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[Greek, ek'sta-sis, trance]

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- A sight or scene presented to a persons mind by day or by night, usually through other than ordinary means, bypassing the normal inputs of sight and hearing and being impressed directly on the conscious mind, and sometimes while the recipient was in a trance or was dreaming.
- Just about the ninth hour of the day he saw plainly in a vision an angel of God come in to him and say to him; Cornelius! (Acts of Apostles 10:3)
- Then God talked to Israel in visions of the night and said; Jacob, Jacob! To which he said; Here I am! (Genesis 46:2)
- It is often difficult to establish a clear demarcation between visions and dreams described in the Bible, and at times they are combined.
- When a person received a vision from God during waking hours, it appears that the impression was made upon the conscious mind. The vision could later be recalled and described or recorded by the recipient, in his own words.
- Some persons, such as Daniel and Nebuchadnezzar, also had nocturnal visions, or visions of the night. These seem to have been impressed upon the subconscious mind while the recipient slept.

·· Trance

 Apparently God's spirit at times superimposed on the mind a picture of God's purpose or a vision while a person was in a trance, a state of deep concentration or a sleeplike condition.

- The Greek word rendered, trance, in the Christian Scriptures is *ek'sta-sis*. Defined literally as a putting away or displacement, it carries the figurative idea of a throwing of the mind out of its normal state. An individual in a trance would be oblivious of his literal surroundings and would be receptive to a vision.
- But when I had returned to Jerusalem and was praying in the temple, I fell into a trance. (Acts of Apostles 22:17)
- And saw him saying to me, Hurry up and get out of Jerusalem quickly, because they will not agree to your witness concerning me. (Acts of Apostles 22:18)

" Assurances Of Divine Favor

- Certain visions from God revealed to Yehowah's servants how he was dealing with them and gave them assurance of divine favor.
- The word of Yehowah came to Abram in a vision, and the patriarch was assured;
- After these things the word of Yehowah came to Abram in a vision, saying; Do not fear, Abram. I am a shield for you. Your reward will be very great. (Genesis 15:1)
- Thereafter, Yehowah made a covenant with Abraham.
- At this Abram said; Sovereign Lord Yehowah, what will you give me, seeing that I am going childless and the one who will possess my house is a man of Damascus, Eliezer? (Genesis 15:2)
- And Abram added; Look! You have given me no seed, and, look! A son of my household is succeeding me as heir. (Genesis 15:3)
- But, look! The word of Yehowah to him was in these words; This man will not succeed you as heir, but one who will come out of your own inward parts will succeed you as heir. (Genesis 15:4)
- He now brought him outside and said; Look up, please, to the heavens and count the stars, if you are possibly able to count them. And he went on to say to him; So your seed will become. (Genesis 15:5)
- And he put faith in Yehowah, and he proceeded to count it to him

as righteousness. (Genesis 15:6)

- Then he added to him; I am Yehowah, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to take it in possession. (Genesis 15:7)
- To this he said; Sovereign Lord Yehowah, by what shall I know that I shall take it in possession? (Genesis 15:8)
- In turn he said to him; Take for me a three year old heifer and a three year old shegoat and a three year old ram and a turtledove and a young pigeon. (Genesis 15:9)
- So he took all these to himself and cut them in two and put each part of them so as to match the other, but the birds he did not cut in pieces. (Genesis 15:10)
- And the birds of prey began to descend upon the carcasses, but Abram kept driving them away. (Genesis 15:11)
- After a while the sun was about to set, and a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and, look! a frightfully great darkness was falling upon him. (Genesis 15:12)
- And he began to say to Abram; You may know for sure that your seed will become an alien resident in a land not theirs, and they will have to serve them, and these will certainly afflict them for four hundred years. (Genesis 15:13)
- But the nation that they will serve I am judging, and after that they will go out with many goods. (Genesis 15:14)
- As for you, you will go to your forefathers in peace. You will be buried at a good old age. (Genesis 15:15)
- But in the fourth generation they will return here, because the error of the Amorites has not yet come to completion. (Genesis 15:16)
- The sun was now setting and a dense darkness came and, look!
 A smoking furnace and a fiery torch that passed in between these pieces. (Genesis 15:17)
- On that day Yehowah concluded with Abram a covenant, saying;

