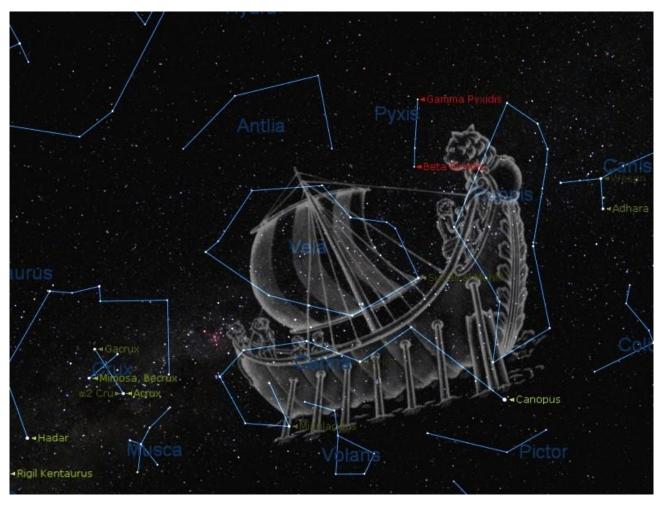
The Meaning of the Eighth Day Feast - Part 9 - Written in the Stars

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Shabbat Shalom to the Growing Family of Yehovah, Shalom Shalom,

Witness in the Stars

I hope you have been able to study out those things we have been sharing with you about the Eighth Day Feast and how it wraps all the other Feast days into itself. How all the other Feast Days point to this one day of the wedding. Many a sermon is given at this time or around this feast day about death and dying and what happens to those who die. Again we have explained this briefly in our video that we have had a link for you to watch each week for this entire series.

Why do many pastors talk about the dead and death at the time of the Eighth Day Feast? What happens to you at death, where are Grandma and Grandpa? What about my two children that died before they had a chance to live? What about all those other children, or those who never heard of Jesus or Yehshua or Yehovah? What about all the rest of mankind who have ever lived, where do they fit into the plan of Yehovah?

We have shown you that they are not in hell nor are they in heaven. We have also shown you in this series that they are asleep and waiting for that time when they come out of the grave.

In this series we have also shown you that Yehovah's desire is to dwell with us here on this earth and that He is going to bring His Kingdom to the earth in the 8th Millennium. At that time Yehovah is going to marry His bride. We have shown you many times now that Yehovah is the one we killed on the tree at Passover in 31 C.E. Yehovah is Yehshua. They are one and the same person, not two and not three. And we have shown you that the Holy Spirit is shown to us in the image of water and that Yehshua said;

Joh 7:38 He who believes on Me, as the Scripture has said, "Out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water." 39 (But He spoke this about the Spirit, which they who believed on Him should receive; for *the* Holy Spirit was not yet *given*, because Jesus was not yet *glorified*.)

We have also shown you how each and every Holy Day of Lev 23 points to this the 8th Day Feast. The Wedding of Yehovah with mankind.

In the weeks to come you will learn how Abraham was told to Sefer the Stars and we are told that it meant to count the stars.

Let's look at it.

Gen 15:5 And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be.

Gen 15:5 And he brought him forthH3318 (H853) abroad,H2351 and said,H559 LookH5027 nowH4994 toward heaven, H8064 and tellH5608 the stars, H3556 if H518 thou be ableH3201 to numberH5608 them: and he saidH559 unto him, SoH3541 shall thy seedH2233 be. H1961

The word "tell" the stars is;

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A primitive root; properly to *score* with a mark as a tally or record, that is, (by implication) to *inscribe*, and also to *enumerate*; intensively to *recount*, that is, *celebrate*: – commune, (ac-) count, declare, number, + penknife, reckon, scribe, shew forth, speak, talk, tell (out), writer.

We are to declare the stars, connect them or sefer them to see what they show us.

They reveal the plan of Yehovah and yet many people have fallen for the lie Satan has put forward that we are not to consider them because that is "Astrology" and that is evil.

When Yehovah created the planets and the stars, He set them in the firmament of heaven and said, in Genesis 1:14–

"Let them be for signs and for seasons."

Here the word "signs" is *othoth* (plural of *oth*, from the root *to come*). Hence, *a sign of something* or *some One to come*.

Jeremiah 10:2 Jehovah says, "And be not dismayed at the signs of the heavens, for the heathen are dismayed at them."

The word "seasons" does not denote merely what we call the four seasons of the year, but *cycles* of time. (Note there are only two season in the bible, Summer and winter) It is *appointed time* (from the verb *to point out, appoint*).

