

Aquarius: The Pouring Out of the Water

Chapter Two: Living Water for the Church

With the sacrifice on the cross being made, the blessings bought with a price which covers our sins has been paid, and now they can be poured out upon the Church. The central message of the Bible is atonement, that is, that **God** has provided a way for us to come back into fellowship with Him.⁸³² A man pouring out water from an urn, which seems to have an inexhaustible supply, pictured this in the heavens from the beginning. The water flows downward into the mouth of a fish, which receives it and drinks it up.

The same idea is seen in the ancient Egyptian zodiac, but the man holds two urns and the fish below seems to have come out of the urn. The man is called *Hupei Tirion*, which means *the place of him coming down or poured forth*. This agrees with its other names. In Hebrew it is called *Deli*, *the water-urn or bucket* (as in **Num 14:7**), and the Arabic *Delu* is the same.

There are 108 stars in this sign, and their names are significant. The star in the right shoulder is called *Sa'ad al Melik*, which means *the record of **the pouring out***. The **beta** star in the left shoulder is called *Saad al Melik*, *who goes and returns*, or *the pourer out*. The bright star **delta** in the lower part of the right leg is well known today by its Hebrew name *Scheat*, which means ***who goes and returns***.

Before the destruction of the Temple by the Romans in 70 AD, the Jews celebrated ***the pouring out of the water*** on the Feast of Sukkot (see my commentary on **The Life of Christ Gp - On the Last and Greatest Day of the Feast**). The source of the celebration is found in **Isaiah 12:3**: **With joy you shall draw water from the wells of salvation**. For seven days water was taken from the pool of Siloam in golden buckets by a procession of priests back to the Temple. As they ascended the fifteen steps to the Temple Mount, they sang the Psalm of Ascents (**Psalms 120 through 134**). On the first step they sang **Psalm 120**, on the second step **Psalm 121**, and so on until **Psalm 134**. Then they entered the courtyard and poured out the water on the southwest corner of **the bronze Altar** because it was where the grooves that drained the blood were located.

On the last and greatest day of the Feast, the procession of priests made the circuit to the altar not once but seven times, as if they were circling Jericho to bring down its walls again. Therefore, the seventh or last day of the Feast was also called "the Great Hosanna" because they sang **Psalm 118**. When the priests poured out the water, the rejoicing was like the victory celebration of a Super Bowl win on the last play of the game with no time remaining on the clock. **In fact, the rejoicing was so great that the rabbis said: He who has not seen the rejoicing of the pouring out of the water has not seen rejoicing in all of his life.**⁸³³

This was the climax of the entire week and after a long time of intense celebration and before the offering of the massive festive sacrifices, there was a short pause. The large number of people must have collapsed in exhaustion. And after the explosive chanting of the Hallel there was dead silence. At that moment **Jesus stood up** so that **He** could be clearly seen and said in a voice loud enough to be heard throughout the Temple: **Let anyone who is thirsty come to Me and drink. Whoever believes in Me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them (John 7:37-38).** In Judaism the pouring out of the water was a symbol of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the last days. The rabbis taught that in the last day before the Messiah comes, there will be an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon Isra'el. Jesus interpreted and fulfilled this teaching. By this He meant the Spirit whom those who believed in Him were later to receive (John 7:39). Therefore, those who believe in the Meshiach, will receive this **living water** or the Ruach HaKodesh who sustains them.

But there is a second important aspect to Aquarius, one **who goes and returns**. Later Jesus would say: **I am going away and I am coming back to you.** But while I am gone **I will not leave you as orphans, but the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name will teach you everything I have said to you (John 14:18, 26 and 28).** So God in His *grace* has sent us **streams of living water**, and baptizes us with **the Holy Spirit (Matthew 3:11; Mark 1:8; Luke 3:16, John 1:33; Acts 1:5, 11:16; First Corinthians 12:13)**, into the body of **Christ (Galatians 3:27; First Corinthians 12:13)** at the moment of faith in Him. This work of grace in the Church is necessary to sustain the prophecy of **the Seed of the woman** in Virgo.

1. Piscis Australis (The Southern Fish): This first constellation is of ancient times and its brilliant star of the first magnitude was a subject of great study by the Egyptians and Ethiopians. It is inseparable from Aquarius, as we have seen. It is named in Arabic *Fom al Haut*, *the mouth of the fish*. In the Egyptian zodiac it is called *Aar*, **a stream** and pictures **streams of living water** or **the Holy Spirit**.

2. Pegasus (The Winged Horse): The blessings that have been purchased with a price will be brought by Him who has bought them. In the Egyptian zodiac there are two characters immediately below the horse, *Pe* and *ka*. *Peka* or *Pega*, is in Hebrew *the chief*, and *Sus* is *horse*. So the name of this constellation, *Pegasus*, has come down to us and has been preserved through all the languages. The names of the stars in this constellation describe its meaning to us. There are 89 altogether, one of the first magnitude, two of the second and three of the third.

The brightest star **alpha** (on the neck of the horse at the junction of the wing), comes down to us with the ancient Hebrew name of *Markab*, which means *returning from afar*. The star **beta** (in the rear shoulder) is called *Scheat*, or *who goes and returns*. The star **gamma** (at the tip of the wing) bears an Arabic name - *Al Genib*, *who carries*. The star **epsilon** (in the nostril) is called *Enif* (Arabic), *the water*. And the star **eta** (in the near leg) is called *Matar* (Arabic), *who causes to overflow*.

This is no ordinary horse! Therefore, it must be used figuratively, and it can only be a figure of **Him who goes and returns** from heaven. **He** who bought the Church with **His** blood is coming quickly so that we may overflow with the blessings of **the Holy Spirit** in the millennial Kingdom.

3. Cygnus (The Swan): This constellation repeats, emphasizes and affirms this wonderful truth. It has to do with **Yeshua's** speedy return, to which all the names of the stars point. In the Egyptian zodiac it is named *Tes-ark*, which means *this from afar*. It is a most brilliant constellation of 81 stars. It contains five variable stars, five double stars and one quadruple. It has one star of the first and second magnitude, and six of the third. The star named *61 Cygni* is known as one of the most wonderful in the whole heavens.

Each chapter ends in glory and here, this mighty bird is not falling dead, like *Aquila* the eagle, but it is flying swiftly to the earth. The swan is not so much a bird of the air, but a bird of both the air and the water. Its brightest star **alpha** (between the body and the tail) is called *Deneb* (like another in *Capricorn*), and means *the judge*. It is also called *Adige*, *flying swiftly*, and so is linked with Christ who comes to judge the earth in righteousness. The star **beta** in the beak is named *Al Bireo* (Arabic), *flying quickly*. The star **gamma** in the body is called *Sadr* (Hebrew), *who returns in a circle*. The two stars in the tail, marked as **pi 1** and **pi 2**, are named *Azel*, *who goes and returns quickly* and *Fafage*, *gloriously shining forth*.

The teaching, then, of the entire sign of *Aquarius* is clear and complete. The names of the stars explain the constellations and the constellations explain the sign, so that we are left in no doubt. By **His** sacrifice on the cross as described in the sign of *Capricorn*, **He** has paid for unspeakable blessings for **His** Church. *Aquarius* describes the coming of **the Holy Spirit** and **His** speedy return to fill the earth with **His** grace to overflowing as surely as **the waters cover the sea (Isaiah 11:9)**.