (Note: The North side of the 3-square is not a corner, that is why the North must appear in the North-East quadrant of the 3-square). The four corners of the Earth also correspond to the fathers of all peoples. Japheth is the father of Europeans. Noah is the spiritual father of Americas.

<p>NOAH (Americas)</p> <p>3</p>	<p>BLESSING</p> <p>2</p>	<p>JAPHETH (Europe)</p> <p>1</p>
<p>EGYPT (Slavery)</p> <p>6</p>	<p>HOLY LAND (Israel)</p> <p>5</p>	<p>BABYLON (City of Cain)</p> <p>4</p>
<p>HAM (Africa)</p> <p>9</p>	<p>CURSE</p> <p>8</p>	<p>SHEM (Asia)</p> <p>7</p>

The **Holy Land (5)** also stands for **Israel** the people God called to dwell there and it stands for **Messiah** who was born there and will rule there. God put a **Blessing (2)** and a **Curse (8)** before **Israel**. To the east is **Babylon (4)**, which also signifies **Kingdom** or **World Rule**. To the west is **Egypt (6)**, which is the land of **Slavery** and **Bondage**. **Shem (7)** can also mean **Name**, and **Ham (9)** can also mean **Burnt**.

Each stone in the Truth-Square also signifies a number: 1 to 9. Of course, numbers have their own spiritual meanings. For more information on that, please see the Number Maps on our site.