WZSE – Weekly Zoroastrian Scripture Extract # 66.

Hello all Tele Class friends:

Shehenshahi 10 Muktad Days started on Friday August 8th from Ashtad Roj to Aneran Roj, Asfandarmad Mahino, and starting from tomorrow, 5 Gatha Days – Ahunavad, Ushtavad, Spentomad, Vohukshathra and Vahishtoisht, follow from August 13th thru 17th.

This will be followed by the New Year Navroze on Monday August 18th, followed by the Birthday of Vakhshur-e-Vakhshuraan Zarathushtra Spitaman on Khordad Saal, Farvardin Mahino and Khordad Roj, Saturday August 23rd.

Starting with the last week's Quote #65, our next three Quotes will cover the references of these important days from Farvardin Yasht.

Last week, in Farvardin Yasht, Karda XIII, Verses 49 – 52, it is mentioned that the Fravashis of our dear departed ones visit our homes for 10 days and nights (the 10 Muktad Days) and desire from all of us: praise, worship, glory, love, etc. Last week quote covered these first two Verses 49 and 50.

Today, we continue with the Verses 51 and 52. In these Paras, the Fravashis, when satisfied, bless the persons who offered them food, clothing and prayer as follows:

Farvardin Yasht, Karda XIII, Verses 51 – 52:

(Please hear the <u>attached .mp3 file</u> for its recitation)

(51) Aa-at yo naa hish fraayazaaite, Gaomata zasta vastravata asha-naasa nemanghha, Ahmaai aafrinenti khshnutaao ainitaao atbishtaao, Ughraao ashaonaam fravashayo.

(52) Buyaat ahmi nmaane geushcha vaanthwa upa viranaamcha,

Buyaat aasushcha aspo derezrascha vaakhsho, Buyaat naa staahyo vyaakhno,

Yo no baadha fraayazaaite,

gaomata-zasta vastravata asha-naasa nemanghha.

Farvardin Yasht, Karda XIII, Verses 51 - 52 Translation:

(51) Moreover, the person who worships those Fravashis

with the hand containing food and clothing

and with the prayer causing to reach righteousness,

the Fravashis of the righteous people, pleased, undistressed and unoffended,

bless that person as stated below:

(52) The Fravashis bless the worshippers:

May there be in this house the increase in cattle and men!

May there be a swift horse and a solid chariot!

The man, the chieftain of the assembly who will verily worship us

with the hand containing food and clothing and with the prayer

causing to reach righteousness, may become powerful.

(From Ervad Kangaji <u>Khordeh Avesta Baa Maaeni</u> English Translation pages 442 - 443)

SPD Explanation:

1. This quote, a continuation of the last week's quote, informs us what good blessings these Fravashis will shower upon those who welcome them as desired by them.

Please note that the Farvardin Yasht was composed during the ancient Agricultural Age when cattle, horse and chariot were the material wealth and the Fravashis bless them with such wealth.

2. Please note that both these verses mention food and clothing and they point to the Satum and Jashan prayers of today where we present food to the Fravashis and also the custom of "Siyaav" which includes a complete set of clothing including

Sudreh and Kusti.

Love and Tandoorasti, Soli