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H4150 ????? ??? ???? mo'ed mo'a'dah mo-ade',mo-ade',mo-aw-daw'
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From H3259; properly an *appointment*, that is, a fixed *time* or season; specifically a *festival*; conventionally a *year*; by implication, an *assembly* (as convened for a definite purpose); technically the *congregation*; by extension, the *place of meeting*; also a *signal* (as appointed beforehand): – appointed (sign, time), (place of, solemn) assembly, congregation, (set, solemn) feast, (appointed, due) season, solemn (-ity), synagogue, (set) time (appointed).

We shall continue from this point with Bullinger's Witness of the Stars.

It occurs three more times in Genesis, each time in connection with the promised Seed-

Genesis 17:21, "At this set time in the next year"; Genesis 18:14, "At the time appointed I will return"; and Genesis 21:2, "At the set time of which God had spoken."

Genesis 1:14 is therefore, "They (the sun, moon, and stars) shall be for signs (things to come) and for cycles (appointed times)."

Here, then, we have a distinct declaration from God, that the heavens contain not only a Revelation concerning *things to come* in the "Signs," but also concerning *appointed times* in the wondrous movements of the sun, and moon, and stars.

Some years ago it was my privilege to enjoy the acquaintance of Miss Frances Rolleston, of Keswick, and to carry on a correspondence with her with respect to her work, *Mazzaroth* or, *the Constellations*. She was the first to create an interest in this important subject. Since then Dr. Joseph A. Seiss, of Philadelphia, has endeavored to popularize her work on the other side of the Atlantic; and brief references have been made to the subject in such books as *Moses and Geology*, by Dr. Kinns, and in *Primeval Man*; but it was felt, for many reasons, that it was desirable to make another effort to set forth, in a more complete form, the *witness of the stars to prophetic truth*, so necessary in these last days.

To the late Miss Rolleston, however, belongs the honor of collecting a mass of information bearing on this subject; but, published as it was, chiefly in the form of *notes*, unarranged and unindexed, it was suited only for, but was most valuable to, the student. It was she who performed the drudgery of collecting the facts presented by Albumazer, the Arab astronomer to the Caliphs of Grenada, AD 850; and the Tables drawn up by Ulugh Beigh, the Tartar prince and astronomer, about AD 1450, who gives the Arabian astronomy as it had come down from the earliest times.

Modern astronomers have preserved, and still have in common use, the ancient names of over a hundred of the principal stars which have been handed down; but now these names are used merely as a convenience, and without any reference to their significance.

Psa 19:1 To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. The heavens declare the glory of God; and the expanse proclaims His handiwork. 2 Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night reveals knowledge. 3 There is no speech nor are there words; their voice is not heard. 4 Their line has gone out through all the earth and their words to the end of the world. In them He has set a tabernacle for the sun, 5 and he comes forth as a bridegroom from his canopy; he rejoices as a strong man to run a race, 6 going forth from the end of the heavens, and its course is to their ends. And there is nothing hid from its heat. 7 The Law of Jehovah is perfect, converting the soul; the testimony of Jehovah is sure, making the simple wise. 8 The Precepts of Jehovah are right, rejoicing the heart; the Commandments of Jehovah are pure, giving light to the eyes. 9 The fear of Jehovah is clean, enduring forever; the judgments of Jehovah are true and righteous altogether, 10 more to be desired than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. 11 And Your servant is warned by them; in keeping them there is great reward. 12 Who can understand his errors? Oh make me pure from secret faults; 13 and keep Your servant back from presumptuous sins; do not let them rule over me; then I shall be upright, and I shall be innocent of great transgression. 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, O Jehovah, my Rock and my Redeemer.

For more than two thousand five hundred years the world was without a written revelation from God. The question is, Did God leave Himself without a witness? The question is answered very positively by the written Word that He did not.

In Romans 1:19 it is declared that, "that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath showed it unto them. For the invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse."

But how was God known? How were His "invisible things," i.e., His plans, His purposes, and His counsels, known since the creation of the world? We are told by the Holy Spirit in Romans 10:18. Having stated in v. 17 that "Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the Word (*the thing spoken, sayings*) of God," He asks, "But I say, Have they not heard? Yes, verily." And we may ask, How have they heard? The answer follows—"Their sound went into all the earth and their words (*their teaching, message, instruction*) unto the ends of the world." What words? What instruction? Whose message? Whose teaching? There is only one answer, and that is, THE HEAVENS! This is settled by the fact that the passage is quoted from Psalm 19, [one] part of which is occupied with the Revelation of God written in *the Heavens*, and the part with the Revelation of God written in the *Word*.

