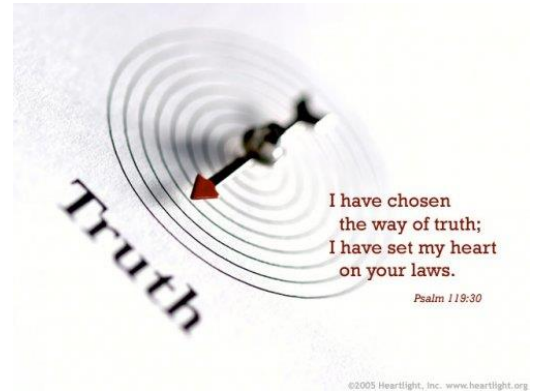
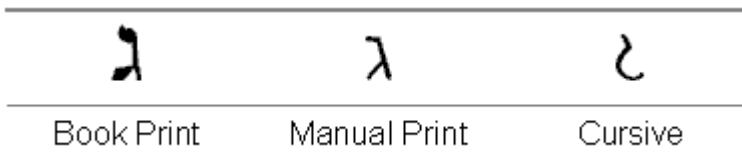


Psalm 119 & the Hebrew Aleph Bet - Part 3



The third letter of the Hebrew alphabet is called "Gimel" (pronounced "geh-mel") and has the sound of "g" as in "girl." In modern Hebrew, the letter Gimel can appear in three forms:



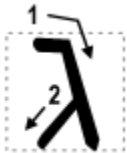
Write the manual print version (or "block" version) of Gimel as follows:

MANUAL PRINT VERSION



The numbered arrows show the order and direction for drawing the lines (the gray rectangle shows the letter proportions in a graph paper cell).

Writing the Letter: *Gimel*



Practice making the *Gimel* here:



The *Aleph* represents *Yahweh*. The *Bet* signifies *Yahshua*, Who Tabernacled in the Flesh. The *Gimel* signifies the Spirit of *Yahweh*, manifested or "wrapped up" in John the Baptist, the forerunner of Messiah.

***Yahshua* described John the Baptist and his "Elijah Ministry" in Matthew:**
"And as they departed, Yahshua began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses. But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send My messenger before Thy Face, which shall prepare Thy Way before Thee.

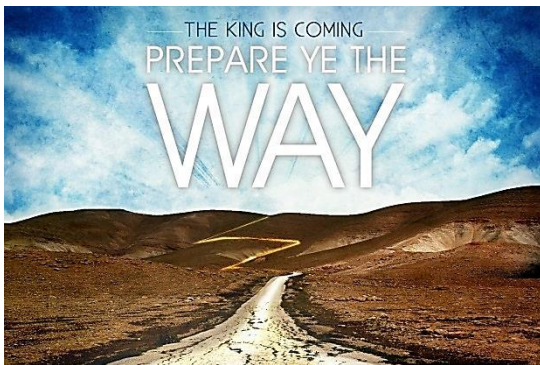
Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist..." Matthew 11:7-11.

Spiritual Meaning of the Gimel

Gimel = 3 and is the G of Hebrew (pronounced *Gee-mal*)

- *Gimel* is the Hebrew letter for CAMEL and for FORERUNNER.
- *Gimel* is the number of Yahweh's COVENANT.
- *It is the letter associated with preparing the Way for the Coming Messiah.*

The Messiah must have a forerunner. Even as Yahweh prepared our world for 6 days for the reception of man, so He commands us to prepare ourselves for the reception of God. Yah's Voice cries out to the human heart, "Prepare the Way of the Master." The name Elijah means "My God is Yahweh". It is Yahweh's desire that we also make this our declaration and serve Him by preparing the Way for our coming King.



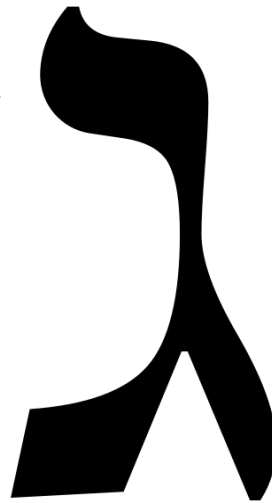
John the Baptist (who came in the Spirit and Power of Elijah) was Messiah's forerunner at His First Coming. Elijah will be the forerunner of Messiah at His Second Coming (Malachi 4:5).

And the Spirit of Yahweh is the spiritual Forerunner of Messiah as He comes now, spiritually to human hearts. In all three cases the message is the same, "Prepare the Way of Yahweh"



גָּמֶל

gamal - camel



Gimel is said to represent a man with head bent, determined to travel from the second letter (beit) to the fourth letter (dalet).



Gimel's deep, spiritual meaning is that of a man walking FROM the second letter (Bet – Yahshua) Putting it together the Gimel is the forerunner of the bet – the reference to the camel is the garment... As is shown by how the word garment is spelled in Hebrew: bet, Gimel, dalet (beged).

