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is dedicated to His bride. Yahshua will be returning soon to receive His own unto Himself (Jn. 14:3). His bride must make herself ready (Rev. 19:7). A person who is called out of this world by the Father, who repents of his/her sins, is baptized in the name of Yahshua the Messiah (Acts 2:38), the only name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved (Acts 4:12), and receives the Holy Spirit must come to know Him as the Scriptures declare and witness of Him (Jn. 5:39-47). Peter encouraged, "But grow in grace, and the knowledge of our Sovereign and Saviour Yahshua the Messiah," 2 Pet. 3:18. We will, with Yahweh's help and the Spirit of Truth, seek to reveal a most wondrous Savior and Redeemer, a Savior and Redeemer that much of the world has spoken of, dreamed of, hoped for, but truly never known. While much of the world looks to a savior, the savior of whom they have been taught has become corrupted. Another has been substituted in the true Savior's place. Those who are called out of this world and given to Him are likened unto virgins. But in accordance with His own parable of those virgins, only five are wise while the other five are foolish. The five wise are able to enter into the planned marriage with the Messiah, but the five foolish have the door closed to them (Mt. 25:1-13). Let's be wise, remember our betrothal to the Messiah and the virginity to which He has restored us (2 Cor. 11:1-2), resist the wiles of the devil and look to and prepare for a joyous and glorious marriage that will endure for all eternity. HalleluYah!!!!

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OUR COVER: Spring is such a beautiful time of the year. We are leaving the dead of winter to experience the new life of spring. Spring is the true beginning of the year. It should never begin in the dead of winter. It always was the beginning of the year until the Caesars of Rome determined that the year should begin on the first of January. Our deduction is that if you follow Caesar, you will become increasingly confused. Our year begins when Yahweh declares it to begin, that is with the first New Moon closest to the equinox, which determines that the full moon and Passover will always be near the beginning of spring.

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FROM THE EDITOR

KNOWLEDGE PUFFS UP

The Apostle Paul declares that knowledge puffs up, but love edifies (1 Cor. 8:1). This point was driven home at a Unity Conference meeting last year by a young man who presented an excellent message on this very Scripture. It is so true! Look at our politicians, our college professors, etc. They have so much knowledge that they look down from their lofty positions to deem those who have no expertise in their fields of endeavor to be clueless and ignorant.

I am looking at a news item from the Tea Party Economist whose heading declares, "Two Professors Say Americans Are Too Stupid for Democracy to Work." My questions would be #1 Who **IS** intelligent enough to make democracy work? #2 Why would we want democracy to work since the American government was never set up as a democracy, but rather as a republican form of government? HellOOOooooo.....professors....are you teaching error?

Yahweh declares, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge," Hos. 4:6. So now, my question is, how are we going to balance this out? Should we fear knowledge so that we don't get puffed up, or can we just love ourselves out of ignorance? Actually, the rest of Hosea 4:6 gives us a little clue, "...because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy Elohim, I will also forget thy children."

The key is that Yahweh's people have rejected His law, specifically, His Torah! But wait! The Pharisees, Sadducees, Scribes, etc. were immersed in the Torah, as is much of Orthodox Judaism, and others today. Do they have knowledge that will save them from destruction? Yahshua condemned the people of His day because they seemed to trust in Moses, but in actuality, they were going about seeking to establish their own righteousness, and were ignorant of the true right-eousness of Yahweh in the person of Yahshua the Messiah. Yahshua said that Moses wrote of Him! They denied Him! They still do!

One important thing is to remember is that we are physical and, being physical, we are failures. Israel sought to fulfill the commandments of Yahweh, but failed and had to be destroyed and removed from the land. Are we any better than them? Paul gives us the true reality when, after being an apostle of Yahshua for a good number of years, "For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin," Ro. 7:14.

The tables of the covenant, that is, the 10 commandments were placed inside the ark of the covenant in the holiest place. Only one man was allowed to enter into the holiest place once per year, and at that, not without blood, and a cloud of incense so that he couldn't even see the ark of the covenant with Yahweh sitting upon it. This testified to the fact that the only One Who had power over the 10 commandments...let alone the 613 commandments that Pharisaic Judaism and some assemblies tout....was Yahweh Himself.

The only One Who was completely innocent of sin was Yahshua the Messiah! Yahshua proclaimed to His people, "I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing," Jn. 15:5. But even Yahshua admitted, "Then answered Yahshua and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise," Jn. 5:19.

Yahshua did command His people, His disciples and those who believe in Him to keep the commandments, but we must realize as did Paul that without Him in us we are a helpless and hopeless case. He goes so far as to write that those who have repented and received the Spirit of Yahshua, have only received an earnest, a tiny down payment, a seal of inheritance, which imparts a "hope of righteousness (Eph. 1:1-14; Gal. 5:5).

Therefore, the way that we should grow in knowledge is not, and should not be for the purpose of puffing ourselves up, but true knowledge imparts humility so that we don't think highly of ourselves, but rather that we exalt our Savior and Redeemer Yahshua the Messiah.

Peter explains how we should grow in knowledge, "But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Sovereign and Saviour Yahshua the Messiah. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen," 2 Pet. 3:18.

This is the reason that we publish *Yahshua's Witness Magazine*! Our attention and knowledge should be directed toward Him! He said that Moses wrote of Him, "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me. And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life. I receive not honour from men. But I know you, that ye have not the love of Yahweh in you. I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that cometh from Yahweh only? Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuseth you, even Moses, in whom ye trust. For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?" Jn. 5:39-47. I rest my case.

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THE IRON FURNACE

PART II

THE FOUNDER OF ROME

The story of the founding of Rome is quite interesting. Romulus (from which Rome receives its name) and Remus were twin brothers. The story of Romulus is presented by the Encyclopedia Britannica, 14th Edition, Vol. 19, pp. 521-522, "Romulus, the son of Mars by the Vestal Rhea Silvia or Ilia, daughter of Numitor, who had been dispossed of the throne of Alba by his younger brother Amuliur. Romulus and Remus, the twin sons of Silvia, were placed in a trough and cast into the Tiber by their granduncle. The trough grounded in the marshes where Rome afterwards stood, under the wild fig tree (Ficus ruminalis), which was still holy in later days. The babes were suckled by a she-wolf and fed by a woodpecker, and then fostered by Acca Larantia, wife of the shepherd Faustulus. They became leaders of a warlike band of shepherds on the Palatine, and in course of time were recognized by their grand-father, whom they restored to his throne, slaving Amuliur. They founded a city on the site where they had been nurtured; later a quarrel broke out and Remus was slain. Romulus strengthened his band by offering an 'asylum' to outcasts and fugitives, found wives for them by capture and waged war with their kinsmen. His most formidable foe was Titus Tatius (q.v.), king of the Sabines, but after an obstinate struggle he and Romulus united their forces and reigned side by side till Tatius was slain at Lavinium in the course of a blood-feud with Laurentum. Romulus then reigned alone till he suddenly disappeared in a storm. He was thereafter worshipped as a god under the name of Ouirinus. Various rationalizing accounts also exist of the legend.

The whole story, probably first given by the annalists Fabius Pictor and Cincius Alimentus, is artificial and shows strong Greek influence (Emphasis mine). The birth, exposure, rescue, and subsequent adventures of the twins are a Greek tale of familiar type. Mars and his sacred beast, the wolf, are introduced on account of the great importance of this cult. The localities described are ancient sacred places; the Lupercal, near the ficus ruminalis, was naturally explained as the she-wolf's den. The asylum is pure Greek, both name and institution. The story was probably invented to give an explanation of the sacred spot named inter duos lucos between the arx and the Capitol. Another Greek

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touch is the deification of an eponymous hero. The rape of the Sabine women is clearly aetiological, invented to account for the custom of simulated capture in marriage; these women and also Titus Tatius represent the Sabine element in the Roman population. The name Romulus (=Romanus, cp. The forms Siculus and Sicanus) means simply 'Roman,' the derivation of Remus is obscure.

Romulus is regarded as the founder of the military and political institutions, as Numa and his counterpart Ancus Marcius are of the religious institutions, of Rome."

ANALYZING THE STORY

The story of Romulus and Remus

conjure up Biblical similarities. The twins Romulus and Remus are very similar to the account of Cain and Abel. Cain slew his twin brother Abel. Romulus slew Remus. The account of the trough wherein the twins were placed in the river which came to rest in the marshes is very similar to the account of Moses. The fig tree is reminiscent of the account of Adam and Eve who clothed themselves with fig leaves after their transgression. The dispossessing of the throne is also reminiscent of the banishing of Adam and Eve from the garden of Elohim. Abel was a shepherd.

The first city builder before the flood was Cain, "And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he builded a city, an called the name of the city, after the name of his son Enoch," Gen. 4:17.

The ancient city builders were stone masons. Cain became a stone mason in that he built a city. The name of his son was Enoch which means "initiated" coming from another word which means "to initiate" or "discipline."