This is the simple explanation of this beautiful Psalm. This is why its two subjects are brought together. It has often perplexed many why there should be that abrupt departure in verse 7— "The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul." The fact is, there is nothing abrupt in it, and it is no departure. It is simply the transition to the second of the two great Revelations which are thus placed in juxtaposition. The first is the Revelation of the Creator, *El*, in His *works*, while the second is the Revelation of the Covenant Jehovah in His *Word*. And it is noteworthy that while in the first half of the Psalm, *El* is named only once, in the latter half *Jehovah* is named *seven* times, the last being threefold (Jehovah, Rock, and Redeemer), concluding the Psalm.

It is a remarkable fact that it is in the Book of Job, which is generally allowed to be the oldest book in the Bible, * if not in the world, that we have references to this Stellar Revelation. This would be at least 2,000 years before Christ. In that book the signs of the Zodiac and the names of several stars and constellations are mentioned, as being ancient and well-known.

* Job is thought by some to be the Jobab mentioned in Genesis 10:29, the third in descent from Eber.

In Isaiah 40:26 (RV) we read:-

"Lift up your eyes on high,
And see who hath created these,
That bringeth out their host by number:
He calleth them all by name;
By the greatness of His might,
And for that He is strong in power,
Not one is lacking."

We have the same evidence in Psalm 147:4 (RV).

"He telleth the number of the stars; He giveth them all their names."

Here is a distinct and Divine declaration that the great Creator both *numbered* as well as *named* the stars of Heaven.

The question is, Has he revealed any of these names? Have any of them been handed down to us?

The answer is Yes; and that in the Bible itself we have the names (so ancient that their meaning is a little obscure) of *Ash* (a name still connected with the Great Bear), *Cesil*, and *Cimah*.

They occur in Job 9:9: "Which maketh Arcturus (RV *the Bear*), Orion, and Pleiades, and the chambers of the south." (Marg., Heb., *Ash*, *Cesil*, *and Cimah*.)

Job 38:31,32: "Canst thou bind the sweet influences (RV cluster) of the Pleiades (marg., the seven stars, Heb. Cimah), or lose the bands of Orion (marg. Heb. Cesil)? Canst thou bring forth Mazzaroth (marg., the twelve signs. RV, "the twelve signs": and marg., the signs of the Zodiac) in his season? or canst thou guide Arcturus with his sons (RV, the Bear with her train; and marg., Heb., sons)."*

- * Note the structure of this verse:
 - 1. The seven stars, B. Orion,
 - 2. A. The twelve signs,

B. Arcturus.

Isaiah 13:10: ... "the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof"...

Amos 5:8: "Seek him that maketh the seven stars (RV, the Pleiades) and Orion."

Then we have the term "Mazzaroth," Job 38:32, and "Mazzaloth," 2 Kings 23:5. The former in both versions is referred to the Twelve Signs of the Zodiac, while the latter is rendered "planets," and in margin, *the twelve signs or constellations*.

Others are referred to by name. The sign of "Gemini," or the Twins, is given as the name of a ship: Acts 28:11, Castor & Pollux.

Most commentators agree that the constellation of "Draco," or the Dragon (between the Great and Little Bear), is referred to in Job 26:13: "By His Spirit He hath garnished the heavens; His hand hath formed the crooked serpent (RV swift. Marg. *fleeing* or *gliding*. See Isaiah 27:1, 43:14)." This word "garnished" is peculiar. The RV puts in the margin, *beauty*. In Psalm 16:6, it is rendered *goodly*. "I have a goodly heritage." In Daniel 4:2, it is rendered, "I thought it good to show," referring to "the signs and wonders" with which God had visited Nebuchadnezzar. It appears from this that God "*thought it good to show*" by these signs written in the heavens the wonders of His purposes and counsels, and it was by His Spirit that He made it known; it was His hand that *coiled* the crooked serpent among the stars of heaven.

Thus we see that the Scriptures are not silent as to the great antiquity of the signs and constellations.

Cancer (the Crab)

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It does not agree with the names either of its three		
constellations which have come down cancer		to us,
or of its stars.		
		Cancer Stars

In the ancient Denderah Zodiac it is represented as a *Scarabaeus*, or sacred beetle. * In the Zodiac of Esneh and in a Hindu Zodiac (400 BC) it is the same.

* The Scarabaeus, passing its early existence as a worm of the earth, and thence issuing as a winged denizen of heaven, was held sacred by the Egyptians as an emblem of the resurrection of the body.

According to the Greeks, Jupiter placed this Crab amongst the signs of the Zodiac.

In Sir William Jones's Oriental Zodiac we meet with a crab, and an Egyptian Zodiac found at Rome bears also the crab in this sign.

