The Vav in Scripture



The Vav 1

The Sixth Letter

The vav is the sixth letter of the Hebrew alphabet. In ancient time, it was pronounced as a "w", but has become to be pronounced today as a "v", and has the numerical equivalent of 6.

The literal meaning of the letter is – nail, or peg. The symbolic meaning of the letter is – hook – as a connecting hook used when a scroll is written or when the tabernacle was assembled.

The Connections

Heaven and Earth:

The vav joins the heavens and the earth together, suggesting the connection between the spiritual and earthly matters. Its connection to the word, v'et (אור), alludes to the connection between all letters, and is therefore the connecting force of God, the divine "hook" that binds together heaven and earth.

The Man:

The vav is a picture of man who was:

Created on the sixth day.

Works for six days.

Who rules earth for six days before Messiah returns.

The Vav Representing Man 1

The vav is a picture of man who:

Was created on the sixth day.

Works for six days.

And Who rules earth for six days (6000 years) before Messiah returns.

The beast is identified as a man whose number is 666.



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The Connections

The Tabernacle and the Scroll:

The vav is the word used to depict the hooks that held the curtains of the Tabernacle together.

The vav starts each column of the text in a Torah scroll, thereby hooking the text to the parchment or scroll.

The Belly of Torah:

Leviticus 11:42 – "Whatever crawls on its **belly**, and whatever walks on all fours, whatever has many feet, in respect to every swarming thing that swarms on the earth, you shall not eat them, for they are detestable."

An oversized vav, the only one in scripture, marks the center of the Torah in Leviticus 11:42.

The word, belly, in which this oversized vav occurs, is gachown [177] (H1512)!

The beast is identified as a man whose number is 666, or 111.

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The Connections

The Messiah:

In Genesis 2:4, the word towledah תולדות (H8435) is used to describe the generations of the heavens and the earth.

In Genesis 5:1, this word is also used to describe the generations of Adam, but is spelled with a missing vav: תולדת.

It continues to be spelled with this missing vav until Ruth 4:18, when the "lost" or missing vav is restored. The restored vav in the word towledah חולדות is a picture of the Messiah who would descend from the "generations" of Perez.

The vav was lost when the first man, Adam, sinned and restored through the second man, Yeshua Ha'Mashiach.

The Vav is portrayed by the symbol of a nail, peg or hook. It signifies the nailed hands and feet of Yeshua on the cross.

The Completion:

Vav is the symbol for: Completion, redemption and transformation. It has the numeric value of 6, a number that denotes physical completion.

The Broken Vav of Shalom

The Broken Vav

All letters in the Torah must be written without error and must be well formed.

The Connections

The Broken Man:

The vav in the word שֵׁלוֹם shalom (H7965) in **Numbers 25:12**, however, is broken. This broken vav represents a man that has been broken in order to bring peace for the sake of the covenant of peace that brought atonement to Israel – a perfect picture of the Messiah who brings peace to us.

The Messiah:

The broken vav is a perfect picture of Yeshua Ha'Mashiach, whose body is broken for us as stated in 1 Corinthians 11:24 – "When he had given thanks, he broke the bread, and said, Take, eat. This is my body, which is broken for you. Do this in memory of me'."

The Broken Vay in Shalom



Numbers 25:10-12 - "And the LORD spoke unto Moses, saying, Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, hath turned my wrath away from the children of Israel, while he was zealous for my sake among them, that I consumed not the children of Israel in my jealousy. Wherefore say, Behold, I give unto him my covenant of peace."

The word peace is the Hebrew word shalom [בּוֹלְשֵׁל H7965]. The amazing thing about the word shalom is that it also has an anomaly in this verse that is not found in any other place in scripture! שלום

The word shalom, is spelled with a broken vav and looks like this:

So here we have a man who has been broken to achieve a covenant of peace.

The letter vav is the sixth letter and represents man as man was created on the sixth day. The sages say the vav since it has been broken the top half looks like a you and the bottom half is now a vav and they say it represents Phinehas hand holding the spear that pierced through Zimri and Cozbi.

