

The Place of His Rest

menûhâ/m'nuwchah

*Defined as rest, resting place, repose, peaceful, abode, quietness, stillness, ease.
The continuing and attendant abiding place of the breath or presence of God.*

A Prophetic Cry

Psalms 132:1-18 LORD, remember David, and all his afflictions:

2 How he swore (*šâba'*) unto the LORD,
and vowed unto the mighty God of Jacob;

šâba' – desperation, passionate hunger, insatiable; complete, swear, bind oneself by oath

3 Surely I will not come into the tabernacle of my house,
nor go up into my bed;

4 I will not give sleep to mine eyes,
or slumber to mine eyelids,

5 **Until I find out a place for the LORD,
an habitation (*miškân* - residence) for the mighty God of Jacob.**

6 Lo, we heard of it at Ephratah (Bethlehem):
we found it in the fields of the wood.

7 We will go into his tabernacles (*miškân*):
we will worship at his footstool.

8 Arise, O LORD (YHWH), into thy rest (*menûhâ*);
thou, and the ark of thy strength (*'ôz*).

Ark of thy strength or 'ôz - symbolizes God's creative strength and victory.

*It's power is found in capturing and applying the creative and divinely inspired wisdom and
miraculous direction of God.*

9 Let thy **priests be clothed with righteousness;**
and let thy **saints shout for joy.**

10 For thy servant David's sake
turn not away the face of thine anointed.

11 The LORD hath sworn in truth unto David; he will not turn from it;
Of the fruit of thy body will I set upon thy throne.

12 If thy children will keep my covenant and my testimony that I shall teach them,
their children shall also sit upon thy throne for evermore.

13 For the LORD hath chosen Zion (*sîyôn*);
he hath desired (*longed for*) it for his habitation (*môšâb*).

14 This is my rest (*menûhâ*) for ever:
here will I dwell; for I have desired it.

- *sîyôn*; the same as 6725 (monument or guiding pillar, sign); Tsijon (as a permanent capital), a mountain of Jerusalem: — Zion = "parched place"; actual location of Mount Zion in Jerusalem.
- The primary root is *tsiyah*, meaning **parch, aridity, barren, dry land, drought, solitary place, wilderness or desert.**
- The promises made to Zion in Scripture are a prophetic statement concerning the dry place of wilderness.
- The *tsiyah* areas are most probably the hiding places of the word (*dabar*) in the wilderness (*midbar*), locations of undeveloped or **unfulfilled promises and purpose of God.**
- To each *tsiyah* place, **God promises to visit and establish His prosperity and fruitfulness.**
- The dry place and wilderness commission extends into the New Covenant thru the Heavenly Zion, which is a direct rendition of the Hebrew word. (Hebrews 12:22-29)
- Wilderness (*midbar*, from *dabar*) – territory or underdeveloped potential.
- Word which has been undeveloped, partially formed, or hindered.
- The voice in the wilderness calls to the undeveloped word.
- To overcome or be overcome... murmur or not... this is the key.

15 I will abundantly bless (*bâraḵ*) her provision:

I will satisfy her poor with bread.

16 I will also **clothe her priests with salvation** (*yesa* - make wide, make sufficient, deliverance, help, victory, safety, salvation (*saviour*):

and her **saints shall shout aloud for joy** (*to overcome*).

17 There will I make the horn (*strength and vigor*) of David to bud:

I have ordained a lamp (*tabernacle – continuation of Davidic dynasty*)
for **mine anointed.** (*Messiah*)

18 His enemies will I clothe with shame:

but upon himself shall his crown flourish.

Where is the Place of His Rest?

Isaiah 66:1-2 Thus saith the LORD,

The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool:

where is the house that ye build unto me?

and where is the place of my rest (*menûhâ*)?

2 For all those things hath mine hand made,

and all those things have been, saith the LORD:

but to this man will I look,

even to him that is poor (*‘âniy*) and of a **contrite** (*nâkeh*) **spirit,**

and trembleth (*hârêd - quaking, trembling, fear, reverence, care*) **at my word** (*dabar*).

Acts 7:48 Howbeit the most High **delleth not in temples made with hands;**

as saith the prophet, Heaven is my throne, and earth is my footstool:

what house will ye build me? saith the Lord:

or **what is the place of my rest** (*katapausis*)?

50 Hath not my hand made all these things?

Still Waters

Psalms 23:1-3 The LORD is my shepherd (*ra'a*); I shall not want.

2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still (*menûhâ*) waters.

He restoreth (*shûb*) my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness (*sêdeq*) for his name's sake.

*John 7:37-38*³⁷ In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.³⁸ He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

Pioneers and Intercessors

Isaiah 28:9-13 9 Whom shall he teach knowledge?

and whom shall he make to understand doctrine?

them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts.

10 For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept;

line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little:

11 For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.

12 To whom he said, This is the **rest** (*menûhâ*) wherewith ye may cause the weary to **rest** (*nûah*); and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear.

13 But the word of the LORD was unto them

precept upon precept, precept upon precept;

line upon line, line upon line;

here a little, and there a little;

that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken.