



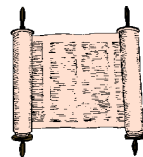
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## *Yahshua's Witness Magazine*

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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**OUR COVER:** "Lambiepie" is a picture that we have chosen for this year's Passover issue. Imagine having such a cute animal in your household, enjoying its company for 4 days before you had to cut its throat and eat it for Passover. But Yahshua, Our Passover, was so much more precious and innocent than this little lamb.

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# **HAMAS – PROPHETIC FULFILLMENT**

The election and exaltation of Hamas to primary influence and power among the Palestinians is a very important sign of the times for us to look at. I was forwarded portions of the Covenant of the Islamic Resistance Movement formulated August 18, 1988. This covenant is the covenant of the party called Hamas. Here are some of its tenets and goals:

- To raise the banner of Allah over every inch of Palestine (*Article 6*)
  - The Day of Judgment will not come about until Moslems fight Jews and kill them. Then, the Jews will hide behind rocks and trees, and the rocks and trees will cry out: 'O Moslem, there is a Jew hiding behind me, come and kill him' (*Article 7*)
  - Israel will only exist until Islam obliterates it as it has all others before it (*Preamble*)
  - The land of Palestine is an Islamic Waqf [Holy Possession] consecrated for future Moslem generations until Judgment Day. No one can renounce it or any part, or abandon it or any part of it. (*Article 11*)
  - Palestine is an Islamic land... Since this is the case, the Liberation of Palestine is an individual duty for every Moslem wherever he may be. [Peace] initiatives, and so-called peaceful solutions and international conferences are in contradiction to the principles of the Islamic Resistance Movement... Those conferences are no more than a means to appoint the infidels as arbitrators in the lands of Islam... There is no solution for the Palestinian problem except by Jihad. Initiatives, proposals and international conferences are but a waste of time, an exercise in futility. (*Article 13*)
  - The day the enemies usurp part of Moslem land, Jihad becomes the individual duty of every Moslem. In the face of the Jews' usurpation, it is compulsory that the banner of Jihad be raised. (*Article 15*)
  - Egypt was, to a great extent, removed from the circle of struggle [against Zionism] through the treacherous Camp David Agreement. The Zionists are trying to draw other Arab countries into similar agreements in order to bring them outside the circle of struggle. ...Leaving the circle of struggle against Zionism is high treason, and cursed be he who perpetrates such an act. The HAMAS regards itself the spearhead and the vanguard of the circle of struggle against World Zionism... Islamic groups all over the Arab world should also do the same, since they are best equipped for their future role in the fight against the warmongering Jews. (*Article 32*)
- Ranks will close, fighters joining other fighters, and masses everywhere in the Islamic world will come forward in response to the call of duty, loudly proclaiming: 'Hail to Jihad!' This cry will reach the heavens and will go on being resounded until liberation is achieved, the invaders vanquished and Allah's victory comes about. (*Article 33*)

This covenant and these articles of it prove that Hamas is dedicated to the violent overthrow of the modern day Jewish state of Israel. Furthermore, one would have to conclude that if and when the articles of this covenant are fulfilled in Palestine, then their next objective would be to exalt Islam over the rest of the earth, since they speak of the struggle against WORLD ZIONISM.

The fact of the matter is that the ascendancy of Hamas is a fulfillment of prophecies made by Yahshua. He stated, "And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed," Lk. 17:26-30. (See also Mt. 24:37-39)

But what else do the Scriptures reveal concerning what was going on in the days of Noah? "The earth also was corrupt before Elohim, and the earth was filled with **violence**. And Elohim looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth. And Elohim said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with **violence** through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth," Gen. 6:11-13.

From the very beginning of the Scriptures we learn that as the earth corrupted, violence increased. In Luke, Yahshua not only referred to the days of Noah, but also the days of Lot. Sodom and Gomorrah had become so corrupted, especially of a sexual nature, that they, the plain wherein they were located, and all adjacent cities suffered the violence of destruction from the hand of Almighty Yahweh.

While it is true that there have always been wars, the entrance of the world into the so-called 20<sup>th</sup> century, with its corresponding excessive corruption, has brought about some of the most violent wars known to man. They were called World Wars and the increase of knowledge and technology has brought forth the most violent and destructive weapons known to the generations of mankind.

But there is another movement that has arisen in these last days whose purpose is to deal death and destruction to all infidels. That movement is named "Hamas." Now, it is interesting that the Hebrew term for "violence" is "hamas." Not only was the world of old violently overthrown by Yahweh for its corruption and violence, and also Sodom and Gomorrah, but both of the houses of Judah and Israel were "violently" overthrown for their infidelity to their word and their promise and covenant made with Yahweh.

We can trace the houses of Israel and Judah throughout the world today and the fact of the matter is that they have cor-

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# A COMPARISON OF KINGS

*There is much to learn from the saga of Saul and David and a comparison of the two.*

*By Jerry Healan*

**S**amuel had been established as a priest and judge in Israel because of the unfaithfulness of Eli and his sons. But when Samuel was old, his own sons weren't faithful to walk in his ways turning aside after lucre, taking bribes, and perverting justice (1 Sam. 8:1-3). The elders of Israel came to Samuel complaining about this and demanding a king to judge them like all the nations around them.

This displeased Samuel and He prayed to Yahweh concerning the situation. Yahweh told Samuel, "Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected Me, that I should not reign over them. **According to all the works which they have done since the day that I brought them up out of Egypt even unto this day, where-with they have forsaken Me, and served other elohim,** so do they also unto thee," 1 Sam. 8:7-8.

Notice that Yahweh said that Israel had forsaken Him since the day He brought them out of Egypt unto that very day that they demanded a king.

In verses 9-18 Samuel told Israel what this king would do in taking their sons and daughters, land, tithes (taxes) etc. Samuel warned the people in accordance with Yahweh's words, but the people replied, "Nay; but we will have a king over us; 20 **That we also may be like all the nations; and that our king may judge us, and go out before us, and fight our battles.**"

## CHOOSING SAUL

The people were adamant in their desire for a king, so..., "Samuel heard

all the words of the people, and he rehearsed them in the ears of Yahweh.

22 And Yahweh said to Samuel, 'Hearken unto their voice, and make them a king.' And Samuel said unto the men of Israel, 'Go ye every man unto his city,' vv. 19-22.

Later, Yahweh told Samuel that Saul was the one who He wanted to reign over the people (1 Sam. 9:17).

Saul is introduced in 1 Samuel, chapter 9 thusly, "Now there was a man of Benjamin, whose name was **Kish**, the son of Abiel, the son of Zemor, the son of Bechorath, the son of **Aphiah**, a Benjamite, a mighty man of power.

2 And he had a son, whose name was Saul, a choice young man, and a goodly: and there was not among the children of Israel a goodlier person

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than he: from his shoulders and upward he was higher than any of the people," vv. 1-2.

The name "Kish" is very revealing in itself. It is number 7027 in the Hebrew Lexicon of *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance* and is defined as "a bow." It comes from another Hebrew word "qowsh" which is number 6983 being defined as "a primitive root; to bend; used only as denominative for 3369, **to set a trap.**"

A search into the name "Aphiah" also reveals that in its primitive origins, it has to do **with bringing into a snare!**

The name Saul actually means "asked." The people asked for a king to rule over them and Yahweh gave them what they asked for. There is a commercial that says, "You asked for it, you got it." Such is the case for Israel.

Yahweh told Samuel that the people hadn't served Him since He brought them up out of Egypt. Now that the people were rejecting His rulership over them, He was going to set a trap or lay a snare for them.

## THE PATTERN

While we can understand that Yahweh chose Saul in order to set a trap, bringing Israel into a snare, we still need to ask the question, Why did Yahweh choose a man of the tribe of Benjamin? Especially, since the Patriarch Jacob/Israel had prophesied, "**The sceptre shall not depart from Judah**, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto Him shall the gathering of the people be," Gen. 49:10. Jacob understood that the kingly line would come from the tribe of Judah and not that of Benjamin. So again we must ask, Why did Yahweh choose a man of the tribe of Benjamin?

The answer is, In order to fulfill the Biblical pattern of first and second. Paul effectively answers the question, "But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come? 36 Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die: 37 And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain: 38 But Yahweh giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his

own body. 39 All flesh is not the same flesh: but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds. 40 There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another. 41 There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory. 42 So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: 43 It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: 44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. **There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.** 45 And so it is written, **The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit.** 46 Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. 47 **The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Sovereign from heaven.** 48 As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. 49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly,” 1 Cor. 15:35-49.

This pattern flows throughout the Scriptures. There was the first world before the flood and the second world after the flood; the first Adam, the second Adam, the first heavens and earth, the new heavens and earth, the first covenant, the second covenant, the first Israelite kingdom, the second Israelite kingdom (yet to come), the first circumcision, the second circumcision, the first natural, physical, carnal, corruptible, mortal body and life that we live and the second spiritual, glorious, honorable, incorruptible, immortal life. There is a first death and a second death, first birth and second birth, etc., etc.

Saul was chosen to be the first king of Israel as a type of the first man of the earth, which is sown in corruption, dishonor and weakness. He was a son

of the tribe of Benjamin. Yahweh knew that he would fail. The true kingly line would come out of Judah, as prophesied.

### THE FAMILY OF JESSE

As we have searched into the name of Saul and his fathers, let's look into the family of Jesse. The name Jesse comes from a series of Hebrew words which mean, to stand out, **exist**. The name David has to do with loving or beloved or both.

They are of the tribe of Judah. There was a conflict going on between Jacob's wives, Rachel and Leah, for his affection. Yahweh had opened Leah's womb and allowed her to bring forth four sons because He saw that she was hated. Each son is named with a purpose in mind. Leah's first-born was Reuben, which means "see, a son." Her second son was named Simeon which means "to hear intelligently," or simply, "to hear," because she called out to Yahweh in her plight and He heard her. Her third son was

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named Levi, which means "unite," or "united," because she considered that since she had three sons, her husband would be united more closely to her. When she brought forth her fourth son, she named him Judah for she said, "Now will I praise Yahweh." Judah has to do with the "praise of," or "to" Yahweh!

