



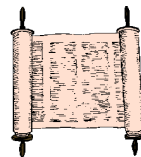
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is dedicated to His bride. Yahshua will be returning soon to receive His own unto Himself (Jn. 14:3). His bride must make herself ready (Rev. 19:7). A person who is called out of this world by the Father, who repents of his/her sins, is baptized in 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: We continually hear of those who become convinced to embrace evolution. What a sad state of affairs that people who should be able to read and think things through somewhat, simply allow themselves to be led down a primrose path of blind error. We have published several articles on various things that witness to the great intellect of our Marvelous Creator. The Camel is one of those amazing creatures. We do hope you enjoy, are enlightened, and comforted by this article.

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DEALING WITH UNBELIEVERS!

The purpose of this magazine and our ministry is to witness of Yahshua and His fulfillment of the Scriptures. I was encouraged to break the article in this issue entitled “My New Name” into two parts and run part in this magazine and the second part in the next. But whether you believe it or not, or care or not, we are living in the Laodicean age wherein the focus is mainly on wealth and goods rather than the deep spiritual truths that are held in the Scriptures. I know that there are plenty of people who are attending Sabbath services every Sabbath, the annual feasts, etc. But is that all there is to it? I was excoriated by one minister because he said that I was always trying to come out with something new, when all I need to do is focus on the importance of the names, the Sabbaths, feasts, clean and unclean foods, etc. But Peter wrote, “**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.

Believe me...there is more to the Scriptures than just meets the eye. I learned long ago that there are many, many hidden secrets, truths, etc. in the Scriptures and we are supposed to be like hungry sheep searching for more green grass to graze on, or like lusty gold miners who are frantically searching for more and more veins of the precious metals that are hidden in the earth (in this case, the Scriptures). After all, the knowledge of Yahweh is more precious than silver and gold.

We should be developing a deep and appreciative love for Yahshua and how the Scriptures speak of Him. I know that I will never come to know it all, but I do want to know as much as I can find in this lifetime. After all, He is eternal and I only have a brief life span in this world, at least, in the flesh. I do hope to inherit eternal life through Yahshua. He is my only hope.

But I want to address something that I received in the mail just the other day. It was from a prisoner and he took a little bit of time to write out some items carefully by hand, which, don't get me wrong...I do appreciate the labor that was expended. I know that it was time consuming. Some of it was okay, but the last page tendered information that is completely erroneous.

He, of course, has evidently fallen into the trap of the House of Yahweh. Here is what he wrote:

NKJV: “In the beginning was the Word.” - John ch. 1, v. 1. In the original translation the word “Word” was not capitalized and simply meant a set discourse or plan.

“...and the word was God” (v. 1) should be in the possessive, as belonging to.

“He was in the beginning with God.” (v. 2) The word “He” is a mistranslation, and should read “it.”

“...through Him and without Him nothing was made...” (v. 3). The word “His” is again a deliberate mistranslation and should read “it.”

“In Him was life...” (v. 4). This word should have been translated as “plan.”

Ref: Thayer's Greek Lexicon; Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible; Egyptian Mythology and Egyptian Christianity by Samuel Sharpe; The Religions of Ancient Egypt and Babylonia, by A. H. Sayce; A statement of Reasons for not Believing the Doctrine of Trinitarians by Andrew Norton.

Book of Yahweh (H.O.Y. ed.) “In the beginning was the plan of Yahweh, and the plan was with Yahweh, and the plan was Yahweh's. The same plan was in the beginning with Yahweh. All things were done according to it, and without it nothing was done. In this plan was life, and that life was the light of mankind.” This is quoted from their version of John 1:1-4.

Now it does just happen that I do have some great Bible helps both on my computers and on my library shelf. I have the Greek and Hebrew versions of the New Testament. One version is the *The New Covenant Aramaic Peshitta Text with Hebrew Translation*. The Greek version of John 1:1 looks like this:

Εν ἀρχῇ ἦν ὁ λόγος, καὶ ὁ λόγος ἦν πρὸς τὸν θεόν, καὶ θεὸς ἦν ὁ λόγος.

The Hebrew version of John 1:1 looks like this:

:הדבר היה אצל את האלהים ואלהים היה הוא הדבר: (Remember that the Hebrew reads from right to left.)



Now please allow me the privilege of interpreting the Greek: “In beginning was the word, and the word was with (πρὸς = with, by, beside) the god, and god was the word.”

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CONSIDER THE CAMEL

Moody Press has published a research article concerning the camel's characteristics which prove that it was engineered and created, rather than having evolved. We have taken this article and have embellished upon it to not only prove the same, but to show more of Yahweh's characteristics.

By Jerry Healan

If you ever doubted that God, Elohim, Yahweh exists, meet the very technical, highly engineered dromedary camel. Yahweh thought so much of me that He fashioned and named the third letter of the Hebrew alphabet after me. That letter is the *gimel*, which looks like this  in the more ancient Pictorial Hebrew, and like this  in the Paleo Hebrew. Originally, the *gimel* looked more like a leg and foot symbolizing activity, walking, running, etc. Later, the alphabet was changed from the Pictorial Hebrew to the Paleo Hebrew, which made it to look more like the head of a camel, which is held up high. As a matter of fact, the English word "camel" comes from the Hebrew word *gamal*, or *gamel*, which is their word for me. The Hebrew word for the third letter is *gimel* (גִּמְלָה), and the Hebrew for camel is גִּמְלָה. Do you see any difference? It's all the same isn't it? That is why the letter is likened to me, the camel.

When I'm hungry, I'll eat almost anything- a leather bridle, a piece of rope, my master's tent, or a pair of shoes. My mouth is so tough a thorny cactus doesn't bother it. Because of his disobedience, the original man Adam and his descendants, who were made to till the earth, caused a curse to be brought upon the earth. Thorns and thistles were to be brought forth, which crowd out the earth's productivity. Man has to work hard, sweating profusely in order to keep those thorns and thistles from taking over his gardens, but I don't mind. I can eat those thorns because of the toughness of my mouth. If evolution is true, I wonder why man hasn't re-engineered himself to be able to eat those thorns and this-

ties!

However, I do also love to chow down grass and other plants that grow here on the Arabian desert. I'm a dromedary camel, the one-hump kind That lives on hot deserts in the Middle East .

My hump, all eighty pounds of it, is filled with fat — my body fuel — not water as some people believe. My Mighty Maker (Yahweh Who became Yahshua the Messiah [See John 1:1-18, Heb. 1:3, etc.]) gave it to me because He knew I wouldn't always be able to find food as I travel across the hot sands. When I don't find any chow, my body automatically takes fat from the hump, feeds my system, and keeps me going strong. This

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is my emergency food supply.

If I can't find any plants to munch, my body uses up my hump. When the hump gets smaller, it starts to tip to one side. But when I get to a nice oasis and begin to eat again, my hump soon builds back to normal.

I've been known to drink twenty-seven gallons of water in ten minutes. My Master Designer made me in such a fantastic way that in a matter of minutes all the water I've swallowed travels to the billions of microscopic cells that make up my flesh. This certainly proves that Rebekah was a very hard and diligent worker because when the servant of Abraham

came to Mesopotamia looking for a bride for his son Isaac, and met her at the well, she gave him water to drink and then moved with haste to water the ten camels that were with him. Wow! That would be 270 gallons of water. Of course, we don't know how long it took her to satisfy the camel's thirst, but if her pitcher held five gallons of water, which would weigh about 40 pounds, or more, that means that she would have made fifty-four trips back and forth to water the camels. (See Genesis 24:10-22) We certainly can tell from this account that she wasn't lazy.

Naturally, the water I swallow first goes into my stomach. There thirsty blood vessels absorb and carry it to every part of my body. Scientists have tested my stomach and found it empty ten minutes after I've drunk twenty gallons.

In an eight hour day I can carry a four hundred pound load a hundred miles across a hot, dry desert And not stop once for a drink or something to eat. That is a very heavy burden to bear, but even though I am strong and can carry so much so far, think about the burdens that Yahshua can bear when He said, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light," Mt. 11:28-30. In fact, I've been known to go eight days without a drink, but then I look a wreck. I lose 227 pounds, my ribs show through my skin, And I look terribly skinny. But I feel great! I look thin because the billions of cells lose

their water. They're no longer fat, they're flat.

Normally my blood contains 94 percent water, just like yours. But when I can't find any water to drink, the heat of the sun gradually robs a little water out of my blood. Scientists have found that my blood can lose up to 40 percent of its water, and I'm still healthy.

Doctors say human blood has to stay very close to 94 percent water. If you lose 5 percent of it, you can't see anymore; 10 percent, you can't hear and you go insane; 12 percent, your blood is as thick as molasses and your heart can't pump the thick stuff. It stops, and you're dead. But that's not true with me. Why? Scientists say my blood is different. My red cells are elongated. Yours are round. Maybe that's what makes the difference. This proves I'm designed for the desert, or the desert is designed for me. Did you ever hear of a design without a Designer?

If evolution is a fact, and there are humans who live in the desert with me, I wonder why they haven't re-engineered themselves with blood cells like mine so they could face the extremes of the desert like I can. After all, aren't humans the most intelligent creatures on this earth? Isn't it humans who dreamed up this theory of evolution? You don't think we camels worry about evolution do you? No, we just take life as it comes. We don't build schools, colleges, universities, etc. If man is so smart and capable, why can't he adapt his body to his environment through evolutionary change? That way he wouldn't have to have special clothing for the various environments that he lives in.

After I find a water hole, I'll drink for about ten minutes and my skinny body starts to change almost immediately. In that short time my body fills out nicely, I don't look skinny anymore, and I gain back the 227 pounds I lost. (Wouldn't that quick weight gain send chills through the hearts of the people associated with glamour

from models, to movie stars, etc.!?)

