

A large, powerful nuclear explosion is the central visual element. A massive, billowing cloud of white and yellow smoke and fire rises from the ground, forming a large, rounded top. Below this, a column of fire and smoke descends, creating a shape reminiscent of a nuclear mushroom cloud. The base of the explosion is surrounded by a dark, flat landscape, possibly a desert or a coastal area, with some distant structures visible. The sky is a deep blue, and the overall scene is set against a dark, reddish-brown background.

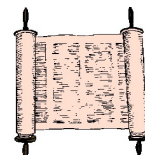
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is dedicated to His bride. Yahshua will be returning soon to receive His own unto Himself (Jn. 14:3). His bride must make herself ready (Rev. 19:7). A person who is called out of this world by the Father, who repents of his/her sins, is baptized in 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 have utilized the atomic mushroom cloud in this issue to highlight the article on Satan's drug sorcery, but there is also the matter of the article on page 4 entitled Who, What is Leviathan? Our troubles in today's world stem from events that took place with the first man Adam, and also Israel's failure to fulfill their part of the covenant made with their Elohim Yahweh. The Tree of Life-Tree of Death article also fits in quite well with the other two articles.

SPECIAL NOTE!!!!: Due to a computer glitch, our last magazine became somewhat scrambled. It was not realized until a sister called from South Carolina to inform us of the matter. The article entitled "An Answer to Why Hebrew?" is in the following order: Page 7 is continued on Page 10; Page 11 is continued on Page 8; Page 9 is continued on Page 12. We certainly apologize for this inconvenience.

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AMERICA, A NATION IN DECLINE

Presidential candidate Barak Hussein Obama ran his initial campaign on CHANGE! The outcry was “Yes we can!” His words sank into the hearts of so many people young and old, rich and poor. During Jimmy Carter’s administration, the nation began a quick downward slide. Double digit inflation was killing us, among so many other things. Ronald Reagan’s administration seemingly brought that downward slide to an end. However, George H. W. Bush’s, Bill Clinton’s, and George W. Bush’s administrations were bringing the nation to another downward slide. At the end of George W. Bush’s administration, the nation was 4 trillion dollars in debt. Everyone knew that the end was in sight, that if we continued with the same policies established by those and other former administrations, the nation was going to face a dreadful future. Enter Mr. Obama....

The messages of “Yes we can” and “CHANGE” were “just words,” EMPTY “words!” People were looking to Barak H. Obama for the salvation of the nation. When we entrust ourselves, our families, our nation to mere men, the result is disaster. There are, of course, many past examples to look to if we really want to know what is happening, and going to happen. Since our nation was supposedly established on “Biblical” principles, maybe we should look to the Scriptures for one of the best examples of a people so much like ourselves, that in reality, we, many of us, are their descendants, and have patterned our lives in the exact same manner! Let’s allow a prophet to declare it to us, “The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth: for Yahweh hath spoken, I have nourished and brought up children, and they have rebelled against me. The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass his master’s crib: but Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider. Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken Yahweh, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are gone away backward. **Why should ye be stricken any more? ye will revolt more and more: the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint. From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; but wounds, and bruises, and putrifying sores:** they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with ointment,” Isa. 1:1-6.

If you will remember, Israel was divided into two nations after King Solomon’s reign, that is, northern Israel, and southern Judah. Both became so wicked, so evil, so sick that they had to be removed as kingdoms. Many of the Jewish descendants are living among us today, as well as many of the Israelites (northern Israel). Their ways haven’t really changed, nor have the Gentiles (non-Hebrews).

Our forefather Adam was given every chance for success. He was living in a most beautiful, harmonious, productive, peaceful situation, but he disobeyed His Maker and set the stage for all of his descendants, whether Hebrew, or Gentile. We all follow his example whether we like to admit it or not. In essence, he committed suicide. He was warned not to take of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil because to do so would bring the death process upon himself. The pattern is such that men build, only to destroy. The reality is revealed in small children who like to take blocks of various kinds, build various structures, and then rejoice in tearing it all down. Such is the story of the descendants of Adam. They build kingdoms, businesses, families, etc., only to tear them down, break them apart, so as to begin again. This is actually the motto of the Freemasons to wit: Ordo Ab Chao, that is, “Order out of, or from chaos.” In other words, they build, bring to chaos, so they can build again.

Ruins of great unknown kingdoms have been found all over the earth. All kingdoms have either failed, or are in the process of failing. As for America, it is a nation that has revolted against her Maker Yahweh. The sickness is seen from the HEAD (President, Congress, and Judicial system) to the SOLES OF THE FEET (that is the poorest of the land)! So many people proclaim that America is the last hope for the world and stability. Where is America’s stability today? Where is the world’s stability? America has failed! The world has failed. From the time of Cain, man, the world has been in a weapon’s race. There are now so many ways to destroy this world, many, many, many times over. Man has always created weapons to use on his enemies, but today’s weapons not only will destroy the enemy, but also those who utilize them. The situation, left to mankind (Adam kind) is hopeless!

The good news is that there is a second Adam. His name is Yahshua the Messiah. When the time is right, He will be sent to this earth to establish the kingdom of (or from) heaven. Our only hope IS NOT in America! Our only hope is in Yahshua the Messiah! Presently, the world is blinded to this, but the time is coming when it will all be revealed. As for Yahweh’s people, it is our duty to continue to publish the truths about Him and His only begotten Son Who is the Savior and Redeemer of all who will receive Him. The Scriptures speak of and reveal the blessedness of His kingdom, the happiness, joy, peace, and productivity of the earth in the near future. Even so, MAY HIS KINGDOM COME!!!!

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WHAT/WHO IS LEVIATHAN!

Who or what is leviathan? This creature/being/thing is spoken of in the Scriptures, but very little is mentioned concerning it. Let's see if we can figure this creature out with a little in-depth perusal of the Scriptures, concordances, etc.

By Jerry Healan

Yahweh asks Job, "Canst thou draw out Leviathan with an hook, or his tongue with a cord which thou lettest down? Canst thou put an hook into his nose, or bore his jaw through with a thorn? Will he make many supplications unto thee? Will he speak soft words unto thee? Will he make a covenant with thee? Wilt thou take him for a servant for ever? Wilt thou play with him as with a bird? Or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens? Shall the companions make a banquet of him? Shall they part him among the merchants? Canst thou fill his skin with barbed irons? Or his head with fish spears? Lay thine hand upon him, remember the battle, do no more. Behold, the hope of him is in vain: shall not one be cast down even at the sight of him? None is so fierce that dare stir him up: who then is able to stand before me?" Job 41:1-10.

What kind of creature is this that is described to be so fierce?

Most people have no idea that the word Leviathan appears twice in the book of Job. The first reference is found in Job 3:8 which says, "Let them curse it that curse the day, who are ready to raise up their mourning."

"Mourning" is translated from the Hebrew word "Leviathan!" What does this mean? Let's begin at verse one to see if we can possibly figure some of it out, "After this opened Job his mouth, and cursed his day. And Job spake, and said, Let the day perish wherein I was born, and the night in which it was said, There is a man child conceived. Let that day be darkness; let not Elohim regard it from above, neither let the light shine upon it. Let darkness and the shadow of death stain it; let a cloud

dwell upon it; let the blackness of the day terrify it. As for that night, let darkness seize upon it; let it not be joined unto the days of the year, let it not come into the number of the months. Lo, let that night be solitary, let no joyful voice come therein. Let them curse it that curse the day, who are ready to raise up their mourning (Leviathan). Let the stars of the twilight thereof be dark; let it look for light, but have none; neither let it see the dawning of the day: Because it shut not up the doors of my mother's womb, nor hid sorrow from mine eyes. Why died I not from the womb? why did I not give up the spirit when I came out of the belly? Why did the knees prevent me? or why the breasts that I should suck? For now should I have lain

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still and been quiet, I should have slept: then had I been at rest, With kings and counsellors of the earth, which built desolate places for themselves; Or with princes that had gold, who filled their houses with silver: Or as an hidden untimely birth I had not been; as infants which never saw light. There the wicked cease from troubling; and there the weary be at rest. There the prisoners rest together; they hear not the voice of the oppressor. The small and great are there; and the servant is free from his master. Wherefore is light given to him that is in misery,

and life unto the bitter in soul; Which long for death, but it cometh not; and dig for it more than for hid treasures; Which rejoice exceedingly, and are glad, when they can find the grave?" vv. 1-22.

Isn't Job lamenting the day of his birth? Why? Because of all of the troubles that Satan has been allowed to bring upon him!? Remember that at the beginning of the book of Job, Satan appears before Yahweh among the sons of Elohim. He challenges Yahweh to take away Job's protective hedge, take away all of his possessions, and he would curse Yahweh to His face (Job. 1:11-12). Yahweh put Job into Satan's hands and he happily proceeded to take away all of Job's possessions, but instead of cursing Yahweh, he blessed Him.

Chapter two reveals that there was another day that Satan appeared before Yahweh with the sons of Elohim wherein he challenges Yahweh to touch Job's bone and flesh and he would then curse Him to His face, so Yahweh allows Satan to have control over Job's health. By the time Job's friends come on the scene to comfort him, Job is so miserable that he is wishing he had never been born and is expressing himself thusly.

I have a *Companion Bible* that also begins to present the verses of Job, beginning with chapter 3, verse 3 through chapter 42, verse 6 in a "A New Metrical Version." It renders Job 3:8 thusly, "Let those engaged in banning days curse this; Those ready e'en to rouse Leviathan."

Interestingly, the word "curse" appears twice in the *King James Version* verse, but it is translated from

two separate Hebrew words. The first is *naqab* which is defined as; to puncture, literally (to perforate, with more or less violence) or figuratively (to specify, designate, libel). It is variously translated as; appoint, blaspheme, bore, curse, express, with holes, **name**, pierce, strike through.