The more ancient Egyptians placed *Hermanubis*, or *Hermes*, with the head of an ibis or hawk, as the symbol of the sign now allotted to CANCER.

The Denderah name is

Klaria,

or the cattle-folds.

and in this name we have the key to the meaning of the sign, and to the subject of this chapter.

The Arabic name is *Al Sartan*, which means *who holds* or *binds*, and may be from the Hebrew *to bind together* (Gen 49:11). There is no ancient Hebrew word known for the crab. It was classed with many other unclean creatures, and would be included in the general term "vermin."

The Syriac, *Sartano*, means the same. The Greek name is *Karkinos*, which means *holding* or *encircling*, as does the Latin, *Cancer*, and hence is applied to the crab. In the word *Khan*, we have the traveller's rest or inn; while *Ker* or *Cer* is the Arabic for *encircling*. The ancient Akkadian name of the month is *Su-kul-na*, the seizer or possessor of seed.

(It is my personal opinion that this means held in the palm of His hand. Read Isaiah and look at the word for Palm)

Isa 49:16Behold, I have carved you on the palms of My hands; your walls are forever before Me.

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H3709 ??? kaph kaf
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From H3721; the hollow *hand* or palm (so of the *paw* of an animal, of the *sole*, and even of the *bowl* of a dish or sling, the *handle* of a bolt, the *leaves* of a palm tree); figuratively *power*: – branch, + foot, hand ([-ful], -dle, [-led]), hollow, middle, palm, paw, power, sole, spoon.

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H3721 ???? ka?phaph kaw-faf
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A primitive root; to *curve*: – bow down (self).

The sign contains 83 stars, one of which is of the 3rd magnitude, and seven are of the 4th magnitude, and the remainder of inferior magnitudes.

In the centre of the Sign there is a remarkably bright cluster of stars, so bright that they can be sometimes seen with the naked eye. It looks like a comet, and is made up of a great multitude of stars. Modern astronomers have called it the *Beehive*. But its ancient name has come down to us as *Praesepe*, which means a multitude, offspring.

The brightest star, \mathbf{z} (in the tail), is called *Tegmine*, *holding*. The star \mathbf{a} (or \mathbf{a}^1 and \mathbf{a}^2), in the lower large claw, is called *Acubene*, which, in Hebrew and Arabic, means *the*

sheltering or hiding-place. Another is named Ma'alaph (Arabic), assembled thousands; Al Himarein (Arabic), the kids or lambs.

(Again I say to you read the scriptures to see these truths jump out at you. Acubene, the secret hiding place in the palm of His hand.)

Psa 27:5For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His shelter, in the secrecy of His tabernacle He shall hide me; He shall set me up on a rock.

Isa 49:2And He has made My mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of His hand He has hidden Me, and made Me a polished shaft. He has hidden Me in His quiver,

Psa 91:1He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall rest *under* the shadow of the Almighty.

Psa 17:7Set out Your wonderful loving-kindness, O Savior of those seeking refuge *in You*, by Your right hand, from those who rise up against *me*. 8 Keep me as the pupil, the daughter of the eye; hide me under the shadow of Your wings, 9 from the face of the wicked who strip me. *Those* against *my* soul, My foes, encircle me.

Psa 31:20You shall hide them in the secrecy of Your presence from the pride of man; You shall hide them in a shelter away from the strife of tongues.

North and south of the nebula *Praesepe* are two stars, which Orientalists speak of by a name evidently of some antiquity. *Asellus* means *an Ass*, and one was called *Asellus Boreas*, the northern Ass; while the other, *Asellus Australis*, is the southern Ass. *

* The Ass was the emblem of *Typhon*, the king who smites or is smitten.

(In prophecy is this not speaking of the King of the North Assyria and the King of South Islam?)

This connects it with the Tribe of Issachar, who is said to have borne upon the Tribal standard the sign of *two asses*.

This is doubtless the reference in Jacob's blessing (Gen 49:11, RV):

"Issachar is a strong ass,

Couching down between the sheepfolds;

And he saw a resting-place that it was good;

And the land that it was pleasant;

And he bowed his shoulder to bear,

And became a servant under task work."

Have we not here the gathering up of the teaching of this sign-

Messiah's redeemed possessions held fast.

Here we come to the completion of His work. In CANCER we see it with reference to

His redeemed, and in the next (the last) Sign, LEO, with reference to His enemies.

(Cancer is the completion of His work. It is in Cancer that we are redeemed and protected. But this constellation has three other complimentary constellations that also tell a very important story.)

The three constellations develop the truth. What is now called *Ursa Minor* is *the Lesser Flock; Ursa Major* gives us *The Sheepfold and the Sheep*; while *Argo, The Ship*, shows the travellers and the pilgrims brought safely home—all conflict over.

