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IS BAAL GAD THE LORD GOD OF CHRISTIANITY?

Scripture says that the old serpent called the Devil and Satan has deceived the whole world (Rev. 12:9). Do you realize just how deep that deception is? This article will reveal some of the depths of deception to those who are able to receive it.

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To many Christians the above question would be blasphemous to even contemplate! They would never even consider the thought much less study like the noble Bereans of whom it is written in the Scriptures: “Now these were more noble than those in Thessalonica who received the word with great eagerness, and searched the Scriptures daily, if these words were so.” (Acts 17:11)

But knowing that the Scriptures reveal to us: “And the great dragon was thrown out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who leads all the world astray.” (Rev. 12:9)

In light of this, does it not behoove us to study the Scriptures in order to see if we too have been led astray by the old serpent, called the Devil and Satan? More so in light of the following Scripture which explicitly tells us that salvation comes in only one exclusive name: “And there is no deliverance in anyone else, for there is no other name under the heaven given among men by which we need to be saved.” (Acts 4:12)

Is it not evident then according to the above quoted verse that if Satan wants to keep us from being saved or delivered all he has to do is to deceive us into calling on another name rather than the one exclusive name that has been given for that very purpose by our Creator?

I am always shocked and amazed at the ignorance of the Creator’s professed people who cannot understand the simple fact that one is one and never two, three, four, five, etc... Now surely if there is only one name given how can these professed believers say that it doesn’t matter what name they call on? Are they not deceived by that old serpent Satan the Devil if they are calling on any other name other than that one exclusive name that was given by our Creator Himself? Surely you can see that the only answer to our questions is—yes, they have most definitely been deceived!

WHO OR WHAT IS BAAL?

To find the answer to this question a good place to begin is using the *Strong’s Hebrew Dictionary*.

#1167 ba’al, bah’al; from 1166; a master; hence a

husband, or (fig.) owner (often used with another noun in modification of this latter sense):- + archer, + babbler, + bird, captain, chief man, + confederate, + have to do, + dreamer, those to whom it is due, + furious, those that are given to it, great, + hairy, he that hath it, have, +horseman, husband, **lord**, man, + married, **master**, person, + sworn, they of.

Now if these were the only uses of the word baal we really couldn’t complain could we? Why? Because even Scripture reveals that Yahweh was a husband to Israel. (cf. Isa. 54:5; Jer. 31:32). This in Hebrew would be Yahweh is baal to Israel. Thus, baal is used in a good sense. But this is not the only usage of the word base as we shall show.

#1168 ba’al, bah’al; the same as 1167; *Baal*, a Phoenician deity:-Baal, (plur.) Baalim.

Here we bind another Baal, a bad one, a false deity. Can we find out more about this false deity? Yes, let me quote page 1212 in the Explanatory Notes of The Scriptures:

Ba’al: This word it seems, gradually became a proper name. A similar Semitic word derives from the Aryan root Bhal, which means “to shine,” according to some. According to W. H. Roscher’s well-known lexicon of mythology, Ba’al (Bel, Belos) was the ancestral and national deity of the Semites, and says that Ba’al was the founder of Babel (Babylon), according to secular history. He is identified with Zeus, Jupiter, Ammon, Asshur, Assur, Kronos, and Bel-Markud. Morris Jastrow, Max Müller, and W. H. Roscher all three agree: Baal is the Babylonian sun deity. The Ba’als of the nations were sun deities, and Ba’al worship means sun worship.

Quite revealing isn’t it? Now, would Yahweh appreciate it if we called Him after the name of a false deity? A closer look at a couple of Scriptures will answer that question easily! Let us see just what the Mind of Yahweh is in regards to the above question.

“And in all that I have said to you take heed. And make no mention of the name of other mighty ones, let it not be heard from your mouth,” Ex.



23:13.

“...And make no mention of the name of their mighty ones, nor swear by them, nor serve them, nor bow down to them,” Josh. 23:7.

Yahweh has explicitly spoken to us by the above verses of Scripture not to mention the name of the other mighty ones even to the point that they not be heard coming out of our lips. So the answer to our question is: NO! Yahweh would not be pleased if we called Him by the name of any other mighty one! So Yahweh would not be pleased if we called Him Baal in the bad sense. But how is it we can call Him Baal in a good sense and be right but yet use the same word and it be in a wrong sense and Yahweh’s anger burn against us? What is the answer to this apparent contradiction of Yahweh’s word?

To find the answer look again at Strong’s #1167. Read it again, please. Did you see the answer? It’s really simple! Notice that it says: #1167 Baal is.... (often used with another noun in modification of this latter sense.):

But what does this mean? To find the answer we need to research a few more Scriptures that will shed much needed light on the subject. The three Scriptures I want us to look at relate to a place in Syria called Baal Gad.

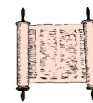
“Thus Yahshua took all this land: the mountain country, and all the South, and all the land of Goshen, and the low country, and the desert plain, and the mountains of Yisrael and its low lands, from Mount Halag that goes up to Seir, and as far as **Baal Gad** in the valley of Lebanon below Mount Hermon...,” Josh. 11:16-17.

“And these are the sovereigns of the land which Yahshua and the children of Israel smote beyond the Jordan, on the west, from Baal Gad in the valley of Lebanon as far as Mount Halaq that goes up to Seir, which Yahshua gave to the tribes of Israel as a Possession according to their divisions,” Josh. 12:7.

“And the land of the Gebalites, and all Lebanon toward the sunrise, from Baal Gad below Mount Hermon as far as the entrance to Hamath,” Josh. 13:5.

Have you noticed that in each of the above quoted texts reference is made to a place called Baal Gad? Just what and where was this place called Baal Gad? Let’s again go to the Strong’s Hebrew Dictionary for the answer.

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#1171 Baal Gad, bah’al gawd; from 1168 and 1409; Baal of Fortune: Baal Gad, a place in Syria:- Baal-gad.

Now that wasn’t much of an answer was it? We still haven’t found out who or what Baal of Fortune was. Let us dig deeper to find out the truth by looking up the reference that was given under Strong’s #1409 for more light.

#1409 gad, gawd; from 1464 (in the sense of distributing); fortune:- troop.

WORD GAMES

Now that still doesn’t give us much light, you might say. You’re just giving us the run around with word games, you might say. Well, that’s exactly what Satan, that old deceiver wants you to think! You see, he doesn’t want you to be diligent seekers for truth. He doesn’t want you digging up in the treasure house of the Hebrew language, because if you do, he knows you will find out the deceptive word games he’s played on you!

Didn’t Yahshua tell us our search for truth would be like searching for hidden treasure? (c.f. Mt. 13:44). Do you find hidden treasure just lying on top of the ground or do you have to take a spade or shovel and work hard, digging to find it?

Believe me, the answer was revealed under *Strong’s* #1409 if you know where to find the Scripture that reveals this false deity—Baal of fortune! Actually it will be quite revealing once you see it!

“But you are those who forsake Yahweh, who forget My set-apart mountain, who prepare a table for Gad [that troop, KJV], and who fill a drink offering for Meni [than number, KJV]. And I shall allot you to the sword, and let you bow down to the slaughter, because I called and you did not answer, I spoke and you did not hear, and you did evil before My eyes and chose that in which I did not delight,” Isa. 65:11-12.

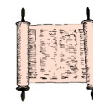
If you have a KJV Bible, you will find for Gad it says “that troop” (Strong’s #1409). In fact many Bibles have center or side column references that inform the readers that (that troop) or Gad is a false deity!

This can also be discovered by looking at Strong’s #1408.

#1408 Gad, gad; a var. of 1409; Fortune, a Bab. Deity:- that troop.



