Portion:

SCRIPTURES

- Genesis 23:1-25:18
- Matthew 13:44-46; 11:12
- Jeremiah 32:1-44
- 2 Samuel 24:18-25
- Luke 9:57-62; 10:18-24; 14:25-35

Title:

HIDDEN TREASURE

- Sell all your own for the Title
- Take Legal Ownership
- Have Witnesses
- The Commission
- The Cost
- The Promises

THEME: SCRIPTURES THAT HAS INSPIRED THIS MESSAGE "So the field of Ephron in Machpelah near Mamre—the field and the cave in it, and all the trees within the field's boundaries—was officially transferred to Abraham as his property in the presence of the Hittites and of everyone at his city's gate. After this, Abraham buried his wife Sarah in the cave in the field of Machpelah near Mamre, that is, Hebron, in the land of Canaan. The field and the cave in it were officially transferred from the Hittites to Abraham as his burial property." Genesis 23:17-20 CEB

...legally made over to Abraham... NIVUK

...deeded to Abraham... NIV

...made sure... ASV

OUTCOME: WHAT I AM HOPING YOU WILL TAKE AWAY

"The **kingdom of heaven** is like a treasure that somebody hid in a field, which someone else found and covered up. Full of joy, **the finder sold everything and bought that field**." Matthew 13:44 CEB "Again, **the kingdom of heaven** is like a merchant in search of fine pearls. When he found one very precious pearl, **he went and sold all that he owned and bought it**." Matthew 13:45-46 CEB

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"The Kingdom of Heaven suffers violence [the enemy is trying to steal the Title Deed], and violent men [a spiritual violent army for Yahweh] must take it [reclaim it, defend its sovereignty] by force." (Matthew 11:12)

Let's Set the Scene: Deeds and Fleeces

- 1. Sarah us about to die and Abraham wants to secure a permanent burial place for her.
- 2. Abraham has such stature among the foreign leaders that they are happy to donate the land.
- 3. Abraham INSISTS on purchasing that land and taking LEGAL POSSESSION (Title Deed). Why?
- 4. Abraham buries Sarah and then wants to secure a wife for his son Isaac from among his own people, not from the foreigners.
- Abraham sends his servant back to his homeland to secure a wife.
- 6. Abraham's servant sets a fleece before Yahweh to insure that he is able to follow through on his master's demands.
- 7. Yahweh provides Rebekah in supernatural fashion, yet another testimony about the faithfulness of the Almighty for Abraham and his seed to count on, as they march forward in obedience to Yahweh.
- 8. We will focus our teaching today on the supernatural reason for taking legal possession of land!

ABRAHAM REQUIRES AND ACQUIRES TITLE DEED

- 1. Abraham is a temporary resident with eminent status.
 - A. ""I am an immigrant and a **temporary resident** with you.

 Give me some property for a burial plot among you so that I can bury my deceased wife near me." The Hittites responded to Abraham, "Listen to us, sir. **You are an eminent man** of God among us. Bury your dead in one of our own select burial sites. None of us will keep our own burial plots from you to bury your dead."" Genesis 23:4-6 CEB
- 2. Abraham requests to pay full price and for the transaction to be witnessed.
 - A. "Abraham rose, bowed to the local citizens the Hittites, and spoke with them: "If you yourselves allow me to bury my dead near me, listen to me and ask Ephron, Zohar's son, to give me his own cave in Machpelah at the edge of his field. Let him give it to me for the full price, to be witnessed by you, as my own burial property."" Genesis 23:7-9 CEB
- 3. Ephron the Hittite is happy to have witness but does not want money.

- A. "Now Ephron was a native Hittite. So Ephron the Hittite responded to Abraham publicly in order that the Hittites and everyone at his city's gate could hear: "No, sir. Listen, I will give you the field, and I will give you the cave in it. In front of my people's witnesses, I will give it to you. Bury your dead!"" Genesis 23:10-11 CEB
- 4. Abraham again insists that and offer of money be accepted.
 - A. "Abraham bowed before the local citizens and spoke to Ephron publicly in the presence of the local citizens: "If only you would accept my offer. I will give you the price of the field. Take it from me so that I can bury my dead there.""

