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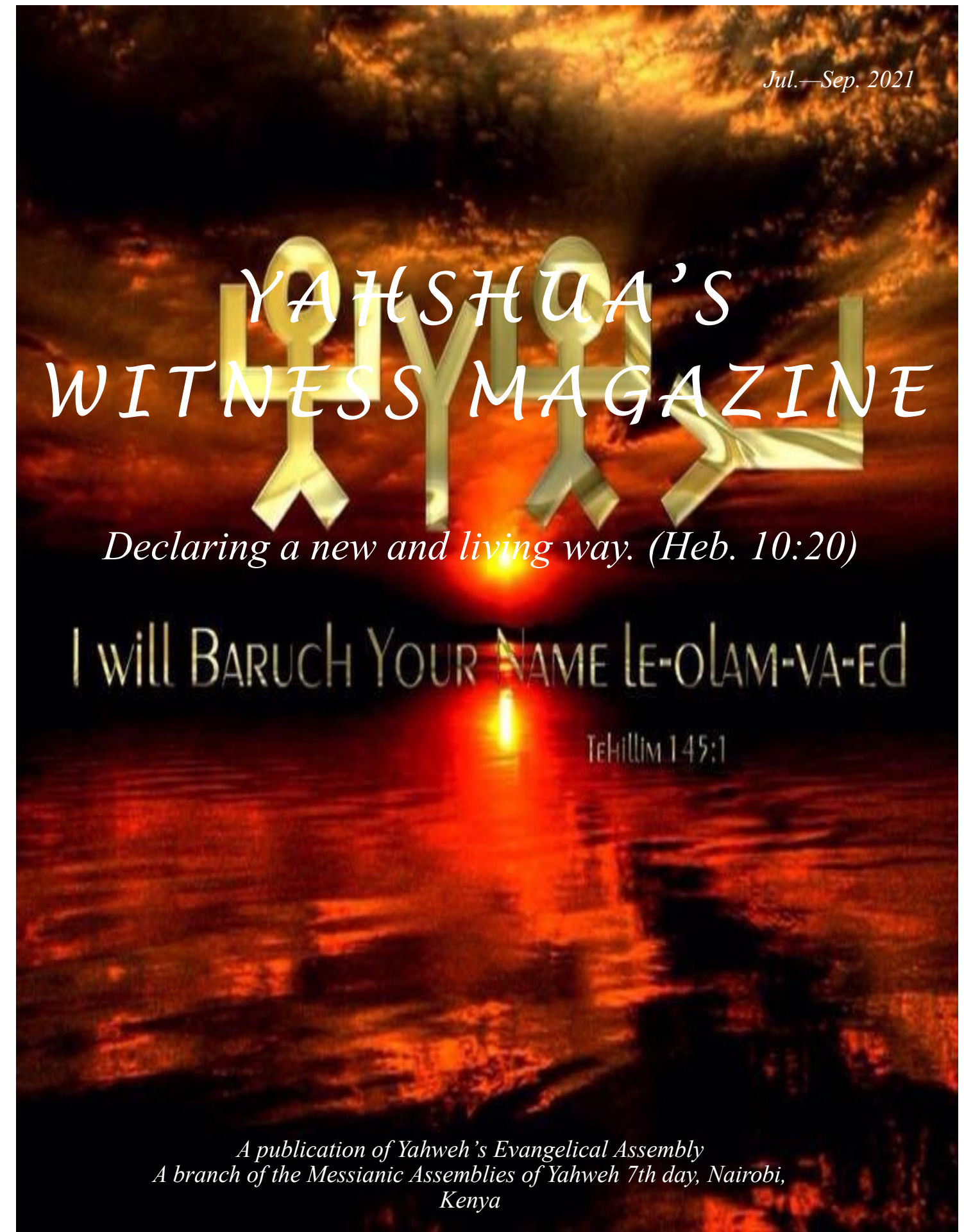
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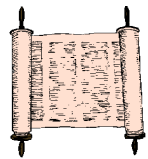
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Yahshua's Witness Magazine

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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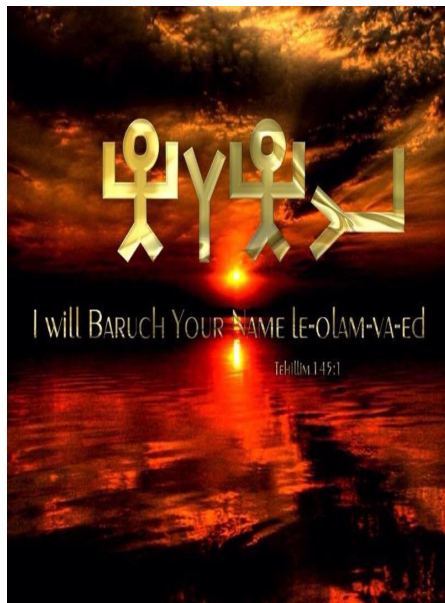
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OUR COVER: We chose to utilize this artwork produced by Joseph Miller in order to highlight and focus on Garrison Bell's article and artwork entitled "I Am Yahweh." Our gratefulness and thanks to both of them for their beautiful artwork.

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The book of Revelation declares, "And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him," Rev. 12:9.

Yahshua declared to the people of His day, "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." ⁴⁵And because I tell you the truth, ye believe me not," Jn. 8:44-45.

Does it bother you that if you tell

the truth on Facebook, YouTube, to the media, to the world, that you are censored and in many cases blocked?

Did you know that certain ones telling the **truth** about the present vaccination situation are castigated, maligned, and threatened with jail or prison sentences?

Is this the mark of what is called a Christian nation, or system of nations from America, to Europe, Eastern Europe, and other areas around the world?

The so-called churches have been blinded to the truth for close to 2,000 years now. The followers of the Messiah have been purposely blinded and scattered to the winds by the wolves of Rome.

Judah and Israel are blinded by the

"vail of Moses" (2 Cor. 3:13).

Mohammed gave credence to the Torah and to the New Testament, but Islam hate them and forbid them to be allowed in many of their countries.

Thus Babylon, Babel, chaos, confusion, vanity, emptiness, nothingness continues to reign supreme to this very day!

Because of this, Yahweh's vengeance is coming! His anger is soon going to be poured out.

We are admonished to, "come out of her my people that you be not partakers in her plagues! "For her sins have reached unto heaven, and Yahweh hath remembered her iniquities," Rev. 18:4-5. It is time for a new Exodus. May you/we be blessed to partake therein! *JH*

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name (𐤀𐤃𐤁𐤏) in the ancient Pictorial Hebrew. Let's break it down as best to my understanding. Remember read right to left! The yod (𐤅) = a hand, the hei (𐤇) = a window, to reveal, behold, lo, etc., the waw (𐤅) = a nail, or tent peg, the hei (𐤇) again serves as a window, to reveal, behold, lo, etc. This being said, one can understand His name to mean "Behold the hand, behold the nail." Both Father and Son bear this name. The Son sits at the right hand of the Father (Psa. 110:1-5; Heb. 1:1-3). He is the Father's right hand, so the same name applies to both.

As a side note, upon the Son's resurrection, Thomas the disciple doubted Yahshua had, in fact, been resur-

rected. When He appeared to him and the other disciples, Yahshua said, "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.

The rest of my drawing is easy to understand once you understand His most precious name. I put the eyes weeping to symbolize not only "beholding" but weeping to symbolize His sadness for all of His deceived children that know not how to find Him.

The hands and nails, of course, are to show His name, "Behold the hand, behold the nail."

I placed in the background clouds, stars, and comets along with the earth, sun and moon. That was my way of showing the creation of the heavens

and earth, light and darkness, land and the oceans; how He created all, is in all, and is all deserving to be praised, and the way to do this is by making sure we hallow His TRUE Name, Yahweh!

P.S. I want you guys at Y.E.A. to use this drawing for anything or nothing...I was just moved to draw something to honor Yahweh Elohim! *GB*

Well Garrison, You did a most excellent job with the representation and also the explanation. You have quite a talent. If it had been about 4 inches taller, I would have utilized it as our magazine cover, but to do that would have meant that I would have had to stretch it out of proportion. May Yahweh continue to bless you with your artistic talent. Thank you so much! *JH*

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and one shepherd. ¹⁷Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again. ¹⁸No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father," Jn. 10:1-18.

The seventh trumpet/teruwah will open the door of resurrection for the 144,000 saints who will be the first to be born into the kingdom of heaven. It will also close the door of power and influence that the serpent dragon Satan the devil has utilized to hold sway over the kingdoms of men (Adam

kind).

It will open the door for the seventh millennium of Yahweh's rest wherein Yahweh will restore His people Israel and Judah to their inheritance turn the hearts of the fathers (Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob) to their children (Israel and Judah) and establish them as the nobility of the kingdom of heaven.. It will open the door for the kingdom of heaven to rule eternally. It will also open the door of destruction to be rained upon the wicked, corrupted kingdoms of this world. It will also open the door for the eventual salvation of the non-Hebrew kingdoms and peoples of this earth.

Finally, it will open the door so that the other feasts will be able to be fulfilled, that is, Yown Kippur (Atonement), Succot (Tabernacles), and the last great day.

The most exciting time of all the ages of mankind will soon be experienced. It is the time when Yahweh will turn His hand to fill His kingdom of heaven and earth with the rulers and subjects who will be able to experience the most wondrous and marvelous love, peace, joy, and rejoicing. He will restore His righteous rule, come down to live with and among men with the greatest of blessings forevermore! HalleluYah!!!! *JH*

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Dear Brother Jerry,
I received and read all the materials you sent me. I am not offended and I don't mind that you are publishing a response to my article. I trust that readers can decide for themselves what to think about these things.

I do not hate or even dislike Sacred Name believers; I only dislike certain things that I see among some SN believers—the mean-spirited condemning of Christians; an unhealthy obsession with knowing the exact pronunciation of the Tetragrammaton; the misuse and mishandling of the Hebrew language; extreme dogmatism that unnecessarily alienates other Bible believers and prevents them from considering the truth about the Sabbath and dietary laws, etc.

I have some SN friends. You might even know some of them. Our congregation has been helping support a SN orphanage in Kenya with a monthly offering for several years now, ever since we had Peter Kihara speak to our congregation about 10 years ago. Peter spoke here again a couple years ago. I tell you this not to boast but to assure you that I do not oppose SN believers; I only oppose the flaws that I see among some SN believers.

I am sending you some of my articles that may interest you, even if you disagree with some of the things I

write. Since I read all the materials you sent me, I hope you will read the things I am sending you.

Respectfully, Daniel Botkin
Thank you for your respectful response, Daniel, but your article never expressed this to begin with. It was seemingly condemning of all Sacred Name believers, firstly, and secondly, you continue to utilize the false substituted “terms” that the kings, rulers and leaders of the earth have preferred to utilize in their collusion with the Babylonian harlot who rides on the beast that is full of names of blasphemy.

We prefer to speak out against ALL deception. The Jews, themselves, continue to observe the Sabbath, the new moons, the holy days, the dietary laws, etc. but Yahweh says, “¹⁰Hear the word of Yahweh, ye rulers of Sodom; give ear unto the law of our Elohim, ye people of Gomorrah. ¹¹To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me? saith Yahweh: I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of he goats. ¹²When ye come to appear before me, who hath required this at your hand, to tread my courts? ¹³Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; **the new moons and sabbaths, the calling of assemblies, I cannot away with**; it is iniquity, even

the solemn meeting. ¹⁴Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them. ¹⁵And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood,” Isa. 1:10-15.

It's those who call on the name Yahweh who will be saved, “And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of Yahweh shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as Yahweh hath said, and in the remnant whom Yahweh shall call,” Joel 2:32. “And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of Yahweh shall be saved,” Acts 2:21. “For whosoever shall call upon the name of Yahweh shall be saved,” Ro. 10:13.

The three required witnesses under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit have emphatically declared this! The Prophet Joel from the Old Testament, and the two major Apostles Peter and Paul from the New Testament!

You can take it or leave it. Jerry Healan didn't say it! Joel, Peter and Paul said it, and wrote it, I am just repeating for emphasis of the Holy Spirit. Do not snub your nose at what the Holy Spirit reveals, it can be catastrophic and devastating! JH

“Redeemer” which is ga'al (גא'ל). A quick break-down, according to my understanding is that גא' is El while the gimel (ג) gives the idea of “lifting up.” We are redeemed by “lifting up El!” So...I symbolize Yahshua as our Redeemer!

I wrote out the name Yahweh (יהוה) in the modern Hebrew. I tried to make it appear clear (see through) to represent water, which is a type of Spirit. My aim was to express how Yahweh is the Spirit and life of all creation. Inside 3 of the 4 letters that spell His name I wrote other things also. But first, let me break down the name.

The Hebrew characters הוה (hei, waw, hei) mean “to exist.” When the you (י) is added, it furnished the pronoun “He.” Therefore Yahweh (יהוה) means, He is, He exists.

FROM THE EDITOR

COME OUT OF HER!

We are experiencing some of the most chaotic and confused times in history. But this is the end result of any system, any peoples who have turned away from the true Creator and followed after false pagan vain deities and/or no deity at all. In reality, when a person denies that there is a great all wise, all knowing Elohim, they are setting themselves up as a deity. This is called Humanism.

The Psalmist declares, “Surely every man walketh in a vain shew...,” Psa. 39:6. In verse 5 it declared, “Verily every man at his best state is altogether vanity.”

“Vain” and “vanity” are translated from the Hebrew word hevel (הבל) which is defined as; emptiness or vanity; figuratively, something transitory and unsatisfactory (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance* #1892).

Why? Because we are temporary, transitory. We are here one moment and gone the next, but so many are seeking to heap up riches, possessions, powerful authority which is left to others when they die.

We, of and by ourselves, are unsatisfactory because “we all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of Yahweh.” (Ro. 3:23; 5:12).

Sadly, most of our people want to believe that the government ruling this nation has our best interests in mind. I remember having that attitude as a young man. I believed in and trusted our leaders to judge and govern for the best interests of the nation and the people. I had no idea of the secret manipulations, secret organizations, the evil intentions of those who held the reigns of governance. Of course, I knew that there was a devil who was very evil. I generally overlooked the statement of Paul who wrote of the “God of this world” (2 Cor. 4:4) who has blinded the minds of people so that they can't see the glorious Messiah. This, of course, came from my own immaturity and ignorance at the time.

Both Israel and Judah rejected their own true Elohim and sought to follow after the vain pagan deities. They suffered the consequences and are still suffering them today. Yahweh sent Yahshua for the salvation of His people Israel and Judah as well as those Gentiles who call upon His name. However, they are still suffering from the consequences of the “curses” brought on through their rebellion and disobedience. The rest of the world is also suffering from the same blindness and ignorance.