But looking at the name more closely in the Hebrew alphabet certainly adds even greater understanding. Judah in Hebrew is **יְהוּדָה**. The name of the Creator Yahweh in Hebrew is **יְהוָה**. Comparing the two, we find only one difference which is the "dalet" (English "D"/Hebrew "ד") in Judah.

Interestingly, the Hebrew letter "dalet" (ד) is an hieroglyphic for a door. Isn't it interesting that even the English word "door" begins with a "D," which is equivalent to the Hebrew "dalet" (ד)? Is it any wonder that the second kingly line was chosen from the tribe of Judah? Is it any wonder that Yahshua, the door (Jn. 10) would be born of the tribe of Judah?

The kingly line of Judah is the second dynasty to rule over the children of Israel. This line represents the eternal, spiritual, incorruptible, immortal kingly line of Yahshua the Messiah, of the tribe of Judah, through Whom Yahweh is truly praised.

When are we men going to come to understand that the Scriptures are the inspired word of Yahweh? When are we men going to learn that the Scriptures were put together by a mind and intellect that is so far superior to man that there is no comparison? When are we men going to turn to our Creator and give Him the honor, praise and obedience that only He deserves, and desires?

### ANIMAL ASSOCIATION

Saul is introduced in 1 Samuel chapter 9, "Now there was a man of Benjamin, whose name was Kish, the son of Abiel, the son of Zeror, the son of Bechorath, the son of Aphiah, a Benjamite, a mighty man of power. 2 And he had a son, whose name was Saul, a choice young man, and a goodly: and there was not among the children of Israel a goodlier person than he: from his shoulders and upward he was higher than any of the people. 3 **And the asses of Kish Saul's father were lost.** And Kish said to Saul his son, Take now one of the servants with thee, and arise, go seek the asses," vv. 1-3.

David is introduced in 1 Samuel chapter 16, "And Samuel said unto Jesse, Are here all thy children? And he said, There remaineth yet the youngest, and, behold, **he keepeth the sheep.** And Samuel said unto Jesse,

Send and fetch him: for we will not sit down till he come hither. 12 And he sent, and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and withal of a beautiful countenance, and goodly to look to. And Yahweh said, Arise, anoint him: for this is he. 13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the Spirit Yahweh came upon David from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Rama,” vv. 11-13.

Isn't it interesting that the animals associated with Saul are asses, while the animals associated with David are sheep? Could this be Yahweh's way of prophesying their character? An ass typifies an obstinate, stupid, silly, foolish attitude. Isn't that pretty much the character that Saul exhibited? After all, he does typify the first Adam who foolishly took of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil bringing sin, corruption, mortality, and death not only on himself, but his posterity. Through Adam's act of disobedience and rebellion, he and his posterity were forbidden access to the tree of life. Through Saul's acts of disobedience and rebellion, his posterity were forbidden access or right to reign over Israel.

Sheep were associated with David. Sheep can also be considered as a dumb, stupid animal and David, who considered himself on one hand, to be a sheep of Yahweh (see Psa. 23), did make some grievous mistakes. But sheep were and are considered to be clean animals because they chew the cud and split the hoof, while an ass is unclean. We must keep in mind also, that David was a keeper or shepherd of sheep, which puts him in a much greater capacity.

Yahweh reveals in Scripture that He is a Shepherd (Isa. 40:10-11) and Yahshua reveals Himself as the true Shepherd (Jn. 10). David is truly in the best of company.

### SAUL'S ATTITUDE

Saul was anointed king over Israel

and he started out right. Yahweh placed His Spirit upon him and his heart was changed (1 Sam. 10:6-9). He was a humble individual and when Samuel called the tribes of Israel together to openly anoint him as king, he hid from them (v. 22). His nature soon changed, however.

His son Jonathan smote a garrison of Philistines in Geba, but Saul blew the trumpet throughout the land declaring that he, Saul, had smitten the garrison (1 Sam. 13:3-4). When the Philistines gathered a huge army against Israel, Saul and his few men trembled in fear (vv. 5-7). Saul waited for Samuel seven days and when Samuel failed to appear, Saul took upon himself the role of the high priest, offering a burnt offering to Yahweh (8-10). When Samuel confronted him concerning this, Saul excused himself (vv. 11-12). Samuel prophesied that the kingdom wouldn't continue under his leadership (v. 14). It appears that this disqualification came after only serving as king over Israel for a brief period of two years.

Saul's son Jonathan began another

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conflict against the Philistines, which culminated with Yahweh's intervention causing the earth to quake and sow such confusion among the Philistines that they began to lift up their sword against each other (1 Sam. 14). Saul and his men had been cowering in fear, but when they saw the tumult they entered into the fray. He then made a foolish declaration, "Cursed be the man that eateth any food until evening, that I may be avenged on mine enemies," 1 Sam. 14:24. The people became so weak and faint that at the end of the day they flew upon the spoil immediately slaying sheep, and oxen eating them with the blood (v. 32). Of course, Saul did rectify the situation, but his own proclamation

brought about the circumstance.

Later Saul was commanded to eradicate the Amalekites for their attack against Israel while they were wandering in the wilderness, but Saul spared their king Agag and the choicest of the sheep and oxen. When questioned by Samuel, Saul placed the blame upon the people. (1 Sam. 15). Samuel told Saul that he had been rejected as king over Israel for this rebellion and that the kingdom would be given to a neighbor who was better than him (1 Sam. 15:26-28). It is after this episode that David was anointed as king over Israel (1 Sam 16).

The Philistine army gathered against Israel in Ephes-dammim. Both armies showed themselves in battle array, but the Philistines had a great champion named Goliath whose height was six cubits and a span (1 Sam. 17:1-4). Goliath challenged any of the Israelites to a one on one duel. If any Israelite would fight with and overcome him then the Philistines would become their servants, but if He slew the Israelite then they would become servants of the Philistines. Saul was the king of Israel. He was at least a head taller than any of them. Israel had wanted a king to fight their battles for them. He should have been the one who took the challenge to fight with the Philistine but he was dismayed and greatly afraid (1 Sam. 17:5-11).

### DAVID'S ATTITUDE

David had already been anointed to replace Saul as king over Israel, but he was still just a young lad, a shepherd boy. He was sent by his father to take victuals to his three older brothers who were with Saul and his army to find out how they were faring (1 Sam. 17:17-18). When David saw what was transpiring between the opposing armies, he was angered that an uncircumcised Philistine was being allowed to defy the armies of the living Elohim (v. 26). He took the challenge upon himself. After all, he was the newly anointed king over Israel.



When Saul learned that David was willing to take the Philistine's challenge, he discouraged him by saying, "Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou art but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth," 1 Sam. 17:33.

But David revealed something concerning his character, "Thy servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock: and I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered it out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught him by his beard, and smote him, and slew him. Thy servant smote both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them, seeing he hath defied the armies of the living Elohim." David said moreover, 'Yahweh That delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, He will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine.' And Saul said unto David, 'Go, and Yahweh be with thee,' 1 Sam. 17:34-37.

Look at David's attitude! He was a shepherd of his father's sheep. A lion came to satisfy his hunger with one of his father's sheep. Most shepherd boys would run for their lives and allow the lion to have his way with the flock. After all, the reasoning would be, these are only animals. I am my father's son and worth much more to him than these sheep. I will preserve my life so that my father will not be saddened by the loss of his son. Besides, I want to live and my own life is worth much more to me than the lives of these sheep, these animals. This was not David's attitude. David's name means loving or beloved. He loved his father so much that he was not willing that his father suffer loss of his sheep. He was willing to put his life on the line for his father's sake and for the sake of the sheep. He faced the lion and the bear with a courage that is rare at any time in history.

Yahweh is also a Shepherd as we have already learned and His people Israel are His sheep. David was will-

ing to face this giant of a man, Goliath, because He trusted in and loved the living Elohim Yahweh. He was willing to put his life on the line for Yahweh's sheep. David had a Spirit, faith, confidence and courage that none other had in all of Israel.

## THE TRUE SHEPHERD

Is it any wonder that Yahshua the Messiah came from the loins of a man like King David!? Yahshua declared to His disciples, I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. 12 But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. 13 The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. 14 I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. 15 As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep. 16 And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them

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also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd. 17 Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again. 18 No 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. 10:11-18.

David faced the giant of a man, Goliath, for the sake of Yahweh's sheep. Yahshua faced the god of this world, the prince of the power of the air, Satan, for the sake of Yahweh's sheep. Do you begin to get the picture? The

battle between David and Goliath was a forerunner, a type of the battle that would take place far, far into the future between Yahshua and Satan. While David did put his life on the line, he did walk away from the battle alive. Yahshua's face-off was greater because He had to lay down His life. Oh, He did do spiritual battle first in order to get the victory. This face-off came immediately after He was baptized when He was driven into the wilderness to fast and pray for forty days and nights. He had to get the initial victory over Satan, but the final victory came when He poured out His breath and blood on the tree, and was subsequently resurrected three days later.

Yahshua told His disciples, "If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. 11 These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full. 12 This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. 13 **Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.** 14 Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you," Jn. 15:10-14.

Yahshua is the True Shepherd! He is the Greater Shepherd by far! He willingly laid down His life for us. He expects us to exhibit the same spirit. He set an example for us that we should follow in His steps. (1 Pet. 2:21)

## OUR SITUATION

The Apostle Paul wrote, "For when we were yet without strength, in due time the Messiah died for the unrighteous. 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. 8 **But Yahweh commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, the Messiah died for us.** 9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we

shall be saved from wrath through him. 10 For if, **when we were enemies, we were reconciled to Yahweh by the death of his Son**, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life," Ro. 5:7-10.