Cain, Enoch and their progeny were the original society of "Freemasons." Masonry is divided into two groups, the "operative" masons are the ones who are actually involved in the work of laying stones. Then there is the branch called "speculative" masonry. Here is the definition of a "FREEMASON" as tendered by Mackey's Revised Encyclopedia of Freemasonry, vol. 1, p. 378, "FREEMASON. One who has been initiated into the mysteries of the Fraternity of Freemasonry. Freemasons are so called to distinguish them from the Operative or Stone-Masons,

who constituted an inferior class of workmen, and out of whom they sprang."

According to their own definition, Freemasonry really has nothing to do with the laying of stone. That is left to the inferior class of workmen who have nothing to do with speculative freemasonry unless they themselves have been initiated into its mysteries.

WHICH ENOCH?

Enoch is a very important character in Freemasonry. The question is, Which Enoch do they serve? The righteous Enoch or the son of Cain? Here is what Mackey writes about the Enoch of Freemasonry, "Though the Scriptures furnish but a meager account of Enoch, the traditions of Freemasonry closely connect him, by numerous circumstances, with the early history of the institution. All, indeed, that we learn from the Book of Genesis on the subject of his life is, that he was the seventh of the patriarchs; the son of Jared, and the great grandfather of Noah; that he was born in the year of the world 622; that his life was one of eminent virtue, so much so, that he is described as 'walking with God'; and that in the year 987 his earthly pilgrimage was terminated, as the commentators generally suppose, not by death, but by a bodily translation to heaven.

"In the very commencement of our inquiries, we shall find circumstances in the life of this great patriarch that shadow forth, as it were, something of that mysticism with which the traditions of Freemasonry have connected him. His name, in the Hebrew language, הנך, Henoch, signifies to initiate and to instruct, and seems intended to express the fact that he was, as Oliver remarks, the first to give a decisive character to the rite of initiation and to add to the practise of Divine worship the study and application of human science. (Humanism? [emphasis mine throughout]) In confirmation of this view, a writer in the Freemasons Quarterly Review says, on this subject, that 'it seems probable

that Enoch introduced the speculative principles into the Masonic creed, and that he originated its exclusive character,' which theory must be taken, if it is accepted at all, with very considerable reservations.

The years of his life may also be supposed to contain a mystic meaning, for they amounted to three hundred and sixty-five, being exactly equal to a solar revolution. In all the ancient rites this number has occupied a prominent place, because it was the representative of the annual course of that luminary which, as the great fructifier of the earth, was the peculiar object of divine worship. (COMMENT: The luminary, of course, is the sun. Here is an admission of sun worship which is the primary objective of Freemasonry.)

"Of the early history of Enoch, we know nothing. It is, however, probable that, like the other descendants of the pious Seth, he passed his pastoral life in the neighborhood of Mount Moriah. From the other patriarchs he differed only in this, that, enlightened by the Divine knowledge which has

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been imparted to him, he instructed his contemporaries in the practices of those rites, and in the study of those sciences, with which he had himself become acquainted.

"The Oriental writers abound in traditionary evidence of the learning of the venerable patriarch. One tradition states that he received from God the gift of wisdom and knowledge, and that God sent him thirty volumes from heaven, filled with all the secrets of the most mysterious sciences. The Babylonians supposed him to have been intimately acquainted with the

nature of the stars; and they attribute to him the invention of astrology. (COMMENT: Is this the pious Enoch

spoken of here or is it the son of *Cain*?) The Rabbis maintain that he was taught by God and Adam how to sacrifice, and how to worship the Deity aright. The Cabalistic book of Raziel says that he received the Divine mysteries from Adam, through the direct line of the preceding patriarchs.

The Greek Christians supposed him to have been identical with the first Egyptian Hermes, who dwelt at Sais. They say he was the first to give instruction on the celestial bodies; that he foretold the deluge that was to overwhelm his descendants; and the he built the Pyramids, engraving thereon figures of artificial instruments and the elements of the sciences, fearing lest the memory of man should perish in that general destruction. Eupolemus, a Grecian writer, makes him the same as Atlas, and attributes to him, as the Pagans did to that deity, the invention of astronomy. (COMMENT: Association with the Egyptian god Hermes is getting to the *real crux of the matter.*)

"Wait (Oriental Antiquities) quotes a passage from Bar Hebraeus, a Jewish writer, which asserts that Enoch was the first who invented books and writing; that he taught men the art of **building cities**; that he discovered the knowledge of the Zodiac and the course of the planets; and that he inculcated the worship of God by fasting, prayer, alms, votive offerings, and tithes. Bar Hebraeus adds, that he also appointed festivals for sacrifices to the sun at the periods when that luminary entered each of the zodiacal signs; but this statement, which should make him the author of idolatry, is entirely inconsistent with all that we know of his character, from both history and tradition, and arose, as Oliver supposes, most probably from a blending of the characters of *Enos* and *Enoch*." (COMMENT: This is not a blending of the characters of Enos and Enoch, but rather the blending of the characters of the

righteous Enoch with that Enoch who was the son of Cain.)

Obviously, the Enoch who was instrumental with founding the Speculative system of Freemasonry as well as idolatrous sun worship was the son of Cain. He was involved with the particulars of human science (Humanism), astrology, sun worship, idolatry and the first Egyptian god Hermes.

ANOTHER WITNESS

That the Enoch of Freemasonry is the son of Cain is also confirmed by Tupper Saussy in his book entitled "Rulers of Evil." He writes, "How has the mark (of Cain) managed to remain vibrant for nearly six thousand years? Grand Commander Albert Pike, in his influential Morals and Dogma, threw valuable light on the subject. He declared that 'from the earliest time,' Freemasonry has been the "custodian and depositor" of the 'symbols, emblems, and allegories...erected by Enoch.' The Commander was careful to say he meant not Cain's son Enoch, but the Bible's other Enoch, Enoch-2, the good Enoch, the Enoch 'who walked with God.' However, his attempt to dissociate his institution from Cain puts the Commander at variance with Masonic and biblical chronology. For if a biblical Enoch erected the earliest imagery of Freemasonry, it could not possibly have been Enoch-2. It had to have been Enoch-1. Let's examine the chronology.

Enoch-2 was descended from Seth, whom Eve conceived after the death of Abel—'for God, said she, hath appointed me another seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew.' When Eve conceived Seth, Adam was 130 years old. According to the scripturally faithful computations of the Archbishop of Armagh, James Ussher (1581-1656), Adam was created in 4004 BC. Thus, Seth was born in 3874 BC. Genesis 5:6-20 gives us an exact toll of the years between Seth and his great-great-great grandson Enoch-2: (*See Box*)

According to the Bible, Enoch-2 was

born 492 years after the birth of Seth, or in 3382 BC. Now, Commander Pike's book, Morals and Dogma, reckons its date of publication in both Christian (1871 AD) and Masonic (5680 AM) chronology. To find out the beginning of Masonic historythat 'earliest time' in which Enoch erected his 'symbols, emblems, and allegories' - in terms of Christian chronology, we subtract the given Christian year from its Masonic equivalent (1871 from 5680). This gives us a first Masonic year of 3809 BC. But the figures show that Enoch-2 was not born until 3382, some 427 years after Freemasonry's 'earliest time'! Enoch-2 could not possibly have erected the prototypical symbolic devices of which Freemasonry has ever been custodian and depository. However, Cain's son, Enoch-1, very well could have!

Cain began his wandering after Abel's death, which the Bible marks with Seth's conception and Adam's age, 130 years, in about 3876 BC. If we give Cain ten years to find a wife, settle down, and sire a child, Enoch-1 would have been born in 3866 BC.

	Age of father
Son	at son's birth
Enos	105
Cainan	90
Mahaleel	70
Jared	65
Enoch-2	162
otal years	492
	Enos Cainan Mahaleel Jared Enoch-2

This would make him a 55-year-old man in the first Masonic year, 3809. At that age, Enoch-1 would have been fully equipped to erect symbols and allegories memorializing his father's divine appointment to rule populations 'out from the presence of the Lord'." (pp. 275-276)

HERMES/MERCURY/THOTH

I do apologize if the following may offend some in the faith, but I must relate to you how Enoch, the son of Cain is interwoven with the Grecian (brass), Roman (iron) and Egyptian (iron furnace) religions.

Here is what Mackey admits con-

cerning Hermes, "In all the old manuscript records which contain the Legend of the Craft, mention is made of *Hermes* as one of the founders of Freemasonry....There are two persons of the name of Hermes mentioned in sacred history. The first is the divine Hermes, called by the Romans *Mercury*. Among the Egyptians he was known as *Thoth*." (*Mackey's Revised Encyclopedia of Freemasonry*, p. 449.)