Even though I lose a lot of water on the desert, my body conserves it too. Way in the beginning when my intelligent Engineer made me, He gave me a specially designed nose that saves water. When I exhale, I don't lose much. My nose traps that warm, moist air from my lungs and absorbs it in my nasal membranes. Tiny blood vessels in those membranes take that back into my blood. How's that for a recycling system? Pretty cool, isn't it? It works because my nose is cool. My cool nose changes that warm moisture in the air from my lungs into water. But how does my nose get cool? I breathe in hot dry desert air, and it goes through my wet nasal passages. This produces a cooling effect, and my nose stays as much as 18 degrees cooler than the rest of my body. Do you think we figured all of this out for ourselves? Remember, I didn't go to schools, colleges, and universities. I don't know the first thing about design and engineering, so how is it that all of these evolutionary dudes think

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that I am smart enough to have made myself over eons of time?

I love to travel the beautiful sand dunes. It's really quite easy, because My Creator gave me specially engineered sand shoes for feet. My hooves are wide, and they get even wider when I step on them. Each foot has two long, bony toes with tough, leathery skin between my soles, which are a little like webbed feet. They won't let me sink into the soft, drifting sand. This is good, because often my master wants me to carry him one hundred miles across the desert in just one day. (I troop about ten miles per hour.)

Sometimes a big windstorm comes out of nowhere, bringing flying sand with it. My Master Designer put special muscles in my nostrils that close the openings, keeping sand out of my nose but still allowing me enough air to breathe.

My eyelashes arch down over my eyes like screens, keeping the sand and sun out but still letting me see clearly. If a grain of sand slips through and gets in my eye, the Creator took care of that too. He gave me an inner eyelid that automatically wipes the sand off my eyeball just like a windshield wiper. That reminds me; the Creator didn't give man that same characteristic even though many of them do live out here on the sand. But the Savior did say that man needs to take care where, and upon what he builds his house. If that house is built upon the rock (Yahweh), then it will stand the test of time. But if he builds it upon the sand, then when the storms or wind and rain come, then that house will fall. That is the difference between those who build their house of faith on Yahweh and Yahshua, Who are rocks, and upon the theory of evolution, which is sand. I think that the sand has gotten in the eyes of those people and they don't have the special windshield wiper like I do to remove it. Sand in the eye of a man causes many problems and keeps them from seeing clearly.

Some people think I'm conceited because I always walk around with my head held high and my nose in the air. But that's just because of the way I'm made. My eyebrows are so thick and bushy I have to hold my head high to peek out from underneath them. I'm glad I have them though. They shade my eyes from the bright sun. That is also why the letter *gimel* is associated with me. That letter pictures something that is held up, or lifted up.

The Hebrew word for Redeemer is *ga'al*. It is spelled thusly; גאֵל. Remember that the Hebrew reads from

right to left. The first letter is the now famous *gimel* (ג). The last two Hebrew letters are aleph (א) and lamed (ל). Without the *gimel* they spell the primitive Hebrew word for El (God to most of the world), e.g. אל. Thus, the Hebrew word for Redeemer has to do with lifting up (ג) El (אל)!

El (אל), itself, has to do with the Chief Shepherd because the *aleph* (א) in Pictorial Hebrew, since it is the first letter of that alphabet, just as "A" is the first letter of the English alphabet, represents that which is first in time, rank, authority, a head, leader, that which is CHIEF, etc. The *lamed* (ל) is the picture of a rod, primarily a shepherd's rod. It has to do with authority, etc. Therefore, the Hebrew word El (אל) has to do with the Mighty One, Chief Leader, the Head of Authority, or even the CHIEF SHEPHERD.

Didn't the Apostle Peter identify Yahshua as the Chief Shepherd? "The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of the Messiah, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed: 2 Feed the flock of Yahweh which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; 3 Neither as being sovereigns over Yahweh's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock. 4 And when the **chief Shepherd** shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away," 1 Pet. 5:1-4.

Didn't Yahshua say that He is the Shepherd of the sheep? "I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep," Jn. 10:11. Didn't He say that He had to be lifted up? "And I, **if I be lifted up** from the earth, will draw all men unto me," Jn. 12:32. "Then said Yahshua unto them, **When ye have lifted up the Son of man**, then shall ye know that I am he, and that I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things," Jn. 8:28. Didn't He come to redeem us? "But when the fulness of the time was come, Yahweh sent forth his Son,

made of a woman, made under the law, 5 **To redeem them that were under the law**, that we might receive the adoption of sons," Gal. 4:4-5. "For the grace of Yahweh that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, 12 Teaching us that, denying impiety and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and piously, in this present world; 13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great Elohim and our Saviour Yahshua the Messiah; 14 Who gave himself for us, **that he might redeem us from all iniquity**, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works," Tit. 2:11-14.

Desert people depend on me for many things. Not only am I their best form of transportation, but I'm also their grocery store. Mrs. Camel gives very rich milk that people make into butter and cheese. I shed my thick fur coat once a year, and that can be woven into cloth. A few young camels are used for beef, but I don't like to talk about that. If they would only study a little deeper into the Scriptures they would discover that they should-

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For a long time we camels have been called the "ships of the desert" because of the way we sway from side to side when we trot. Some of our riders get seasick. I sway from side to side because of the way my legs work. Both legs on one side move forward at the same time, elevating that side. My "left, right left, right" motion makes my rider feel like he is in a rocking chair going sideways.

When I was six months old, special knee pads started to grow on my front legs. The intelligent Creator

knew I had to have them. They help me lower my 1000 pounds to the ground. If I didn't have them, my knees would soon become sore and infected, and I could never lie down. I'd die of exhaustion.

By the way, I don't get thick knee pads because I fall on my knees. I fall on my knees because I already have these tough pads. Someone very great thought of me and knew I needed them. He designed them into my genes.

It's real difficult for me to understand how some people say I evolved into what I now am. I'm a very technical, highly engineered dromedary camel. Things like me don't just happen. They're planned on a drawing board by Someone very brilliant, Someone very logical. That someone, of course, is Yahshua the Messiah. His, and the Father's intelligence are found in the whole creation of heaven and the earth.

John 1:1 says, "In the beginning was the Word. And the Word was with Elohim, and the Word was Elohim." All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made. The Word means "logical, intelligent One." It is too bad that the evolutionist unbelievers continue to strain out a gnat and swallow a camel. Hey, I don't like that saying either! They can't swallow me, but if they really looked into me closely they might discover the wonders of their Creator. Otherwise, they are choking themselves to death with their ridiculous belief.

MY NEW NAME

It is interesting that everyone wants to be of one assembly and one assembly only. That assembly is revealed in Revelation chapter three to be the assembly named Philadelphia. Of course, the chief reason is that there is nothing negative said in Yahshua's discourse to this group. We all want to think that we are doing well and want all the positives and nothing negative said about us. That's always reserved for the other guy. One of the things that Yahshua declares is that He is going to have a new name. Another thing He declares is "You have not denied my name." Does only knowing the pronunciation of his name make us a part of this assembly? What about knowing the name of the Heavenly Father Yahweh? Does knowing the pronunciation of their names automatically include us with this group? What does "denying His name" really mean?

By Jerry Healan

"And to the angel of the assembly in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth; 8 I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, **and hast not denied my name.** 9 Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee. 10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth. 11 Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown. 12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my Elohim, and he shall go no more out: and **I will write upon him the name of my Elohim, and the name of the city of my Elohim, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my Elohim: and I will write upon him my new name.** 13 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the assemblies," Rev. 3:7-13.

What is Yahshua's new name? This is the question that we do desire to

answer in this treatise, but let's address another question first. That question is, "What does the word NAME mean?"

Since the Hebrew language is the language of revelation, let's explore the Hebrew word for name, and its meaning. The Hebrew word for "name" is *shem* (שֵׁם). It is defined as, "a primitive word; an appellation, as a

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mark or memorial of individuality; by implication honor, authority, character." (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*)

Notice especially that it is a mark, or memorial of individuality. In other words, one's name singles out, marks, identifies who that person is. One's name is associated with his honor, authority, character, etc.

Take a look at the Hebrew characters that compose the word for name. These characters are *shin* (שׁ) and *mem* (מ). *Shin* (שׁ) has to do with teeth in pictorial Hebrew. With teeth, we eat, drink, consume, or even destroy. *Mem* (מ) has to do with water in pictorial Hebrew. Water can be chaotic, and uncontrollable, yet it is also necessary

for life. Yahshua likened the Holy Spirit to water in John 7:37-39.

When we see a person and we don't know their name, not knowing their name has to do with chaos. When we learn what that person's name is, then we know who they are. Thus, knowing a person's name destroys (שׁ) chaos (מ). We can also begin to know what honor, authority, and character is associated with that name.

Let's set some examples. There are a couple of men who are associated with multiple murders. Who are they? You are in chaos and confusion as to whom I am speaking about until I give you their names. One is John Wayne Gacy, the other is Charles Manson. Chaos and confusion are now removed. I am going to single out two other men who were mass murders and great oppressors. Who are they? You are in chaos and confusion as to who I am speaking of until I give you their names. One is Stalin, the other is Mao. I am thinking of two men were known as the fathers of their countries, who are they? You can guess and your guess may be correct, but you really don't know until I give you their names. One is George Washington (you probably correctly guessed his name), but who is the other? How about Simon Bolivar. Chaos has been destroyed. You now know their names, honor, authority, character,

etc.

Who created the heavens and the earth? Most people are in chaos and confusion as to what His name is. Most people will say God, but they will be wrong and remain in chaos and confusion because the Creator's name is not God. So many, many of the men who attend Christian Seminaries will learn what His name is, but they are not instructed to focus on the importance of His name, as a matter of fact, to them, His name doesn't matter. However, His honor, authority, character, etc., is that He is the Great Creator and His name **MUST** be associated with that honor, authority, character, etc.

