Purim, Removing the Masks, Part I: New Revelations from the Beginning

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It is said that Purim will be the only holiday that we'll celebrate



after the final redemption, but if all the holidays are based on cosmic windows, what separates Purim in the grand scheme of cosmic time? There is obviously some special connection between Purim and the times of *Moshiach* or the sages wouldn't have made this special distinction. We read about Purim in the Book of Ester so that's where we must search for the answer.



It's known that the Book of Esther is all about concealment, which is why we celebrate it with a costume party, but like the Torah there are layers of concealment. The Name of G-d isn't overtly mentioned in the Book of Ester, but it is found numerous times as the initials of phrases, often as permuted versions (ie *YHVH*, *YHHV*, *VHYH*). The *Name Ehyeh (EHYH)* is also found in the same manner, as are triplets of the <u>42-Letter Name</u> and the 72 Names of G-d , but these are all relatively easy to find.

As we are so close to the time of *Moshiach* and the end of the **70** year period from the foundation of the State of Israel, we should be able to dig deeper, we should be able to reveal even more. After all, the Book of Ester, marked the final years of the **70**-year Babylonia exile.

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It's OK to get happy and a little inebriated on Purim in order to shed your mask and reveal the inner light within you, but the <u>Baal Shem Tov</u> and his students got drunk on Torah on Purim and so must we if we want to reveal the inner light within the holiday, the light of *Moshiach* (the Messiah) and Creation.

The story begins by telling us King Ahasuerus, who ruled over **127** provinces, displayed his wealth for **180** + **7** days for a total of **187** days.

Queen Vashti, his wife and equal, held her own party with her **7** maidens for the same final **7** days. On the **7th** day, Ahasuerus consulted his **7** chamberlains.

The initials of the first two were *Mem* and *Bet*, an obvious allusion



to the <u>Shem Mem Bet (42-Letter Name)</u> and also an indication that a journey would begin, as all Torah journeys begin with the *Mem-Bet*. The total value of their initials is **73**, the numerical value of the *sefira*(dimension) of *Chochma* (wisdom), associated with both the **42**-Letter Name and the Torah's first verse, of **7** words, whose numerical value is **2701**, which is also the sum of all the integers through **73**.

Please keep in mind that at the heart of the Book of Ester is about removing Amalek (kabbalistic code for doubts) from our lives in order to bring about *Mashiach*, the *geula* (final redemption) and the Tree-0f-life reality, so just in case skepticism were to creep in and ruin it for us, the Book of Ester made certain we wouldn't miss the connection to *Chochma*. The ordinal value of *Chochma* (*CChMH*) is **37**, which is also the ordinal value of the initials of the **7** chamberlains (*MBEBEZC*). Moreover, **37** x **73**, the inner and surrounding light of *Chochma* equals **2701**. And as if that weren't enough to grab our attention the last two chamberlain "Zether and Carcus"

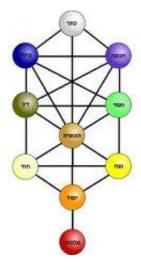
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add up to 913, the same as the Torah's first word, bereshit.

Oh, and by the way, those **187** days of display are analogous to the **187** chapters in the Torah, as are the **5** Parts of the Book of Esther analogous to the **5** Books of the Torah.

While the sages tell us Queen Ester was an incarnation of Sarah, the Matriarch, who live 127 years, 127 is also the number of ways any 7 items can be permuted, such as the 7 words in the Torah's first verse, the 7 lines in the 42-Letter Name matrix, or the 7 dimensions (*sefirot*) in Zeir Apin, the ladder between Heaven and Earth to which both of them are associated.

We're only at the **10th** verse of the first of **10** chapters in the Book



of Esther, an oft overlooked part except to the kabbalists, yet the **10** chapters in themselves is a hint that the Book of Esther may be about the necessary rectification of the **10** sefirot that comprise the Tree-of-life.

This 10th verse begins with "On the **7th** day, when the Kings heart was merry with wine" but let's break that down, the **7th** day is analogous to Shabbat, the **7th** and final day of creation and "the King" to Hashem (G-d), and k'tov (was merry) has the numerical value of **37** once again and literally say was good, so the inner light of wisdom was good--the timing was right. The heart of the king (*LV-HMLC*) has the numerical value **127** once again, indicating that the timing was right to bridge the gap between Heaven and Earth, and with wine (*B'YYN*) can be understood as "in **70**". Thus the story is really telling us that in <u>70 years</u>, the timing will be right for the re-establishment of the Tree-of-life reality, just as it was right for Ezra to bring the Israelites home from Persia after their **70** years of exile.

If you like how the Book of Ester's revelations have begun you'll love how it ends. In the next installment, we'll reveal how the *Hamelehk* (The King) and the names of the other characters in the Purim story all reveal the same date for *Moshiach's* manifestation.

Stay tuned for Part II