 Genesis 23:12-13 CEB
- 5. Ephron reveals the transactional value and insists it noting between friends.
 - A. "Ephron responded to Abraham, "Sir, what is four hundred shekels of silver between me and you for the land so that you can bury your dead?"" Genesis 23:14-15 CEB
- 6. Abraham accepts the mere mention of a specific value as an offer of contract.
 - A. "Abraham accepted Ephron's offer and weighed out for Ephron the silver he requested publicly before the Hittites: four hundred shekels of silver at the current rate of exchange." Genesis 23:16 CEB

- 7. The land is purchased, transaction witnessed and title deep transferred to Abraham
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- 8. Later on, Abraham and his wife Sarah, Isaac and his wife Rebekah, and Jacob and Leah are all buried there.
 - A. ABRAHAM BURIED: "His sons Isaac and Ishmael **buried him** [**Abraham**] in the cave in Machpelah, which is in the field of Zohar's son Ephron the Hittite, near Mamre. Thus Abraham and his wife Sarah were both buried in the field Abraham had purchased from the Hittites." Genesis 25:9-10 CEB
 - B. JACOB REQUESTS JOSEPH TO BURY HIM THERE: "Israel lived in the land of Egypt, in the land of Goshen. They settled in it, had many children, and became numerous. After Jacob had lived in the land of Egypt for seventeen years, and after he had lived a total of 147 years, Israel's death approached.

He summoned his son Joseph and said to him, "If you would be so kind, lay your hand under my thigh, and be loyal and true to me. Don't bury me in Egypt. When I lie down with my fathers, carry me from Egypt and bury me in their grave." Joseph said, "I will do just as you say." Israel said, "Give me your word!" and Joseph gave his word. Then Israel slumped down at the head of the bed." Genesis 47:27-31 CFB

C. JOSEPH BURIES JACOB AS REQUESTED: "Jacob ordered them, "I am soon to join my people. Bury me with my ancestors in the cave that's in the field of Ephron the Hittite; in the cave that's in the field of Machpelah near Mamre in the land of Canaan that Abraham bought from Ephron the Hittite as a burial property. That is where Abraham and his wife Sarah are buried, and where Isaac and his wife Rebekah are buried, and where I buried Leah. It is the field and the cave in it that belonged to the Hittites." After he finished giving orders to his sons, he put his feet up on the bed, took his last breath, and joined his people." Genesis 49:29-33 CEB

THE BONES OF JOSEPH

- 1. Joseph requests burial outside of Egypt in his native land BUT does not request Abraham's site.
 - A. "Joseph said to his brothers, "I'm about to die. God will certainly take care of you and bring you out of this land to the land he promised to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

 Joseph made Israel's sons promise, "When God takes care of you, you must bring up my bones out of here."" Genesis 50:24-25 CEB
- 2. Moses takes Joseph's bones with him in the exodus as Jospeh's sons promised
 - A. "Moses took with him Joseph's bones just as Joseph had made Israel's sons promise when he said to them, "When God takes care of you, you must carry my bones out of here with you."" Exodus 13:19 CEB
- 3. Joseph is buried in a portion of land purchased by Jacob, not Abraham!
 - A. "The Israelites had brought up the bones of Joseph from Egypt. They buried them at Shechem in the portion of field that **Jacob had purchased** for one hundred qesitahs from the

- descendants of Hamor the father of Shechem. They became a legacy of the descendants of Joseph." Joshua 24:32 CEB
- B. JEWISH SCHOLARS BELIEVE: Joseph seems less concerned with being reunited with those he loves than with giving the nation of Israel something to live for. By exacting this promise, Joseph makes sure that the people must remember who he is, remember where he is buried, and remember their connection to the land of Canaan. The promise that he secured from the Israelites was a combination of promise and prophecy. The promise included an assumption that the time would come when they would indeed leave Egypt. Taking actions about the future is a running pattern throughout the Bible. See below in Jeremiah as Israel is about to be exiled to Babylonia, Jeremiah is told to buy land in Israel, a bold statement of hope about the future.
- C. MOSES DOES THE SAME: So you can see how often words and actions demonstrating faith for future promises are found in the scriptures, look at these odd words of Moses. On the eve of Israel crossing the Jordan into Canaan, he speaks of Yahweh bringing them BACK INTO THE LAND AFTER THEY ARE SCATTERED. And they have not even entered the land yet!