Of course, there is chaos and confusion concerning how we should pronounce His name among those who profess to know it. Most of your scholars, books, dictionaries, encyclopedias, etc. will present the pronunciation of His name as Yahweh, but there are many now who contest this pronunciation and prefer Jehovah, Yehowah, Yahveh, Yahvah, Yahuweh, Yahuwah, etc. Who is correct? Probably no one is 100% correct. We are all like little children who seek to speak our Creator's name, but can't quite get it out correctly yet.

We, of this assembly, prefer to utilize Yahweh for our own reasons, research, understanding of the Hebrew language, pronunciation, etc. The name of the Creator consists of four Hebrew letters, which alternately serve as consonants and vowels. These letters are יהוה; yod (י), hei (ה), waw (ו), hei (ה).

Both Josephus and Rabbi Arthur Green confess that the name consists of four vowels. Rabbi Green (*Seek My Face, Speak My Name*) expands this by saying that the vowels, of course, are mere breath. Breath in Hebrew is *ruach*, which is also translated as spirit. The Savior Yahshua said that Yahweh is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and in truth (Jn. 4:24). We feel that the name would better be rendered as Yaue, or

laue in the English, but we render it Yahweh for ease of pronunciation only.

CREATOR

Yahweh, of course, is the Creator of all things. This is one of the titles, the honor, authority, character that is associated with His name. But how... in what way is it revealed that He created the heavens and the earth? "Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, my called; I am he; I am the first, I also am the last. 13 **Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand hath spanned the heavens:** when I call unto them, they stand up together," Isa. 48:12-13.

While unbelieving men (scientists, professors, leaders, etc.) are on a campaign to disprove these words through the doctrines of evolution, they will worry themselves silly, spend much of our tax money, and never be able to accomplish this impossible task.

Let us reveal Yahweh's right hand... His right and holy arm. Isaiah writes, "Who hath believed our report? And

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to whom is the arm of Yahweh revealed? 2 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. 3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. 4 Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of Elohim, and afflicted. 5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. 6 All we like

sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and Yahweh hath laid on him the iniquity of us all," Isa. 53:1-6.

The Apostle John reveals this Arm of Yahweh in conjunction with Isaiah, "Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour. 28 Father, glorify thy name. **Then came there a voice from heaven, saying, I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again.** 29 The people therefore, that stood by, and heard it, said that it thundered: others said, An angel spake to him. 30 Yahshua answered and said, **This voice came not because of me, but for your sakes.** 31 Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. 32 And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me. 33 This he said, signifying what death he should die. 34 The people answered him, We have heard out of the law that the Messiah abideth for ever: and how sayest thou, The Son of man must be lifted up? who is this Son of man? 35 Then Yahshua said unto them, Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth. 36 While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light. These things spake Yahshua, and departed, and did hide himself from them. 37 **But though he had done so many miracles before them, yet they believed not on him:** 38 **That the saying of Esaias the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spake, Yahweh, who hath believed our report? And to whom hath the arm of Yahweh been revealed?** 39 Therefore they could not believe, because that Esaias said again, 40 He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with their eyes, nor understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them. 41 These things said Esaias, when he saw his glory, and spake of him. 42 Nevertheless

among the chief rulers also many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: 43 For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of Elohim,” Jn. 12:27-43.

Yes! Absolutely! Who is able to truly believe this report? Yahshua is the right hand and arm of Yahweh by Whom He laid the foundation of the earth and spanned the heavens! The Scriptures confirm this, “**In the beginning was the Word**, and the Word was with Yahweh, and **the Word was Yahweh**. 2 The same was in the beginning with Yahweh. 3 All things were made by him; **and without him was not any thing made that was made**...He was in the world, and **the world was made by him**, and the world knew him not...**And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us**, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth,” Jn. 1:1-3, 10, 14.

The Apostle Paul writes, “For we are his workmanship, **created in the Messiah Yahshua** unto good works, which Yahweh hath before ordained that we should walk in them...And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in Yahweh, **who created all things by Yahshua the Messiah**: 10 **To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the assembly** the manifold wisdom of Yahweh, 11 According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in the Messiah Yahshua our Sovereign,” Eph. 2:20; 3:9-11.

Notice that! We are created in the Messiah Yahshua by the Father Who Created all things through Yahshua the Messiah! Yahweh does not change (Mal. 3:6)! Neither does Yahshua, “Yahshua the Messiah the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever,” Heb. 13:8. Yahweh created all things through Him, and is still in the process of creating a new heavens and earth through Him!

The book of Hebrews also confirms the truth that all things were created by Yahshua, “Elohim, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, 2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, **by whom also he made the worlds**; 3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high,” Heb. 1:1-3.

Yahshua is the express image (character) of the Father. He is the One through Whom the Father made the worlds or ages, as the Greek word for worlds is *aionas*. Notice also that when He had accomplished His mission that the Father sent Him to do, He sat down on His **right hand!**

These things must be known and taught by the assembly as is revealed by Paul in the book of Ephesians as reported above! These are the things, the honor, authority, character, that

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THE WORD OF YAHWEH

We have always known that the name Yahweh applies not only to the Father, but to the Son. We know, for instance, that Yahshua declared that He came to reveal the Father because no one had seen Him nor heard His voice, “And the Father himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. **Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape**,” Jn. 5:37.

John is also inspired to record, “No

man hath seen Yahweh at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him,” Jn. 1:18.

The Apostle Paul is inspired to write, “Now unto the King eternal, immortal, **invisible**, the only wise Elohim, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen,” 1 Tim. 1:17.

Again, John writes, “Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of Yahweh; and every one that loveth is born of Yahweh, and knoweth Yahweh. 8 He that loveth not knoweth not Yahweh; for Yahweh is love. 9 In this was manifested the love of Yahweh toward us, because that Yahweh sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. 10 Herein is love, not that we loved Yahweh, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. 11 Beloved, if Yahweh so loved us, we ought also to love one another. 12 **No man hath seen Yahweh at any time**. If we love one another, Yahweh dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us,” 1 Jn. 4:8-12.

But we can go back to the book of Deuteronomy and read, “**These words Yahweh spake unto all your assembly** in the mount out of the midst of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice: and he added no more. And he wrote them in two tables of stone, and delivered them unto me. 23 And it came to pass, when ye heard the voice out of the midst of the darkness, (for the mountain did burn with fire,) that ye came near unto me, even all the heads of your tribes, and your elders; 24 And ye said, Behold, **Yahweh our Elohim hath shewed us his glory** and his greatness, and **we have heard his voice** out of the midst of the fire: we have seen this day that **Elohim doth talk with man**, and he liveth,” Dt. 5:22-24.

The Scriptures record that Yahweh appeared to Abram, “And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, **Yahweh appeared to Abram**, and said unto him, I am the El Shaddai;

walk before me, and be thou perfect,” Gen. 17:1.

Yahweh appeared to Him again in the plains of Mamre, “And **Yahweh appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre**: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day; 2 And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground, 3 And said, Adonai, if now I have found favour in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant: 4 Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree: 5 And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass on: for therefore are ye come to your servant. And they said, So do, as thou hast said,” Gen. 18:1-6.

There are other instances too many to mention. What does this all mean? We have so many instances in the Old Testament where it says that Yahweh appeared to people, spoke to people, etc., and yet, in the New Testament we find that no one has seen Yahweh at any time, neither heard His voice. The answer is that no one has seen the image, nor heard the voice of the Father Yahweh, but they have had a great deal of contact with One named “the Word of Yahweh” or in the Hebrew, דבַר־יְהוָה (Dabar-Yahweh).

The Word of Yahweh (Dabar-Yahweh/דבַר־יְהוָה) appeared to so many, especially the prophets. The interesting thing about the Hebrew word for word, which is *dabar* (דבר), is that the Pictorial Hebrew perfectly describes the relationship of Yahshua and the Father to us. *Dabar* is made up of the *dalet* (ד), *beit* (ב), and *resh* (ר). In Pictorial Hebrew, the *dalet* (ד) is a door, the *beit* (ב) is a house, tent, temple, family, and the *resh* (ר) is a head.

Yahshua is the Word (*dabr*/דבר/Jn. 1:1-14), therefore, He is the door to the head of the house, tent, temple, family. Yahshua, Himself, declared,

“Verily, verily, I say unto you, **He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.** 2 **But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.** 3 To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. 4 And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice. 5 And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers. 6 **This parable spake Yahshua unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them.** 7 Then said Yahshua unto them again, **Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep.** 8 All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them. 9 **I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.** 10 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

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might have it more abundantly. 11 I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. 12 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. 13 The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. 14 I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. 15 As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep,” Jn. 10:1-15.

This was a parable. There are three

key items in this parable that pertain to Yahshua, 1) The Door, 2) the Porter, and 3) the Shepherd. Didn't He tell the Philadelphian Assembly that He had the Key of David so that He could open and no man can close, and He can close and no man can open? Doesn't a key fit into the lock of a door? Doesn't this make Him the Porter; the One Who opens and closes?

Yahshua is the Word of Yahweh (Dabar-Yahweh/דבַר־יְהוָה). He is the Door to the head of the house, the tent, the temple, the family, which is the Father Yahweh. When the Word of Yahweh appeared to men of old, they knew that He was Yahweh. This means that Yahshua is Yahweh as much as the Father is Yahweh. But Yahshua, as the Word of Yahweh, is the One Who always appeared to people, and performed the marvelous works of old. The Father has always remained in the holy of holies of heaven. No one has ever seen His image, or heard His voice. Yahshua has always been the one to reveal Him ever so slightly at first, but when He descended from heaven to do the work of grace, salvation, redemption, atonement, etc., He revealed the Father in a capacity that no one had ever understood before. That capacity is the greatest love that has ever been known.

