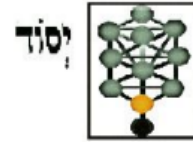


Scan / read Aramaic from right to left for the connection.

**Sepher ha Zohar ("Book of Splendor")**

Vayishlach ("And he sent")

(22) "Who is this coming out of the wilderness?"



229. ותא וזוי, כד הוּו יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּאַרְעָא, וְהוּוּ מִקְרִיבִין קְרִבְנִין, כְּלֵהוּ  
הוּוּ מִתְקַרְבִין לְגַבִּי קוֹדֵשׁא בְּרִיךְ הוּא כְּדָקָא יְאֵת, וְכֵד קְרִבְנָא  
אַתְעִבִיד, וְתִנְנָא סְלִיק בְּאַרְזוּ מִיִּשְׂרָאֵל, כְּדִי הוּוּ יְדַעִי, דְּתִנְנָא דְמִדְבָּרָא  
אַדְלִיק בּוֹצִיעָא, דְּאַתְחַזִּיא לְאַדְלָקָא, וְכֵל אֲנַפִּין נְהִירִין וּבּוֹצִיעִין  
דְּלִקִין.

229. Come and behold, when Yisrael dwelt in their land and offered sacrifices, they approached nearer to the Holy One, blessed be He. When the sacrifice was offered and the smoke rose straight, they knew that the smoke from the altar lit the candle worthy of being lit; all faces shone and the candles were burning.

**Kabbalah and New Life Wisdom**

In a spiritual context, the notion of offering sacrifices for the purpose of "lighting the candle worthy of being lit," refers not to the sacrificial slaughter of animals, but to the sacrifice of ego in order to ignite the Light of the soul. The many sacrifices described in Scripture pertain to the various negative traits dwelling within the consciousness of man. Removing these traits is the basis of all spiritual work. Enlightened with this spiritual perspective, these verses help us sacrifice negative characteristics, allowing the Light of our souls to shine ever more brightly.

**GOSPEL OF ST. MATTHEW**

Chapter 5, verses 1-9 {1611 KJV Bible}

- 1 And seeing the multitudes, he went vp into a mountaine: and when he was set, his disciples came vnto him.
- 2 And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,
- 3 *Blessed are the poore in spirit: for theirs is the kingdome of heauen.*
- 4 *Blessed are they that mourne: for they shall be comforted.*
- 5 *Blessed are the meeke: for they shall inherit the earth.*
- 6 *Blessed are they which doe hunger and thirst after righteousnesse: for they shall be filled.*
- 7 *Blessed are the mercifull: for they shall obtaine mercie.*
- 8 *Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.*
- 9 *Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall bee called the children of God.*