It also represents the pierced hand of Messiah nailed to the cross to achieve our peace! Colossians 1:20 – "Yahweh made peace [shalom] through the blood of his cross, by the blood of Yeshua to reconcile all things unto himself."

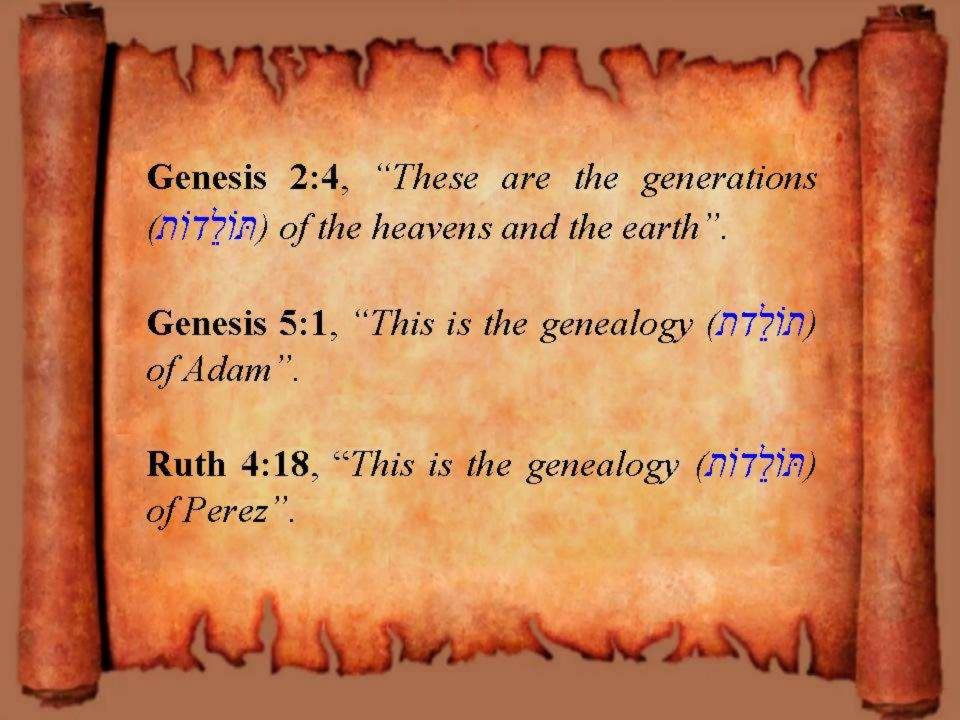
The Normal Vav in Shalom



The Broken Vav in Numbers



The Missing Vav in Towlědah



The Missing Vav in Towledah

אור In **Genesis 2:4**, the word towledah (H8435) is used to describe the generations of the heavens and the earth: "These are the generations (תּוֹלֵדְוֹת) of the heavens and the earth".

ארק ביות In **Genesis 5:1**, this word is also used to describe the generations of Adam, but is spelled with a missing vav: "This is the genealogy (חוֹלֵדת) of Adam". It continues to be spelled with this missing vav until the Book of Ruth.

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The Vay of Creation

Heaven and Earth:

The meaning of the letter vav is - hook. The vav joins the heavens and the earth together, suggesting the connection between the spiritual and earthly matters.

Its connection to the word, v'et (וֹאָדוֹ), alludes to the connection between all letters, the connection to the Aleph-Tav who is Yeshua, and is therefore the connecting force of God, the divine "hook" that binds together heaven and earth.

And who does scripture say Yeshua is? 1 Timothy 2:5 tells us that the mediator between Yahweh and humankind, between heaven and earth, is "the man Yeshua Ha'Mashiach"!



The Vav of the Tabernacle and Scrolls

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The tabernacle was the habitation of God in the wilderness and the Torah is the habitation of His Word – so a Torah scroll is patterned after the Tabernacle.