Peter adds, "Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth: 23 Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously: 24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. 25 **For ye were as sheep going astray**; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls," 1 Pet. 22-25.

Again, Paul writes, "Grace be to you and peace from Yahweh the Father, and from our Sovereign Yahshua the Messiah, 4 **Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world**, according to the will of Elohim and our Father:

5 To whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen

Look at these terms again! We were sheep going astray. We were yet sinners. We were Yahweh's enemies because we were sinners. Yet, He was willing to allow His Son to die for us. Yahshua was willing to lay down His life for us. What are we to do now? Let's allow Yahshua to begin the instructions, "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; **as I have loved you, that ye also love one another**. By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have love one to another," Jn. 13:34-35.

"This is My commandment, **That ye love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends**. Ye are My friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you," Jn. 15:13-14.

Now let's allow a couple of the apostles to finish the thought, "But as touching brotherly love ye need not

that I write unto you: for **ye yourselves are taught of Elohim to love one another**," 1 Thes. 4:9.

"For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that **we should love one another**. 12 Not as Cain, who was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous. 13 Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you. 14 We know that we have passed from death unto life, because **we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death**. 15 Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him. 16 **Hereby perceive we the love of Yahweh, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren**. 17 But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of Yahweh in him?" 1 Jn. 3:11-17.

David's name has to do with love.

***We are expected; we are commanded to lay our own lives down for Yahweh's and Yahshua's sheep, the brethren.***

He exhibited the true love because he was not only willing to lay down his life for his father Jesse's sheep, but also for Israel, Yahweh's sheep. Yahshua became a descendant of David in the flesh. He exhibited the greater love for He willingly laid down His life for His Father's sake and for the sake of the sheep (spiritual Israel).

Now, it's our turn. We are expected; we are commanded to lay our own lives down for Yahweh's and Yahshua's sheep, the brethren. This present evil world with all of its gidg-

ets and gadgets, with all of its riches and pleasures truly puts pressure on all of us to take our focus off of the true way and get more involved with it. Also, when we look at other brethren, we can generally detect certain specific problems, which seem to give us reason not to follow through with this commandment. Then again, some will even seek to turn to become our enemies. We can then justify ourselves in turning away from this command. But David didn't and Yahshua especially didn't. They are our example.

## A FINAL TEST

From Biblical history we know that such great persecution came upon believers that many had to give their lives for the faith. The book of Revelation reveals that that same test is coming upon believers in the very last days, "And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of Yahweh, and for the testimony which they held: 10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Sovereign, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? 11 And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, **until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled**," Rev. 6:9-11.

It is a fact that the overall preponderance of the Jewish community around the world holds fast to the belief that it is an abomination punishable by death to pronounce the Heavenly Father's Sacred name. It is also a fact that Freemasonry upholds the same idea and belief as the Jewish community. The Sacred name is to them an ineffable (unpronounceable, unknowable) name. Whether you know it or not, the great overall preponderance of those who are established as leaders in this world are



members of some branch or arm of Freemasonry. Freemasonry bases its teachings and beliefs on a work called the Cabala (sometimes also referred to in the various renderings of Kabbalah or Qabalah) from whence Jewish mysticism also receives its own teachings.

Don't think for one moment that the establishment hasn't been watching what has been going on in the Sacred Name movement. One day soon, we could all wake up in a world that will reveal itself hostile to those of us who cherish, love and cling to the true names of the Father Yahweh and His beloved Son Yahshua. According to the scriptures, there will be a persecution brought upon believers which will culminate in the death of many, "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death," Rev. 12:11.

This will be the time when we will all be tested as to our faithfulness to Yahweh's word of truth, the witness of Yahshua and our love for the brethren.

## THE COMPARISONS

Saul and David were types. Saul was a type of the first Adam and his failings. David was a type of the second Adam and His successes. Oh, David did have his faults and failings, but the difference between the two is that Saul always excused and justified himself in some way while David confessed his faults and threw himself on the tender mercies of Yahweh.

We can even go so far as to compare Saul and David with two great figures in the spirit realm, Satan and Yahshua. Satan always excuses himself while he accuses everyone else. While Yahshua never sinned and therefore, never earned the penalty of death, He willingly took that penalty upon Himself in order to make excuses for others (through grace).

Saul knew that the kingdom was to

be taken from him and given to another better than himself. He eventually discovered that David was anointed to replace him as king over Israel. Saul pulled out all stops in order to destroy David even though he knew that David was Yahweh's anointed. David, on the other hand, even though he had to run for his life, time, after time, after time, would not lift his hand against Saul who was the first anointed king over Israel. David trusted in Yahweh and waited for His appointed time to give him the kingdom.

Satan is the god and prince of this present evil world. Yahshua has been anointed to replace him. Satan sought to destroy Yahshua and still seeks to wage war against Him and His disciples today. Yahshua, like David, is waiting for His Father's appointed time to give Him the throne and kingdom over this world.

Yahshua's disciples asked Him, "Master, wilt Thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?" Acts 1:6. Yahshua replied, "It is not for you to know the times or the seasons,

***We have the examples  
recorded for us, let's study  
them out and then follow  
through.***

which the Father hath put in His own power. But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Spirit is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth," vv. 7-8.

We are born into this world with the spirit of the first Adam, but we are lacking in the Spirit of the second. At sometime in our lives, we must be called by Yahweh, given the opportunity to confess our sins, repent, be baptized and receive the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of the second Adam, Yahshua. We must then "Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Sovereign and Savior Yahshua the Messiah," 2

Pet. 3:18. This means that we must not only have that grace and knowledge, but we must put it to work in our lives. The study and application of the Scriptures and the examples we find there are the best ways of doing this.

## SELF EXAMINATION

When approaching the annual Pass-over ceremony, Paul encourages us to examine ourselves (1 Cor. 11:28). In another place he exhorts self-examination again, "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Yahshua the Messiah is in you, except ye be reprobate?" 2 Cor. 13:5.

Yes, we must examine ourselves, especially those of us who are called to be of the household of faith. Are we truly walking in those oh so worthy footsteps? Are we truly putting our lives on the line for our Heavenly Father, our wondrous Savior, our brethren and even our enemies?

Then there are those who are still walking around with only the spirit of the first Adam. Are you committing grievous errors and excusing yourselves? Are you like Saul who blamed everything on others or if you are caught doing wrong, dreaming up some lame duck excuse in order to justify yourself?

Let's all compare ourselves to Saul and David. Then we can compare ourselves to the first Adam and the second Adam. Finally, we can compare ourselves to the spirit of Satan and Yahshua. If we are honest with ourselves, we will find so many, many areas where we are lacking in following David and Yahshua. But it isn't too late to turn our lives around. As long as there is life, there is hope.

What we should do is examine ourselves thoroughly, confess our shortcomings and sins to the Father Yahweh, ask for forgiveness and the

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# THE FIRST MONTH FOCUSES ON YAHSHUA

*Have you really ever tried to put all of the events that we observe in the first month of the year together to see how the primary focus is on Yahshua the Messiah? This treatise help you to see how the Torah, with its annual Passover and Unleavened Bread observance focuses on Him.*

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**Y**ahshua told the people of His day, "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me. And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life. I receive not honour from men. But I know you, that ye have not the love of Elohim in you. I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that cometh from Elohim only? Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuseth you, even Moses, in whom ye trust. For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?" Jn. 5:39-47.

One of the things that Moses wrote about was the beginning, the first month of the year and the events that take place therein, "And Yahweh spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you," Ex. 12:1.

Just as Yahweh appointed seven days for a week, but only named the seventh (Sabbath), He personally named only the first month of the year, initially. He named this month "Abib," which means "green ears." "And Moses said unto the people, Remember this day, in which ye came out from Egypt, out of the house of bondage; for by strength of hand Yahweh brought you out from this place: there shall no leavened bread be eaten.

This day came ye out in **the month Abib,**" Ex. 13:3-4.

Many people have tied this month with the time when the "green ears" of barley appear in the milk. After all, barley is the grain associated with the offering of the "wave sheaf" in Lev. 23:9-11. However, it is our understanding at this assembly that the "green ears" are not only associated with the barley, but with the appearance of the "green ears" of almost all plants, as most of the world associated with the latitude of Jerusalem awakens from the sleep of the dead of winter, to the springing forth of life.

The Apostle Paul makes this statement concerning Yahshua, "And **he is**

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

Yahshua is the head. He is the first-born from the dead. The first month of the year was to be the beginning of months. It was the month that everything was springing forth from sleep, a type of death (Jn. 11:1-14). The Hebrew word for "beginning" utilized in Ex. 12:2 is "*ro'sh*" which is the primary Hebrew word for "head." Yahshua is both the head and the beginning as revealed in Col. 1:18. This first month of the year is both the

head and the beginning. It is a type of Yahshua the Messiah and the events contained therein are also associated with and are types of Him. Just as this first month, the beginning of months, is associated with things springing back to life from the dead, even so, Yahshua has the power to cause the dead to spring to life, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of Elohim: and they that hear shall live. For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself; And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man. Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation," Jn. 5:25-29.

## THE PASSOVER LAMB

Yahweh commanded the children of Israel to take a lamb of the flocks or a kid of the goats on the tenth day of this first month. This lamb or kid was to be without blemish. It was to be in its first year. It was to be kept until the fourteenth day of the month and the whole congregation was to kill their lamb in the even (Ex. 12:3-6). Following this event, Israel was commanded to observe the Passover as a memorial for all generations (Ex. 12:14).

Israel was to take the blood of the lamb and apply it to the lintel and door posts of their homes because Yahweh was sending a death angel throughout the land of Egypt to slay

all of the firstborn from the house of Pharaoh to the animals of the field. When the death angel saw the blood of the lamb, he passed over the dwelling sparing the firstborn of Israel (Ex. 12:12-13).