To accomplish this, we see the true Issachar bowing his shoulder to bear. He could say, "My soul is bowed down" (Psa 57:6). He became a servant, and humbled Himself to death. He undertook the mighty task of saving His people from their sins. "Their Redeemer is strong" (Jer 50:34); for help was laid on "One that was mighty" (Psa 89:19). And His redeemed shall come to a resting-place that is good, and to a land that is pleasant. No earthly Khan on earth affords them a home. They look for a heavenly home, and in the many mansions of the Father's house they shall find eternal rest.

Here we see that sheltering home to which the names of these stars point; where the assembled thousands (*Ma'alaph*) shall be received into the true *Klaria*, even the "everlasting habitations."

These are now to be shown to us.

URSA MINOR (The Little Bear) The lesser sheepfold

Ursa Minor (the Little Bear)

Here we come to another grievous mistake, or ignorant perversion of primitive truth, as shown in the ancient names of these two constellations.

It is sufficient to point to the fact that no Bear is found in any Chaldean, Egyptian, Pesian, or Indian Zodiacs, and that no bear was ever seen with such a tail! No one who had ever seen a bear would have called attention to a tail, such as no bear ever had, by placing in its very tip the most important, wondrous, and mysterious Polar Star, the central star of the heavens, round which all others revolve. The patriarchal astronomers, we may be sure, committed no such folly as this.

The primitive truth that there were *two*, or a pair of constellations is preserved; and that of these two, one is larger, and the other smaller. But what were they? We have the clue to the answer in the name of the brightest star of the larger constellation, which is called *Dubheh*.

Now *Dubheh* means a herd of animals. In Arabic, *Dubah* means cattle. In Hebrew, *Dohver*, is a fold; and hence in Chaldee it meant wealth. The Hebrew *Dohveh*, means rest or security; and certainly there is not much of either to be found or enjoyed with bears! The word occurs in Deuteronomy 33:25 "As thy days so shall thy strength be." The Revised Version gives in the margin, "So shall thy rest or security be." This accords with what we have already seen under CANCER: "Couching down between the sheepfolds, he saw a resting-place that it was good."

Here are the two Sheepfolds, then; the Greater fold, and Lesser; and here is the *rest* and *security* which the flocks will find therein.

But in Hebrew there is a word very similar in sound, though not in spelling—dohv, which means a bear! So we find in Arabic dub; Persian, deeb and dob. We can see, therefore, how the Hebrew Dohver, a fold, and Dohv, a bear, were confused; and how the Arabic Dubah, cattle, might easily have been mistaken by the Greeks, and understood as a bear.

The constellation, which we must therefore call THE LESSER SHEEPFOLD, contains 24 stars, viz., one of the 2nd magnitude, two of the 3rd, four of the 4th, etc.

The brightest star, **a** (at the point of the tail), is the most important in the whole heavens. It is named *Al Ruccaba*, which means *the turned* or *ridden on*, and is today the Polar or central star, which does not revolve in a circle as does every other star, but remains, apparently, fixed in its position.

But though the star does not revolve like the others, the central point in the heavens is very slowly but steadily moving.

When these constellations were formed the Dragon possessed this important point, and the star **a**, in *Draco*, marked this central point. But, by its gradual recession, that point is sufficiently near this star *Ruccaba*, in *the Lesser Sheepfold*, for it to be what is called "the Polar Star." But, how could this have been known five or six thousand years ago? How could it have been known when it received its name, which means *the turned* or *ridden on*? That it was known is clear: so likewise was it made known in the written Word that the original blessing included not merely the multiplication of the seed of faithful Abraham, but it was then added, "And thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies" (Gen 22:17).

This star was called by the Greeks the "*Cynosure*." ARATUS seems to apply this term to the whole of the seven stars of the *Lesser Bear*. Mr. Robert Brown, Jr., shows that this word once supposed to be Hellenic, is non-Hellenic, and possibly Euphratean in origin, from a word which he transliterates *An-nas-sur-ra*, and renders it, "as it literally means, *high in rising*, i.e., in heavenly position." (*Euphratean Stellar Researches*). Is not this the primitive truth of the Revelation? Will not this Lesser Fold be high, yea, the highest in heavenly position?