Let's face it, Yahweh delivered the kingdom of Judah Israel to Babylon which is Babel/Bavel (בבל) in Hebrew. Babel is defined as confusion in Strong's, which is true, but let's compare the word vanity (הבל) and confusion (בבל). The hei (ה) can be utilized as the article “the” while the beit (ב) can be utilized as the preposition “in.” So what do we have left? It is בל! So let's look at Bel or Bal which both look like this (בל). Bel is defined as; #1078—Bel, **the Baal** of the Babylonians, while Bal is defined as; #1077—properly, a failure; by implication nothing; usually (adverb) not at all; also lest (*IBID*).

What have we found!? Doesn't it all intertwine? Bel, Bal, vel, val are all interrelated! They all have to do with vanity, nothingness, failure, not at all. It is all also related to the worship of the false pagan deity Baal! This is why there is chaos, confusion, emptiness, vanity, ignorance, etc., etc. everywhere we look!

Thus the people who are worshipping “the LORD” are involved in the worship of chaos, confusion, vanity, nothingness. How can I say this? “The LORD” in Hebrew is ha-Bel (הבל) of the Babylonians which is related to the Canaanite deity Baal (הבעל).

We know that the Elohim of Israel, Yahweh, gave them commandments, ordinances, and judgments whereby to live. But the problem was that they would always forsake Yahweh and turn to the worship of the Baalim (lords) of the people of the land of Canaan which meant they would forsake Yahweh's commandments, ordinances, statutes and judgments. Of course all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of Yahweh, so He sent Yahshua the Messiah Who fulfilled, lived by those commandments, ordinances, and judgments (Mt. 5:17-18) setting an example that we should follow Him, “²¹For even hereunto were ye called: because the Messiah also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: ²²Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth,” 2 Pet. 2:21.

The question is, are those who profess the Messiah following his steps? Let's see....John says that sin is the transgression of the law (1 Jn. 3:4). The law therefore, defines what sin is and if we walk contrary to the law, then we are failing to follow His steps aren't we?

Paul writes that there are Elohim (Gods) many and lords many, “⁵For though there be that are called gods (Elohim), whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,) ⁶But to us there is but one Elohim, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Master Yahshua the Messiah, by whom are all things, and we by him,” 1 Cor. 8:5-6.

So we know that the Creator Elohim of heaven and earth is Yahweh and that Yahshua is the Messiah. But mainstream Christianity, which calls upon “the LORD” doesn't follow the commandments, ordinances, statutes and judgments that He ordained, nor do they follow Yahshua the Messiah who walked in them, fulfilling them, setting an example that we should follow His steps. Which LORD, therefore, are they following? What is his name? It certainly isn't the revealed true Elohim, nor is it the true Messiah! They have been deceived to follow after one who rebelled against Yahweh and has ever been involved in subtle deceptions that mislead and guide the sheep astray!

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LINGUISTIC SUPERSTITION & THE SACRED NAME MOVEMENT

Dr. Daniel Botkin

Dr. Botkin publishes the Gates of Eden magazine wherein the above article was presented some time ago. This author was inspired to write a rebuttal to Dr. Botkin, however it was never published until now. It is our responsibility to "...give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and reverence," 1 Pet. 3:15.

By Pastor Jerry Healan

Dr. Botkin: From the author: I first wrote a rough draft for this article around 1993, then expanded it around 2002, and finally revised it to its present form about 10 years ago and made it into a small booklet. This subject continues to come up, so I am printing it in GOE. (*Gates of Eden*)

J. Healan: Dear Mr., Dr. Botkin, what I want to do, firstly, is to focus on a couple of Scriptures that you have read in your studies, but evidently pay little heed to. I hope these get your attention, however I expect that this treatise will only serve to annoy you a little.

The first Scripture is found in 1 Jn. 2:21, "I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that **no lie is of the truth.**"

The second Scripture is found in Jn. 4:24, "Yahweh is Spirit: and they that worship him **must worship him in spirit and in truth.**"

Dr. Botkin: Linguistic superstition is the belief that saying certain "negative" words will produce negative results, and saying certain "positive" words in just the right way will produce positive results. This sort of belief system is most apparent in occult magic. Practitioners of occult magic believe that certain words have an inherent power of force within them which can be harnessed and utilized when the words are pronounced in a precise, prescribed manner. The seven sons of Sceva believed this. When they saw Paul doing miracles in the name of Yeshua, they tried to cast out a demon by saying, "We adjure you by Yeshua whom Paul preacheth." The demon in the man replied, "Yeshua I know, and Paul I know; but who are you?" Then the man leaped on them and gave them a good beating. (See Acts 19:13-16)

J. Healan: Dr. Botkin, I can see that

you truly detest the Sacred Name people which is a spirit and attitude that you need to repent of. Let's get something straight right off the bat. The term "Sacred Name" means just that. The Heavenly Father and His wondrous son are holy, sacred, *qodesh* (in the Hebrew). So are their names. And yes, their names have power. As you well know and see from the Scriptures, the fact is that the name Yahweh had power from the beginning. It was by the name Yahweh (יהוה), in Modern Hebrew; **יהוה**, in Paleo Hebrew; and **יהוה**, in Pictorial Hebrew) that Israel was delivered from the house of bondage in the land of Egypt. Yahweh told Pharaoh, "For now I will stretch out my hand, that I may smite thee and thy people with pestilence; and thou shalt be cut off

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from the earth. And in very deed for this cause have I raised thee up, for **to shew in thee my power; and that my name may be declared throughout all the earth.**" Ex. 9:15-16.

While it is true that the occultist (witches, sorcerers, etc.) utilize various words for negative or positive power, the simple fact is that even in our daily language "negative words" do harm, while "positive words" help to encourage, edify, etc. Maybe you have heard of the Japanese scientist Masaru Emoto who has done experiments with water. He can either say, or print "negative/evil" words on, or over little vials of water, then freeze them and the result is an evil looking chaotic mess, while "positive," encouraging, good words produce the most beautiful crystals imaginable.

His experiments prove that even water has memory and words do have positive and negative effects!

Yahweh says, "A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger," Prov. 15:1.

Also, "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver," Prov. 25:11.

Your linking of occult superstition with the Sacred Name brethren is vile, to say the least. You failed to show that Paul and the other apostles and disciples, who were faithful believers, had great power and performed great miracles when they utilized Yahshua's name, but those who seek to utilize the evil ways of occultism, witchcraft, sorcery, etc. are powerless when it comes to Yahshua's, or Yahweh's name. Utilizing their names for evil purposes is taking their names in vain. We understand that and avoid it. You are laying a false charge at our feet.

You tried to utilize it to prove your point, but your point fails when it comes to the true names, and the faithful who call upon, and are led into the paths of righteousness by them.

Dr. Botkin: You would think that Bible believers would know better than to get entangled in linguistic superstition. Sadly, that is not the case. We have seen Linguistic superstition manifested by some Christians in the "Word of faith"/"positive confession" movement. Now we are seeing linguistic superstition of another sort being manifested in the Sacred Name (SN) movement.

J. Healan: So, Dr. Botkin, to utilize and call upon the TRUE NAMES is linguistic superstition!? Get it Dr. Botkin, not only SACRED, but TRUE! I would fear if I were you! Because that which is true, holy, sacred is of the Holy Spirit! You are equating the truth, that which is sacred

to hurt the earth and the sea, ³Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our Elohim in their foreheads. ⁴And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel," Rev. 7:1-4.

TRUMPETS

This brings us to the fourth annual holy day which is called "yowm teruwah" in Hebrew. It means the day of trumpets, and also the day of shouting.

Paul witnesses, ¹⁴"For if we believe that Yahshua died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Yahshua will Yahweh bring with him. ¹⁵For this we say unto you by the word of Yahweh, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. ¹⁶For the Master himself shall descend from heaven with a **shout** (teruwah), with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet (trumpet) of Elohim: and the dead in the Messiah shall rise first: ¹⁷Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Master in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Master. ¹⁸Wherefore comfort one another with these words," 1 Thes. 4:14-18.

He also writes, ⁵⁰"Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of Elohim; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. ⁵¹Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, ⁵²In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, **at the last trump** (trumpet): for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. ⁵³For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. ⁵⁴So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. ⁵⁵O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? ⁵⁶The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. ⁵⁷But thanks be to Yahweh, which giveth us the victory through our Master Yahshua the Messiah. ⁵⁸There-

fore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of Yahweh, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Master," 1 Cor. 15:50-58.

There are seven trumpets recorded to be blown in the book of Revelation. The seventh trumpet sound will be the last trumpet sound.

John records, ¹⁵"And the seventh angel sounded (teruwah); and there were great voices (teruwah) in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Yahweh, and of his Messiah; and he shall reign for ever and ever. ¹⁶And the four and twenty elders, which sat before Yahweh on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped Yahweh, ¹⁷Saying, We give thee thanks, O Yahweh Elohim Shaddai, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned. ¹⁸And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth. ¹⁹And the temple of Yahweh was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail," Rev. 11:15-19.

This feast, this day of trumpets, shouting, teruwah takes place on the first day of the seventh month of Yahweh's calendar, not the Caesar's, nor the Pope's.

This feast of trumpets will ring in the first day of the seventh millennium because the seven day week is a type of the seven thousand year plan of our great Creator Yahweh. Peter tells us that a day with Yahweh is as a thousand years and a thousand years as one day (2 Pet. 3:8).

The seventh millennium will be a period of Yahweh's rest just as the seventh day Sabbath is His appointed day of rest. Man's evil corrupted authoritarian ways and days will have ended. HalleluYah!!!!

THE DOOR

This day of trumpets, day of shouting is the fourth annual holy day. Be-

ing the fourth is also a number of significance. The fourth letter of the Hebrew alphabet is the dalet which is the name of and a picture of a door.

Yahshua proclaimed, ¹"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door (dalet) into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. ²But he that entereth in by the door (dalet) is the shepherd of the sheep. ³To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. ⁴And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice. ⁵And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers. ⁶This parable spake Yahshua unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them. ⁷Then said Yahshua unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door (dalet) of the sheep. ⁸All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them. ⁹I am the door: (dalet) by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. ¹¹I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. ¹²But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf (**NOTE:** Rome worshipped the wolf that supposedly suckled the twins Romulus and Remus, types of Cain and Abel. *JH*) coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. ¹³The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. ¹⁵As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep. (**NOTE:** The laying down of His life, began the great spiritual fulfillment of the appointed feast days, a process which continues to this day. *JH*) ¹⁶And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold,

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THE FOURTH ANNUAL FEAST [TRUMPETS]

By Jerry Healan

Yahweh established seven annual high days, called feasts (moedim) for the children of Israel to observe (Lev. 23). He has commanded Israel, ¹⁴“Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year. ¹⁵Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread: (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty:.) ¹⁶And the feast of harvest, the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: and the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field. ¹⁷Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the Adonai Yahweh,” Ex. 23:14-17.

The first *moed* (appointed time) was that of Passover and the seven days of unleavened bread. While all of the feast days were observed with special sacrificial offerings, we who know do understand that Yahshua’s one sacrifice satisfied all of the sacrificial requirements of all times, the daily sacrifices, oblations, and special sacrifices required on the holy day seasons, ¹“For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, **can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.**

²For then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins. ³But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year.

⁴For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. ⁵Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: ⁶In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure. ⁷Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O Yahweh. ⁸Above **when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst**

pleasure therein; which are offered by the law; ⁹Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O Yahweh. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. ¹⁰By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Yahshua the Messiah once for all. ¹¹And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same **sacrifices, which can never take away sins:** ¹²But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of Yahweh; ¹³From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool. ¹⁴For **by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified,”** Heb. 10:1-14.

Yahshua is the Aleph and the Tau (Rev. 1:8) which means that He is chief, the first, the beginning of all things (Jn. 1:1-14; 1 Jn. 1:1-2) and being the Tau, He also finishes, completes them, ¹“Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, ²**Looking unto Yahshua the author and finisher of our faith;** who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of Yahweh,” Heb. 12:1-2.

The Passover sacrifice was the beginning of Yahweh’s deliverance of His people from the power of Satan the devil and his earthly servants (Ex. 12 & 13). Yahshua became our Passover sacrificed for us (1 Cor. 5:7) to ultimately deliver His people from Satan’s power of death and the grave.

The feast of Unleavened bread was begun immediately after the Passover sacrifice with the first annual high holy day and was ended with the seventh annual high holy day.

We primarily eat “leavened bread” throughout the year, but leaven typifies sin, iniquity, however Yahshua is the true bread from heaven (Jn. 6) Who was without leaven, without sin.

Seven is the number for spiritual perfection and completion, therefore,

Yahshua, being our true bread from heaven has the power to perfectly and completely deliver us from our sins, our iniquities.

Yahshua was sacrificed on Passover day, the fourteenth day of the first month and died at the exact time the the Passover lambs were beginning to be slaughtered. He was buried just before sunset and darkness on that day and was in the grave for three days and three nights as He said (Mt. 12:40).

He was resurrected from the grave at the end of the third day (the seventh day Sabbath) in anticipation of ascending into heaven in the morning of the first day of the week to fulfill the wave sheaf offering of firstfruits and being declared the FIRSTBORN FROM THE DEAD (Jn. 20:1-17) thereupon beginning the countdown to the second feast season which was called shavout, the feast of harvest, firstfruits, Pentecost, etc.

He fulfilled the feast of Shavout, Pentecost on the count of the 50th day (Lev. 23:9-21). Fifty has to do with jubilee, liberty, freedom. Thus, Yahshua poured the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of liberty, freedom, jubilee out from heaven upon His firstfruits body, His firstfruits assembly, beginning the process of **sealing** those who would be the firstborn of men into the family of Elohim, the family of the name Yahweh!

The fiftieth letter of the Hebrew alphabet is the nun. It looks like this (נ/ן/נ) in Modern, Paleo, and Pictorial Hebrew respectively. Pictorially, it has to do with a seed (-s), an heir (-s).

The sealing of Yahweh’s true people has been going on from that time until now, but we are very close, very near to the end of this sealing for we read, ¹“And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree. ²And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living Elohim: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given

and holy, with superstition and even occultism! You should repent and fear that you haven’t blasphemed the Holy Spirit!

Dr. Botkin: The SN movement is a movement that began in the late 1930s as an offshoot of the Church of God, Seventh Day denomination. The main focus of this movement (as the phrase “Sacred Name” suggests) is the use of God’s Hebrew name. In most SN literature God’s Hebrew name is transliterated as “Yahweh” (though at least 38 other variant spellings exist among SN believers). Jesus’ Hebrew name is usually mis-transliterated as “Yahshua” (though at least 55 other variant spellings exist among SN believers).

J. Healan: Yes, there are differences among Yahweh’s people concerning how to pronounce the Creator’s name, and that is an easy thing to focus on, negatively, that is....the various differences, but you, yourself seem to be a Christian. Which group do you associate with, or claim to be a part of? Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox, Russian Orthodox, Lutheran, Episcopalian, Methodist, Church of Christ, Church of God, Baptist, First Baptist, Seventh Day Baptist, Seventh Day Adventist, Pentecostal....etc. *ad infinitum*?