Hermes is the Greek name for Enoch -1. "Certain details of Hermes' legend suggest that he was either a god of the twilight or of the wind...Since in primitive times voyages were scarcely undertaken except for commercial purposes, Hermes was consequently the god of commerce, the god of profit—lawful and unlawful—and the god of games of chance. And, since buying and selling require much discussion, and the art of the trader is to overcome the buyer's hesitation by subtle and persuasive words, Hermes became the god of eloquence, the god Logios.

To these various functions Hermes added that of being the messenger of Zeus. This is how he appears in Homer, where he is qualified with the epithet Diactoros (the messenger). He comes to earth ceaselessly with orders from the king of the gods and undertakes the most delicate missions. In Hesiod, Hermes is the god who brings to men's hearts the impressions and sentiments which Zeus has inspired...He often wears a round, winged hat-a petasus-and on his feet there are winged sandals. In his hand he holds a winged staff around which serpents are entwined: this is the caduceus." (Larousse Encyclopedia of Mythology, pp. 133-135)

Enoch, the son of Cain was Hermes. He was deified to become the god of commerce. In other accounts, he was actually a thief. He was the deity of eloquence, the messenger god and also the god of medicine as the "caduceus" has ever been the symbol of that field and is still such for the modern-day medical field.

In Roman mythology, he is given the name Mercury, "The name Mercury is connected with the root merx (merchandise) and mercari (to deal, trade). He is not very ancient for he does not appear in the Indigitamenta. The early Romans, being above all countrymen, had no need for a god of commerce. The Roman Mercury only appeared towards the fifth century B.C. and was exclusively the god of merchants. For long he was known only in this capacity, to such an extent that Plautus, in his prologue to Amphytryon, has to remind his audience that Mercury presided over messages and over commerce. Like certain other secondary divinities-Pecunia, Aesculanus, Argentinus-he watched over tradesmen's profits.

Mercury had a temple on the Aventine. Among animals the cock was especially sacred to him.

To portray him Roman artists generally drew upon representations of Hermes. They gave mercury a beardless face and, for attributes, the caduceus and the winged petasus, with a purse in his hand." (*Ibid*, p. 220)

In Egypt, he was known as Thoth, "Thoth is the form which the name Djehuti or Zehuti had taken in Graeco -Roman times. He was identified by the Greeks with Hermes, Messenger of the Gods, and was worshipped throughout Egypt as a moon-god, patron of science and literature, wisdom and inventions, the spokesman of the gods and their keeper of records...Endowed with complete knowledge and wisdom, it was Thoth who invented all the arts and sciences: arithmetic, surveying, geometry, astronomy, soothsaving, magic, medicine, surgery, music with wind instruments and strings, drawing, and above all, writing, without which humanity would have run the risk of forgetting his doctrines and of losing the benefit of his discoveries.

As inventor of hieroglyphs, he was named 'Lord of Holy Words'. As first of the magicians he was often called 'The Elder'. His disciples boasted that they had access to the crypt where he had locked up his books of magic, and they undertook to decipher and learn 'these formulas which commanded all the forces of nature and subdued the very gods themselves'. It is to this infinite power which his followers attributed to him that he owes the name Thoth—three times very, very great—which the Greeks translated as Hermes Trismegistus.

After his long reign on earth **Thoth** ascended to the skies where he undertook various employments." (*Ibid*, pp, 25-26)

Who was it that many faiths teach ascended into heaven? Isn't it Enoch-2, the righteous? Isn't this because Gen. 5:24 which states, "And Enoch walked with Elohim after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters: and all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty and five years: and Enoch walked with Elohim: and he was not; for Elohim took him."

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because of Heb. 11 which speaks of the elders who obtained a good report (v. 2) and the elders spoken of in verses 1-12 are Abel, **Enoch**, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Sarah. Then in verse 13 we read, "**These ALL DIED** in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth."

But we also see how Thoth, the equivalent to Mercury, Hermes and Enoch-1 is syncretized with Enoch-2.

TUBAL-CAIN

Another ancestor of Cain and Enoch

which we must explore in this treatise is that of Tubal-Cain, "And Zillah, she also bare Tubal-Cain, **an instructer of every artificer in brass and iron**: and the sister of Tubal-Cain was Naamah," Gen. 4:22.

Notice that he is an "instructer of every artificer in brass and iron" which are the very metals associated with Greece (brass/bronze) and Rome (iron).

I will now present evidence as to how Tubal-cain has also been carried over into modern day Greek, Roman and Egyptian legends and history.

Mackey's Revised Encyclopedia of Freemasonry, Vol. 2, pp. 1059-1060, "Of Tubal Cain, the sacred writings, as well as the Masonic legends, give us but scanty information. All that we hear of him in the Book of Genesis is that he was the son of Lamech and Zillah, and was 'an instructor of every artificer in brass and iron.' The Hebrew original does not justify the common version, for למש, lotesh, does not mean 'an instructor,' but 'a sharpener' - one who whets or sharpens instruments. Hence Doctor Raphall translates the passage as one 'who sharpened various tools in copper and iron.' The authorized version has, however, almost indelibly impressed the character of Tubal Cain as the Father of Artificers: and it is in this sense that he has been introduced from a very early period into the legendary history of Freemasonry.

The first Masonic reference to Tubal Cain is found in the Legend of the Craft, where he is called the Founder of Smith-Craft, an explanation agreeing closely with modern biblical scholarship which designates him as the 'Founder of the Gild of Smiths or Metal Workers.' We cite this part of the legend from the *Dowland Manuscript* simply because of its more modern orthography; but the story is substantially the same in all the old manuscript *Constitutions*. In that manuscript we find the following account of Tubal Cain:

Before Noah's flood there was a man

called Lamech, as it is written in the Bible, in the fourth chapter of Genesis: and this Lamech had two wives. the one named Ada and the other named Zilla; by his first wife, Ada, he got two sons, the one Jubal, and the other Jabal: and by the other wife he got a son and a daughter. And these four children founded the beginning of all the sciences in the world. The elder son. Jabal. founded the science of geometry, and he carried flocks of sheep and lambs into the fields, and first built houses of stone and wood, as it is noted in the chapter above named. And his brother Jubal founded the science of music and songs of the tongue, the harp and organ. And the third brother, Tubal Cain, founded smith-craft, of gold, silver, copper, iron, and steel, and the daughter founded the art of weaving. And these children knew well that God would take vengeance for sin, either by fire or water, wherefore they wrote the sciences that they had found, on two pillars that they might be found after Noah's flood. The one pillar was marble, for that would not burn with fire; and the other was clepped laterns, and would not drown in noe water.

Similar to this an old Rabbinical tradition, which asserts that Jubal, who was the inventor of writing as well as of music, having heard Adam say that the universe would be twice destroved, once by fire and once by water, inquired which catastrophe would first occur; but Adam refusing to inform him, he inscribed the system of music which he had invented upon two pillars of stone and brick. A more modern Masonic tradition ascribes the construction of these pillars to Enoch. To this account of Tubal Cain must be added the additional particulars, recorded by Josephus, that he exceeded all men in strength, and was renowned for his warlike achievements.

The only other account of the protometallurgist that we meet with in any ancient author is that which is contained in the celebrated fragment of Sanconiatho, who refers to him under the name of *Chrysor*, which is evidently, as Bochart affirms, a corruption of the Hebrew chores ur, a worker in fire, that is, a smith. Sanconiatho was a Phenician author, who is supposed to have flourished before the Trojan war, probably, as Sir William Drummond suggests, about the time when Gideon was Judge of Israel, and who collected the different accounts and traditions of the origin of the world which were extant at the period in which he lived. A fragment only of this work has been preserved, which, translated into Greek by Philo Byblius, was inserted by Eusebius in his Praeparatio Evangelica, and has thus been handed down to the present day. That portion of the history by Sanconiatho, which refers to Tubal Cain, is contained in the following words:

A long time after the generation of Hypsoaranios, the inventors of hunting and fishing, Agreas and Alieas, were born: after whom the people were called hunters and fishers, and from whom sprang two brothers, who discovered iron, and the manner of working it. One of these two, called Chrysor, was skilled in eloquence, and composed verses and prophecies. He

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was the same with Hephaistos, and invented fishing-hooks, bait for taking fish, cordage and rafts, and was the first of all mankind who had navigated. **He was therefore worshiped as a god after his death**, and was called *Diamichios*. It is said that these brothers were the first who contrived partion walls of brick.

Hephaistos, it will be observed, is the Greek of the god who was called by the Romans Vulcan. Hence the remark of Sanconiatho, and the apparent similarity of names as well as occupations, have led Some writers of the last, and even of the present, century to derive Vulcan from Tubal Cain by a process not very devious and therefore familiar to etymologists. By the omission in Tubal Cain of the initial *T*, which is the Phenician article, and its valueless vowel, we get *Balcan*, which, by the interchangeable nature of B and V, is easily transformed to *Vulcan*.