The second word is *'arar* which is defined as; to execrate. It is generally translated as; bitterly curse.

The "New Metrical Version would better be translated as, "Let those engaged in **naming** days **curse** this; Those ready e'en to rouse Leviathan."

They are engaged in cursing the days by naming them! The seven days of the week have all been given the names of pagan idols, pagan gods, by men. The only day that Yahweh ever named was the seventh day Sabbath. All of the rest were numbered one through six. Man honors his false gods by naming days and months after them. Yahweh commanded Israel, "And in all things that I have said unto you be circumspect: and make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of thy mouth," Ex. 23:13.

My how things have been twisted around! The names of the false pagan gods are mentioned every day, but it is presently the true name of the Creator, the name Yahweh, that is taken out of people's mouths. Notice the paradox. Yahweh forbids the names of the pagan gods to be spoken, those who love the pagan gods forbid Yahweh's name to be spoken.

Furthermore, when the names of the pagan gods are mentioned, Leviathan is raised up! The people are, in essence, raising up their mourning, because when the true Elohim is revealed from heaven, all nations are going to mourn, "And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth **mourn**, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory," Mt. 24:30.

THE SERPENT

The word Leviathan only appears about five times in the Scriptures, but the Prophet Isaiah gives us an excellent picture of this creature, this being. He prophesies, "Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast. For, behold, Yahweh cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain. In that day Yahweh with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish **Leviathan the piercing serpent**, even Leviathan **that crooked serpent**; and he shall slay **the dragon** that is in the sea," Isa. 26:20-21; 27:1.

"Piercing" is translated from the Hebrew word *bariach*, which is defined as; a fugitive, i.e. the serpent (as fleeing), and **the constellation** by that name. "Crooked" is translated from the Hebrew word *'aqallathown*, which is defined as; tortuous. Leviathan is none other

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than "the great dragon, that old serpent called the devil, and Satan which deceives the whole world (Rev. 12:9).

He is the same serpent who entered

into the Garden of Eden and deceived the woman into partaking of the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil which brought death not only upon Adam and Eve, but all of their descendants.

He is the liar from the beginning who, by his lie, has murdered all of mankind, "Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. **He was a murderer from the beginning**, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it," Jn. 8:44.

The word Leviathan is defined as; a **wreathed** animal, i.e. a serpent (especially the crocodile or some other large sea-monster); figuratively, **the constellation of the dragon**; also as **a symbol of Babylon**. (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*)

Have you ever wondered why a wreath is hung on the door of a home where a death has occurred? It is because Leviathan, the wreathed serpent, has been victorious!

Remember the curse on the serpent in the beginning? "And Yahweh Elohim said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and **dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life**," Gen. 3:14.

Then Yahweh told Adam, "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for **dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return**," Gen. 3:19.

Yahweh assigned man to be the serpent's food! How does the serpent eat mankind? Through lies, because lies murder, lies kill! He has the power of death over every man! That is how he consumes, eats them (us). **OUR ONLY WAY OF ESCAPE IS THROUGH THE MESSIAH YAHSHUA!**

THE WORD LEVIATHAN

The word Leviathan is a combination of two Hebrew words. The first

is *lavah*, which is #3867 in the Hebrew lexicon of *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance* and is defined as; **to twine**, i.e. (by implication) **to unite**, to remain; also **to borrow** (as a form of obligation) or (caus.) **to lend**.

The second Hebrew word is *tan*, which is #8567 in *Strong's* and is defined as; to elongate; a monster (as preternaturally formed), i.e. a sea-serpent (or other huge marine animal); also a jackal (or other hideous land animal).

Thus, Leviathan is the monster, or serpent (*tan*) that unites (*lavah*). Not only does the serpent unite us with death through his lies, but did you notice that Leviathan is a symbol for Babylon? In the definition for *lavah*, we find the meanings of **to borrow**, and **to lend**. Did you know that Babylon was the originator of the banking system? Didn't the bankers devise the system of depositing one's money for safety, but also taking the customer's money, multiplying it through deceptive practices, and lending it to others for the bank's own profit? The book of Proverbs states, "The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender," Prov. 22:7.

Should this not tell us something about the modern day world, and especially America? Americans think that they are voting for their leader of choice, but the candidates are already servants of the rich. All of our people, including our leaders, have been deceived. America is being ruled by the rich, and the people are their servants (slaves). Don't all presidential candidates run on fiscal responsibility? Does fiscal responsibility ever take place? Didn't Barack Obama call George W. Bush unpatriotic and irresponsible because of the debt of his presidency? Don't his own words come back on his own head as the most unpatriotic and most irresponsible since the debt of his administration is so many times greater than Bush's? In reality, it is far greater than all previous presidential administrations put together.

In our booklet entitled "Satan's devices" we discovered that the ser-

pent is the one who "unites" (*lavah*) the people with idolatry. He is the one who sought to exalt his throne above the stars of El (Isa. 14:13-14). He has the power of deception and the whole world has been deceived by his great power to worship him rather than the true Creator of heaven and earth.

But Leviathan is also a monster, as "preternaturally" formed. Preternatural has to do with that which is beyond the natural, something that is abnormal. It also has to do with something that is supernatural. Scripture speaks of a "King of Tyrus" who was created perfect by Yahweh, but became abnormal because of iniquity and sin. (Ez. 28:12-16)

This would fit in with the fourth beast of Daniel chapter seven. Daniel is given a vision wherein four great world ruling beast kingdoms would arise. The first (Babylon) is like a lion and has eagle's wings. This may be abnormal, but we could still visualize a lion with eagle's wings because of the existence of both in the natural world. The sec-

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ond (Medo-Persia) is like a bear with three ribs in its mouth, and the third (Greco-Macedonia) is like a leopard with four heads and four wings on its back. These also are abnormal, but can be visualized because of the existence of these creatures in the natural world. But when we get to the fourth world ruling beast kingdom (Rome), there is nothing in the natural world that can be utilized to describe this terrible creature. It is dreadful, and terrible, and exceedingly strong.

Leviathan also has to do with "twine." The noun "twine" is defined as; **1. a)** to twist together; intertwine, interlace **b)** to form by twisting, intertwining, or interlacing **2. to encircle or wreath** (one thing) with another **3. to wind** (something) around something else **4. to enfold**, embrace, etc. [a wreath *twining* his brow] (*Webster's New World Dictionary*).

We have already touched on the symbol of the wreath in its use for the announcement of death.

Doesn't the Prophet Isaiah give a good description concerning the twining effect? "Behold, Yahweh's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: But your iniquities have separated between you and your Elohim, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear. For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness. None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity. **They hatch cockatrice' eggs, and weave the spider's web:** he that eateth of their eggs dieth, and that which is crushed breaketh out into a viper. Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works: their works are works of iniquity, and the act of violence is in their hands. Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; wasting and destruction are in their paths. The way of peace they know not; and there is no judgment in their goings: they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace," Isa. 59:1-8.

Leviathan, therefore, is a word that identifies the serpent who unites people with deception, idolatry, the beast, and death. He has woven his deceptive, and destructive web over the earth.

THE HEADS

We find in the book of Psalms that

leviathan has heads (more than one), "For Elohim is my King of old, working salvation in the midst of the earth. Thou didst divide the sea by thy strength: thou brakest the heads of the dragons in the waters. Thou brakest **the heads of Leviathan** in pieces, and gavest him to be meat to the people inhabiting the wilderness," Psa. 74:12-14.

I want to peruse some Bible encyclopedias, and dictionaries for more information on this subject.

1. The *Wycliffe Bible Dictionary* has this to say about "Leviathan":

"It is one thing to discover the literal significance of the term Leviathan; it is quite another to determine figurative or symbolic usage. There seems to have been a widespread reference in the mythology of the Mediterranean peoples to a great sea monster capable of devouring on a large scale. Somewhat parallel to the many-headed Leviathan of Ps 74:14 is **the Canaanite seven-headed Lotan of Ras Shamra or Ugaritic literature**, dating c. 1700-1400 B.C. (ANET, pp. 137f)

While Job 41:1 and Ps 104:26 do not seem to have any symbolic significance, possibly Ps 74:14 and certainly Isa 27:1 do liken Leviathan to forces of evil (or even specially to Satan), in the latter case to be destroyed by the power of God at the judgment day. Isaiah's words ("Leviathan the fleeing serpent, Leviathan the twisting serpent...the dragon that is in the sea,; RSV) call to mind the similar phraseology of the Ugaritic Baal epic: "When thou hast smitten **Lotan**, the fleeing serpent (and) hast put to an end the tortuous serpent, **the mighty one with seven heads**" (Charles F. Pfeiffer, "Lotan/Leviathan from Ugarit to Patmos," *Bulletin of the Near East Archaeological Society*, VIII [1965], 4). The OT prophet was referring to poetic imagery known to his people just as Christian writers allude to the Greco-Roman mythology without encouraging belief in the pagan deities.

The NT reflects the figure of Leviathan in Rev 12:9, where Satan is

called "the great dragon" and "that old serpent." (p. 1028)

2. The *Holman Bible Dictionary* reveals:

"**Leviathan** - Name of an ancient sea creature subdued by God meaning "coiled one." Leviathan appears in biblical and extra-biblical literature. A serpentine form is indicated in Isaiah 27:1 ("leviathan the piercing [KJV] serpent").

The sea creature is used interchangeably with other mysterious creations of the divine. Again, Isaiah 27:1 refers to Leviathan as "the dragon that is in the sea." The psalmist in 74:14 presents Leviathan among the supernatural enemies of God dwelling in the sea with many heads. Job 3:8; 41:1-9 present the sea creature as too formidable a foe for a person to consider arousing. Yet, Leviathan was created by God and subject to Him (Ps. 104:24-30).