You say, “mis-transliterated as “Yahshua.” What do you call the patriarch of the Old Testament who led Israel after Moses died, Joshua (like most of the rest of the English world)? Is that a mis-transliteration? You should know, yourself, since you have the title Dr., that there is no “J” in the Hebrew or Greek alphabets, and there was no “J” in the English alphabet until the 17th century, which means that the name Jesus is false, a lie! Remember the Scriptures that I began with? So, if you replace the false “J” in the name Joshua, with the “Y”, what is the result? In the English world, the result would be Yoshua (pronounced Yahshua). This author has taken a little Hebrew and has been able to see that His name could be pronounced Yoshua (like Yoeshua), or Yahshua. The waw/vav as a vowel can carry all of the vowel sounds “a, e, i, o, u, and w (which is a double ‘u’).”

While the Christian world may

follow their King James, leaders and rulers, as to the names God, the Lord, Jesus, Christ, etc., Scripture reveals that the leaders and kings of the earth have committed FORNICATION with the harlot (see, Psa. 2:1-3; Rev. 17:1-5; 18:3).

Remember also that the harlot rides upon a beast that has the names of blasphemy. Do you know who this harlot is and can you also identify the beast? We can, have, and continue to do so.

Scripture also reveals that, “...the great dragon...that old serpent called the Devil and Satan...has deceived the WHOLE WORLD!” Rev. 12:9.

I know that you publish a little cartoon named “Reverend Twist Truth” where you show how so many of the Christian ministers are twisting the truth, but now it is evident that there is a little “Dr./Reverend Twist Truth” in yourself! You are in league with the kings and rulers of the earth. You are aiding people in committing FORNICATION with the Babylonian Harlot. Shame on you Dr. Botkin. The letters “Dr.” that you use in front of your name surely represent the hard work that you exhibited to earn them, but you certainly haven’t worked hard enough to reveal the truth!

His name is not, was not, and never will be God!

Dr. Botkin: Hard-core SN believers are afraid to utter the words “GOD” or “Lord” when referring to the Creator. They insist that He must be addressed by His Hebrew name. Most SN literature gives a reader the impression that knowing the Hebrew name is more important than knowing God Himself.

J. Healan: There are three very important witnesses that reveal that we must call upon the name Yahweh for deliverance/salvation. They are, Joel (2:32), Peter (Acts 2:21), and Paul (Ro. 10:13). Go to an Interlinear and you will discover that Joel utilized the name Yahweh (יהוה) while Peter and Paul are quoting him under inspiration of the Holy Spirit! The English Scriptures substitute “the Lord” in those places. We **REFUSE TO UTILIZE FALSE INFERIOR SUBSTITUTES** that cannot and will not save! Also,

Dr. Botkin, His name is not, was not, and never will be God! We want to utilize that which is true in worshiping and serving Him, not the false! I will remind you of the first two Scriptures quoted at the beginning once again.

Dr. Botkin: Much of what I have read in SN literature is dangerously close to the occultic thinking that existed in first century Gnosticism. *The Oxford Illustrated History of Christianity* (pg. 27) says this: “Heretical Gnostic systems combined magic and astrology with the Bible. The Hebrew name of God, IAO [*the Greek transliteration of YHWH* – DB], fascinated sorcerers by its vowels, always crucial in ancient magic.”

Like first-century Gnostic sorcerers, many SN believers seem equally fascinated by the Hebrew name of God, and have made a fetish out of the Sacred Name. This in itself is not sorcery, of course, but it is in step in that direction. *Rotherham’s Emphasized Bible*, a translation which has greatly influenced the SN movement, says in its introduction that “the name Yahweh has some inherent meaning of great force” and speaks of “some self-evident force” contained in the Sacred Name (pg. 26, 28). This sort of thinking can lead to linguistic superstition and worse. Noted Hebrew scholar David Bivin, in an article called “The Fallacy of Sacred Name Bibles,” writes: The use of correct formulas and correct pronunciations is very important in magic rites, but not in one’s relationship with the God of Israel!” (*Jerusalem Perspective*, Nov.-Dec. 1991, pg. 12).

J. Healan: Let me get this right....Because we love the truth....because we love the true name of our Creator....because we utilize His great marvelous and wondrous name to declare His mighty and wondrous works, not our own works....because we want to declare the true holy righteous name to the world, the name of salvation....we are lumped in with the occultic world of witchcraft, sorcerers, and astrologers.

But what about all of those, including yourself, who prefer to utilize false names, titles, etc. such as the term “God.” I will get into this a little later, Dr. Botkin. You simply haven’t

done your homework, and certainly need to if you want to continue to retain your earned letters (Dr.).

As for Mr. Bivin. He may be a Hebrew scholar, but why would he associate the CORRECT pronunciations with sorcery? Get it!? CORRECT as in TRUE, or TRUTH! Seems to me that the opposite to CORRECT is FALSE! It has been a while since I have been in school, but the system always wanted me to answer test questions CORRECT-ly. If they weren't CORRECT, then they were WRONG! My how things have changed with you and Mr. Bivin since the good old school days.

We do not utilize the true and sacred names in order to impose OUR WILL, that is sorcery. We utilize them in order to correctly identify and give glory, honor, and praise to our Creator, Sustainer, and rightly identify our Elohim and His glorious Son!

Dr. Botkin: The SN movement has produced a mixture of good and bad fruit. On the positive side, the SN movement has done a lot to help people see that the Sabbath, the Feasts, and the dietary laws are still valid for New Covenant believers. On the negative side, this movement has spawned a lot of rotten fruit. I am not in a position to say whether the good fruit outweighs the rotten fruit or vice versa. I will let God be the judge of that. I do not wish to judge, but I do need to warn people not to swallow rotten fruit. Because it will poison you.

J. Healan: Let's see.....The Sabbath, feasts, and dietary laws are still in effect, but the truth about the Creator's name is rotten fruit? After all...that is what you are writing about and are contesting here. The Seventh day Sabbath is listed in the ten commandments, but the feasts, and dietary laws aren't, even though they should be observed. But the third commandment has to do with the forbidding of taking Yahweh's name in vain. This can also mean "counting it as useless, or unimportant." You are making a very crucial mistake by implying that the name of salvation is rotten fruit, and poison. I would urge you to quickly and deeply repent of this feeling. I know it's going to be difficult since you've had these feelings since 1993.

You see, the real poison is your own attitude and feelings toward Yahweh's name and His people.

Every known faith, religion has some seemingly good fruit but also much rotten poisonous fruit from Christianity, to Judaism, Islam, and the other pagan religions. As Yahshua says, "Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them," Mat. 7:15-20.

What you are doing is judging the whole movement in accordance with the actions of a few that you have come in contact with. You are making a big mistake in this effort.

Dr. Botkin: The purpose of this article is not to attack people, but to expose errors. I do not wish to embarrass or publicly humiliate anyone.

You are, in effect, judging the whole movement by the actions, articles, and publications of a few.

(This is why I will not be citing the sources when I quote from SN writers. If readers wish to know my sources, I will share that information privately.)

J. Healan: Not to attack people!? You have already accomplished that. You have only sought to embarrass and humiliate those who are Sacred Name believers. You may not call them by name, but most people will know them when they see them, and because of your own first few paragraphs here, you have sought to cause people to look upon Yahweh's people with suspicion, disrespect, and even contempt. You have, and are making some grievous errors yourself, Dr. Botkin, and I intend, with Yahweh's help through Yahshua, to expose

them!

You are, in effect, judging the whole movement by the actions, articles, and publications of a few.

Dr. Botkin: Some minor thinking in a person's thinking can be relatively harmless. Unfortunately, some of the errors in the SN movement are not harmless. The proof of this statement is in the rotten fruit the movement has borne. The rotten fruit to which I refer is primarily a glaring lack of love for the brethren. We all know the importance of loving one's neighbor as one's self; we know that the fruit of the Spirit is love; we know about 1 Corinthians 13. We all know the importance of loving the brethren. And I have been reading SN literature regularly since the mid-1980s.

Indeed, many SN believers do not even consider the brethren their brethren. Christians who do not use the Hebrew names are often regarded as lost at best and as devil worshippers at worst. One large SN organization printed these words in a newsletter last August: "Christianity calls 'God's' Son by the name 'Jesus'. Thus, those worshipping 'this son' are committing spiritual adultery!!" This is from one of the more tolerant SN organizations. Other SN writers have flatly stated that Christians who use the words "God," "Lord," and "Jesus Christ" are actually worshipping Satan.

J. Healan: What were the Scriptures that I reminded you of at the beginning, Dr. Botkin? "No lie is of the truth." A worshipper of Yahweh MUST worship Him in Spirit and in TRUTH. You CANNOT worship the TRUE CREATOR through the false names of Jesus, God, or the Lord! You, yourself, supposedly being a Bible scholar, should know that the Caesars of the Roman beast, the fourth kingdom of Daniel chapter 2, and the fourth great and terrible beast of Daniel chapter 7 have entered into the body of believers, taken over, and corrupted the truth into a lie under the sway and influence of their god Lucifer, the Devil, and Satan!

Frankly, Dr. Botkin, you have never been on the side of the SN believers who are persecuted, hated, and despised by the Christian ministers. We are trying to warn people out of love



We truly have some gifted artists in this world and sadly, so many of them end up in prison. This masterpiece was sent to us by a young man in prison named Garrison Bell. We will allow him to explain the meanings of it. JH

By Garrison Bell

"I am Yahweh: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images," Isa. 42:8.

I was raised in southern Georgia and was taught to show my peers and elders respect in how I addressed them. I don't like nicknames or calling people shortened versions of their names. Allen is not "Al," "Garrison" is not "Gary;" Michael is not "Mike," so on and so forth. To show respect to a name is to show respect to the person.

Being raised in the south, I grew up in the church. I have always been one to pray and seek our Father's help and reassurances. Little did I know that all these years I was not respecting my most precious and gracious Heavenly Father.

I was recently introduced to Yahweh's Evangelical Assembly by a new friend (shout out and thanks to my brother Zac). Upon reading the booklet titled *Do You Know Truth*, I was brought to understand how I was so very wrong in how I went to my Father in prayer and in gratitude. All my life I've been disrespecting my Father and His only begotten son!

Know now that I have been mistaken, not only mistaken, but intentionally led astray...I wish to honor Him as I best know how. I'm not great with words. This letter will probably be drafted five times and I will still forget many things I wish to share. But I hope that Yahweh guides my hand and leads me to speak for His joy. I hope any who may read this, if anyone does, enjoys my new under-

standing of the most precious name we can come to know and understand.

As I stated, I'm not good at expressing my thoughts or desires with words. I get ahead of myself and confuse, if not myself, then those to whom I am speaking to. But I was blessed to be capable of drawing decently and wish to give Y.E.A. my rendering of "defining the Sacred Name of Abba." I do not know if Y.E.A. will make use of this picture...but regardless, I felt a strong desire to draw one day in my heart, and once done, felt compelled to send it to Y.E.A. as a small "thank you" for all you do for all that simply "Ask, seek, and knock" for knowledge.

(The drawing's definition [-s])

For those who don't know, He-

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ark, "the clean by sevens... and the unclean by two"- Gen 7:2. Going back even further the writer of Hebrews tells us that Enoch (3348-2983 BC), "had a testimony that pleased Elohim" -Heb. 11:5, meaning that he also lived a righteously moral obedient life following Yahweh's commandments. Was this great grandfather of Noah, following those Jewish laws? Do you think anyone ever asked Enoch or Noah if they were Jewish? Sorry, the answer is obviously "NO".

Abel was also considered righteous in Heb.11:4. We don't have any dates provided for Abel, but we do know he was born before Seth. In Gen. 5:3 we learn that Adam was 130 years old when Seth was born so we can estimate that this was 3840 BC. (3970-130=3840). With this knowledge we can see that Yahweh's Laws were known and being kept 2340 years before the life of Moses (3840-1500=2340) and some 2040 years before the life of Judah the father of the Jews (3840-1800=2040). Again, these are rough estimates, but the point should be clear by now.

Judaism is now a religious affiliation which means anyone can be Jewish while not having been technically born from Jewish descendants. Yahshua warned us of this religion when He advised us to, "beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees", in Mat.16:6 and explained in 16:12 that this leaven represented their false doctrine. In Mark 8:15 Yahshua further cautioned His disciples to, "Take heed and beware of the leaven of Herod". What was this Herodian leaven? We learn from the prophet Hosea that leavening symbolizes, "iniquity, wickedness, falsehood...the thief and the robbers that spoileth...princes with their lies...adulterers...sick with wine...that stretch out their hand with the scorn-ers"- 7:1-8, while Amos 4:1-5 stands to show that this leaven also, "oppresses the poor and crushes the needy".

Are not those who usually ask, "what are you Jewish?", mostly doing this in a scornfully scoffing manner? In my experience 9 out of 10 people are doing just that. Sadly, others I have come across will attempt to exalt themselves as the more knowledgeable teacher in order to steer people

away from this truth, making the false claim that this faith is Jewish! Then oddly enough, those who claim they are Jews, will tell these same crowds that these Sabbaths and Holy Days are only for them to keep! "Above all you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires..." -2 Pet. 3:3.

Where do we find these agencies of leavening today? Author and Elder Jerry Healan explains. ["The leaven of Herod would have been the doctrine of the Herodians. Herod was made king of the land of Canaan by Augustus Caesar, his cousin. His father was an Edomite, and his mother was of Ishmael. There were those who promoted him as king over Israel, which is fallacious since the true King is Yahshua, who is Jewish."] Note: Not of the religion of Judaism, but rather, Jewish by birthright, being descended from the tribe of Yahudah (Mat. 1:1-17; Luke 3:23-38) fulfilling the prophecy of Ya'aqov in Gen 49:10 that, "the sceptre shall not depart from Yahudah", continuing...

["Herod practiced Judaism in the Jerusalem area, but he also built the city in the north named Caesarea, which was named after Caesar and

"Roman authorities considered Jewish every person who kept the Sabbath, so they mistreated Gentile believers as if they were Jewish.

had a temple built therein, which was dedicated to the worship of Caesar as a god. This should enlighten us concerning the leaven of Herod. Herod's king was Caesar. Caesar was worshipped as the son of god. When Constantine Caesar entered into the New Testament Assembly, he took over as its Pontifex Maximus or great high priest and mediator between heaven and earth. Through his edicts the faith began to be transformed and corrupted into modern day Christianity. The

doctrine of the Herodians therefore, was the doctrine that he was the rightful king over the Jews due to himself being placed there by a still greater king, Caesar. In other words, Caesar was the ultimate king and whoever he appointed as their sub-king or leader had the authority of heaven. Constantine gave honor and esteem to another deity rather than Yahweh and another savior rather than Yahshua. Thus, we should avoid the leaven, that is, the doctrines of Rabbinic Judaism (Pharisees), Karaite Judaism (Sadducees), and Christianity (Herodians)." (p.7, Lesson Ten, *The Annual Holy Days and Yahweh's Plan of Salvation*.)]