To your seed I will give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates. (Genesis 15:18)

- The Kenites and the Kenizzites and the Kadmonites. (Genesis 15:19)
- And the Hittites and the Perizzites and the Rephaim. (Genesis 15:20)
- And the Amorites and the Canaanites and the Girgashites and the Jebusites. (Genesis 15:21)
- Some years later, God talked to Jacob in visions of the night, telling him not to be afraid to go down to Egypt, for God would constitute him a great nation there and would eventually bring him up from that land.
- Accordingly Israel and all who were his pulled out and came to Beersheba, and he proceeded to sacrifice sacrifices to the God of his father Isaac. (Genesis 46:1)
- Then God talked to Israel in visions of the night and said; Jacob, Jacob! To which he said; Here I am! (Genesis 46:2)
- And he went on to say; I am the true God, the God of your father. Do not be afraid to go down to Egypt, for I shall constitute you there into a great nation. (Genesis 46:3)
- I myself shall go down with you to Egypt and I myself shall surely bring you up also, and Joseph will lay his hand upon your eyes. (Genesis 46:4)
- And it came about that, when the king dwelt in his own house and Yehowah himself had given him rest from all his enemies round about. (2 Samuel 7:1)
- then the king said to Nathan the prophet; See, now, I am dwelling in a house of cedars while the ark of the true God is dwelling in the middle of tent cloths. (2 Samuel 7:2)
- Upon that Nathan said to the king; Everything that is in your heart, go, do, because Yehowah is with you. (2 Samuel 7:3)
- And it came about on that night that the word of Yehowah came

to Nathan, saying; (2 Samuel 7:4)

- Go, and you must say to my servant David; This is what Yehowah has said; Should you yourself build me a house for me to dwell in? (2 Samuel 7:5)
- For I have not dwelt in a house from the day of my bringing the sons of Israel up out of Egypt to this day, but I was continually walking about in a tent and in a tabernacle. (2 Samuel 7:6)
- During all the time that I have walked about among all the sons of Israel, was there a word that I spoke with one of the tribes of Israel that I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying; Why did you people not build me a house of cedars? (2 Samuel 7:7)
- And now this is what you will say to my servant David; This is what Yehowah of armies has said; I myself took you from the pasture ground from following the flock to become a leader over my people Israel. (2 Samuel 7)
- And I shall prove to be with you wherever you do go, and I will cut off all your enemies from before you, and I shall certainly make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones that are in the earth. (2 Samuel 7:9)
- And I shall certainly appoint a place for my people Israel and plant them, and they will indeed reside where they are, and no more will they be disturbed, and the sons of unrighteousness will not afflict them again as they did at the first. (2 Samuel 7:10)
- Even from the day that I put judges in command over my people Israel, and I will give you rest from all your enemies. And Yehowah has told you that a house is what Yehowah will make for you. (2 Samuel 7:11)
- When your days come to the full, and you must lie down with your forefathers, then I shall certainly raise up your seed after you, which will come out of your inward parts, and I shall indeed firmly establish his kingdom. (2 Samuel 7:12)
- He is the one that will build a house for my name, and I shall certainly establish the throne of his kingdom firmly to time indefinite. (2 Samuel 7:13)

