

# The Water Stone

By Chaplain 193



John 4:13-14 Yeshua answered and said to her, “Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst, but the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of living water springing up into everlasting life...Amen

I went to visit Pastor Shon today, we shared the Word of God and talked about life, then as I was about to leave he motioned me to come over by his bed and he handed me a blue stone. Pastor Shon looked at me with a very kind face and said, "Chaplain Paul this stone is a gift take it with you wherever you go and may you be filled with our Lord's peace, love, and joy."

Then Pastor Shon looked at me and said,

"Jesus loves you and so do I."

I thanked Pastor Shon and then I put the stone in my pocket and went home. When I got home I took the blue stone out of my pocket and examined it, the stone was a very deep blue like the color of the ocean or the blue sky above. The stone looked like deep blue turquoise.

In the days that followed I took the stone with me wherever I went, then about two weeks later as I was visiting a patient I mentioned water baptism and she seemed very interested in getting baptized and as we were talking my pocket became wet. I took the stone out of my pocket and the stone was wet. I couldn't understand what was happening.

I asked Joanna if she wanted to be baptized and she said yes, I explained to her that because she was a patient that water immersion wasn't an option but I could pour a small amount of water over her head and we could place a towel around her neck so she wouldn't get too wet. Joanna agreed and I proceeded to fill a cup with water and once again my pocket became wet but this time it was really wet, at this point I was lead by the Holy Spirit to take the blue stone out of my pocket and use its water to baptize Joanna.

I began to baptize Joanna and as I placed the stone over her head water began flowing out of the stone then I said,

"Joanna I hereby baptize you in the Name of the Father, the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

Then suddenly I found myself in the presence of the Lord. The Lord Christ Yeshua invited me to sit with Him. I was overwhelmed with a sense of peace and love. The Lord told me to go forth baptizing in the Name of The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit for the glory of God then the Lord looked at me and said,

“The stone Pastor Shon gave you will provide an endless supply of baptizing water, so no matter where you go you will be able to baptize others, now go in peace, peace shalom, for peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you, not as the world gives do I give to you, let not your heart be troubled neither let it be afraid.” John 14:27

And with that I found myself back in Joanna’s room and it was as though I had never left. In the weeks that followed I offered to baptize the patients I visited, many of them were energized with a new found life.

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation, old things have passed away behold, all things have become new.

Water baptism is a public affirmation of faith. When we go into the water we are crucified with Christ. When we go under the water we are buried with Christ and when we come out of the water we are resurrected with Christ. Old things have passed away, behold all things have now been made new for the glory of God.

Matthew 28:18-20 And Yeshua came and spoke to them saying, “All authority has been given to Me in Heaven and on Earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age...Amen”