This same author elsewhere has written, ["The New Testament Assembly was raised up in order to witness Yahshua's fulfillment of the Torah, the Prophets, and the Writings (Tanakh)"] See: Luke 24:44. ["As long as the assembly remained "Jewish" in nature, the newfound faith posed no problem for the Romans. The unbelieving Jewish Rabbis persecuted the New Testament Assembly, but when the non-Hebrew Gentiles began to be called into the body of the Messiah, that was it! Those were Caesar's people who were to worship him as god and so began the period of persecution by both the Romans and the Jewish Rabbis." (p.4, *Y.E.A. Newsletter #104*)]

Perhaps the invective association of the Sabbaths as being Jewish is an age-old inveigling (**leading on with deception**). The book, *Who's Who in Jewish History*, by Joan Comay provides the following insight. ["Roman authorities considered Jewish every person who kept the Sabbath, so they mistreated Gentile believers as if they were Jewish. When these cruel persecutions arose, many Gentiles chose not to be labeled as Jews. To convince authorities they were not Jewish, most Gentiles dropped the "Jewish" law and the "Jewish" festivals."] This is Scripturally verifiable as the Gentile converts were indeed keeping the 7th Day Sabbath with Paul in Acts 13:42, 44; 16:13; 17:2; 18:4. Paul's first missionary journey (Acts 13:1-14:28) is estimated to have been in 48 C.E. This was nearly 20 years after Yahshua's death and Resurrection.

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for our Creator, His true Son, His ways, and His kingdom to turn to the truth; to repent and give the honor and glory due Him and His name, but there is nothing but anger, distrust, bitterness, and hatred exhibited by them toward us. You are seeking to do the same thing, justify their error, by making it look like those who hold the truth are committing the errors. How sad.

Have you sat in the midst of a Christian group utilizing the Sacred and true names, been singled out by their minister and commanded to cease and desist in the use of those names or you will no longer be welcome to fellowship with them? You see, you are looking at and presenting this only from their side, which is sadly your side!

Dr. Botkin: SN believers imagine a linguistic connection between the English *God* and Hebrew *Gad* ("luck, fortune"). Because the pronunciations of these words are very similar, SN believers claim that "God" is the god of luck. However, the fact that two words in two different languages sound the same is not proof that the two words are cognates. On the contrary, such is usually not the case. For example, Spanish *con* ("with") has no connection to English *cone*; German *nein* ("no") has no connection to English *nine*; Hebrew *ki* ("because") has no connection to English *key*; Yiddish *teler* ("plate") has no connection to English *teller*; Russian *tut* ("here") has no connection to English *toot*, etc., etc.

Concerning the SN believers' ban on God because of its similarity to Gad, noted linguist and Hebraist Isaac Mozeson, author of THE WORD: The Dictionary That Reveals the Hebrew Source of English, wrote this in a personal letter to me: "if the word Gad were so terrible per se, there would be no tribe of Israel or prophet of King David by that glorious name. It seems I agree with you on these issues."

J. Healan: Nice try, Dr. Botkin, but it won't fly. You certainly have taken the same sounding words in other languages and the English all of which have different meanings. But *God* and *Gad* are both the same name. They both are names of deities. We read in Isa. 65:11, "But ye are they that forsake Yahweh, that forget my holy

mountain, that prepare a table for Gad, (Gawd/God) and that furnish the drink offering unto Meni." Of course, King James covered the truth up here by utilizing "the Lord" for Yahweh, "that troop" for Gad, and "that number" for Meni.

As you pointed out, Gad has to do with a troop, fortune, luck, fate, etc., while Meni has to do with numbering, or even destiny.

Now, let's take a look "deeply" into the word "God" itself. Here is what the *Encyclopedia Britannica 11th Edition*, Vol. 12, pg. 169 has to say about this word: **GOD**, the common Teutonic word for a personal object of religious worship. It is thus, like the Gr. *θεος* and Latin *deus*, applied to all those superhuman beings of the heathen mythologies who exercise power over nature and man and are often identified with some particular sphere of activity; and also to the visible material objects, whether an image of the supernatural being or a tree, pillar, &c. used as a symbol, **an idol**. The word "god," on the conversion of the Teutonic races to Christianity, was adopted as the name of the one Supreme Being, the Creator of the universe, and of the Persons of the Trinity.

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The New English Dictionary points out that whereas the old Teutonic type of the word is **neuter** (*emphasis mine*), corresponding to the Latin *numen*, in the Christian applications it becomes masculine. Popular etymology has connected the word with "good"; this is exemplified by the corruption of "God be with you" into "good-bye." "God" is a word common to all Teutonic languages. In Gothic it is *Goth*; Dutch has the same form as English; Danish and Swedish have *Gud*, German *Gott*. According to *The New English Dictionary*, the original may be found in **two Aryan roots**, both of the form *gheu*, one of which means "to invoke," the other "to pour" (cf. Gr. *χεειν*); the last is used of sacrificial offerings. The word would thus mean the object either of

religious invocation or of religious worship by sacrifice. It has been also suggested that the word might mean a "molten image" from the sense of "pour."

Here is what Wilfred Funk has to say about the word "God" in his book *Word Origins And Their Romantic Stories*; "The central word of all faiths is *God*, and the history of the title *God* is a tangle of guesses. The word *God* itself is related to similar words in Danish, Saxon, Old High German, Scandinavian, and other languages, and may even be related to an ancient Lithuanian word that referred to **someone who practiced magic**." (pg. 279)

As stated above in the *Encyclopedia Britannica*, the original form for the word *God* may be found in two Aryan roots, both of the form *gheu*. Robert Claiborne writes in his book *The Roots of English*; GHEU-1, L *fundere*, fus-, to pour, whence the FUNNEL through which you pour things, and the FOUNDRY in which FUSED (molten) metal is poured into molds. Figurative uses include CONFUSE ("pour together"), DIFFUSE ("pour apart"), PROFUSE ("pouring forth"), TRANSFUSE ("pour across"), and REFUND ("pour back"). To REFUSE is another kind of "pouring back" – though some derive the word from a quite different root. A more remote L relative is *utilis*, easily emptied, leaky, **pouring water into a leaky vessel is FUTILE**.

This last definition concerning the "leaky vessel" is what Yahweh was referring to when he inspired Jeremiah to declare, "For my people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters, **and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water**." (Jer. 2:13)

GHEU-, to yawn or gape (? Related to ghai-), whence the GUMS you expose when you do. A Gk word for a yawning chasm gave us CHAOS, from which a seventeenth-century Dutch scientist coined GAS.

GHEU (h)-, to call, invoke, whence the Gc GOD one invokes, and GIDDY – a word much weakened from its original sense, **"possessed by a god, insane"**.

A Critical Lexicon and Concordance to the English and Greek New

Testament has this to say about GOD (-s): 1. *θεος*, God. **A name reclaimed from the heathen, and used in N.T. for the true God.** Various derivations, ancient and modern, have been proposed, but it is nearly certain that its origin is from the East and comes from the Sanscrit root, DIU-S (pronounced *dyus*.) which means (1) *masc.*, fire, **the sun**, (2) as fem. Subst., sky or heaven.

[Wherever the Sun shines in the world he has been or is, worshipped as God, because he gives light to Heaven and life to earth; and heaven was in turn worshipped as the abode of the Sun, but the object of adoration was Light and Life,* or heaven either as the abode of the Sun, or as personified. Then DIAUS was procreating or generative power dwelling in heaven. The Father of light and life.]

WOW! Dr. Botkin, look at all that is associated and affiliated with the word GOD! Why does a non-important country bumpkin like me have to point these things out to a Dr., for crying out loud!? All of the things, and more, that you have accused us of lie at the feet of none other than GOD and those who utilize that term for their elohim!!!! There's magic, paganism, heathenism, idolatry, idols, sun worship, chaos, even INSANITY!!! And you thought we SN believers had problems! (Are you beginning to see how the serpent has deeply deceived the whole world, including yourself!?)

However, there's still a little more to the story. You see, through the actions of our own leaders, the secret meaning of God and the association with Gad is revealed. The people who print our money put "In God we trust" on it. Let's see if you can understand this....remember the name Meni (numberer)? It just so happens that our word "money" comes from, and is associated with Meni. Our money (Meni) is numbered out to us in increments of cents, nickels, dimes, quarters, half dollars, dollars, etc. Our money (Meni) is considered to be our Fortune (Gad/God). Are you beginning to get the gist? Our money is the God/Gad (Fortune) that we trust in.

Oh, one other thing before I move on. Remember Garner Ted Armstrong? Back in the late 1980s, or early 1990s he wrote a little booklet enti-

tled *What Is God's Name?* Of course, he never answered the question truthfully, but he did reveal in the booklet that the word God is related to Taurus the Bull! So this means that just as the Israelites made the golden calf in Moses' absence, the so-called followers of Yahshua the Messiah have done the same thing in His absence. They have changed His name and the name of His Father and their common noun (Elohim) also into the word "God" which is related to Taurus the Bull. What goes around, comes around. History forgotten is history repeated.

Dr. Botkin: SN believers avoid using even the Hebrew *Adonai* because of its similarity to the Greek god Adonis. Some refuse to transliterate *Adonai*, even though Scripture uses this word over 200 times to refer to the Creator. I have even seen one SN Bible that translated *Adonai* as "Yahweh." This is not honest translation; it is deliberately misrepresenting what the Hebrew Scripture really says. Isaac Mozeson wrote (in the letter previously mentioned): "I don't shun the Hebrew ADoNe (master, lord) + suffix Al simply because Adonis is a pagan god or because the Brits have a House of Lords."

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The Hebrew Bible refers to the Creator as *Adonai* over 200 times. It is linguistic superstition to avoid a word that the Hebrew Bible freely uses. Yes, it is possible that the Greeks borrowed the Hebrew *Adonai* and used it to refer to their god Adonis. So what? We know that Yahweh is the true Ad-

onai/Elohim/Lord/God. The fact that pagans use some of the same nouns for their idols is no reason for us to stop using the words. If the pagans were to say that their gods are "good" and "strong," would SN believers feel a need to avoid these two adjectives and use different synonymous adjectives such as "beneficent" and "powerful"?

J. Healan: You're right, Dr. Botkin, that we should not avoid the Hebrew words that Yahweh utilizes to reveal Himself through. However, now we're getting someplace! By your own admission, it is linguistic superstition to refuse to utilize a word that appears over 200 times which refers to the Creator! I agree with you. But the real LINGUISTIC SUPERSTITION comes in concerning the major word that the Creator utilizes to identify Himself and that is HIS NAME YAHWEH! It occurs around 6,823 times in the Hebrew Scriptures themselves, yet you won't find it in any of the English Bibles except the ones that the SN believers have restored. If it's LINGUISTIC SUPERSTITION to avoid a word that appears 200 times, then how much greater is the LINGUISTIC SUPERSTITION that avoids a word that occurs at least 6,823 times in the Old Testament alone!? Your LINGUISTIC SUPERSTITION is turned back on your own head! Your own words are turned back on your own head! You and they are the biggest practitioners of LINGUISTIC SUPERSTITION!!!!

Dr. Botkin: Most SN literature substitutes Mighty One and Master for God and Lord. However, the terms mighty one and master are every bit as generic as god and lord. This is evident even in SN literature, which refers to false gods as "mighty ones," the only difference being capital letters. This is not spiritual progress; it is simply re-inventing the wheel.

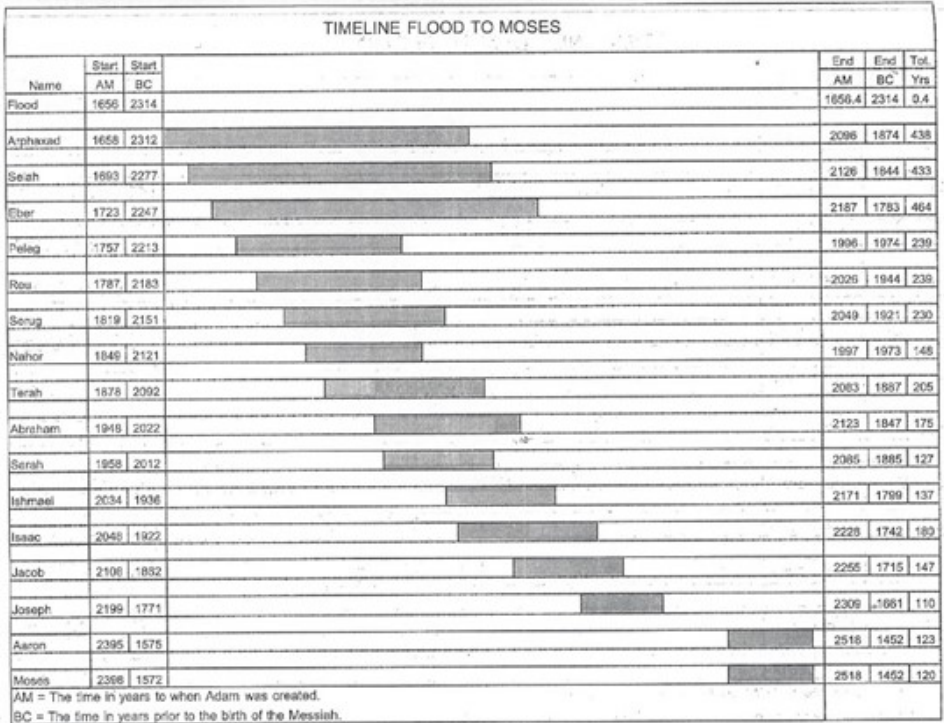
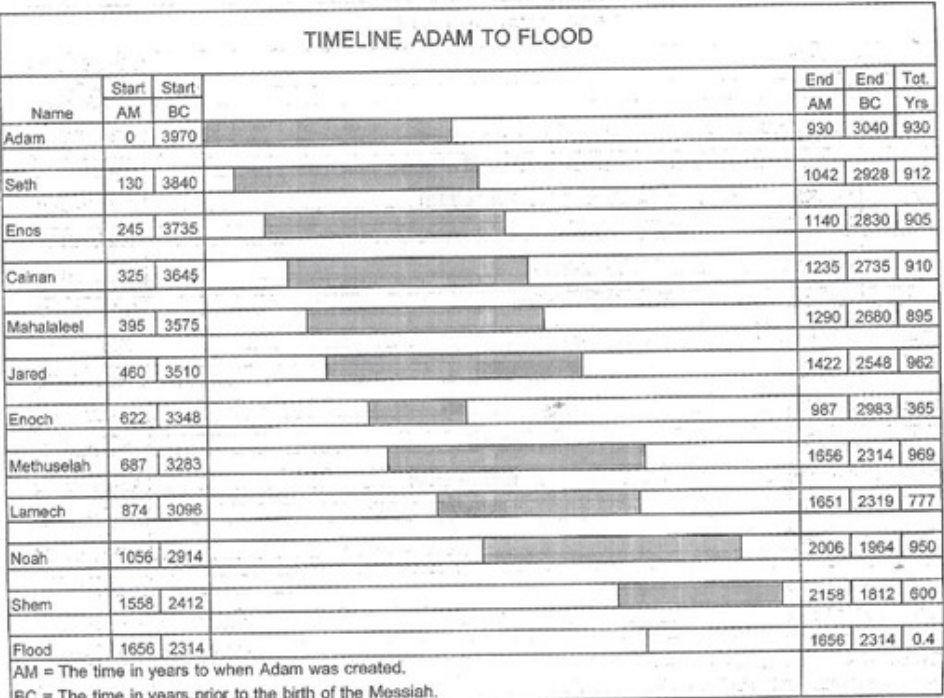
J. Healan: You should be more specific because of the many places where the words God and Lord appear. Both words have been utilized as substitutes for the name Yahweh. It's when they are substitutes for Elohim that "mighty one (-s)" and Adonai that "Master/Sovereign" are utilized. Due to the meaning and background of the word "god/God" we avoid it, but there

The cognate "Jew" comes from those specifically of Judah. By example, you may live in Texas and I'm in Ohio. We are both Americans, but only I'm an "Ohioan". In this perspective, only 1/50 of Americans are Ohioans, just like only 1/12 of Israel were "Jews", accurately in Hebrew pronounced, "Yahudim".

