The Magi: Balaam and his two sons, Jannes and Jambres, were called *'magi*' by Philo (*Life Moses*), who prophesied about the star which pointed to the Messiah, and the child from whom he would rise.

Because of this Pharaoh ordered the death of all baby boys. The Torah's narrative about Balaam ends when Balaam *"went off to his home"* (Num. 24.25), just as the Magi *"went away to their own country"* (Mt.2.12).

The Gospel of Matthew's writings about Herod, parallel Josephus' version of the story of Pharoah – where he consulted his magicians, expressed fear for his throne, and ordered the death of the baby boys.

You see this all connects with the reference to Rachel weeping for her children in

Jer.31.15 Thus saith יהוה ; A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, and bitter weeping; Rahel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children, because they were not. 16. Thus saith יהוה thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith יהוה ; and they shall come again from the land of the enemy. 17. And there is hope in thine end, saith יהוה , that thy children shall come again to their own border. 18 I have surely heard Ephraim bemoaning himself thus; Thou hast chastised me, and I was chastised, as a bullock unaccustomed to the yoke: turn thou me, and I shall be turned; for thou art in my elohim.

Matthew keeps us thinking about Balaam but shifts to the context of Jeremiah 31 – <u>our</u> return from all corners of the earth (v.8) **Behold**, *I* will bring them from the north country, and gather them from the coasts of the earth, and with them the blind and the lame, the woman with child and her that travaileth with child together: a great company shall return thither.

The parallels of the stories of Balaam-Laban are <u>so close</u>, especially the wording of the LXX because in the LXX the words are <u>infact the Magi's word's</u> "We saw **the star when it rose**".Balaam's prophecy of the "star which will rise out of Jacob" a deliverer would dash their enemies with <u>His Malki-Tzedik Sceptre</u>. (Num.24.17).

The prophecy about Bethlehem Ephratah,

Jannes and Jambres were instrumental in promoting the worship of the golden calf that Aaron made and were the leaders in the Covenant break.

That's why Paul refers to their treachery as he's on his voyages teaching that the breach has been restored and that we're no longer under the BoL <u>schoolmaster</u> and the religious magic of the sons of Balaam.

Paul's so brilliant, why did he use the phrase schoolmaster when talking about the BoL?

He knew that it was Jannes and Jambres who promoted the Golden Calf worship and consequential breach, and he knew that Jannes and Jambres were none other than <u>Moshe's schoolmasters when he grew up in Pharoah's court!</u>

None of us are to be under the influence of the schoolmasters, not their magic, not their rebellion and not the imposed law consequences to their council!

Beware that the treacherous occult ways of Jannes and Jambres, the son's of Balaam have always tried to influence the believing remnant and are ramping up tremendously in these days:

The white stone, 5 interpretations:

- I. Ancient jurors signified innocence by casting a white pebble into an urn
- II. A sign that you made it to the finish line, the good day, there was an Tharcian custom of marking every good day by a white stone
- III. A *tessera*, that serves as the token for admission into the Marriage supper of the Lamb
- IV. A reward given to the victors, those who come out of the tribulation that are now able to cease from further tribulation
- V. The Melchizedik priesthood of overcomes are rewarded by Yahusha with the Urim from His Melchizedik breastplate

<u>Jezebel</u>

18 And to the teaching overseer of the congregation in Thyatira write; These things says the Son of vuvh, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and His feet are like fine brass; 19 I know your mitzvoth, and ahava, and service, and emunah, and your endurance, and your mitzvoth; and the last to be more than the first. 20 But I have a few things against you, because you allow that woman Isavel, who called herself a neviyah, to teach and to seduce My avadim to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed to idols. 21 And I gave her time to make teshuvah from her fornication; and she repented not. 22 See, I will cast her into a coffin, and them that commit adultery with her into Great Tribulation, unless they

make teshuvah from their deeds. 23 And I will kill her children with death; and all the Yisraelite congregations shall know that I am He who searches the minds and levavot: and I will give to every one of you according to your wicked deeds.

The voice of the prophet that once inspired her, she now wants to silence and hear no more.

Entitlement is one of the roots to a Jezebel spirit. *"Why should they have that, why do they get to make the decision."* Jezebel truly believed she was entitled to the vineyard

1 Ki. 19:2 Then Jezebel <u>sent a messenger</u> to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow."

The spirit of Jezebel <u>will send messengers</u>, today text messenger rather than go speak to the prophets - the leader face to face.

1 Ki 21:7 But Jezebel his wife came to him and said to him, "Why is your spirit so vexed that you eat no food?"

Unhealed deep heart issues of bitterness will awaken this spirit and open a door of chaos and destruction to those who tolerate it in their midst.

1 Ki 21:8 So <u>she wrote letters</u> in Ahab's name and sealed them with his seal, and she sent the letters to the elders and the leaders who lived with Naboth in his city.

Ultimately the spirit of Jezebel wants the vineyard, wherever fruit is being produced and to do it she'll start an email chain, sending letters to get the ball rolling.

It'll twist the truth, defame, placing guilt, manipulate, control, steal, destroy and even try to metaphorically kill a ministry or the one who's position it covets to obtain it.

Yahusha warns us here in Rev 2 not to tolerate, try to please or ignore the Jezebel in their midst or it will be suicidal for their lives and those around them.

Jezebellian traits to be aware of:

- They twist the truth in order to gain access to others and move the congregation their direction.
- Usually it's their pride that's wounded that triggered them, especially when they feel they were overlooked for recognition and honor.
- The Jezebel will set one person/friend against another using crafty murmurings and gossips mixed with truth to achieve their goal of control.
- Jezebel will always position themselves as the redeemer, the uniting force for good over the perceived wrong they've discovered, fostered and grown.
- They're jealous for those more gifted than themselves or those who receive honor and acceptance.
- Jezebels cling to bitterness through past hurts.
- They love to gather the body around divining mixed half-truths in an effort to control.
- Jezebel will shift the congregation leaving a giant bomb crater behind.
- Their bitterness is often a reaction to a perceived or imagined injustice.
- They allow self-pity to set in, carefully disguised as false humility. This is a façade for the deeply rooted bitterness that manifests.

2 Ki 9:35 But when they went to bury her, they found no more of her than the skull and the feet and the palms of her hands.

24 But to you I say, and to the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this teaching of uncleanness, and who have not known the depths of s.a.tan, as they call them; I will put upon you no other burden.25 But that which you have already hold fast until I come. 26 And he that overcomes, and keeps My mitzvoth to the end, to him will I give power over the gentiles: 27 And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to pieces: even as I received from My Abba. 28 And I will give him the Morning Cochav. 29 He that has an ear, let him hear what the Ruach says to the Yisraelite congregations.