The Polar Star has been removed from the Dragon, and is now in *the Lesser Fold*; and when the Dragon shall be cast down from the heavens, the heavenly seed will be safely folded there. But this is *the Lesser Sheepfold*. These are they who all through the ages have been "partakers of the heavenly calling," who desired a better country, that is, a *heavenly*; wherefore God "hath prepared for them a city," the city for which Abraham himself "looked." This was no earthly city, but a city "whose builder and maker is God" (Heb 11:10-16). These have always been a smaller company, a "little flock," but the kingdom shall be theirs, even the kingdom of God, for which they now look and wait. They have not yet "received the promises; but, having seen them afar off" by faith, they "were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth" (Heb 11:13). Their Messiah has accomplished "the redemption of the purchased possession," and in due time the redeemed will inherit it, "unto the praise of His glory" (Eph 1:13).

The bright star **b** is named *Kochab*, which means *waiting Him who cometh*. Other stars are named *Al Pherdadain* (Arabic), which means *the calves*, or *the young* (as in Deut 22:6), *the redeemed assembly*. Another, *Al Gedi*, means *the kid*. Another is *Al Kaid*, *the assembled*; while *Arcas*, or *Arctos* (from which we derive the term *Arctic* regions), means, according to one interpreter, *a travelling company*; or, according to another, *the stronghold of the saved*.

But there is not only the heavenly seed, which is compared "to the stars of heaven," but there is the seed that is compared to "the sand of the sea"—the larger flock or company, who will enjoy the earthly blessing.

The north star is at the end of the little dipper and is about 5 hand breadths from the big dipper as shown in the picture.

Big Dipper Names pointing to Littel Dipper

We must interrupt Mr. Bullinger at this point and show you what this lesser sheepfold is.

Big Dipper Littel Dipper

You know it today as the little Dipper. We have written about it in our book *The Prophecies of Abraham*. And we have as one of our very first articles the explanation of this constellation about the <u>24 Elders</u>. YOU DO NEED TO READ THIS ARTICLE TO GRASP THE PURPOSE OF ALL THESE TEACHINGS ON THE 8TH DAY.

In short, this constellation is showing us the first wave offering which takes place on the day after the weekly Sabbath during the days of Unleavened Bread. Once you understand who this small or lesser sheepfold is and that it is related to the larger one then you can understand the first wave offering and how it is tied into the second wave offering at Pentecost.

URSA MAJOR (The Great Bear)The fold and the flock

Ursa Major (the Great Bear)

Of these it is written-

"But in Mount Zion there shall be those that escape, And it shall be holy: And the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions." Obadiah 17-19, RV

It is a large and important constellation, containing 87 stars, of which one is of the 1st magnitude, four of the 2nd, three of the 3rd, ten of the 4th, etc. It always presents a splendid appearance, and is perhaps, therefore, the best known of all the constellations.

In the Book of Job (9:9, and 38:31,32) it is mentioned under the name of *Ash*. "Canst thou guide *Ash* and her offspring?" which is rendered in the AV, "Arcturus and his sons," and in the RV, "The Bear with her train" (marg., "sons"). The Arabs still call it *Al Naish*, or *Annaish*, the assembled together, as sheep in a fold. The ancient Jewish commentators interpreted *Ash* as the seven stars of this constellation. They are called by others *Septentriones*, which thus became the Latin word for *North*.

The brightest star, **a** (in the back), is named *Dubhe*, which, as we have seen, means *a herd of animals*, or *a flock*, and gives its name to the whole constellation.

The star **b** (below it) is named *Merach* (Hebrew), *the flock* (Arabic, purchased).

The star **g** (on the left of **b**) is called *Phaeda*, or *Phacda*, meaning *visited*, *guarded*, or *numbered*, as a flock; for His sheep, like the stars, are both *numbered* and *named*. (See Psalm 147:4)

The star **e** is called *Alioth*, a name we have had in *Auriga*, meaning *a she goat*.

The star **z** (in the middle of the tail) is called *Mizar, separate* or *small*, and close to it *Al Cor, the Lamb*.

The star **h** (at the end of the so-called tail) is named *Benet Naish* (Arabic), the daughters of the assembly. It is also called *Al Kaid, the assembled*.

The star **i** (in its right foot) is called *Talitha*.

Big Dipper Names pointing to Littel Dipper

The names of other stars all give the same testimony: *El Alcola* (Arabic), *the sheepfold* (as in Psa 95:7; and 100:3);

Psa 95:7 For He *is* our God, and we *are* the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand. Today if you will hear His voice,

Psa 100:3Know that Jehovah, He *is* God. He has made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Cab'd al Asad, multitude, many assembled; Annaish, the assembled; Megrez, separated, as the flock in the fold; El Kaphrah, protected, covered (Heb. redeemed and ransomed); Dubheh

Lachar (Arabic), the latter herd or flock; Helike (so called by HOMER in the Iliad), company of travellers; Amaza (Greek), coming and going; Calisto, the sheepfold set or appointed.