- (1) "Then the LORD your God will restore you as you were before and will have compassion on you, gathering you up from all the peoples where the LORD your God scattered you. Even if he has driven you to the far end of heaven, the LORD your God will gather you up from there; he will take you back from there. The LORD your God will bring you home to the land that your ancestors possessed; you will possess it again. And he will do good things for you and multiply you—making you more numerous even than your ancestors! Then the LORD your God will circumcise your hearts and the hearts of your descendants so that you love the LORD your God with all your mind and with all your being in order that you may live." Deuteronomy 30:3-6 CEB
- 4. This is when Jacob purchased the land where Jospeh is eventually buried.
 - A. "Jacob arrived safely at the city of Shechem in the land of Canaan on his trip from Paddan-aram, and he camped in front of the city. **He bought the section of the field where he pitched his tent** from the sons of Hamor, Shechem's father, for one hundred qesitahs. Then he set up an altar there and named it El Elohe Israel." Genesis 33:18-20 CEB

JEREMIAH IS TOLD TO OBTAIN TITLE DEED FOR A SMALL PIECE OF LAND IN ISRAEL

1. The Kingdom of Judah will be exiled to Babylon

- A. BABYLON SURROUNDS JERUSALEM; "Jeremiah received the LORD's word in the tenth year of Judah's King Zedekiah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadnezzar's rule. At that time, the army of the Babylonian king had **surrounded Jerusalem**, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined to the prison quarters in the palace of Judah's king." Jeremiah 32:1-2
- B. JERUSALEM WILL BE CAPTURED: "Judah's King Zedekiah had Jeremiah sent there after questioning him: "Why do you prophesy, 'This is what the LORD says: I'm handing this city over to the king of Babylon, and he will occupy it; and Judah's King Zedekiah will be captured and handed over to the king of Babylon; he will speak to the king of Babylon personally and see him with his very own eyes. And Zedekiah will be carried off to Babylon to live out his days until I punish him, declares the LORD. If you make war against the Babylonians, you will fail.'"" Jeremiah 32:3-5 CEB

- 2. Buy a small piece of land so you can claim it later on—BY LAW IT IS YOUR RIGHT AND DUTY!
 - A. YAHWEH TELLS JEREMIAH HIS COUSIN IN COMING TO OFFER LAND: "Jeremiah said, The LORD's word came to me: Your cousin Hanamel, Shallum's son, is on his way to see you; and when he arrives, he will tell you: "Buy my field in Anathoth, for by law you are next in line to purchase it [it is your right and duty to buy it]." And just as the LORD had said, my cousin Hanamel showed up at the prison quarters and told me, "Buy my field in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for you are next in line and have a family obligation to purchase it." Then I was sure this was the LORD's doing." Jeremiah 32:6-8 CEB
 - B. PURCHASED, DEEDED, WITNESSED, SEELED: "So I bought the field in Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out for him seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, had it witnessed, and weighed out the silver on the scales. Then I took the deed of purchase—the sealed copy, with its terms and conditions, and the unsealed copy— and gave it to Baruch, Neriah's son and Mahseiah's grandson, before my cousin Hanamel and the witnesses named in the deed, as well as before all the Judeans who were present in the prison quarters." Jeremiah 32:9-12 CEB

C. SECURE THE DEED AS PROOF LATER WHEN WE WILL AGAIN OCCUPY THIS LAND! "I charged Baruch before all of them: "The LORD of heavenly forces, the God of Israel, proclaims: Take these documents—this sealed deed of purchase along with the unsealed one—and **put them into a clay container so they will last a long time.** The LORD of heavenly forces, the God of Israel, proclaims: Houses, fields, and vineyards **will again be bought in this land.**"" Jeremiah 32:13-15 CEB