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Here is where Satan has played word games to deceive the whole world into worshipping a false Babylonian deity of Fortune! But who is really being worshipped behind the name of this ancient idol Baal-Gad? And how has Satan accomplished this so easily? Word Games! Remember Acts 4:12 (Neither is there salvation in any other: for **there is none other name under heaven whereby we must be saved**. Remember that Yahshua also said, "...if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive." Jn. 5:44)

Notice under Strong's #1167, one of the definitions of the word Baal into English is **lord**!

BAAL ZEBUWB OR BEELZEBOUL

#1176 Baal Zebuwb, bah'al zeb-oob; from 1168 and 2070; Baal of (the) fly; Baal-zebub, a special deity of the Ekronites: - Baal-Zebub.

Remember when the Pharisees called Yahshua the Messiah Beelzebub (Mat. 10:25) and claimed that He cast out the demons by the prince of demons (Mat. 12:24, 27; Mk. 3:22; Lk. 11:15, 18, 19). Well, now go to Strong's #954 and be ready for a shock!

#954 Beelzeboul, beh-el-zeb-ool'; of Chald. Or. [by parody upon 1176]; dung-god; Beelzebul, a name of Satan: - Beelzebub.

GAD, GAWD, GOD

Are you beginning to see that Baal = lord or LORD or master and that Baal is none other than Satan himself?! But coupled with Satan's title of Baal which equals lord, or Lord, or LORD, or master is the word Gad. Gad meant Fortune or that troop. Could the old saying about a person sold their soul to Satan have any bearing here? Satan will give you a fortune for your soul, but once you have sold it to him, he will usually double cross you and take your life (soul) away! How many troops of lost souls does Satan have through his deceptions?!

Notice how the Massoretics vowel pointed the word Gad in Hebrew in 1409 like this: גָּדַ. When pointed like this, the word is pronounced Gawd or God or god in Hebrew. Now if we translate Baal Gad into English what does it become? Does it not become LORD GOD? Or lord god? Or Lord God? The capitalization doesn't change the sound of the word in any way and even so the fact is Baal Gad is the Lord God who is Lord Satan or Master Satan!

PUTTING IT TOGETHER!

Let me quote another explanatory note from pages 1214-1215 of *The Scriptures*: Gad: Apart from Gad, the son of Ya'aqob (Jacob) there was another "Gad." The astrologers of Babel called Jupiter (Zeus) by the name "Gad." He was also well known among the Canaanites (the Kena'anites) where his name was often coupled with Baal, Baal Gad, which according to the Massoretic vowel pointing in the book of Yehoshua (Joshua) is pronounced: Baal God. This same name is discovered in the ancient Germanic languages as Gott, Goda, Gode, God, Gud, Gade. And searching further back into its Indo-Germanic (Indo-European) roots, we find that it traces back to the word GHODH, which means "union" even "sexual union." No wonder this meaning is still evident in the Dutch and German gode. It is also not difficult to see it in the English "gadfly" and "gadding about."

It is no wonder then that Satan was termed Baal Zebuwb in Hebrew and Beel Zeboul in Greek! So we have seen that both mean Lord of the flies (See *Brown, Driver & Briggs Hebrew Lexicon to the Old Testament* under 1176).

How ironic that Satan was pictured as a gadfly or as one who gads about! A look at the definition of these two words in *Webster's New World Dictionary* is quite revealing: **gad-fly** *n.*, pl. **flies** [GAD² + FLY²] **1.** a large fly that bites livestock **2.** One who annoys others.

gad·a·bout *n.* a person who gads about; restless seeker after fun, etc.