Apocalyptic literature depicts Leviathan as throwing off his fetters at the end of the present age, only to be defeated in a final conflict with the divine. Ugaritic literature of Ras Shamra during the 1300s B.C. de-

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picts the mythical Baal defeating the sea creature called *Lotan* (another linguistic form for Leviathan). The Hittites wrote of a struggle between the dragon *Illuyankas* and the mortal *Hupasiyos*. **A cylinder seal found at Tel Asmar dated about 2350 B.C. shows two men fighting a seven-headed serpent.**

Leviathan was seen in ancient legend as a sea monster engaged in primordial warfare with the gods. This creature represented chaos in a personified manner which any creator deity had to overcome in order to create. Leviathan was also seen as a threat to the orderliness of the universe and ultimately to be subdued at the end of time.

The ancient pagan myths concerning Leviathan were familiar to the Hebrews of the Old Testament. To what degree these myths of Leviathan influenced the Hebrews, if any, may never be known." (p. 875)

3. The *International Standard Bible Encyclopedia* Revised states the following:

Leviathan -The proper name (it always occurs without the definite article) of a large aquatic animal, perhaps reflecting a mythological monster.

A widely attested theme of the pagan creation myths concerns **the draconic monster that threatens the creator god**, who at last overcomes the monster in the act of creation.

Lotan (or Litan, see J. Emerton, *VT*, 32 [1982]), 327-331), the adversary of Baal and Anath in the Ugaritic myths, has long been recognized as the equivalent of OT Leviathan (see M. Pope, Job [*AB*, 3rd ed. 1973], pp. 329-331). Among the several references to Lotan in the Ugaritic literature (see *DOTT*, pp. 129-133) is one especially impressive parallel to Isa. 27:1 (*UT*, 67:1:1-3): "**When you smote Lotan the fleeing serpent, you made an end of the twisting serpent, the mighty one of the seven heads,**" (cf. also Ps. 74:14). This parallel does not imply any challenge to the fiercely monotheistic commitment of Isaiah; as E. Smick (*WTJ*, 44 [1982], 90f.) noted, the pagan use of Leviathan exclusively in connection with nature myths is everywhere historicized in the Bible. Thus Isaiah intends it merely as a forceful poetic figure for the ultimate defeat of the power of the evil one at the end of the age.

While Job 3:8f. involves several obscurities, Smick (*WTJ*, 40 [1978], 215) pointed out that Job's appeal to professional cursers to damn the day of his birth may find a reflex in the mythological notion that an eclipse was brought about by **the chaos monster swallowing the sun (or encoiling it with its serpentine body)**; cf. Heidel, p. 106).

Job 41:1-34 gives the most extended description of Leviathan, which suggests to many the crocodile (so RSVmg.). In His confrontation of Job, the Lord's point seems to be that while Job is no more a match for the power of evil than he would be for a crocodile, Yahweh is Lord of both the natural order (Job 38:1-40:2) and the moral order (40:6-41:34) - sovereign even over Satan in the figure of Leviathan, His pet crocodile. Such sovereignty provides the only adequate answer for Job in his anguish - the world is God's not man's, and Job may trust that God's inscrutable ways will not be thwarted." (pp. 108-109) [*end of excerpts*]

Wow! There is a lot of juicy information presented in these books. We certainly hope that none will become offended with the use of the words God, the Lord, etc. as we are quoting others and feel that we shouldn't change their text in this situation in order to satisfy ourselves.

Did you notice that some referred to Rev. 12:9 concerning the great dragon, that old serpent called the devil and Satan? Isn't he described as a great red dragon, having **seven heads**, and ten horns, and seven crowns on his heads? (Rev. 12:3)

Isn't it also interesting that he is represented as the chaotic monster, or a serpent that is swallowing the sun? Isn't that what the Mayan Calendar is all about? Isn't their calendar depicting the time when the sun enters into a dark space in the Milky Way Galaxy which appears as a coiled serpent throughout the galaxy? Didn't they believe that this would be the time when the sun would be completely swallowed up by the serpent?

But the fact of the matter is that the serpent has already swallowed up the sun. How? By causing the sun (and moon) to be an object of pagan idolatrous worship. This would be spoken of by the book of Revelation, "And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood," Rev. 6:12.

While the physical light of the sun and moon are able to be seen, spiritually, they have been swallowed up by the serpent's idolatry so that the sun is now as black as sackcloth of hair. The moon becoming as blood simply typifies an adulterous woman, or a harlot. Remember that the areas of cities where prostitution was rampant were called "red light districts."

The sun and moon were originally set in the heavens to provide light (Yahweh's light) for the earth. They would have been set in the heavens in order to declare the greatness, might, and esteem of Yahweh and His glorious Son Yahshua. If we notice in Rev. 12, a woman is seen

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in heaven being clothed with the sun, the moon under her feet, and she has a crown of 12 stars. She brings forth a man-child Who is to rule all nations with a rod of iron, which the serpent is seeking to devour as soon as he is born.

Since His birth, Leviathan has also been in the process of swallowing the Messiah Yahshua in this same pagan idolatrous worship. The Prophet Zechariah speaks of this, "And he shewed me Yahshua the high priest standing before the angel

of Yahweh, and **Satan** standing at his right hand to **resist** him. And Yahweh said unto Satan, Yahweh rebuke thee, O Satan; even Yahweh that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: is not this a brand plucked out of the fire? Now Yahshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel. And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment. And I said, Let them set a fair mitre upon his head. So they set a fair mitre upon his head, and clothed him with garments. And the angel of Yahweh stood by," Zech. 3:1-5.

Yahweh's word is written, but bound in mysteries. We must come to understand the mysteries with the blessing of the Holy Spirit that is given to us. This Yahshua the high priest is said to be the son of Yahsedech which means "Yahweh the righteous." (Hag. 1:14) This Yahshua the high priest is a type of Yahshua the Messiah Who is High Priest after the order of Melchizedek, Son of the righteous Yahweh. (Psa. 110:1-5; Heb. 7:1-10)

As we have pointed out in the past, the word "resist" in Zechariah 3, is translated from the Hebrew word *satan* (שָׂטָן) which is #7853 in the Hebrew Lexicon of *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*. It is defined as; to attack, accuse. It is variously translated as; (be an) adversary, resist. The word Satan is #7854 which is also rendered as Satan (שָׂטָן). It is defined as; **from 7853**; an opponent; especially (with the article prefixed) Satan, the arch-enemy of good.

"Filthy garments" should have been translated as "garments of dung" as the Hebrew word that "filthy" was translated from is *tsow'* (צֹו') which is defined as; soiled (as if excrementitious). Yahweh warned the Levitical priesthood that He would spread "dung" (excrement) on their faces because of their unfaithfulness (Mal. 2:3). Remember that their forefather

Aaron made the golden calf while Moses was in the mount. His willingness to please people rather than Yahweh established a proclivity in his posterity. Very few of them would remain faithful and loyal as priests who would serve Yahweh in accordance with their own covenant and the covenant of Moses.

The point is that ha-satan (the adversary) who is Leviathan, the piercing (fleeing) serpent, the crooked serpent, and the dragon that is in the sea, has clothed Yahshua with the filthy, excrementitious garments of idolatry while He has remained in the heavens. The Levitical priesthood has not been loyal and faithful to Yahweh. They have never understood that they are an anti-type, a temporary physical, fleshly, carnal type of the heavenly Melchizedek Priesthood.

He has cloaked the sun with sackcloth of hair, caused the moon to become blood red, and turned the earth away from its Creator Yahweh seeking to exalt his throne above the stars of heaven, sitting upon the mount of the congregation in the sides of the north, ascending above the heights of the clouds so he can be like the Most High. (Isa. 14:13-14)

LOTAN

Scripturally, there was only one person named Lotan. He was the son of Seir the Horite, the original patriarch of the land of Seir, which became Esau's inheritance. We have touched base with this in our booklet entitled "*Esau's Inheritance*." (Available gratis)

However, we discovered that Esau, being the oldest son of Isaac, had for his inheritance the kingdom of heaven, the kingdom of kings and priests, and Yahweh was to be his Elohim. But he sold his birthright to Jacob for a bowl of lentils, or red stew that caused him to become the inheritor of Satan and his kingdom (this present evil world).

A look into the name Seir is quite revealing. The name comes from the Hebrew word sa'iyir, which is de-

fined as: shaggy; as noun, a he-goat; by analogy, a faun. It is variously translated as: **devil**, goat, hairy, kid, rough, satyr. Seir, the Horite was an earthly type, representative of Satan the devil. The Hebrew word for "the devil" would be ha-seir (השעיר).

Seir (the devil) had seven sons (heads). They were Lotan, Shobal, Zibeon, Anah, Dishon, Ezer, and Dishan. Lotan, being the firstborn, would be the chief head of his father's family. (Gen. 36:20-21)

Lotan's sister Timna was the concubine of Eliphaz, Esau's oldest son. She bare Amalek for Eliphaz.

Seir was a Horite, which means he dwelt in caves, probably the area of Petra in the Middle East. These people were robbers, pirates, etc. Petra is exactly where the Nabateans, descendants of Esau and his wife of the daughter of Ishmael lived. Herod, called the great, was descended from these people. He was related to the Caesars of Rome. The Caesars made him to be king over the land of Canaan. When Yahshua was born, Herod sought to slay Him (Mt. 2:1-16). This would be the event spoken

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of in Rev. 12:1-5).

The Nabateans worshipped the Persian deity Mithra (-s). Mithra would be a combination of the Hebrew word *math* (מַת) and *ra* (רַע). *Math* has to do with an adult male, while *ra* means bad, evil. Mithra/Mithras was their sun god, which would have associated him with the worship of the Egyptian sun god Ra, the Greek Apollo, the Caananite Baal, the Babylonian Bel, etc. Mithras was worshipped in caves and grottos (man-made caves). This would have made him a Horite (cave dweller).

