

Discussion 4

The First Dispensation - Michael

(Adam and Eve, and their Descendants)

Primary Reading:

- Zenos Chapter 3

Passages for Comparison:

- Zenos 3:1-20 => Revelation 17:1-18 - Lilith and the Leviathan
- Zenos 3:21-23 => Revelation 12:1-2, 13 - Shekinah vs the Dragon
- Zenos 3:24-28 => Revelation 13:4, 13-14 - Lilith and Cain
- Zenos 3:29-31 => Revelation 6:1-2 - Michael's Dispensation is Unsealed
- Zenos 3:32-33 => Revelation 8:7 - Michael's Shofar is Sounded
- Zenos 3:34-40 => Revelation 2:1-7 - YHVH's Letter to the Sons and Daughters of Adam and Eve
- Zenos 3:41-42 => Revelation 16:2 - Michael's Vial is Poured Out

Objectives:

- Learn to recognize Lilith for who she is, and the characteristics of the Leviathan she rides upon.
- Observe Michael as he participates in the unfolding of time.
- Ponder upon YHVH's Letter to the Sons and Daughters of Adam and Eve.

Reading:

v. 1-10 : Lilith, the Mother of Idolaters		
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3:1. And there came Michael, one of the seven angels of the seven dispensations, with a vile.	17:1 And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:	What does it mean to commit fornication with Lilith? How do we know if we are part of that? If we are, how do we stop? Either way, how do we avoid that?
3:2. And he spoke unto me, saying: Come I will show unto thee the judgment of she who prostituteth herself upon the many waters, with whom the nations of the earth have committed fornication;	17:2 With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.	What does it mean to be drunk with the wine of her fornication? Does this happen to individuals? Nations? Heads of state? All of the above?
3:3. Yea, and the whole earth hath she made drunk with the wine of her fornication.		
3:4. And it came to pass that I was carried away in spirit into the wilderness, and there I saw as it were a woman who sat upon a red serpent, yea even that leviathan;	17:3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.	Why the wilderness? In what way is the Leviathan "red"? What are the names of blasphemy? It

<p>3:5. And written upon the leviathan were the names of blasphemy unto Elohim Khayyim;</p>		<p>seems like if we could recognize them, it would be easy to recognize the leviathan no matter what form it takes.</p>
<p>3:6. And the leviathan had, as it were, seven heads and ten horns, and this to mock the seven and ten flames.</p>		
<p>3:7. And though she was naked, the woman appeared to be adorned in scarlet, red, and purple, and wearing gold, and precious stones, and pearls;</p>	<p>17:4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:</p>	<p>Interesting she is Scarlet Red and Purple, when the Temple of YHVH is Scarlet Blue and Purple. Aren't scarlet and red basically the same color?</p>
<p>3:8. And in her right hand she held as it were a golden chalice which was full of abominations and her fornication, and in her hair and her fingers were filthiness;</p>	<p>17:5 And upon her forehead was a name written, Mystery, Babylon The Great, The Mother Of Harlots And Abominations Of The Earth.</p>	<p>The colors in the Temple of YHVH are literal, are the colors described here to be seen literally? Can we just go find things with that color combination and say "look, this belongs to Lilith"?</p>
<p>3:9. And her name is Lilith, and she is the mother of idolaters, and she and Cain walk the earth teaching mankind the abominations written upon that leviathan.</p>	<p>17:6 And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.</p>	<p>Is there anything today that is "drunk" on the blood of the righteous? Do there have to be martyrs for this to be going on?</p>
<p>3:10. And it came to pass that I saw as it were the woman lying with Cain, intoxicated by their sins, drunk as it were with the blood of kaddish, and in the blood of all those that have been slain.</p>		