Gad¹ (gad) [Heb. *gadh*, lit., fortune] *Bible* **1.** The seventh son of Jacob **2.** The tribe of Israel descended from him

Gad² (gad) *interj.* [euphemism for GOD] [*also g-*] a mild oath or expression of surprise, disgust, etc.

gad¹ (gad) *vi.* **gad'ded, gad'ding** [LME *gadden*, to hurry, perhaps back-formation < *gadeling*, companion in arms < OE. *gædeling*: for IE. Base see GATHER] to wander about in an idle or restless way, as in seeking amusement—*n.* an act of gadding: chiefly in the phrase **on** (or **upon**) **the gad**, gadding about—**gad'der** *n.*

Now let's compare the meanings here with Isa. 65:11 where Gad has been translated as "that troop." **1.** A troop is defined as *a group* of persons, animals, or, formerly, things; herd, flock, band, etc. **2.** Loosely, **a great number**; lot **3.** A body of soldiers **4.** A subdivision of a calvary regiment



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that corresponds to a company of infantry 5. A unit of Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts under an adult leader 6. [Archaic] **a group** of actors; troupe, etc. (*Webster's New World Dictionary*).

These definitions would cause the meaning of this word to fall in the category of **gad**¹ in the sense of “gather” which is why the translators rendered Gad as “that troop.” **Gad**¹ corresponds with the meaning of the deity of fortune which also was Yahweh’s intended purpose for using the word, while **Gad**² ties it all together in the sense of a “euphemism for God.”

In the book of Job, when Satan appeared with the sons of Elohim before Yahweh, he was asked, “Whence comest thou?” Satan’s answer was, “From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.” (Job. 1:7, 2:2) Satan as Baal-Zebub (Lord of flies) does exactly what a gadfly and a gadabout does. He is a restless seeker after fun. He goes to and fro, up and down seeking to annoy others (especially man, but also Yahweh) which he thinks is fun.

Satan does have a terrible bite and he can be very annoying too—just like a gadfly! Also he gads about looking for souls to devour and it must be a lot of fun for him to deceive and cause so much misery and suffering upon humanity. (c.f. Job chapters 1 & 2 again; 1 Pet. 5:8). No wonder Mr. Strong said that Beelzeboul was a name for Satan (c.f. *Strong's #954 Greek Dictionary*).

So what have we learned from our study of a few Scriptures using the inspired Hebrew language and a few Greek words? We have learned that God was originally the name of an idol once worshipped in Babel (Babylon). It was later spread throughout the land of Canaan being picked up by the Canaanites and adopted by the children of Israel when they went into apostasy!

We also have learned from Isa. 65:11-12 the shocking truth that many of Yahweh’s people have been tricked into forsaking Yahweh for this pagan idol by Satan playing word games. (c.f. Jer. 2:10-13 and our article entitled “The Devices Of Satan.”)

The saddest part of all is that behind this pagan idol called Baal Gad—Lord God stands the real being who is worshipped by the whole Christian world—Satan himself! (c.f. Isa. 13:12-14; Ez. 28:12-19; 2 Thes. 2:3-12). Yes, Christians are awaiting a final anti-Christ to come but do not realize he is already in their midst and worshipped!

Christians are preparing a feast table for God—Satan and they don’t even know it and wouldn’t believe it even if you told them! Christians just don’t realize who stands behind the idol and its name to receive its praise and worship (c.f. Lev. 17:7; Dt. 32:17; Ps. 106:37; 2 Chron. 11:15; 2 Cor. 10:21-22).

Baal Gad is the LORD God of the Christians but don’t try to tell them I told you so because they wouldn’t believe it even if you showed it to them out of the Hebrew Scriptures themselves! But if you are a Christian and you see the truth herein presented, what should you do about it? The Scriptures have the answer: “Truly, then, having overlooked these times of ignorance, Yahweh now commands all men everywhere to repent,” Acts 17:30.

“Come, and let us turn back to Yahweh. For He has torn but He does heal us. He has stricken but He binds us up. After two days He shall revive us, on the third day He will raise us up, so that we may live before Him. So let us know, let pursue to know Yahweh. His going forth is as certain as the morning. And He comes to us like the rain, like the latter rain watering the earth,” Hos. 6:1-3.

