

The 7th Tribe of Israel, Gad
The Army of God, A Troop Cometh,
Genesis 30:11
The Warrior



Gad means the army of God, a troop cometh, fortunate, to attack, to overcome, to invade and to gather together for attack.

Gad comes from the Hebrew word gad. It has more than one meaning. The first is 'a troop,' and it also means 'fortune, to attack, to overcome, to invade, and to gather together.' (Or more modernly said, as 'ganging up together for an attack.')

Psalms 144:1: Blessed be the LORD my strength, which teaches my hands to war, and my fingers to fight::2 My goodness, and my fortress; my high tower, and my deliverer; my shield, and he in whom I trust; who subdues my people under me.

Gad was the seventh son of Jacob and handmaiden, Zilpah. Gad means the army of God, a troop to attack to overcome to invade. Gadite is formed in the heat of the battle. Through great trials and testing. It takes the most intense heat to perfect the Gadite.

Genesis 49:19: Gad, a troop shall overcome him: but he shall overcome at the last.

Genesis 30:9-11 When Leah saw that she had left bearing, she took Zilpah her maid, and gave her Jacob to wife. And Zilpah Leah's maid bare Jacob a son. And Leah said, A troop cometh: and she called his name Gad.

His mother, Zilpah, who bore him, was the handmaiden of Leah. She was the sister of Bilhah. Her name means. "Drop, tear, closeness, wet with myrrh." It was Leah who named Gad. She had stopped giving birth for some time. But after Rachel gave her maid, Bilhah, to Jacob as a concubine, Leah decided to do the same with her maid, Zilpah. This was no love affair between Jacob and Zilpah; this was only for the purpose of giving birth to a more child. When Gad was

born, Leah felt a great sense of victory over Rachel and that is why she called this son of Zilpah's Gad.

Symbol Of Gad Is Three Tents



God has given to Gad the symbol of his victory in the cross of Jesus, the scene of Calvary. The three tents remind us of the three crosses at Calvary. Gad never did settle into houses, they remained roamers.

God is speaking to Gad to look to Calvary for the forgiveness of his sins and then to live the crucified life. Gad must be crucified with Christ at all times or he cannot come into his full maturity, which God desires of him.

Gad's Gemstone: Ligure



Yellow, orange, golden-brown. Speaks of the fiery battles won, overcoming power

You are one of Gods dreaded champions against the enemy. Moses sees Gad as a '*lion who rests in confidence and strength*'. Those who are Gadites are in the ministry of deliverance, going right after powers of spiritual wickedness. Experiences in your life trained you to be this dreaded champion warrior who will win every battle. You have the armor of God and are not afraid to use what He has place within you. You are an Overcomer by the Blood of the Lamb.

Summer Season

The three months of the summer season – **Tammuz** Jun/Jly, **Av** Jly/Aug, **Elul** Aug/Sept – correspond to the three tribes of the camp of Reuben – **Reuben, Simeon and Gad** – who were situated to the south of the Tabernacle in the wilderness.

- **In the Fourth Month, Tammuz**, God wants to establish the brilliance of your righteousness. Watch the events taking place in the earthly realm. The way to move through this month is through worship.
 - **In The Fifth Month, Av**, God wants to you to metamorphose or disintegrate where God can destroys so He can reconstruct you.
 - **In the Sixth Month, Elul**, This is the month of preparation for the "high holy days" of Tishrei, Tabernacles. God then wants to know that the King is in the field.
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Prophesies From Jacob and Moses

Prophesy from Jacob

Genesis 49:19: Gad, a troop shall overcome him: but he shall overcome at the last.

Jacob looks into the life of Gad and sees a time in his life when he is defeated by the enemy. His enemy is called the name 'a troop.' In other words, God is saying that Gad's worst enemy is Gad. Gad is a troop, his name means 'a troop' and he will be overcome by 'a troop.' Everyone of God's children find this to be true for them also. Our own worst enemy is the 'self' within us. For Gad it was extra hard, because this

troop is one that is destined to overcome the powerful enemy raised up against him, and appointed by his enemy to destroy him.

