# The Four Guards In God's Temple

## INTRODUCTION

God has four guards in His throne and in His kingdom. These are the (1) Lion, (2) the Ox, (3) the Man, and (4) the Eagle, as stated in Revelation 4:7 and Ezekiel 1:10. Catch the revelation regarding these beasts.

Notice that these 4 beasts are always represented in heaven, in the Old Testament, in the New Testament and in the new heaven and earth. They raise up God's standards against evil, in every generation, and especially during the seven church ages. The devil, who comes in the form of the four horse riders (white, red, black and pale horses) in Revelation 6 are what these 4 creatures of God fight against (read the Revelation of the Seven Seals). I have laid out four illustrations on how they are situated in God's four tabernacles, based from the teaching of God's end-time prophet, for our clear understanding.

Based on the Book of Numbers Chapter 2, the Lion guards the East Side; the Ox guards the West Side; the Man guards the South Side; and the Eagle guards the North Side.

### 1. THE THRONE IN HEAVEN - REVELATION 4:2-11

SCRIPTURE: REVELATION 4:2-11

"And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and [one] sat on the throne. And He that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and [there was] a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald. And round about the throne [were] four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold. And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and [there were] seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God. And before the throne [there was] a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, [were] four beasts full of eyes before and behind. And the first beast [was] like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast [was] like a flying eagle. And the four beasts had each of them six wings about [him]; and [they were] full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever, The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and



honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created "

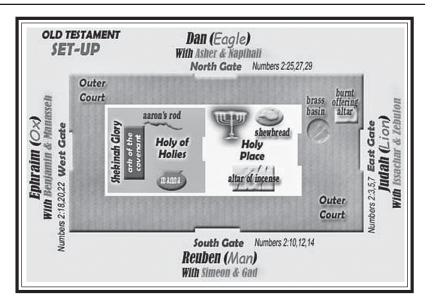
# 2. THE OLD TESTAMENT TABERNACLE - NUMBERS 2:1-29

In the OLD TESTAMENT, the Four Beasts symbolized the Four Camp groups of the children of Israel guarding the Tabernacle- Tent of God in badgerskins. The LION symbolized the Tribe of JUDAH on the EAST SIDE of the Tabernacle; the OX symbolized the Tribe of EPHRAIM on the WEST; the MAN symbolized the Tribe of REUBEN on the SOUTH; and the EAGLE symbolized the Tribe of DAN on the NORTH.

"Now, if you'll notice, Dan is the head of three tribes; Judah is the head of three tribes; Reuben is the head of three tribes, and Ephraim is the head of three tribes. Three four's is twelve, the twelve tribes of Israel. See each one with their banner; and the banner of **Judah was a lion**; the banner of **Reuben, man**; the banner of **Ephraim, an ox**; the banner of **Dan was an eagle**. (REV.CHAP.4.PT.3.THRONE.MERCY.title JEFF.IN ROJC 645-716 61-0108)

#### SCRIPTURES: NUMBERS 2:1-29

"And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, every man of the children of Israel shall pitch by his own standard, with the ensign of their father's house: far off about the tabernacle of the congregation shall they pitch."



# **EAST SIDE - JUDAH (LION)**

"And on the EAST SIDE toward the rising of the sun shall they of the standard of the camp of JUDAH pitch throughout their armies: and Nahshon the son of Amminadab [shall be] captain of the children of Judah. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [were] threescore and fourteen thousand and six hundred. And those that do pitch next unto him [shall be] the tribe of Issachar: and Nethaneel the son of Zuar [shall be] captain of the children of Issachar. And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, [were] fifty and four thousand and four hundred. [Then] the tribe of Zebulun: and Eliab the son of Helon [shall be] captain of the children of Zebulun. And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, [were] fifty and seven thousand and four hundred. All that were numbered in the camp of Judah [were] an hundred thousand and fourscore thousand and six thousand and four hundred, throughout their armies. These shall first set forth."