- I myself shall become his father, and he himself will become my son. When he does wrong, I will also reprove him with the rod of men and with the strokes of the sons of Adam. (2 Samuel 7:14)
- As for my loving-kindness, it will not depart from him the way I removed it from Saul, whom I removed on account of you. (2 Samuel 7:15)
- And your house and your kingdom will certainly be steadfast to time indefinite before you, your very throne will become one firmly established to time indefinite. (2 Samuel 7:16)
- According to all these words and according to all this vision was the way that Nathan spoke to David. (2 Samuel 7:17)
- And it came about that as soon as David had begun dwelling in his own house, David proceeded to say to Nathan the prophet; Here I am dwelling in a house of cedars, but the ark of the covenant of Yehowah is under tent cloths. (1 Chronicles 17:1)
- Upon that Nathan said to David; Everything that is in your heart do, for the true God is with you. (1 Chronicles 17:2)
- And it came about on that night that the word of God came to Nathan, saying; (1 Chronicles 17:3)
- Go, and you must say to David my servant; This is what Yehowah has said; It will not be you that will build me the house in which to dwell. (1 Chronicles 17:4)
- For I have not dwelt in a house from the day that I brought Israel up until this day, but I continued from tent to tent and from one tabernacle to another. (1 Chronicles 17:5)
- During all the time that I walked about in all Israel, did I speak a single word with one of the judges of Israel whom I commanded to shepherd my people, saying; Why have you men not built me a house of cedars? (1 Chronicles 17:6)
- And now this is what you will say to my servant David; This is what Yehowah of armies has said; I myself took you from the pasture ground from following the flock to become a leader over my people Israel. (1 Chronicles 17:7)

- And I shall prove to be with you wherever you do walk, and I shall cut off all your enemies from before you, and I shall certainly make for you a name like the name of the great ones that are upon the earth. (1 Chronicles 17:8)
- And I shall certainly appoint a place for my people Israel and plant them, and they will indeed reside where they are and no more will they be disturbed, and the sons of unrighteousness will not wear them out again, just as they did at the first. (1 Chronicles 17:9)
- Even since the days that I put judges in command over my people Israel. And I shall certainly humble all your enemies. And I tell you, Also a house Yehowah will build for you. (1 Chronicles 17:10)
- And it must occur that when your days have come to the full for you to go to be with your forefathers, I shall certainly raise up your seed after you that will come to be one of your sons, and I shall indeed firmly establish his kingship. (1 Chronicles 17:11)
- He is the one that will build me a house, and I shall certainly establish his throne firmly to time indefinite. (1 Chronicles 17:12)
- I myself shall become his father, and he himself will become my son, and my loving-kindness I shall not remove from him the way I removed it from the one that happened to be prior to you. (1 Chronicles 17:13)
- And I will cause him to stand in my house and in my kingship to time indefinite, and his throne will itself become one lasting to time indefinite. (1 Chronicles 17:14)
- According to all these words and according to all this vision was the way that Nathan spoke to David. (1 Chronicles 17:15)

.. Direction In Serving The Divine Purpose

Some visions from God gave the recipients direction in the doing of Yehowah's will. After the glorified Jesus Christ appeared to Saul of Tarsus, Saul, though temporarily blinded, had a vision in which he saw a man named Ananias lay his hands upon him so that he might recover

sight. Also by means of a vision, Ananias was directed to the very house where Saul was in Damascus.

- But Saul, still breathing threat and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the High Priest. (Acts of Apostles 9:1)
- And asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, in order, that he might bring bound to Jerusalem any whom he found who belonged to The Way, both men and women. (Acts of Apostles 9:2)
- Now as he was traveling he approached Damascus, when suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. (Acts of Apostles 9:3)
- And he fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him; Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me? (Acts of Apostles 9:4)
- He said; Who are you, Lord? He said; I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. (Acts of Apostles 9:5)
- Nevertheless, rise and enter into the city, and what you must do will be told you. (Acts of Apostles 9:6)
- Now the men that were journeying with him were standing speechless, hearing, indeed, the sound of a voice, but not beholding any man. (Acts of Apostles 9:7)
- But Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were opened he was seeing nothing. So they led him by the hand and conducted him into Damascus. (Acts of Apostles 9:8)
- And for three days he did not see anything, and he neither ate nor drank. (Acts of Apostles 9:9)
- There was in Damascus a certain disciple named Ananias, and the Lord said to him in a vision; Ananias! He said; Here I am, Lord. (Acts of Apostles 9:10)
- The Lord said to him; Rise, go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man named Saul, from Tarsus. For, look! He is praying. (Acts of Apostles 9:11)
- And in a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come in and

