

## **The Psalm Project**

*Discovering the Spiritual World through the Psalms*

Psalm 98

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## **The Goal of this project:**

This research project will examine the 150 psalms for the spiritual awareness each Psalm offers. Each Psalm will be examined by its language and the commentary of the Sages. The spiritual awareness analysis will be done in alignment with Ari's definition of the Tree of life, the Book of Creation, and the Zohar. Each verse of the Psalm will be rewritten using the intent of the language and spiritual commentary to convey its spiritual lesson.

## **The Main Resources:**

The Zohar

The Book of Creation

Ari's writing on the Tree of Life and the Ten Sefirot

The Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament

Samson Hirsch's commentary on the Psalms

Tehillim – Psalms – A new translation with a commentary anthologized from the Talmudic and rabbinic sources

Accordance Bible Software

## Psalm 98

New American Standard 1995	Hebrew
<p><b>Psa. 98:0</b> A Psalm.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Psa. 98:1</p>
<p><b>Psa. 98:1</b> O sing to the LORD a <sup>a</sup>new song,          For He has done <sup>b</sup>wonderful things,          His <sup>c</sup>right hand and His <sup>d</sup>holy arm have <sup>1</sup>gained the victory for Him.  <sup>2</sup> <sup>a</sup>The LORD has made known His salvation;          He has <sup>b</sup>revealed His <sup>1</sup>righteousness in the sight of the nations.  <sup>3</sup> He has <sup>a</sup>remembered His lovingkindness and His faithfulness to the house of Israel;  <sup>b</sup>All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.</p>	<p>מִזְמוֹר שִׁירֵי לַיהוָה אֲשִׁיר          תְּדַשׁ כִּי־נִפְלְאוֹת עָשָׂה הוֹשִׁיעָה־          לֹא יִמְיָנוּ וַיִּזְרַע קִדְשׁוֹ : <sup>2</sup> הוֹדִיעָה־          יְהוָה יִשׁוּעָתוֹ לְעֵינֵי הַגּוֹיִם גְּלָה          צְדָקָתוֹ : <sup>3</sup> זָכַר חֶסְדּוֹ וְאַמּוֹנָתוֹ          לְבַיִת יִשְׂרָאֵל רָאוּ כָּל־אַפְסֵי־אֲרָץ          אֵת יִשׁוּעַת אֱלֹהֵינוּ : <sup>4</sup> הִרְיֵעוּ          לַיהוָה כָּל־הָאָרֶץ פִּצְחוּ וְרַנְּנוּ          וְזַמְרוּ : <sup>5</sup> זַמְרוּ לַיהוָה בְּכִנּוֹר          בְּכִנּוֹר וְקוֹל זְמָרָה : <sup>6</sup> בְּתִצְצְרוֹת          וְקוֹל שׁוֹפָר הִרְיֵעוּ לִפְנֵי הַמַּלְאָךְ          יְהוָה : <sup>7</sup> יִרְעַם תְּהִים וּמְלֵאוֹ תִבְּל          וַיִּשְׁבֵּי בָהּ : <sup>8</sup> נְהַרְוֹת יִמְחֲאוּ־כָךְ          יַחַד הַרִים יִרְנְנוּ : <sup>9</sup> לִפְנֵי־יְהוָה כִּי          בָּא לִשְׁפֹט הָאָרֶץ יִשְׁפֹט־תֵּבֵל          בְּצַדִּיק וְעַמִּים בְּמִישְׁרִים :</p>
<p><b>Psa. 98:4</b> <sup>a</sup>Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth;  <sup>b</sup>Break forth and sing for joy and sing praises.  <sup>5</sup> Sing praises to the LORD with the <sup>a</sup>lyre,          With the lyre and the <sup>1b</sup>sound of melody.  <sup>6</sup> With <sup>a</sup>trumpets and the sound of the horn  <sup>b</sup>Shout joyfully before <sup>c</sup>the King, the LORD.</p>	
<p><b>Psa. 98:7</b> Let the <sup>a</sup>sea roar and <sup>1</sup>all it contains,          The <sup>b</sup>world and those who dwell in it.</p>	