The book of Revelation also reveals Yahshua as the Word of Yahweh, “And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. 12 His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. 13 And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and **his name is called The Word of Yahweh** (דבַר־יְהוָה). 14 And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. 15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of

iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of El Shaddai. 16 And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND SOVEREIGN OF SOVEREIGNS,” Rev. 19:11-16.

The Word of Yahweh is another honor, authority, character, name (*shem*/שם) that belongs to Yahshua. For those who can understand and receive this, let them understand it, receive it, and rejoice. For those who cannot understand and receive this, let them not understand, nor receive it.

THE PIERCED ONE

Zechariah is inspired to write, “And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and **they shall look upon me whom they have pierced**, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn,” 12:10.

Who is able to pour out the spirit of grace and supplications? Isn’t it Yahweh? Yes! He is the only One! But what does it say? “They shall look upon ME WHOM THEY HAVE PIERCED!”

How is the Spirit of Grace poured out? What act took place that caused the Holy Spirit to be poured out? Wasn’t it after Yahshua suffered, died, was resurrected, and ascended into heaven? Didn’t Yahweh pour the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Grace upon His disciples on the day of Pentecost? (Acts 2)

Psalms 22 is a Messianic psalm; a psalm about the Messiah and His suffering. It declares, “My strength is dried up like a potsherd; and my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death. 16 For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the wicked have inclosed me: they **pierced my hands and my feet**,” vv. 15-16.

Yahshua is the One Who was crucified having his hands and feet pierced

with nails (Mat. 27:35; Mk. 15:24; Lk. 23:33; Jn. 19:23). They also stabbed or pierced His side (Jn. 19:34). The Apostle John even refers to Zechariah concerning the piercing, “For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken. 37 And again another scripture saith, **They shall look on him whom they pierced**,” Jn. 37:36-37.

The Apostle Thomas was not with the other disciples and had not seen the resurrected Messiah, therefore no matter who and how many told him that they had seen Him, he wouldn’t believe (Jn. 20:24-25). Later, Yahshua appeared again, “And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Yahshua, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you. 27 Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing,” Jn. 20:26-27.

What did Thomas declare? “And Thomas answered and said unto him,

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My Master and my Elohim,” v. 28. Did Thomas blaspheme because he called Him his Elohim? The Pharisees certainly attempted to stone Yahshua a time or two when they accused Him of blaspheming because He made Himself equal to Elohim. (Jn. 5:18, 10:33)

The name Yahweh itself describes the piercing, believe it or not. The name Yahweh is יהוה in the Hebrew. The letters are also pictures. The first letter is the *yod* (י), which is a picture of a hand and arm (י in Pictorial Hebrew). The *hei* (ה) means to reveal, behold, look! It looks like this (ה) in Pictorial Hebrew. Doesn’t it look like someone who is trying to get other’s attention? The *waw* (ו) is a nail, or

tent peg in Pictorial Hebrew (Y). Thus, we would get the idea of hand, behold, nail, behold, or behold the hand, behold the nail.

His name, before His human birth, was Yahweh, the Creator of all things! His own name declares His honor, authority, character. He is the One Who would be pierced! How does this name apply to the Father? Yahshua is His right hand and holy arm. Yahshua, the Father’s right hand and holy arm would be pierced!

For those who can understand and receive this, let them understand, receive it, and rejoice! For those who can’t understand, and receive this, let them not understand, nor receive it.

YAHSHUA’S NAME

Israel was taken out of Egypt and placed in the land of Canaan so they could be a holy people, a kingdom of priests, “In the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai. 2 For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come to the desert of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped before the mount. 3 And Moses went up unto Elohim, and Yahweh called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel; 4 Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles’ wings, and brought you unto myself. 5 Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine: 6 And **ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation**. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel,” Ex. 19:1-6.

If they were to be a kingdom of priests, then this means that they were to rule as both kings and priests.

But Israel failed to live up to the standards set before them because they turned to be like the other nations

around them and served their gods. Yahweh declared, "Moreover the word of Yahweh came to me, saying, 2 Go and cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying, Thus saith Yahweh; I remember thee, the kindness of thy youth, the love of thine espousals, when thou wentest after me in the wilderness, in a land that was not sown. 3 Israel was holiness unto Yahweh, and the firstfruits of his increase: all that devour him shall offend; evil shall come upon them, saith Yahweh. 4 Hear ye the word of the Yahweh, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel: 5 Thus saith Yahweh, What iniquity have your fathers found in me, that they are gone far from me, and have walked after vanity, and are become vain? 6 Neither said they, Where is Yahweh that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, that led us through the wilderness, through a land of deserts and of pits, through a land of drought, and of the shadow of death, through a land that no man passed through, and where no man dwelt? 7 And I brought you into a plentiful country, to eat the fruit thereof and the goodness thereof; but when ye entered, ye defiled my land, and made mine heritage an abomination. 8 The priests said not, Where is Yahweh? And they that handle the law knew me not: the pastors also transgressed against me, and the prophets prophesied by Baal, and walked after things that do not profit. 9 Wherefore I will yet plead with you, saith Yahweh, and with your children's children will I plead. 10 For pass over the isles of Chittim, and see; and send unto Kedar, and consider diligently, and see if there be such a thing. 11 Hath a nation changed their gods, which are yet no gods? but my people have changed their glory for that which doth not profit. 12 Be astonished, O ye heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, be ye very desolate, saith Yahweh. 13 For my people have committed two evils; **they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters**, and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water," Jer. 2:1-13.

Again, it is declared, "O Yahweh, the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, and they that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken **Yahweh, the fountain of living waters**," Jer. 17:13.

The Psalmist declared, "Thy mercy, O Yahweh, is in the heavens; and thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds. 6 Thy righteousness is like the great mountains; thy judgments are a great deep: O Yahweh, thou preservest man and beast. 7 How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O Elohim! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings. 8 They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures. 9 **For with thee is the fountain of life**: in thy light shall we see light," Psa. 36:5-9.

Yahweh is the fountain of living waters, the fountain of life.

Yahshua began His ministry during a Passover season when He went to Jerusalem and cleansed the temple (Jn.

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2:13-25).

After the Passover season, He and His disciples traveled back home, "Then cometh he to a city of Samaria, which is called Sychar, near to the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. 6 Now Jacob's well was there. Yahshua therefore, being wearied with his journey, sat thus on the well: and it was about the sixth hour. 7 There cometh a woman of Samaria

to draw water: Yahshua saith unto her, Give me to drink. 8 (For his disciples were gone away unto the city to buy meat.) 9 Then saith the woman of Samaria unto him, How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria? for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans. 10 Yahshua answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of Elohim, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and **he would have given thee living water**. 11 The woman saith unto him, Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep: from whence then hast thou that living water? 12 Art thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle? 13 Yahshua answered and said unto her, **Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again: 14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life,**" Jn. 4:5-14.

The Greek word for "well" is *pege*, and also can be translated as fountain. Water is drawn from a well, but it springs from a fountain. The translators should have translated it as fountain. But here was Yahshua declaring that He was the fountain of living waters, and He had the power to cause others to receive everlasting life through that water, and that they also would become a fountain of living waters.

On the last great day of the feast of Tabernacles Yahshua stood up and proclaimed, "If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. 38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, **out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water**. 39 (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.**)" Jn. 7:37-39.

Yahshua had to be lifted up and glorified before this living water (the

Holy Spirit) could be received by anyone else.

After His crucifixion and resurrection, He ascended into heaven and on the day of Pentecost, He poured the Holy Spirit (living waters) upon His disciples and all who believed in Him, repented and were baptized in His saving name. (Acts 2 & 3)

Now, let's look at His name in the Hebrew as the letters tell the story. Yahshua's name in Hebrew is יהושע. In the Pictorial Hebrew it is 𐤒𐤍𐤕𐤓. The *yod* (𐤒) is a hand/arm, the *hei* (𐤕) means to reveal, behold, look, etc., the *waw* (𐤍) is a nail, or tent peg, the *shin* (𐤓) is teeth, and the *ayin* (𐤔) is an eye, well, or fountain. We eat and drink (consume) with and through our teeth. The meaning, therefore, is that once the nail has pierced the hand/arm (𐤒𐤕), we (the believers, and followers) can drink (shin/𐤓) of the fountain (𐤔) of living waters.

The name Yahshua means "the salvation of Yahweh," or "Yahweh the Savior." This is the character, honor, authority, etc., associated with His name (*shem*/שם)! For those who can receive this, let them receive it and rejoice! For those who can't receive this, let them not receive it, deny, and mourn!

THE COVENANT

Yahweh called Israel out of Egypt into the wilderness to make a covenant with them. That covenant was based on the ten commandments. Yahweh descended upon the mount and spoke the ten commandments to the people (Ex. 20). He later had Moses ascend the mount to receive the covenant written on tables of stone, "And Yahweh said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and **I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them,**" Ex. 24:12.

These tables were also called tables of testimony or **witness**, "And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an

end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, **two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of Elohim,**" Ex. 31:18.

When Moses descended from the mount with the tables of the testimony in his hands and saw what the children of Israel were doing, he cast the tables down and broke them, "And it came to pass, as soon as he came nigh unto the camp, that he saw the calf, and the dancing: and Moses' anger waxed hot, and he cast the tables out of his hands, and brake them beneath the mount," Ex. 32:19.

The Scriptures are written in types, parables, etc. This meant that the covenant had already been broken and would have to be renewed.

When Moses got everything back in order, Yahweh told him to make two more tables and to ascend the mount once again, "And Yahweh said unto Moses, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first: and I will write upon these tables the words that were in the first tables, which thou brakest. 2 And be ready in the morning, and

Now, let's look at His name in the Hebrew as the letters tell the story.

come up in the morning unto mount Sinai, and present thyself there to me in the top of the mount. 3 And no man shall come up with thee, neither let any man be seen throughout all the mount; neither let the flocks nor herds feed before that mount. 4 And he hewed two tables of stone like unto the first; and Moses rose up early in the morning, and went up unto mount Sinai, as Yahweh had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tables of stone," Ex. 34:1-4.