- lay his hands upon him that he might recover sight. (Acts of Apostles 9:12)
- But Ananias answered; Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how many injurious things he did to your holy ones in Jerusalem. (Acts of Apostles 9:13)
- And here he has authority from the chief priests to put in bonds all those calling upon your name. (Acts of Apostles 9:14)
- But the Lord said to him; Be on your way, because this man is a chosen vessel to me to bear my name to the nations as well as to kings and the sons of Israel. (Acts of Apostles 9:15)
- For I shall show him plainly how many things he must suffer for my name. (Acts of Apostles 9:16)
- So Ananias went off and entered into the house, and he laid his hands upon him and said; Saul, brother, the Lord, the Jesus that appeared to you on the road over which you were coming, has sent me forth, in order, that you may recover sight and be filled with Holy Spirit. (Acts of Apostles 9:17)
- And immediately there fell from his eyes what looked like scales, and he recovered sight, and he rose and was baptized. (Acts of Apostles 9:18)
- And he took food and gained strength. He got to be for some days with the disciples in Damascus. (Acts of Apostles 9:19)
- In Caesarea in 36 C.E, the devout Gentile Cornelius received a vision in which an angel told him to send to Joppa for Simon Peter.
- Now in Caesarea there was a certain man named Cornelius, an army officer of the Italian band, as it was called. (Acts of Apostles 10:1)
- A devout man and one fearing God together with all his household, and he made many gifts of mercy to the people and made supplication to God continually. (Acts of Apostles 10:2)
- Just about the ninth hour of the day he saw plainly in a vision an angel of God come in to him and say to him; Cornelius! (Acts of Apostles 10:3)

- The man gazed at him and, becoming frightened, said; What is it, Lord? He said to him; Your prayers and gifts of mercy have ascended as a remembrance before God. (Acts of Apostles 10:4)
- So now send men to Joppa and summon a certain Simon who is surnamed Peter. (Acts of Apostles 10:5)
- This man is being entertained by a certain Simon, a tanner, who has a house by the sea. (Acts of Apostles 10:6)
- As soon as the angel that spoke to him had left, he called two of his house servants and a devout soldier from among those who were in constant attendance upon him. (Acts of Apostles 10:7)
- And he related everything to them and dispatched them to Joppa. (Acts of Apostles 10:8)
- At Joppa, Peter fell into a trance and had a vision in which he saw descending from heaven a vessel containing various unclean creatures.
- By this means the apostle was taught that he should not consider defiled the things God had cleansed. This prepared Peter to initiate the work of preaching the Good News to uncircumcised Gentiles.
- The next day as they were pursuing their journey and were approaching the city, Peter went up to the housetop about the sixth hour to pray. (Acts of Apostles 10:9)
- But he became very hungry and wanted to eat. While they were preparing, he fell into a trance (Acts of Apostles 10:10)
- And beheld heaven opened and some sort of vessel descending like a great linen sheet being let down by its four extremities upon the earth. (Acts of Apostles 10:11)
- And in it there were all sorts of four-footed creatures and creeping things of the earth and birds of heaven. (Acts of Apostles 10:12)
- And a voice came to him; Rise, Peter, slaughter and eat! (Acts of Apostles 10:13)

- But Peter said; Not at all, Lord, because never have I eaten anything defiled and unclean. (Acts of Apostles 10:14)
- And the voice spoke again to him, the second time; You stop calling defiled the things God has cleansed. (Acts of Apostles 10:15)
- This occurred a third time, and immediately the vessel was taken up into heaven. (Acts of Apostles 10:16)
- Now while Peter was in great perplexity inwardly over what the vision he had seen might mean, look! The men dispatched by Cornelius had made inquiries for Simon's house and stood there at the gate. (Acts of Apostles 10:17)
- And they called out and inquired whether Simon who was surnamed Peter was being entertained there. (Acts of Apostles 10:18)
- As Peter was going over in his mind about the vision, the spirit said; Look! Three men are seeking you. (Acts of Apostles 10:19)
- However, rise, go downstairs and be on your way with them, not doubting at all, because I have dispatched them. (Acts of Apostles 10:20)
- So Peter went downstairs to the men and said; Look! I am the one you are seeking. What is the cause for which you are present? (Acts of Apostles 10:21)
- They said; Cornelius, an army officer, a man righteous and fearing God and well reported by the whole nation of the Jews, was given divine instructions by a holy angel to send for you to come to his house and to hear the things you have to say. (Acts of Apostles 10:22)
- Therefore he invited them in and entertained them. The next day he rose and went off with them, and some of the brothers that were from Joppa went with him. (Acts of Apostles 10:23)
- I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, some sort of vessel descending like a great linen sheet being let down by its four extremities from heaven, and it came clear to me. (Acts of Apostles 11:5)