It was through the blood of these lambs and the subsequent death of the firstborn of Egypt that Israel was finally released from their servitude to the Egyptians. But these lambs and kids of the goats were only types of the One Passover Lamb, Yahshua the Messiah. Yahshua is the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world (Rev. 5:6, 9-12; 13:8). He our Passover sacrificed for us (1 Cor. 5:7).

The Apostle Peter declares, "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of the Messiah, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you, Who by him do believe in Yahweh, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in Elohim," 1 Pet. 1:18-21.

The Passover deliverance that comes through Yahshua is so far greater than the deliverance from Egypt that Jeremiah is inspired to prophesy, "Therefore, behold, the days come, saith Yahweh, that it shall no more be said, Yahweh liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; But, Yahweh liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither he had driven them: and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers," Jer. 16:14-15.

Too many continue to focus primarily on the Passover deliverance from Egypt in days past when the greater Passover is available to them and that Passover deliverance is through the much more precious Lamb, Yahshua the Messiah. We must come under His

shed blood so that when that greater deliverance comes, we will have it as our possession. That deliverance is the deliverance that comes from death and the grave. This deliverance is yet future, but we must embrace it in faith today so that we may apprehend it when it comes.

### UNLEAVENED BREAD

The Passover Lamb was to be eaten with Unleavened Bread and bitter herbs. Unleavened Bread is another type of Yahshua the Messiah. The Hebrew term for "Unleavened Bread" is "*matstsah*." It has to do with sweetness because the bread hasn't been embittered or fermented with any type of leaven.

The Hebrew term for "leaven" is "*chametz*." The definition for "*chametz*" (leaven) is ferment, (figuratively) **extortion**. Fermentation has to do with excitement and agitation. Extortion has to do with getting something (money, etc.) from someone by violence, threats, misuse of authority, exaction, wresting, etc.

If we look at how this word is utilized in other places, Biblically, we

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can learn much about the spirit and intent of "*chametz*" or "leaven." The Psalmist cries out in Psalm 71:4, "Deliver me, O my Elohim, out of the hand of the wicked, out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man (*chametz*). Notice here that "*chametz*" is not only related to the "cruel man," but also to the hand of the wicked and the unrighteous.

The Psalmist Asaph admits that he almost followed in the steps of the foolish and wicked because of their great riches acquired by their corruption until he went into the sanctuary of El and understood their end (Psa. 73:1-17). When he considered their

slippery places, their desolation and destruction, the terrors that they will suffer because of their wickedness, he was "grieved" (*chametz*) in his heart to have been so foolish (v. 21).

In Hosea 7, Yahweh cries out against Samaria because of their wickedness, falsehoods, troops of robbers, lying princes, adulteries, etc. He decrees that they are "...all adulterers, as an oven heated by the baker, who ceaseth from raising after he hath kneaded the dough, until it be leavened (*chametz*). (v. 4)

Going to the New Testament, Yahshua likens the doctrines of the Pharisees to leaven in Mat. 16:1-12. In Mark 8:11-21 He warns His disciples against the leaven of the Pharisees and also the leaven of Herod. In Luke 12:1 Yahshua declares that the leaven of the Pharisees is hypocrisy.

The Apostle Paul accuses the Corinthians of being "puffed up" because of the sin of fornication that was taking place between one of their members and his own father's wife. Their failure to mourn concerning this situation and to act in purging the offender from their midst was causing them to become leavened. (1 Cor. 5:1-6)

Paul likened leaven to "malice" and "wickedness." Thus, both Old and New Testaments liken leaven to fermentation, extortion, sin, wickedness, unrighteousness, extortion, malice, etc.

Unleavened Bread (*matstsah*), on the other hand, is a sweet bread which typifies a life that is full of "sincerity" and "truth." (1 Cor. 5:8, last part) The interesting thing about this word "sincerity" is that it is translated from the Greek word "*heilikrineia*," which is defined as; **clearness**, i.e. (by implication) **purity** (figuratively). It comes from another Greek word "*heilikrines*," which is defined as; from *heile* (the sun's ray) and 2919; judged by sunlight, i.e. tested as genuine (figuratively). (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*)

### THE TRUE BREAD FROM HEAVEN



Yahshua declared that He is the true bread from heaven, "Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath Yahweh the Father sealed. Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of Elohim? Yahshua answered and said unto them, This is the work of Elohim, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent. They said therefore unto him, What sign shewest thou then, that we may see, and believe thee? what dost thou work? Our fathers did eat manna in the desert; as it is written, He gave them bread from heaven to eat. Then Yahshua said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of Elohim is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world. Then said they unto him, Master, evermore give us this bread. And Yahshua said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst... I am that bread of life. Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead. This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die. I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world. The Jews therefore strove among themselves, saying, How can this man give us his flesh to eat? Then Yahshua said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him. As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me. This is

that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever," Jn. 6:17-35, 48-58.

At the last meal before He suffered, Yahshua took bread, blessed it and broke it and told His disciples to take it and eat for it was His body that was given for them (Mt. 26:26; Mk. 14:22; Lk. 22:19). He also took the cup, blessing it and had them drink of it declaring that it was His blood of the New Testament shed for many (Mt. 26:27-28; Mk. 14:23-24; Lk. 22:20).

Yahshua lived a pure life without blemish, without sin, "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of the Messiah, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot," 1 Pt. 1:18-19. "For even hereunto were ye called: because the Messiah also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: Who did no sin, neither was guile found in

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his mouth: Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously, "1 Pet. 2:21-23.

While there is controversy as to which type of bread, leavened or unleavened, Yahshua utilized to represent His body, a simple study into the Scriptures reveals that the "unleavened bread" would have been the chosen representative for His sinless body. After all, Yahshua is our Passover (1 Cor. 5:7) and the command was to eat "unleavened bread" with the Passover lamb, not "leavened bread." (Ex. 12:8) The lamb was to be without blemish in representing

Yahshua and the unleavened bread would also have represented Him without fermentation, agitation, extortion, wickedness, etc.

Paul, himself, commands us to keep the feast with unleavened, not leavened. It is through the true bread from heaven, the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth, Yahshua the Messiah, that we, ourselves, may become unleavened, made free of wickedness and sin.

### BREAD OF AFFLICTION

We learn in Dt. 16:3 that unleavened bread is called the bread of affliction, "Observe the month of Abib, and keep the passover unto Yahweh thy Elohim: for in the month of Abib Yahweh thy Elohim brought thee forth out of Egypt by night. Thou shalt therefore sacrifice the passover unto Yahweh thy Elohim, of the flock and the herd, in the place which Yahweh shall choose to place his name there. Thou shalt eat no leavened bread with it; **seven days shalt thou eat unleavened bread** therewith, **even the bread of affliction**; for thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt in haste: that thou mayest remember the day when thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt all the days of thy life," Dt. 16:1-3.

The unleavened was to remind Israel of the afflictions that the Israelites suffered in Egypt, but this bread was also a type of Yahshua Who was afflicted on behalf of His people, "I will mention the lovingkindnesses of Yahweh, and the praises of Yahweh, according to all that Yahweh hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness toward the house of Israel, which he hath bestowed on them according to his mercies, and according to the multitude of his lovingkindnesses. For he said, Surely they are my people, children that will not lie: so he was their Saviour. **In all their affliction he was afflicted**, and the angel of his presence saved them: in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old," Isa. 63:7-9.

Again, Isaiah witnesses, “Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet **we did esteem him stricken, smitten of Elohim, and afflicted.** But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and **Yahweh hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,** yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth,” Isa. 53:4-7.

Yahshua has tasted death for every man! (Heb. 2:9) He was tempted in all points as we, yet without sin, without leaven (Heb. 4:15). Because of the temptations that He experienced, He is able to succor, aid and relieve those who are tempted (Heb. 2:18).

Yahshua was not puffed up. He was humble! He bore our sins and sufferings without sin so that He could free us from our sins, in effect, unleaven us!

## SINCERITY AND TRUTH

We have already touched on the statement of Paul who encourages us to observe the feast (Passover and Unleavened Bread) with the unleavened of sincerity and truth. Sincerity has to do with being clear, clean, pure. It has to do with being able to come to the light so that we can be judged. Most people don’t like to come to the light because their deeds are evil, “And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved. But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in Yahweh,” Jn. 3:19-21. However, in Yahshua, our evil, our sins are expunged so that we may be able to come to the light and be forgiven our evil deeds. It is a diffi-

cult thing to admit our failures, shortcomings, our sins, but if we can, then we have an advocate with the Father who has the power to forgive, cleanse and aid us in our walk.

What about this word TRUTH? If we take a look at the Hebrew word for truth, a new understanding and appreciation comes to us, for the Hebrew letters of this word tell us a most powerful story. The Hebrew word for “truth” is “emet” (אמת [א {aleph} מ {mem} ת {tau}]. Remember that the Hebrew reads from left to right.). The “aleph” (א) is an hieroglyphic for the head of an ox or ram. The ox or ram is a clean animal, which is acceptable for sacrifice. Yahshua is the Heavenly Lamb, which was sacrifice for us. We must come under His atoning sacrifice if our sins are to be forgiven.

The “mem” (מ) is an hieroglyphic for water. Once we turn to the acceptable sacrifice for our sins, then we enter the water of baptism in order to bury the old man, wash us of our sins and have hands laid upon us so that we might receive the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit itself is typified by water

***Yahshua said, “I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me,” Jn. 14:6.***

as per Yahshua in Jn. 7:37-39.

The “tau” (ת) is an hieroglyphic for a signature, mark or name. We are sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise which also imparts the very name of the Heavenly Father Yahweh in our forehead. (Rev. 14:1).

