

Eleven

This particular study was done a request from a friend for his daughter.

Gen 32:22

21 So Jacob's gifts went on ahead of him, but he himself spent the night in the camp.

22 That night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maidservants and his **eleven sons** and crossed the ford of the Jabbok.

23 After he had sent them across the stream, he sent over all his possessions.

24 So Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him till daybreak.

Its' good to note here that it appears that either Joseph's younger brother Benjamin wasn't born yet or Joseph was in Egypt. As Rachael is still alive it is assumed Benjamin hasn't been born. Twelve seems to denote each of the Lord's two wives throughout scripture, one being the gentile portion and the other being Hebrew. It denotes his work on each down through time to bring them to a point where each is pleasing to him. Later when the two "become one" (the Hebrew and Greek use a singular tense when describing the two) they are denoted as twenty-four. Squaring twelve gives us one hundred forty-four which stands for a completed wall that encircles and protects Christ. Could these "two" which equal one, be the Messianic Jew and the Christian Gentile bride working together, or the unheard of ( the Law and Grace becoming one in Christ)? In either case the eleven above is one short of the number 12 or rather without Christ. This meaning eleven is insufficient or at least not complete.

Gen 37:9

8 His brothers said to him, "Do you intend to reign over us? Will you actually rule us?" And they hated him all the more because of his dream and what he had said.

9 Then he had another dream, and he told it to his brothers. "Listen," he said, "I had another dream, and this time the sun and moon and **eleven stars** were bowing down to me."

10 When he told his father as well as his brothers, his father rebuked him and said, "What is this dream you had? Will your mother and I and your brothers actually come and bow down to the ground before you?"

This is an interesting allegory. All through scripture we read of the sun and the moon as well as the stars, and here the Lord gives us an interpretation. The Sun represents the Lord himself (the father), one who gives light = truth. The moon is the mother, or rather Israel, which shines by reflected light and at this point does not have access to the Spirit. The sons are stars but one is missing so the number is not complete. These may represent the children of Israel without the Lord. He does say later that every knee will bend and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, (The saved as well as the unsaved). Here, of course, the sun is Joseph's father and the moon his mother.

Exo. 26:7

7 "Make curtains of goat hair for the tent over the tabernacle--**eleven** altogether.

- 8 All eleven curtains are to be the same size--thirty cubits long and four cubits wide.

Here we look at a “covering”, that is a part of a covering, an incomplete covering. It will keep “unclean” eyes from seeing. Someone who goes within this area had better be “clean”. Circumcised in heart! It is a type of what is to come. Later the house of the Lord becomes rock paneled with wood. Someday when all is completed our Lord will Tabernacle in the flesh, not his earthly flesh, but he will come in his fullness with us at the end of the age. We are incomplete without him and only will be complete when he is one with us. We will surround and encompass him. Note Jeremiah 31:22

22 How long will you wander, O unfaithful daughter? The LORD will create a new thing on earth-- **a woman will surround a man.**" (or as the insert states “protect” )

These are the “two”. They are female in gender in this picture. It may be that they (this new guardian Cherub) will take the place of the old guardian cherub (Lucifer).

Num 29:20

20 "On the third day prepare **eleven** bulls, two rams and fourteen male lambs a year old, all without defect.

Of course we know that the only sacrifice that was sufficient for our sin was Jesus Christ. He was perfect and unblemished and is the only sacrifice acceptable to fully enter into the presence of God.

Deu 1:1 These are the words Moses spoke to all Israel in the desert east of the Jordan--that is, in the Arabah--opposite Suph, between Paran and Tophel, Laban, Hazeroth and Dizahab.

2 (It takes **eleven** days to go from Horeb to Kadesh Barnea by the Mount Seir road.)

Kadesh Barnea is a staging area to spy out the land, as well as to make a decision as to whether we can take it. Horeb is the mountain of God where a covenant was made between Israel and our Lord. It is where the wrath of the Lord was aroused against them. He spoke out of the fire (which consumes us unless we are covered with the Blood) and frightened the people. To take the “Land”, no not the literal land as the Jew sees it but to take back our part (land or inheritance) in Him (for you know He is our portion), we must accept what He did on the cross. Grace must be given so we can have His Spirit that utters Abba! Then when we look at the Land with His Spirit we can say, “Yes Lord, we Trust you. With you as our helper we can take the Land,” or rather, we can have that relationship back with Him as it was in the beginning. To go from Horeb (the Law) we need Grace which is given to us by the one that is capable of making 12 out of 11.

Judg 16:5

5 The rulers of the Philistines went to her and said, "See if you can lure him into showing you the secret of his great strength and how we can overpower him so we may

tie him up and subdue him. **Each one of us** will give you **eleven hundred shekels** of silver."

6 So Delilah said to Samson, "Tell me the secret of your great strength and how you can be tied up and subdued."

The evil unclean rulers' payment is marked with eleven to take down Samson. Samson is considered by some to be a type of the Hebrew leadership portion of the end days' church being brought down by the attractiveness of materialism and other things. Delilah might well be something like the whore of Babylon or rather the apostate secular Christian church that is selling easy believism with no commitment, suffering, or cost. Note that the church today is going quite blind. Please note that eventually the type Samson as the Hebrew portion of the Christian church is used to destroy the unclean 'Philistines.' Notice that the eleven is connected not only with those that are unclean but also the metal silver. Silver in scripture is symbolic of redemption or salvation. Above it seems that there is deception going on, as there is today, promising salvation but by a source different than what Christ did for us on the cross.

Judg 17:1

17:1 Now a man named Micah from the hill country of Ephraim

2 said to his mother, "The **eleven hundred shekels of silver** that were taken from you and about which I heard you utter a curse--I have that silver with me; I took it." Then his mother said, "The LORD bless you, my son!"

3 When he returned **the eleven hundred shekels of silver** to his mother, she said, "I solemnly consecrate my silver to the LORD for my son to make a carved image and a cast idol. I will give it back to you."

Did you notice the association with silver again? Silver throughout all of scripture is the metal of redemption or salvation. Here again associated with eleven is an evil thing. Something made (an idol) is attempting without God to approach God. It looks good. It is religious. But evil is mixed with good. How like the tree of good and evil in Genesis! The tree of life is left totally out of the picture! The tree of life is our Jesus. Only he can make 12 out of 11. Only he is sufficient for our salvation and redemption. He paid the price. It cost him his life. Our salvation and our maturity in Him does not come cheap. We should never view it as such.