- Gazing into it, I made observations and saw four-footed creatures of the earth and wild beasts and creeping things and birds of heaven. (Acts of Apostles 11:6)
- I also heard a voice say to me; Rise, Peter, slaughter and eat! (Acts of Apostles 11:7)
- But I said; Not at all, Lord, because a defiled or unclean thing has never entered into my mouth. (Acts of Apostles 11:8)
- The second time the voice from heaven answered; You stop calling defiled the things God has cleansed. (Acts of Apostles 11:9)
- This occurred for a third time, and everything was pulled up again into heaven. (Acts of Apostles 11:10)
- Also, look! At that instant there were three men standing at the house in which we were, they having been dispatched from Caesarea to me. (Acts of Apostles 11:11)
- So the spirit told me to go with them, not doubting at all. But these six brothers also went with me, and we entered into the house of the man. (Acts of Apostles 11:12)
- Divine direction in the preaching work was also given to Paul by means of visions. At Troas, during Paul's second missionary tour, at night the apostle had a vision of a Macedonian man who entreated; Step over into Macedonia and help us.
- So they passed Mysia by and came down to Troas. (Acts of Apostles 16:8)
- And during the night a vision appeared to Paul; A certain Macedonian man was standing and entreating him and saying, Step over into Macedonia and help us. (Acts of Apostles 16:9)
- Now as soon as he had seen the vision, we sought to go forth into Macedonia, drawing the conclusion that God had summoned us to declare the Good News to them. (Acts of Apostles 16:10)
- Therefore we put out to sea from Troas and came with a straight run to Samothrace, but on the following day to Neapolis. (Acts of

Apostles 16:11)

- And from there to Philippi, a colony, which is the principal city of the district of Macedonia. We continued in this city, spending some days. (Acts of Apostles 16:12)
- Later, as a result of a reassuring vision by night in which the Lord spoke to him, the apostle remained in Corinth for a year and six months, teaching the Word of God.
- But Crispus the presiding officer of the synagogue became a believer in the Lord, and so did all his household. And many of the Corinthians that heard began to believe and be baptized. (Acts of Apostles 18:8)
- Moreover, by night the Lord said to Paul through a vision; Have no fear, but keep on speaking and do not keep silent. (Acts of Apostles 18:9)
- Because I am with you and no man will assault you so as to do you injury, for I have many people in this city. (Acts of Apostles 18:10)
- So he stayed set there a year and six months, teaching among them the word of God. (Acts of Apostles 18:11)

·· Prophecy

- Some visions from God were prophetic or were given to enable the recipient to interpret prophecies communicated in visions and dreams. The prophet Daniel had understanding in all sorts of visions and dreams.
- And as for these children, the four of them, to them the true God gave knowledge and insight in all writing and wisdom, and Daniel himself had understanding in all sorts of visions and dreams. (Daniel 1:17)
- It was in a night vision that God revealed to Daniel the content and meaning of King Nebuchadnezzar's dream about an immense image pictorial of world powers.
- Then it was that to Daniel in a night vision the secret was revealed. Consequently Daniel himself blessed the God of

heaven. (Daniel 2:19)