Yahshua said, “I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me,” Jn. 14:6. The only way to the Father is Yahshua. He is the truth (אמת). He is the only acceptable sacrifice (א). Through Him we receive the spirit (מ). He came in the Father’s name (א) and only through Him are we able to possess that name. Are you beginning to understand how powerful the Word

of Yahweh is? Are you beginning to understand the tremendous importance associated with that heavenly bread, that unleavened bread of sincerity and truth?

## THE NUMBER SEVEN

Israel was commanded to eat unleavened bread for seven days. The number seven is shown to be extremely important in Scripture. We find that Yahweh recreated the heavens and earth in six days while resting from all His works on the seventh in the book of Genesis chapters 1 and 2. The seventh day was blessed and sanctified. Thus, the number seven is associated with rest, blessing and sanctification.

Genesis 2:22-34 introduces even more information concerning this vital and important number seven. In the account with Abraham, Abimelech and Phichol we find several important meanings. In verses 23-24 we find the term “swear.” “Now therefore **swear** unto me here by Elohim that thou wilt not deal falsely with me, nor with my son, nor with my son’s son: but according to the kindness that I have done unto thee, thou shalt do unto me, and to the land wherein thou hast sojourned. And Abraham said, I will **swear.**”

The English word “swear” is translated from the Hebrew word “*shaba.*” *Shaba* is defined as; a primitive root; properly to be complete, but used only as a denominative from 7651; **to seven oneself**, i.e. swear (as if **by repeating a declaration seven times**). Notice that it is a denominative from #7651 which is the Hebrew word “*sheba*” being defined as; or (masculine) shibrah {shib-aw’}; from 7650; a primitive cardinal number; **seven** (as the sacred full one); also (adverbially) **seven times**; by implication, **a week**; by extension, an indefinite number. (*Strong’s Exhaustive Concordance*, Hebrew Lexicon)

We find that to swear, to make an oath, is associated with the number seven. Abraham, Abimelech and

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# YAHWEH'S PASSOVER DELIVERANCE

*How important is Passover observance to you? Which Passover do you observe? Did you know that there is yet to be another Passover deliverance?*

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Every year at Passover, we recount the children of Israel and their bondage that they came under in Egypt along with their deliverance. The Egyptian Pharaoh and his cohorts had dealt subtly with Israel bringing them into the subjection of slavery. The time eventually came that Yahweh decided to deliver them from this bondage and return them to the land that He had promised they would inherit, the land of Canaan.

Yahweh called and raised up Moses and Aaron for the purpose of this deliverance. When Moses and Aaron appeared to Pharaoh, he scoffed at them and Yahweh their Elohim. Yahweh then poured nine plagues out upon the Egyptians, effectively destroying them and their economy, but Pharaoh still wouldn't release the Israelites. Yahweh informed Moses that He would bring one more plague upon the Egyptians and then they would let them go (Ex. 11:1).

Yahweh told Moses that He was going to destroy all of the firstborn in the land of Egypt and then Pharaoh and the Egyptians would let them go (Ex. 11:5).

Yahweh commanded the month of Abib to be the beginning of months to them. He told them that on the tenth day of the month every man should set aside a lamb of the first year, without blemish from the sheep and goats for their house (Ex. 12:1-5). They were to keep it until the fourteenth day of the month wherein they were to kill it at even (beyn ha erebim/ between the evenings). They were to place the blood of the lamb on the door posts and lintel and they were to eat the lamb that night roast with fire,

unleavened bread and bitter herbs (vv. 6-8).

Yahweh told Moses that He was going to pass through the land of Egypt that night and would smite all the firstborn of the Egyptians, both man and beast, but when He saw the blood on the doorposts and lintels, He would pass over their houses not destroying them (vv. 12-13).

When midnight came, Yahweh smote all of the firstborn in the land of Egypt as He said, which caused a great cry in the land of Egypt and stirred Pharaoh and the Egyptians to thrust Israel out of the land of Egypt, fearing that the rest of them would be next (vv. 29-33). Thus, through the sacrifice and blood of the Passover

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lamb, Yahweh delivered Israel from the bondage or slavery to Egypt.

## THE IMPORTANCE OF NUMBERS

Yahweh had not only commanded Israel to sacrifice the Passover lamb through which there was deliverance, but He also had commanded Israel to observe the days of unleavened bread for seven days, "In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even. Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leav-

ened, even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a stranger, or born in the land. Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread," Ex. 12:18-20.

Yahweh commanded Israel to observe these seven days of unleavened bread for a reason. While they were delivered from the bondage of slavery to Pharaoh and Egypt through the Passover lamb, their deliverance was not yet complete. Seven is one of Yahweh's specific numbers for completion. There are three basic numbers for completion in Yahweh's scheme of things. The number three is one number for completion even as three sides complete a triangle, thus forming a plane. We live in a three dimensional world which completes the world on a physical plane. Four is a number for new beginnings.

Seven is the next number of completion. It is a number that is presented throughout the Scriptures as being extremely important to Yahweh and His plan. While Yahweh completed the physical creation in six days (which is a combination of twice times three), He added another day to the six in order to complete the week bringing in rest and spiritual perfection. Thus seven denotes completion, rest and spiritual perfection. Eight is another number for new beginnings.

The next number of completion is the number ten. Yahweh completed His plagues upon Egypt through the tenth which was the death of the firstborn. The number ten has to do with ordinal completion and perfection. In other words, we count from the number one to the number ten which completes the cycle of numbers. If we are



to continue our count we have to continue by adding the number one to the number ten making eleven (another beginning).

Yahweh wasn't quite through with His deliverance of Israel from Egypt for we read, "And it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the People go, that Elohim led them not through the way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near; for Elohim said, 'Lest peradventure the People repent when they see war, and they return to Egypt. But Elohim led the People about, through the way of the wilderness of the Red sea: and the children of Israel went up harnessed out of the land of Egypt," Ex. 13:17-18.

Yahweh commanded Moses, "Speak unto the children of Israel, that they turn and encamp before Pi-hahiroth, between Migdol and the sea, over against Baal-zephon: before it shall ye encamp by the sea. For Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel, 'They are entangled in the land, the wilderness hath shut them in (enclosed them).' And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, that he shall follow after them; and I will be honoured upon Pharaoh and upon all his host: that the Egyptians may know that I am Yahweh.' and they did so," Ex. 14:1-4.

Yahweh not only wanted to completely deliver His people, the children of Israel, but He wanted to get great honor and recognition for Himself.

### MAN'S FORGETFULNESS

Moses continues, "And it was told the king of Egypt that the people fled: and the heart of Pharaoh and of his servants was turned against the people, and they said, Why have we done this, that we have let Israel go from serving us? 6 And he made ready his chariot, and took his people with him: 7 And he took six hundred chosen chariots, and all the chariots of Egypt, and captains over every one of them. 8 And Yahweh hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pur-

sued after the children of Israel: and the children of Israel went out with an high hand. 9 But the Egyptians pursued after them, all the horses and chariots of Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army, and overtook them encamping by the sea, beside Pihahiroth, before Baalzephon. 10 And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold, the Egyptians marched after them; and they were sore afraid: and the children of Israel cried out unto Yahweh. 11 And they said unto Moses, Because *there were* no graves in Egypt, hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? wherefore hast thou dealt thus with us, to carry us forth out of Egypt? 12 *Is* not this the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For *it had been* better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness," Ex. 14:5-12.

Isn't it amazing? How quickly the Egyptians forgot as to why they had let Israel go! In just a few days time, things had seemed to normalized. The impact of the plagues had worn off

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and the Egyptians were ready to bring Israel back into the captivity of slavery.

But the Egyptians weren't the only ones who were forgetful were they? When Israel saw Pharaoh and His chariots marching after them, they were sore displeased and dismayed. They had also forgotten the power of the hand of Yahweh and were now in denial as well as angrily accusing Moses and Aaron for bringing them to their present situation.

Such is reminiscent of the situation in England in our own day and age. Winston Churchill was the Prime Minister of England during the dark, dreary and wearisome days of World

War II. While we know that Yahweh is the One Who extended His hand of deliverance in the war, the simple fact remains that Churchill was the leader that the people looked up to and admired. Many, many of them would have given up the war effort in a heartbeat had it not been for Churchill's resolve. He helped to give them light and hope in the darkness. But right after the war England held an election voting in Churchill's opponent and turning him out of office causing him to bitterly exclaim, "How quickly they forget."

Man hasn't changed in thousands of years of history. The Egyptians, the Hebrews and the English reveal that they are very quick to forget. Even in our day, the previous Presidential administration was involved in more chicanery, scandals and outright shameful deeds than one can shake a stick at. The people would become angered, but in a few days or weeks all was forgotten and/or forgiven. Man is simply a very forgetful creature.

### THE NEXT DELIVERANCE

Yahweh had brought the children of Israel to the place where they were in danger of being captured and returned to captivity and bondage to slavery. While the children of Israel were anxious, worried and accusing Moses and Aaron, Yahweh wanted to show both the Egyptians and the children of Israel the power that He possesses in His hand.

Again, Moses writes, "And Moses said unto the people, 'Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of Yahweh, which he will shew to you to day: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to day, ye shall see them again no more for ever. 14 Yahweh shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace.' 15 And Yahweh said unto Moses, 'Wherefore criest thou unto me? speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward: 16 But lift thou up thy rod, and stretch out thine hand over the sea, and divide it: and the

children of Israel shall go on dry *ground* through the midst of the sea. 17 And I, behold, I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them: and I will get me honour upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen. 18 And the Egyptians shall know that I *am* Yahweh, when I have gotten me honour upon Pharaoh, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.' 19 And the angel of Elohim, which went before the camp of Israel, removed and went behind them; and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind them: 20 And it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was a cloud and darkness *to them*, but it gave light by night *to these*: so that the one came not near the other all the night. 21 And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and Yahweh caused the sea to go *back* by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea dry *land*, and the waters were divided. 22 And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry *ground*: and the waters *were* a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left. 23 And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them to the midst of the sea, *even* all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen. 24 And it came to pass, that in the morning watch Yahweh looked unto the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and troubled the host of the Egyptians, 25 And took off their chariot wheels, that they drove them heavily: so that the Egyptians said, 'Let us flee from the face of Israel; for Yahweh fighteth for them against the Egyptians.' 26 And Yahweh said unto Moses, 'Stretch out thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen.' 27 And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to his strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and Yahweh overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea. 28 And the waters returned, and covered the

chariots, and the horsemen, *and* all the host of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them; there remained not so much as one of them. 29 But the children of Israel walked upon dry *land* in the midst of the sea; and the waters *were* a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left. 30 Thus Yahweh saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea shore. 31 And Israel saw that great work which Yahweh did upon the Egyptians: and the people feared Yahweh, and believed Yahweh, and his servant Moses," Ex. 14:13-31.