'That Tubal Cain,' says Bishop Edw. Stillingfleet (Origines Sacrae, or a Rational Account of the Christian faith as to the Truth and Divine Authority of the Scriptures and the Matters therein contained, 1662, page 292), 'gave first occasion to the name and worship of Vulcan, hath been very probably conceived, both from the very great affinity of the names, and that Tubal Cain is expressly mentioned to be an instructor of every artificer in brass and iron, and as near relation as Apollo had to Vulcan, Jubal had to Tubal Cain, who was the inventor of music, or the father of all such as handle the harp and organ, which the Greeks attribute to Apollo.'

Vossius, in his treatise De Idolatria (book i, chapter 36), makes this derivation of Vulcan from Tubal Cain. But Bryant, in his Analysis of Ancient Mythology (volume i, page 139), denies the etymology and says that among the Egyptians and Babylonians, Vulcan was equivalent to Horus or Osiris, symbols of the sun. He traces the name to the words Baal Cahen, Holy Bel, or Sacred Lord. Bryant's etymology may be adopted, however, without any interference with the identity of Vulcan and Tubal Cain. He who discovered the uses of fire, may well, in the corruptions of idolatry, have typified the solar orb, the source of all heat

It may seem that Tubal is an attribute compounded of the definite particle *T* and the word *Baal*, sygnifying *Lord*. **Tubal Cain would then signify the** *Lord Cain*. Again, *dhu* or *du*, in Arabic, signifies *Lord*, and we trace the same signification of this affix in its various interchangeable forms of *Du*, *Tu*, and *Di*, in many Semitic words. But the question of the identical origin of Tubal Cain and Vulcan has at length been settled by the researches of comparative philologists. Tubal Cain is Semitic in origin, and Vulcan is Aryan. The latter may be traced to the Sanskrit *ulka*, meaning a firebrand, from which we get also the Latin *fulgur*, and *fulmen*, names of the lightning.

The modern English Freemasons, and through them the French, have derived Tubal Cain from the Hebrew *tebel*, meaning *earth* and *kanah to acquire possession*, and, with little respect for the grammatical rules of the Hebrew language, interpret it as meaning *worldly possessions*.

In the Hemming lectures, now the authorized English system, we find that the answer to the question, 'What does Tubal Cain denote?' is 'Worldly possessions.' And Delaunay, in his Thuilleur (page 17), denies the reference to the proto-smith, and says: 'If we reflect on the meaning of the two Hebrew words, we will easily recognize in their connection the secret with of the hierophant, of the Templar, of the Freemason, and of every mystical sect, to govern the world in accordance with its own principles and its own laws.' It is fortunate, we think, that the true meaning of the words will authorize no such interpretation. The fact is, that even if Tubal Cain were derived from tebel and kanah, the precise rules of Hebrew construction would forbid affixing to their union any such meaning as 'worldly possessions.' Such an interpretation of it in the French and English systems was, therefore, in Doctor Mackey's opinion, a very forced and inaccurate one.

The use of Tubal Cain as a significant word in the Masonic instructions is derived from the Legend of the Craft, by which the name was made familiar to the Operative and then to the Speculative Freemasons; and it refers not symbolically, but historically to his Scriptural and traditional reputation as an artificer. If he symbolized anything, it would be labor; and a Freemason's labor is to acquire *truth*, and not *worldly possessions*. The English and French interpretation has never been introduced into the United States." (*end of article*)

You would think that after writing an article like this, men as gifted as Mackey and others would give up their pursuit of Freemasonry as their writings continually reveal that Freemasonry is so closely interwoven with Cain and his offspring as well as idolatry that the two can't truly be separated. If a Freemason's labor is to acquire truth then why doesn't the truth convict them when it smacks them right between the eyes?

THE ROMAN DEITY

But the major factor in this article is that Tubal Cain was deified as a god of fire and war who is the modern day pagan deity Vulcan.

"Vulcan was one of the oldest of Latin gods, ante-dating even Jupiter. Under the name Volcanus, he was the first Jupiter of Rome whose foundation he protected. In his aspect of Jupiter he formed a couple with Juno.

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He was also associated with Maia, an incarnation of the Earth Mother, and with Vesta, considered as goddess of the earth. He was not allied with Venus who in those remote times still played a small part in Roman mythology....Vulcan was the god of the thunderbolt and of the sun, then the god of fires whose ravages he could arrest, and finally the god of lifegiving warmth.

He was invoked as the divinity of the hearth and, as he was united with Maia, mother of springs, he was considered the first god of the Tiber. He even possessed warlike functions and may have preceded Mars as god of battles....It is probable that in ancient times human sacrifices were offered to Vulcan. His altar in the Forum was the Volcanal.

Near him stand the hammer, tongs and anvil, attributes which came from Greece." (*LaRousse Encyclopedia of Mythology*, pp. 218-219)

The Greek name of Vulcan was Hephaestus whose attributes were very similar to the Roman's.

THE WAY OF CAIN

The fact of the matter now is that the kingdoms of this world are generally ruled by those who are initiated into the secret mysteries of Freemasonry. Even the American dollar bill announces "Novus Ordo Seclorum" or New Order of the Ages! There is the Great Pyramid of Giza of Egypt with the all-seeing eyes of the Egyptian sun god Horus hovering above it. It also announces "Annuit Coeptis." Annuit *Coeptis* is Latin, but we can figure out what it is really telling us because we get our English word "annuity" from this Latin word "annuit." An annuity is simply a payment. Coeptis is a Latin word for Egypt, therefore, "Annuit Coeptis" simply means "PAYMENT OF EGYPT!"

The fourth great gentile kingdom is a kingdom which is the inheritor of all kingdoms before it, yes, even many of the attributes of the kingdoms of Israel and Judah. The primary characteristics are those of Babylon, Persia, Greece and Rome. But it also inculcates the attributes of Egypt, the IRON FURNACE! It also inculcates the attributes of the Assyrian Empire and many, many others. It is a great kingdom whose heaven is brass/ bronze and its earth is iron! It is also a kingdom that possesses the characteristics of Cain and his progeny!

Here is what Jude proclaims, "Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, impious men, turning (or perverting) the grace of our Elohim into lasciviousness, and denying (or contradicting) the only Sovereign Elohim and our Sovereign Yahshua the Messiah," vv. 3-4.

COMMENT: How did this take place? How did these men creep in unawares and pervert the evangel and grace of our Messiah? I can tell you that it was a very subtle undertaking.

Freemasons admit that they built all of the temples of the ancient world. Their influence is found in all of the religions of the earth. They are highly secretive in their undertakings. Because of this, most of the world doesn't understand their nature.

Freemasonry initiates its members into the ancient secret mystery religions. It has a system of degrees into which one must train himself to accomplish. There are thirty three degrees of the two branches of Freemasonry. There is the Scottish or York Rite Branch and the Shriner's Branch. Each degree has its own secret signs of hand shakes, words, phrases, symbols, etc.

Freemasons enter into various bodies or systems of peoples secretly. There may be several Freemasons who have infiltrated a group and are oblivious to one another. However, it only takes a handshake, a sign, a symbol, a word, or a phrase for them to instantly recognize their brotherhood.

While the lower degrees may not be aware of the intentions of the leadership of the system, the fact of the matter is that they are able to eventually get the upper hand and then take over an organization which they will fashion into an image of the tenets of Freemasonry.

I have personally witnessed this reality having been a member of the Worldwide Church of God. Their turn -about from the paths of truth which they had is because of this infiltration. We witnessed this corruption take place in a matter of ten to fifteen years which took a couple of hundred years to take place in the Christian Church.

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CONCLUSION

What goes around, comes around. History forgotten is history repeated. Yahweh's people, Israel, and the rest of the world, have once again become enslaved to an Egyptian system, which can be described as none other than the iron furnace.

In Daniel chapter two we have the image of Nebuchadnezzar's dream, which is a representative, a thumbnail sketch of the history of the major ruling kingdoms of this world as well as the history of their idolatries.

Furthermore, the serpent, the prince of the power of the air, who is also the god of this world, is very subtle and deceptive. The Scriptures report that

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he has deceived the whole world (Rev. 12:9).

In Daniel chapter 7, the history of the world ruling kingdoms is revealed as the nature of beasts. In both chapters, the fourth kingdom or beast continues to rule until the kingdom of heaven is established.(Dan. 2:44; 7:27)

The furnace is prepared in order to separate Yahweh's people from the dross of the ways of this present evil world. Just as plagues were poured out upon Egypt before Yahweh's people were delivered from her midst, great plagues will be poured out on this present evil world in this day and age. Yahweh's people will be called, are being called to separate themselves from the evils of this world, "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.