Albert Pike, a 33° Freemason who was a member of the Supreme Council as well as Grand Command-

er of the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, wrote the following about Mithra (-s):

"The *Hindūs* called the Sun SURYA; the *Persians*, MITHRAS; the *Egyptians*, OSIRIS; the *Assyrians* and *Chaldeans*, BEL; the *Scythians* and *Etruscans* and the *Pelasgi*, ARKALEUS or HERCULES; the *Phoenicians*, ADONAI or ADON; and the *Scandinavians*, ODIN....MITHRAS was the Sun-God of the Persians; and was fabled to have been born in a **grotto or cave**, at the Winter Solstice. His feasts were celebrated at that period, at the moment when the sun commenced to return Northward, and to increase the length of the days. This was the great Feast of the Magian religion. The **Roman Calendar, published in the time of Constantine, at which period his worship began to gain ground in the Occident, fixed his feast-day on the 25th of December.** His statues and images were inscribed, *Deo-Soli invicto Mithrae*—to the invincible Sun-God Mithras. *Nomen invictum Sol Mithra...Soli Omnipotenti Mithrae*. To him, gold, incense, and myrrh were consecrated. "Thee" says Martianus Capella, in his hymn to the Sun, "the dwellers on the Nile adore as Serapis, and Memphis worships as Osiris; in the sacred rites of Persia thou art Mithras, in Phrygia, Atys, and Libya bows down to thee as Ammon, and Phoenician Byblos as Adonis; and thus the whole world adores thee under different names." (*Morals and Dogma* pp. 586-587)

Again, he wrote, "In the Mysteries of Mithras, the Sun-God, in Asia Minor, Armenia, and Persia, the death of that God was lamented, and his resurrection was celebrated with the most enthusiastic expressions of joy. A corpse, we learn from Julian Firmicus, was shown the Initiates, representing Mithras dead; and afterward his resurrection was announced; and they were then invited to rejoice that the dead God was restored to life, and had by means of his sufferings secured their salva-

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The Tree of Death

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The Tree of Life

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Scripture speaks of two specific trees being in the garden of Eden—one known as the Tree of Life and the other as The Tree of the knowledge of good and evil, or if you will, the Tree of Death, for Adam was instructed: “But do not eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for in the day that you eat of it you shall certainly die.” (Genesis 2:18)

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of Yahweh is eternal life through Yahshua the Messiah our Sovereign.
(Romans 6:23)

Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
Blessed is the man unto whom Yahweh imputes not iniquity.
(Psalms 32:1-2)

The Elohim of our fathers raised up Yahshua, whom you slew and hanged on a tree. Him was Yahweh exalted with His right hand to be a Prince and a Savior, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.
(Acts 5:30-31)

Who His own self bore our sins in His own body on the tree that we, being dead to sin, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes you were healed.
(1 Peter 2:24)

Be strong and of good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them; for Yahweh your mighty one, he it is that does go with you; He will not fail you, nor forsake you.
(Psalms 118:6)

I shall not die but live, and declare the works of Yahweh.
(Psalms 118:17)

And Pilate wrote a title and put it on the stake And it was written:
Yahshua of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.

Many of the Jews therefore read this title, for the place where Yahshua was impaled was near the city, and it was written in Hebrew, in Greek, and in Latin. (John 19:19-20)

Yahshua of Nazareth and king of the Jews

	Translation	Gematria
יהושע	Yahshua	391
הנצרי	The Nazarite	355
ומלכי	And King of	106
היהודים	The Jews	80
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Using the above Hebrew words as a possible representation of the inscription written by Pilate, we find that the initial letters make up the tetragrammaton (יהוה) Yahweh.

Continuing the analysis it was also found that the gematria value equals the same value as that of the Hebrew phrase translated:

The tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

עץ הדעת טוב ורע

The tree of death upon which Yahshua died!

accounts concerning Him, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. $4 \times 233 = 932$. He came in order to nullify the effects of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (932).

But we see Yahshua (233), who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death (932), crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of Elohim should taste death (932) for every man. For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings (932). For both he that sanctifieth (233) and they who are sanctified (233) are all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren, Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the assembly will I sing praise unto thee. And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, Behold I and the children which Elohim hath given me. Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood (932), he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death (932) he might destroy him that had the power of death (932), that is, the devil (932); And deliver (233) them who through fear of death (932) were all their lifetime subject to bondage," Heb. 2:9-15.

It is my hope that with the interjection of the numbers equivalent to the tree of death (932), and the tree of life (233), the meaning and light of all these verses will intensify for us.

"Now is the judgment of this world (932): now shall the prince of this world be cast out (932). And I, if I be lifted up from the earth (932), will draw all men unto me (233). This he said, signifying what death he should die

(932)," Jn. 12:31-33.

"For when we were yet without strength, in due time the Messiah died (932) for the unrighteous (932). For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. But Yahweh commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners (932), the Messiah died (932) for us. Much more then, being now justified by his blood (233), we shall be saved from wrath (932) through him. For if, when we were enemies (932), we were reconciled (233) to Yahweh by the death (932) of his Son, much more, being reconciled (233), we shall be saved by his life (233). And not only so, but we also joy in Yahweh through our Sovereign Yahshua the Messiah, by whom we have now received the atonement (233). Wherefore, as by one man sin (932) entered into the world, and death (932) by sin; and so death

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(932) passed upon all men, for that all have sinned (932): (For

until the law sin (932) was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law. Nevertheless death (932) reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come. But not as the offence, so also is the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead (932), much more the grace of Yahweh, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Yahshua the Messiah, hath abounded unto many. And not as it was by one that sinned (932), so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation (932), but the free gift is of many offences unto justification (233). For if by one man's offence death (932) reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life (233) by one, Yahshua the Messiah.) Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation (932); even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life (233). For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners (932), so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous (233)," Ro. 5:6-19.

All are sinners (932) and must be reconciled (233), redeemed (233), and saved (233) through Yahshua the Messiah (233). Because of Adam's offence, we all became like the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (932). We have no power to deliver ourselves from death and the grave of and by ourselves. That power of deliverance comes ONLY through Yahshua the Messiah Who is the tree of life.

We eat of the tree of death (932) all of our lives until Yahweh calls

us to repentance and gives us the blessing of being able to eat of Yahshua, the true bread from heaven, Who is the tree of life (233). HalleluYah!!!!

“And when Peter saw it, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk? The Elohim of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the Elohim of our fathers, hath glorified his Son Yahshua; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go. But ye denied the Holy One and the Just (233), and desired a murderer (932) to be granted unto you; And killed (932) the Prince of life (233), whom Yahweh hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses. And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong (233), whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all,” Acts 3:12-16.

THE SAVIOR’S TRUE NAME

“And when they had brought them, they set them before the council: and the high priest asked them, Saying, **Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name**? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man’s blood upon us. Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey Elohim rather than men. The Elohim of our fathers raised up Yahshua (233), whom ye slew and hanged on a tree (932). Him hath Elohim exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins (233). And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the

Holy Spirit, whom Yahweh hath given to them that obey him,” Acts 5:27-32.

It is stated in Acts 4, “And it came to pass on the morrow, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes, And Annas the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem. And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name, have ye done this? Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel, If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole; Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Yahshua the Messiah of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom Yahweh raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole. This

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is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. **Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.** Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Yahshua. And beholding the man which was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it. But when

they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves, Saying, What shall we do to these men? For that indeed a notable miracle hath been done by them is manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem; and we cannot deny it. **But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them, that they speak henceforth to no man in this name.** And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Yahshua. But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of Elohim to hearken unto you more than unto Elohim, judge ye. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard. So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they might punish them, because of the people: for all men glorified Elohim for that which was done,” 5-21.

Yahshua, Himself, had told them, “I am come in my Father’s name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive,” Jn. 5:43.

THE FATHER’S NAME

The name of the Creator is Yahweh. *The Cumash*, a Rabbinic commentary on the Torah (the first five books of the Scriptures), admits that the name Yahweh is the name of mercy in at least two different places.

Here is what they admit about Yahweh’s name where it first appears in the Torah, “This is the first mention in the Torah of the Hebrew Four-letter Name יהוה, **which denotes God in His Attribute of Mercy.** At first, God created the world exclusively with the Attribute of Justice [*Elohim*], because the ideal state is for man to be judged according to his deeds, without a need for special mercy,

but God knew that **Man cannot survive without mercy and forbearance.** Therefore **He added the Name signifying mercy, to teach that He would temper justice with compassion** (*Rashi* to 1:1). **The Name יהוה also signifies the eternity of God,** because its letters are also those of the words היה הוה ויהיה, *He was, is, and will be.* In the words of *Rambam's* fourth principle of faith, God "is the very first and the very last." Everything in the created universe must have a moment when it came into existence, but God is infinite; He transcends time. In recognition of this concept, the Four-letter Name is often translated the Eternal One. **This is also the proper Name of God.**" (page 11)

The Savior came in the Father's name, which was also His name before He was born as a man. The characters in the name Yahweh (יהוה modern Hebrew) are more clearly understood in Pictorial Hebrew ידאז. Reading from right to left, we would understand it as י (hand) ד (revealed) א (nail) ז (revealed). What did Yahshua say to the doubting disciple 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. 20:27.

What was Thomas' reply? "My Master and my Elohim," v. 28. The Hebrew would have been "Adonai ve Elohi."

The name Yahweh is the name of mercy. The name Yahshua, in reality, means "Yahweh the Savior!" Take away the knowledge of the true names of salvation, and mercy is taken away being replaced by judgment (Elohim/God).

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them, they set them before the council: and the high priest asked them, Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us. Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey Elohim rather than men. The Elohim of our fathers raised up Yahshua (233), whom ye slew and hanged on a tree (932). Him hath Elohim exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins (233). And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Spirit, whom Yahweh hath given to them that obey him," Acts 5:27-32.

"Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Sovereign, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the

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power of Elohim; Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in the Messiah Yahshua before the world began, But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Yahshua the Messiah (233), who hath abolished death (932), and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel (233)," 2

Tim. 1:8-10.

"So also is the resurrection (233) of the dead (932). It is sown in corruption (932); it is raised in incorruption (233): It is sown in dishonor (932); it is raised in glory (233): it is sown in weakness (932); it is raised in power (233): It is sown a natural body (932); it is raised a spiritual body (233). There is a natural body (932), and there is a spiritual body (233). And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual (233), but that which is natural (932); and afterward that which is spiritual (233). The first man is of the earth, earthy (932): the second man is the Sovereign from heaven (233). As is the earthy (932), such are they also that are earthy (932): and as is the heavenly (233), such are they also that are heavenly (233). And as we have borne the image of the earthy (932), we shall also bear the image of the heavenly (233). Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood (932) cannot inherit the kingdom of Elohim; neither doth corruption (932) inherit incorruption (233). Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep (932), but we shall all be changed (233), In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead (932) shall be raised incorruptible (233), and we shall be changed (233). For this corruptible (932) must put on incorruption (233), and this mortal (932) must put on immortality (233). So when this corruptible (932) shall have put on incorruption (233), and this mortal (932) shall have put on immortality (233), then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death (932) is swallowed up in victory (233). O death (932), where is thy

sting? O grave (932), where is thy victory? The sting of death (932) is sin; and the strength of sin (932) is the law. But thanks be to Yahweh, which giveth us the victory (233) through our Sovereign Yahshua the Messiah (233)," 1 Cor. 15:42-57.

THE BOOKS

One other thing. The Egyptians worshipped Osiris who possessed the book of the dead (932). We must take care to have our names written in the Lamb's book of life (233), "He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of **the book of life** (233), but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels," Rev. 3:5.

"And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority. And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him? And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months. And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against Yahweh, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome

them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations. And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, **whose names are not written (932) in the book of life (233) of the Lamb** slain from the foundation of the world. If any man have an ear, let him hear," Rev. 13:1-9.

"The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written (932) in **the book of life** (233) from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is," Rev. 17:8.

"And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead (932), small and great, stand before Yahweh; and the books were opened: and an-

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other book was opened, which is **the book of life** (233): and the dead (932) were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead (932) which were in it; and death (932) and hell (932) delivered up the dead (932) which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death (932) and hell (932) were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death (2 x 932). And whosoever was not found written (932) in **the book of life** (233) was cast into

the lake of fire (2 x 932)," Rev. 20:11-15.

"And I saw no temple therein: for Yahweh El Elyon and the Lamb are the temple of it. And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of Yahweh did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof. And the nations of them which are saved (233) shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it. And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there. And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it. And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth (932), neither whatsoever worketh abomination (932), or maketh a lie (932): but they which are written in **the Lamb's book of life** (233)," Rev. 21:22-27.

"I am Aleph and Tau, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life (233), and may enter in through the gates into the city. For without are dogs (932), and sorcerers (932), and whoremongers (932), and murderers (932), and idolaters (932), and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie (932). I Yahshua have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star. And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely (233). For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, Yahweh shall add unto him the plagues

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SATAN'S DRUG SORCERY THAT'S PLAGUING THE WORLD

By Jerry Rubin Funk

PREFACE BY JERRY HEALAN

I honestly have never met Jerry Funk other than speaking to him over the telephone. As far as I know, this is his second time to be in prison. He came in contact with our ministry while serving a sentence in the Kansas prison system. That all being said, he certainly has an important message of warning here.

I do find it interesting that I have been recently thinking about the main Greek words for sorcery, sorceries, etc. I was considering writing an article on this very subject when Jerry sent this article in. I will include my comments on the "drug scene" at the end of this article.

Some of what he has written here may be a little bit of a stretch, but the "gist" of it is spot on.

JERRY WRITES:

My Dear Friends:

I am writing to you in hopes of giving you some kind of insight into what Satan is capable of doing to us, Yahweh's set apart people and this Great Nation (and world). You see, I have had open heart surgery where the doctors put in a pacemaker and a heart valve in my chest.

This was also the day I got introduced to pharmaceutical drugs and how addictive and powerful they are in one's life, especially when you are told you have to take them to live.

These doctors had me believing I was really sick. The amount of pills I was prescribed was mind scrambling.....

A pill for depression;

A pill for anxiety;

A pill for pain;

A pill for sleeping;

A pill for getting paranoid;

A pill for thinning my blood;

A pill for urinating;

A pill for blood pressure

And finally, a pill to stop me from hearing the voice of Yahweh....

The doctors, without testing or knowing how all these different drugs would react to each other, kept feeding them to me anyway. In so doing, I had a bad reaction that put me back into the hospital two times, completely out of my mind, and was on the verge of over dosing and in turn, almost killing me.

You see, my friends, all of this was not adding up. As one of the son's of Yahweh, we look deeper into things like who, what, when, where, how, and whys of life. So, I started looking through Yahweh's set-apart word, "The Bible," and found out about Alchemy and/or drug sorcery, drug usury, etc.

Using drugs to alter one's mind or thought process is Satanic in itself! But it goes deeper. Psychologist and the psychotropic medication

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they prescribe can numb one's mind, just like street drugs, to the point that one doesn't care if he is dead or alive.

People walk around like zombies on these meds, doing the "Thorazine Shuffle." Satan has them right where he wants them...comatose, not even able to hear the voice of Yahweh. They become unable to invoke the power of prayer that he gave us all, including you! They cannot even use their mind and hearts to pray, being so doped up. The practices of psychology are contrary to Yahweh's laws and His plan for healing you with the Spirit of truth. (The Ruach ha-Emet)

Yahweh can start to clean up someone's mind with the reading of His word, purging the mind of the scrambling, numbing drugs. They will start to think more clearly and become more in control of their mind and body. But they have to take that step and trust in Yahweh and His Son, Yahshua the Messiah to help them break free of this Satanic hold that is on them. You see, in the past, people did not have a fix-it-all pill to give them. Yahweh's set-apart ones knew what was wrong with people having psychotic episodes of hearing voices and seeing things in the dark world. They were badly demon possessed. To heal them was to cast out the demon. Drugging someone is not helping them at all. It just gives the demons free in and out access to the person's body. This is drug sorcery. It is Satanism.

Street drugs on the other hand, like cocaine, heroine, meth, and their addictive power are purposely taken to open or free one's mind of this physical world. We think by taking these drugs our spirit or mind becomes united with Yahweh. You see, my friend, there is only one way to commune with Yahweh, and that is through His High Priest and Mediator Yahshua the Messiah. There is no drug and there will never be a drug that will get you closer to Yahweh. They do, however, get you closer to Satan and his spirits of the demon realm, which will possess you with the illusion of feeling good. Then, when you become addicted, Satan uses that addiction to gain control over your mind, thus making you his slave. This is called "Drug Usury" and the practice of usury is strictly forbidden in the laws of Yahweh. I am speaking of usury which causes control over people through the means of drugs, money, fear, sex, etc. This power over people is a great sin, right up there with murder.

The Scriptures warn, "But as for

the cowardly, and untrustworthy, and abominable, and murderers, and those who whore, and drug sorcerers, and idolaters, and all the false (liars), their part is in the lake which burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death,” Rev. 21:8 (*The Scriptures*)

“But outside are the dogs and those who enchant with drugs, and those who whore, and the murderers, and the idolaters, and all who love and do falsehood,” Rev. 22:15 (*Ibid*)

This evil demonic force makes the drug what it is and how powerful it will become. Satan uses one’s greed for self gain to facilitate every aspect of the drug world. Satan has to deal with pharmaceutical drugs in a different way. He has to hide the evil intent in the making of these drugs so as to not alert or bring to light his “pirates” of drug usury. The drug companies know you need their medicines to live so if you cannot pay, you die. This hold over people is Satanic to its very core. Satan is using drug sorcery and the drug companies to enslave the human race. You see, street drugs are mainly evil and most people stay away from them. But pharmaceutical drugs are meant to help and heal people. They just do not know how much of a hand Satan actually has in the making of these pharmaceutical drugs. You have to look deeper and closer in the making of these drugs and how they work.

1. Are they mind-controlling? 2. Are they mind-altering? 3. the name or the origin/root word that is used for that particular drug. 4. the number used or oriented on the pill. All of this added together can evoke a demon or evil spirit.

People in today’s society look to a pill to fix them and not to their Creator Yahweh. You see, any time you look for answers in life, whether it be emotional, mental or physical, and don’t seek the counsel of Yahweh, you allow Satan and his TEAM of psychologists, counselors, and doctors (these cults) to try and influence you into taking some kind of

medication or pill that will “fix” all of your problems. They use an ideology called “mind f—ing” someone into believing they know something because they went to school or have a degree. This ideology is contrary to Yahweh’s word, the Bible. (1 Sam. 9:9)

You see, in times past when you had a problem, you went to a seer or prophet of Yahweh, not some babler who does not know the first thing about Yahweh’s word. (Dt. 18:10-15)

All of this is relevant to my cause, and the reason Satan tried to have me silenced. You see, I let my guard down and started to listen to these doctors and psychologists who were under Satan’s demonic influence. They had me so doped up I could not hear Yahweh calling out to me, trying to warn me what would happen if I kept taking these drugs. Yahweh even showed me what Satan’s plans are, and how he is using these medications to try and possess unsuspecting people.

Yahweh revealed the drug Ambien’s meaning to me days before Sa-

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tan tried to possess me. But being so doped up, I was not receptive to Yahweh’s call. Yahweh even tried to use my boys, Rubin and Deven, to call out to me and wake me up. I picked up my boys from school later that day. When we got home, they told me, “Daddy you are going to prison.” I told them, “Daddy was never going to prison, that Yahweh was in my heart.” I was doing all that Yahweh was asking of me, so I dismissed it as nonsense. You see, I was not listening to what Yahweh was trying to tell me, which was to get off the mind-altering medications, and tell the world that Satan is using pharmaceutical drugs to invoke demonic possession into peo-

ple.

That night I put my boys to bed, then took my medication and went to bed myself. What happened next, my friends, I would not wish upon anyone....I woke up in a jail cell. I was screaming and freaking out wanting to know where my kids were. I did not know how I got myself in jail, or what was happening. A few days later, I was booked and told that I had ran my car into someone’s house. The man that lived there came out to see what was going on and trying to help me. I was told I assaulted him. The cops then found me in my underwear sleep-walking in a field carrying a dirt clod in my hand in some kind of trance.

The police had to tazer me over and over to subdue me. This was not me. This was the drug-demon that tried to possess me through the medication that I had taken. I truly believe Yahweh intervened that night and cast out the drug-demon and saved the man’s life that was trying to help me, and in turn saving me from the death penalty, or even life in prison. Satan tried to take my life that night. I thank Yahweh for His delivering power.

You see, Satan can only try to possess a set-apart one of Yahweh. The demon, or evil spirit can not dwell where Yahweh’s Spirit dwells. So the two spirits battle within the person’s body. The evil spirit is cast out, for Yahweh’s Spirit of truth always wins out to Satan’s demons or evil spirits. They have to obey Yahweh and His Son Yahshua the Messiah.

How does one of Yahweh’s set-apart ones become possessed in the first place? Through drug sorcery when a set-apart one takes their drugs. Satan has an open door to come in. One of these drugs I was taking is called Ambien. It is a sleeping drug given to me by the doctors. This drug shuts down your subconscious mind. You’re waking up out of a dream worrying system for if you can’t wake up, you can’t defend yourself. This lets Satan have

total control over your mind and body. While you are under the influence of this drug, this is also called drug-induced sleep walking.

Drugs have, and will destroy many people's lives. I hope and pray that by you reading this account of what has happened to me will be a wake-up call to anyone who is about to take drugs. The loss of my family, and I have suffered because of me taking these medications Yahweh warned me not to take, is heart wrenching. I have been separated from my mom and boys, for I am now in prison. My mom lost her house and had to sell everything we had that would not fit in her car. My boys go to bed every night crying, wanting their dad home. So much has been lost because of those drugs. We, as a society, easily blame everyone else. But the fact is, when we as individuals, take these drugs, we enable Satan to rule our lives, for when Satan is in our lives, only sorrow and sadness will follow. So I say this, when Yahweh speaks, LISTEN!

Yahweh loves us very much and never wants us to suffer sadness and loss. I say this from experience, when we, as set-apart one's of Yahweh fall, we must get back up no matter how bad it gets or hurts, we must keep fighting as true soldiers in the army of the living Yahshua the Messiah, for Satan cannot stand against our Master Yahshua, and we will prevail over Satan and his dark forces.

Friends, don't get me wrong, there are medications out there that help people and must be taken with thanksgiving to Yahweh, for Yahweh created all plants, herbs, minerals, etc. to help heal His people. He gave man the intelligence and knowledge and heart of love to combine these elements.

But at any time in your mind if you think it was scientists, doctors, or drug companies, and alchemists that have healed you, and you don't give credit to Yahweh for the medicine and healing, you allow Satan to corrupt your way of thinking and

you start to give credit to the things of the world which is under Satan's control. This you must never do. When Yahweh fixed my heart, I gave thanks to Him, not the machines that the doctors put in me to keep my heart beating. Yahweh gave me life, and has given me life again.

When I got my heart valve and pacemaker, the technology Yahweh enabled man to make was just the tools that Yahweh used to make His will be done. He healed me, but I let the doctors convince me that I needed all those drugs and medication to live. You see, now He has cleared my mind. When someone comes to prison, the doctors here take you off all the medications you were previously taking. I went for weeks, and months without my meds. Yahweh has awakened me to the reality that I never needed all those drugs to live, as the doctors had told me. So now, all I take is my blood thinner and aspirin. I cannot change the past, but I can change the future, and make sure Satan never drugs me up like that again.

I will stand up for the truth and do as Yahweh asks me to do, tell the world about Satan's drug sorcery that is plaguing America, and the world.

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EDITOR'S COMMENTS:

I went on the internet and researched Ambien. What I found out about the side effects exactly fit what this brother has gone through. Those side effects are listed below:

Dizziness may occur. If this effect persists or worsens, tell your doctor or pharmacist promptly.

This medication may make you sleepy during the day. Tell your doctor if you have daytime drowsiness. Your dose may need to be adjusted.

Remember that your doctor has prescribed this medication because he or she has judged that the benefit to you is greater than the risk of side effects. Many people using this medication do not have serious side effects.

Tell your doctor right away if any of these unlikely but serious side effects occur: memory loss, mental/mood/behavior changes (such as new/worsening depression, abnormal thoughts, thoughts of suicide, hallucinations, confusion, agitation, aggressive behavior, anxiety).

Rarely, after taking this drug, people have gotten out of bed and driven vehicles while not fully awake ("sleep-driving"). People have also sleepwalked, prepared/eaten food, made phone calls, or had sex while not fully awake. Often, these people do not remember these events. This problem can be dangerous to you or to others. If you find out that you have done any of these activities after taking this medication, tell your doctor right away. Your risk is increased if you use alcohol or other medications that can make you drowsy while taking zolpidem.

A very serious allergic reaction to this drug is rare. However, get medical help right away if you notice any symptoms of a serious allergic reaction, including: rash, itching/swelling (especially of the face/tongue/throat), severe dizziness, trouble breathing.

This is not a complete list of possible side effects. If you notice other effects not listed above, contact your doctor or pharmacist. (From www.webmd.com/drugs/drug-9690-Ambien+Oral.aspx?drugid=9690&drugname=Ambien+Oral)

Wikipedia states:

Side effects may include:

- Headaches (mostly withdrawal symptom)
- Nausea (mostly withdrawal symptom)
- Vomiting (mostly withdrawal symptom)
- Dizziness

[Anterograde amnesia](#)

[Hallucinations](#), through all physical senses, of varying intensity

[Delusions](#) ^{[[citation needed](#)]}

- Altered thought patterns

[Ataxia](#) or poor [motor coordination](#), diffi-

culty maintaining balance^[17]

[Euphoria](#) and/or [dysphoria](#)

- Increased appetite

Increased or decreased [libido](#)

- Impaired judgment and reasoning

Uninhibited [extroversion](#) in social or interpersonal settings

- Increased impulsivity (mostly withdrawal symptom)

When stopped, [rebound insomnia](#) may occur

Some users have reported unexplained [sleepwalking](#)^[18]^[original research?] while using zolpidem, as well as sleep driving, binge eating while asleep, and performing other daily tasks while sleeping. Research by Australia's [National Prescribing Service](#) found these events occur mostly after the first dose taken, or within a few days of starting therapy.^[19] Rare reports of sexual [parasomnia](#) episodes related to zolpidem intake have also been reported.^[20] Sleepwalkers can sometimes perform these tasks as normally as they might if they were awake. They can sometimes carry on complex conversations and respond appropriately to questions or statements, so much so that observers may believe them to be awake. This is in contrast to "typical" sleep talking, which can usually be identified easily and is characterised by incoherent speech that often has no relevance to the situation or that is so disorganised as to be completely unintelligible.

Those under the influence of this medication may seem fully aware of their environments, though they are still asleep. This can bring about concerns for the safety of the sleepwalkers and others. These side effects may be related to the mechanism that also causes zolpidem to produce its [hypnotic](#) properties.^[21] It is unclear whether the drug is responsible for the behavior, but a class-action lawsuit was filed against Sanofi-Aventis in March 2006 on behalf of those who reported symptoms.^[22] Conversely, it is possible some users *believed* they were asleep during these events because they do not remember the events, due to the short-term memory loss and [anterograde amnesia](#) side-effects.

Residual 'hangover' effects, such as sleepiness and impaired psychomotor and cognitive function, may persist into the day following nighttime administration. Such effects may impair the ability of users to drive safely and increase risks of falls and hip fractures.^[23]

The [Sydney Morning Herald](#) in Australia in 2007 reported a man who fell 30 meters to his death from a high-rise unit balcony

may have been sleepwalking under the influence of Stilnox. The coverage prompted over 40 readers to contact the newspaper with their own accounts of Stilnox-related [automatism](#), and as of March 2007^[update], the drug was under review by the Adverse Drug Reactions Advisory Committee.^[24]^[needs update]

In February 2008, the Australian [Therapeutic Goods Administration](#) attached a [boxed warning](#) to zolpidem, stating that "Zolpidem may be associated with potentially dangerous complex sleep-related behaviors that may include sleep walking, sleep driving, and other bizarre behaviours. Zolpidem is not to be taken with alcohol. Caution is needed with other CNS-depressant drugs. Limit use to four weeks maximum under close medical supervision."^[25] This report received widespread media coverage^[26] after the death of Australian student Mairead Costigan, who fell 20 m from the Sydney Harbour Bridge while under the influence of Stilnox.^[27]

MORE EDITOR'S COMMENTS:

A primary New Testament Greek word for "sorcery" is *pharmakeia* from whence comes our modern day terms *pharmaceuticals*, *pharmacy*, *pharmacist*, etc.

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makeia has been translated as "witchcraft." (Gal. 5:20) It appears also in the book of Revelation where it is translated as "sorceries." (Rev. 9:21; 18:23) "Sorcerers" is translated from *pharmakeus* (Rev. 21:8), and *pharmakos* (Rev. 21:15).

