"By blood, bread and water, and fire"
The seal/mark of God vs the beast. Part 1.

*(Please use **Google translator** if you have a difficult time understanding the English language, It should be sufficient in order to comprehend the message).*

Read Exodus chapter 12-13.
"*The blood of the lamb was painted over the door"*. -Exodus 12:7.

The blood of the lamb is a symbol of the blood of Jesus Christ. We receive His blood, as in a **spiritual blood transfusion.** The blood is stated as something that contain "life", it is life-giving. The antitypical blood of Jesus Christ is the only blood that can save us, from sin and Satan, and from eternal death, which is the second death for which there is no resurrection.

In addition, the blood of Christ represent the atonement for the sins of humankind, which is all our transgressions against the holy law of God, the ten commandments, We are also called to forsake sin and walk the narrow path, the path of righteousness. But when we do fall and transgress, we can receive pardon for sin if we repent.

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." -1- John 1:9

So we are pardoned and sanctified by His blood. This is how we are protected against eternal destruction and from receiving the second death.

"For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." -Romans 6:23

"*For **the life of a creature is in the blood,** and I have given it to you to make atonement for yourselves on the altar; **it is the blood that makes atonement for one's life**."* -Leviticus 16:11

*"**The blood will be a sign** for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt."* -Exodus 12:13

We must fill our vessels with the blood of Christ, spiritually speaking. This is how we receive Christ.

*"**Eat unleavened bread** during those seven days; nothing with yeast in it is to be seen among you, nor shall any yeast be seen anywhere within your borders. On that day tell your son, 'I do this because of what the Lord did for me when I came out of Egypt.' Exodus 13:7-8.*

Comment: *"***Eat unleavened bread":** symbol of the pure spiritual bread, which is the word of God. We need to receive this pure word and pure doctrines from Christ into

our inner soul.

"This observance will be for you like a sign on your hand and a reminder on your forehead that this <u>law of the Lord</u> is to be on your lips. *For the Lord brought you out of Egypt with his mighty hand".* -Exodus 13.9

A hand symbolize actions. **Forehead symbolize** our mind, our motives, how we analyze and think, judge, and how we make decisions. A sign on your hand and a reminder on your forehead. **Just like the mark of the beast will symbolically be in your hand or your forehead. So both the seal/mark of God, and the seal/mark of the beast is symbolically in your hand or forehead.** This is very important to realize and keep in mind, also as we continue to study this in several parts.

In the most holy place where the ark of the covenant is found, you will find the law of God (the Ten Commandments) and manna, as well as the staff of Aaron.

"*Behind the second curtain was a room called* ***the Most Holy Place****,* ***which had the golden altar of incense and the gold-covered ark of the covenant. This ark contained the gold jar of manna, Aaron's staff that had budded, and the stone tablets of the covenant****. Above the ark were the cherubim of the Glory, overshadowing the atonement cover. But we cannot discuss these things in detail now.*« -Hebrews 9: 3-5

Manna: The bread of life (symbol of God's holy, pure word and doctrine), as well as symbol of the Holy Spirit. *When it "rains manna"****:*** Symbol of the Holy Spirit

The most holy place (holy of holies) also represents a sacred, innermost place containing the law of God. The law of God written on our innermost, spiritual man; Our hearts, This happens by grace, which is undeserved power by the holy spirit of God, to equip us for good works, through faith in Christ Jesus.

The holy diadem: "*They made a medallion****, the holy diadem,*** *out of pure gold and wrote on it an inscription like the* ***engraving on a seal: HOLY TO THE LORD"****.* -Exodus 39:30

Also symbol of God's mark / seal on our foreheads. With a seal that means we have been sanctified (made holy) with the Truth and received God's law by His spirit, in our hearts. **Completed sanctification**. **Filled with the law and character of God by His spirit, Truth = Christ**. ("*I am the way, the Truth and the Life"*).
We are sanctified (made holy) by the grace of God.

Note: We can never become God, or part of the Godhead, but we can become filled with the law of God, the law of Christ. We must receive His Divine Law of Love., so it becomes a part of our innermost being.

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<u>The Water</u> (Red Sea): is also a symbol of the **Holy Spirit of Jesus Christ, which is God (part of the triune godhead).** > it became a remedy of rescue and salvation for God's people. Yet it became a remedy and symbol of destruction for the Egyptians, "the world", who rejected God.

"Now on the last day, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, 'From his innermost being will flow rivers of living water.'

But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; for the Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified". -John 7:37-39

"..but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life." - John 4:14

God is also a consuming <u>fire</u>: which also symbolizes God's holy spirit. God's spirit purifies and consumes sin as a given, universal law. It has this function and as a natural consequence and property because of His perfect Holiness. He can not tolerate evil, because it is contrary to His Divine Law, which is based on His character. This "fire" will either purify our character from sin, unto redemption and salvation. Or it will consume those who have not been purified by it, unto final and permanent destruction.

<u>Other Bible references</u>

<u>Malachi 3:2</u>
"But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap". ¨

<u>Daniel 12:10</u>
"Many shall purify themselves and make themselves white and be refined, but the wicked shall act wickedly. And none of the wicked shall understand, but those who are wise shall understand".

<u>Exodus 3:2</u>
"And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed".

1.Peter: 1-7
"That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:"

<u>Revelation 3:18</u>
"I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see".

<u>1 Corinthians 3:13</u>
"Each one's work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done".

<u>Titus 2:14</u>

“Who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works”.

James 1:12
“Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.”

Hebrews 12:29
“For our God is a consuming fire”.

Romans 5:3-4
“More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope.”

Isaiah 43:2
“When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you”.

Sum up of part 1: As we can see already, the seal of God has to do with the Law, character and Spirit of God. And receiving His divine Law of Love in our innermost temple: which is our spiritual heart and mind.

"*I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people."*- Hebrews 8:10.