In today's misunderstanding, we think of Israel as a Jewish nation of Jews, which is mostly correct if you're only focusing on the physical nation of Israel in the middle east. However, 'Israel' today, (the northern ten tribes, and some of Judah and Benjamin) have been scattered all over the world as the Scriptures have declared, (Jer. 31:10-11; Eze. 11:16-17). All ethnic, blood born Jews, are Israelites by birth connection, but not all Israelites are "Jewish". Factually, the first time the word "Jew" is recorded in Scripture is not until 2 Kings 16:6 (735-715 BCE) detailing the account of when Israel was at war with the "Jews".

Conventional theology assumes creation with Adam began in the year 4004-4000 BCE. Charts provided from the book, "Path to Salvation, through the Holy Days," which the *4th Edition Restoration Study Bible* sources within their Alternate Chronology section, give another variable estimated at 3970 BC (the time in years before Messiah). In contrast, to determine the Jewish calendar year, both Judaism and the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, add the number 3760 to the current Roman Gregorian calendar year (i.e., 2021 + 3760 = 5781). Here we see a difference of opinions as Judaism/Freemasonry teach that we are 5781 years into our existence while the other school of thought puts us between 6025 and 5991 years.

For the purpose of this discussion, we'll use the charts within the *RSB 4th Edition* and the year 3970 BC as our starting reference point. If the time of Moses is estimated to have been between 1572-1452 BC, then it was during this time that the tribes of Israel were separated into their tribal military marching divisions. Here we would have had the numbering of the Sons of Judah in Numbers 26:22, being 76,500 men over the age of 20, which we could call "Jews" - (Yahudim). In reading the entirety of this chapter we see the other Israelites



also numbered. Backing up, there was one son named Judah, (Yahudah) the father of the "Jews", born of Jacob and Leah. Jacob's name was changed to "Israel" during his life of 1862-1715 BC. Jacob's father Isaac lived between 1922-1742 BC and his father Abraham 2022-1847 BC. It would have been during this time that Gen. 26:5, records that, "Abraham obeyed My voice and kept My charge, My commandments, My statutes and My laws." Surely here we see that Abraham, the great grandfather of Judah

was keeping Yahweh's Sabbaths and Dietary Laws.

We can trace this righteous lineage further back to the years of Noah (2914-1964 BC) who was also, "a just man and perfect in his generations." - Gen 6:9. The word 'just' is translated from the Hebrew word 'tsaddiq' meaning "righteous", which again tells us he was being obedient to the law. So was he being Jewish? Hardly! He was obeying Yahweh's Law. And surely he knew of Yahweh's Dietary Laws for he took the animals onto the

ing tennis, reading, or participating in social activities. The important thing to remember is that your choices with your time should reflect your values. This alignment (or lack thereof) will have significant consequences for your satisfaction at work, home, and even with yourself. Beverly J. DeMarr, Suzanne C. de Janasz, *Negotiation and Dispute Resolution*, 2013, p. 355.

Laying Our Foundation

"Now the Elohim of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Spirit. And I myself also am persuaded of you, my brethren, that ye also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another." Rom. 15:13-14. "Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our Elohim would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of His goodness, and the work of faith with power: That the Name of our Master Yahshua the Messiah may be glorified in you, and ye in Him, according to the grace of our El and the Master Yahshua the Messiah." -2 Thes. 1:11-12

Picture yourself as being sequestered for jury duty. The charge you will have to deliberate upon is the most sinister crime against humanity. The evidence unearthing these deeply rooted concepts, exposing the existence of their origin, will now be provided. Rendering an equitable verdict should be a foregone conclusion. True Justice, however, will not be found until recompense, restitution and restoration takes place.

Tending to domineer while blocking ones comprehension to acknowledge and accept some of the ideas discussed within this study, are usually the following misunderstandings that the majority have been led to accept through a well devised cultural conditioning. Let us first address one of these misconceptions, starting with perhaps the most common question asked, "Aren't these practices Jewish and weren't they only for Israel?"

Contrary to the popular belief, Yahweh's commandments were given to all mankind, not just to the "Jews", and the Sabbath and Holy Days are

Yahweh's, not the Jews. "Ye shall keep My Sabbaths"- Exo. 31:13; Lev. 26:2, and "concerning the Feasts of Yahweh", He plainly states in Lev.23:2, "these are My Feast." Lev 23:44, reiterates, "and Mosheh declared unto the children of Israel the Feasts of Yahweh." However, even before they'd reached Mt. Sinai where the Ten Commandments were given in Exo. 20, a speculated 3 million men, women and children were re-taught the keeping of the Seventh Day Sabbath through the giving of the manna, Exo. 16:35. To make sure they understood how important keeping this day was, Yahweh inveterately repeated this process every Sabbath for 40 years, totaling 2080 times!

By the way, there were more than just ten commandments given on that special 7th Day Sabbath in Exo. 20. This distinctive Sabbath starts at Exo. 19:16 and this same day closes at Exo. 24:3. This means that everything recorded within these verses, including Yahweh's commands to keep His Feast Days (Exo. 23:14-17), was spoken and ordained for all in attendance.

The Scriptures record that besides the 600,000 men of Israel that were of military age, there was also a "mixed multitude" who left Egypt behind,

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(Exo. 12:37-38). These were no doubt a fusion of Egyptians and other non-Hebrews who were compelled to follow Israel out and away from the false religious system of Egypt and its deities who had just been decimated. Imagine living through the ten plagues and experiencing firsthand Yahweh's awesome power of proof that He was the bona fide, True and Only Almighty One. After seeing these supernatural events, you would surely want

to pack up and follow Yahweh too!

The story that we have all been told is that Yahweh's Laws, such as His Sabbath's, Feast Days and Dietary restrictions were only for Israel. However, the Scriptures record that there was only ever one set of laws, both for Israel, and for those who chose to become a part of Israel. "One Law shall be to him that is homeborn, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you." -Exo.12:49. This was true both before the Exodus...and after too. "One ordinance shall be both for you of the congregation, and also for the stranger that sojourneth with you, an ordinance for ever in all your generations: as ye are, so shall the stranger be before Yahweh. One Law and one manner shall be for you, and for the stranger that sojourneth with you." -Num.15:15-16. We see here that Yahweh had obviously led EVERYONE that chose to follow Him safely through the Red Sea crossing, not just Israel!

It is quite an irony that proselytizing as an ancient customary practice, which was happening here even before the Exodus, started with Yahweh. Yet today, even though almost every religious identity, including the major bodies of Judaism, Catholicism/Christianity and Islam, have copied this same method of recruitment, we're supposed to believe that Yahweh's Laws were only for one nation of people? One of these major religions even teaches that they have usurped Israel, becoming the new Church! Have we been misled into thinking we have replaced Israel or should we too have picked up and followed Yahweh's voice, becoming a part of Israel?

When someone asks me if I'm Jewish because I keep Yahweh's Sabbaths and Dietary Laws, I usually answer their question with a question of my own. Were Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob "Jewish"? What about Noah and the righteous Enoch before him? All these patriarchs were considered righteous because they were keeping Yahweh's moral laws and commandments.

So, who were the children of Israel? They were NOT just the Jews! There were 11 other tribes. Judah, (properly "Yahudah"), was only one of 12 sons/tribes of Jacob (Ya'aqov) whose name was changed to "Israel".

is nothing wrong with substituting Master or Sovereign for Adonai, even though Lord would also be an acceptable substitute. However, with the profligate usage of "the Lord" as a substitute for the name Yahweh, the term "Lord" has been abandoned by Sacred Name believers.

We know the Scripture that says, "How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? yea, they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart; **Which think to cause my people to forget my name** by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbour, as their fathers have forgotten my name for Baal," Jer. 23:26-27. It just so happens that Baal is equivalent to Lord. The King James and other English Bibles have accomplished and fulfilled these verses because of the use of the term "the Lord" (HaBaal) the people have forgotten the Creator's name. You are evidently one of those prophets because you are withstanding the TRUTH about the Creator's name.

Dr. Botkin: The New Testament, by its glaring silence on the "Name" issue, also refutes SN teaching. If avoiding generic titles and using the Hebrew names is so vital to one's salvation and spirituality, why do the New Testament writers consistently refer to God by the generic Greek titles Theos and Kurios (words which can also refer to pagan gods and to human lords)? And why do they consistently refer to the Messiah by the Greek form of His name, Iesous Xristos? The New Testament writers could have written the Hebrew characters into the Greek script, but there is no solid evidence that they did any such thing. They used Theos and Kurios, just as the Hebrew Scriptures use Elohim and Adonai.

It is very important to note this: Even when they were directly quoting Old Testament Scripture, the New Testament writers used the generic Greek titles as substitutes for the Sacred Name. Many Old Testament verses which contain the Sacred Name are quoted in the New Testament, yet the Sacred Name itself never once appears in New Testament. A generic title is substituted every single time. If the New Testament is to have any bearing whatsoever on our theology, we cannot ignore the fact that the New

Testament writers used generic titles as substitutes for the Sacred Name.

The only argument SN proponents can use to try to refute these facts is to accuse "wicked scribes" of changing the New Testament manuscripts. Some go so far as to claim that the entire New Testament was originally written in Hebrew, complete with the Sacred Name, of course. History tells us that Matthew originally wrote his gospel in Hebrew, but there is no reason to suppose that the rest of the New Testament was originally written in Hebrew. On the contrary, when one considers the fact that the epistles were addressed to congregations composed primarily of Greek speaking believers who knew little if any Hebrew, the idea seems ludicrous. To accuse wicked scribes of tampering with the text is circular reasoning, and has no basis in historical or linguistic fact.

J. Healan: No solid evidence? I will show you the solid evidence right out of the verses of the Scriptures, "For I am not ashamed of **the gospel of the Messiah:** for it is the power of Yahweh unto salvation to every one that believeth; **to the Jew first, and also to the Greek,**" Ro. 1:16.

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Peter says to the people of his day, "Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which Yahweh made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed. **Unto you first** Yahweh, having raised up his Son Yahshua, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities," Acts 3:25-26.

Paul continues, "But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasur-

est up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of Elohim; Who will render to every man according to his deeds: To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life: But unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath, Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, **of the Jew first**, and also of the Gentile; But glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, **to the Jew first**, and also to the Gentile: For there is no respect of persons with Elohim," Ro. 2:5-11.

Peter declares, "For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of Elohim: and **if it first begin at us**, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of Elohim?" 1 Pet. 4:17.

So now, Dr. Botkin, this is a test. Do you believe, trust in the Scriptures and the things of the Spirit, or do you just believe in what you can see, hear, smell, taste, feel? As we know, trusting in the Scriptures is a thing of faith. The world only trusts in the five senses, but the believer trusts in the Spirit and what the Spirit says. The Spirit says "to the Jew first, and then to the Gentile/Greek."

Here is what E. W. Bullinger admits in *The Companion Bible* Appendix 94 entitled *The Greek Text of the New Testament* III. The Language; "With regard to this, it is generally assumed that, because it comes to us in Greek, the N.T. ought to be in classical Greek, and is then condemned because it is not! Classical Greek was at its prime some centuries before; and in the time of our Lord, there were several reasons why the N.T. was not written in classical Greek.

The writers were Hebrew; and thus, while the language is Greek, the thoughts and idioms are Hebrew. These Idioms or Hebraisms are generally pointed out in the notes of *The Companion Bible*. **If the Greek of the N.T. be regarded as an inspired translation from Hebrew or Aramaic originals, most of the various readings would be accounted for and understood.**

I happen to have portions of the Babylonian Talmud (Soncino Edition). The Glossary, of course, gives their usage of words and definitions. Here is what is found on page 738:

MINUTH. Heresy, the belief in more than one Power, especially Judeo-Christianity.

Also on page 738:

MIN pl. *minim*, (Lit. 'kind', 'species'); (a) a heretic, esp. (b) a member of the sect of the early Jewish Christians.

In the book entitled Shabbath (pg. 569), here is what is stated; Come and hear: The blank spaces and the Books of the **Minim** may not be saved from a fire, but they must be burnt in their place, they and the **Divine Names occurring in them**. Now surely it means the blank portions of a Scroll of the Law? No: the blank spaces of the Books of **Minim**. Seeing that we may not save the Books of **Minim** themselves, need their blank spaces be stated? – This is its meaning: And the Books of **Minim** are like blank spaces.

It was stated in the text: The blank spaces and the Books of the **Minim**, we may not save them from a fire. R. Jose said: On weekdays one must cut out **the Divine Names which they contain**, hide them. And burn the rest. R. Tarfon said: May I bury my son if I **would not burn them together with their Divine Names** if they come to my hand. For even if one pursued me to slay me.

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James Trimm writes, "By 325 C.E. anti-Semitism and the priority given in the West to the Greek Scriptures had solidified. Constantine invaded Rome, making himself emperor. Constantine proclaimed Christianity to be the Catholic (universal) religion, thus making Christianity the enforced state religion of the Roman Empire. Before this occurred one could be killed for being a Christian, afterwards one could be killed for not being a "Christian." Constantine, who was an anti-Semite, called the council of Nicea in 325 C.E. to standardize Christianity. Jews were excluded from the meeting. Jewish practices were officially banned and the Greek trans-

lations officially replaced the original Semitic Scriptures." (*The Semitic Origin of the New Testament*, pg. 20)

Also, Dr. Botkin, if you will remember the Assyrian Empire with its great city Nineveh were believed to be mythological, and untrue, until archeologists amazed the world by discovering the ruins of the city in the 18th century.