“O Yisrael, return to Yahweh your Elohim, for you have stumbled by your crookedness. Take words with you, and return to Yahweh. Say to Him, ‘Take away all crookedness, and accept what is good, and we will render the bulls of our lips. Ashshur does not save us. We do not ride on horses, nor ever again do we say to the work of our hands, ‘Our mighty ones.’ For the fatherless finds compassion in you,” Hos. 14:1-3.

And Yahweh says in response to our repentance: “I shall heal their backsliding, I shall love them spontaneously, for Thy displeasure has turned away from him. I shall be like the dew to Yisrael. He shall blossom like the lily, and cast out his roots like Lebanon. His branches shall spread, and his splendour shall be like an olive tree, and his fragrance like Lebanon. Those who dwell under his shadow shall return. They shall revive like grain, and blossom like the vine, and become as fragrant as the wine of Lebanon. What more had Ephraim to do with idols? It is I Who answer and look after him. I am like a green cypress tree, your fruit comes from Me. Who is wise and understands these words, discerning and knows them? For the ways of Yahweh are straight, and the righteous walk in them, but the transgressors stumble in them,” Hos. 14:4-9.



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As the Apostle Peter cried out, “Repent and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Yahshua the Messiah for the remission of sins and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit,” Acts 2:38.

In another place he reveals that the name of the Messiah is the only name under heaven whereby we must be saved (Acts 4:12).

It is the admonition of this ministry that we repent of our sins and fulfil the criteria revealed in Acts 2:38 and 4:12. May Yahweh bless you to see, hear and understand these things and may you be led to fulfil them in your life.

MORE PROOF!

Donald has done an excellent work here in showing us where the English terms “Lord God”, or “the Lord God” come from. But there is much more to the story which, with Yahweh’s help, I will endeavor to further reveal. By Jerry Healan

We must keep in mind what Donald has already pointed out from the Scriptures. The main point is the fact that, “the great dragon, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, has deceived the whole world.” (Rev. 12:9)

Yahshua said that he is a liar and murderer, “Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it,” Jn. 8:44.

It was his original lie that deceived the woman Chavvah (Eve) which caused her to partake of the forbidden fruit, and give it also to her husband (Gen. 3:1-6). This not only brought the suffering of sin, corruption, and death upon themselves, but all of their posterity, “Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned: (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law. Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over

them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come,” Ro. 5:12-14.

It is revealed that he has power over all kingdoms of the world, “And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him **all the kingdoms of the world** in a moment of time. And the devil said unto him, **All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it.** If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine,” Lk. 4:5-7.

This should serve as a loud warning to us all that the kings, rulers, prime ministers, presidents, senators, congressmen, judges, etc. who have received authority, receive it from THE GREAT DRAGON, THAT OLD SERPENT, CALLED THE DEVIL, AND SATAN!

With the world leaders under the power and influence of the dragon, what do you think will be the result? “Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against Yahweh, and against his anointed (his



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Messiah), saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us,” Psa. 2:1-3.

In reality, the heathen, kings, and rulers are against Yahweh and His Messiah Yahshua.

Now, whether you want to believe this or not, this author has identified the “little horn” of Daniel 7 to be none other than Augustus Caesar, and the “little horn” of Daniel 8 to be Constantine the Great. These were two great kings of the earth.

Augustus deified himself by declaring that he was the “son of god.” He also exalted himself further to the position of *Pontifex Maximus* (the great bridge builder, to wit; mediator between heaven and earth). Interestingly, here was a man who declared himself to be the son of god, while during the latter part of his life, the true Son of Elohim, Yahshua the Messiah was born!

The history of those who succeeded Augustus in the office of Caesar Augustus it that they all declared themselves to be the son of god. This of course meant that the office of the little horn spoke great things (blasphemies)

Remember also that Rome is the successor to Babylon being the fourth kingdom of Daniel 2, and the fourth beast of Daniel 7. Daniel reveals that this kingdom will continue until the kingdom of heaven is established under Yahshua the Messiah.