Yes, Yahweh's people! Come out of this present evil world! Repent of your sins, your lawlessness! Turn to Yahweh through His Beloved and obedient Son Yahshua the Messiah! Only through Him will you be prepared and able to stand in the day of His revelation and return! Yahweh decrees. "Whereas thou hast been forsaken and hated, so that no man went through thee, I will make thee an eternal excellency, a joy of many generations. Thou shalt also suck the milk of the Gentiles, and shalt suck the breast of kings: and thou shalt know that I Yahweh am thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob. For brass I will bring gold, and for iron I will bring silver, and for wood brass, and for stones iron: I will also make thy officers peace, and thine exactors righteousness. Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise. The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but Yahweh shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy Elohim thy glory. Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for Yahweh shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended. Thy people also shall be all righteous: they shall inherit the land for ever, the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified. A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation: I Yahweh will hasten it in his time," Isa.60:15-22.

Yes! Repent of your idolatry so your brass can be turned to gold, your iron to silver, your wood to brass, and your stones to iron! It is Yahweh and only Yahweh Who has to power to do this!

COVERED BY THE BLOOD

I recently received the following email, "Needed to check out a question with you; at times in my prayers, I will plead the Blood of Yahshua over certain matters or will ask Yahweh (in the name of Yahshua) to bring me and my son under the blood of Yahshua. This was such a comfort and then I heard that it is not scriptural. The Isaraelites came under the blood at Passover when they put the blood of the Lambs over the doorposts, to be protected from the Angel of Death. Will you share with me your thoughts on this subject?"

Thank you for this question and statement! I have needed to look into the "blood" not only of the Passover, but the other offerings for some time. Since it is near Passover season, this will be a good topic for a message. As usual, I want to do a thorough in-depth study so that all of the bases can be covered (pun intended).

WHAT IS BLOOD?

Yahweh told Israel, "And whatsoever man there be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, that eateth any manner of blood; I will even set my face against that soul that eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his people. For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul. Therefore I said unto the children of Israel, No soul of you shall eat blood, neither shall any stranger that sojourneth among you eat blood. And whatsoever man there be of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, which hunteth and catcheth any beast or fowl that may be eaten; he shall even pour out the blood thereof, and cover it with dust. For it is the life of all flesh; the blood of it is for the life thereof: therefore I said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh: for the life of all flesh is the blood thereof: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off," Lev. 17:10-14.

By Jerry Healan

Our blood is our life. It carries life giving oxygen delivering it throughout the body to its cells. But it also carries nutrients, food and water along with the oxygen. The cells are like little factories. They convert the nutrients into energy. They, in other words, burn the nutrients. The oxygen is required for this burning process to take place. The blood cells are mar-

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velous because they not only carry the necessary oxygen and food for our bodies so we can live, work, play, etc. but they also carry the wastes to be expelled at the various localities set aside for that purpose. One author queried, "Would we utilize a garbage truck to bring our food and water to us? But the blood cells deliver food, water, oxygen, and then also take away the waste that the body produces. As a side note....isn't it interesting that man has never been able to develop such a system!

The Hebrew word for blood is dam (סע"רם). I have exhibited it in both modern Hebrew and Paleo Hebrew. The two letters that compose the Hebrew word for blood are *dalet* (\neg/\triangle) and *mem* (\neg/\neg) . Note that the letter *mem* is utilized in its final form (\Box) in modern Hebrew because it is the last letter of the word.

The *dalet* is a picture of a door, while the mem is a picture of water. Yahshua alluded to water being a type of the spirit in John 7:37-39, "In the last day, that great day of the feast, Yahshua stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Spirit was not yet given; because that Yahshua was not yet glorified.)

The blood is our door to spirit, to breath, to air, to life. Spirit, breath, and air all come from the same Hebrew word which is *ruach*.

THE LIFE

Let's explore just a little more before we proceed. When Yahweh says that the "life of all flesh is in the blood," the fact of the matter is that the word for "life" is translated from the Hebrew word *nephesh* (נפש)/ ארנש).

The account of Adam's creation is written, "And Yahweh Elohim formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul," Gen. 2:7.

We receive a more full understanding of how this is presented if we will add the Interlinear Hebrew words to the mix. "And Yahweh Elohim formed <vatsar> man <'adam> of the dust <`aphar> of <min> the ground, <'adamah> and breathed <naphach> into his nostrils <'aph> the breath <neshamah> of life; <chav> and man <'adam> became a living <chay> soul. <nephesh>."

Look at the similarities! Adam (adam) is formed of the dust (aphar) of the ground (adamah). Dust (**aph**ar), breathed (naphach), and nostrils (aph) have similar characteristics. Then there is breath (**nesh**amah), compared with soul (nephesh). Then look again at dust (aphar), breathed (naphach), nostrils (aph), and soul (n**eph**esh).

It is written that the **life** of all flesh is in the blood, but the Hebrew word utilized for life is actually *nephesh*....SOUL! I wanted to show the above in order to reveal how marvelously intricate we are, life is, the creation is! I also want to get the point across that when one eats blood, he is eating the literal soul of that entity whether it is an animal or man.

Yahweh is the Living One, the actual giver of life and soul. It is He who understands completely how we should live and what we should do. He warns us away from danger, but the problem is that we simply ignore Him and continue to rush headlong to destruction.

INNOCENT BLOOD

Thinking about this, there are two ways for blood to be upon us. One way is not the way that we want anyone's blood to be upon us, and the other way is the way that we would. Let's take a look at the event concerning Yahshua's condemnation to death, "Now at that feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would. And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas. Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ve that I release vou? Barabbas. unto or Yahshua which is called the Messiah? For he knew that for envy they had delivered him. When he was set down on the judgment seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou

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nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him. But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Yahshua. The governor answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barabbas. Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Yahshua which is called the Messiah? They all say unto him, Let him be crucified. And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified. When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saving, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it. Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children. Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Yahshua, he delivered him to be crucified," Mt. 27:15-27.

Did you notice anything special in these verses? Pilate, the Roman governor called Yahshua "the Messiah" (the Anointed) twice! Twice, he also alluded to His innocence!

Yahweh instructed the people in the wilderness, "When Yahweh thy Elohim hath cut off the nations, whose land Yahweh thy Elohim giveth thee, and thou succeedest them, and dwellest in their cities, and in their houses: Thou shalt separate three cities for thee in the midst of thy land, which Yahweh thy Elohim giveth thee to possess it. Thou shalt prepare thee a way, and divide the coasts of thy land, which Yahweh thy Elohim giveth thee to inherit, into three parts, that every slayer may flee thither. And this is the case of the slaver, which shall flee thither, that he may live: Whoso killeth his neighbour ignorantly, whom he hated not in time past; As when a man goeth into the wood with his neighbour to hew wood. and his hand fetcheth a stroke with the axe to cut down the tree, and the head slippeth from the helve,

and lighteth upon his neighbour, that he die; he shall flee unto one of those cities. and live: Lest the avenger of the blood pursue the slayer, while his heart is hot, and overtake him, because the way is long, and slay him; whereas he was not worthy of death, inasmuch as he hated him not in time past. Wherefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt separate three cities for thee. And if Yahweh thy Elohim enlarge thy coast, as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, and give thee all the land which he promised to give unto thy fathers; If thou shalt keep all these commandments to do them, which I command thee this day, to love Yahweh thy Elohim, and to walk ever in his ways; then shalt thou add three cities more for thee, beside these three: That innocent blood be not shed in thy land, which Yahweh thy Elohim giveth thee for an inheritance, and so blood be upon thee. But if any man hate his neighbour, and lie in wait for him, and rise up against him, and smite him mortally that he die, and fleeth into one of these cities: Then the elders of his city shall send and fetch him thence, and deliver him into the hand of the avenger of blood, that he may die. Thine eye shall not pity him, but thou shalt put away the guilt of innocent blood from Israel, that it may go well with thee," Dt. 19:1-13.

Judas Iscariot betrayed Yahshua, but then realized what he had done, "Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, Saying, **I have sinned in that I have betrayed the** innocent blood. And they said, What is that to us? see thou to that. And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself. And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said. It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood. And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in. Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day," Mt. 27:3-8.

Judas was called the "son of perdition" when Yahshua prayed to the Father concerning His disciples, "While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled," Jn. 17:12.

Perdition means ruin, loss, destruction, etc.

