

## 6.8.A(49).Lord and Heir of House. Mark 12:35-37

The Lord says to **my Lord**: “Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool.” Psalm 110:1

As a Household shepherd, you will face a common misperception that may take hold in your heart or the hearts of your people. For, after sacrificing, enduring, and laboring to gather your household, a *kingdom outpost of reborn disciples*, you or one of your people may see the household as “theirs.” And, in a sense, this Kingdom and this House do belong to the people, for we are co-heirs with Mashiach (Matthew 5:3). However, the founders of a household may imagine it as their household in the way that human parents see themselves as the home’s highest authorities.

So, when David writes about the coming “Son of David,” Mashiach, he still says, he is my “Lord”—the One still having authority over David and his household. How can this be, since Mashiach is to be “the Son of David”?

Yes, God raised up Mashiach. According to the flesh, Mashiach is indeed the “Son” of David. Yet, in the Spirit, Mashiach is “the Son of God” (2 Samuel 7:14), for as it says: “But they shall serve the Lord their God and David their King, whom I will raise up for them” (Jeremiah 30:9). When it says, “they shall serve the Lord their God,” this includes even David. Thus, as the “Lord God” of his Household, having been raised up by God, Jesus is eternally “Lord.”

Thus as you multiply disciples and households for the Kingdom of God, you must teach each one to be under the Lordship of Jesus Mashiach. For he was, is, and ever will be the sustaining and ruling Lord, who rules through each shepherding

team of every household, working through his shepherds to feed, guide, and protect his people!

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*While in the flesh we may outgrow our need for our parents, in the Spiritual **House and Kingdom**, we never **grow independent** of our Eternal Lord!*

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So, Shepherd, work hard and intentionally that your household know that they have one Lord, and that Lord is Jesus Mashiach who is the Heir soler possessor of your Household.

In Israel, Mashiach is both the *root* and the *shoot* that comes from Jesse, so forsake any ambition of making a *great name* for your house, for there is only One Lord, only One Heir to be honored in your House.

Even so, guard your House against any earthly identification might detract from the name of the Lord Jesus who lays claim to your lives. In the Last Days, the Lordship covering your house is the

conflict around which swirl both global and even cosmic warfare, for either you claim Jesus as your Lord, or the Beast's Mark will forever claim you for Satan and his *damned kingdom*. Be clear with your people from the start, and may your allegiance and loyalty be beyond a doubt.

### Read Mark 12:35-37.

<sup>35</sup> And as Jesus taught in the temple, he said, "How can the scribes say that the **Christ** is the **son of David**? <sup>36</sup> David himself, in the Holy Spirit, declared, **"The Lord said to my Lord,** "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet."<sup>37</sup> **David** himself calls him **Lord**. So how is he his **son**?" And the great throng heard him gladly. Mark 12:35-37

## Background:

There shall come forth a **shoot** from the **stump of Jesse**, and a **branch** from his roots shall **bear fruit**. <sup>2</sup> And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

Isaiah 11:1-2

They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. <sup>10</sup> In that day the **root of Jesse**, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations

inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious. Isaiah 11:9-10

<sup>5</sup> I am **the vine**; you are the **branches**. Whoever **abides in me** and I in him, he it is that bears much **fruit**, for **apart** from me you can do nothing. John 15:5

Let us again remember the spiritual reality in which we live. Because Israel forgot this truth, it became increasingly Self-entitled, imagining that it had some spiritual power—fortified by the Law, to *produce* its own spiritual life, when all along God showed in Ezekiel 37 that even in the Last Days, spiritual life only comes from God by His Spirit (Ezekiel 37:7-10). Remember: In the Spiritual Reality, the Lord God remains forever and ever the only source of Spiritual Life, Power, and

Righteousness. There is no other source but God Himself and his Mashiach (John 5:26).

### The Nature of God's House.

As a shepherd, never think that you build the household of God's Kingdom on *fleshly weakness* or on the shifting foundations of the world. This *fallacy* led to the great Church denominations, traditions, and lineages which now are no more! Rather, read the words of Isaiah 11 again. Not only is Mashiach the "shoot" which sprouts up and its "branch" that bears "fruit" (Isaiah 11:1), but the Lord is also the "root of Jesse"—the very foundation of not only David's House but House Abraham and House Adam!