### **SOUTH SIDE - REUBEN (MAN)**

"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 [shall be] Elizur the son of Shedeur. And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, [were] forty and six thousand and five hundred. And those which pitch by him [shall be] the tribe of Simeon: and the captain of the children of Simeon [shall be] Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [were] fifty and nine thousand and three hundred. Then the tribe of Gad: and the captain of the sons of Gad [shall be] Eliasaph the son of Reuel. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [were] forty and five thousand and six hundred and fifty. All that were numbered in the camp of Reuben [were] an hundred thousand and fifty and one thousand and four hundred and fifty, throughout their armies. And they shall set forth in the second rank."

# **INSIDE - LEVITES (PRIESTHOOD)**

"Then the tabernacle of the congregation shall set forward with the

camp of the LEVITES in the midst of the camp: as they encamp, so shall they set forward, every man in his place by their standards."

# WEST SIDE - EPHRAIM (OX)

"On the WEST SIDE [shall be] the standard of the camp of EPHRAIM according to their armies: and the captain of the sons of Ephraim [shall be] Elishama the son of Ammihud. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [were] forty thousand and five hundred. And by him [shall be] the tribe of Manasseh: and the captain of the children of Manasseh [shall be] Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [were] thirty and two thousand and two hundred. Then the tribe of Benjamin: and the captain of the sons of Benjamin [shall be] Abidan the son of Gideoni. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [were] thirty and five thousand and four hundred. All that were numbered of the camp of Ephraim [were] an hundred thousand and eight thousand and an hundred, throughout their armies. And they shall go forward in the third rank."

### NORTH SIDE - DAN (EAGLE)

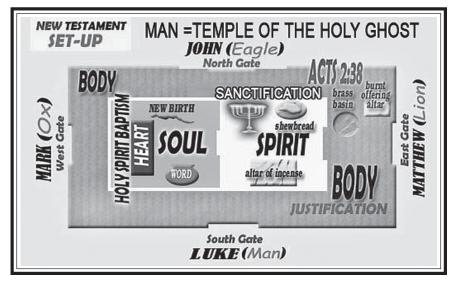
"The standard of the camp of DAN [shall be] on the NORTH SIDE by their armies: and the captain of the children of Dan [shall be] Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [were] threescore and two thousand and seven hundred. And those that encamp by him [shall be] the tribe of Asher: and the captain of the children of Asher [shall be] Pagiel the son of Ocran. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [were] forty and one thousand and five hundred. Then the tribe of Naphtali: and the captain of the children of Naphtali [shall be] Ahira the son of Enan. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, [were] fifty and three thousand and four hundred. All they that were numbered in the camp of Dan [were] an hundred thousand and fifty and seven thousand and six hundred. They shall go hindmost with their standards."

32 These [are] those which were numbered of the children of Israel by the house of their fathers: all those that were numbered of the camps throughout their hosts [were] six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty. But the Levites were not numbered among the children of Israel; as the LORD commanded Moses. And the children of Israel did according to all that the LORD commanded Moses: so they pitched by their standards, and so they set forward, every one after their families, according to the house of their fathers.

## 3. THE TABERNACLE OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

In the NEW TESTAMENT, God's Tabernacle is the Heart of Men. The FOUR BEASTS are represented by the FOUR GOSPELS of Mark, Matthew, Luke and John, which in turn guard man's soul from the deceitfulness of Satan. The LION is symbolized by the GOSPEL of MATTHEW on the EAST SIDE; the OX is symbolized by the GOSPEL OF MARK on the WEST; the MAN is symbolized by the GOSPEL OF LUKE on the SOUTH; and the EAGLE is symbolized by the GOSPEL OF JOHN on the NORTH.