Notice that there was not so much as one of the Egyptians left. Yahweh's deliverance was now complete! While we can't prove totally and completely that this final deliverance occurred on the seventh or last day of unleavened bread, the significance of the number seven and the term unleavened bread certainly seems to indicate that the event did transpire on that very day!

### THE MEANING AND SPIRIT OF EGYPT



***The great pyramid with the all-seeing eye of Horus, symbol of Egypt and its sun god.***

The name or word "Egypt" actually comes from the Hebrew word "Mitsraim." Mitsraim is #4714 in the *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance Hebrew Lexicon* and is defined as; dual of 4693; *Mitsraim*, i.e. Upper and Lower Egypt.

#4693 is the Hebrew word "mâtsôwr" which is defined as; the same as 4692 in the sense of a *limit*;

Egypt (as the *border* of Palestine).

#4692 is the Hebrew word "mâtsôwr" which is defined as; from 6696; something *hemming* in, i.e. (obj.) a *mound* (of besiegers), (abstr.) a *siege*, (fig.) *distress*; or (subj.) a *fastness*.

Finally, #6696 is the Hebrew word "tsûwr" which is defined as; a prim. root; to *cramp*, i.e. *confine* (in many applications, lit. and fig., formative or hostile, and is variously translated as; adversary, assault, beset, besiege, bind (up), cast, distress, fashion, fortify, enclose, lay siege, put up in bags).

The definitions of the word Mitsraim are extremely important to understand! To hem in, siege, besiege and enclose (enclose) are very important to come to see. Egypt (Mitsraim) had hemmed Israel in to the bondage of slavery. They were encircled or enclosed by it. Yahweh delivered Israel from the bondage of slavery to Egypt through the blood of the Passover lamb. Israel was delivered into the wilderness where it looked like they had become entangled or enclosed by it. Pharaoh and his army pursued after Israel in order to bring them back under bondage. When Israel looked up they saw Pharaoh in pursuit and became very concerned because once again Pharaoh and his people had Israel enclosed or hemmed in. Israel had the impassable sea in front, mountains on each side and Pharaoh and his army in their rear. The situation looked helpless and hopeless, and would have been had it not been for the Mighty Yahweh.

Yahweh caused an east wind to blow all night which parted the waters of the Red sea allowing Israel to pass through dry shod. When the Egyptian (Mitsraim/inclosing/enclosing) army pursued into the sea, Yahweh troubled them causing their chariots to become stuck and then allowed the waters to be released which enclosed/inclosed the encloser/incloser (Mitsraim). The encloser/incloser became the enclosed! HalleluYah!!! What wonderful powers the Creator Yahweh possesses!

## MODERN DAY EGYPT

We might ask anyone where Egypt/Mitsraim is in today's world. Of course, the normal answer would come back that it is located at the southeastern corner of the Mediterranean and on the northeastern corner of Africa and such is true to a point. But there is a greater Egypt and a greater Pharaoh than the modern day Egypt or the Egypt of old.

Take a U. S. one dollar bill out of your pocket and look at the back of it. You will notice that there is a pyramid with an eye sitting just above it on the left side. The pyramid is a symbol of Egypt (Mitsraim/encloser). The eye is the all-seeing eye of Horus, the ancient Egyptian sun god. Below the pyramid is a banner which reads "Novus Ordo Seclorum" which means "New Order of the ages" "New Secular Order," or "New World Order." Above the pyramid is another banner which reads "Annuity Coeptis." Coeptis is simply another word for Egypt. The Coptic church was the Egyptian Christian church. Annuity is the Latin word from whence we get our English word "annuity" which simply means "payment." Thus, the dollar bill declares that it is the "payment of Egypt" under the premises of the "New World Order."

The symbols are symbols of Freemasonry which is the ultimate organization that presently rules the world.

We of this modern-day world find ourselves in Egypt. Enclosed, hemmed in by the encloser (Egypt/Mitsraim)!

I know that this message is difficult for most people to realize, especially Americans who proclaim that we are the land of liberty, the land of the free and the home of the brave. But the simple truth of the matter is that we are enslaved to Pharaoh and Egypt (the encloser).

When the Pharaoh of old dealt subtly with Israel, he placed "task masters" over them. The Hebrew for "task mas-

ters" is "sar mac". Sar means head, chief, ruler, steward. Mac (pronounces like mas) means burden, **TAX**, levy, tribute.

Isn't it amazing that at about the time the dollar bill was made to reflect the Egyptian pyramid and bannered as the "payment of Egypt" our country was also having a personal "income tax" imposed! The tax burdens imposed upon modern day America is becoming greater and greater because the government is thinking of more and more ways to spend money. Sales taxes, hidden sales taxes, property taxes, income taxes, social security taxes, Medicare taxes, etc., etc. are astronomical in our modern-day world and will only get worse.

Israel was made to serve Egypt with rigour and we will soon be made to serve the Egyptian tax system with greater and greater rigour.

### THE GREATER BONDAGE

While the burgeoning tax system is a tool or implement of bondage, there is an even greater bondage than the

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Egyptian bondage of old. The greater bondage that I am speaking of is our bondage to death. What is the old saying in today's world? Doesn't it go something like this? "There are only two sure things in this world, taxes and death." Now I do know some people who think that they are getting out of paying taxes because they refuse to pay income taxes. But, like it or not, if you handle any money at all, or if you make any kind of purchases with that money, you are already going to pay taxes. If you own any property, you are going to pay taxes. Yes, the king of this world has it all figured out before hand.

We are in bondage to taxes and death. Of course, people are definitely afraid of death aren't they? If you

don't think so, look around. Look at how the insurance companies prosper. Insurance companies prosper not only because they help to replace property that might be destroyed by some kind of catastrophe, they also prosper because they help with medical bills and also help to cover expenses incurred because of the death of a father, mother, child, relative, etc.

People are afraid of death and because of this, the insurance companies and the doctors and medical related companies prosper greatly in this country and other countries around the world. These people acquire money, wealth and power.

In too many cases, the doctors become the masters of the people. I have seen people do many, many hurtful things to themselves in their lives. They may be warned by others that what they are doing is hurtful (such as smoking cigarettes), but they will never quit until their doctor informs them that they have developed cancer or some other disease because of their nasty habit. Then they will quit. (Some still don't quit.) Why do they quit? Because they have been told that they have a terminal illness or are developing a terminal illness and must quit in order to hopefully arrest the disease. They quit because they are afraid of death. Those who don't quit usually aren't fearless of death, they just have brought themselves under the power of a habit that they have no will power to break.

The book of Hebrews, chapter 2, verse 15 says that we are in fear of death all of our lifetime, being subject to bondage (paraphrased).

### THE GREATER PHARAOH

Who is it that has had this power of taxes and death over us? The prophet Isaiah was inspired to write, "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! 13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into



heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of El: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. 15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit. 16 They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, *and* consider thee, *saying*, *Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms; 17 That made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; that opened not the house of his prisoners?*," Isa. 14:12-17.

Now everyone knows who Lucifer is don't they? The term Lucifer actually is translated from the Hebrew word "heylel" which means the morning star (in the sense of brightness). It is translated from another word (halal) which means to be clear (orig. of sound, but usually of color); to shine; hence, to make a show, to boast; and thus to be (clamorously) foolish; to rave; causatively, to celebrate; also to stultify.

These scriptures are actually speaking of a being who has the power to exalt himself to heaven, to weaken the nations, to make the earth to tremble, shake kingdoms and destroy the cities of the earth. Now we do have men on the scene in today's world who have the power to push a button and unleash power to destroy cities, nations and possibly the whole world. But this being had this power back in Isaiah's day also. This Lucifer was no mere mortal man, this Lucifer was the one called that old serpent Satan the devil.

Notice that Revelation 12:9 is giving a description very similar to Isa. 12, "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."

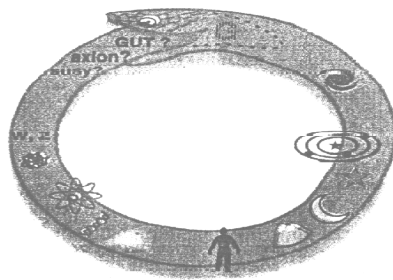
Look at that! It was the serpent who originally deceived the first woman into taking of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil which would

bring death. She was deceived into taking of the fruit and eating of it and then she gave to her husband and he ate of it (Gen. 3). Scripture reveals that they not only brought death upon themselves, but upon all of their posterity, "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned...for if through the offence of one many be dead...for if by one man's offence death reigned by one...therefore as by the offence of one *judgment came* upon all men to condemnation...for as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners." (Ro. 5)

Satan is the one who holds the power of death. We are imprisoned by his deceptive curse. He is the true Pharaoh, the true Egyptian (encompasser), the one who will not let his prisoners go!

## LEVIATHAN

Isaiah also speaks of one called leviathan, "In that day Yahweh with His sore and great and strong sword shall



***Serpent with tail in its mouth, symbol of eternal life.***

punish leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and He shall slay the dragon that is in the sea," Isa. 27:1.