Galatians 2:20: I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live I live by believing in God's Son, who loved me and took the punishment for my sins.

Prophecy from Moses

Deuteronomy 33:20: And of Gad he said, blessed is he that enlarges Gad: he dwells as a lion, and tears the arm with the crown of the head.

21 And he provided the first part for himself, because there, in a portion of the lawgiver, was he seated; and he came with the heads of the people, he executed the justice of the LORD, and his judgments with Israel.

'Blessed be he that enlarges Gad'

Enlargement is a tremendous, important thing in the ministry or in business. When a ministry stands still, it begins to die.

Webster's New World Dictionary: 'Enlargement speaks of expansion, growth, larger volume, broadening out, increasing size, to speak or write at greater length, to reproduce, and to release from prison.

God promises a blessing to anyone who blesses Gad, by helping them to grow in God and develop into what He has called them to be, and who releases them from their prison.

'he dwells as a lion'

This lion is called lebaath in Hebrew. It is the same one that is used in Genesis 49:9, referring to Judah in his maturity. This is the great, old, stout lion who has come to maturity. Moses sees Gad as a "lion" the king of beasts, resting in confidence and strength.

This reveals the ferociousness also of this tribe. People surrounding Gad were afraid of him, and we read that the countenance of their warriors was like that of a lion.

"and tears the arm "

The arm is the part of the body that holds the spear or bow and arrow. Gad does not fool around. He goes straight to the source of danger. He strikes out at the source of human strength and human effort to disarm the enemy.

'with the crown of the head'

The only ones who wear crowns are royalty. Gad goes after the ruling monarch. He doesn't waste time with the foot soldier; he wants to get the king, the one with the crown on his head. Those who are Gadites are called to a ministry in deliverance, going right after true ruling powers of spiritual wickedness. He is trained for this kind of warfare through his own experience in fighting these strong "kings" in his own life.

'There, in a portion of the lawgiver, was he seated'

The word translated "lawgiver" comes from the Hebrew chaqqaq (khaw-kak) meaning, "to be a scribe, to cut or engrave into stones in primitive times, to appoint, decree, governor, print." Gad is gifted in anything had to do with writing or printing the message of God.

'he executed the justice of the Lord and his judgments with Israel'

God is going to give Gad a portion with Dan, in that, as the head of God's people and His scribe, even an old lion-scribe, he is going to have a portion in judging Israel.

We see in Gad a resemblance to four tribes;

1. Judah - the old lion,
2. Benjamin - providing the first portion for himself
3. Levi – the scribe of Israel
4. Dan – the judge of Israel

Maybe that is why the Gads have a hard time identifying themselves, simply because of the fact that they have the characteristics of so many of the other tribes. And then of course they lived close enough to Reuben and the half-tribe of Manasseh that they could take on some of their identity also.

Exploits of Gad and Heroes Of Faith

THE HEALING BALM OF GILEAD

Gilead means Rocky Region. It is so mountainous that it is sometimes called Mt. Gilead of Gad. (Genesis 31: 21) The mountains of Gilead included Pisgah, Abarim, and Peor, which is 2, 000 to 3,000 feet.

In the land of Gilead there grew a shrub from which a sap or gum exuded. The shrub was 12-15 feet high. It was famous in many parts of the world as the 'Balm of Gilead.'

Jeremiah cried out to the people of Gad, *"Is there no balm in Gilead; is there no physician there? Why then is not the health of the daughter of my people recovered?"* Jeremiah 8:22. This was after they had gone into captivity and he was grieving for what had happened to them.

Even today, the Spirit of the Lord is grieving for the healing of the daughters of Gilead, the daughters of Gad.

God has not cast off Gad. Ps108: 8 *"Gilead is mine."* God is still married to His beloved Gilead. He wants to gather them back into the fold from their land of captivity and use them to bring healing to the nations one more time. I believe that in the Millennium, the balm of Gilead shall go out as leaves for the healing of the nations.