This time Moses hewed out the tables, and Yahweh again wrote on the tables of testimony (witness) with His own finger, "And he was there with Yahweh forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. And **he wrote upon the tables**

the words of the covenant, the ten commandments," Ex. 34:28.

Most people do not understand, or refuse to understand that Yahweh's primary covenant is the ten commandments. This is confirmed in the book of Deuteronomy, "And **he declared unto you his covenant, which he commanded you to perform, even ten commandments;** and he wrote them upon two tables of stone," Dt. 4:13. "And **he wrote on the tables, according to the first writing, the ten commandments, which Yahweh spake unto you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly:** and Yahweh gave them unto me," Dt. 10:4.

THE BROKEN COVENANT

The Psalmist declares, "My tongue shall speak of thy word: for **all thy commandments are righteousness,**" Psa. 119:172.

Moses told the Israelites, "When thy son asketh thee in time to come, saying, What mean the testimonies, and the statutes, and the judgments, which Yahweh our Elohim hath commanded you? 21 Then thou shalt say unto thy son, We were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt; and Yahweh brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand: 22 And Yahweh shewed signs and wonders, great and sore, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his household, before our eyes: 23 And he brought us out from thence, that he might bring us in, to give us the land which he swore unto our fathers. 24 And Yahweh commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear Yahweh our Elohim, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as it is at this day. 25 **And it shall be our righteousness, if we observe to do all these commandments before Yahweh our Elohim, as he hath commanded us,**" Dt. 6:20-25.

This is so true, but once the covenant was broken, it would have to be renewed, and it was renewed time, and time, and time again. All one has to do is read the books from judges to 2

Chronicles, as well as the prophets, to discover that Israel continually fell away during the period of the judges, and Yahweh would sell them to other peoples for correction until they would come to their senses. Then came the kings and while David and Solomon were two of the greatest kings, Solomon in all of his glory and greatness fell away to the worship of the gods of his wives and the story flow continues with a series of good kings and evil kings until Yahweh had to cast them out of the land for their disobedience.

Paul witnesses, "Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to Yahweh for Israel is, that they might be saved. 2 For I bear them record that they have a zeal of Yahweh, **but not according to knowledge.** 3 **For they being ignorant of Yahweh's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness,** have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of Yahweh," Ro. 10:1-3.

Israel made a covenant with Yahweh that they would obey and do all that Yahweh had commanded them (Ex. 19:7, 24:3-7). Yet, they failed to maintain their part of the covenant. Why!?

David and Job answer the riddle. David reveals, "Have mercy upon me, O Elohim, according to thy loving-kindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions. 2 Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. 3 For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me. 4 Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest. 5 **Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me,**" Ps. 51:1-5.

Job decrees, "Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble. 2 He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down: he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not. 3

And dost thou open thine eyes upon such an one, and bringest me into judgment with thee? 4 **Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one,**" 14:1-4.

Isaiah is inspired to proclaim, "But we are all as an unclean thing, and **all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags**; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away," Isa. 64:6.

This means that all of our own attempts to keep the commandments under our own strength and power, the strength and power of the flesh, is nothing more than filthy rags.

The Apostle Paul also reveals that there is a law of sin in the flesh, "For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin. 15 For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I. 16 If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good. 17 Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. 18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for

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to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not. 19 For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do. 20 Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. 21 **I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.** 22 For I delight in the law of Yahweh after the inward man: 23 **But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members,**" Ro. 7:14-23.

We have no ability, of our own selves, to perfectly fulfill Yahweh's

covenant, His ten commandments. We who are unclean through sin in the flesh, have no ability to make ourselves clean. The Prophet Jeremiah declares, "Thus saith Yahweh; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from Yahweh. 6 For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited. 7 Blessed is the man that trusteth in Yahweh, and whose hope Yahweh is. 8 For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit. 9 **The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?**" Jer. 17:9.

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Paul reveals that even when we repent, are baptized in the saving name of Yahshua, and receive the Holy Spirit, we still have a struggle because of this law of sin in the flesh (Ro. 7, Gal. 5).

THE HELPLESSNESS OF THE TORAH

The book of Hebrews declares that the Torah was only a shadow, "For **the law 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," Heb. 10:1.

Please note that the term "the law" would actually be translated from the Hebrew as HaTorah (that is Ha [the] – Torah [law]).

Paul writes, "Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law (HaTorah), but by the faith of Yahshua the Messiah, even we have

believed in Yahshua the Messiah, that we might be justified by the faith of the Messiah, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified. 17 But if, while we seek to be justified by the Messiah, we ourselves also are found sinners, is therefore the Messiah the minister of sin? Yahweh forbid. 18 For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. 19 For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto Yahweh. 20 I am crucified with the Messiah: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but the Messiah liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of Elohim, who loved me, and gave himself for me. 21 I do not frustrate the grace of Yahweh: for **if righteousness come by the law, then the Messiah is dead in vain,**" Gal. 2:16-21.

He continues to write, "Is the law (HaTorah) then against the promises of Yahweh? Yahweh forbid: for **if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law.** 22 But the **scripture hath concluded all under sin**, that the promise by faith of Yahshua the Messiah might be given to them that believe. 23 But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed. 24 Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto the Messiah, that we might be justified by faith. 25 But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster. 26 For ye are all the children of Elohim by faith in the Messiah Yahshua. 27 For as many of you as have been baptized into the Messiah have put on the Messiah. 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in the Messiah Yahshua. 29 And if ye be the Messiah's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise," Gal. 3:21-29.

Furthermore, Moses placed the tables of testimony, the tables of the

covenant inside the ark of the covenant, and then put the mercy seat over it, "**And he took and put the testimony into the ark, and set the staves on the ark, and put the mercy seat above upon the ark:** 21 And he brought the ark into the tabernacle, and set up the vail of the covering, and covered the ark of the testimony; as Yahweh commanded Moses," Ex. 40:20-21.... "At that time Yahweh said unto me, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first, and come up unto me into the mount, and make thee an ark of wood. 2 And I will write on the tables the words that were in the first tables which thou brakest, and thou shalt put them in the ark. 3 And I made an ark of shittim wood, and hewed two tables of stone like unto the first, and went up into the mount, having the two tables in mine hand. 4 And he wrote on the tables, according to the first writing, the ten commandments, which Yahweh spake unto you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly: and Yahweh gave them unto me. 5 And I turned myself and came down from the mount, and **put the tables in**

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the ark which I had made; and there they be, as Yahweh commanded me," Dt. 10:1-5.

The law, the Torah was given to reveal to us our own helplessness in fulfilling the law, the Torah, which would, in turn, lead us to One greater than ourselves, the Messiah, "For the Messiah is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth," Ro. 10:4.

THE NEW COVENANT

Paul warns, "Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? 22 For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman. 23 But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the

freewoman was by promise. 24 Which things are an allegory: for **these are the two covenants**; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. 25 For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. 26 But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all. 27 For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband," Gal. 4:21-27.

Do you not understand? There are two covenants! There is the covenant of Moses, and there is the covenant of Yahshua! The covenant of Moses was doomed to failure no matter how many times it may have been renewed because it was based on two promises, Yahweh's, Who is faithful, and man's, who is always unfaithful.

What does Yahweh declare concerning the New Covenant? "Behold, the days come, saith Yahweh, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: 32 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith Yahweh: 33 But **this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith Yahweh, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts**; and will be their Elohim, and they shall be my people. 34 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know Yahweh: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith Yahweh: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more," Jer. 31:31-34.

Jeremiah 31:31-34 is repeated in the book of Hebrews to show that the covenant of Moses failed because of them (Israel), "But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by

how much also **he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.** 7 **For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.** 8 **For finding fault with them,** he saith, Behold, the days come, saith Yahweh, when **I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah,**" Heb. 8:6-8.

You see, Moses placed the tables of the covenant, the tables with the ten commandments written upon them, into the ark of the covenant, covering it with the mercy seat to reveal to us that the only One Who had power over the law was Yahweh Himself. The mercy seat was placed over the tables because Yahweh would have to administer mercy to His people above all because He knew that they would fail.

Paul reveals, "Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before Yahweh. 20 Therefore **by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.** 21 **But now the righteousness of Yahweh without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets;** 22 **Even the righteousness of Yahweh which is by faith of Yahshua the Messiah unto all and upon all them that believe:** for there is no difference: 23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of Yahweh; 24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in the Messiah Yahshua: 25 Whom Yahweh hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of Yahweh; 26 To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Yahshua," Ro. 3:19-26.

He also records, "And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more

and more in knowledge and in all judgment; 10 That ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of the Messiah; 11 **Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Yahshua the Messiah, unto the glory and praise of God,"** Phil. 1:9-11.

Again, he writes, "Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Master. To write the same things to you, to me indeed is not grievous, but for you it is safe. 2 Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the concision. 3 For we are the circumcision, which worship Yahweh in the spirit, and rejoice in the Messiah Yahshua, and have no confidence in the flesh. 4 Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more: 5 Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee; 6 Concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blame-

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less. 7 But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for the Messiah. 8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of the Messiah Yahshua my Master: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win the Messiah, 9 And be found in him, **not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of the Messiah, the righteousness which is of Yahweh by faith:** 10 That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death; 11 If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead," Phil. 3:1-11.

In Titus we read, "For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another. 4 But after that the kindness and love of Yahweh our Saviour toward man appeared, 5 **Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us,** by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Spirit; 6 Which he shed on us abundantly through Yahshua the Messiah our Saviour; 7 That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life," Titus 3:3-7.