This also reminds me of our own idioms. Another elder and myself were in the Philippines and were in a discussion with some Philipinos concerning another man who was teaching a false teaching. We American elders said, "One of these days he is going to have to eat crow," whereupon one of the Philipinos exclaimed, "Eat crow!? Isn't that unclean!?" We knew the idiom, but he didn't. We had to explain it to him. This is what Dr. Bullinger was getting at.

Yahweh fulfilled His pattern of having the New Testament/Covenant of His Beloved Son written and sent to the Hebrews first in His own language. Rabbinic Judaism resented it, hated it and aided Constantine in his edict to destroy those Hebrew documents.

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Dr. Botkin: Theories have been put forth to try to debunk the Greek New Testament. Some SN proponents have claimed that Paul could not have known Greek well enough to write his epistles in that language. Jews did not learn Greek, we are told by SN writers. We know from Acts 21:37 that Paul knew Greek well enough to converse in it. I also found this information in a pamphlet: "The Oxyrinchus Papyri shows that even Jewish children could read and write Greek. The Greek language was common in Palestine, even though the vernacular was Aramaic and the Sacred tongue was Hebrew." It is very ironic that this information appears in a pamphlet

written by the late A. B. Traina, the man who is regarded as the "granddaddy" of the SN Movement.

Some SN believers argue against a Greek New Testament by stating that the Greek text is awkward and clumsy, "poor Greek"; therefore the New Testament must be a translation of a Hebrew original – which, it is assumed, contained the Hebrew names, of course. Do these SN believers know Greek well enough to tell that the New Testament is a poor translation of a Hebrew original? Is the Greek of the New Testament so poor that a Hebrew original must be assumed? I do not know Greek well enough to answer that question, so I will let two scholars who know Greek better than I do answer the question. Dr. Brad Young, a present day scholar of great repute, states that Paul, in his epistles, "gives evidence of his bilingual abilities by writing in Greek like a native" ("Paul the Pharisee," Yavo Digest 19:4, Sept 1997, pg. 15). Robin Griffith-Jones, master of London's Temple Church and formerly a New Testament teacher at Oxford University, says that Luke used "very sophisticated Greek. He would have been asked to write New York Times op-ed pieces" ("Gospels according to new book," *Peoria Journal Star*, 5/28/00).

In 1978 George Howard wrote an article in Biblical Archeology Review. Howard did not argue for an original Hebrew New Testament in this article, but he did theorize that the writers of the Greek New Testament might have written God's name in the Hebrew characters when they wrote their original manuscripts. A SN believer sent me a copy of this article, complete with his complimentary underlining, arrows, brackets, and exclamation marks in the margins. I marked a few more things in the article myself. In Howard's short essay, I circled the following words: "...suggested that....suggested....argued that....it seems to me....is hardly likely that....In all likelihood....very probably....suggests that....no doubt....Perhaps....may haveAssuming this to be generally correct....in all probability....probably....no doubt....must have taken....must have meant....was probably....probably....may be

LAYING OUR FOUNDATION THE TRUE BODY OF THE MESSIAH

By Joseph Miller

INTRO

"For Elohim is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love, which ye have showed **toward His Name**, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister." -Heb. 6:10. "Therefore since we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we do not lose heart; but have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the Word of Elohim deceitfully; but by the manifestation of the Truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of Elohim. But if our good news is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of them which believe not so that they might not see the Light of the Evangel of the esteem of Messiah, who is the Image of Yahweh." -2 Cor. 4:1-4. "Nevertheless, whenever a man turns to Yahweh, the veil is taken away." -2 Cor. 3:16.

"Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that proceeds out of the mouth of Yahweh". These were the words spoken by Yahshua the Messiah in Mat. 4:4 as He quoted Deut. 8:3 verbatim. He identifies this faithful group of people and I have located them. They are the True Body of the Messiah, "the Israel of Yahweh" -Gal. 6:16. "For this is the love of Yahweh, that we keep His commandments; and His commandments are not grievous" -1 Jn. 5:3. Echoing back from the pages of Deut. 30:10-20, these same words shine the light upon those that have bent their ear to follow His Way. These are those who obey His voice indeed, and keep His covenant, a peculiar treasure unto Him above all the people on earth, Exo. 19:5-6. Those agonizing, who are actively working out their salvation with both fear and trembling, Phil. 2:12. A Holy, special people that He has chosen unto Himself, not because they were more in number than any people or nation, but because they were the fewest, Deut. 7:6-7.

Isaiah 56:6 describes this same

assemblage that have, -1) JOINED THEMSELVES TO YAHWEH SERVING HIM, -2) LOVING HIS NAME, -3) KEEPING HIS SABBATHS, and, -4) ARE HOLDING ONTO HIS COVENANT. Yahweh's "Perfect Law" -Psa. 19:7, is "OLAHM" *Strong's* Hebrew #5769, which means it is, FOREVER, NEVER ENDING, "LASTING 1000 GENERATIONS", confirmed by three very reputable witnesses: Moses in Deut. 7:9, David in Psa.105:8, and Ezra in 1 Chron. 16:15. Only 150 generations have passed since Adam! "The fear of Yahweh is the beginning of wisdom, a good understanding have all they that DO HIS COMMANDMENTS..." -Psa. 111:10. Therefore if you're not with this faithful congregation keeping His Covenant -then you do not have a good understanding at all!

"Wisdom is the principal thing, therefore get wisdom and with all thy getting, get understanding." -Prov. 4:7. How has this faithful group of followers found this wisdom? They

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have been given and accepted the "**Keys of Knowledge**" -Luke 11:52, leaving the counterfeit keys behind. **These "Keys"**, Yahweh's **true Son and** their Names, are the oil which provides the fuel for their lights to be brightly lit and shining upon His Narrow path. With their moral compasses restored, they navigate through these dark and perilous times, earnestly contending to reach His Strait Gate. With both hands on the plow, they are occupied in this labor of love using their talents to further His Kingdom, while cultivating His field for His

soon coming harvest. "But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more into the perfect day." -Prov. 4:18

In the interim, as knowledge has increased, (while exponentially also decreasing), the rest of the world runs to and fro (Dan. 12:4) eating, drinking and marrying (Mat. 24:37). As it was before, so it is again, and success still breeds complacency. On the other end of the spectrum, many who have been made to believe they are the victim, will always look at someone else to blame for their problems. When there is a painted target to point the finger at, one will never actually look at or try to better themselves. Effectively, this keeps one oppressed, suppressed and also complacent. Overall, "people don't resist change, they resist being changed!" -Peter Senge. Beyond this resistance and because of all the well designed, blinding distractions in this current day and age, seldom will one ever be able to take the brave step away from their busy lives and find the time to reflect upon their Creator and what they have been led to believe about Him and how He wants to be worshipped.

Within a recent college course book I came across the following excerpt titled: 'DONT HAVE TIME'. [You often hear phrases like, "I don't have time to exercise (or meditate or attend religious services etc.)." The truth is we all have 168 hours a week. How we choose to spend those hours is just that -our choice. Some choices are made for us, as in the time we are expected to be at work or in class, while other time slots are left for us to choose. Having a spouse or children certainly constrains those choices further, although it still comes down to choice. How we choose is or should be a function of our values and priorities, which change over time. For the person who says that he doesn't have the time, the reality is that he has already chosen to allocate his discretionary time to other pursuits or activities, whether it is watching TV, play-

miqra', mik-row' from 7121; something called out, i.e. a public meeting (the act, the persons, or the place); also a **rehearsal** (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*)

THE MARRIAGE

¹And Yahshua answered and spake unto them again by parables, and said, ²The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son, ³And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come. ⁴Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage. ⁵But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise: ⁶And the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them. ⁷But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. ⁸Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy. ⁹Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage. ¹⁰So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests. ¹¹And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment: ¹²And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless. ¹³Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen," Mt. 22:1-14.

Paul writes, ¹"Would to Elohim ye could bear with me a little in my folly: and indeed bear with me. ²For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for **I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to the Messiah.** ³But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in the Messiah.

⁴For if he that cometh preacheth another Yahshua, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him," 2 Cor. 11:1-4.


When we are called and baptized in the Messiah, we are set aside as a chaste virgin being engaged to the Messiah. But we must remember that the parable of the ten virgins, ¹"Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. ²And five of them were wise, and five were foolish. ³They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: ⁴But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. ⁵While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. ⁶And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. ⁷Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. ⁸And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. ⁹But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. ¹⁰And while they went to buy, the



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bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut. ¹¹Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. ¹²But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not. ¹³Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh," Mt. 25:1-13.

We read, ⁴⁵"And a voice came out of the throne, saying, Praise our Elohim, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great. ⁶And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for Yahweh El Shaddai reigneth. ⁷Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for **the marriage of the**

Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. ⁸And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. ⁹And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of Yahweh," Rev. 19:5-8.

The Sabbaths and annual holy days are established as REHEARSALS FOR HOLY MATRIMONY. They are appointments that Yahweh has established Himself for those rehearsals. The man in Matthew 22 did not have the appropriate wedding attire. Was his ignorance because he refused to properly rehearse and therefore didn't know what the proper attire was? The five foolish virgins were unprepared and didn't have enough oil in their lamps. We know that oil is she-men in Hebrew. It looks like this  in the Pictorial Hebrew.

In reality, the Hebrew word for "name" is shem (). The nun () is a picture of a sperm, a seed, an heir. The name of inheritance is Yahweh! Oil is a type of the Holy Spirit which when one is baptized, he has Yahweh's name written in his forehead, "And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, **having his Father's name written in their foreheads,**" Rev. 14:1.

Did the foolish virgins not have enough oil in their lamps because they neglected study, prayer, and the rehearsals?

The calling that we have been called to is so marvelously awesome that we must not neglect Yahweh's word, prayer, and also the rehearsals for holy matrimony, that is...the observance of the weekly appointments, the seventh day Sabbaths and the annual holy days, all also called feasts (moedim).

Should we observe the feasts, the appointments, the rehearsals for holy matrimony? Yahweh appointed them for His own specific purposes. The Scriptures, Hebrew language and alphabet reveal their importance. Prepare yourself now for the inheritance of the kingdom of heaven in accordance with Yahweh's revealed way!

JH

known...."

The appearance of these words and phrases of ambiguity on just one and one-half pages of text tells me that Howard himself is not very certain of his theory. Yes SN people will swallow an unproven theory simply because it agrees with their doctrine.

J. Healan: So your doctrine is far more sound because you base all of your research on FACTS! Is that right, Dr. Botkin! It is a FACT that Yahshua said He was sent only to the house of Israel (Mt. 15:24). Why, then, would He inspire the New Testament/New Covenant to only be written to the Gentile, non-Hebrew Greek? Am I missing something here?

Martin Luther said, "If I were younger I would want to learn this language (Hebrew), because **without it one can never truly understand the Holy Scriptures.** For the New Testament, although it is written in Greek, is full of Hebraisms and betrays the Hebrew style of writing. Therefore they have rightly said, the Hebrews drink from the spring, the Greeks out of the small stream which flows from the spring, but the Latins drink out of the pools." —Martin Luther, *Tischreden* ("Table Talk"), in the Weimar edition, vol. 1, p. 525.

Did you get what he said? "...without it (the original Hebrew language) one can never truly understand the Holy Scriptures!"

Here is what Dr. Howard did say in parts of the article that you are questioning, or doubting, "Christian Scriptures frequently quote passages from the Old Testament in which the divine name YHWH appears in the original Hebrew. In these quotations, however, the divine name is translated into the Greek word *kyrios* (Lord), or occasionally *theos* (God). Both of these words are generic words for God, not limited to the Hebrew Elohim whose name is Yahweh and who is represented in the Hebrew Bible by the Tetragrammaton. Most of these Old Testament quotations in the New come from the Septuagint, a Greek translation of the Old Testament made by Jews in Pre-Christian times. The Septuagint (or at least the extant, later Christian copies of it) usually renders the Tetragrammaton by *kyrios*; the New Testament simply follows this practice.

In 1944, W. G. Waddell discovered the remains of an Egyptian papyrus scroll (Papyrus Fuad 266) dating to the first or second century B.C. which included part of the Septuagint. In no instance, however, was YHWH translated *kyrios*. Instead the Tetragrammaton itself — in square Aramaic letters — was written into the Greek text. This parallels the Qumran Covenanters' use of the Paleo-Hebrew script for the Divine Name in a document which was otherwise written in square Aramaic script.

An even closer parallel to the practice Waddell found in Papyrus Fuad 266 comes from second century A.D. Jewish translations of the Old Testament into Greek by Aquila, Symmachus, and Theodotion. In 1897, F. C. Burkitt published some fragments of Aquila's Greek Old Testament which had been found in the debris of a geniza (a storeroom for worn out manuscripts) of the old synagogue in Cairo. These fragments which are underwriting of palimpsest scraps clearly show the Hebrew Tetragrammaton in paleo-Hebrew script written into the otherwise Greek text. A number of other similar examples have also come to light.

Origen's Hexapla⁶ (lacking the

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Hebrew column). All the columns show the Tetragrammaton written in square Aramaic script, although the texts are otherwise written in Greek." *Biblical Archeology Review*, March 1978, pgs. 12-13.

There was nothing unsure about these statements I have quoted, Dr. Botkin! You read the same article, but because of your own personal bias, you wanted to find something that would substantiate your bias.

Dr. Howard also says, "It seems to me, that a much better case can be made that the system of contractions is of Gentile Christian origin. The di-

vine name YHWH was and is the most sacred word in the Hebrew language. So it is hardly likely that Jews of any sort would have removed it from their Bible. Furthermore, we know now from discoveries in Egypt and the Judean desert that Jews wrote the Tetragrammaton in Hebrew even in their Greek texts. In all likelihood Jewish Christians felt the same way about the divine name and continued to preserve it in Hebrew in their bibles. A famous Rabbinic passage (Talmud Shabbat 13:5) discusses the problem of destroying heretical texts (very probably including books of Jewish Christians). The problem arises for the rabbinic writer because the heretical texts contain the divine name, and their wholesale destruction would include the destruction of the divine name. This further suggests that Jewish Christians did not translate the divine name into Greek.

But Gentile Christians, unlike Jewish Christians, had no traditional attachment to the Hebrew Tetragrammaton and no doubt often failed even to recognize it. Gentile scribes who had never before seen Hebrew writing (especially in its archaic form) could hardly be expected to preserve the divine name. Perhaps this contributed to the use of surrogates like *kyrios* and *theos* for the tetragrammaton." (*IBID*, pg. 14)

Now, Dr. Botkin, you can be a Gentile Greek Christian who completely disregards the importance of the true Hebrew name of the Creator, and also the Messiah's, which obviously you are, but we of the SN movement will uphold it as close to their true natures as is possible. Why? Because we desire TRUTH and not FALSEHOOD!