- However, there exists a God in the heavens who is a Revealer of secrets, and he has made known to King Nebuchadnezzar what is to occur in the final part of the days. Your dream and the visions of your head upon your bed, this it is. (Daniel 2:28)
- There was a dream that I beheld, and it began to make me afraid. And there were mental images upon my bed and visions of my head that began to frighten me. (Daniel 4:5)
- Now the visions of my head upon my bed I happened to be beholding, and, look! A tree in the midst of the earth, the height of which was immense. (Daniel 4:10)
- I continued beholding in the visions of my head upon my bed, and, look! A watcher, even a holy one, coming down from the heavens themselves. (Daniel 4:13)
- The tree that you beheld, that grew great and became strong and the height of which finally reached the heavens and which was visible to all the earth. (Daniel 4:20)
- And the foliage of which was fair, and the fruit of which was abundant, and on which there was food for all, under which the beasts of the field would dwell, and on the boughs of which the birds of the heavens would reside. (Daniel 4:21)
- It is you, O king, because you have grown great and become strong, and your grandeur has grown great and reached to the heavens, and your rulership to the extremity of the earth. (Daniel 4:22)
- In a prophetic dream and visions during the night, Daniel beheld four huge beasts coming out of the sea, indicating that four kings would stand up from the earth.
- In the first year of Belshazzar the king of Babylon, Daniel himself beheld a dream and visions of his head upon his bed. At that time he wrote down the dream itself. The complete account of the matters he told. (Daniel 7:1)
- Daniel was speaking up and saying; I happened to be beholding in my visions during the night, and, see there! The four winds of

the heavens were stirring up the vast sea. (Daniel 7:2)

- And four huge beasts were coming up out of the sea, each one being different from the others. (Daniel 7:3)
- As for these huge beasts, because they are four, there are four kings that will stand up from the earth. (Daniel 7:17)
- The prophet was also privileged to behold in vision someone like a son of man, obtaining rulership, dignity, and kingdom from the Ancient of Days.
- I kept on beholding in the visions of the night, and, see there! With the clouds of the heavens someone like a son of man happened to be coming, and to the Ancient of Days he gained access, and they brought him up close even before that One. (Daniel 7:13)
- And to him there were given rulership and dignity and kingdom, that the peoples, national groups and languages should all serve even him. His rulership is an indefinitely lasting rulership that will not pass away, and his kingdom one that will not be brought to ruin. (Daniel 7:14)
- Visions from God were also received by such Bible writers as;
- The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz that he visioned concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. (Isaiah 1:1)
- In the year that King Uzziah died I, however, got to see Yehowah, sitting on a throne lofty and lifted up, and his skirts were filling the temple. (Isaiah 6:1)
- Seraphs were standing above him. Each one had six wings. With two he kept his face covered, and with two he kept his feet covered, and with two he would fly about. (Isaiah 6:2)
- And this one called to that one and said; Holy, holy, holy is Yehowah of armies. The fullness of all the earth is his glory. (Isaiah 6:3)
- And the pivots of the thresholds began to quiver at the voice of the one calling, and the house itself gradually filled with smoke.

(Isaiah 6:4)

- And I proceeded to say; Woe to me! For I am as good as brought to silence, because a man unclean in lips I am, and in among a people unclean in lips I am dwelling, for my eyes have seen the King, Yehowah of armies, himself! (Isaiah 6:5)
- At that, one of the seraphs flew to me, and in his hand there was a glowing coal that he had taken with tongs off the altar. (Isaiah 6:6)
- And he proceeded to touch my mouth and to say; Look! This has touched your lips, and your error has departed and your sin itself is atoned for. (Isaiah 6:7)
- And I began to hear the voice of Yehowah saying; Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? And I proceeded to say; Here I am! Send me. (Isaiah 6:8)
- And he went on to say; Go, and you must say to this people, Hear again and again, O men, but do not understand, and see again and again, but do not get any knowledge. (Isaiah 6:9)
- Make the heart of this people unreceptive, and make their very ears unresponsive, and paste their very eyes together, that they may not see with their eyes and with their ears they may not hear, and that their own heart may not understand and that they may not actually turn back and get healing for themselves. (Isaiah 6:10)
- At this I said; How long, O Yehowah? Then he said; Until the cities actually crash in ruins, to be without an inhabitant, and the houses be without earthling man, and the ground itself is ruined into a desolation. (Isaiah 6:11)
- And Yehowah actually removes earthling men far away, and the deserted condition does become very extensive in the midst of the land. (Isaiah 6:12)
- And there will still be in it a tenth, and it must again become something for burning down, like a big tree and like a massive tree in which, when there is a cutting down of them, there is a stump, a holy seed will be the stump of it. (Isaiah 6:13)