<p><sup>8</sup> Let the <sup>a</sup>rivers clap their hands, Let the <sup>b</sup>mountains sing together for joy</p> <p><sup>9</sup> Before the LORD, for He is coming to <sup>a</sup>judge the earth; He will judge the world with righteousness And <sup>b</sup>the peoples with <sup>1</sup>equity.</p>	
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## References

### **Psalm 98:1**

<sup>1</sup>Or *accomplished salvation*

<sup>a</sup>Ps 33:3

<sup>b</sup>Ps 40:5; 96:3

<sup>c</sup>Ex 15:6

<sup>d</sup>Is 52:10

### **Psalm 98:2**

<sup>1</sup>I.e. faithfulness to His gracious promises

<sup>a</sup>Is 52:10

<sup>b</sup>Is 62:2; Rom 3:25

### **Psalm 98:3**

<sup>a</sup>Luke 1:54, 72

<sup>b</sup>Ps 22:27

### **Psalm 98:4**

<sup>a</sup>Ps 100:1

<sup>b</sup>Is 44:23

### **Psalm 98:5**

<sup>1</sup>Or *voice of song* (accompanied by music)

<sup>a</sup>Ps 92:3

<sup>b</sup>Is 51:3

### **Psalm 98:6**

<sup>a</sup>Num 10:10; 2 Chr 15:14

<sup>b</sup>Ps 66:1

<sup>c</sup>Ps 47:7

### **Psalm 98:7**

<sup>1</sup>Lit *its fullness*

<sup>a</sup>Ps 96:11

<sup>b</sup>Ps 24:1

### **Psalm 98:8**

<sup>a</sup>Ps 93:3; Is 55:12

<sup>b</sup>Ps 65:12; 89:12

**Psalm 98:9**

<sup>1</sup>Or *uprightness*

<sup>a</sup>Ps 96:13

<sup>b</sup>Ps 96:10

## Targum

**Psa. 98:1** A psalm and prophecy. Sing before the LORD a new hymn, for he has done wonders; his right hand has brought redemption, and the arm of his holy presence. <sup>2</sup> The LORD has made known his redemption; in the sight of the Gentiles he has revealed his righteousness. <sup>3</sup> He has called to mind his goodness and his truth to the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the redemption of our God. <sup>4</sup> Give voice in the presence of the LORD, all inhabitants of the earth; rejoice and give praise and make music. <sup>5</sup> Sing in the presence of the LORD with harps, with harps and the sound of musical instruments. <sup>6</sup> With trumpets and the sound of the horn, give voice in the presence of the king, the LORD. <sup>7</sup> Let the sea call out, and its fullness; the world and all who dwell upon it. <sup>8</sup> Let the rivers smite their palms; as one, let the mountains sing aloud – <sup>9</sup> In the presence of the LORD, for he has come to judge the earth; he will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples with integrity.