In Micah 7: 14, the Lord gives a beautiful promise to the inhabitants of Gilead, *"Let them feed in Gilead, as in the days of old."*

GADITE SOLDIERS IN THE TIME OF KING DAVID

Men who joined with King David at Hebron. (I Chronicles 12:8-17)

They were men of might, men of war, fit for the battle. They could handle the shield and buckler. Their faces were like the faces of lions and they were as swift as the roes on the mountains. It is written of them,

"These are they that went over Jordan in the first month, when it had overflowed all his banks; and they put to flight all them of the valleys, both toward the east, and toward the west." (I Chronicles 12: 15)

These were God's kind of men - men who were not afraid to cross the Jordan when its banks were swollen. God said through his prophet Jeremiah in Jeremiah 12:5, "If thou hast run with the footmen, and they have wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? and if in the land of peace, wherein you trust, they wearied thee, then how wilt thou do in the swelling of Jordan?" We know that the Children of Israel crossed over into Canaan when the Jordan overflowed its banks and God held back the waters. (Joshua 3: 15) God is looking for an army of Gadites who will be fearless when the floods rise. I believe that He will have them, and they will be fearless Gadites, whose faces are like those of the lion, swift as the roes on the mountains. Through their lives of suffering as nomads, fighting against the Ammonites, defending their little tents and their pastures against the wicked enemy, they had become strong in their God, true men of might, men of courage, men who were fit for the battle. Those are the qualifications that God is going to find in Gad when the camp of Gad is ready for the battle. God puts Gad through a stiff "boot-camp."

The names of these 13 soldiers of Gad:

- 1 Ezer: "help"
- 2 Obadiah: "servant of Jah"
- 3 Eliab: "God is father"
- 4 Mishmannah: "strength, rigor"
- 5 Jeremiah: "Jah is high"
- 6 Attai: "seasonable"
- 7 Eliel: "God is God." He became one of David's mighty men 1Chron 11:46
- 8 Johanna: "God is gracious"
- 9 Elzabad: "God is endowing"
- 10 Jeremiah: "Jah is high"
- 11 Machbanai: "thick."

They added much to David's strength. They were men that could break through the greatest difficulties. They swam over Jordan while it overflowed all its banks. They are fit to be employed in the cause of God. Men who venture thus in dependence upon the Divine protection in spite of difficulties or dangers, in obedience to the path of duty, will surely play a great part in the end-time overcomers' army.

ELIJAH, THE PROPHET

1Kings 17:1 "And Elijah the Tishbite, who was of the inhabitants of Gilead, said unto Ahab, As the Lord God of Israel liveth, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years but according to my word."

In the midst of the idolatry and paganism of Jezebel, God needed a prince to shake Israel. Everyone was afraid of this wicked woman. Many prophets had already been slain. The whole of Israel was given over to idolatry, and Ahab had no strength against his own wife's evil, for she was controlled by demons and she controlled Israel through demonic powers.

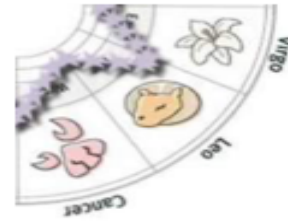
Suddenly, onto this scene steps a man across the Jordan River from the land of Gilead, called Elijah ("my Lord is Jehovah") right in the midst of the courts of Jezebel

and Ahab. He lifts up his voice and announces that he is going to stop the rain from falling out of heaven.

All of Samaria was shaken by one man. His voice kept King Ahab awake on his bed at night and filled Jezebel with frenzied fury. Here was one Gadite who fulfilled the prophecy of Moses to his tribe, "he dwells as a lion, and tears the arm with the crown of the head.... In a portion of the lawgiver was he seated; and he came with the heads of the people, he executed the justice of the Lord, and his judgments with Israel." (Deuteronomy 33: 20,21)



6. Elul
29 Days
Tribe of Gad
(August/September)



Note: The constellations were created by God as seen in Genesis. They were never designed for the Devils use. The Mazzaroth has nothing to do with today's fortune telling with Horoscopes or your birthday. They are pictures to in God's creation to see what He is saying to His tribes of Israel.