3. This has happened before!

A. JEREMIAH COMPARES WHAT IS ABOUT TO HAPPEN TO JUDAH WITH BABYLON WITH EXACTY WHAT HAPPENED TO ISRAEL WITH EGYPT: "After I had given the documents to Baruch, Neriah's son, I prayed to the LORD: LORD God, you created heaven and earth by your great power and outstretched arm; nothing is too hard for you! You act with mercy toward thousands upon thousands, but you also bring the consequences of the fathers' sins on their children after them. Great and mighty God, whose name is the LORD of heavenly forces, marvelous are your purposes, and mighty are your deeds. You are aware of all the ways of humanity, and you reward us for how we live and what we do even now. You have performed signs and wonders in the land of

Egypt as you do to this very day in Israel and everywhere else. That's why you are so renowned. With a strong hand, an outstretched arm, and with awesome power, yes, with signs and wonders, you brought your people Israel out of the land of Egypt. You gave them this land that you promised to their ancestors, a land full of milk and honey. They entered and took possession of it, but they didn't obey you or follow your Instruction. In fact, they didn't do anything you commanded them. So you brought upon them this disaster. Now the siege ramps are in place to take the city. And the Babylonians are about to capture it by war, famine, and disease. What you have pronounced is now happening, as you can see." Jeremiah 32:16-24 CEB

4. What is the Prophetic Picture?

- A. * WHY BUY THE FIELD? "So why tell me, LORD God, Buy the field for money and make sure there are witnesses, when the city is under Babylonian control?" Jeremiah 32:25 CEB
 - (1) THEME—HIDDEN TREASURE: "The **kingdom of heaven** is like a treasure that somebody hid in a field, which someone else found and covered up. Full of joy, **the finder sold everything and bought that field**." Matthew 13:44 CEB

- (2) "Again, **the kingdom of heaven** is like a merchant in search of fine pearls. When he found one very precious pearl, **he went and sold all that he owned and bought it**." Matthew 13:45-46 CEB
- (3) Take LEGAL POSSESSION of a small piece of land (authority, identity, inheritance) within the boarders of a larger piece of land you already possess prophetically (authority, identity, inheritance) in order to activate the ALEADY PROMISE of the whole of the territory (authority, identity, inheritance) being given to you.
- (4) In times of peace we would call this smaller sovereign territory within a larger territory an EMBASSY—in times or war we would call it a BEACHHEAD!

5. Why does Yahweh remove you from your land?

A. ALL THE REASONS FOR THE EXILE: "I am the LORD, the God of all living things! Is anything too hard for me? Therefore, the LORD proclaims: I'm handing this city over to the Babylonians and King Nebuchadnezzar, who will capture it. They will enter the city, set it on fire, and burn it down—including the houses on whose roofs offerings have been made to Baal and drink offerings to other gods, which made me especially angry. The people of Israel and Judah have done nothing but evil in my eyes since their youth; the

people of Israel and Judah have done nothing but anger me by the work of their hands, declares the LORD. This city has enraged me from the day it was built to this very day, and so it must be removed from my sight—because of all the evil done by the people of Israel and Judah to make me angry they, their kings and officials, their priests and prophets, the men of Judah, and those who live in Jerusalem. They turned their backs to me and not their faces; and though I taught them over and over, they wouldn't accept my correction. They set up their disgusting idols in the temple that bears my name and violated it; and they built shrines to Baal in the Ben-hinnon Valley, where they sacrifice their sons and daughters to Molech, though I never commanded them—nor did it even cross my mind—that they should do such detestable things, leading Judah to sin." Jeremiah 32:27-35 **CEB**

6. The the legal fulfillment of Yahweh's promises.

A. THEN THE PROMISE OF COMING BACK: "You have been saying, "This city will be handed over to the king of Babylon through sword, famine, and disease." But this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: I will gather them from all the countries where I have scattered them in my fierce anger and rage. I will bring them back to this place to live securely.