"The mercy seat is still guarded, still got the guards. We found out that those guards are Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, guarding the Book of Acts, the acts of the Holy Spirit done amongst the apostles, which is the Book of Acts of the New Testament. And the four writers of the Gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, all guard that mercy seat to show that it is God, the Holy Spirit today. Each Scripture, Matthew, Mark, Luke,



and John, every one of them will back up the true Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and the acts of the Holy Spirit." (REV.CHAP.5.PT1.BRUISED.SERPENT.title JEFF.IN ROJC 717-746 61-0611)

"The "beast," in Bible represents "power." And you notice these beasts were not out yonder in the lake or in the sea somewhere coming up, but they were at the throne of God, and they were worshipping God. Those "four beasts" means "four powers" that come up out of the earth, and those four powers was the four Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John; one don't contradict the other one. And one of them, the... As the Gospel goes forth as a lion, it's stern, it's bold; the Gospel is brave like a lion, and it's a king like a lion. If it goes towards a man's face, it's cunning and shrewd like a man. If it goes the eagle, it's got the swift wings and the high heights. It... See what I mean? If it goes like the ox, it's the work horse that can pull, the work ox that pull the--the--the burden of the Gospel. The four beasts was the four powers, which were Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, the four Gospels that ring out in the Presence of God." (QA.HEBREWS.PART.3.title JEFF.IN COD 57-1006)

"And the north gate is guarded by **the flying eagle, John**, the evangelist. Then the physician on this side, **Luke, the man**. "(REV CHAP 4 PT 3 THRONE MERCY.title JEFF.IN ROJC 645-716 61-0108)

The Old Testament of badger skins which is composed of three parts - the Outer Court, the Inner Court, and the Most Holy Place, has now been applied in the New Testament to the body, spirit, and soul of man (1 Thes. 5:23). The "soul" is where the "Shekinah Glory" of God dwells, for man now is the temple of the Holy Ghost.

"And the most High don't dwell in temples made with hands. "For heaven's My throne, and earth is My footstool." And, "Where is the place of My rest, but a **body** has Thou prepared Me." Amen. There you are. "A **body** hast Thou prepared Me." **God dwells in the statue of a man, reflecting Himself into that being: perfect worship, God in us, being His Tabernacle, God manifesting.** (STATURE.OF.A.PERFECT.MAN.title JEFF.IN V-2 N-18 62-1014M)

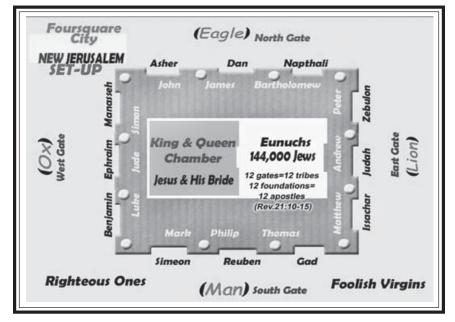
ROMANS 12:1- "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye

present your **bodies** a living **sacrifice**, **holy**, **acceptable unto God**, [which is] your reasonable service.

I THESSALONIANS 5:23 -" And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and [I pray God] your whole **spirit and soul and body** be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

# 4. THE TABERNACLE OF THE NEW HEAVEN AND EARTH- THE NEW JERUSALEM - REVELATION 21

In the NEW HEAVEN AND EARTH, we find the same four beasts guarding the foursquare City of Gold. The Twelve Gates bear the names of the 12 Patriarchs of Israel, while the Twelve Foundations bear the names of Jesus' 12 Apostles. The Bridegroom and His Gentile Bride will be in the King and Queen's Chamber, while the Eunuchs (the 144,000 Jews) will be on the outer court, serving the King and Queen for all eternity. The righteous ones and the foolish virgins who are saved and are permitted to go into eternal life after the Final Judgment at the second resurrection will make-up the nations who are encamped around the city of God.



#### **REVELATION 21:10-27**

"And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that **great city**, the **holy Jerusalem**, descending out of heaven from God, having the glory of God: and her light [was] like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal; And had a wall great and high, [and] had **twelve gates**, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are [the names] of the **twelve tribes of the children of Israel:** 13 On the east three gates; on the north three gates; on the south three gates; and on the west three gates. 14 **And the wall of the city had twelve foundations**, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb."