<u>#580 Ornan's Threshingfloor – Ornan was Threshing Wheat, and the Cross of Jesus</u> <u>Christ, part 1, Clearing out the Threshingfloor, and Gathering the Wheat and Burning the</u> <u>Chaff</u>

1 Chronicles 21:15, 20 (KJV) And God sent an angel unto Jerusalem to destroy it: and as he was destroying, the LORD beheld, and he repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed, It is enough, stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD stood by the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite.

20 And Ornan turned back, and saw the angel; and his four sons with him hid themselves. Now **ORNAN WAS THRESHING WHEAT** [separating wheat from chaff].

Key Understanding: *Ornan was threshing wheat* – separating *wheat* from *chaff*. Symbolically, wheat and chaff represent the righteous and the wicked, respectively. Threshing represents the judgment of separating the righteous wheat from the wicked chaff. The next step is the <u>gathering</u> of the righteous *wheat* into the barn and the <u>burning</u> of the wicked *chaff*, seen in Matthew 3:12.

Matthew 3:7-12 (NIV) But when he [John the Baptist] saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to where he was baptizing, he said to them: "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath?

8 Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. 9 And do not think you can say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham.



10 The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut



down and thrown into the fire.

11 "I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me will come one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not fit to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

12 His winnowing fork is in his hand, and <u>HE WILL</u> <u>CLEAR HIS THRESHING FLOOR, GATHERING HIS</u> <u>WHEAT INTO THE BARN AND BURNING UP THE</u> <u>CHAFF WITH UNQUENCHABLE FIRE</u>."

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