CONSTANTINE

Constantine being a latter successor to Augustus, and also being the little horn of Daniel 8....waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them. Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down. And an host was given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and he cast down the truth to the ground; and he practised, and prospered,” vv. 10-12.

“Practised, and prospered” means that he worked, or accomplished, and pushed forward. As what? As the new truly accepted religion!

It was Constantine who entered into the New Testament (New Covenant) Assembly, took over as her *Pontifex Maximus* and began to cast out the truth, instituting instead the ways of pagan sun worship, which SPIRITUALLY took away the daily sacrifice (prayers and service to Yahweh through Yahshua) and attributed it to himself and his own chosen deity the sun gods Apollo, and Mithras.

This effectively cast the truth to the ground (earth) and he and his followers (subsequent kings and rulers of the earth) have been trampling on the truth ever since.

He had served with his father in the British Isles, and as Julius Caesar, came into contact with the Druids who worshipped a pagan savior who was hanged on a tree, whose name was spelled YESU in the British Isles, but called Hesus. On the European mainland, the Druids had the same savior, but his name was spelled ESUS, and had the same pronunciation, that of Hesus.

Daniel further revealed, “And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and **understanding dark sentences**, shall stand up. And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people. And **through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand**; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand,” Dan. 8:23-25.

When it says “He will destroy the mighty and the holy people,” the word destroy would better be understood as; “corrupt to destruction.” Who were the mighty and holy people? Wasn’t it originally Israel? But during and after Yahshua’s ministry, a mighty and holy people were raised up and sent forth to declare salvation in, by, and through Yahshua the Messiah who had appeared on the earth.

Constantine utilized “dark sentences”, or proverbs, riddles, hard sayings, etc. in order to confuse the masses, but especially and specifically the corrupted remnants of Yahshua’s followers.

It is now obvious that he took the two variations of the Druidic savior Yesu/Esus, and combined them into the Latin Jesus. He then masterfully, and subtly equivocated this name to the Greek Iesou (-s). From whence comes this Greek version?

The Greek name Iesou/Iesous was first utilized by the Hebrew scribes who were given the job of translating the Hebrew Old Testament into the Greek language. All seventy scribes (or 72) utilized Iesou/Iesous for the purpose of **transliterating** the Hebrew name Yahshua into the Greek. Since the Greeks have no letter “shin” (pronounced like sh), they had to utilize the sigma in order to obtain the “s” sound, which the shin also provides in various words. Thus, the Greek Iesou would



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originally have been pronounced Yahsooa, but today it is pronounced like Yay-sou/Yay-sous. (Languages corrupt down through the ages.)

King James followed Constantine utilizing Jesus in the original 1611 KJV version as, at that time, there was no letter “J” in the English alphabet. But the letter “J” was substituted for the initial “I” in later versions. The false name Jesus continues to be utilized by deceived Christianity to this very day.

GODS AND LORDS

The Apostle Paul says, “For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,” 1 Cor. 8:5. (KJV)

Do you get that!? There are MANY GODS, and MANY LORDS!!!! Every pagan god or lord was distinguished by a proper noun, in other words...A NAME!!!!

This means that the word “god” is a common noun, and also that the word “lord”, or “the Lord” is a common noun!

The book of Judges reveals, “And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of Yahweh, and served Baalim,” Judg. 2:11.

What is kept from your eyes is the fact that “Baalim” is translated from the Hebrew *ha-baalim* (הַבְּאִלִּים). The *hei* (ה) in front of the word *baalim* stands for the article “the.” Thus, the word *Baalim* has erroneously (deceptively) been presented as a proper noun which, in reality, it definitely IS NOT! The article *hei* (the) makes it a common noun.