There is not one discordant voice in the rich abundance of this testimony. We have nothing to do here with the Grecian myths about bears or wild boars. We see only the innumerable seed *gathered* by Him who *scattered* (Jer 31:10).

Jer 31:10Hear the Word of Jehovah, O nations, and declare *it* in the coastlands afar off. And say, He who scattered Israel will gather him and keep him, as a shepherd *keeps* his flock.

Many are the Scriptures we might quote which speak of this gathering and assembling of the long scattered flock. It is written as plainly in the Book, as it is in the heavens. The prophecies of this gathering are as conspicuous in the Word of God as the "Seven Stars" in the sky. It is difficult even to make a selection from the wealth of such promises; but few are more beautiful than that in Ezekiel 34:12-16:

"As a shepherd seeketh out his flock

In the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered;

So will I seek out my sheep,

And will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day.

And I will bring them out from the people,

And gather them from the countries,

And will bring them to their own land,

And feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers

And in all the inhabited places of the country.

I will feed them in a good pasture,

And upon the high mountains of Israel shall their fold be:

There shall they lie in a good fold,

And in a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel.

I will feed my flock,

And I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord GOD (Adonai Jehovah).

I will seek that which was lost,

And bring again that which was driven away,

And will bind up that which was broken,

And will strengthen that which was sick:

But I will destroy the fat and the strong;

I will feed them with judgment."

It is of this judgment with which this book, and indeed the whole Revelation, ends, in the next and final chapter.

But before we come to that we have one more picture in the third constellation of this Sign, which combines the first two in one.

Here in this second constellation known as the big dipper or the greater bear or the greater sheepfold is pictured in the Feast of Shavuot, which we have explained in our article Pentecost's Hidden Meaning, which we asked you to read after the section of

the little dipper. These are the plans of Salvation that Yehovah has laid out before you since the creation of the stars.

The first wave offering during Unleavened Bread represents those raised from the grave who had lived prior to the death of Yehshua – Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses and the like. We read of the 24 elders in heaven now. Yehovah is preparing the administration of the Kingdom. These 24 are first. The next group to be raised up will take place at Shavuot and will be all those who died in the faith from the time Yehshua came out of the grave up until the time He returns just before the 7th Millennium. These then will rule with David here on earth for the 7th Millennium.

What we are now about to read is what the Eighth Day feast shows us-the resurrection of the rest of mankind-everyone who has ever lived since the creation of Adam, and they will be shown the truths of the Torah, which is the laws of the Kingdom. They will judged at the Great white throne judgment we read about in Revelation.

And then the wedding of Yehovah takes place with the Bride of Israel and the rest of mankind who are now grafted into Israel.

Constellation argo

3. ARGO (The Ship)

The pilgrims safe at home

Argo (the Ship)

This is the celebrated ship of the Argonauts, of which HOMER sung nearly ten centuries before Christ. Sir Isaac Newton puts the expedition of the Argonauts shortly after the death of Solomon (about 930 BC). While Dr. Blair's chronology puts it at 1236 BC.

Whatever fables have gathered around the story there can be no doubt as to its great antiquity. Some think that the story had its origin in name, as well as in fact, from the *Ark* of Noah and its mysterious journey. All that is clear, when divested of mythic details, is that the sailors in that ship, after all their dangers and toils and battles were over, came back victorious to their own shores. The "golden fleece," for which the Argonauts went in search, tells of a treasure that had been *lost*. "Jason," the great captain, tells of Him who recovered it from the *Serpent*, which guarded it with ever-watchful eye, when none else was able to approach it. And thus, through the fables and myths of the Greeks, we can see the light primeval shine; and this light, once seen, lights up this Sign and its constellations, so that their teaching cannot be misunderstood.

ARATUS sings of *Argo*:

"Stern-foremost hauled; no mark of onward-speeding ship. Sternward she comes, as vessels do When sailors turn the helm On entering harbour: all the oars back-water,

It tells of that blessed home-coming, when-

"The ransomed of the LORD shall return And come to Zion with songs, And everlasting joy upon their heads; They shall obtain joy and gladness, And sorrow and sighing shall flee away." Isaiah 35:10

And gliding backward, to an anchor comes."

It tells of the glorious Jason (the Graeco-Judean equivalent of Joshua or Jesus), of whom it is asked:

"Art thou not it which hath cut Rahab, And wounded the dragon?

Art thou not it which hath dried the sea, the waters of the great deep;

That hath made the depths of the sea a way for the ransomed to pass over?

Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return,

And come with singing unto Zion," etc.

