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A Glorious House

Shalom,

This week's Torah reading, **Exodus 25:1–27:19** called *Terumah*, or “**Portion,**” “**Offering,**” or “**Gift**” in the Hebrew Bible, relates God's instructions for building the Tabernacle, and His way to get all the valuable supplies specified for its construction.

As you read this instruction to the People of Israel, choose to let the Holy Spirit open your understanding to the deeper meaning to the Body of Messiah showing the drawing forth of the gifts that are only represented by the physical valuables that had been given to individuals of the congregation. Certainly, God wants us to recognize the great value He has invested in each of His people who are **called to be the building material of His real dwelling place.**

*Adonai spoke to Moses saying, “Tell Bnei-Yisrael to take up an offering for Me. **From anyone whose heart compels him** you are to take My offering.” (Exodus 25:1-2 TLV)*

** Speak to the Children of Israel and let them take for Me a **portion, from every man whose heart motivates him** you shall take My portion. (Exodus 25:2 Stone Edition THE CHUMASH*)*

Have them make a Sanctuary for Me, so that I may dwell among them. (Exodus 25:8 TLV)

YHWH desires to dwell among His people, and to make Himself available to those who trust Him, and He instructed His people to build a physical Tabernacle in the wilderness. **All the required materials for its construction had already been provided** through plundering the Egyptians as He instructed them.

So Bnei-Yisrael acted according to the word of Moses. They asked the Egyptians for articles of silver and gold, and for clothing. Adonai gave the people favor in the eyes of the Egyptians and let them have what they asked for. So they plundered the Egyptians. (Exodus 12:35-36 TLV)

The Children of Israel already possessed the silver, the gold, the jewels, and the fabrics needed for the Tabernacle, because God had laid up “**the wealth of the sinner**” (Proverbs 13:22) for His covenant nation. The **provision** of God, or His supply, was enough not only for His Sanctuary, but also for the entire forty years of sustenance in the wilderness. God had supplied abundantly and supernaturally, and scripture tells us that

His provision for the Children of Israel is an example for Newer Covenant believers that will show complete fulfillment in the New Creation Body of Messiah.

*Now **these things happened to them as an example**, but they were **written down for our instruction**, on whom the end of the ages has come. (1 Corinthians 10:11 ESV)*

El Shaddai, God, is more than enough, all sufficient, and He has provided everything needed for His earthly Tabernacle. He gave Torah, His Word or His instruction, to preserve His people until the promise of Messiah Yeshua was manifest.

Without any doubt, under the new and better covenant, He has provided for every need until He has completed the building of His true Temple, the body of Messiah, to whom He is not just available, but always abiding, not in a building, but fully united with every one of us who are His living building stones, or covenant persons, through His indwelling, overflowing Holy Spirit anointing.

*As you come to Him, a living Stone rejected by men but chosen by God and precious, **you also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house**—a holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Messiah Yeshua. (1 Peter 2:4-5 TLV)*

With our natural eyes, we can see only a limited supply of everything we require to live; everything is used up as it is consumed and becomes depleted. This applies to food, clothing, housing, and other consumable items, but also carries over to our physical bodies and their perceived limitations. We bow to natural senses, yielding to our attitudes about ageing and health challenges. The natural way of seeing things is all about limitations, but **the way God sees things is limitless** and from His eternity viewpoint. In His redemptive Name, **YHWH Yireh**, which means “**YHWH sees**,” God reveals that everything we **will ever need** has **already been provided (seen and supplied in advance)**. **We need never concern ourselves with lack because God has already done it all and completely supplied our needs. His provision will never fail! He saw in advance all that would ever be needed for us to fully become vessels for His Glorious Presence on this earth. He is more than enough, spirit, soul, and body, and has provided for every possible need that we will ever have. Whatever may arise in your life, challenges, difficulties, pressures, physical, and financial attacks; His love is enough for every need, and He has foreseen and pre-provided a superabundant supply for you.** The Scripture shows how He sees to every event that can ever happen to us. Look at His plans and provision for Israel, especially in delivering them from Egypt and caring for them in the wilderness.

He brought them forth also with silver and gold: and there was not one feeble person among their tribes. (Psalms 105:37 KJV)

And He brought forth His people with joy, and His chosen with gladness: And gave them the lands of the heathen: and they inherited the labour of the people... (Psalms 105:43-44 KJV)

That manifestation of God's grace and provision to Israel is shown throughout the Bible and is the will and plan of God for all covenant people.

My God will fulfill every need of yours according to the riches of His glory in Messiah Yeshua. (Philippians 4:19 TLV)

His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him Who called us by His own glory and virtue. (2 Peter 1:3 TLV)

His plan is to do everything He wills to do on earth through us, His anointed body. He will speak through us; in that He is always giving us His Words to call what He calls and forbid what He forbids. He shows us His ways to work and act, not just in obedience to commands, but intimately **doing on the outside what we perceive by the Spirit on the inside in the same way Jesus did as He ministered on earth. When He spoke the Words the Father spoke to Him, every circumstance, need, storm, sickness, and even death had to obey, because it was already done in the mind of God.**

You already have what you need to provide your portion, for it is supplied to you as you abide in Yeshua. You don't have to ask God to give it to you, just thank Him. He has already placed it in you as you abide in the vine, but your portion to bring, or your part in His House, is not solely determined by the call God places on us. Our responsibility is to voluntarily choose to set our hearts on the Living Word of God and choose that our hearts will motivate us to bring that portion (already supplied and in us) and present it for its intended and God-planned use.

Your choice is voluntary, but the right choice is imperative. God will not force you to serve. Choosing to serve and bring your appointed portion for His use is realized when you keep your heart supple and pliable by hearing and speaking His Word and guarding it as you present your body as a living sacrifice.

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