## Spiritual Awareness

### Introduction

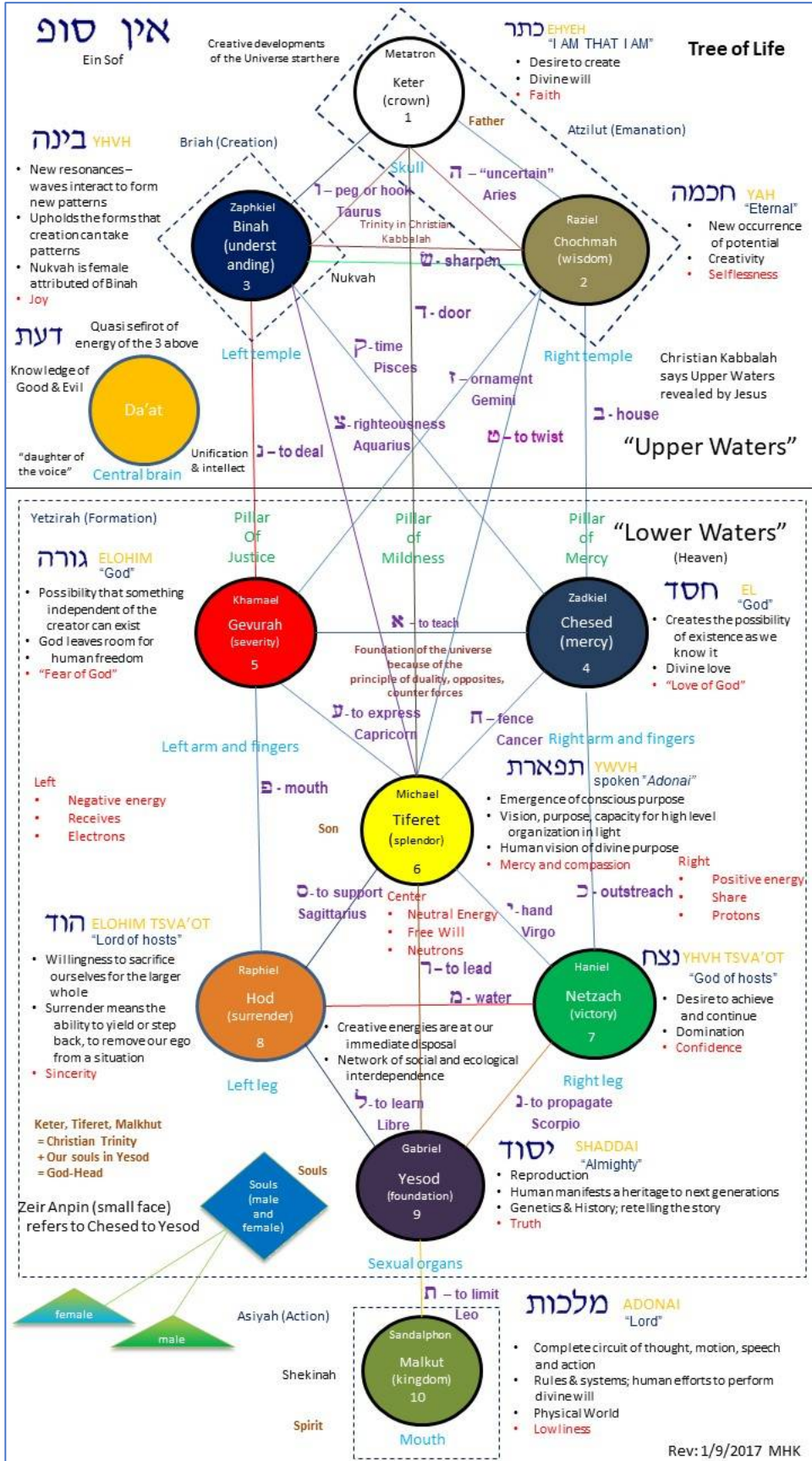
This Psalm was composed by Moses and dedicated to the tribe of Naftali (Deuteronomy 33:23). The love for the LORD that Naftali showed describes the universal abundance and peace which will envelop the earth in the Messianic era. Israel will merit exceptional tranquility and peace of mind, which will prompt them to sing to the LORD.

### Notes on this Psalm

This Psalm speaks about the upcoming messianic age. Verses seven to nine describe allegorically what will happen upon the earth. The people who have sinned and not repented will discover their time is up. The LORD will sweep them from the world like a sea roaring toward shore. The earth will rejoice because of what is to come in this era. It is not a love for destruction but rather a rebuilding of all of humanity's world based on the guarantee of growth leading to lasting salvation. When the wicked are removed from the earth, the humans remaining will discover it is easier to serve the LORD. They will never receive any hindrance to doing what the LORD expects all humans to do, that is, to follow the ways of the Torah.