- This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah caused me to see, and, look! He was forming a locust swarm at the start of the coming up of the later sowing. And, look! It was the later sowing after the mown grass of the king. (Amos 7:1)
- And it occurred that when it had finished eating up the vegetation of the land, I proceeded to say; O Sovereign Lord Yehowah, forgive, please. Who will rise up of Jacob? For he is small! (Amos 7:2)
- Yehowah felt regret over this. It shall not occur, Yehowah said. (Amos 7:3)
- This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah caused me to see, and, look! The Sovereign Lord Yehowah was calling for a contention by means of fire, and it went eating up the vast watery deep and ate up the tract of land. (Amos 7:4)
- And I proceeded to say; O Sovereign Lord Yehowah, hold off, please. Who will rise up of Jacob? For he is small! (Amos 7:5)
- Yehowah felt regret over this. That, too, will not occur, the Sovereign Lord Yehowah said. (Amos 7:6)
- This is what he caused me to see, and, look! Yehowah was stationed on a wall made with a plummet, and there was a plummet in his hand. (Amos 7:7)
- Then Yehowah said to me; What are you seeing, Amos? So I said; A plummet. And Yehowah went on to say; Here I am setting a plummet in the midst of my people Israel. I shall no more do any further excusing of it. (Amos 7:8)
- And the high places of Isaac will certainly be laid desolate, and the sanctuaries themselves of Israel will be devastated, and I will rise up against the house of Jeroboam with a sword. (Amos 7:9)
- And Amaziah proceeded to say to Amos; O visionary, go, run your way off to the land of Judah, and there eat bread, and there you may prophesy. (Amos 7:12)
- In the year that King Uzziah died I, however, got to see Yehowah, sitting on a throne lofty and lifted up, and his skirts

were filling the temple. (Isaiah 6:1)

- Seraphs were standing above him. Each one had six wings. With two he kept his face covered, and with two he kept his feet covered, and with two he would fly about. (Isaiah 6:2)
- And this one called to that one and said; Holy, holy, holy is Yehowah of armies. The fullness of all the earth is his glory. (Isaiah 6:3)
- And the pivots of the thresholds began to quiver at the voice of the one calling, and the house itself gradually filled with smoke. (Isaiah 6:4)
- And I proceeded to say; Woe to me! For I am as good as brought to silence, because a man unclean in lips I am, and in among a people unclean in lips I am dwelling, for my eyes have seen the King, Yehowah of armies, himself! (Isaiah 6:5)
- At that, one of the seraphs flew to me, and in his hand there was a glowing coal that he had taken with tongs off the altar. (Isaiah 6:6)
- And he proceeded to touch my mouth and to say; Look! This has touched your lips, and your error has departed and your sin itself is atoned for. (Isaiah 6:7)
- And I began to hear the voice of Yehowah saying; Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? And I proceeded to say; Here I am! Send me. (Isaiah 6:8)
- And he went on to say; Go, and you must say to this people, Hear again and again, O men, but do not understand, and see again and again, but do not get any knowledge. (Isaiah 6:9)
- Make the heart of this people unreceptive, and make their very ears unresponsive, and paste their very eyes together, that they may not see with their eyes and with their ears they may not hear, and that their own heart may not understand and that they may not actually turn back and get healing for themselves.

