

## Work

**Melaka**-same as [<H4397>](#) (mal'ak); properly *deputyship*, i.e. ministry; generally *employment* (never servile) or work (abstract or concrete); also *property* (as the result of *labor*) :- business, + cattle, + industrious, occupation, (+ -pied), + officer, thing (made), use, (manner of) work ([ -man], -manship).

Roots to Malak-from an unused root meaning to *despatch* as a deputy; a *messenger*; specifically of God, i.e. an *angel* (also a prophet, priest or teacher) :- ambassador, angel, king, messenger.

If you deputize an individual, you give them the ability to represent your authority and to enforce the law. We know it was the privilege of kings to know the ways and purpose of God and dispense the message of His truth/heart to the people so they could abide in accordance with His ways.

As sons it is our occupation to be the ambassador or messengers from the right hand of God which embodies His heart. We are His prophets, priest, and kings who partner with the angelic to bring His will to bear upon this earth and restore His kingdom.

### Melaka and the covenant with Israel

#### **Exodus 31:12-17 (KJV)**

<sup>12</sup> And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

<sup>13</sup> Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep: for it *is* a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that *ye* may know that I *am* the LORD that doth sanctify you.

<sup>14</sup> Ye shall keep the sabbath therefore; for it *is* holy unto you: every one that defileth it shall surely be put to death: for whosoever doeth *any work(melaka)* therein, that soul shall be cut off from among his people.

<sup>15</sup> Six days may work be done; but in the seventh *is* the sabbath of rest, holy to the LORD: whosoever doeth *any work(melaka)* in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death.

<sup>16</sup> Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the sabbath, to observe the sabbath throughout their generations, *for* a perpetual covenant.

<sup>17</sup> It *is* a sign between me and the children of Israel for ever: for *in* six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed.

### First usage of Melaka

**Genesis 2:1-3** <sup>1</sup> Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

<sup>2</sup> And on the seventh day God ended his **work(melaka)** which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his **work(melaka)** which he had made.

<sup>3</sup> And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his **work(melaka)** which God created and made.

## Melaka and the passover

**Exodus 12:12-17** <sup>12</sup> For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I *am* the LORD. <sup>13</sup> And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye *are*: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy *you*, when I smite the land of Egypt.

<sup>14</sup> And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to the LORD throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever.

<sup>15</sup> Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel.

<sup>16</sup> And in the first day *there shall be* an holy convocation, and in the seventh day there shall be an holy convocation to you; no manner of **work** (melaka) shall be done in them, save *that* which every man must eat, that only may be done of you.

<sup>17</sup> And ye shall observe *the feast of* unleavened bread; for in this selfsame day have I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt: therefore shall ye observe this day in your generations by an ordinance for ever.

## Melaka and restoration

### **Jeremiah 17:19-25 (KJV)**

<sup>19</sup> Thus said the LORD unto me; Go and stand in the gate of the children of the people, whereby the kings of Judah come in, and by the which they go out, and in all the gates of Jerusalem;

<sup>20</sup> And say unto them, Hear ye the word of the LORD, ye kings of Judah, and all Judah, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, that enter in by these gates:

<sup>21</sup> Thus saith the LORD; Take heed to yourselves, and bear no burden on the sabbath day, nor bring *it* in by the gates of Jerusalem;

<sup>22</sup> Neither carry forth a burden out of your houses on the sabbath day, neither do ye **any work**, but hallow ye the sabbath day, as I commanded your fathers.

<sup>23</sup> But they obeyed not, neither inclined their ear, but made their neck stiff, that they might not hear, nor receive instruction.

<sup>24</sup> And it shall come to pass, if ye diligently hearken unto me, saith the LORD, to bring in no burden through the gates of this city on the sabbath day, but hallow the sabbath day, to do **no work** therein;

<sup>25</sup> Then shall there enter into the gates of this city kings and princes sitting upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, they, and their princes, the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: and this city shall remain for ever.