Mazzaroth: Constellations

6th Constellation: Virgo (THE VIRGIN)

"I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine."

Picture of the Bride of Jesus who has prepared herself for her wedding day and is found without spot or wrinkle. She is His alone. All the past is under the blood of her beloved.

It is possible that the first six constellations may be prophetically speaking of the 1st Coming of Messiah Jesus and the last 6 constellations are speaking of the 2nd Coming of Messiah Jesus.

Can you bring forth Mazzaroth in his season?

***Job 38:31:** Can you bind the sweet influences of Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion? **32:** Can you bring forth **Mazzaroth** in his season? or can you guide Arcturus with his sons?*

Strong's 4216 mazzarah maz-zaw-raw' apparently from 5144 in the sense of distinction; some noted constellation (only in the plural), perhaps collectively, the zodiac:--Mazzoroth.

6th Month On God's Calendar "Elul' To Reap (Aug/Sept)

This month falls on the beginning of autumn harvest season. This month is also called, "the beginning of the days of awe' is special preparatory time in which Israel seeks the Lord and begins to look ahead to the seventh month of harvest.

The month of preparation for next month of 'high holy days' of Tishrei, Tabernacles. This is the month when Moses ascended to Mount Sinai to receive the second tablets of the covenant. These are days of God's great mercy to Israel. It is the month of repentance, the month of mercy, and the month of forgiveness. Elul follows the two previous months wherein the two great sins of Israel, the sin of the gold calf and the sin of the spies.

In Song of Solomon 6:3 *"I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine."* In Hebrew, the first letter of each word in that phrase spells out the name of this month. - ELUL. Elul means good fortunes, rewards. The month that they cried out, "the King is in the field," making the king accessible to the everyday person. Approach Him and allow

His countenance to shine on you. The month to fix what has been broken. The time to find your place in the company of the Lord, and to run into His of might. The “mother” month—the month of nurturing. Faith requires action. This is a month of spiritual service, organization, management.

Alphabet: YUD



Yod

‘Appointed Mercy From The Hand Of God’

The 10th letter in the alphabet having the numeric value of 10. The YUD looks like an arm or a hand.

Suspended in mid-air, YUD is the smallest of the Hebrew letters, the ‘atom’ of the consonants. YUD represents a mere dot, a divine point of energy. Since YUD is used to form all the other letters, and since God uses the letters as the building blocks of creation, Yud indicates God’s omnipresence.

Even as YUD itself depicts something of the geometry of creation. It begins with the Yud itself, as a dot, and then moves downward, from the divine toward the created order Vav (the ‘hook’ of creation). Finally it moves outward in the horizontal realm as the ‘doorway’ of creation. Since Yeshua upholds the world by the Word of His power (Heb 1:3) and YUD is part of every Hebrew letter (and therefore every word), YUD is considered the starting point of the presence of God in all things – the ‘spark’ of the Spirit in everything.

YUD being so small speaks of humility.

Simeon’s Positioning

Gads Positioning When The Cloud Moved

The second to move out were the Lord’s Battle-axe Brigade Warriors. God set the second three tribes to lead the nation as physical warriors, which are Reuben, Simeon and Gad. Though they have a flesh war side, when won over to the Lord they are three tribes of passion. They can become faithful, steady and dependable who are fierce in battle.

Numbers 10:18: ¶And the standard of the camp of Reuben set forward according to their armies: and over his host was Elizur the son of Shedeur. 19: And over the host of the tribe of the children of Simeon was Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai. 20 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Gad was Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

It was their job to protect the Holy Furniture that was to follow them.

Numbers 10:21: And the Kohathites set forward, bearing the sanctuary: and the other did set up the tabernacle against they came.

Levitical family of the Kohathites who carried the furniture from the Outer Court and the Holy Place of the Tabernacle; Altar of burnt offerings, laver, table of showbread, lamp stand, incense altar.

Standard Of The Man - Reuben, Simeon and Gad Gathered Under

The 12 Tribes of Israel were grouped together in 4 sets of 3 tribes each. Each of the four had a flag, a standard that they rallied around. They traveled and camped under their standard, flag for their group.



Flag standard, Man – Traveled and camped under this standard; and camped on the South of the Tabernacle – Reuben, Simeon and Gad.

Jesus, The Man – He laid his life down for his friends. He is the pattern son that we are to live our lives like. He gave to the house of Israel teaching, love, healing, and deliverance. El Gibbor – Powerful Champion.

Man, The Bride – We are to come into the full stature of Christ, able to carry the weight of full stature sonship. No longer tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine.

Numbers 2:10: On the south side shall be the standard of the camp of Reuben according to their armies: and the captain of the children of Reuben

Position of Gad

In The Wilderness Around The Tabernacle: Gad was stationed on the south side with Reuben and Simeon

In Promised Land: They were on the east side of Jordan between Reuben in the south and the half-tribe of Manasseh in the north.

In the Millennium: The tribe of Gad will be in the farthest south, just below Zebulun.

The Gate of Gad In The New Jerusalem: Is situated on the west side with Asher and Naphtali.

Gadites have a hard time identifying themselves, simply because of the fact that they have the characteristics of so many of the other tribes. And they lived close enough to Reuben and the half-tribe of Manasseh so that they could take on some of their identity as well.

City of Ramoth, Tribe of Gad's The City Of Refuge and Levitical City For The Hopeless

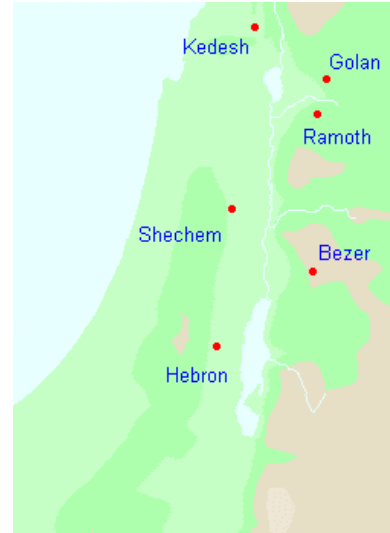
Joshua 20:8 Ramoth in Gilead from the tribe of Gad,

City of **Ramoth** (means) High Places in Gilead [Healing Balm] out of the tribe of Gad (means) A Troup Cometh; An Army.

Finally, in Joshua 20 all six cities are named. This takes place when the initial conquest had been completed, and the division of the land between the tribes was being confirmed. "Tell the Israelites to designate the cities of refuge...

So they set apart Kedesh... Shechem... Kiriath Arba (that is, Hebron)... On the east side of the Jordan... Bezer... Ramoth... Golan..." The locations of the rest of the Levitical support-cities were decided at the same time (Joshua 21). The allocations are repeated in 1 Chronicles 6.

The six cities of refuge reveal the Messiah who shelters the sinner from death. If a man accidentally killed someone the one and the victims brother wanted vengeance, then the fugitive could escape to a city of refuge where he would be protected and his case tried. The elders of the city would investigate the case. If he was acquitted of intentional killing he must remain within the city until the death of the high priest.



Ramoth means exalted. If you have no hope, no job, and if you are physically in bad shape, everything is hopeless in your life, God wants to exalt you. In your humility, I will exalt you in due season.

Psalm 104:27 These wait all upon thee; that thou mayest give them their meat in due season.

Heb 1:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Gad means 'the army of God, a troop cometh.' If you run into Gad's city of refuge you will find hope for the hopeless, you will find a renewing of your hope so that you become strengthened and strong and a mighty army that the devil did not see coming.

Each of us has been inducted into God's army. Our lives are not our own, we are bought with a price. There are lives to save from out of the devil's clutches. The Gadite has a ministry and a calling to bring people into Gad's city of refuge. You have a destiny in God. You are not 'nothing.' God is your hope. You are each given specific daily opportunities to "Go" and win the lost. To "Go" and heal the sick. To "Go" and deliver the wounded, to touch those who are hopeless. Gadites have the "Go" ministry.

Psalm 144:1 Blessed be the LORD my strength which teaches my hands to war, and my fingers to fight 2 My goodness, and my fortress; my high tower, and my deliverer; my shield, and he in whom I trust; who subdues my people under me.

Gad's Prophetic Summary

Yes, the troop may overcome Gad, but Gad shall overcome the troop at the end and he shall once more be swift as the roes on the mountains of Gilead, even as he was in the days of King David. For praise God, King David shall return to His city and take His seat on the throne of Israel and unto Him shall the tribes of Israel be gathered and Gad shall be there as an overcomer.

Gadites are the warriors, one of Gods dreaded champions. Expanding on the justice of Dan, Gad is ready to fight for his beliefs. The warrior is necessary to both defend his cherished Godly values and to protect his nations freedoms.

God will give you hope and destiny to become the worshipping warriors; dreaded champions on the march against the enemy, the robber and deceiver of our souls. Gadites are taking back their inheritance, as well as for their brethren. Gadites are a force to be reckoned with. They will go out and release the healing of God to the hurting - revealing the greatness of God's love for the lost.

Gadites can require great sacrifice of themselves. They are men of might, men of war, fit for the battle. They can handle the shield and buckler. Their faces are like the faces of lions and they are as swift as the roes on the mountains.

The Gadite tribe is a tribe of companionship, an army of people who the world said 'there is no hope for you.' You are a part of this tribe. The Gadites are warriors, ready for the battle once they get stirred up, and ready for instant battle. Otherwise they will keep to themselves.

The Gadite, Elijah, who fulfilled the prophecy of Moses to his tribe, "he dwelleth as a lion, and teareth the arm with the crown of the head.... In a portion of the lawgiver was he seated; and he came with the heads of the people, he executed the justice of the Lord, and his judgments with Israel. You have the power to rip the power out of Jezebel's and tear off her crown. Elijah also sealed the clouds, and held back the rain. He moved in signs and wonders to show the inhabitants of the earth who is God alone.

Elijah left us an example of a Gadite who breaks through into ultimate and perfect victory through the power of the Holy Ghost in his life. And God is going to have an army of Elijah's who shall enter into the fullness of their destiny by the same resurrection power. Even as the Gadites were known for their ability to swim the Jordan when it overflowed its banks, so shall they sweep through the "deep river" of Jordan, called death, to stand before the Lord of Glory in their resurrected bodies.

My Sources and Challenge:

These are my notes that I have created over the years from several sources. They are not intended for publication. They are simply my notes that I am willing to share regarding the Tribes of Israel and the Months of God's Calendar as I have seen fit to put together.

In the early 2000's, I began attending moves of God all over the nation and into Canada to hear from God and what He was saying. From Brownsville revival in Florida to Toronto Airport Christian Fellowship, on into the middle of the US and then onto Fresh Fire in Canada and down to California. All the time hearing pieces of revelation on God's Holy Days and Feasts. The Lord has been leading me continually, learning this precious truth of His people Israel and our prophetic link to them.

I believe that we have experienced the Feast of Passover and the Feast of Pentecost, but, oh but, not the Feast of Tabernacles. This feast as the first two are for all of Israel and I a gentile, have been grafted into the blood of Jesus, the nation of Israel.

I encourage you to seek the ancient paths and see what God wrote for us to walk in. The revelation of the tribes anchors our faith and releases us to His Calling in Christ Jesus.

*Jeremiah 18:15: Because my people hath forgotten me, they have burned incense to vanity, and they have caused them to stumble in their ways **from the ancient paths**, to **walk in paths**, in a way not cast up;*

*Jeremiah 6:16-17: Thus said the LORD, Stand you in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and you shall find rest for your souls. But they said, **We will not walk therein**. Also I set watchmen over you, saying, **Listen to the sound of the trumpet**. But they said, **We will not listen**.*

Said of George Mueller, 1839

"This wide awake servant of God, watched the signs of the times, and while others slept, followed the Lords signal of advance."

Some of my resources:

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