v. 11-20 : Leviathan, 7 heads and 10 horns

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<p>3:11. And it came to pass that the angel of YHVH spoke unto me, saying: I shall tell thee the mystery of Lilith, and of the leviathan and his seven heads and his ten horns;</p>	<p>17:7 And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns.</p>	<p>Should we assume that the 7 heads of the leviathan will be alive on the earth at the same time as the dispensation heads whom they oppose?</p>
<p>3:12. And the serpent that thou sawest shall ascend out of the abyss, being perdition.</p>	<p>17:8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.</p>	<p>Or just that they go about doing the work to resist the work of God that is part of that prophet's dispensation?</p>
<p>3:13. And here is wisdom: The seven heads are seven lying tongues on which the woman sitteth that shall oppose the seven angels of the seven dispensations, each one in their turn;</p>	<p>17:9 And here is the mind which hath</p>	<p>Or is the overlap somewhat arbitrary, and it's only important that the number be the same to balance out the symbolism?</p>

	<p>wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.</p>	
<p>3:14. And they are seven rulers of man: five are fallen, and two are yet to come;</p> <p>3:15. And the ten horns are ten rulers with no power, but they receive power as kings upon the earth for one hour as they join with the leviathan;</p> <p>3:16. And these being perdition are as one mind, giving their strength and their power unto Lilith and her leviathan,</p>	<p>17:10 And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.</p> <p>17:11 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.</p> <p>17:12 And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.</p> <p>17:13 These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.</p>	<p>Interesting that in the days of Zenos, 2 of these kings were in the future. But, in John's day, one of these kings was in full swing. Any ideas on who could have been the "king who served the leviathan" in the days that John was on the Isle of Patmos?</p>
<p>3:17. For these have made war with Yah, and YHVH shall overcome them, for he is Mashiach HaMashiach, Yachad Yachid Echad, the Great High Priest after the order of Melchizedek.</p> <p>3:18. And the waters where upon Lilith rested are peoples and nations of the earth;</p> <p>3:19. And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the leviathan, these shall hate Lilith, and shall make her desolate, stripping her naked, and burning her with fire,</p>	<p>17:14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.</p> <p>17:15 And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.</p> <p>17:16 And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.</p>	<p>Most of the time, when we see water mentioned in a kabbalistic text, we assume it is probably related to mercy and being washed clean. But that doesn't appear to be what's going on here. What are your thoughts on that? What does it mean that she rests on many waters?</p> <p>If the horns belong to the leviathan, why would they hate Lilith?</p>
<p>3:20. And this because YHVH shall put in their hearts to fulfill His will, even unto their own detriment should they not return in teshuvah, for the Word of YHVH shall be fulfilled.</p>	<p>17:17 For God hath put in their hearts to fulfill his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.</p> <p>17:18 And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.</p>	

v. 21-23 : Shekinah vs the Dragon

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<p>3:21. And it came to pass that I saw as it were Shekinah; and she was clothed in a fire as bright as the sun, and she</p>	<p>12:1. And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her</p>	<p>Who is the woman? Who is the child? What does it mean that she's clothed</p>

<p>did wear upon her head a crown of twelve stars;</p> <p>3:22. And I beheld that she was in pain, carrying her child, and the child was ready to be delivered.</p>	<p>feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:</p> <p>12:2. And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.</p>	<p>with the sun/moon/stars?</p> <p>If this is a sign in the heavens, is it astrological? If we see it in the stars, what does that mean?</p>
<p>3:23. And it came to pass that when the leviathan saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted Shekinah as she sought to bring forth the man child.</p>	<p>12:13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.</p>	

v. 24-28 : Lilith and Cain

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<p>3:24. And it came to pass that Lilith and Cain and all those that followed after them worshipped the leviathan, saying: Who is like unto the leviathan?</p> <p>3:25. And: Who is able to make war with him?</p>	<p>13:4. And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?</p>	
<p>3:26. And: He doeth great wonders, even showering the earth with fire from the heavens,</p> <p>3:27. And so did these deceive the men of the earth by his priestcrafts called miracles,</p> <p>3:28. And it came to pass that Lilith and Cain went about commanding the men to make idols to worship the leviathan.</p>	<p>13:13 And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,</p> <p>13:14 And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.</p>	<p>Do the priests of the leviathan today work great wonders? Miracles that deceive mankind?</p> <p>Or is this some future (or past) thing?</p>