The Hebrew word for curtain, יְרִיעָה [H3407 - yĕriy'âh], is the same word for a sheet of parchment.

And the word for pillar or a post is עמוד [H5982 - 'ammûd], is the same word for a column in a Torah scroll.

Each curtain of the tabernacle is fastened by a hook – a vav.

And on every Torah Scroll we find that:

- There are 304,805 letters in 248 columns on roughly 50 "curtains" per scroll.
- There are 42 lines (6x7) in every column of a torah scroll with the first word in every column beginning with a word that begins with the letter vav hooking each column of print to a sheet of parchment!

Every column of a scroll is fastened by a hook – a vav.

Strong's H3407 - yĕriy`ah יְרִיעָה sheet

Strong's H5982 - 'ammuîd עמוד a column



The Vav and Yeshua / Yahweh



The Vav and The Messiah

The name Yeshua would have been written in ancient Hebrew. The four letters that make up the name of Yeshua are: Yod, Shin, Vav, Ayin [יֵשׁוּעַ] H3442]. The letter vav means hook. It can also mean nail. Yeshua was hung on the cross using three nails. In other words, three vavs!

The first use of the vav in connection to Yeshua is in **Genesis 1:1**, where it is connected to the second aleph-tav in the sixth word.

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And who does scripture say Yeshua is? 1 Timothy 2:5 tells us "There is one mediator between Yahweh and humankind, between heaven and earth, the man Yeshua Ha'Mashiach"!

Hebrews 8:6 confirms this – "But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, by as much as He is also the mediator of a better covenant, which has been enacted on better promises."

Colossians 1:20 – "And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, Yeshua reconciled all things unto himself."

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The vay before the cross



The vav after the cross



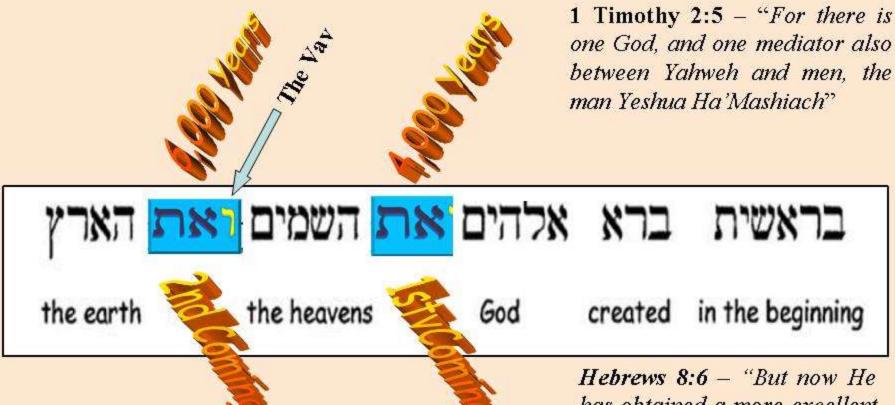




The sixth word in Genesis 1 is vav aleph tav – the God who is man, and who is pierced by man.

← It would look like this in the original Hebrew script.

Yeshua's First and Second Coming



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The four letters that make up the name of Yahweh:

Yod, Hey, Vav, Hey [יהוה H3068]

can be translated to mean:

- The Man With The Outstretched Arms and Nailed Hands Shall Be Revealed Twice.
- Behold the Nail, Behold the Hand.
- Behold the Nailed Hand.

The overall meaning of the word, YHWH is: salvation! Therefore, the four letters can also be translated to mean:

Behold – The Nailed Hand Is Salvation.

Y'varekh'kha Yahweh v'yishmerekha Ya'er Yahweh panav eleikha vichunekka Yissa Yahweh panav eleikha v'yasem l'kha shalom

Yahweh blesses you, and keeps you;

Yahweh makes His face shine upon you, and is gracious to you;

Yahweh lifts up His countenance upon you, and makes you whole.