MY NEW NAME

So now, having all these facts put together, what is Yahshua's new name? Jeremiah reveals it, "Woe be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! saith Yahweh. 2 Therefore thus saith Adonai Yahweh of Israel against the pastors that feed my people; Ye have scattered my flock, and driven them away, and have not visited them: behold, I will visit upon you the evil of your doings, saith Yahweh. 3 And I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all countries whither I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds; and they shall be fruitful and increase. 4 And I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them: and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall they be lacking, saith Yahweh. 5 Behold, the days come, saith Yahweh, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. 6 In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby **he shall be called, YAHWEH OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.** 7 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith Yahweh, that they shall no more say, Yahweh liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; 8 But, Yahweh liveth, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north

country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land,” Jer. 23:1-8.

The name here in the Hebrew is YAHWEH TSIDQENUW!

Yahshua is the One Who wrote the commandments on the tables of stone with His own finger! He is the One Who gave these righteous commandments to Moses and Israel! But the record shows that Israel was not faithful, therefore Yahweh, Himself, will write His laws on our hearts and minds through Yahshua and the Holy Spirit that is given by Him.

Ezekiel witnesses that the whole house of Israel, both Judah and Israel will be resurrected from their graves sometime in the future. Yahweh will then make His own Spirit available to them and they will then walk in accordance with His word. This is found in Ezekiel chapter 37. These all died not knowing Yahshua or Who He was, is, and will be. They thought that they had lost out on their inheritance (v.11). But Yahweh is faithful to His word that He promised to the fathers Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Israel.

Yahshua’s new name that He will be known by is YAHWEH TSIDKENUW, Yahweh our righteousness!

This will also be the name of the city of Jerusalem, “Moreover the word of Yahweh came unto Jeremiah the second time, while he was yet shut up in the court of the prison, saying, 2 Thus saith Yahweh the maker thereof, Yahweh that formed it, to establish it; Yawheh is his name; 3 Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not. 4 For thus saith Yawheh, the Elohim of Israel, concerning the houses of this city, and concerning the houses of the kings of Judah, which are thrown down by the mounts, and by the sword; 5 They come to fight with the Chaldeans, but it is to fill them with the dead bodies of men, whom I have slain in mine anger and in my fury, and for all whose wicked-

ness I have hid my face from this city. 6 Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth. 7 And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to return, and will build them, as at the first. 8 And I will cleanse them from all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against me; and I will pardon all their iniquities, whereby they have sinned, and whereby they have transgressed against me. 9 And it shall be to me a name of joy, a praise and an honour before all the nations of the earth, which shall hear all the good that I do unto them: and they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it. 10 Thus saith Yahweh; Again there shall be heard in this place, which ye say shall be desolate without man and without beast, even in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, that are desolate, without man, and without inhabitant, and without beast, 11 The voice of joy, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the voice of

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them that shall say, Praise Yahweh of hosts: for Yahweh is good; for his mercy endureth for ever: and of them that shall bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of Yawheh. For I will cause to return the captivity of the land, as at the first, saith Yahweh. 12 Thus saith Yahweh of hosts; Again in this place, which is desolate without man and without beast, and in all the cities thereof, shall be an habitation of shepherds causing their flocks to lie down. 13 In the cities of the mountains, in the cities of the vale, and in the cities of the south, and in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, shall the flocks pass again under the hands of him that telleth them, saith

Yahweh. 14 Behold, the days come, saith Yahweh, that I will perform that good thing which I have promised unto the house of Israel and to the house of Judah. 15 In those days, and at that time, will I cause the Branch of righteousness to grow up unto David; and he shall execute judgment and righteousness in the land. 16 In those days shall Judah be saved, and Jerusalem shall dwell safely: and **this is the name wherewith she shall be called, Yahweh our righteousness,**” Jer. 33:1-16.

That is Yahweh Tsidqenuw!

This is Yahshua’s new name, His new authority, character, and honor!

You see, in Genesis chapter one, only the Hebrew word Elohim is utilized, but Yahweh Elohim appears in chapter two. He is spoken of as Yahweh El-Elyon in Gen. 14:22. He is revealed as Dabar-Yahweh (the Word of Yahweh) in Gen. 15:1. In Genesis 15:8 he is addressed as Adonai Yahweh by Abram. In Genesis 16:7 He is Malak Yahweh (the Angel of Yahweh). In Genesis 21:33 He is revealed as Yahweh El Olam. In Genesis 22:14 He becomes Yahweh Yireh (Yahweh Who Provides). In Gen. 24:48 He is Eth-Yahweh Elohi. The **Eth**, has to do with the first and last letters of the Hebrew alphabet, the Aleph (א), and Tau (ט). In Ex. 15:3 He is called Yahweh Iysh Milchamah (Yahweh a man of war). In Ex. 15:26 He is revealed as Yahweh Rapha (Yahweh Who Heals). In Ex. 17:15 He is revealed as Yahweh Nissi (Yahweh my Banner). He is Yahweh Sabaoth (Yahweh of Hosts), He became Yahshua (Yahweh our Savior). There are many more titles that go with His wondrous name.

All praise be to Him and our wondrous Father! Let him who can receive this, receive it and rejoice, and he who can’t receive it, receive it not.

THE PASSOVER COUNTERFEIT CALLED EASTER

Sunrise worship services, bunny rabbits, Easter eggs, Easter ham, hot cross buns, do these things honor the resurrected Savior? If we research into the way Easter is observed today, comparing it with the originally commanded Passover, what do you think we will find? Let's take a look to see.

By Jerry Healan

Should a New Testament believer observe Easter or Passover? We know that the Jews observe the Passover, but that was part of the Old Testament. What does a New Testament believer have to do with the Old Testament? Isn't the Old Testament done away? If such is true, then why did Paul write, "Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even **the Messiah our Passover** is sacrificed for us?" (1 Cor. 5:7)

The evangel accounts reveal that Yahshua died on Passover day, the very day and afternoon that the Passover lambs were being slain. When they took Yahshua to the Judgment Hall to hand Him over to Pilate, the people wouldn't enter into the hall because they didn't want to be defiled and therefore not be able to eat the Passover (Jn. 18:28). Pilate customarily released a prisoner to the Jews on Passover day. He sought to release Yahshua, but the Jews called for His death and wanted one named Barabbas to be released instead (Jn. 18:38-40). When Pilate brought Yahshua forth to the people, it was the preparation day. The fourteenth day of the month was the day of preparation. This was the same day that Israel slew the Passover lambs in Egypt in anticipation of their deliverance out of the house of bondage (Ex. 12).

But one might say, Well, Easter is mentioned in the book of Acts, "Now about that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the assembly. And he killed James the brother of John with the

sword. And because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also. (Then were the days of unleavened bread.) And when he had apprehended him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quarters of soldiers to keep him; intending after **Easter** to bring him forth to the people," 12:1-4.

Hmmmm... If we just look at what is written here on the surface, not searching the matter out, then we would have to admit, Sure enough! There it is! But if we go to the Greek word from which Easter has been translated, we find that the Greek

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word is *pascha*. A little further check will reveal that in every place where **the word Passover** appears in the New Testament, **it is translated from the Greek word *pascha***. Therefore, if you want your Scriptures to be consistent, you need to change the word Easter in Acts 12:4 to Passover. This was a blatant attempt to justify the observance of Easter by King James and his scholarly interpreters.

Easter is never mentioned in the Scriptures, neither Old Testament, nor New Testament, as a day or time to observe. The name Easter comes from a Germanic pagan goddess named Eostre, which is very similar to the

forbidden pagan queen of heaven named Ishtar. Her name is shown to be pronounced as both Ishtar (eashter) and Istar (easter). The latter rendering would be perfectly equivalent to the modern day version Easter.

Ishtar's consort was her son, lover, husband Tammuz who died and rose annually as a vegetation god. (*Encyclopedia Britannica* 14th Edition, Volumes 12 and 21, articles Ishtar and Tammuz)

Yahweh condemned their worship. Yahweh told the Prophet Jeremiah, "Seest thou not what they do in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem? The children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead their dough, to make cakes to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto other gods, that they may provoke me to anger. Do they provoke me to anger? saith Yahweh: **do they not provoke themselves to the confusion of their own faces?**" Jer. 7:17-19.

THE SANHEDRIN

Furthermore, Ezekiel, who was among the captives taken to Babylon, was shown in vision what was going on in the Temple of Yahweh at Jerusalem (Ez. 8:1-3). He was shown the image of jealousy at the north gate, and then was taken to the door of the temple where there was a hole in the wall. Ezekiel was told to dig into the wall where he found a door. He was told to go in and behold the wicked abominations that were going on there. (vv. 3-9).

Ezekiel continues, "So I went in and saw; and behold every form of creeping things, and abominable beasts, and all the idols of the house of Israel, pourtrayed upon the wall round about. And there stood before them **seventy men of the ancients of the house of Israel**, and in the midst of them stood Jaazaniah the son of Shaphan, with every man his censer in his hand; and a thick cloud of incense went up. Then said he unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? For they say, Yahweh seeth us not; Yahweh hath forsaken the earth," Ez. 8:10-12.

These seventy ancients or elders of the house of Israel are nothing more than the Sanhedrin. They were the ones who were the supreme religious body of Israel. Yahweh had told Moses to choose out seventy men who were to accompany him, Aaron, and Aaron's sons Nadab and Abihu into the mount to see the Elohim of Israel (Ex. 24:1, 9-11).

In Numbers 16 Moses had complained about the burden of Israel being on his shoulders, so Yahweh told him to choose seventy elders and bring them before the tabernacle of the congregation. He said that He would take of the spirit of Moses that was on him and also put a portion of it on the seventy elders so they would also bear the burdens of the children of Israel with him. (Num. 16:16-17)

This body of elders had continued down to Jeremiah's and Ezekiel's day making important spiritual, or religious rulings for the kingdom of Judah. These men are shown to have greatly corrupted leading Judah to worship great abominations rather than Yahweh, the Elohim of Israel.