Yahweh warned Israel, "Ye stand this day all of you before Yahweh your Elohim; your captains of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, with all the men of Israel, Your little ones, your wives, and thy stranger that is in thy camp, from the hewer of thy wood unto the drawer of thy water: That thou shouldest enter into covenant with Yahweh thy Elohim, and into his oath, which Yahweh thy Elohim maketh with thee this day: That he may establish thee to day for

a people unto himself, and that he may be unto thee a Elohim, as he hath said unto thee, and as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath; But with him that standeth here with us this day before Yahweh our Elohim, and also with him that is not here with us this day: (For ye know how we have dwelt in the land of Egypt; and how we came through the nations which ye passed by; And ye have seen their abominations, and their idols, wood and stone, silver and gold, which were among them:) Lest there should be among you man, or woman, or family, or tribe, **whose heart turneth away this day from Yahweh our Elohim, to go and serve the gods of these nations;** lest there should be among you **a root that beareth gall and wormwood;** And it come to pass, when he heareth the words of this curse, that he bless himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the imagination of mine heart, to add drunkenness to thirst: Yahweh will not spare him, but then the anger of Yahweh and his jealousy shall smoke against that man, and all the curses that are written in this book shall lie upon him, and Yahweh shall blot out his name from under heaven," Dt. 29:10-20.

The Hebrew word for "gall" is *rosh*. It is defined as: a poisonous plant, probably **the poppy** (from its conspicuous head); generally poison (even of serpents). This word is quite revealing in the Pictorial Hebrew. It looks like this **𐤓𐤔**. The characters are named *resh* (**𐤓**) = head, *aleph* (**𐤔**) = head of an ox, first, chief, head, etc., *shin* (**𐤕**) = teeth with which we eat, consume, destroy.

What did the Scriptures say in the verses from Deuteronomy above? Doesn't Yahweh warn against turning one's heart away from Him to serve other gods, other elohim? What did Israel do in the wilderness while Moses was on the mount? Didn't they coerce Aaron into making a golden calf (**𐤇**) which was a

representative of the chief god of Egypt, the Apis bull? If one turns his heart away from Yahweh, doesn't this also turn his head (ר) away from Him? Who is the head of idolatry? Isn't it Satan? Why are people turning to DRUGS in these last days? Isn't it because they have been turned away from Yahweh through the deceit of the serpent Satan (Rev. 12:9) who is the head (ר) of destruction (ש)?

Gall, *rosh* (רש) has to do with the poppy from whence the drug HEROIN is extracted. Doesn't heroin, along with so many other drugs fashioned by the sorcerers, the witches, destroy people's lives? But what is the chief reason for this destruction? Isn't it primarily turning away from Yahweh to other elohim?

Therefore, the people involved in so-called legal pharmaceuticals are controlled by laws that seek to help people in their afflictions. However, don't get in their way because they will put people in jail, prison, etc. for any kind of practice outside of their realm. They can be very harsh and cruel. They have destroyed many people's lives who were only seeking to help others find relief.

That being said, illegal drugs are also the worst kind of sorcerers, witches. These people are the worst kind, because their lust and greed for wealth and power causes them to merchandize powerful drugs that seize control of one's life addicting them with bonds, chains that are almost impossible to break. Don't get in these people's way either because they are very cruel and hurtful and delight in the most cruel torture, and the most horrendous murder and death imaginable! The drug war being waged on the Mexican border is a good case in point.

Here is what is taking place in these last days, "I said, I would scatter them into corners, I would make the remembrance of them to cease from among men: Were it not that I feared the wrath of the enemy, lest their adversaries should behave themselves strangely, and lest they should say, Our hand is high, and

Yahweh hath not done all this. For they are a nation void of counsel, neither is there any understanding in them. **O that they were wise, that they understood this, that they would consider their latter end!** How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, except their Rock had sold them, and Yahweh had shut them up? For their rock is not as our Rock, even our enemies themselves being judges. **For their vine is of the vine of Sodom, and of the fields of Gomorrah:** their grapes are grapes of gall (רש), their clusters are bitter (wormwood): **Their wine is the poison of dragons, and the cruel venom of asps.** Is not this laid up in store with me, and sealed up among my treasures? To me belongeth vengeance, and recompence; their foot shall slide in due time: for the day of their calamity is at hand, and the things that shall come upon them make haste. For Yahweh shall judge his people, and repent himself for his servants, **when he seeth that their power is gone, and there is none shut up, or left.** And he shall say, Where are their gods, their rock

Look at what idolatry, liberalism, socialism, humanism, and communism are doing to us today!

in whom they trusted, Which did eat the fat of their sacrifices, and drank the wine of their drink offerings? let them rise up and help you, and be your protection. See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no elohim with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand. For I lift up my hand to heaven, and say, I live for ever. If I whet **my glittering sword**, and mine hand take hold on judgment; I will render vengeance to mine enemies, and will reward them that hate me. I will make mine arrows drunk with blood, and my sword shall devour flesh; and that with the blood of the slain

and of the captives, from the beginning of revenges upon the enemy. Rejoice, O ye nations, with his people: for he will avenge the blood of his servants, and will render vengeance to his adversaries, and will be merciful unto his land, and to his people," Dt. 32:26-43.

When will Yahweh intervene for His people? After their power is gone, and there is none shut up or left! This is confirmed by the Prophet Isaiah, "And he said, Go, and tell this people, **Hear ye indeed, but understand not; and see ye indeed, but perceive not. Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed.** Then said I, Adonai, how long? And he answered, **Until the cities be wasted without inhabitant, and the houses without man, and the land be utterly desolate,** And Yahweh have removed men far away, and there be a great forsaking in the midst of the land," Isa. 6:9-12.

Remember that in the last days there will be a time of Jacob's trouble (Jer. 30:7).

Look at what idolatry, liberalism, socialism, humanism, and communism are doing to us today! With the increase of the legal and illegal drugs, the increase of homosexuality, lesbianism, transvites, bi-sexuals, abortion, adultery, divorce, the destruction of the family, etc. our people are now in a headlong rush to destruction! Yet, no one (very few, that is) is really paying attention nor understanding what is going on. Even if they are told, they simply can't believe it, see it, or hear it! Yahweh has shut their eyes and ears!

WORMWOOD

Wormwood is defined as: from an unused root supposed to mean **to curse; wormwood** (regarded as **poisonous**, and therefore **accursed**).

We will take a look at some other places where this word appears, "My son, attend unto my wisdom,

and bow thine ear to my understanding: That thou mayest regard discretion, and that thy lips may keep knowledge. For the lips of a strange woman drop as an honeycomb, and her mouth is smoother than oil: But her end is bitter as **wormwood**, sharp as a twoedged sword. Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell. Lest thou shouldest ponder the path of life, her ways are moveable, that thou canst not know them,” Prov. 5:1-6.

From these Scriptures we find an adulterous woman’s (an harlot) end is bitter like wormwood. It is sharp like a two edged sword. It ends in death and the grave. Death and the grave are permanent situations.

Idolatry, the worship of the serpent Satan, has always utilized fornication (*pornea* in the Greek from whence we get the word pornography), illicit sex of all kinds, adultery, etc. in its service. There are also many secret symbols that have to do with the male and female organs, the sex act, etc. that are utilized. The woman spoken of in Proverbs above is a type of the harlot that is revealed in the book of Revelation chapter 17.

Jeremiah is inspired to write, “Oh that my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people! Oh that I had in the wilderness a lodging place of wayfaring men; that I might leave my people, and go from them! for they be all adulterers, an assembly of treacherous men. And they bend their tongues like their bow for lies: but they are not valiant for the truth upon the earth; for they proceed from evil to evil, and they know not me, saith Yahweh. Take ye heed every one of his neighbour, and trust ye not in any brother: for every brother will utterly supplant, and every neighbour will walk with slanders. And they will deceive every one his neighbour, and will not speak the truth: they have taught their tongue to speak lies, and weary themselves to commit iniquity. Thine habitation is in the midst of deceit; through deceit they refuse to

know me, saith Yahweh. Therefore thus saith Yahweh of hosts, Behold, I will melt them, and try them; for how shall I do for the daughter of my people? Their tongue is as an arrow shot out; it speaketh deceit: one speaketh peaceably to his neighbour with his mouth, but in heart he layeth his wait. Shall I not visit them for these things? saith Yahweh: shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this? For the mountains will I take up a weeping and wailing, and for the habitations of the wilderness a lamentation, because they are burned up, so that none can pass through them; neither can men hear the voice of the cattle; both the fowl of the heavens and the beast are fled; they are gone. And I will make Jerusalem heaps, and a den of dragons; and I will make the cities of Judah desolate, without an inhabitant. Who is the wise man, that may understand this? and who is he to whom the mouth of Yahweh hath spoken, that he may declare it, for what the land perisheth and is burned up like a wilderness, that none passeth through? And Yahweh saith, Because **they have forsaken**

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my law which I set before them, and have not obeyed my voice, neither walked therein; But have walked after the imagination of their own heart, and after Baalim, which their fathers taught them: Therefore thus saith Yahweh of hosts, the Elohim of Israel; Behold, I will feed them, even this people, with wormwood, and give them

water of gall to drink. I will scatter them also among the heathen, whom neither they nor their fathers have known: and I will send a sword after them, till I have consumed them. Thus saith Yahweh of hosts, Consider ye, and call for the mourning women, that they may come; and send for cunning women, that they may come: And let them make haste, and take up a wailing for us, that our eyes may run down with tears, and our eyelids gush out with waters. For a voice of wailing is heard out of Zion, How are we spoiled! we are greatly confounded, because we have forsaken the land, because our dwellings have cast us out,” Jer. 9:1-19.