Isaiah 51:9-11

"For the LORD hath redeemed Jacob,

And ransomed him from the hand of him that was stronger than he.

Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion,

And shall flow together to the goodness of the LORD."

Jeremiah 31:11, 12

This is the return of the great emigrant-ship (*Argo*) and all its *company of travellers* (for this is the meaning of the word *Argo*).

In Kircher's Egyptian Planisphere *Argo*, is represented by two galleys (as we have two sheepfolds), whose prows are surmounted by rams' heads; and the stern of one of them ends in a fish's tail. One of the two occupies *four segments* of the sphere (from TAURUS to VIRGO), while the other occupies the four from LEO to CAPRICORNUS. *One half* of the southern meridians is occupied with these galleys and their construction and decorations. Astronomers tell us that they carry us back, the one to the period when the Bull opened the year (to which time VIRGIL refers); and the other to the *same* epoch, when the summer solstice was in LEO—"an era greatly antecedent to the Argonautic expedition. How else, they ask, do we account for the one ship having her prow in the first Decan of TAURUS, and her poop in the last decan of LEO? or for one galley being freighted with the installed *Bull*, and the other with the solstitial *Lion*?" (Jamieson's *Scientific Display*, &c.)

These are the words of an astronomer who knows nothing whatever of our interpretation of the heavens which is set forth in this work.

It will indeed be a large vessel, the true *Argo*, with its *company of travellers*, "a great multitude which no man can number." All this is indicated by the immense size of the constellation, as well as by the large number of its stars. There are 64 stars in *Argo* (reckoning by the Britannic catalogue); one of the 1st magnitude, six of the 2nd, nine of the 3rd, nine of the 4th, etc. Only a small part of the ship's poop is visible in Britain.

Its brightest star, **a** (near the keel), is called *Canopus* or *Canobus*, which means *the* possession of Him who cometh. Other star-names are—Sephina, the multitude or abundance; Tureis, the possession; Asmidiska, the released who travel; Soheil (Arabic), the desired; and Subilon, the Branch.

Is not all this exactly in harmony with the rest of this sign? And is not this what is written in the Book?

"Therefore, fear thou not, O My servant Jacob, saith the LORD;

Neither be dismayed, O Israel:

For, lo, I will save thee from afar,

And thy seed from the land of their captivity;

And Jacob shall return and be in rest,

And be quiet, and none shall make him afraid,

For I am with thee, saith the LORD, to save thee."

Jeremiah 30:10, 11

"Lift up thine eyes round about, and see;

All they gather themselves together, they come to thee;

Thy sons shall come from far,

And thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side,

Then thou shalt see, and flow together,

And thine heart shall fear and be enlarged;

Because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto

thee... Who are these that fly as a cloud? And as doves to their windows?

Surely the isles shall wait for me,

And the SHIPS of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far."

Isaiah 60:4, 5, 8, 9

The whole chapter (Isa 60) should be read if we wish to understand the great teaching of this Sign, which tells of Messiah's secured possessions, the safe folding of His blood-bought flock, the blessed return of His pilgrims, and their abundant entrance into everlasting rest.

"There is a blessed home Beyond this land of woe, Where trials never come, Nor tears of sorrow flow; Where faith is lost in sight, And patient love is crowned, And everlasting light Its glory throws around.

O joy, all joys beyond,
To see the Lamb who died,
And count each sacred wound
In hands, and feet, and side;
To give to Him the praise
Of every triumph won,
And sing through endless days
The great things He hath done.

Look up, ye saints of God,
Nor fear to tread below
The path your Saviour trod
Of daily toil and woe;
Wait but a little while
In uncomplaining love,
His own most gracious smile
Shall welcome you above."

Brethren these three decans of the constellation Cancer otherwise known as the sheep fold shows the three hags when Mankind will be raised back to life at. The first is the lesser sheep fold which is the first hag of Unleavened Bread. The Second is the greater sheep fold which is the resurrection of many more at the second hag of Shavuot.

The third and final decan is the Great Ship Argo and it is represented by the third hag of Sukkot and the Eighth Day when Yehovah will wed His bride and dwell with man on earth.

Look up into the skies and read the plan of salvation written down from the very beginning of time. Understand the rich and awesome meaning of each of the Holy Days and how they all point to the Eighth Day when all mankind will dwell with Yehovah here on earth.

The Eighth Day Feast is the most meaningful and the greatest Feast as all those who never knew nor believed will be alive to learn the truth. Your family and mine together living in harmony under the rules of His Kingdom with HIm here on this earth with Peace and bounty for all. Then the glory of the universe will be at our disposal to explore and settle. Our future potential is unimaginable and exciting.