They will be my people, and I will be their God. I will give them one heart and one mind so that they may worship me all the days of their lives, for their own good and for the good of their children after them. I will make an everlasting covenant with them, never to stop treating them graciously. I will put into their hearts a sense of awe for me so that they won't turn away from me. I will rejoice in treating them graciously, and I will plant them in this land faithfully and with all my heart and being." Jeremiah 32:36-41 CEB

B. LEGAL DEED: "The LORD proclaims: Just as I brought this great disaster on this people, so I will bring on them all the good I promised them. Fields will be bought in this land, a land you have said is bleak and uninhabited and in the possession of the Babylonians. Fields will be bought, and deeds will be signed, sealed, and witnessed in the land of Benjamin and in the outlying areas of Jerusalem, in the towns of Judah and in the highlands, in the towns of the western foothills and the arid southern plain; for I will bring them back from their captivity, declares the LORD." Jeremiah 32:42-44 CEB

DAVID INSISTS (LIKE ABRAHAM) THAT HE PAY FOR THE LAND

- 1. David wants to buy the threshing floor on which to build an altar.
 - A. THE OFFER TO PURCHASE: "That same day Gad came to David and told him, "Go up and build an altar to the LORD on the threshing floor of Araunah from Jebus." So David went up, following Gad's instructions, just as the LORD had commanded. Araunah looked up and saw the king and his servants approaching him. Araunah rushed out and bowed low before the king, his nose to the ground. Araunah said, "Why has my master and king come to his servant?" David said, "To buy this threshing floor from you to build an altar to the LORD, so the plague among the people may come to an end."" 2 Samuel 24:18-21 CEB
- 2. The property is offered for free (like it was to Abraham) but David insists he pay for it as he will not offer anything to Yahweh that cost him nothing.
 - A. IT COMES WITH A COST! "Then Araunah said to David,

 "Take it for yourself, and may my master the king do what he
 thinks is best. Here are oxen for the entirely burned offering,
 and here are threshing boards and oxen yokes for wood. All

this, Your Majesty, Araunah gives to the king." Then he added, "May the LORD your God respond favorably to you!" "No," the king said to Araunah. "I will buy them from you at a fair price. I won't offer up to the LORD my God entirely burned offerings that cost me nothing." So David bought the threshing floor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver. David built an altar there for the LORD and offered entirely burned offerings and well-being sacrifices. The LORD responded to the prayers for the land, and the plague against Israel came to an end." 2 Samuel 24:22-25 CEB

Y'SHUA SECURES A PLACE FOR US! THEN AND NOW!

1. Taking Territory

A. EVERY PLACE YOU SET YOUR FEET: "It's true: if you carefully keep all this commandment that I'm giving you, by doing it, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in all his ways, and by clinging to him, then the LORD will clear out all these nations before you. You will inherit what belonged to nations that are larger and stronger than you are. **Every place you set foot on will be yours:** your territory will run from the wilderness all the way to the Lebanon range, and from the Euphrates River all the way to the Mediterranean Sea." Deuteronomy 11:22-24 CEB

2. Take Possession

A. BE STRONG AND BRAVE; "I am giving you every place where you set foot, exactly as I promised Moses... Be brave and strong, because you are the one who will help this people **take possession** of the land, which I pledged to give to their ancestors." Joshua 1:3, 6 CEB

3. Sell it all!

- A. HOLD NOTHING BACK: "The **kingdom of heaven** is like a treasure that somebody hid in a field, which someone else found and covered up. Full of joy, **the finder sold everything** and bought that field." Matthew 13:44 CEB
- B. DIE: "This is what I'm saying, brothers and sisters: **Flesh and blood can't inherit God's kingdom.** Something that rots can't inherit something that doesn't decay." 1 Corinthians 15:50 CEB
- C. BE SPIRITUALLY VIOLENT: "The **Kingdom of Heaven** suffers violence [the enemy is trying to steal the Title Deed], and violent men [a spiritual violent army for Yahweh] must take it [reclaim it, defend its sovereignty] by force." (Matthew 11:12)

4. What will it take?

- A. DON'T LOOK BACK: "As Jesus and his disciples traveled along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and the birds in the sky have nests, but the Human One has no place to lay his head." Then Jesus said to someone else, "Follow me." He replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead. But you go and spread the news of God's kingdom." Someone else said to Jesus, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say good-bye to those in my house." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand on the plow and looks back is fit for God's kingdom."" Luke 9:57-62 CEB
- B. GIVE UP ALL—EVEN YOUR LIFE: "Large crowds were traveling with Jesus. Turning to them, he said, "Whoever comes to me and doesn't hate father and mother, spouse and children, and brothers and sisters—yes, even one's own life—cannot be my disciple. Whoever doesn't carry their own cross and follow me cannot be my disciple... In the same way, none of you who are unwilling to give up all of your possessions can be my disciple. "Salt is good. But if salt loses its flavor, how will it become salty again? It has no value, neither for the soil nor for the manure pile. People throw it