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King Manasseh of Judah became a very wicked king doing many wicked works including the shedding of innocent blood, "Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign, and reigned fifty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Hephzibah. And he did that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, after the abominations of the heathen, whom Yahweh cast out before the children of Israel. For he built up again the high places which Hezekiah his father had destroyed; and he reared up altars for Baal, and made a grove, as did Ahab king of Israel; and worshipped all the

host of heaven, and served them. And he built altars in the house of Yahweh, of which Yahweh said, In Jerusalem will I put my name. And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of Yahweh. And he made his son pass through the fire, and observed times, and used enchantments, and dealt with familiar spirits and wizards: he wrought much wickedness in the sight of Yahweh, to provoke him to anger. And he set a graven image of the grove that he had made in the house, of which Yahweh said to David, and to Solomon his son. In this house, and in Jerusalem. which I have chosen out of all tribes of Israel, will I put my name for ever: Neither will I make the feet of Israel move any more out of the land which I gave their fathers; only if they will observe to do according to all that I have commanded them, and according to all the law that my servant Moses commanded them. But they hearkened not: and Manasseh seduced them to do more evil than did the nations whom Yahweh destroyed before the children of Israel. And Yahweh spake by his servants the prophets, saying, Because Manasseh king of Judah hath done these abominations, and hath done wickedly above all that the Amorites did, which were before him, and hath made Judah also to sin with his idols: Therefore thus saith Yahweh Elohim of Israel, Behold, I am bringing such evil upon Jerusalem and Judah, that whosoever heareth of it, both his ears shall tingle. And I will stretch over Jerusalem the line of Samaria, and the plummet of the house of Ahab: and I will wipe Jerusalem as a man wipeth a dish, wiping it, and

turning it upside down. And I will forsake the remnant of mine inheritance, and deliver them into the hand of their enemies; and they shall become a prey and a spoil to all their enemies; Because they have done that which was evil in my sight, and have provoked me to anger, since the day their fathers came forth out of Egypt, even unto this day. Moreover Manasseh shed innocent blood very much, till he had filled Jerusalem from one end to another: beside his sin wherewith he made Judah to sin, in doing that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh," 2 Ki. 21:1-16.

Yahweh would not pardon Manasseh's sins, especially the sin of shedding innocent blood, "In his days Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up, and Jehoiakim became his servant three years: then he turned and rebelled against him. And Yahweh sent against him bands of the Chaldees, and bands of the Syrians, and bands of the Moabites, and bands of the children of Ammon, and sent them against Judah to destroy it, according to the word of Yahweh, which he spake by his servants the prophets. Surely at the commandment of Yahweh came this upon Judah, to remove them out of his sight, for the sins of Manasseh, according to all that he did: And also for the innocent blood that he shed: for he filled Jerusalem with innocent blood; which Yahweh would not par**don**," 2 Ki. 24:1-4.

Yahshua condemned the people of His day by saying, "Fill ye up then the measure of your fathers. Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell? Wherefore, behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and some of them ve shall kill and crucify; and some of them shall ve scourge in your synagogues, and persecute them from city to city: That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar. Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation," Mt. 23:32-36.

Yahshua's blood was the most innocent blood that was shed. The people decreed that His blood be upon them and their children. Jerusalem was ultimately destroyed along with its people with the survivors going into the most abject poverty and slavery imaginable. But this blood that was shed was shed in condemnation of the

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innocent by those who had become quite vile in their walk, even though they appeared to be righteous. Read Matthew 23 for Yahshua's condemnation on them.

But think of our own nation today, and much of the world today. Our land is full of murders which are not being properly avenged. But the most innocent of blood is being shed through abortion. Little children are being aborted while they are yet in the womb. While in many cases the parents have sinned, the children have not yet had any opportunity to sin. They aren't even given opportunity to see the marvelous light of day that Yahweh has created. Innocent blood is upon our land. The price will have to be paid.

THE BLOOD OF THE COVE-NANT OF MOSES

Israel was freed from the bondage of slavery to Egypt through ten plagues that Yahweh sent upon them in order to have His people released. The tenth plague was the plague of Passover. The Israelites were commanded to kill a lamb or kid of the goats on the afternoon of the 14th of Abib, the first month of the Holy Calendar, and to put the blood on the lintels and doorposts of their homes, "And Yahweh spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the vear to you. Speak ve unto all the congregation of Israel, saving, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house: And if the household be too little for the lamb. let him and his neighbour next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make vour count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blem**ish**, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats: And ve shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening. And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it. And they shall

eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it. Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof. And ve shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire. And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is Yahweh's Passover," Ex. 12:1-11.

The lamb or goat had to be young, in its first year and without blemish signifying innocence. The blood had to be on the entrance to their homes in order for their firstborn sons to escape the execution of the death angel.

Israel was delivered into the wilderness where they made a covenant with Yahweh whereupon Moses sprinkled the people and the book of the covenant with blood, "And Moses came and told the people all the words of Yahweh, and all the judgments: and all the people answered with one voice, and said, All the words which Yahweh hath said will we do. And Moses wrote all the words of Yahweh, and rose up early in the morning, and builded an altar under the hill, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. And he sent voung men of the children of Israel, which offered burnt offerings, and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen unto Yahweh. And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basons; and half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar. And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the

people: and they said, All that Yahweh hath said will we do, and be obedient. And **Moses** took the blood, and sprinkled it on the people, and said, Behold the blood of the covenant, which Yahweh hath made with you concerning all these words," Ex. 24:3-8.

Didn't the people come under the blood of the covenant? Doesn't it say that Moses sprinkled the blood on the people? Wasn't that covenant of blood either their covering of salvation, and blessing, or, if they disobeved, an implement of death and destruction? If they erred, they were able to repent and cover themselves with the blood of the covenant. Didn't Yahweh plead with them to repent, to turn from their sins so that things would be well with them?

"Yet Yahweh testified against Israel, and against Judah, by all the prophets, and by all the seers, saying, Turn ye from

Didn't the people come under the blood of the cove-

your evil ways, and keep my commandments and my statutes, according to all the law which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you by my servants the prophets," 2 Ki. 17:13.

"Say unto them, As I live, saith the Sovereign Yahweh, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?" Ez. 33:11.

"Therefore also now, saith Yahweh, turn ye even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto Yahweh your Elohim: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. Who knoweth if he will return and repent, and leave a blessing behind him; even a meat offering and a drink offering unto Yahweh your Elohim?" Joel. 2:12-14.

"Therefore say thou unto them, Thus saith Yahweh of hosts; Turn ye unto me, saith Yahweh of hosts, and I will turn unto you, saith Yahweh of hosts. Be ye not as your fathers, unto whom the former prophets have cried, saying, Thus saith Yahweh of hosts; Turn ye now from your evil ways, and from your evil doings: but they did not hear, nor hearken unto me, saith Yahweh," Zech. 1:3-4.

Through the prophets, Yahweh continually encouraged the people of Israel and Judah to repent and turn back to the covenant that He had made with their fathers, but they refused and suffered the curse, the destruction that was warned from the beginning.

YAHSHUA'S BLOOD

Scripture reveals that the covenant of Moses has decayed and that a new and better covenant is now promised through the blood of Yahshua the Messiah," But the Messiah being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. For if the blood of bulls and

of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: How much more shall the blood of the Messiah, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to Yahweh, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living Elohim? And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, **they** which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance. For where a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator. For a testament is of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth. Whereupon neither the first testament was dedicated without blood. For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people, Saying, This is the blood of the testament which Yahweh hath enjoined unto you. Moreover he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry. And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission," Heb. 9:11-22.

Too many people, including ministers, elders, etc. are not understanding that there is the covenant of Moses which was initiated with the blood of bulls, goats, sheep, etc., and then there is the covenant of Yahshua, which is initiated through His own blood. We must not neglect to point this out for so many are seeking to restore people to the covenant of Moses rather than the covenant of Yahshua.

The book of Hebrews continues, "For the law (Torah) having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect. For then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins. But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year. For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away Wherefore when sins. he cometh into the world. he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleas-

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ure. Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O Elohim. Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law; Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O Elohim. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Yahshua the Messiah once for all. And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins: But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of Yahweh; From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool. For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. Whereof the Holy Spirit also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before. This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith Yahweh, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Yahshua, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; And having an high priest over the house of Elohim: Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)," Heb. 10:1-23.

Moses sprinkled the people with the blood of animals, bulls, sheep, goats, etc. But the better covenant sprinkles us with the blood of the Messiah. Without the sprinkling of blood there is no remission!

Hebrews continues, " For ye are not come unto the mount that might be touched, and that burned with fire, nor unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest, And the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words; which voice they that heard intreated that the word should not be spoken to them any more: (For they could not endure that which was commanded. And if so much as a beast touch the mountain, it shall be stoned, or thrust through with a dart: And so terrible was the sight, that Moses said, I exceedingly fear and quake:) But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living Elohim, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to Yahweh the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, And to Yahshua the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel," Heb. 12:18-24.

The Apostle Peter confirms, "Peter, an apostle of Yahshua the Messiah, to the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, Elect according to the foreknowledge of Yahweh the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and **sprinkling of the blood of Yahshua the Messiah**: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied," 1 Pet. 1:1-2.

Yahshua's Blood is for **RE-DEMPTION**:

"Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of the Messiah, as of a lamb without **blemish and without spot**: Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you," 1 Pet. 1:18-20.

"And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints. And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to Yahweh by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; And hast made us unto our Elohim kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth," Rev. 5:8-10.