The Kingdom Interlinear Translation of the Greek Scriptures (1985 edition) states: "Restoring the Divine Name, Jehovah: The evidence is that the original text of the Christian Greek Scriptures has been tampered with, the same as the text of the LXX has been (See App 1A, B.) Sometimes during the second or third centuries C.E., the Tetragrammaton (YHWH, or JHVH) was eliminated from the Greek text by copyists who did not understand or appreciate the divine name of who developed an aversion to it, possibly under the influence of anti

-Semitism. Instead of YHWH (JHVH) they substituted the words *Ky'ri-os*, "Lord," and *The-os*, "God." (pgs. 10-11)

Of course, we understand that their promotion of "Jehovah" is in error, but the fact is that the Scriptures have been altered, tampered with to take away the knowledge of the name of the Creator, which is what He Himself declares, "How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? yea, they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart; Which think to cause my people to forget my name by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbour, as their fathers have forgotten my name for Baal," Jer. 23:26-27. Remember that "Baal" is equivalent to "Lord," so Yahweh prophesied ahead of time what would happen. It has happened, and you are one of those who continues to cause His people to forget His name!

They continue, "In view of this, what is the modern translator to do? Is he justified or authorized in entering the divine name, Jehovah, into a translation of the Christian Greek Scriptures? In the LXX the Greek words *Ky'ri-os* and *The-os*' have been used to crowd out the distinctive name of the Supreme deity. Every comprehensive Greek-English dictionary states that these two Greek words have been used as equivalents of the divine name. Hence, the modern translator is warranted in using the divine name as an equivalent of those two Greek words, that is, at places where the writers of the Christian Greek Scriptures quote verses, passages, and expressions from the Hebrew Scriptures or from the LXX where the divine name occurs. (IBID)

In the "Books In Brief" section of *Biblical Archeology Review*, Mar./Apr. 1991, there is a write up on Judean Desert Discoveries concerning The Greek Minor Prophets Scroll From Nahal Hever (8HevXIIgr) The Seiyal Collection I)...which says, "Unlike the Qumran texts, which are mostly in Hebrew, this minor prophet's scroll is in Greek. Thus the siglum for the text: 8HevXIIgr, which tells us that it came from Cave 8 of Nahal Hever and is a text of the 12 minor prophets in Greek. The date of the scroll is uncertain. Peter Parsons of Christ Church, Oxford, who wrote the section of the

volume on dating the scroll, opts for a date in the first century B.C. Other scholars suggest a range between 50 B.C., or 50 A.D.

Although the text is Greek, one word, and one word only, repeatedly appears in Hebrew – the tetragrammaton, the four Hebrew letters YHWH, often spelled and pronounced Yahweh, that are the ineffable name of God. Moreover, the tetragrammaton is written in this scroll not in the square Aramaic Hebrew Script used at the time the scroll was written, but in the Paleo-Hebrew script used before the Babylonian Exile in the sixth century B.C." (pg. 4)

As for the Jewish people of the land of Canaan just before and after Yahshua's day, they did hate the Greeks and Greek language because of the Maccabean conflict wherein Antiochus Epiphanes hated the Hebrews so much that he forced them to eat pork, forsake the Sabbath, anyone found circumcised were slain, he enforced the Greek language in lieu of the Hebrew, placed a bust of Zeus in the Holy of Holies...no wonder they hated the Greeks and the Greek language so much that even Josephus admitted that the language of the land in the first century was Hebrew and

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that Greek was very difficult for him to enunciate (*Ant.* 20:11:2).

Dr. Botkin, you say that the SN people will swallow an unproven theory simply because it agrees with their doctrine. But I am presenting **PROOFS** to you that contradict and expose your own swallowing of untrue things only because you want to be accepted by the scholars of the day even when they can be proven wrong.

I do hope that you read this treatise in its entirety before you decide to round file it.

Dr. Botkin: One major reason SN believers misunderstand the "Name" issue is because they do not realize the broader meaning of the Hebrew word *shem* (usually translated "name"). When SN believers read a verse that says something about "the name of Yahweh," they think mainly of terms of nomenclature, the word that is used to address someone. *Shem* means much more than just "name" in this narrow sense of nomenclature, however. *Shem* also means the reputation, honor, or character of the person. Any good lexicon will confirm this. Isaac Mozeson also confirms this in his letter to me: "Also SHeM means 'repute' more than merely 'name.' The problems of the 'sacred name believers' will lessen when they consider this."

Even in English we use the word name in its broader sense: "You've ruined the family name!" Such a statement does not mean that the person has altered the pronunciation of his surname or changed it to a generic name like "Jones." It simply means that he has brought shame and reproach to the family by his behavior.

J. Healan: Yes, Dr. Botkin, the Hebrew *shem* does mean honor, reputation, character, even authority, but just who is it that has the SUPREME HONOR?... the SUPREME REPUTATION?...the SUPREME CHARACTER?...the SUPREME AUTHORITY? What name goes with all those things! It is the name Yahweh!

When someone is sent on a mission in the name (Heb. = *shem*) of the Queen of England, what name (Heb. = *shem*) is really giving authority (Heb. = *shem*) for the mission? There was a man who had the honor (Heb. = *shem*) and title of "Home-run King" for many years. Hmmm.... There is the word "honor" and even the word "title", but without the name (*shem*) associated with it, there is no clarity. Who has the "honor" (Heb. = *shem*) of being the first man to step onto the surface of the moon? Specific names are associated with all of these questions, Dr. Botkin.

As a matter of fact, the Pictorial Hebrew reveals the true meaning of

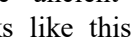



the seventh day: wherefore Yahweh blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it," Ex. 20:8-11.

"Remember" is translated from the Hebrew word *zakor* which has to do with a memorial. It is defined as; a primitive root; properly, **to mark** (so as to be recognized), i.e. **to remember**; by implication, **to mention**; also (as denominative from 2145) to be male (#2142 of *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*)






Why are we to remember, mark, mention the Sabbath day? Because Yahweh says He made heaven and earth, the sea and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day. But it is also appointed as a "sign" or "mark" to distinguish Yahweh as our Elohim and we as His people (Ex. 31:13-17). Since Peter declares that each day is as a thousand years and a thousand years is as a day, then we also understand that Yahweh's plan of salvation will be completed in seven one thousand year days. (2 Pet. 3:8)


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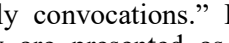



But let's look even deeper into the meaning of some of these words in order to achieve a more perfect understanding of the importance of these "appointments."

There are actually three types of Hebrew alphabets and all three work together to give a much deeper understanding of the Hebrew alphabet and the letters and meanings of the words. The three types are the more ancient Pictorial Hebrew, the Paleo Hebrew, and the Modern Hebrew alphabets. If we present the term "moed" in the more ancient Pictorial Hebrew, it looks like this . The mem () is a picture of water which when applied to, or for Yahweh's own holy purposes, has to do with His Spirit. The waw/vav (Y) is the picture of a nail, a tent peg, or a hook. A tent peg is utilized to uphold, establish the tent; a nail either nails something down or together; a hook also ties things together. It looks like this (Y/Y) respectively in Modern Hebrew, Paleo Hebrew, and Pictorial Hebrew and is therefore also utilized for the conjunction "and." The ayin () is the picture of an eye, well, or fountain, and the dalet () is the picture of a door.




The Hebrew word for "witness" is

ed () because the witness sees () the event, the happening and is therefore the door () to be able to explain, give a report, be a witness to it. Therefore, a deeper, or more clear understanding of the word "moed/feast" is "a spirit () established (Y) witness ()".

The primitive root word for "moed" is *ya'ad* () which is defined as; #3259. *ya'ad*, *yaw-ad*; a primitive root; to fix upon (by agreement or appointment); by implication, to meet (at a stated time), to summon (to trial), to direct (in a certain quarter or position), **to engage (for marriage)**. (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*)


Now let's take a look at the words "holy convocations." In the Hebrew they are presented as *miqra qodesh* (convocations holy). *Qodesh* is the Hebrew word that is translated into the English word "holy." The understanding for the word *qodesh* (holy) is better presented in the Paleo Hebrew which is . The kuf () is a picture of the back of one's head, the dalet () is the picture of a door, and the shin () is a picture of teeth with which we eat, consume, break in piec-



Why are we to remember, mark, mention the Sabbath day?











es, destroy. Thus, to be holy is to turn the head away () from the door () to destruction (). In other words, we all have sinned. The penalty, wages, price for sin (to disobey, rebel against Yahweh's righteous law) is death (Ro. 6:23).





When Yahweh calls us, we must "repent" of, turn away from, our sinful death dealing rebellious ways and begin to walk in Yahweh's righteous commands. This is not to earn our own salvation, the penalty has been paid by Yahshua, but we simply can't continue in the ways that continue to earn the death penalty.








When one is called by Yahweh and that person responds to His call (many are called but few are chosen) he must repent of his sinful ways, be baptized in the name of the Father and Son, have hands lain upon them for the


reception of the Holy Spirit, and they then become a "saint." Most don't understand, because of the erroneous teachings of the Roman churches and their daughters, but the Hebrew word that is translated as "saint" is "qodesh/ 

Now, let's get into the Hebrew word for "convocation," it is the word *miqra* () [I am presenting these in Modern, Paleo, and Pictorial respectively] means "to call." The mem () as a preposition, means "of" or "from." The Greek equivalent is "ekklesia" which means "to call out, or from" but has been changed into the English word "church."

Looking as "miqra" one way would mean a spiritual () calling () but it also means "convocation" and the fact of the matter is there are three Hebrew letters here and all three represent a head. The Paleo quf () is the back of one's head, the resh () is a head which is more clearly revealed in the more ancient Pictorial Hebrew () and the aleph () is the head of an ox or ram which, in the Pictorial Hebrew looks like this (). Three heads together would consist of a meeting would it not? Thus, we have the Father represented as the aleph () the Son represented as the resh () in a mediating position, and the quf () as the one who must turn his head in repentance.

But let's look at "miqra" in one more way. The Hebrew letters also represent numbers and it is interesting as to what the letters in *qara* (to call) equal to. The quf () = 100; the resh () = 200; and the aleph () = 1. The combination 100 + 200 + 1 = 301. Interestingly, 301 is also equivalent to *esh* () or FIRE!

On the day of Pentecost (Shavout) the disciples were gathered together in the commanded meeting (*miqra qodesh*/) and the Holy Spirit () appeared upon them as cloven tongues of fire ()! (Acts 2:1-4) Therefore "holy convocation" (*miqra qodesh*) is the Holy () Spirit () of fire's () calling ()

Miqra is defined as; 4744. 

THE FEASTS OF YAHWEH

We know that Yahweh commanded the seventh day Sabbath as well as the annual holy days for Israel. Many of our people are in the process of observing these days weekly and annually because of those commands. But do we truly understand that there are deeper meanings than the overt practice of those things? This article will delve a little deeper for some of the hidden realities of these observances.

By Jerry Healan

The world in which we live is a most deceptive and spiritually blinded world. People follow their own mind, noses, hearts, emotions which without the spiritual guidance of a kind and loving heavenly Father, always end up chasing rainbows which are here one moment and gone the next. If it feels good, looks good, tastes good, appeals to one's own vanity, or lusts, then do it!

Yahweh has preserved a book which many call the "Bible" composed of 40 authors who were inspired by His Spirit in order to leave a record for guidance of one's life if they desire to be a true success. I find it interesting that it has 66 books written by those 40 authors. If I convert 66 into Hebrew letters the result is ךּ in Modern Hebrew and is ך in Pictorial Hebrew. While it doesn't necessarily form a known Hebrew word, the fact of the matter is that the samek (כ/ך) has to do with support while the waw/vav (ו/װ) is the sixth letter which serves, among other things, as the number for man. Therefore, those 66 books are recorded and produced for us to utilize as support and guidance in our lives if we will allow it.

The number of "40" authors is also quite significant as the number 40 equals to the Hebrew letter mem which looks like this (ם) in Modern Hebrew while occurring at the beginning or in the middle of a word, but also has a final form (מ) called mem sofit, when it occurs at the end of a word. But in the more ancient Pictorial Hebrew it looks like this (𐤎). It is a picture of water giving several meanings, one which can have to do with "chaos" as water in great volumes can certainly become quite chaotic and destructive when uncontrolled, but is also typified as the Holy Spirit by Yahshua the Messiah in John 7:37-39.

Therefore, the mind of man without the Word of Yahweh is a mind of

spiritual chaos, but the mind of man (6/ׇ) which is taught, led, guided by the Spirit of Yahweh (40/𐤎) has support (60/𐤌) to be able to lead a purposeful, stable, and spiritual existence of love, faith, and hope, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness ¹⁷That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works," 2 Tim. 3:16-17.

It is interesting that Yahweh began the very first verse of Scripture with only seven words (in the Hebrew, the English presents it as ten). Those seven words contain 28 letters which is 4 x 7. Then he completes the first stage of His presentation with a sixth day but adds a seventh day for rest, blessing, and sanctity (holiness). He later reveals to the Hebrews His fourth commandment concerning the seventh day Sabbath of rest. (See Gen. 1:all, and Gen. 2:1-3; Ex. 20:8-11, etc.) On top of this series of sevens, He adds seven annual high holy days. This, along with many, many other instances reveals just how important and meaningful the number seven is to Yahweh.

LEVITICUS 23

Leviticus is a most important chapter of the Torah. It is primarily written to the Levitical priesthood giving important information and instructions on the various sacrifices, feast days, estimations, etc. It is the central book of the five books of the Torah. Of course, it is also given to the Melchizedek priesthood for the spiritual types which all are representative of Yahshua (Jn. 5:39-47).

Leviticus 23 is key because it deals with the "feasts" of Yahweh in a more comprehensive way than any other chapter of Scripture. It begins, "And Yahweh spake unto Moses, saying, ²Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, Concerning the **feasts** of Yahweh, which ye shall

proclaim to be **holy convocations**, even these are my **feasts**. ³Six days shall work be done: but the seventh day is the sabbath of rest, an **holy convocation**; ye shall do no work therein: it is the sabbath of Yahweh in all your dwellings," vv. 1-3.

The term "feasts" is moedim in Hebrew. The singular word is moed which is defined as, "from 3259; properly, an appointment, i.e. a fixed time or season; specifically, a festival; conventionally a year; by implication, an assembly (as convened for a definite purpose); technically the congregation; by extension, the place of meeting; (also a signal (as appointed beforehand)." (#4150 of *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*)

Do you get it? It is an appointment made by Yahweh the Creator Himself! It is a fixed time, a fixed season for the purpose of congregating, meeting. When it says "conventionally a year" this has to do with the fact that these events take place year, after year, after year. When it refers to "a season," the fact of the matter is that the first three take place in the spring and the last four take place in the seventh month during which the summer is turning to fall. When it says a "festival," the fact of the matter is that they are festivities of rejoicing because they are special times which relate to the glory of Yahweh and His plan and purpose for the creation and mankind.

