

#2557 The Yom Kippur War and the Abomination of Desolation – The post-World War II U.S. waxing great toward the South and toward the East as a *second* Syria/Antiochus IV Epiphanes, part 816, **The 1947-1948 Tribe of Dan, (xvii), Emphasizing Joseph: Why Joseph replaced Ephraim in the Twelve (12) Tribes of Revelation chapter 7**

Key Understanding and Question: “The tribe of Joseph” in Revelation 7. Since what should have been the tribe of Joseph was given a double portion of inheritance – a full share to the tribe of Manasseh and a full share to the tribe of Ephraim – as Israel entered the Promised Land in the Old Testament, it would seem as though “the tribe of Joseph” should be represented by “the tribe of Manasseh” and “the tribe of Ephraim,” as usual, in Revelation chapter 7. However, while “the tribe of Manasseh” is present, the words “the tribe of Ephraim” are replaced by “the tribe of Joseph.” Why would the Lord ordain the words “the tribe of Joseph” to replace “the tribe of Ephraim”?

Answer: One answer as to why the Lord chose to emphasize Joseph by replacing the words “the tribe of Ephraim” with the words “the tribe of Joseph,” even though “the tribe of Joseph” is referring to “the tribe of Ephraim,” is because a central element to the entire passage is *the missing tribe of Dan*, the reason for which surrounds the prophetic theme of the birth of *Dan* in comparison to the birth of *Joseph*. The unusual emphasis on *Joseph* in the passage helps to verify and clarify that the Lord indeed intended there also to be an emphasis on *Dan* – or perhaps it should be stated, a *deemphasis* on *Dan* – in the passage.

Twelve tribes, not thirteen tribes, are listed in Revelation chapter 7.
The tribe of Dan is omitted.
 [The tribes are not listed in Revelation chapter 7,
shown further below, in the order shown immediately below.]

1. REUBEN	(Leah)	<i>Genesis 29:32</i>
2. SIMEON	(Leah)	<i>Genesis 29:33</i>
3. LEVI	(Leah)	<i>Genesis 29:34</i>
4. JUDAH	(Leah)	<i>Genesis 29:35</i>
DAN	(Bilhah, Rachel’s maid)	<i>Genesis 30:06</i>
5. NAPHTALI	(Bilhah, Rachel’s maid)	<i>Genesis 30:08</i>
6. GAD	(Zilpah, Leah’s maid)	<i>Genesis 30:10 & 11</i>
7. ASHER	(Zilpah, Leah’s maid)	<i>Genesis 30:13</i>
8. ISSACHAR	(Leah)	<i>Genesis 30:18</i>
9. ZEBULUN	(Leah)	<i>Genesis 30:20</i>
10. JOSEPH	(Rachel’s womb opened)	<i>Genesis 30:24</i>
	[then 11. MANASSEH	<i>Genesis 46:20</i>
	and EPHRAIM through Joseph]	
12. BENJAMIN	(Rachel)	<i>Genesis 35:18</i>

Revelation 7:1-8 (KJV) *And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.*

*2 And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea,
3 Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.*

4 And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand OF ALL THE TRIBES OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL.

5 Of the tribe of JUDA [Judah] were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of REUBEN [Reuben] were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of GAD [Gad] were sealed twelve thousand.

6 Of the tribe of ASER [Asher] were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of NEPHTHALIM [Naphtali] were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of MANASSESES [Manasseh] were sealed twelve thousand.

7 Of the tribe of SIMEON [Simeon] were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of LEVI [Levi] were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of ISSACHAR [Issachar] were sealed twelve thousand.

8 Of the tribe of ZABULON [Zebulun] were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of JOSEPH [Joseph] were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of BENJAMIN [Benjamin] were sealed twelve thousand.



Joseph was sold into slavery by his brothers

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