REDEMPTION AND FORGIVE-NESS:

"In whom we have **redemption** (ransom in full) through his

...And to Yahshua the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of

blood, the **forgiveness** (pardon) of sins, according to the riches of his grace," Eph. 1:7.

"In whom we have **redemption** through his blood, even the **forgiveness** of sins," Col. 1:14.

ATONEMENT:

"Whom Yahweh hath set forth to be a **propitiation** (atonement) through faith **in his blood**, **to** <u>declare his</u> <u>righteousness</u> for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of Yahweh," Ro. 3:25.

"And not only so, but we also joy in Yahweh through our Sovereign Yahshua the Messiah, **by whom we have now received the atonement**," Ro. 5:11.

JUSTIFICATION:

"Much more then, being now **justified** (just/innocent) by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him," Ro. 5:9.

BRINGS US NEAR:

"But now in the Messiah Yahshua **ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh** by the blood of the Messiah," Eph. 2:13.

MAKES PEACE AND RECON-CILIATION:

"And, having made **peace** through the blood of his cross, by him to **reconcile** all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven," Col. 1:20.

CLEANSES US FROM SIN:

"This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that Yahweh is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and **the blood of Yahshua the Messiah his Son cleanseth us from all sin**," 1 Jn. 1:5-7.

"John to the seven assemblies which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne; And from Yahshua the Messiah, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. **Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood**, And hath made us kings and priests unto Yahweh and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen," Rev. 1:4-6.

"After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and stood before the tongues, throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our Elohim which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped Yahweh, Saving, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom. and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our Elohim for ever and ever. Amen. And one of the elders answered, saving unto me, What are these which are arraved in white robes? and whence came they? And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me. These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore are they before the throne of Yahweh, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and

shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and Yahweh shall wipe away all tears from their eyes," Rev. 7:9-17.

OVERCOMING:

"And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven. Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our Yahweh, and the power of his Messiah: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our Elohim day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the **death**," Rev. 12:9-11.

NOT SCRIPTURAL?

With this information alone, we have found that the people un-

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der Moses' covenant were sprinkled with the blood of animals, but under Yahshua's covenant we are to be sprinkled by His blood. We are to come under the blood of His covenant washing our garments and consciences in His blood.

Now the question is: "Who told you that it wasn't Scriptural concerning being covered by Yahshua's blood? I can almost guarantee you that the person who told you that has not #1 done a thorough research of the Scriptures, and #2 is seeking to bring you back under the covenant of Moses.

I am going to say something here that is going to stir up a lot of contention, but if it does, those who resist are seeking to restore the covenant of Moses than institute rather the greater new covenant of Yahshua. Restoring the covenant of Moses is similar to the people of Moses' day attempting to go back into **Egypt**. We ARE NOT under the Levitical Priesthood. Our High Priest is Yahshua the Messiah Who is Melchizedek! Moses' covenant was temporary. It ended in failure. Yahshua's covenant is eternal. It will never fail!

YAHSHUA'S FLESH AND BLOOD

We started this article by quoting the book of Leviticus which forbids the eating or drinking of blood. Yet Yahshua said that we must eat His flesh and drink His blood.

SHEMA! Listen! Yahshua came speaking words of the Spirit that the carnal mind simply can't understand! Yahshua told the people of His day that they must eat His flesh and drink His blood if they were to have eternal life. This is recorded in John chapter six. Then He told them, " It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life. But there are some of you that believe not. For Yahshua knew from the beginning who they were that believed not, and who should betray him. And he said, Therefore said I unto you, that no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father. From that

time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him," Jn. 6:63-66.

The Apostle Paul writes, " Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought: But we speak the wisdom of Yahweh 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. But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which Yahweh hath prepared for them that love him. But Yahweh hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of Yahweh. For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of Yahweh knoweth no man, but the Spirit of Yahweh. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of Yahweh; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of Yahweh. Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Spirit teacheth; **comparing** spiritual things with spiritual. But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of Yahweh: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned," 1 Cor. 2:6-14.

The natural carnal mind can't receive the things of Yahshua because they are spiritually understood! Again, Paul makes

this clear, " Now I Paul myself beseech you by the meekness and gentleness of the Messiah, who in presence am base among you, but being absent am bold toward you: But I beseech you, that I may not be bold when I am present with that confidence, wherewith I think to be bold against some, which think of us as if we walked according to the flesh. For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through Yahweh to the pulling down of strong holds;) Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of Yahweh, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of the Messiah; And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled," 2 Cor. 10:1-6.

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Moses were given as types of the Messiah, as Yahshua declared, " Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me. And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life. I receive not honour from men. But I know you, that ye have not the love of Yahweh in you. I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that cometh from Yahweh only? Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father:

there is one that accuseth you, even Moses, in whom ye trust. For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for **he wrote of me**. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?" Jn. 5:39-47.

Moses wrote of the Passover lamb (Ex. 12:1-28). Yahshua is our Passover sacrificed for us (1 Cor. 5:7). He is the Lamb of Elohim (Jn. 1 :29, 36; Acts 8:32; 1 Pet. 1:19; Rev. 5:6). Can't we eat lamb?

Moses wrote of the manna that was given as food for Israel in the wilderness (Ex. 16). Yahshua is the true bread from heaven (Jn. 6:27-58). Can't we eat bread? (Don't forget that the unleavened bread was/is a type of Yahshua's sinless flesh.)

The fruit of the vine is called the "blood of grapes" (Gen. 49:11; Dt. 32:14). Yahshua said that the fruit of the vine typified His blood (Mt. 26:27-29; Mk. 14:23-25; Lk. 22:17-20). Can't we drink the blood of grapes, which is either juice or wine?

Furthermore, we have our Messiah, Master, Sovereign, Teacher Yahshua, Who is the truth, commanding us to do these things. Do we believe Him or not? If we are His disciples, then we are learning from Him and of Him. If we are not His disciples, then we will dispute, and disbelieve.

CONCLUSION

Haven't we learned some amazing things about blood? Blood is the life of all flesh. It is the door to the spirit, breath. It is the vehicle through which our bodies are able to live because it carries the life giving oxygen,

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We know that the Scriptures are written in types, metaphors, parables, mysteries, etc. After all, the book of Proverbs says, "It is the glory of Elohim to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out a matter," 25:2. Yahshua came speaking in parables in order to keep things hidden (Mt. 13:1-17). John writes that Yahshua is the Word. He is the One Who spoke everything into existence (Psa. 33:1-9). There are 22 prime letters of the Hebrew alphabet. Are there mysteries hidden in each letter? We think so, and it is our desire to search out the letters to see what hidden things we can seek out.

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The very first letter of the Hebrew alphabet is the *aleph*. It is the Hebrew equivalent to our letter "A". The original Hebrew alphabet was composed of pictures, or hieroglyphics which, when put together into words, would give a pictorial meaning of that very word.

Let's take the Hebrew word El, which the world believes is the equivalent to the English word God. El is composed of two Hebrew letters; *aleph* and *lamed* $(\sqrt{b'}/(4/\sqrt{n}))$. (NOTE: I am presenting the Hebrew word in the three main Hebrew alphabets to give you the example. They are first, the Pictorial Hebrew, second, the Paleo-Hebrew, and third, Modern Hebrew. Both the Pictorial and Paleo Hebrew give us a more accurate picture of the letters.

The *aleph* is a picture, hieroglyphic for the head of an ox. Being the first letter of the alphabet, it promotes the idea of that which is first, chief, a head, a leader, strength, etc. The *lamed* is the picture, hieroglyphic of a rod, specifically a shepherd's rod for prodding, protecting, authority, etc. But it also promotes the idea of a teacher, as the Hebrew word "lamad" is defined as; to goad, i.e. (by impl.) to teach (the rod being an Oriental incentive). (Strong's Exhaustive Concor*dance* Hebrew concordance #3925)

Therefore, the Hebrew word El promotes the idea of one who is a "strong authority", "chief shepherd", "head, or master teacher", "mighty one", etc. (NOTE: Those who refuse to utilize the Hebrew word El, and its plural form Elohim in reference to Yahweh are utterly missing the point and exhibiting their ignorance as to the truth of the matter.)

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Even though el, and elohim are nothing more than common nouns, when we write these words in relation to our Great Creator Yahweh, we do utilize capital letters because of their association with Him, just as I have capitalized the words Great Creator, and Him.

Remember that just as the Father Yahweh is El, so is Yahshua. He is the "Chief Shepherd" that we are looking for, "And when the chief Shepherd (El— $\mathcal{L}\mathcal{A}$) shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away," 1 Pet. 5:4. Yahshua was/is also the Head, or Master Teacher, also being strong and mighty. He, Himself, proclaimed that He is the aleph, "I am the aleph....," Rev. 1:8. He was speaking to John, a Hebrew. He would have been speaking the Hebrew language, not Greek.