Again, he writes, “Mine heart within me is broken because of the prophets; all my bones shake; I am like a drunken man, and like a man whom wine hath overcome, because of Yahweh, and because of the words of his holiness. For the land is full of adulterers; for because of swearing the land mourneth; the pleasant places of the wilderness are dried up, and their course is evil, and their force is not right. For both prophet and priest are profane; yea, in my house have I found their wickedness, saith Yahweh. Wherefore their way shall be unto them as slippery ways in the darkness: they shall be driven on, and fall therein: for I will bring evil upon them, even the year of their visitation, saith Yahweh. And I have seen folly in the prophets of Samaria; they prophesied in Baal, and caused my people Israel to err. I have seen also in the prophets of Jerusalem an horrible thing: they commit adultery, and walk in lies: they strengthen also the hands of evildoers, that none doth return from his wickedness: they are all of them unto me as Sodom, and the inhabitants thereof as Gomorrah. Therefore thus saith Yahweh of hosts concerning the prophets; Behold, **I will feed them with wormwood, and make them drink the water of gall:** for from the prophets of Jerusalem is profaneness gone forth into all the land,” Jer. 23:9-15.

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The prophet Amos warns about judgment, "Seek Yahweh, and ye shall live; lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and devour it, and there be none to quench it in Bethel. **Ye who turn judgment to wormwood, and leave off righteousness in the earth**, Seek him that maketh the seven stars and Orion, and turneth the shadow of death into the morning, and maketh the day dark with night: that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: Yahweh is his name: That strengtheneth the spoiled against the strong, so that the spoiled shall come against the fortress," Amos 5:6-9.

Isn't that what has happened to judgment in these last days? Hasn't judgment been greatly perverted in our judicial, our court system? The lawyers have become greatly skilled at holding back, suppressing truth so that the innocent is made to look guilty, and the guilty is made to look innocent.

Furthermore, our leaders have their hands out for "bribes" from the big, rich lobbyists so that special laws, and judgments are brought forth which oppress the poor and common people, while big business, and the rich and powerful become the slave masters.

Yahweh commanded Israel, "And thou shalt take no gift (*shachad* = **bribe**): for the gift (**bribe**) blindeth the wise, and perverteth the words of the righteous," Ex. 23:8.

Again, He stated, "Judges and officers shalt thou make thee in all thy gates, which Yahweh thy Elohim giveth thee, throughout thy tribes: and they shall judge the people with just judgment. Thou shalt not wrest judgment; thou shalt not respect persons, neither take a gift (**bribe**): for a gift (**bribe**) doth blind the eyes of the wise, and pervert the words of the righteous. That which is altogether just shalt thou follow, that thou mayest live, and inherit the land which Yahweh thy Elohim giveth thee," Dt. 16:18-20.

Justice and judgment have been perverted in our nation and around the world. The result of this perversion is wormwood and gall.

We have learned a good deal about "wormwood" through the Chernobyl incident in Russia wherein atomic reactors had a meltdown which caused people to flee from the region. Chernobyl is Russian for "wormwood!" Radioactive fallout sickens people with various terminal diseases, causes mutations, etc. It certainly is a curse to bitterness. Furthermore, the effects of deadly and dangerous radiation continues for thousands of years. This certainly produces a long-lasting curse, a long-lasting bitterness.

The book of Revelation reveals, "And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters; And **the name of the star is called Wormwood**: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter," Rev. 8:10-11.

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Wormwood, bitterness, poison, death is being poured out in today's world, but it will soon be poured out with greater intensity in the near future.

Atomic and nuclear weapons have already been utilized for destruction. Remember Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan in World War II.

Even peacetime use of atomic and nuclear energy has ended in disaster in Three Mile Island, Pennsylvania, in Chernobyl, Russia, and

Fukushima, Japan.

Nations have armed themselves with atomic and nuclear weapons. There have been enough of these weapons produced to destroy the earth many times over.

CONCLUSION

Yahweh's word never fails. His people have turned their backs on Him and the results are idolatry, unbelief (atheism), hopelessness, helplessness, drug, bitterness, perversion, curses, bitterness, destruction, and death.

Drugs are the poison of asps, serpents. The serpent deceived the first woman who, with her husband, took of a fruit which symbolized a way that would end in death.

The drug scene (gall) with the sorcerers, both legal and illegal is rampant in today's world. The threat of destruction via atomic and nuclear weapons (wormwood) is very real in today's world.

Our only salvation, our only deliverance will come from the intervention of the Savior Yahshua the Messiah before all flesh is destroyed, "And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened," Mt. 24:22.

The world's only hope is that there is an elected remnant that Yahweh is concerned for, so that the time is shortened, and Yahshua will return to establish the kingdom of heaven on this earth. Please pray for the elect of Yahweh so that the world will not end in total destruction. JH

SPECIAL NOTE!!!!: Due to a computer glitch, our last magazine became somewhat scrambled. It was not realized until a sister called from South Carolina to inform us of the matter. The article entitled "An Answer to Why Hebrew?" is in the following order: Page 7 is continued on Page 10; Page 11 is continued on Page 8; Page 9 is continued on Page 12. We certainly apologize for this inconvenience.

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tion. Three months before, his birth had been celebrated, under the emblem of the infant, **born on the 25th of December**, or the eighth day before the Kalends of January." (IBID p. 406)

The *Encyclopedia Britannica* Fourteenth Edition says this about Mithra (-s), "Mithraism was first transmitted to the Roman world during the 1st century B.C. by the **Cilician pirates** captured by Pompey...Towards the close of the 2nd century (C.E.) the cult had begun to spread rapidly through the army, the **mercantile class**, slaves and actual propagandists, all of which classes were largely composed of Asiatics. It thrived, especially among military posts, and in the track of trade, notably at ports. The German frontiers afford most evidence of its prosperity. Rome itself was a favourite seat of the religion. From the end of the 2nd century the emperors encouraged Mithraism, because of the support which it afforded to the divine right of monarchs. The Persian belief that the legitimate sovereign reigned by the grace of Ormazd, whose favour was made manifest by sending the *Hvarenō*, a kind of celestial aureole of fire, resulted in the doctrine that the sun was the giver of the *Hvarenō*. ¹**Mithras, identified with Sol Invictus, thus became the giver of authority and victory to the imperial house...**

"Mithras was born of a rock, the marvel being seen only by certain shepherds, who brought gifts and adored him. Chilled by the wind, ²**the new-born god went to a fig tree, partook of its fruit, and clothed himself in its leaves....**

Other bas reliefs depict Mithras, under the form of a youth with conical cap and flying drapery, slaying the sacred bull, the scorpion attacking the genitals of the animal, the serpent drinking its blood, the dog springing towards the wound in its side, and frequently, in addition, the Sun-god, his messenger the raven, a fig-tree, a lion, a ewer, and torch-bearers....the birth of Mithras, then the god nude, cutting fruit and leaves from a fig-tree in which is the bust of a deity, and before which one of the winds is blowing upon Mithras; ³**the god discharging an arrow against a rock from which springs a fountain....**Helios kneeling before Mithras; Helios and Mithras clasping hands over an altar; ⁴**Mithras with drawn bow on a running horse**; Mithras and Helios banqueting; Mithras and Helios mounting the chariot of the latter and riding over the ocean...⁵**the sanctification of Sunday and of the 25th of December.**" (vol. 15, pp. 620-621)

[NOTES: ¹*The imperial house of the Caesars of Latin Rome, New Rome (Roma Nova/Constantinople, and the third Rome (Moscow, Russia) all utilized Mithraism to establish their authority over the subjects.*

²*This statement reveals that Mithras, in the beginning, is naked Adam, who partook of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and then clothed himself with the leaves of a fig tree. (Gen. 3)*

³*Is this not like Moses who struck the rock with his rod bringing forth water? (Ex. 17)*

⁴*Refer to Revelation chapter 6:1-2. This author has understood that the stripping of the first seal took place*

when Emperor Constantine entered into the New Testament assembly, became its Pontifex Maximus, and decreed Sunday worship in lieu of the seventh day Sabbath, and December 25th as the birth of the Savior. He, in reality, caused the people to embrace the tenets of Mithras, the sun-god. He then went forth conquering (Gk. = nike [Counsels of Nicea]) and to conquer as the champion of the people in similar fashion to Nimrod after the flood.

⁵*Sunday is the first day of the week, not the seventh. Sunday can never be a weekly Sabbath as the Sabbath requires six work-days with the rest day at the end of the week, not the beginning. Also, it is a fact that the Savior was never born on December 25th. This is common knowledge.]*

Under the *ISBE* commentary above, Lotan is also represented as Litan, but all we have to do to get a more clear understanding of modern day Lotan is to simply change the vowels in Litan to Latin and the home of the Leviathan beast is clearly revealed (Rome).

The fourth metallic kingdom of Daniel chapter two is Rome. The fourth beast kingdom of Daniel chapter seven is Rome. Rome was famous for being built on "seven hills" in like fashion to Jerusalem. Rome became divided into three cities, Old Rome, Roma Nova (Byzantium/Constantinople - modern day Istanbul), and Moscow, Russia (the Third Rome [according to their own history]). All three cities are said to have been built on "seven hills!"

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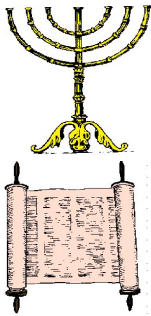
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that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, Yahweh shall take away his part (2 x 932) out of **the book of life** (233), and out of the holy city, and from the things

which are written in this book," Rev. 22:13-19.

HalleluYah!!!! The tree of the knowledge of good and evil (932), the tree of death (932), no longer has that power over those who are in the tree of life (233), Yahshua the Messiah (233)! We

could continue with Scripture after Scripture, but you can interject these things into the rest of the Scriptures through your own studies. May Yahweh bless you to turn away from the tree of death (932) and embrace the tree of life (233).



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