away. Whoever has ears to hear should pay attention."" Luke 14:25-27, 33-35 CEB

5. What will you get if you sell ALL YOU HAVE to buy the field?

A. AUTHORITY, HIDDEN THINGS REVEALED, WHAT THE PROPHETS HAVE BEEN WAITNG FOR: "Jesus replied, "I saw Satan fall from heaven like lightning. **Look, I have given you** authority to crush snakes and scorpions underfoot. I have given you authority over all the power of the enemy. Nothing will harm you. Nevertheless, don't rejoice because the spirits submit to you. Rejoice instead that your names are written in heaven." At that very moment, Jesus overflowed with joy from the Holy Spirit and said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you've hidden these things from the wise and intelligent and shown them to **babies.** Indeed, Father, this brings you happiness. **My Father** has handed all things over to me. No one knows who the Son is except the Father, or who the Father is except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wants to reveal him." Turning to the disciples, he said privately, "Happy are the eyes that see what you see. I assure you that many prophets and kings wanted to see what you see and hear what you hear, but **they didn't."**" Luke 10:18-24 CEB

B. THE ULTIMATE PLACE: "My Father's house has room to spare. If that weren't the case, would I have told you that I'm going to prepare a place for you? When I go to prepare a place for you, I will return and take you to be with me so that where I am you will be too. You know the way to the place I'm going."" John 14:2-4 CEB

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Questions & Discussion

- 1. Questions or Discussion Ideas
 - A. Discuss your legal rights and inheritance as a child of the King.
 - B. Where in your life have you taken possession of the "land"?
 - (1) What cost have you paid?
 - (2) Where have you held back from giving all your possessions? Why?
 - (3) What can you do to change?
 - C. Where have you surrendered ground already taken?
 - (1) Why have you done that?
 - (2) How can you take in back?

NOTE TO OUR FELLOW DISCIPLES

For your edification, I have included, below, a copy of an email that I wrote one year ago (2018) concerning this portion of Scripture we just studied above. It was written to two friends of mine who were in deep discussion about events that were taking place at the time. It is such a testimony to the goodness, faithfulness and surety of Yahweh that I chose to attach it to the end of this study. If you need more clarity on the subject I am always available.

Jeff Hazim

Michael and Chaim—(November 2018)

This past week's Torah portion sets a precedent for "taking the land that was promised"!

Look at what Abraham does when he buys the gravesite for Sarah— He insists that he pay for it (not take it for free) and it says he LEGALLY takes possession of the piece of land (Deed in hand).

Okay— track with this; he was ALREADY promised all the land so, in a sense, spiritually it was already "his". This transaction takes place in

Genesis 23:4-17. And it emphasizes that Abraham insists that he legally own this little piece of land so there are no questions in the future!

NOTE: we also see that Jacob later requests to be, and is buried, in the same grave that Abraham purchased where he, Sarah, Isaac, Rebekah and Leah are eventually buried. Jacob's Request and its fulfillment can be found in Genesis 47:27-31 and Genesis 49:29-33. And the Joseph asks to not let his final resting place be Egypt and his bones are carried off by Moses in the Exodus 13:19 and buried in Land PURCHASED in the past by Jacob (However, Joseph does NOT ask to by buried with his ancestors, hinting at looking forward, rather than back). Jacob Purchases land where Joseph will be buried in Genesis 33:18-20. Joseph request to be buried there can be found in Genesis 50:24-25, and Joseph's bones are buried there as a legacy to his descendants (future!) in Joshua 24:32. All of these requests can be fulfilled with certainty because the land was LEGALLY PURCHASED with TITLE DEED IN HAND!