Since it first relates to the establishment of the seventh day Sabbath, what did Yahweh command? "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: ¹⁰But the seventh day is the sabbath of Yahweh thy Elohim: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: ¹¹For in six days Yahweh made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested

"shem." "Shem" would be written as; 𐤌 in the Pictorial Hebrew. The letter "shin" (ש) is the picture of teeth with which we eat, consume, destroy. The "mem" (מ) is a picture of water which is generally looked upon as chaos. So what does this mean? You see plenty of people in this world who you don't know because you don't know their name (shem/𐤌). You may even have seen some of the people and be familiar with their appearance, but still don't know their name (shem/𐤌). So you are in chaos (מ) as to their personal identity. Once you learn what their name (shem/𐤌) is, then you have destroyed (ש) the chaos (מ). Let's take it a step further so maybe you will completely understand. What if a person was born into this world and never given a name (shem/𐤌)? Neither he himself, nor anyone else would ever know who he was. That's chaos (מ).

I utilize this example because there are certain people in India who do not give their children names until they acquire the age of 5 years old. (I have been there and this is what I was told.) If they die within the 5 year range and have never been given a name, then who were they? Evidently, only Yahweh knows because of their DNA.

Dr. Botkin: The Scriptures say many things about the name of Yahweh. There are verses that speak about misusing, blaspheming, or shaming His name. There are verses about knowing, glorifying, praising, trusting in, and speaking of the name of Yahweh. These verses are not referring to the correct pronunciation of the four-lettered Tetragrammaton; they are speaking about the character and reputation of Yahweh. Thus, trusting in "the name" of Yahweh means that we trust in His character and His reputation, not in the correct pronunciation of his nomenclature. A person who trusts only in the correct pronunciation is reducing the name of Yahweh to nothing more than a magical incantation.

J. Healan: So this is what you think we are all about? As long as we can just pronounce it right, nothing else matters? Wow! Your understanding of the Sacred Name people is quite shallow!

low! You really have judged us as nothing more than empty headed, ad-lepated people who just go around speaking the name of the Creator for no reason at all. We give Him the glory, honor, praise, adoration, love, character, authority, obedience, etc. that belongs to Him BECAUSE OF HIS NAME! Because of Who He is! He is Yahweh. He is Elohim. He is the Creator. He is the ever-living, all wise, all knowing, all powerful one who abides in the Holy of Holies. He is the One Who brought us into this world and will do His pleasure in us!

But since nomenclature doesn't matter (to you), then what do we call Him? God? That's a false name, not acceptable because He and His word is truth, and no lie is of the truth. The Lord? That's a false name, not acceptable because He and His word is truth, and no lie is of the truth. How about the Greek Zeus? (I'm being foolish.) But if its allowable to the world for the Teutons to call Him by their pagan, heathenistic, idolatrous name of insanity and majic, why is it not allowable to utilize the name of the Greek deity, or the Roman, or the Persian, or the Babylonian, or the Egyptian????

You have gotten so caught up in

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attacking the SN people that you have gotten very foolish and ridiculous. Since nomenclature doesn't matter to you, what if we call you Nurse (instead of Dr. [I know it's a different Dr. This is just for argument sake.) Billy Watkins? Would you still answer if someone called you that? Just what name do you want written in the Lamb's book of life? What if that name has to be so correct that if it were misspelled, you would be cast out of the kingdom? Would nomenclature be more important to you then? I would suspect so.

Most people are actually offended if their name is misspelled, or mispronounced. How much more important is the Creator's name?

Dr. Botkin: Some readers may think I am opposed to using the name of Yah-

weh, but this is not the case. In our congregation, we utter the name every Sabbath when we face Jerusalem and say the Shema: "Hear, O Israel, Yahweh our God, Yahweh is One." Every day throughout the week, I utter the Name in private prayer more times than I can count. However, I do avoid using the Name in casual conversation, because I truly regard it as a Sacred Name which should be used only in a sacred context. I have witnessed some SN believers using the Name in a light-hearted manner in casual conversation, even while joking around.

J. Healan: So, you are now admitting that you use the name Yahweh in the Shema and when you pray (privately), but you are ashamed to utilize it openly and you are condemning anyone else who does. My, my, my.

Dr. Botkin: My main complaint against the SN movement is not the use or non-use of the Name per se, but the fact that the linguistic superstition about "God" and "Lord" unnecessarily alienates and separates brethren from one another. The linguistic superstition discredits SN believers and gives Christians an excuse to reject everything else that is being restored through the Messianic movement – the Sabbath, the Feasts, the dietary laws, etc. Paul warned Timothy about teachers who are continually "doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings [suspicions]" (1 Tim. 6:4). I cannot think of a more accurate description of the SN movement.

J. Healan: The truth comes out! You love the false word "God" so much that you had rather substitute His name with that false pagan word, that I have already explained to you where it comes from when applied to a deity! You had rather utilize the equivalent to Baal (Lord) than utilize the true name Yahweh. You refuse to openly repent and do what is right. You are ashamed of His name. You may use it in the Shema, and utilize it in prayer, but you are ashamed to embrace the truth and openly reveal what you are doing in secret. Shame on you Dr. Botkin!

Dr. Botkin: SN writers also discredit themselves in the eyes of the intelligent, thinking people by their sloppy

scholarship. Some of it is so pathetic that calling it “sloppy scholarship” is actually a great overstatement and a compliment. SN writers often try to prove a point by making long, detailed linguistic arguments based on the details of a Hebrew word. They end up proving nothing to people who know Hebrew. All they end up doing is advertising in the most embarrassing manner their ignorance of linguistics and the Hebrew language.

J. Healan: Dr. Botkin, your own scholarship has been proven to be sloppy here. People who live in glass houses shouldn’t cast stones. However, you are right about their ignorance of the Hebrew language, but, most people who have knowledge of the Hebrew language still fail to understand the pictorial make-up of most Hebrew words. Just like our people may have a handle of the English language, but still don’t know the etymological make-up of the words that they use.

I also have found certain mistakes and erroneous beliefs in the SN movement of which I am a part of. I have spent many years in intense study to seek to rectify those mistakes and am ridiculed and despised for this, but we must “Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. (1 Thes. 5:21). I have not embraced this way in order to win a popularity contest with men.

Dr. Botkin: I know a brother who leads a large Messianic organization based in Jerusalem. I once asked this brother what he thought about the SN movement. “We have scholars in Jerusalem who have done nothing but study the Hebrew texts for their entire lives, and even they are not 100% certain how God’s name is pronounced,” he said. “And yet we get letters from people in places like Arkansas telling us that they know exactly how the Name is pronounced, even though they have never studied Hebrew.” (No offense to people in Arkansas. He could have named any other state.)

J. Healan: This is interesting! Even the *Encyclopedia Judaica* admits that the pronunciation is Yahweh. I know a Rabbi who took Hebrew as a young child. When he was reading the Scriptures and came to the Tetragrammaton he said “Yahweh”. He reported that his instructor’s face turned bright red

with anger and warned him to never say that name again. Someone knows something and they are purposely holding back concerning the pronunciation of the name. Even you admit that you use Yahweh. The truth of the matter is that Yahweh said He was going to take His name out of the mouth of Judah (Jer. 44:26). While Jeremiah says those who went down into Egypt, the fact of the matter is that the Kabballah has to do with Egypt, even America is a modern day Egypt because of its Kabbalistic Masonic origins. Look at the back of the dollar bill. They use the excuse that the name is too holy, but to them it is blasphemy to pronounce the name. There certainly was no restriction on pronouncing it in Biblical times. Why would there be now?

Dr. Botkin: One thing that has been cropping up in SN literature in recent years is the alteration of certain Hebrew words. The Hebrew word for Judah is no longer transliterated as *Yehudah*; now it *YAHudah*. Jacob is now written *YAHakob* instead of *Ya’akov*. Jerusalem is no longer *Yerushalayim*; now it is *YAHrushalayim* (or, according to one writer, *YAHUWSHELEM*). Even Mes-

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siah is changed from *Mashiach* to *Mesi-YAH*. It seems that whenever SN people see the letter “Y” in a Hebrew word, they think that there should be an “H” after it, so they remedy the problem by restoring the missing “H” that the wicked scribes allegedly removed in their attempt to suppress the Name. Anyone who knows Hebrew can see the foolishness of this. One SN writer (who since has declared that Yeshua of Nazareth was a false Messiah), when trying to explain why Joseph’s name was really *YAH-sef* instead of *Yosef*. Maybe it doesn’t take a lot of imagination to see this, but it certainly takes some imagination to see it. It also takes complete ignorance of the fact that the *yo-* prefix is the common, standard prefix that is used to conjugate third-person, masculine singular, future tense verbs

in this category.

One of the most bizarre allegations I have seen in SN literature is the claim that the word *Hallelujah* is “a hybrid with one word of Hebrew and one word of Greek.” The SN writer who made this amazing discovery has “unleavened the hybrid” and restored the “correct” pronunciation for us. According to this SN writer, we should be saying “Halle-atah-YaHVah” instead of *Hallelujah*.” This erroneous conclusion would never have occurred if the writer had known that the plural imperative is formed by adding a *vav* suffix to the verb. This is something that a beginning Hebrew student learns in *ulpan* within the first couple weeks of study.

In another recent article a SN brother writes about the different names people use to refer to the Messiah. This writer tells his readers that the Yeshu form used by unbelieving Jews is made up of three Hebrew letters which came from an acronym for “may his name and memory be blotted out.” This information is true. The three Hebrew words are “yimach sh’mo v’zikhro.” (See Stern’s Jewish NT Commentary, pg. 5) However, this SN writer tells us that the three Hebrew words are “Yiddish sh’mo w’zither.” This gross mis-information does not appear in some self-published rag that is obscure and unknown to SN people. It appears in a glossy SN periodical that has been around since 1937. If SN believers want to be taken seriously, they have to do better than that. And they have to do better than the SN believer who ended his letter of rebuke to me with these words: “I am shure you mean well, but lets speek the truth in love.”

J. Healan: What you write here is true. However, just because these people are somewhat ignorant doesn’t mean that the Sacred Name isn’t important. We are all to, “Study to shew thyself approved unto Yahweh, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth,” 2 Tim. 2:15. The Scriptures reveal how important the true names are. You should also remember that the enemy sows tares among the wheat.

I want to finish by revealing what the *Chumash* (a rabbinic commentary on the Torah) says about the name

Yahweh, “Rabbinical commentary has this to say concerning the first introduction of the name Yahweh in the Scriptures (Gen. 2:4, “These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that **Yahweh Elohim** made the earth and the heavens.”) - אֱלֹהִים - יהוה - *HaSHEM God*. This is the first mention in the Torah of the **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 הָיָה הֵיכָּה וְהָיָה, *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.**” (*The Stone Edition of The Chumash*, p. 11)

His name Yahweh is the name of mercy! Elohim (God?) has to do with justice and judgment! Do you not understand what has happened here!? The serpent has deceived man to take away the name of mercy so that what is left is Elohim, God, justice, judgment! He has also deceived the believers in the Messiah to embrace another name (a counterfeit) so that the only name given under heaven among men for salvation which is Yahshua (יהושע), because Yahshua means “Yahweh the Savior,” or “The salvation of Yahweh,” remains hidden.

We can understand this principle of “mercy” by utilizing the Pictorial Hebrew. יהוה looks like this in Pictorial Hebrew 𐤅𐤇𐤅𐤇. Reading from right to left, we have the *yod* (𐤅) which is the picture of a hand, *hei* (𐤇) which has to do with revelation, be-

hold, lo, *waw* (𐤅) which is the picture of a nail or tent peg, and finally *hei* (𐤇) which again has to do with revelation. Thus, we firstly get the idea of “hand revealed, nail revealed,” which is what Yahshua did with Thomas, “Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and **behold my hands**; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing,” Jn. 20:27.

Thomas responded, “My Master and my Elohim.” The Hebrew would be, “*Adonai ve Elohi!*” However, we can also look at it another way. The hand (𐤅) is revealed (𐤇), that establishes (Y) grace (𐤇)!” A nail or tent peg (Y) is utilized to pull things together, or hold, or establish something, like a tent. The *hei* (𐤇) also serves as the number 5, which, in the spiritual significance of numbers, is the number for grace. Thus, the name Yahweh (יהוה/𐤅𐤇𐤅𐤇) is the pre-existent name for the Savior Yahshua. This is the reason that we must call upon the name Yahweh for salvation.

I know this may be a little long and maybe even laborious, but I had to cover all the bases. I encourage you to no longer be the hypocrite who attacks those who love the Sacred Name as being those who are practicing magic, sorcery, and even “linguistic superstition,” since you do use the name, at least in the Shema, and also pray in secret in the name Yahweh. Don’t be ashamed to repent and openly embrace the true name, since they are truth, and the only names of salvation. Find your real blessings in Yahweh and Yahshua.

ONE MORE THING

Yahweh declares in Malachi, “Then they that feared Yahweh spake often one to another: and Yahweh hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared Yahweh, and that **thought** upon his name,” Mal. 3:16.

“Thought” is translated from the Hebrew word *chashab* and is defined as: a primitive root; properly, to plait or interpenetrate, i.e. (literally) to weave or (gen.) to fabricate; figuratively, to plot or contrive (usually in a malicious sense); hence (from the mental effort) to think, **regard, value, compute**: and is generally translated

as; (make) account (of), conceive, **consider, count**, cunning (man, work, workman), devise, **esteem**, find out, forecast, hold, imagine, impute, invent, **be like**, mean, purpose, reckon(-ing be made), **regard**, think. (Strong’s Exhaustive Concordance #2803.

Of course there are negative meanings contained in the definition of this word, but the verse is speaking of those who were speaking in the proper fear of Yahweh.

By the way, when we look once again at this glorious and wondrous name, Yahweh told Moses in Ex. 3:14, *ehyeh ashar ehyeh* (אשר אהיה אהיה). The *aleph* (א) is tendered as the preposition “I”, meaning “I am that/who I am.”

But He told Moses, in verse 15, to declare His name to the people as Yahweh (יהוה) which would mean, with the *yod* (י) as the preposition “He” is, lives, exists (הוה means to be, to exist, to live). This is the name of faith because by declaring the name Yahweh (יהוה) one is making the emphatic statement that He is!

Surely, Dr. Botkin, you know this as you have declared in other articles that you have taken extensive courses in Hebrew.

Finally, Jeremiah is inspired to write, “**Pour out thy fury** upon the heathen that know thee not, and **upon the families that call not on thy name**: for they have eaten up Jacob, and devoured him, and consumed him, and have made his habitation desolate,” Jer. 10:25.

Since you openly published your article in your magazine (*Gates Of Eden*) against all Sacred Name believers, we are going to publish this rebuttal openly in our *Yahshua’s Witness Magazine*, and any others who desire to do so.

Herein we have found you to be publishing and practicing “Linguistic Superstition,” “hypocrisy,” “blasphemy,” “lies,” and “utter disrespect for the truth, and Yahweh’s people.” Repent before it is too late!

Pastor Jerry Healan

I sent this response to Dr. Botkin ahead of time and he responded to me with the following letter:

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