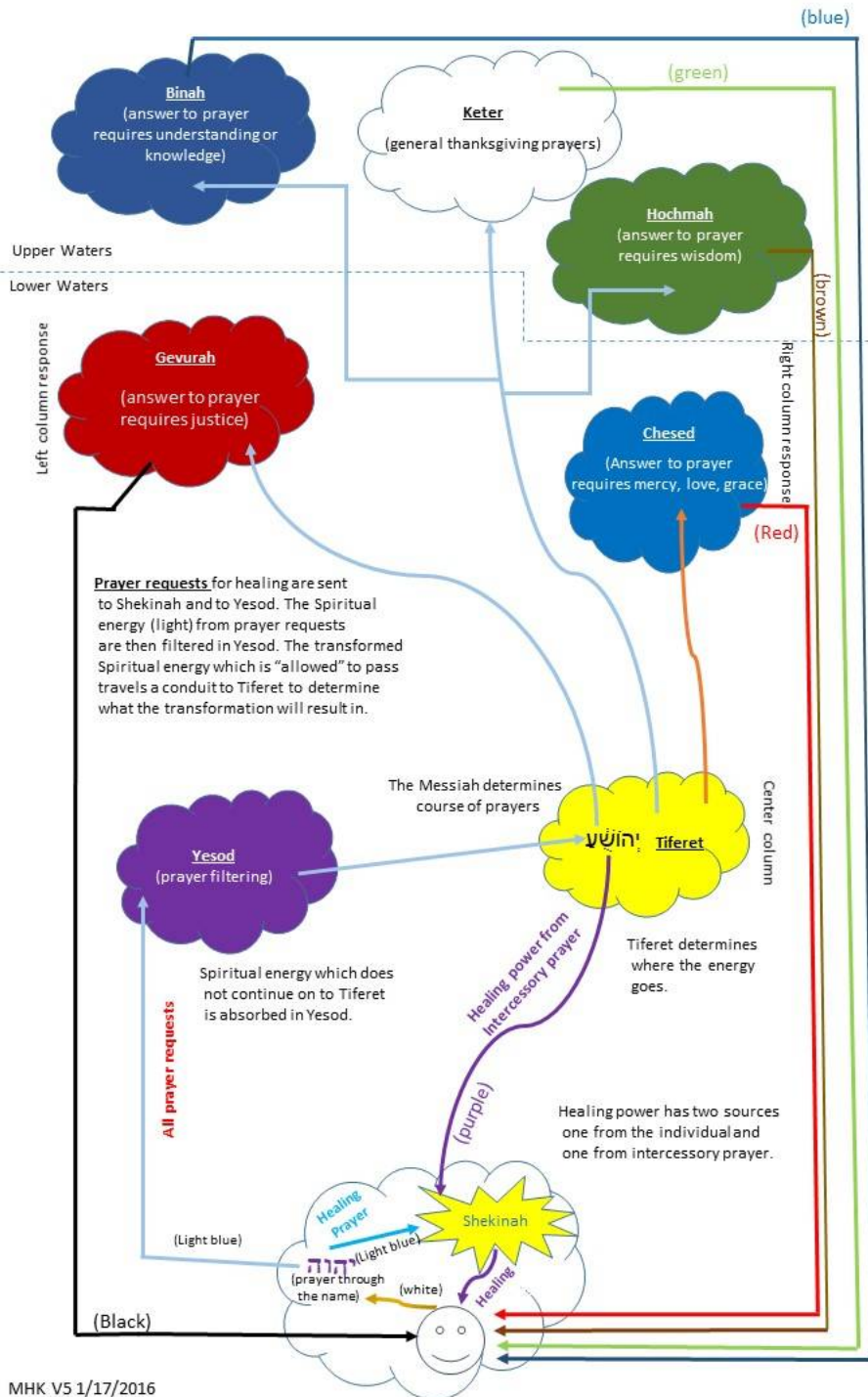


## Appendix



# Mystical Methodology to Prayer

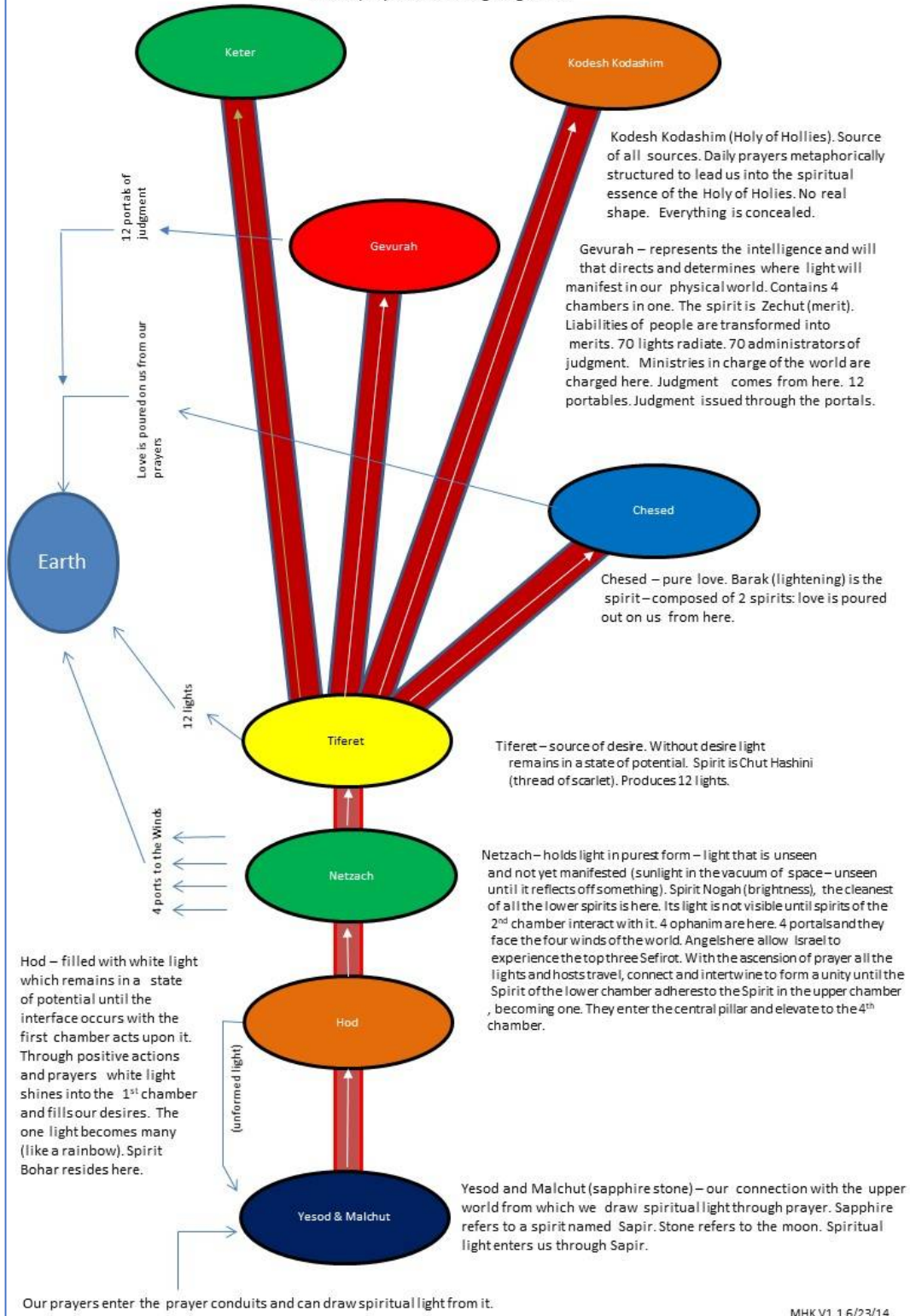
All prayers result in spiritual energy which rises through the conduits that connect Sefirot realms. The "answer" to prayers is the transformation of spiritual energy from its original frequency to an appropriate frequency which will give the necessary results.



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# Chambers of Aba and Ima of Briyah

Keter: prayers of thanksgiving come



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