As a matter of fact Baal has been translated from *ha-baal* (הַבְּעַל) several times in Scripture (See Judg. 6:25, 28, 30, 32; 1 Ki. 16:31-32; 18:19, 21-22, 25-26 (x2), 40; 22:53; 2 Ki. 3:2; 10:18-28; 11:18 (x2); 2 Chron. 23:17 (x2); Jer. 19:5; 32:35; Zeph. 1:4 in *J. P. Green Interlinear*),

Ha-baal (הַבְּעַל) would be translated in English as “the lord!” This is why Jeremiah wrote, “I have heard what the prophets said, that prophesy lies in my name, saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed. How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? yea, they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart; Which think to cause my people to forget my name by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbour, as their fathers have forgotten my name for Baal,” Jer. 23:25-27.

The Hebrew here is בְּעַל (*ba-baal*). The first *beit*

(ב) serves as the prefix “in.” It would be better translated as “in the lord.” This is exactly what has been done throughout the Scriptures! Yahweh’s name has been forgotten because it has been replaced by “the Lord” (*ha-baal*/הַבְּעַל)!

Here is what they have done. By replacing the name Yahweh with “the Lord”, the name has not only been hidden, but has been made into a common noun. While, on the other hand, the common noun *ha-baal* (the lord) has been changed into a proper noun (Baal). What a disaster; what a tragedy!

You must understand...as Donald pointed out, the Apostle Peter, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit declared, “Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that **by the name of Yahshua the Messiah** of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom Yahweh raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole. This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. Neither is there salvation in any other: for **there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved,**” Acts 4:10-12.

There is no other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved! The Prophet Joel, and the Apostles Peter and Paul all agree that we must call upon the heavenly name Yahweh for salvation (Joel 2:31; Acts 2:21; Ro. 10:13).

He has caused His name Yahweh (יְהוָה) to be recorded 6,823 times in the Old Testament alone. But the kings of the earth have removed His name and substituted the false erroneous names of Baal (the Lord, God, Jesus, etc.).

Therefore, the kings of the earth have been complicit with the serpent in committing fornication, and leading the earth’s inhabitants to do the same, “And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: **With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication,**” Rev. 17:1-2. “For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and **the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her,** and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies,” Rev. 18:3.

The kings of the earth are the ones who have had the power and riches to sway the people their way.



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They have always desired that their subjects be like themselves, especially in their religion. Those who were different were considered to be enemies and traitors. They would be grievously tortured and eventually slain. As Paul reveals, they have not known Yahshua the true Messiah, "But we speak the wisdom of Elohim in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which Yahweh ordained before the world unto our glory: Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Sovereign of glory," 1 Cor. 2:7-8.

The Roman Emperors didn't care for the new faith as long as it was only affecting the Judeans, but when it began to affect their own soldiers, such as Cornelius, and the common people who worshipped the Caesars, then persecution became the rule of the day.

Constantine eventually saw how he could utilize this faith to his own advantage so he entered into the New Testament Assembly, became the Pontifex Maximus, and began to dictate the worship. He corrupted it to destruction (Dan. 8:23-25) by introducing the worship of the host of heaven, the sun, moon, and stars. The ecclesiastical history is that the heads of Rome (both east and west), who followed Constantine, forced their unconverted subjects into this so-called new faith upon pain of death. Any true believers had to either go into hiding, or flee for their lives.

Believe it or not, a last great martyrdom is going to take place before Yahshua returns, "And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of Yahweh, and for the testimony which they held: And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Yahweh, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled," Rev. 6:9-11.

It is also written, "And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Sovereign from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them," Rev. 14:13.

Faith is being destroyed by the serpent in today's

world. He is angry and knows that he only has a short time. So now we must make a choice. We must either continue in this evil, deceived world, or we must change the course of our lives by turning to our Creator in spirit and in truth. The admonition is, "And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues," Rev. 18:4.

The end is getting near. Turn to the truth while you can and save yourself from this evil generation!

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