v. 29-31 : Michael's Dispensation Unsealed

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<p>3:29. And it came to pass that I saw that Michael had opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the sound of a shofar,</p> <p>3:30. And then I heard the beast that was as a lion say: Come and see!</p>	<p>6:1. And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see.</p> <p>6:2. And I saw, and behold a</p>	<p>Does it bother you that the Revelation version of this vision is so adamant that only the Lamb could open the seals, but in the Zenos version, they are opened by his angels?</p> <p>Is the lion significant in some way here?</p>

<p>3:31. And I saw as it were a man sitting upon a white horse, and unto him was given a crown, and I beheld that he went forth conquering, and to conquer.</p>	<p>white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.</p>	<p>What does white imply here?</p> <p>Why does John's version have a bow?</p> <p>What crown?</p> <p>Conquering what?</p>
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v. 32-33 : Michael's Shofar

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<p>3:32. And it came to pass that I saw Michael sounding his shofar, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood,</p> <p>3:33. And the abaddon were cast lose upon the earth, and they burnt up the third part of the trees and all the green grass.</p>	<p>8:7. The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.</p>	<p>Was a third of the vegetation destroyed in the days of adam?</p> <p>Why does this sound like one of the plagues of egypt?</p> <p>Is this metaphorical? If so, what's it about?</p>

v. 34-40 : Letter to Sons and Daughters of Adam And Eve

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<p>3:34. And it came to pass that YHVH Elohim called Adam and Eve and their sons and daughters to say unto all they that worshiped the leviathan: YHVH knows thy works, and thy labors, and He shall not long be patient;</p> <p>3:35. For how many days more dost thou think YHVH will bear them which are evil?</p> <p>3:36. And thou hast listened to them which say they are holy men and women, and are not, and YHVH hast found them liars.</p> <p>3:37. And YHVH has seen they that have left their first love; and He has known them but has crossed out their name.</p>	<p>2:1. Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks;</p> <p>2:2. I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars:</p> <p>2:3. And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted.</p> <p>2:4. Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.</p>	<p>The Adam/Eve themes here are undeniable, even in the revelation version of the letter.</p> <p>Is this letter to us (the church of Ephesus / Children of Adam and Eve)? Or is this letter for us to declare to those that worship the leviathan?</p> <p>Either way, in what way should we personally feel connected with this letter?</p>
<p>3:38. And to these YHVH says: Remember, O remember, from</p>	<p>2:5. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent,</p>	

<p>whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do again thy first works;</p> <p>3:39. And if thou will not, I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy fire out of its place, except thou walk again in teshuvah.</p>	<p>and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.</p> <p>2:6. But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitanes, which I also hate.</p>	
<p>3:40. And unto they that overcometh shall I give them to eat of the tree of life, which ye left behind in the Eden of Elohim.</p>	<p>2:7. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.</p>	

v. 41-42 : Michael's Vial		
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<p>41. And it came to pass that Michael went forth, and poured out his vial upon the earth;</p> <p>42. And there fell a noise as a loud crying, and they which had the mark of the leviathan upon them, and which worshipped his image, were cursed with a sore curse.</p>	<p>16:2 And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.</p>	<p>Is this historical? Or future?</p> <p>And, what does it have to do with the Angel Michael or the patriarch Adam? Why is it in this chapter?</p>

Discussion:

We can list the 7 flames (7 angels of the dispensations) can we list out the 10 "lesser" dispensation heads? Are we even sure that the 10 other flames are 10 more dispensation heads?

Are we able to list out the 7 heads and 10 horns? In theory they would happen at or about the time of the dispensation heads.

Is it even useful to get to a point where we feel like we know exactly who this vision is referring to for each of these things?

Any thoughts on how any of the events in the Vial, Shofar, or Seal tie to Adam?