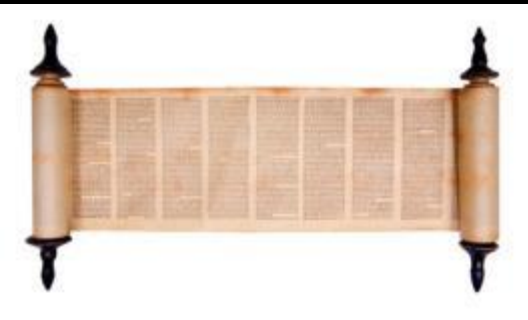


SCROLLS AND SCRIPTURE PRAYER

From Scroll to eBook Session Four



WELCOME TO SESSION FOUR

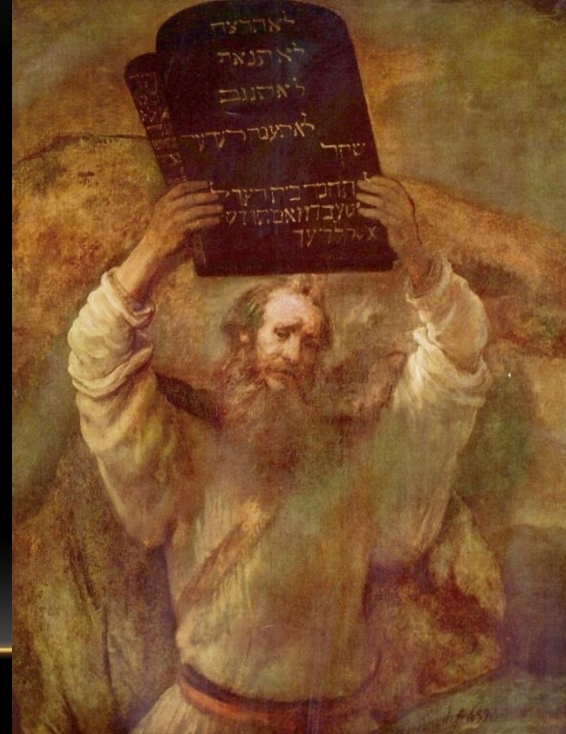
- Slides available at www.kelleycentral.com
- This session taught at New Hope Eugene by Dr. Mark Kelley

TONIGHT'S PLAN

- How writing developed in ancient times
 - How the Hebrews viewed Scripture
 - Praying Scripture
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THE FIRST WRITTEN BIBLE

- Carving the 10 Commandments into stone



CLAY TABLETS CAME NEXT

- Damp clay could be written on easily.
- When it dried (or was fired), it became a permanent record



PAPYRUS

- The “New Technology” learned during the Egyptian Slavery
 - Leaves were beaten so they became thin
 - Multiple layers alternated horizontal and vertical orientations



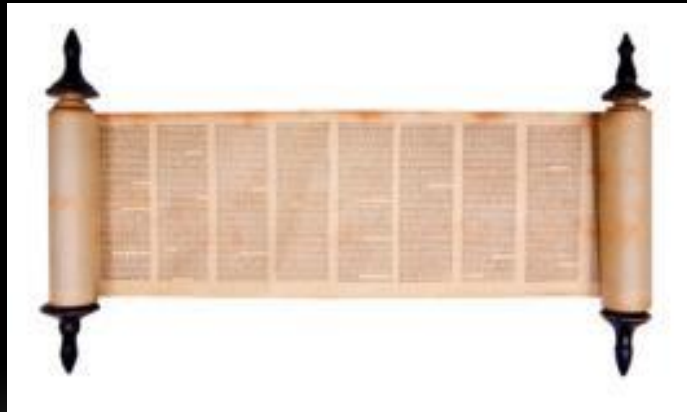
ADD TO ALL THIS PARCHMENT

- Animal skins were scraped and dried
- The resulting parchment was very much like paper



