## **HEBREW: SAINTS SUFFERING (90) – Letter 'Tsade'**

## **TSADE**

The <u>eighteenth</u> Hebrew letter '**Tsade**' is pictured at right:

The spiritual number **18** means 'Bondage' or 'Prison'.

In Hebrew the character **Tsade** is used to represent the number **90**.

The spiritual number 90 means 'Saints Sifted'.

The meaning is '<u>Testimony</u>' (10) of '<u>Judgment</u>' (9).  $90 = 10 \times 9$ . It can also mean '<u>Division</u>' (2) of '<u>Preservation</u>' (45).  $90 = 2 \times 45$ . It can also mean '<u>Weakness</u>' (5) of '<u>Bondage</u>' (18).  $90 = 5 \times 18$ .

The rabbis picture **Tsade** as a '**Trap**' or a '**Fishing Hook**' that catches the fish. The root word 'Tzod' means to hunt, to trap, or to catch.

Christians picture **Tsade** as '**Saints Suffering**'. The letter **Tsade** looks like the figure of *a Man* (**Vav**) *bent over with a Sword* (**Zayin**) *in his back*!

In the classical Hebrew script, the **Zayin** is displayed as a **Yod**, a symbol of <u>the Hand of God's discipline</u>. **Yod** can represent any authority in life. The suffering may be due recompense, or *it may not be deserved*.

The **90**<sup>th</sup> Psalm: (Moses contemplating the suffering in a long life)

"You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence. All our days pass away under your wrath; we finish our days with a moan." (Psalm 90:8-9)

The **90**<sup>th</sup> Verse of the Bible: (after Cain killed Abel, God spoke to him)

"What have you done? <u>Your brother's blood cries to me</u> from the ground!" (Genesis 4:10)

Mention of the number 90 in Scripture: (Abraham speaking)

"Shall a child be born unto him that is an hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear?" (Gen. 17:17)

The number **90** is associated with <u>sorrows and sufferings</u>, of <u>travails when strength is spent</u>. Why did God delay the birth of





Jesus flogged:



Christians fed to lions:



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Sarah's son? Suffering may be brought on by one's own sin, the sin of another, or it may come with being part of fallen humanity.

ANALYSIS OF TSADE - IN GOD'S TRUTH SQUARE (Appendix on last page explains the Truth-square)

*The hidden messages in the names on the stones* of the Truth-Square for **Tsade**:

The three stones that are completely covered by the strokes of the letter:

SHEM (Name) CURSE HAM (Burnt)

Translation: Your Name is Cursed (Personal Reputation is Burned Up)

The four stones that are partially covered by the strokes of the letter:

JAPHETH (Open Mouth) NOAH (Savior) BABYLON (King) HOLY LAND (Messiah)

Translation: They Laugh (mock) that you say your Savior is the King, the Messiah!

The two stones that are not touched by the strokes of the letter:

**BLESSING EGYPT** (Bondage)

Translation: (Where is) the Blessing? I am in Prison

<u>The hidden messages in the numbers on the stones</u> of the Truth-Square for **Tsade**:

The seven stones that are touched by the strokes of the letter:

Sum of the numbers on the stones: **37** 'Chosen Servant' [**37** = 1 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 7 + 8 + 9]

We see the clear connection between **Tsade** 'Suffering Saints' and the Savior himself. The number **37** is very sacred, being associated with the fourth number theme: the <u>Cross of Christ</u>. We would direct the reader to access the Number Maps from our website and meditate on the significance of **37**.

Sum of the numbers on the stones by row: '<u>Message</u>' (4) of '<u>Judgment</u>' (9) by the '<u>Priest</u>' (24)! The high priest of the Jews accused Jesus and took him to the Romans to suffer and die (Luke 22:66 to 23:2)

The two stones that are not touched by the strokes of the letter:

Sum of the numbers on the stones: 8 'Holy Man' [8 = 2 + 6]: 'Division' (2) of 'Man' (6)

Putting these two spiritual meanings together: the Suffering Saint is Holy to God

"Precious in the eyes of the LORD are the death of his saints" (Psalm 116:15)

## **APPENDIX – GOD'S TRUTH SQUARE**

The Truth-Square is a set of blocks or stones arranged in a 3 x 3 square. The spiritual **number 3** means 'God' and 'Truth'. The number 9 = 3 x 3 means God's (3) Truth (3): 'Judgment' (9). The LORD is "Judge of all the Earth" (Gen. 18:25).

In the **Truth-Square** we see the **four corners of the Earth**, each one in the direction it belongs relative to the Holy Land: **Europe** is North; **Americas** are West, **Africa** is South, and **Asia** is East. (Note: The North side of the 3-square is not a corner, that is why the North must appear in the North-East quadrant of the 3-square). The four corners of the Earth also correspond to the fathers of all peoples. Japheth is the father of Europeans. Noah is the spiritual father of Americas.

NOAH (Americas)	BLESSING 2	JAPHETH (Europe)
EGYPT (Slavery)	HOLY LAND (Israel)	BABYLON (City of Cain)
HAM (Africa)	curse 8	SHEM (Asia)

The **Holy Land** (5) also stands for **Israel** the people God called to dwell there and it stands for **Messiah** who was born there and will rule there. God put a **Blessing** (2) and a **Curse** (8) before **Israel**. To the east is **Babylon** (4), which also signifies **Kingdom** or **World Rule**. To the west is **Egypt** (6), which is the land of **Slavery** and **Bondage**. **Shem** (7) can also mean **Name**, and **Ham** (9) can also mean **Burnt**.

Each stone in the Truth-Square also signifies a number: 1 to 9. Of course, numbers have their own spiritual meanings. For more information on that, please see the Number Maps on our site.