TAMMUZ

Ezekiel continues, "He said also unto me, Turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations that they do. Then he brought me to the door of the gate of Yahweh's house which was toward the north; and, be-

hold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz," Ez. 8:13-14.

The *Encyclopedia Britannica* has this to say, "Tammuz, a Sumerian, Babylonian and Assyrian god, who died and rose annually...There are many titles of the youthful god, loved by his sister, the earth and heaven goddess, Innini (**Ishtar**), who descends yearly into Aralû (underworld) at the time of his death to bring him back to earth in her bosom...He is described as the shepherd who left his flocks, **as shepherds sat in fields wailing for Tammuz**...It is obvious that a cult which is **based upon the death and resurrection of a propitiating god**, and upon the love of a divine mother who wails for her son, has direct connection with the facts and the theological views based upon them, which gave **birth to Christianity**. But **the form of the cult which apparently most directly affected the origins of Christianity is that in which Marduk of Babylon was identified with Tammuz**. At the Nisan or new year festival at Babylon, Bêl (Marduk) was said to have been imprisoned in the lower world, and a

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priestess weeps at his sepulcher. A malefactor was slain with Bêl and they descend together to the land of darkness. Beltis, his wife, descends to hell to seek him, and Bêl's garments are given Ishtar (mother of Tammuz). Bêl was laid in a sepulcher, from which he soon comes forth...**That the cult had direct influence upon the origins of Christianity cannot be denied**, and the Greek cult of Adonis owes its essential content to the Sumerian Tammuz." (14th edition, Vol. 21, pp. 776-777)

It says that this cult is based on a "propitiating god." To propitiate simply means to atone, or the atonement, the covering of sins. The obvious con-

clusion here is that Satan the devil, that old serpent that has deceived the whole world (Rev. 12:9), has done just that.

The women of Judah were sitting at the door of Yahweh's house weeping for Tammuz. The priesthood and Sanhedrin had become corrupted and were feeding the people falsehoods, false Babylonian religious ideals that venerated Bel of Babylon who is none other than Ba'al of the land of Canaan. Christianity has been deceived to follow these same teachings!

SUNRISE SERVICES

Yahweh continued, "Then said he unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man? Turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations than these. And he brought me into the inner court of Yahweh's house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of Yahweh, between the porch and the altar, were about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of Yahweh, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east. Then he said unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man? Is it a light thing to the house of Judah that they commit the abominations which they commit here? for they have filled the land with violence, and have returned to provoke me to anger: and, lo, **they put the branch to their nose**," Ez. 8:15-17.

The east, of course, is where the sun rises. Yahweh's tabernacle and temple were built so that the entrance into the temple was facing east which forced the worshipper to turn away from the east and face toward the west (typifying repentance). The pagan sun worshippers always faced toward the east to worship because their false pagan religions, while filled with many abominable gods, were nothing more than the worship of the host of heaven making the sun and moon the primary objects of adoration. This practice of facing east for early morning prayer is practiced daily by modern day Rabbinic Judaism. The excuse is that they are praying toward Jerusalem, but one could just as easily face

west to pray toward Jerusalem. In other words, nothing has changed since the days of Jeremiah and Ezekiel. The appearance is that they are being Torah observant when Yahweh reveals that such is simply not the case.

Notice that it says “they put the branch to their nose.” This is dealt with in the writings of the prophet Isaiah who declares, “In that day shall his strong cities be as a forsaken bough, and an uppermost branch, which they left because of the children of Israel: and there shall be desolation. **Because thou hast forgotten the Elohim of thy salvation, and hast not been mindful of the rock of thy strength**, therefore shalt thou plant pleasant plants, and **shalt set it with strange slips**: In the day shalt thou make thy plant to grow, and in the morning shalt thou make thy seed to flourish: but the harvest shall be a heap in the day of grief and of desperate sorrow,” Isa. 17:9-11.

The Hebrew for the word “slips” is the exact same word that has been translated as “branch” in the above quotation from the book of Ezekiel. What Yahweh is saying is that the Israelites were going to serve strange branches of salvation. In the article from the *Encyclopedia Britannica*, look at all of the false pagan deities that represent Tammuz. There is Marduk, Bêl, Adonis. Then there is Ishtar, the female pagan goddess who represents Easter, Isis, Ashtaroath, Astarte, the queen of heaven and many other pagan female deities. Bêl represented the sun while Ishtar represented the moon, which reflects the light of the sun.

The shepherds and the women wailed and wept for Tammuz because of his death. But around the vernal equinox they began to rejoice because the spring brought back the dead vegetation. Tammuz revived and they all faced the east in order to rejoice at the resurrection of Tammuz (Istar/Easter sunrise services).

CONFUSION

Yahweh said that the children of Israel provoked themselves to the confusion of their own faces (Jer. 7:19). The Hebrew word for confusion is *bosheth* (tcb). It comes from another Hebrew word that is utilized in Genesis 2:25 which says, “And they were naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed (*buwsh/cwb*). *Buwsh* is #954 in the Hebrew lexicon of *Strong’s Exhaustive Concordance* and is defined as: a primitive root; properly, to pale, i.e. by implication to be ashamed; also (by implication) to be disappointed or delayed. *Bosheth* is #1322 and is defined as: **from 954**; shame (the feeling and the condition, as well as its cause); by implication (specifically) an idol.

To practice idolatry brings one to shame. It confounds and confuses a person with half-truths, lies and deceit. You see, Idolatry always falls short of that which is true even though it may look like it is the real thing.

What people need to realize is the Satan is a deceiver. He is very, very subtle. He is able to deceive people into practicing something similar to, a

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counterfeit of that which is true. They think that they are practicing the truth but his ways are always counterfeit and false.

In the article on Tammuz from the *Encyclopedia Britannica*, a malefactor is slain with Tammuz, but there were two malefactors slain with Yahshua, the true Savior and Redeemer (Mat. 27:38). Satan’s idolatrous paganism has fallen short.

Yahshua said that He would be in the grave three days and three nights, (Mt. 12:40), but the Easter worshippers have been confused to cut that time down to one day and two nights (order our article entitled *The Three Days and Three Nights* for more details).

Once again, Satan’s idolatrous paganism has fallen short of the intended goal.

Yahshua died in the afternoon of Passover day, was buried later that evening before sunset because the annual high day was drawing on (the 15th of Abib, which was to be observed by rest in similar fashion to the Sabbath). The day that He died would have been on the fourth day of the week (a Wednesday to the modern day world). His resurrection would have occurred at the end of the Sabbath (in the evening, Hebrew days go from about sunset to sunset) not early in the morning on the first day of the week. This, once again, reveals the confusion of those who have been deceived to serve Tammuz and Ishtar (Easter), rather than the true Savior Yahshua.

Yahshua commanded His disciples to observe His death at the Passover annually as a memorial rather than His resurrection (Mt. 26:17-29; Mk. 14:13-25; Lk. 22:7-20). Since He became our Passover sacrificed for us (1 Cor. 5:7), we should follow the example that He set annually partaking of the unleavened bread and cup which represent His flesh and blood.

Rabbits and eggs were utilized by the idolatrous pagans to represent fertility. Easter bunnies and eggs are simply items to cause our children to partake in these idolatrous things. There is no place in the Scriptures that encourage, nor justify such practices. Yahweh told Moses, “Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, I am Yahweh your Elohim. After the doings of the land of Egypt, wherein ye dwelt, shall ye not do: and after the doings of the land of Canaan, whither I bring you, shall ye not do: neither shall ye walk in their ordinances... And ye shall not walk in the manners of the nation, which I cast out before you: for they committed all these things, and therefore I abhorred them,” Lev. 18:2-3; 20:23.

Yahweh, through the Prophet

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Also, now the Hebrew: In beginning was the word, and the word was with (אֵצֶל = with, or beside) aleph and tau (אֱלֹהִים) Elohim and Elohim was he the word.

The Greek word *pros* (πρὸς), and the Hebrew word *etsel* (אֵצֶל) both mean the same thing. They both mean “with, by, or beside.” Yahshua prayed, “And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was,” Jn. 17:5. The Greek word “with” in Jn. 17:5 is *para* (Do these people not believe What the Scriptures say? Do they not believe what Yahshua said? How about you?

The Greek word *para* utilized in Jn. 17:5 is defined as: a primary preposition; properly, near; i.e. (with genitive case) from beside (literally or figuratively), (with dative case) at (or in) the vicinity of (objectively or subjectively), (with accusative case) **to the proximity with** (local (especially beyond or opposed to) or causal (on account of).

Again, the Hebrew word utilized in Jn. 17:5 is *etsel* (אֵצֶל). Shouldn't we confirm Scripture with Scripture first and foremost before we go to some extemporaneous works of men, especially Egyptian mythological garbage?

What these people are doing is attempting to reduce Yahshua to a neutered set discourse or plan, an “it”, and therefore, deny His esteem, honor, authority, character, Name as to Who He really is. (Please read the article “My New Name” to understand what I am saying here.)

The Greek word for “word” is *logos* (λόγος). I can't find anyplace in the Scriptures where it is translated as a “set discourse, or plan.” The Hebrew word for “word” is *dabar* (דָּבָר). I can't find anyplace in the Scriptures where it is translated as a “set discourse, or plan.” These people have introduced their own meanings for these words which no Greek, or Hebrew scholar, or interpreter has done.

He says that in verse two which says “**He** was in the beginning with God (Elohim),” the “He” should be translated as “it,” claiming that it was a deliberate mistranslation!

Hmmmm....Let's look at the Greek version of this verse:

οὗτος ἦν ἐν ἀρχῇ πρὸς τὸν θεόν.

He is saying that the Greek word *autos* should be translated as it.

Now let's look at the Hebrew translation:

:הוא היה בראשית אצל את האלהים:

The first Hebrew word in this sentence is *hu* (הוא), which is properly translated as “He.”