The name of the letter Gimel is spelled:

גמל

It literally means "CAMEL". But according to the Hebrew scholars, the spiritual form of the letter is that of a man walking from the second letter, Bet (the "House") towards the fourth letter, Dalet. In other words, the letter Gimel signifies a man dressed up like a camel (the Bible tells us that John the Baptist wore a garment made of camel's hair – Matthew 3:4), emerging from the letter Bet. He was God's Voice, dressed up in camel's hair, signifying the covering of righteousness and that the Messiah would appear common (Isaiah 53). Yet under the common appearance was the Special Presence of the Spirit! Notably the second, third, and fourth letters of the aleph bet, taken in order, spell (beged), which means "garment".

The Gospel in Four Letters:



The first four letters of the Hebrew aleph bet are *aleph*, *bet*, *Gimel* (indicated with the arrow), and *dalet* (read from right to left). The *Aleph* represents *Yahweh*, the Father in Heaven. The *Bet* is the Son, *Yah* Tabernacled or Housed in the Flesh. The *Gimel* is a man, head bent, walking from the *Bet* to the *Dalet* (signifying the Door). In the “person” of His forerunner, Messiah knocks at the door of the human heart. Thus, we see that part of the Elijah Message is found in Revelation:

I counsel thee to buy of Me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Be zealous therefore, and repent. Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear My Voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me,” Revelation 3:18-20.

John the Baptist spoke of *Yahshua* in terms of the *Gimel*. He said, “He it is Who, coming after me, has come to be in front of me...” John 15:26. Think of these three letters in light of this verse. “He is the one who comes after me...” This indicates that the *Bet*, representing *Yahshua*, would come behind the *Gimel*. See the arrangement of the letters, above. The 3, *Gimel*, is walking to the left, his “back” turned to the *Bet*, thus placing the *Bet* behind *Gimel*. This shows that the Elijah Message-bearer is sent from *Yahshua*, or the Father (Ab). However, John went on to say that *Yahshua* “is preferred before me”, (John 1:15). This is shown by the fact that *Gimel* comes after *Bet*.

Gimel (the forerunner or Message Bearer) is sent FROM *Bet* (*Yah’s* House- *Yahshua*)

Bet (*Yah’s* House- *Yahshua*) is preferred BEFORE *Gimel* .



אב = Ab, which means “Father” –

so the *Gimel* is sent from the *Bet* (Son) and the Father.

Remember ye the Law of Moses (Torah) My servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the Statutes and Judgments. Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of Yahweh. And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest (before) I come and smite the earth with a curse, Malachi 4:4-6.

Hebrew Words Beginning with *GIMEL*:

Hebrew Word	Pronunciation	Meaning
גמל	<i>Gamal (the root of Gimel)</i>	"to deal out to, to give" (in generosity and loving kindness). In the Talmud it is said that the Gimel symbolizes a rich man running after a poor man (the next letter Dalet) to give him <i>tzedakah</i> (charity). דלל (<i>dalut</i>) in Hebrew means "impoverished." <i>Gimel</i> thus represents God's Work in pursuing us to bless us with Truth (Torah) because of His <i>chesed</i> (loving kindness).
גמול	<i>G'mul</i>	Means either "recompense or benefit". This shows the Judgment Work of Yahweh, determined by whether a person accepts or rejects His Elijah Message.
גאל	<i>Go'el</i>	The Name for the kinsmen Redeemer (Lev. 25:26; Num. 5:8; 35:19, 21-7; Deut. 19:6, 12; Jos. 20:5, 9; Ruth 3:9, 12; 4:14; 2 Sam. 14:11; Isa. 49:7). Yahweh, Himself is identified as the ultimate Redeemer of Israel and mankind (Psalm 19:14)
God is also revealed as גדול (<i>gadol</i>) and גבור (<i>gibbor</i>), the great and mighty One who brings about true גאולה (<i>ge'ulah</i>) or redemption.		
Yahshua the Mashiach is identified as the Redeemer of mankind (John 4:42). He is the One who, being born into the world, runs forth bearing charity for the poor ones who stand "behind the door." He is our nourishment and our great Benefit. But for those who spurn His love, Yahshua represents judgment and recompense (i.e., the Avenger of blood, called <i>go'el haddam</i>).		
Note that Gimel also can mean "lift up," as a camel lifts up the one who is upon it. Likewise, Yahshua has been lifted up and exalted before the world as the One who has conquered sin and death on our behalf. Benefit indeed!		

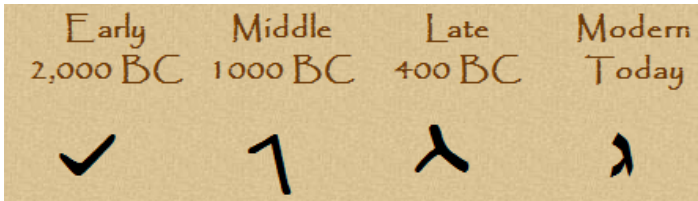
Crowned Letters

In some *Torah* Scrolls, eight Hebrew letters are given special adornment by attaching three "*tagin*" or crownlets to them. Collectively these letters are sometimes called "*sha'atnezgets*" letters (for *Shin, Ayin, Tet, Nun, Zayin, Gimel, and Tsade*).