In Jeremiah 32:1-44, we see a similar precedent when warnings are going out about Babylon taking over. The land is already "theirs" (Israel's) but they are going to lose it "temporarily" because of transgression. But, Yahweh tells Jeremiah to buy a piece of his family land, take the title deed in hand (legal ownership), have it witnessed, and hide the deed until the time comes to RECLAIM it. NOTE: in Matthew 13:44, when the man sells all he has to purchase the field with the hidden treasure in it, the Greek word used to "buy" means RECLAIM. This hints to the idea that it was his all along, but that it is necessary to TAKE LEGAL OWNERSHIP. Does this not

speak so poignantly to believers understanding their identity and inheritance. It reminds me of Paul's words in Ephesians 1:17-23 when he prays that believers would get a REVELATION of the power they have, the power used to raise Messiah from the grave! He does not pray they get the power, but rather that they recognize THE POWER THEY ALREADY HAVE!

This legal ownership is literally like an Embassy, a piece of land owned by one sovereign government in the midst of another, so you have possession of a beachhead from where to go forth when the time comes to take over all of the land. I think we might even be able to call it an Embassy in times of peace and a beachhead in times of war. (NOTE THE RELEVANCE OF PRESIDENT TRUMP MOVING THE US EMBASSY TO JERUSALEM!—The United States Embassy officially relocated to Jerusalem on May 14, 2018, to coincide with the 70th anniversary of the Israeli Declaration of Independence.)

Chaim felt that he was there in Colorado Springs to "take the city". Colorado Springs is strategic for so many reasons, as Chaim has shared with us. He felt being given authority over Colorado Springs was the promise, even before he had legal deed to a piece of land in it. Now he does, and now we recognize the LEGAL precedent for him to do so! In a sense, "He already owned it, but for Biblical Legal reasons (Kingdom Law) he needed to legally possess a small portion first! (Like a Sovereign Embassy within the boarders of a foreign land)

King David did the same thing when he purchased the threshing floor that then became the sight of the Temple Mount! He INSISTED he pay for it

even though the Jebusite was happy to give it to him for free in 2 Samuel 24:18-25 (JUST LIKE EPHRON WANTED TO GIVE IT TO ABRAHAM). Instead, David purchased it and owned it and so was legally able to possess the promises all around him!

Think of this for a moment—just so it is on paper. Long ago I sat with Chaim and told him to go. I told him that he had an apostolic call and he needed to leave Florida, to be SENT out. He was faithful even when facing challenges BEYOND MEASURE to do so. Along his journey we talked many times about the Kingdom of Heaven, the Gospel of the Kingdom, Kingdom Law, and and all about the roles of a Kingdom Ambassador, and somehow (we all know how), he decides that there needs to be a Kingdom Embassy in Colorado Springs. Meanwhile, back in Florida (His home country from where he was sent as an ambassador) we had LEGALLY established KINGDOM EMBASSY MINISTRIES (KEM), while having not told each other what we were dong. Prior to the official incorporation of KEM, the eventual Board of Directors, and others, had many meaningful discussions on why the ministry should be called an Embassy!

Then to put a GIANT EXCLAMATION POINT on the whole thing, Chaim and Kim ACTUALLY, in the real world (fake shadow world that shows our faith), take LEGAL possession, with deed in hand (paid in full!), a piece of land in Colorado Springs. And they do so just hours before the sun sets to begin the Sabbath, the very Sabbath, on the VERY WEEK that this Torah portion is read around the world, the portion that demonstrates and teaches the legal precedent and the significance of talking Legal Title to a

small piece of land within the boarders of the whole land you will eventually possess! Can anyone say—YOU CAN'T MAKE THIS STUFF UP!?

Wow gentlemen—Wow!

Jeff

P. S. In the past year, Chaim and Kim Goldman have met with such favor in their new city, one might think that Chaim was the Spiritual Major. And now he has expanded his territory to include intentions of becoming the Spiritual Governor of the entire State! For those who who may not realize, Colorado itself was the testing ground, and the eventual proven model of success, for an evil liberal agenda to infect a once conservative land. Read the book, "The Colorado Blueprint." It demonstrates this very idea of taking a small piece and then expanding it to the whole. Now that same agenda is being used nationally. "The Kingdom of Heaven suffers violence, and violent men [spiritually violent people] must take it [reclaim it] by force." (Matt. 11:12) Drive the stake of the Gospel of the Kingdom into the land and establish an Embassy. That is what ambassadors do!

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure that somebody hid in a field, which someone else found and covered up. Full of joy, the finder sold everything and bought [reclaimed] that field." Matthew 13:44