Let me ask this question, “Have these people been consistent by translating every instance where the Greek word *logos*, and the corresponding Hebrew word *dabar* appear in the Scriptures as “set discourse,” or “plan,” as they have done in John 1:1-4? I will venture to say, even though I do not possess a copy of this farcical work, nor do I desire a copy, that these people have followed suit and

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correctly translated wherever they appear in the rest of the Scriptures as “word,” “sayings,” etc.

HOUTOS

He claims that the word “He” in Jn. 1:2 should be translated as “it because the Greek word *houtos* (οὗτος) is employed. But remember, we are speaking of the One Who “was made,” or “became flesh” (v. 14).

So let's take a look at how this word is utilized elsewhere. “For this (οὗτος) is he that was spoken of by the

prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,” Mt. 3:3.

We know that this is speaking of John the Baptist, so should this word be translated as “it”? We know better than that don't we?

“And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This (οὗτος) is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased,” Mt. 3:17.

They have already made Yahshua (THE WORD) an “it” in Jn. 1:2, so have they done the same thing here?

“Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so (οὗτος), he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same (οὗτος) shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven,” Mt. 5:19.

“So” is translated from the same word but the *sigma* (ς) is left off.

“But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this (οὗτος), that even the winds and the sea obey him!” Mt. 8:27.

“And there was a cloud that overshadowed them: and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, This (οὗτος) is my beloved Son: hear him (αὐτος),” Mk. 9:7.

The examples are too many to quote, but both Greek words *houtos* and *autos* are utilized in Jn. 1:1-4 concerning the Word/logos/dabar that became flesh. You can reduce Yahshua to an “it” but we absolutely refuse to do so and will resist all efforts of others who do such.

THE WORD OF YAHWEH

Did you know that the Word of Yahweh appeared to Abraham/Abram? “After these things the **Word of Yahweh** came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward. 2 And Abram said, **Adonai Yahweh**, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of

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my house is this Eliezer of Damascus? 3 And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house is mine heir. 4 And, behold, the **Word of Yahweh** came unto him, saying, This shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir," Gen. 15:1-4.

Even when he was Abram, Abraham recognized the Word of Yahweh as Adonai (Sovereign, Master, Lord) Yahweh!

Interestingly, in the Hebrew the article "the" is not utilized, but the Hebrew term appears as דְּבַר־יְהוָה. With the connecting dash (-), this means that these two words actually go together as one of the names for Yahweh. The term Adonai Yahweh (יְהוָה אֲדֹנָי) does not have the connecting dash.

Dabar-Yahweh (דְּבַר־יְהוָה) is the One Who created all things by speaking them into existence! This was one of Yahshua's names before He was born in the flesh. This is what John was addressing because the idea that eventually became Arianism was already being taught in his day and he was resisting their teachings by revealing the truth.

Arius was an heretic who taught that Yahshua was created, that He did not pre-exist. Arianism is alive and well in the assemblies to this day, and it is an abominable teaching that discredits what the Scriptures, themselves, reveal about Yahshua! Those who uphold this teaching should carefully review their belief on this matter. The proof of the Scriptures is definitely not in their favor.

John says that this Word of Yahweh (דְּבַר־יְהוָה) became flesh and dwelt among us (Jn. 1:14), and we beheld His glory as the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. He was in the world and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not. He came to His own and His own received Him not (v. 10-11).

Please listen to me! His honor, authority, character, and therefore name, is being denied today by many who claim, profess that He is their Savior! Arius did that!

John didn't stop there! In the book of First John he writes, "That which was **from the beginning**, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of **the Word of life**; 2 (For **the life was manifested**, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you **that eternal life, which was with the Father**, and was manifested unto us;) 3 That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Yahshua the Messiah," 1 Jn. 1-3.

John wanted us to know that Dabar-Yahweh (known commonly in English as "the Word of Yahweh") had appeared to Him and others! He declares that they saw, looked upon, and handled this Dabar-Yahweh! He wanted us to know that ETERNAL

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LIFE had appeared and was with them!

I do not want to stand in condemnation of these others, but I must be in the process of teaching, declaring, and warning myself, you, and them that if we can receive these things, then we will become the Sons of Elohim, "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of Elohim, even to them that believe on his name," Jn. 1:12.

Please read the article entitled "My New Name," it will reveal to you the true meaning of the Hebrew word for "name." To deny these things is to deny Him, and He warned, "Whosoever therefore shall confess

me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. 33 But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven," Mt. 10:32-33.

Yahshua is the Word of Yahweh (דְּבַר־יְהוָה). John is in agreement with Psalms 33:6 which says, "**By the word of Yahweh were the heavens made**; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth."

Again, this is the One Who pre-existed as the Word of Yahweh, and became flesh in the days of the apostles to dwell among them and do His great works!

THE SON

The Hebrew is the language of revelation. It is the language that Moses, the prophets, and the psalmists wrote in, except for a smattering of Aramaic.

Paul says that all things must go to the Jew first and then to the Gentile or Greek (Ro. 1:16; 2:9-10). Thus, the New Testament Scriptures, believe it or not, were written first in Hebrew, since that is what the Jews are, and then converted to other languages later.

The Hebrew word for "word" is *dabar* (דָּבָר), that is *dalet* (ד), *beit* (ב), *resh* (ר).

The Hebrew letters not only make up words, but they are utilized for numbers and they also represent pictures. The most ancient Hebrew is called Pictorial Hebrew. That is the Hebrew in which Moses wrote the Torah.

The *dalet* (ד) pictorially represents a door. The *beit* (ב) pictorially represents a tent, temple, dwelling, family, etc. The *resh* (ר) pictorially represents a head.

When we speak a word, the word comes from our mouth, which is the door to our dwelling, our house, which is also located in our head. The word originates from our brain, which

is hidden in our heads (thankfully).

But on a spiritual level, and when the Word comes from Yahweh, it may originate with the Father, Who is the head, but the Son is the One Who does the work.

Yahshua said that He is the “door” (ד), “Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep,” Jn. 10:7b.

He is the head of the body, “And he is the head of the body, the assembly: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence,” Col. 1:18.

We are one body, one dwelling, one tabernacle in Yahshua, “For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office: 5 So we, being many, are one body in the Messiah, and every one members one of another,” Ro. 12:4-5.

Yes, it is true that the Father is Yahshua’s head, but Yahshua is our head, “But I would have you know, that the head of every man is the Messiah; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of the Messiah is Yahweh,” 1 Cor. 11:3.

Yahshua is the door to the head of the house, the body of believers, the family of Elohim. He, therefore, is the Word/*dabar* (דבר).

But the last two letters, the *beit* (ב) and *resh* (ר), make up another important Hebrew word. They make up the Hebrew word *bar* (בר), which is a word for “son!”

Yahshua became Yahweh’s only begotten Son when He emptied Himself of the power and esteem that He had in the heavens, “Let this mind be in you, which was also in the Messiah Yahshua: 6 Who, being in the form of Elohim, thought it not robbery to be equal with Elohim: 7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: 8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. 9 Wherefore Yahweh also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: 10 That at the name of Yahshua every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; 11 And that every tongue should confess that Yahshua the Mes-

siah is Sovereign (Adonai), to the glory of Yahweh the Father,” Phil 2:5-11).

He is now the Son/Bar (בר), Who is the Door (ד). Put it all together and we have the Hebrew word for “word,” *Dabar* (דבר)!

This is the Word Who spoke all things into existence! He is the One, the Word, Who was with (beside) Elohim/Yahweh, and Who also is Elohim/Yahweh. That is what John is witnessing to in John 1:1-18.

He is the Word of Yahweh (יהוה דבר/Dabar-Yahweh).

Do you believe this? Can you believe this? The proofs are rife in the Scriptures. If you don’t or can’t believe these things, then you will lose out on the opportunity to become a son of Elohim. You will be labeled as one who denies Yahshua, an unbeliever.

Will this commentary change anyone’s mind on these things? We truly hope so, but if not, at least we have published the truth, and call a spade a spade.

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Jeremiah, decreed, “Learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them. For the customs of the people are vain,” Jer. 10:2-3.

It is stated, “For I am Yahweh, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed,” Mal. 3:6. “Yahshua the Messiah the same yesterday, and today, and forever,” Heb. 13:8.

Yahshua came to do the Father’s will, “Yahshua saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work...For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me...And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will

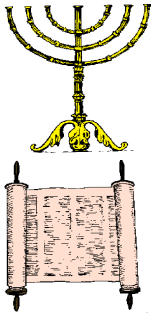
raise him up at the last day,” Jn. 4:34; 6:38; 6:40.

His followers should be following His example, not the practices of the idolaters.

Are you beginning to see the confusion that the world has been deceived to follow? For those who continue to follow the false idolatrous pagan ways, there is only confusion and shame of face. Satan, the god of this world (2 Cor. 4:4), the prince of the power of the air (Eph. 2:2) has, and is certainly fulfilling the Scriptures written about him! He began to lie and deceive in the Garden of Eden and He continues to fulfill those deceptive practices to this day (Rev. 12:9).

Are you following his deceptive, idolatrous, pagan, heathenistic practices? If you are observing Easter then you certainly are deceived by him,

and doing so. We know that the great majority of today’s world will deny what is written here and continue to observe his false, deceptive practices because they do not love the truth (2 Thes. 2:1-12, esp. verses 11-12). But this is written for those who will receive the truth and turn and embrace it to everlasting life. For those who continue in those things read the verses in 2 Thessalonians 2:1-12 again. Remember what happened to the pre-flood world. Remember what happened to Babel. Remember what happened to Sodom and Gomorrah. Remember what happened to Israel, Yahweh’s chosen people. We stand at the end of an age when the kingdom of heaven will soon appear. Prepare yourself by turning away from the prince and god of this world and his deceptive practices. Save yourselves from this untoward generation!



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