

Who Are the Two Witnesses?

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Who are the two last days witnesses mentioned in the Book of Revelation? Let us take a look at Scripture and try to find out what the Ruach is saying to us as Yisrael in the end times.

First, we have two witnesses from all of Yisrael (all twelve tribes represented) in **Bemidbar (Numbers) 13:2, 6, 8**. They are Kaleb from the tribe of Yehudah and Yehoshua from the tribe of Ephraim. Symbolically we have these two faithful men representing all Yisrael.

- 6 From the tribe of Yehudah: Kaleb, son of Yephunneh. 7 From the tribe of Yissaskar: Yig'al, son of Yoseph. 8 From the tribe of Ephraim: Hoshea, son of Nun.

In **Revelation 11:3** and we have the two witnesses mentioned again. It says they shall prophesy (or expound the Torah and the teachings of Yahshua) for 1,260 days or approximately 3 and a half years (the same length as the ministry of Yahshua, who is the embodiment of all Yisrael. These two witnesses will have great power and authority for that time period. They are the same powers that Moshe and Eliyahu had as they came against the Babylonian system in Egypt and Yisrael. We are told they will be killed by the beastly system of religion, politics, and economics (it is interesting in the Greek to be a witness means to be a martyr). In verse four of chapter 11 of Revelation we are told WHO they are! They are the two OLIVE TREES (symbolic of Both Houses of Israel) and the two menorahs (a symbol of the kahal/edah/ekklesia /congregation of Yisrael) that stand before Yahweh (**Zech. 4:11-14**).

- 3 “And I shall give unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clad in sackcloth.” 4 These are the two olive trees and the two lamp stands that are standing before the Elohim of the earth. **Rev.11:3-4**
- 11 Then I responded and said to him, “What are these two olive trees, one at the right of the lamp-stand and the other at its left?” 12 And I responded a second time and said to him, “What are these two olive branches which empty golden *oil* from themselves by means of the two gold pipes?” 13 And he answered me and said, “Do you not know what these are?” And I said, “No, my master.” 14 And he said, “These are the two anointed ones, who stand beside the Master *g* of all the earth.” **Zech.11:11-14**

In Revelation chapter 7 there are 144,000 from all the tribes of Yisrael (Dan is missing in this list) that are sealed with the Name of Yahweh, and the same 144,000 are again mentioned in Revelation 14. These are NOT all JEWS, but Yisraelites. Revelation 14:4 calls them the “firstfruits” to Yahweh. In the Torah, Israel (all twelve tribes) are called Yahweh’s firstfruits and firstborn. We can conclude that the 144,000 are from all Yisrael not just Judah –or from BOTH HOUSES! We have the two witnesses once again, as prophetically pictured by Caleb and Joshua. The Promised Land is symbolic of the Millennial Kingdom, therefore we know this takes place in the great tribulation before we enter the land of Yisrael and it is restored to a land like the Garden of Eden!

- 4 And I heard the number of those who were sealed, one hundred and forty-four thousand, sealed out of all the tribes of the children of Yisrael: **Rev.7:4**
- And I looked and saw a Lamb standing on Mount Tsiyon, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His Father’s Name *written* upon their foreheads. **Rev.14:1**

Scripture teaches us that the two latter-day witnesses will be the 144,000 Yisraelites (plus a mixed multitude from the nations or true goyim) called out of the nations to go to Yisrael and prophesy in great power, and then be killed by the Beast system. These are the Two Sticks of **Ezek.37!**

- 19 say to them, ‘Thus said the Master YHWH, “See, I am taking the stick of Yoseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Yisrael, his companions. And I shall give them unto him, with the stick of Yehudah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in My hand.” ’ 20 “And the sticks on which you write shall be in your hand before their eyes. 21 “And speak to them, ‘Thus said the Master YHWH, “See, I am taking the children of Yisrael from among the gentiles, wherever they have gone, and shall gather them from all around, and I shall bring them into their land. 22 “And I shall make them one nation in the land, on the mountains of

Yisrael. And one sovereign shall be sovereign over them all, and let them no longer be two nations, and let them no longer be divided into two reigns. 23“And they shall no longer defile themselves with their idols, nor with their disgusting *matters*, nor with any of their transgressions. And I shall save them from all their dwelling places in which they have sinned, and I shall cleanse them. And they shall be My people, and I be their Elohim, 24while David My servant is sovereign over them. And they shall all have one shepherd and walk in My right-rulings and guard My laws, and shall do them. 25“And they shall dwell in the land that I have given to Ya’akov My servant, where your fathers dwelt. And they shall dwell in it, they and their children and their children’s children, forever, and My servant David be their prince forever. **Ezek.37:21-25**

The picture we find in Bemidbar is prophetic of our calling to give a good report of what we have seen by the Ruach and witness of it to ALL Yisrael. We have seen the Promised Land and it is a good land! There may be giants in the Land to slay (paganism, antinomianism, skepticism, apathy, and opposition) and to overcome, but, with Yahweh’s direction, we shall enter the Land of Promise.