Here is one who is called a serpent and a dragon. *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance* proffers the definition of "leviathan" thusly; **a wreathed animal**, i.e. a serpent (especially the crocodile or some other large sea-monster); figuratively, the constellation of the dragon; also as a symbol of

Babylon. Leviathan is a combination of two Hebrew words "levi/lavah" and "tan." The definition for "levi/lavah" is a primitive root; properly, **to twine**, i.e. (by implication) **to unite**, to remain; also to borrow (as a form of obligation) or (caus.) to lend. "Tan" is defined as from an unused root probably meaning to elongate; **a monster** (as preternaturally formed), i.e. **a sea-serpent** (or other huge marine animal); also a jackal (or other hideous land animal).

Leviathan is called a dragon, and a serpent. This is exactly what Satan is called. Leviathan can mean "the uniting serpent." What would he unite one with? Isn't it death? The book of Revelation reveals that he is also called Abaddon in the Hebrew tongue and Apollyon in the Greek which means destroyer. Therefore, his name is destruction and deception is his game.

Notice that he is described as a "wreathed animal" in the primary definition. When a person dies, people place a wreath on the door of the house wherein that person has resided, do they not? This means that the encompassing serpent, leviathan, Lucifer has had his victory in death over that person.

The serpent was a very important symbol in ancient pagan theology. The serpent represented eternal life because of its ability to shed its skin, thus renewing its life over and over again. A serpent in the form of a circle with its tail in its mouth was especially important as the symbol of eternal life. However, in reality, it was simply a symbol of the serpent's power over people's lives. The serpent was shown encircling or encompassing the sun, the heavens, the earth and people.

We have depicted a wreath, and a serpent with its tail in its mouth in order to show you the resemblance and similarity to the leviathan of Isa. 27.

## THE SERPENT'S KINGDOM

While man is under the power of the serpent in today's world and even though Satan is called the "prince of the power of the air" (Eph. 2:2) and the "god of this world" (2 Cor. 4:4), and has been for ages and millennia; the nations of the earth still have existed as separate nations and entities on the face of the earth. But this has begun to change in the modern-day world. Satan is in the process of joining all of the nations of the world into a one world government under his sway and direction. The United Nations is a major part of this movement along with the effort to combine all of the nations of Europe into a body called the EEC.

After Satan is cast out into the earth, as is mentioned in Rev. 12:9, he is angered and goes forth to make war with the woman (Israel) who has brought forth the seed (child/king) who will rule all nations with a rod of iron (Rev. 12:13-17). In Rev. 13, a beast is raised up from the sea to which the devil gives his power, seat and great authority. While Satan is called a dragon and serpent with seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads, the beast is presented as a composite kingdom. Like the devil, the beast has seven heads and ten horns. The difference between the two is that seven crowns are on the seven heads of the devil while ten crowns are on the ten horns of the beast.

Furthermore, the devil is described as a dragon and serpent, a reptilian, while the beast is described as being like a leopard with feet like the feet of a bear and a mouth like the mouth of a lion (Rev. 13:2). The book of Daniel, chapters two and seven will aid us in further identification of the beast and his origins.

John speaks of a sea from whence the beast arises. Daniel also speaks of a sea called the "great sea." Anciently, the Mediterranean was called the "great sea." The term Mediterranean simply means "middle of the earth."

Daniel observed four beasts coming up from the sea, diverse from each other (7:3). The first was like a lion, the second like a bear, the third like a leopard, and the fourth was so terribly frightful that it was unlike any known beast that Daniel could utilize to describe it. This beast had ten horns and was to continue until Yahweh establishes His kingdom ruled by His saints (vv. 9 & 26-27).

There is another description of four great world ruling kingdoms proffered in Daniel, chapter 2. This description gives a metallic nature of the kingdoms. A great image was seen in a dream given to Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon by Yahweh. The head was of gold, the breast and arms of silver, the belly and thighs of brass, the legs iron and the feet part of iron and part of clay (vv. 31-33).

Daniel informed Nebuchadnezzar that he and his kingdom of Babylon was the head of gold and that three other kingdoms would follow him and his as great world ruling kingdoms. Biblical and secular history reveal that the succession of kingdoms was



### *The wreath, symbol of death.*

Babylon, Persia, Greece and Rome. As in chapter seven, the fourth kingdom was to continue until Yahweh establishes His kingdom (vv. 34-35 & 38-45).

### **A KINGDOM DIVIDED**

Daniel informed king Nebuchadnezzar that the fourth kingdom would be

as strong as iron which breaks in pieces and subdues all, but that this kingdom also would be broken into pieces and bruise (v. 40). Such has been the latter day history of the Roman Empire. Furthermore, Daniel told Nebuchadnezzar that because of the composition of iron and clay, the kingdom would be divided (v. 41). Such is what did happen to the Roman Empire! It was divided between east and west. The western kingdom was headquartered at old Rome while the eastern half of the kingdom was first headquartered at Constantinople (called Roma Nova; New Rome and Byzantium) and then was transferred to Moscow, Russia upon the fall of Constantinople to the Ottoman Turks in 1453. Moscow, Russia was known as the third Rome!

Yahshua told His disciples in a parable, "How can Satan cast out Satan? And if a kingdom be divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand. And if Satan rise up against himself, and be divided, he cannot stand, but hath an end," Mk. 3:23-26.

Isaiah prophesied that this exact thing was going to happen, "Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of Yahweh; awake, as in the ancient days, in the generations of old. Art thou not it that hath cut Rahab, and wounded the dragon?" 51:9.

A quick check of the lexicons will reveal that this Rahab is not the same word as the Rahab of Jericho spoken of in the book of Joshua. This Rahab is word #7294 in the Hebrew lexicon of *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*. It is defined as; Rahab (i.e. boaster), an epithet of Egypt. It comes from a primitive root word which means to urge severely, i.e. (figuratively) importune, embolden, **capture, act insolently**. Such is the description of Satan and his worldly kingdom.

The word "cut" is translated from the Hebrew word "chatsab" and is defined as a primitive root ; to cut or carve (wood), stone or other material); by implication, **to hew, split, square,**

quarry, engrave. It is not only translated as "to cut" but also as "to divide!"

The word "wounded" is translated from the Hebrew word "chalal" which is defined as a primitive root (compare 2470); properly, to bore, i.e. (by implication) to wound, **to dissolve**; figuratively, to profane (a person, place or thing), **to break** (one's word), to begin (as if by an "opening wedge"); denom. (from 2485) to play (the flute). It has been variously translated as begin (X men began), defile, X break, defile, X eat (as common things), X first, X gather the grape thereof, X take inheritance, pipe, player on instruments, pollute, (cast as) profane (self), prostitute, **slay (slain)**, sorrow, stain, wound.

Thus, Isaiah 51:9 could also be rendered as "Art thou not it that hath divided Rahab (the capturer or insolent) and wounded (or slain) the dragon.

## THE REVITALIZED EMPIRE

There are those who are presently working feverishly behind the scenes to bring about a revitalized, reunited Roman Empire under the past nobles and rulers of Europe. This revitalized empire will come about and will rule for a short period of time under the deceptive power of Satan the devil. This attempt is now being proclaimed by many people in important positions in Europe and also on the Internet. I am presenting the information below for your scrutiny.

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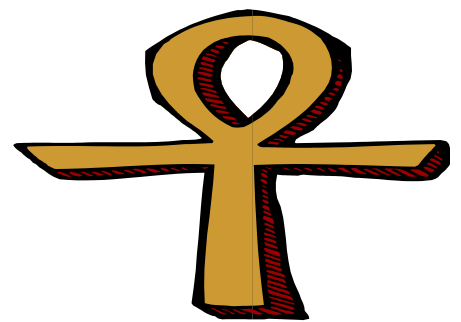
### Ceremony at York

1. The Egyptian Academy
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Notice that the tail of the dragon comes around to the head forming a circle and that the first ceremony at York is the ceremony of the Egyptian academy. Notice also that there is a cross on the back of the dragon and a flaming cross above it.

## THE CROSS

The ancient Egyptians utilized the cross in their worship as the sign of life long before the Savior appeared in the flesh. Constantine, a Roman emperor, utilized the cross to get victory over his enemies at the battle of Mil-



### *The ankh, ancient Egyptian symbol of life.*

vain Bridge, thus becoming sole ruler of the empire. Thereafter, the cross became the great symbol of Christianity when Constantine supposedly converted to that faith.

Now the question must be asked, Has the world (especially Christianity) been duped, deceived by the ser-



pent into the utilization of this symbol? The prime places wherein one will find the cross utilized is in the churches and the graveyards! Go to the veteran's graveyards and one will see row upon row, thousands upon thousands of crosses. Drive the highways and one will occasionally see either one or several crosses at the roadside where an accidental death has occurred. Visit the graveyards and see how many crosses will be exhibited.

The fact in point is that the cross is actually a symbol of death, not life. Almost all of Christianity exhibits pictures or statues of its savior on the cross. The problem is that the savior that is depicted on the cross is DEAD, not alive. The true Savior was resurrected from the grave, not from the cross. The hope of the true believer is in the resurrection of the Savior after His death.

Ever since Constantine the Great the cross has been the most notable image of the Roman Empire, the beast. Scripture speaks of people worshipping the image of the beast (Rev. 13:14). The image is placed upon and within the churches at the altars. People worship under and before it believing that it is the sign of life, while in reality, it is a symbol of death.

## TODAY'S PASSOVER DELIVERANCE

Satan is such a subtle, deceptive being that the carnal mind of man simply cannot overcome that deceptive power. The truth of this statement is found in the book of Genesis wherein Yahweh informed Adam that he was made from the **dust** of the ground and would return unto it (in death). (Gen. 3:19) He also told the serpent, "...upon thy belly shalt thou go, and **dust** shalt thou eat all the days of thy life," Gen. 3:15. Most people have overlooked this fact that temporary, physical, mortal man has been assigned as food for the serpent. That is why the serpent has such great power to be able to deceive and control man-

kind.