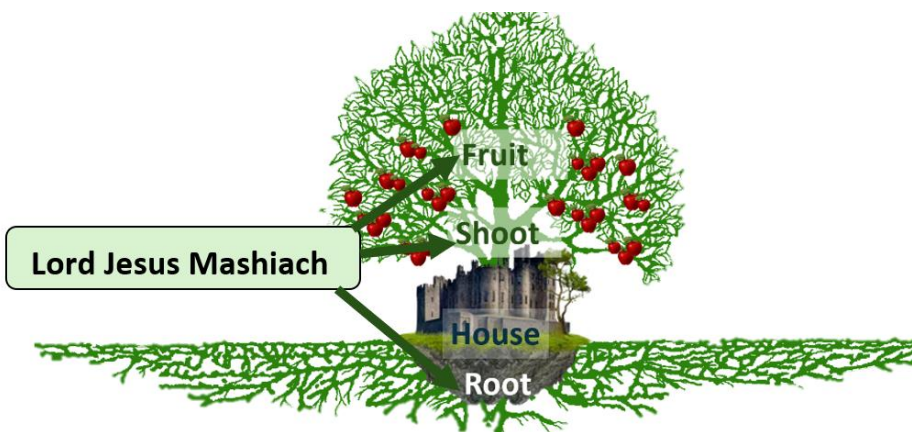
For, God's House, though it is incarnated, it is embodied as *fleshly people* are reborn in the Lord Jesus Mashiach to become members of God's Kingdom House, the true source of life and the roots which *support* and *nourish* the whole house,

the very “branches” and even the “fruit” born into the Kingdom reality, is all of the Lord!

This is why Paul writes in the Church Age, “these (religious forms) are a shadow of what is to come, but the *reality* (literally, the Body-Soma) belongs to Mashiach!” (Colossians 2:17). Though this current world *houses* the House of God, and the House of God takes shape as “household” after “household” multiplies and reproduces new born-again disciples, this visible growth belies an even stronger and more vital reality, for true growth is spiritual and all spiritual life comes from Mashiach.

So, there is never any “outgrowing” our relationship or need for the Lord God, for to step away is to stand in our own Flesh, in darkness, unbelief, and death.

Jesus Mashiach will ever be the Lord and Life-giver of his household, but he will work powerfully through each shepherd assigned to each household for the good of his House. So, let's remember:



### 1. Jesus the Roots of his Household:

<sup>10</sup> According to the grace of God given to me, like a **skilled master builder** I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care

how he builds upon it. <sup>11</sup> For no one can lay a **foundation** other than that which is laid, which is **Jesus Christ**. 1 Corinthians 3:10-11

As a shepherd, you might consider what you will build your household upon. The fleshly choice is always the easiest and most attractive choice. The Jews built the foundation of House Israel upon the foundation of *tradition* and on their natural relationship as households, clans, tribes, and a nation. This readily accessible *Jewish identity* was rooted in the Avot. But, Isaiah reminds the nation that in God's Kingdom to come, established by the Spirit-anointed Mashiach (Isaiah 11:1) as a Kingdom of peace, this Kingdom rests on the one who is not only the "shoot" from Jesse but also Jesse's "root" (Isaiah 11:10). For, the eternal house of David and God must establish its roots

not in the passing flesh of earthly generations but in the everlasting life of Mashiach himself, so even before Jesse, Mashiach was the one to be the “root” for his house.

But, how can you establish your house on the *foundation* that is Jesus Mashiach?

- Foundation: Foundation (build)

According to Paul, your work as a shepherd is to first “lay a foundation” and then “build” on it, as you spread the Word and add to your house disciples whose *faith* will rest on something or someone. Here, Shepherd, you have a choice, and you can only pick one: do you want to build your household on your own expertise, knowledge, and capability so that you are the one that looks good in your family? That you are respected, honored, and given a place of entitlement? Of course, choosing the path of flesh will ensure *future ruin* and collapse for your household. Paul said that if his people

relied on his “speech” and “plausible words of wisdom” (1 Corinthians 2:4)—that is, he spent his time avoiding blame, skirting risk, and defending or promoting his own reputation and name—then the “faith” of his people would rest on the “wisdom of men.” Such a ruinous foundation would eventually collapse because he would hold his house hostage to *human popularity and whim*. Instead, Paul decided to ground his household on Jesus Mashiach, who embodies the “power of God” (5). So, build on the Foundation of Jesus Mashiach by:

- **Relational Faith:** Always inspect the foundation of the faith of your people, ensuring that their faith is a “relational faith”—that it draws them nearer and nearer to the living Lord Mashiach.
- **Person of Jesus.** (1 Cor. 3:11). If your people have a relational faith, secure that faith directly to the person of Jesus Mashiach.

