~YEHOWAH HIMSELF IS THERE (97)

- This expression translates <u>Yehwah' Sham'mah</u>, applied to the city seen by the prophet Ezekiel in his vision recorded in. (Ezekiel Chapters 40 through 48).
- Round about there will be eighteen thousand cubits, and the name of the city from that day on will be Yehowah Himself Is There. (Ezekiel 48:35)
- The visionary city is depicted as foursquare, 4,500 long cubits to a side 2,331 meters or 7,650 feet and as having 12 gates, each bearing the name of one of the tribes of Israel.
- As regards the five thousand cubits that is left remaining in width alongside the twenty-five thousand, it is something profane for the city, for a dwelling place and for pasture ground. And the city must come to be in the midst of it. (Ezekiel 48:15)
- And these are the city's measurements, the northern border four thousand five hundred cubits, and the southern border four thousand five hundred, and the eastern border four thousand five hundred, and the western border four thousand five hundred. (Ezekiel 48:16)
- And the gates of the city will be according to the names of the tribes of Israel, three gates being on the north, the gate of Reuben, one, the gate of Judah, one, the gate of Levi, one. (Ezekiel 48:31)
- And on the eastern border there will be four thousand five hundred cubits, and three gates, even the gate of Joseph, one, the gate of Benjamin, one, the gate of Dan, one. (Ezekiel 48:32)
- And the southern border will be four thousand five hundred cubits as to measurement, with three gates, the gate of Simeon, one, the gate of Issachar, one, the gate of Zebulun, one. (Ezekiel 48:33)
- The western border will be four thousand five hundred cubits, there being three gates, the gate of Gad, one, the gate of Asher, one, the gate of Naphtali, one. (Ezekiel 48:34)

- The visionary city of Ezekiel's prophecy is to belong to all the house of Israel.
- And as the possession of the city, you people will give five thousand in width and a length of twenty-five thousand, exactly as the holy contribution. To all the house of Israel it will come to belong. (Ezekiel 45:6)
- The name Yehowah-Shammah, or Yehowah Himself Is There, would signify a representational presence of God like that expressed in other texts, such as;
- God is in the midst of the city, it will not be made to totter. God will help it at the appearance of morning. (Psalms 46:5)
- For Yehowah has chosen Zion, he has longed for it as a dwelling for himself. (Psalms 132:13)
- This is my resting-place forever, here I shall dwell, for I have longed for it. (Psalms 132:14)
- And the full moon has become abashed, and the glowing sun has become ashamed, for Yehowah of armies has become king in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem and in front of his elderly men with glory. (Isaiah 24:23)
- And I will consider innocent their blood that I had not considered innocent, and Yehowah will be residing in Zion. (Joel 3:21)
- Cry out loudly and rejoice, O daughter of Zion, for here I am coming, and I will reside in the midst of you, is the utterance of Yehowah. (Zechariah 2:10)
- And many nations will certainly become joined to Yehowah in that day, and they will actually become my people, and I will reside in the midst of you. And you will have to know that Yehowah of armies himself has sent me to you. (Zechariah 2:11)
- Where Yehowah, whom the heaven of the heavens cannot contain, is spoken of as though residing in an earthly city or place.
- But will God truly dwell upon the earth? Look! The heavens, yes, the heaven of the heavens, themselves cannot contain you, how

much less, then, this house that I have built! (1 Kings 8:27)

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