 (Isaiah 6:10)
- At this I said; How long, O Yehowah? Then he said; Until the cities actually crash in ruins, to be without an inhabitant, and the

houses be without earthling man, and the ground itself is ruined into a desolation. (Isaiah 6:11)

- And Yehowah actually removes earthling men far away, and the deserted condition does become very extensive in the midst of the land. (Isaiah 6:12)
- And there will still be in it a tenth, and it must again become something for burning down, like a big tree and like a massive tree in which, when there is a cutting down of them, there is a stump, a holy seed will be the stump of it. (Isaiah 6:13)
- This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah caused me to see, and, look! There was a basket of summer fruit. (Amos 8:1)
- Then he said; What are you seeing, Amos? So I said; A basket of summer fruit. And Yehowah went on to say to me; The end has come to my people Israel. I shall no more do any further excusing of them. (Amos 8:2)
- Now it came about in the thirtieth year, in the fourth month, on the fifth day of the month, while I was in the midst of the exiled people by the river Chebar, that the heavens were opened and I began to see visions of God. (Ezekiel 1:1)
- Obadiahs inspired prophetic declaration against Edom opens with the words; The vision of Obadiah.
- The vision of Obadiah; This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said regarding Edom; There is a report that we have heard from Yehowah, and there is an envoy that has been sent among the nations, Rise up, you people, and let us rise up against her in battle. (Obadiah 1:1)
- The vision of Nahum contains a pronouncement against Nineveh.
- The pronouncement against Nineveh; The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite: (Nahum 1:1)
- The book of Revelation contains a series of visions seen by the aged apostle John. The books Greek name, *A-po-ka'ly-psis*, meaning Uncovering or Disclosure, is apropos, for Revelation does uncover matters, disclosing many events of the distant future, far beyond the time of its composition.

A revelation by Jesus Christ, which God gave him, to show his slaves the things that must shortly take place. And he sent forth his angel and presented it in signs through him to his slave John. (Revelation 1:1) FOOTHOOSE

·· False Visions

- Prior to Jerusalem's destruction in 607 B.C.E, that city's false prophets spoke, the vision of their own heart, their messages not originating with Yehowah.
- This is what Yehowah of armies has said; Do not listen to the words of the prophets who are prophesying to you people. They are making you become vain. The vision of their own heart is what they speak, not from the mouth of Yehowah. (Jeremiah 23:16)
- Having no vision from Yehowah, what they visioned was worthless.
- Her gates have sunk down into the very earth. He has destroyed and broken her bars in pieces. Her king and her princes are among the nations. There is no law. Her own prophets also have found no vision from Yehowah. (Lamentations 2:9)
- Your own prophets have visioned for you worthless and unsatisfying things; And they have not uncovered your error in order to turn back your captivity; But they kept visioning for you worthless and misleading pronouncements. (Lamentations 2:14)
- Because they spoke untruth and visioned a lie, Yehowah was against them. (Ezekiel Chapter 13)

" Some Foretold To See Visions

- In contrast with false visions and in addition to the God-given visions already discussed, Joel was divinely inspired to foretell that, under the influence of God's spirit, young men would see visions.
- And after that it must occur that I shall pour out my spirit on every sort of flesh, and your sons and your daughters will certainly prophesy. As for your old men, dreams they will dream. As for your young men, visions they will see. (Joel 2:28)

- Peter showed that there was a fulfillment of this prophecy on the day of Pentecost in 33 C.E, when the Holy Spirit was bestowed upon followers of Jesus Christ and they miraculously declared in many languages, the magnificent things of God.
- Now while the day of the festival of Pentecost was in progress they were all together at the same place. (Acts of Apostles 2:1)
- And suddenly there occurred from heaven a noise just like that of a rushing stiff breeze, and it filled the whole house in which they were sitting. (Acts of Apostles 2:2)
- And tongues as if of fire became visible to them and were distributed about, and one sat upon each one of them. (Acts of Apostles 2:3)
- And they all became filled with Holy Spirit and started to speak with different tongues, just as the spirit was granting them to make utterance. (Acts of Apostles 2:4)
- Cretans and Arabians, we hear them speaking in our tongues about the magnificent things of God. (Acts of Apostles 2:11)
- These people are, in fact, not drunk, as you suppose, for it is the third hour of the day. (Acts of Apostles 2:15)
- On the contrary, this is what was said through the prophet Joel. (Acts of Apostles 2:16)
- And in the last days, God says; I shall pour out some of my spirit upon every sort of flesh, and your sons and your daughters will prophesy and your young men will see visions and your old men will dream dreams. (Acts of Apostles 2:17)