Make sure their faith does not rest on *dead* things—dead doctrines, dead ideas, dead traditions and practices. But, you will know if they are pressing in to hear, to learn, and to be changed by a living presence rather than mere rote understanding. For this living relationship with Jesus, check on their:

- Prayer Life
  - Confessing Sins
  - Fruit of the Spirit.
  - Sacrificial choices.
  - Knowing his mind and will and doing it.
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- Word and Obedience not World.(Matt. 7:24-27). The Lord Jesus himself instructed that to *build on him* as the foundation of your household was to hear and obey his Words. For, when you know and obey the Word of Jesus Mashiach, he gives you the *spiritual power* to fulfill what he asks. This is why

when Peter faced the impossible task of walking on water, he knew well enough to ask Jesus to “command” him to come, and when he did, Peter by faith walked on the seas (Matthew 14:28). In this way, teach your people to hear and obey the Lord’s commands alone. Be sure a myriad of voices from tradition, or from social media, or the world, compete. Rather, prune the voices of authority in their lives to Jesus Mashiach alone.

- Nourishment. When they learn to do the will of the Lord, obeying his voice and knowing him, they will be nourished as the root system not only supports but also nurtures.

## 2. Jesus the Shoot and Branches of his Household.

Jesus also says that he is the entire structure of the plant, saying, “I am the vine, you are the branches” (John 15:5). So, Jesus does not

outsource or manage his household from afar—he “abides” in the very life of his household, in the branches and their relationships. This is why he commands, “abide in me” (John 15:4). For, sharing in the life together in Jesus brings his presence near, for “where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them” (Matthew 18:20).

As the days grow darker, Jesus among you in your household will be a safe place of the Kingdom’s presence, as your household draws you all together in him.

### 3. Jesus the Fruit and Multiplying Seed of His Household.

<sup>17</sup> I will surely bless you, and I will surely **multiply your offspring** as the **stars** of **heaven** and as the **sand** that is on the **seashore**. And your offspring shall

possess the gate of his enemies,<sup>18</sup> and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice.” Genesis 22:17-18

Jesus Mashiach is so immanent in his Household, and his life so infused and expressed through his people, that he is even the “shoot” of the tree bearing “fruit.”

For, when a disciple repents of his *fleshly addiction to this world* and turns to Jesus Mashiach as his Lord, he is *reborn* as “seed” being multiplied and born from the very life of Jesus Mashiach, for God promises to multiply his “Seed”—his *people* as the “stars of the heavens” and the “sand” of the “seashore” (Genesis 22:17).

Seed Multiplied as Sons.

<sup>29</sup> For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the

image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

These “seed”—newborn children of God—are not mere strangers in the Kingdom, but they are children meant to grow to resemble the Lord Jesus Mashiach so that in the House of God, these children are “predestined to be **conformed** to the **image of his Son**, in order that he might be the **firstborn** among **many brothers**” (Romans 8:29). That is, the *fruit* Jesus bears are of his spiritual “seed” and share in his *life*, for the end that one day, Jesus Mashiach would be the “firstborn” son among many sons (which of course are male and female heirs with him!).

So, as you invite Jesus Mashiach into your household to be immanent among you all as your “Lord,” both the “peace” and the “word” of Jesus will bear fruit among you! (Colossians 3:15-17).

### Correcting Fleshly View of Mashiach:

#### 1. Identify commonly held **but incomplete** belief:

“Mashiach is the Son of David.”

#### 2. Uncover **incompleteness** by linking other

##### Scripture:

“The Lord said to my Lord”: Mashiach is David’s Lord.

#### 3. Correct with complete view:

Mashiach is the Son of David and the Son of God.

##### The Lord of every House: Root and Shoot.

The Foundation and Root of Every House:

Mashiach is both the “shoot” (Isaiah 11:1) and the “root” (Isaiah 11:10) of Jesse.

#### 4. Proclaim Mashiach: Beyond the Son of David:

<sup>61</sup> But he remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him,

“Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?” <sup>62</sup> And Jesus said, “I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.” <sup>63</sup> And the high priest tore his garments and said, “What further witnesses do we need? <sup>64</sup> You have heard his blasphemy. What is your decision?” And they all condemned him as deserving death.

### Focus:

8. **Lord and Heir of House:** Mashiach as the Son of David and the Son of God.

1. **Limiting Mashiach:** only the Son of David.  
12:35

2. **Lord of House:** Mashiach is David's Lord.

12:36

3. **Lordship of Son of God:** Mashiach is Lord.

12:37 (Jeremiah 32:5-6).

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Further Discovery:

