12 Tribes 12 Stones 12 Apostles 12 Foundation Stones

Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. – I Pet. 2:5

A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together.. Ecc. 3:5a

Israel is likened unto Living Stones, 12 Stones have been **GATHERED** and used to form memorials (Josh. 4) and altars (I Kings 18) representing Israel. Deut. 27-28 speaks of these 12 Tribes (Stones) being **SCATTERED** due to disobedience. The Temple was the symbolic embodiment of Israel and Yeshua said not one stone of the Temple would be left standing upon another. They would be **SCATTERED** (Matt. 24:2). Only upon Israel's collective repentance would these stones be **GATHERED** again and the Temple rebuilt. When the Tribes are **REGATHERED** again, 12 Stones will be laid once again (Rev. 21:14).

12 Tribes 12 Apostles 99 in the Flock 1 Lost Sheep 1 Fold

How think ye? if a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine, and goeth into the mountains, and seeketh that which is gone astray? And if so be that he find it, verily I say unto you, he rejoiceth more of that sheep, than of the ninety and nine which went not astray. Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish. – Matt. 18:12-14

Yeshua left the 99 to save the 1

But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel... But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. – Matt. 10:6, 15:24

Yeshua was called to the Lost Sheep of the House of Israel.

The 99 represents Judah, the Jews Yeshua and his Talmidim (Disciples) were surrounded by and among. The 1 Sheep Yeshua and His Talmidim left to go save represents forgotten and assimilated Israel, the remaining 10 Tribes.

SCATTERED. The 12 Apostles too were called sheep, Yeshua being the Shepherd (Jn. 10:11, 14, Mat. 10:16, Mk. 14:27) and the Apostles/Sheep were SCATTERED. The Sheep (Apsotles) were REGATHERED in the Upper Room (Matt. 20:19-29, Acts 1-2) because their purpose was to go and GATHER together the Lost Sheep of the House of Israel (Matt. 10:6, 15:24, Jn. 10;16, 21:15-17)

And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd. – John 10:16

He <u>"SCATTERED"</u> the 12 and the 70 (Lk. 9:1-6, 10:1-12) to <u>REGATHER</u> the Lost Sheep of the Other Fold of the Lost Sheep of the House of Israel. To <u>GATHER</u> and reunite Judah and Israel (Ezk. 37).

A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace. – Ecc. 3:5-8