YAHWEH

According to many Rabbis, and other teachers, the Modern Hebrew *aleph* is composed of two *yods* (*), and a *waw/vav* (*) in the middle (*). Since the Hebrew letters also serve as numbers, the *aleph* is the number one, but it is composed of these three items, to wit; an upper *yod*, a lower *yod*, and the *waw/vav* in between. The *yod* = the number 10, while the *waw/vav* = 6. 10 + 10 + 6 = 26.

The very name Yahweh also is equivalent in numerical value to 26 since the *yod* (*) = 10, the *hei* (π) = 5, the *waw/vav* (*) = 6, and the *hei* (π) = 5. 10 + 5 + 6 + 5 = 26.

The *aleph*, therefore, being the number one, also represents a compound unity since it is composed of the three letters that are equivalent in numerical value to Yahweh's name. This then helps us to understand the unity of Yahweh as it is proclaimed, "Shema Yishrael, Yahweh Eloheinu, Yahweh echad," or "Hear, O Israel: Yahweh our Elohim is one Yahweh," Dt. 6:4.

Yahshua also proclaimed this, "And Yahshua answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel: Yahweh our Elohim is one Yahweh: And thou shalt love Yahweh thy Elohim with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment," Mk. 12:29-20. He also proclaimed, "I and my Father are one," Jn. 10:30. When He declared this statement, the Jews took up stones to stone Him because they understood that He was declaring that He was Elohim, specifically, Yahweh!

THE WORD ALEPH

The aleph is spelled אלף in Modern Hebrew. The last letter, the pei (¬), is exhibited here in its final form. When occurring anywhere else in a word it looks like this (D). The first two letters of the word aleph consists of the aleph (x), and lamed (\mathbf{r}) , of course, which makes the word El (אל). In his book entitled The Inner Meaning of the Hebrew Letters. Robert Haralick writes, "The concealed meaning of x is obtained from , related to the root לפף, which means to bind and wrap a cloth around as to swaddle a cloth or blanket around a baby." (p. 20) I checked this out with Marcus Jastrow's Dictionary of the Targumim, the Talmud Babli and Yerushalmi, and the Midrashic Literature and he confirmed this to be so.

Yahshua, the *aleph* אלפ, when He was born as a baby was wrapped in swaddling clothes (Lk. 2:7)!

Since we know that the first

two letters in the word *aleph* are the *aleph* and *lamed*, which make up the word El, and we also know their pictorial meaning, let's take a look at the pictorial meaning of the letter *pei* $(\frown/7/\Xi)$. It is the hieroglyphic of a mouth! In relation to Yahshua, it would mean "The mouth of El!"

"By the word of Yahweh were the heavens made; and all the host of them **by the breath of his mouth**.... Let all the **breath of his mouth**.... Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him. For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast," Psa. 33:6, 8-9. (See also Jn. 1:1-17; 1 Jn. 1:1-3)

Mr. Haralick also makes this observation, "The letter energy intelligence \aleph is the unifying force of (Elohim) as creator of the universe." (*IBID*, p. 20)

Yes! We agree! Yahshua, the Aleph, is the Mediator between

"The concealed meaning of x is obtained from של, related to the root אלפך which means to bind and wrap a cloth around as to swaddle a cloth or blanket around a

heaven and earth, between Elohim and man (1 Tim. 2:5) and also the Mediator of a new and better covenant (Heb. 8:6; 9:15).

He continues, "On the tree of life, it encompasses the first three Sephirot כָּתֶר (keter; crown), חְכָמֶה (chokmah; wisdom), and בינה (binah; understanding), especially the first Sephirah כתר, reinforced by the fact that לתר, spelled backwards is אלף, which means wonder or marvel, so wondrous and so marvelous that it is beyond our strength and rational comprehension, and therefore, hidden from us. (*IBID*, p. 20)

Isn't this awesome! Even the first letter of the Hebrew alphabet, the *aleph* testifies to Yahshua being the One Who spoke everything into existence! In this excursion, we are learning so much about our Master, Redeemer, Savior, High Priest, King Yahshua the Messiah.

There are mysteries, parables, types, metaphors that must be revealed, and they are revealed when we look at how they speak of Yahshua!

Weep and mourn all of you who resist the knowledge of Who Yahshua is, was, and will be! It would be better for you if you would fear, and turn to repentance, giving esteem, honor, and glory to Him. Do it now while you still have time!

THOUSANDS

The Hebrew characters that make up the word *aleph*, pronounced ah' lef, can also be pronounced as eh' lef. In this sense, one becomes a thousand. A thousand would become thousands eventually increasing to millions, billions, trillions, etc., etc.

The first man Adam's name began with the *aleph*-ארמ. From this one man, this first man, has come all of the billions of mankind.

The first Adam was the sire of all of the physical, fleshly, carnal, temporary mankind. Thankfully, there is also a second Adam, Yahshua the Messiah, Who is the sire of all of those who are to be born of the spirit, "And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit," 1 Cor. 15:45.

Just as Adam was first formed and then His wife Eve who was made of a rib that came from his side, Adam being put to sleep, which is a type of death; Yahshua, the second Adam was put to death/sleep so that He could bring forth His spiritual bride through the blood that poured from His side.

We know that because of Yahshua's sacrifice, there will soon be 144,000 firstfruits that will appear at the first resurrection. This 144,000 consist of 12,000 being sealed from each of the 12 tribes of Israel.

After this, there is a great multitude that simply can't be numbered (Rev. 7:1-10).

Peace can't come to this earth until Yahshua and His bride take their power and begin to reign. Just as Adam and Eve were brought forth on the sixth day of creation, Yahshua and His bride will come forth at the end of the six thousandth year to begin their reign of peace and rest upon the earth.

IMPORTANT WORDS

So many most important words begin with the aleph. The first would be the word for Father, which is Ab—x in relation to the Heavenly Father.

The Hebrew word for mother is em—אמשא.

There is the word love—*ahav*— אהב. The greatest love, of course, is that which comes from the Father through Yahshua.

The Hebrew word for "one" begins with the *aleph*—אחר. We can only become one with the Father through Yahshua (Jn. 17:22-23).

The common nouns El, Eloah, Elohim, etc. which describe Yahweh begin with the *aleph*— El =אלה; *Eloa*h = אלה; *Elohim* = אלהימ.

The Hebrew word for sovereign, master, lord begins with an *aleph—adon—i*ארון. My Master, My Sovereign would be *adonai*—ארוני. Yahshua is our Adon.

The Hebrew word for earth begins with an *aleph—erets—יארץ*.

The word for truth is *emet*— אמת. Yahshua is the truth (Jn. 14:6).

When Yahweh met Moses commissioning him to bring Israel out of Egypt, Moses asked His

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name to which He responded אהיה־אשר־אהיה; I Am That I Am.

As already alluded to, there is the first man Adam (ארמ), and the second man Adam (ארמ). Both are a first, a beginning, one of the flesh, the other of the spirit.

Abraham is another important Biblical figure whose name begins with the *aleph*-אברהמא.

Yahweh is light, the Hebrew word for light is *owr*—אור Yahshua said that He is the light (Jn. 8:12; 9:5). The Hebrew word for fire, Yahweh is a consuming fire, is esh—שא

Yahshua is the stone (*eben*— אבנ אסל אבג) of grace. Another way to understand the unity of the Father and Son is in this Hebrew word for stone. Eben—אבג, contains two Hebrew words. The first is the word אבנ—Father. The second word is אם—Son. This word reveals the oneness, the unity of the Father and Son, as they are one stone. We will touch on this more later.

The Hebrew word for faith is amen/amein; אמן. Yahshua said that He is the Amen/ Amein, "And unto the angel of the assembly of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the **Amen**, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of Elohim," Rev. 3:14.

Too many people are so afraid of this word "Amen/אמן", but look at the word "faithful!" In Hebrew the word faithful as it relates to the Father and Son is would the "true witness" would the "witness of truth." Witness is אמת (ed), while truth is אמת (emet).

CONCLUSION

Yahshua is the *aleph* $(\not / 4/\aleph)$. As we just read, He is the beginning of the creation of Elohim. The *aleph* stands at the head, the first of the Hebrew alphabet. It defines Yahshua in His ability to be the mouth of El, Who can speak the heavens and earth into existence.

Scientists and religionists continue to search for the beginning, but they will never find it, nor the reason for all things until they look to Yahshua the Messiah! May you be blessed to see these things!

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food, and water to our bodies.

Yahshua is the door, the *dalet* (\forall / Δ) , "Verily, verily, I say unto vou. He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice. And a stranger

will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers. This parable spake Yahshua unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them. Then said Yahshua unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they

might have it more abundantly. I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep," Jn. 10:1-13.

Therefore, when we eat of His flesh and drink of His blood, we are eating and drinking His life, His soul into us. Our own blood will fail us, but Yahshua's flesh and blood will give us everlasting life.

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