Some people have wondered if these crownlets are the "tittles" referred to by *Yahshua* in Matthew 5:18, although it is unclear that the *tagin* were in use at that time. So the "jots" were the pronunciation accent marks and the tittles were the crownlets?





A Paleo-Hebrew Look at GIMEL



Yahshua is the House of the Sheep – the Sheepfold

The earliest known pictograph for this letter is  and is a picture of a foot. It indicates walking, carrying, and gathering. The Modern Hebrew name for this letter is “gimel”, an adopted root. The original name to this letter is most likely “gam”, the parent root of “gimel”. This

letter is the origin of the Arabic letter “Geem” and the Greek “gamma” supporting the theory that the original name for the letter did not include the “L”.

The word “gam” means to gather together as a group of animals gathering at the water hole to drink. The pictographic script for the word “gam” is  . The  is the foot representing “walk” and the  is “water”. Combined these mean “one who walks carrying water” as in the “carrier of water”. This is definitely the work of the Elijah-Message bearer. It will also be the ministry of Yahweh’s End-Time Elijah Team.

“In the Last Day, that Great Day of the Feast (last Sabbath of Tabernacles), Yahshua stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink. He that believeth on Me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water,” John 7:37-38.

Psalm 119:17-24 Shows the GIMEL

In Psalm 119:17-24, we find the GIMEL section. In this part of Psalm 119, we see what it takes to accept the Elijah Message, receiving the blessing of Yahweh. It also portrays what it takes to accept our Calling as members of the End-Time Elijah-Message Team:

GIMEL. Deal bountifully with Thy servant, that I may live, and keep Thy Word. Open Thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of Thy Law. I am a stranger in the earth: hide not Thy Commandments from me. My soul breaketh for the longing that it hath unto Thy Judgments at all times. Thou hast rebuked the proud that are cursed, which do err from Thy Commandments. Remove from me reproach and contempt; for I have kept Thy Testimonies. Princes also did sit and speak against me: but Thy servant did meditate in Thy Statutes. Thy Testimonies also are my delight and my counsellors.”

Isaiah 44:2-3 *“Thus saith Yahweh that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, which will help thee; Fear not, O Jacob, my servant; and thou, Jesurun, whom I have chosen. For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour My Spirit upon thy seed, and My Blessing upon thine offspring.”*

Isaiah 35:3-8 *“Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees. Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompense; He will come and save you. Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then shall the lame [man] leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert. And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, shall be grass with reeds and rushes. And an Highway shall be there, and a Way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.”*

Keyword Study: Psalm 119:17-18 (words starting with *gimel* are highlighted)

“GIMEL. Deal bountifully with Thy servant, that I may live, and keep Thy Word. Open Thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of Thy Law.”

Keyword	Strong's #	Hebrew Word	Meaning
Deal bountifully			
Thy servant			
Live			
Keep			
Word			
Open			
Eyes			
Behold			
Wondrous Things			
Law			

Rewrite these 2 verses using the fuller meaning you found in your Keyword study above:

Keyword Study: Psalm 119:19-20 (words starting with *gimel* are highlighted)

“I am a **stranger** in the earth: **hide** not **Thy Commandments** from me. My soul **breaketh** for the longing that it hath unto **Thy Judgments** at all times.”

Keyword	Strong's #	Hebrew Word	Meaning
Stranger			
Hide			
Thy Commandments			
Breaketh			
Thy Judgments			

Rewrite these 2 verses using the fuller meaning you found in your Keyword study above:

Keyword Study: Psalm 119:21-22 (words starting with *gimel* are highlighted)

“Thou hast **rebuked** the **proud** that are **cursed**, which do **err** from Thy Commandments. **Remove** from me **reproach** and **contempt**; for I **have kept Thy Testimonies**.”

Keyword	Strong's #	Hebrew Word	Meaning
Rebuked			
Proud			
Cursed			
Err			
Remove			
Reproach			
Contempt			
Have kept			
Thy Testimonies			

Rewrite these 2 verses using the fuller meaning you found in your Keyword study above:

Keyword Study: Psalm 119:23-24 (words starting with *gimel* are highlighted)

“**Princes** **also** did **sit** and **speak** against me: but Thy servant **did meditate** in Thy Statutes. Thy Testimonies **also** are my **delight** and my **counsellors**.”

Keyword	Strong's #	Hebrew Word	Meaning
Princes			
Also			
Sit			
Speak			
Did Meditate			
Delight			
Counsellors			

Rewrite these 2 verses using the fuller meaning you found in your Keyword study above:

Psalm 119:17-24 Reveals the *Gimel* Message:

(write your own personal “Bible Commentary” Message about these verses, now that you’ve studied them. Include Cross-reference Scriptures.)

Personal Application:

1. What was the most personally meaningful message of the *Gimel* that you found in this study?
2. What insights about *Yahweh* did you gain?