THE SCROLL

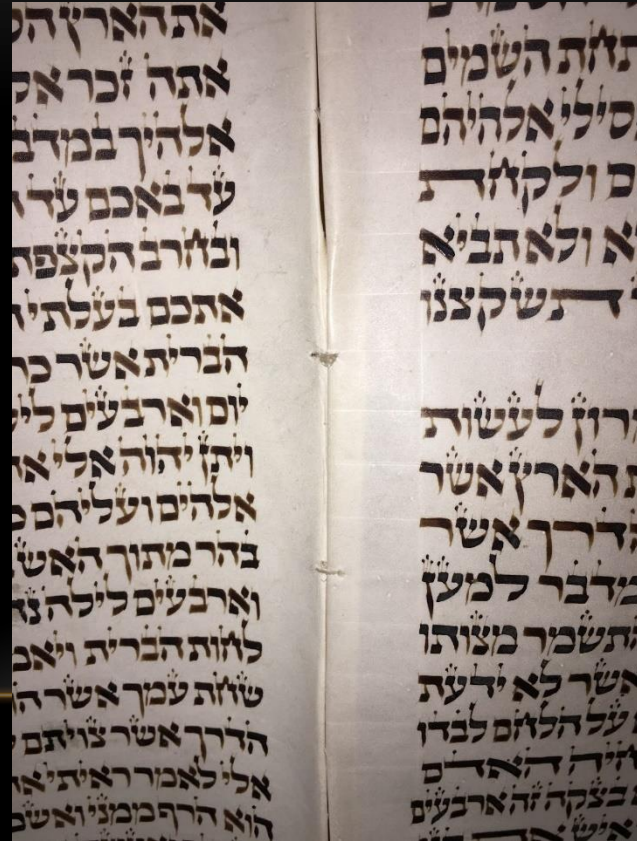
- When you needed to keep several sheets together, you combined them into a scroll



NHCC SCROLL



NHCC SCROLL PANELS



SCROLLS ARE MENTIONED IN THE BIBLE

- Exodus 17:14 – Moses wrote on a scroll
- Luke 4:16-20 – Jesus reads from where the scroll was rolled

HEBREW SCRIPTURES: DIVISIONS

- The ancient Hebrews divided their Bible (“Old Testament”) into three sections.
 - Law
 - Prophets
 - Writings
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HEBREW SCRIPTURE DIVISIONS

- Law
 - Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy
 - Prophets
 - Joshua, Judges, Samuel, Kings
 - Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel
 - “The Twelve” (sometimes called the Minor Prophets)
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LAW, PROPHETS, WRITINGS

- Psalms, Proverbs, Job, Song of Songs
 - Ruth, Daniel, Esther
 - Lamentations, Ecclesiastes
 - Chronicles
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JESUS USED THESE DIVISIONS

- Luke 24:44
 - Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled."
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JEWISH VIEW OF THEIR SCRIPTURES

- These were not laws that they had to obey
 - They were the secrets of the universe, which God had revealed to them
 - Psalm 19:7
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BIBLE TOOL: PRAYING GOD'S WORDS

- Everyone likes to hear themselves being quoted
 - Do you want to make sure God hears your prayers?
Pray his own words back to him.
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PSALM 103

- Bible Text

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless
his holy name! ²Bless the
LORD, O my soul, and forget
not all his benefits,

- Prayer Text

O Lord, my soul blesses you;
all that I am blesses your holy
name! I choose to bless you,
and to remember all your
benefits:

PSALM 3:3-5

- Bible Text

who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases, ⁴
who redeems your life from
the pit, who crowns you with
steadfast love and mercy, ⁵
who satisfies you with good so
that your youth is renewed like
the eagle's.

- Prayer Text

Please forgive all my sin, heal
all my diseases, redeem me
from the pit, crown me with
steadfast love and so satisfy
me that my youth is renewed
like an eagles!

WAYS OF PRAYING SCRIPTURE

- Word-for-word (another value to memorization)
 - Paraphrased (like I did with Psalm 103)
 - As a group exercise
 - As a letter/email/text to a friend
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GOOD SCRIPTURES TO PRAY

- Psalm 23, 73, 100, 103, 145-150
 - Matthew 6:9-13
 - Ephesians 1:16-23
 - Philippians 1:3-11
 - Revelation 4:8, 11
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PRACTICE PRAYING SCRIPTURE

Psalm 73: 1-3, 27-28

Surely God is good to Israel,
to those who are pure in heart.

PRACTICE PRAYING SCRIPTURE

- ² But as for me, my feet had almost slipped;
I had nearly lost my foothold.
³ For I envied the arrogant
when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.
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PRACTICE PRAYING SCRIPTURE

- ²⁷ Those who are far from you will perish;
you destroy all who are unfaithful to you.
 - ²⁸ But as for me, it is good to be near God.
I have made the Sovereign LORD my refuge;
I will tell of all your deeds.
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NEXT WEEK

- The Greek New Testament
 - What about all those versions of the Bible?
 - Lectio Divina – Divine Reading of Scripture
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