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# The Origen of the 5778 Prophecy; A Secret Passed from Teacher to Student

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Traditionally Kabbalah has been passed down from teacher to student and that goes doubly for its secrets, guarded by righteous souls, *tzaddiks*, from the corruption of man's evil inclination and from the *erev rav* (Mixed Multitude) that would stop at nothing to put an end to the flow of this secret knowledge of hope and salvation.

In the words of Rav Abraham Abulafia, we can reveal only the secrets we've been given permission to, which is why each *tzaddik* revealed publicly through their writings only some of their knowledge and concealed the rest in private lessons from select teacher to select student. And this is the way it was since ever since Adam and Enoch. Some *tzaddikim* of blessed memory revealed much more than others and caused seminal changes in the way kabbalah was learned and studied, like Abraham Avinu and his *Sefer Yetzirah* (*The Book of Formation*), and Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai with the *Zohar* (*The Book of Splendor*), and Rabbi Chaim Vital with the Writings of the Ari, and Rabbi Abulafia with his many books, and finally with Rav Yehuda HaLevi Ashlag (*H'Sulam*) whose translation and commentary on the *Zohar* opened up Kabbalah for our generations.

The prophecy of *Mashiach's* arrival and the *geula* in the year **5778**, which we've supported in dozens of blog posts, numerous articles, and in the books *The Divine Calendar*, *The Genesis Prayer*, and *There's Nothing Random About the Universe* through thousands of citations, Torah revelations and explanations was passed down through the ages and eventually to me from my teacher from his teacher and uncle, HaRav Yehuda HaLevi Ashlag (*H'Sulam*) of blessed memory. And with only 9 years to go, we're passing it on to you.

Based on the ancient prophecy that the Messiah would arrive in the 6<sup>th</sup> millennium, it was determined that there was a total of **6000** years, which they divided into **3** periods of **2000** years each, (recall the 8<sup>th</sup> of the **13** attributes (Midot) "*Notzer chesed l'alefim*" meaning, "He preserves kindness for **2000** years").

The first two periods of **2000** years passed well and good, bringing us **4000** years deep into the prophecy, which is **4000/6000** or **2/3** of the way through it. It's important to note that **2/3** is the same as **.666666**, and that the real meaning of **666** is **2/3**, which is the spiritual distance that we must travel up the **6 midot** (*sefirot/dimensions*) of *Zeir Anpin*, which is the bundled **6** dimensions of heaven that link our world to the upper worlds. And **2/3** of the way through the dimension of *Tiferet* (associated with Jacob) is where the boundary between the world is found, the boundary that *klippot* (negativity) cannot penetrate. This is where the lowermost extremity of the intellect (personified in Leah, meets the uppermost limit of the physical/emotional personified by Rachel. It's where the two drops from below rise up to meet the one drop from above, where our work and faith meet the blessings.

It's a spiritual tenet that no matter how far we go, we still have to travel further, an endless string of **2/3** journeys, each a platform to build the next level. We're in the final third, the

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final **2000**-year period, which they further broke up into periods of **666.666** years each, or exactly 1/3 each of 2000 years.

As it turns out, when you start counting from the birth of Adam, **2/3** of the way through that last **2000**-year period, or (**.666666** x **2000**), we get the year **5333**, when the *Arizal*, Rabbi Isaac Luria, passed away, which is why in our blog we constantly point out the encoded Torah connections to the Arizal; never mind, that without his help, we'd still be in the dark ages as far as Kabbalah is concerned.

This leaves one last period of **666.666** years and just as they had twice before, they took **2/3** of the remaining period for a **3<sup>rd</sup>** time and got **666.666** x **.666666**, **444.444** years. And adding these **444.444** years to **5333** gave them **5778**. Since they rounded the figures off in their heads the decimal places are irrelevant.

I hope this satisfies all who have requested information about the source of the prophecy. Permission had not be granted until most recently to reveal this to the world, but more importantly, you are all now emissaries of the light of the unbroken chain. Secrets not shared for thousands of years are now available to you *for sharing*. And for using to transform yourself (ourselves) and our world.

This is not an intellectual debate. Spiritually, we don't even tap directly into the intellect (though we delude ourselves that we do). We can only achieve things through actions, our actions. If we go **2/3** of the way, the light does the rest, the caveat being that we don't know where the **2/3** point is, so we have give 100% effort 100% of the time.

With 9 years to go until **5778**, we need to all be links in the unbroken chain; we need to take up the mantel of the *tzaddikim* and base our lives on giving, not receiving; sharing, not despairing, and teaching, not preaching. We're all at different placing in our journeys and all have different G-d given talents to bring to the table, and those are what we need to share, but no matter what our journey, none of us are yet **2/3** of the way there. We've all got a long way to go, and there's world of people who need our help.

- Ezra