But Yahweh has provided a way of escape! The prophet Jeremiah is inspired to proclaim, "Therefore, behold, the days come, saith Yahweh, that it shall no more be said, 'Yahweh liveth, That brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;' but, 'Yahweh liveth, That brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither He had driven them:' and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers," Jer. 16:14-15.

How is He going to do this? Through the greatest Passover Lamb ever! A Passover Lamb that is so far greater than any animal that can be sacrificed! The Apostle Paul writes, "Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even the Messiah our Passover is sacrificed for us," 1 Cor. 5:7.

Yahweh has not only provided a Passover Lamb for us, but by the power of His arm He has divided Rahab (Rome, the fourth kingdom) and wounded the dragon (the serpent Satan, the true Pharaoh) so that it can be

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said, "Art thou not it which hath dried the sea, the waters of the great deep; that hath made the depths of the sea a way for the ransomed to pass over?" Isa. 51:10.

Furthermore, Yahweh promises to open the graves of His people, "Behold, O My People, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel. And ye shall know that I am Yahweh when I have opened your graves, O My People, and brought you up out of your graves, and shall put My spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall ye know that I Yahweh have spoken it, and performed it, saith Yahweh," Ez.

35:12-14.

As the book of Hebrews states, "Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise took part of the same; that through death He might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; and deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage," Heb. 2:14-15.

The Apostle Paul also says, "Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of Elohim; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. So 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.' 'O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?' The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to Yahweh, Which giveth us the victory through our Sovereign Yahshua the Messiah. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Sovereign, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Sovereign," 1 Cor. 15:50-51.

While it is good for us to go back and review the deliverance of Israel from time to time as a reminder, we must all come to realize that there is a greater Egypt, a greater Pharaoh, a greater bondage that we all have been serving from whence we must be delivered. The greater Egypt is the last kingdom to rule the earth, the Roman Empire. The greater Pharaoh is the old serpent named Satan the devil. The greater bondage is our bondage to deception and death. But Yahweh has also provided a greater Passover for our deliverance. Thus, let us encour-

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rupted themselves once again. Many of the peoples of Western Europe, Britain and the United States are known to be descendants of the so-called "Lost tribes of Israel." Many of the Jewish peoples have never lost their identity, albeit there are others of non-Jewish descent who dwell among them claiming to be Jewish. But the fact of the matter is that both of the houses of Israel (Judah and Ephraim) have become excessively corrupted in these last days. Because of this corruption, Yahweh has raised up a group in the land called Palestine, which has taken the name "Hamas." Their covenant declares the "violent" overthrow of Judah and the Zionist world.

Hamas is not alone. They are in league with all of the terrorist organizations throughout the world. Yahshua's prophecy is coming true. We are in the days which are as the days of Noah. We are living in the last days. We have entered the days called "the end of the age." Most people call it "the end of the world." Violence (hamas) is going to increase because corruption is increasing at a rapid pace. The only way to stave it off would be for all of our peoples to realize what is happening, repent, confessing their sins, embrace Yahshua, the Salvation of Yahweh, be baptized and prepare themselves for the end. But the Scriptures reveal that the great overall preponderance of the houses of Judah and Israel will not repent until they are destroyed, "And he said, Go, and tell this people, Hear ye indeed, but understand not; and see ye indeed, but perceive not. Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed. Then said I, Master, how long? And he answered, Until the cities be wasted without inhabitant, and the houses without man, and the land be utterly desolate, And Yahweh have removed men far away, and there be a great forsaking in the midst of the

land," Isa. 6:9-12.

Israel will be forced to eat of the fruit of their (our) doings. Scriptures reveals that they will again be overthrown with violence in the latter days. Obadiah reveals that one of the main perpetrators of violence (hamas) against Jacob will be Esau, Edom.

Just as the habitation of the lost tribes of Israel are generally hidden from view, so are the habitations of the descendants of Esau. But we can discover the habitations of Esau in these last days.

Obadiah declares, "How are the things of Esau searched out! how are his hidden things sought up! "Searched out" is translated from the Hebrew word "chaphas" which should have been translated as "concealed." Esau is concealed, hidden in the nations of the world.

But verse two declares his habitation is "high." "High is translated from the Hebrew word "marowm." Breaking the word into two syllables we get "ma" and "rowm." "Ma" simply means "from," while "rowm" means "high place." The fourth kingdom of Daniel chapters 2 and 7 is Rome. Rome gets its name from the city of Rome which means "high place."

Historically, there were three Romes. Old Rome, New Rome at Constantinople and the third Rome which is Moscow, Russia.

In these last days Moscow has become the center of the "red" doctrine of Communism. This "red" doctrine was sold to the peoples of Russia by two Jewish men named Marx and Engels.

History repeats itself. Jacob bought Esau's birthright for a bowl of "red" beans. Thus, Esau became known as "Edom" (Red). His modern day descendants have once again been sold out for a "Red" doctrine (Communism). Moscow has become one of the chief headquarters and supporters of terrorist organizations around the world.

Remember that Esau married one of the daughters of Ishmael which caused his descendants to have very close relationships with the Ishmael-

ites (Arabs/Muslims). Both groups hate Jacob and his descendants with a perpetual hatred. Both groups want the children of Israel to be destroyed. (Judah and Israel)

Esau and Jacob struggled in the womb. Their descendants are struggling in the world today. That struggle has to do with world supremacy and rulership. Moscow's chief enemy is Washington and London (to a lesser degree).

Ishmael's chief enemy is Judah (the modern day nation of Israel) and (secondarily) the United States.

Esau and Ishmael have established a confederacy against Israel and the U.S. They are seeking the destruction of both.

A confederacy is revealed in Obadiah 7, but the principal ones involved in this confederacy is revealed in Psa. 83, "They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted **against thy hidden ones**. They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance. For they have consulted together with one consent: they are confederate against thee: The tabernacles of Edom (Rome/Germany), and the Ishmaelites (Arabs/Muslims); of Moab (Iraq/Iran), and the Hagarenes (Egypt); Gebal (Freemasons), and Ammon (Jordan), and Amalek (Russia with Chinese Communists); the Philistines (Palestinians) with the inhabitants of Tyre (Lebanon); Assur (Syria) also is joined with them: they have holpen the children of Lot," vv. 3-8.

Obadiah condemns Esau for his violence (HAMAS) against Jacob. HAMAS (the violent ones) came out in the open in 1988. They are now in control of the Palestinians (Philistines). HAMAS (violence) begins in Jerusalem and will spread from there to the whole world.

We are now very close to the end of the age. Yahshua's prophecy is, of course, coming true. Are you Ready?

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strength and Spirit to make drastic changes in our lives. We have the examples recorded for us, let's study them out and then follow through.

Let's exhibit the love and faith that will cause us to not only put our lives

on the line for Yahweh's and Yahshua's sheep, but be willing to lose our lives in this day and age if need be.

We must set our goals on the kingdom of heaven and the life to come. This present life perishes with the us-

ing. Let us turn to Yahweh's word, the Holy Scriptures, and learn to exhibit the spirit of faith and courage to face all of the evil giants of this world. The examples are replete in the Scriptures if only we will pay heed and follow.

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Phichol swore with one another thus, making a **covenant**. Therefore, a sworn covenant is associated with the number seven. Abraham also set seven ewe lambs out as a **witness** that the well that Abraham had dug belonged to him. Thus, we find that seven is associated with a covenant as well as a witness.

Once the sworn covenant was made peace and rest followed. Abraham named the well "Beer-sheba" (well of the oath, well of seven, well of the covenant, well of the witness, etc.), planted a grove and **called on the name of Yahweh** the everlasting El. Calling on the name Yahweh is associated with the number seven, believe it or not.

The seventh day Sabbath is a sign between Yahweh and His people as well as a day for refreshing, "Six days may work be done; but in the seventh is the sabbath of rest, holy to Yahweh: whosoever doeth any work in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death. Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the sabbath, to observe the sabbath throughout their generations, for a perpetual covenant. It is a sign between me and the children of Israel for ever: for in six days Yahweh made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed," Ex. 31:15-16.

"Refreshed" is translated from the Hebrew word "*naphash*," which is

defined as; a primitive root; to breathe; passively, to be breathed upon, i.e. (figuratively) refreshed (as if by a current of air). In other words, it has to do with the receipt of breath, which in Hebrew is also "ruach" primarily translated as "spirit."

It is a sign, "*owth*," which is defined as; a signal (literally or figuratively), as a flag, beacon, monument, omen, prodigy, evidence, etc.

The number seven, especially related to the seventh day Sabbath is vitally important for us to understand. But its association with the seven days of unleavened bread is also vitally important for us to understand. We have found that seven and the Sabbath are associated with rest, blessing, sanctification, swearing (an oath), a covenant, a witness, calling on the name Yahweh, refreshing and a sign.

### QODESH (HOLY)

The first day of unleavened bread is declared to be holy (qodesh) and the last day, the seventh day is declared to be holy (qodesh). This seven days of eating unleavened bread is begun in holiness and finished in holiness. Unleavened bread is a type of Yahshua the Messiah in His cleanness, purity, holiness, sanctification. If we eat unleavened bread for the whole seven day period, then we will find rest, peace, blessing and sanctification in Yahshua. Remember that Yahshua is the Beginning and the End, the Aleph and the Tau (Rev. 21:6).

If we eat unleavened bread for seven days then we are coming under Yahweh's oath, His promise, His covenant of deliverance to bring us into His kingdom of rest, peace, joy and life everlasting through Yahshua Who is not only the Aleph (A) and Tau (T), but the Truth (XU). "For when Yahweh made promise to Abraham, because he could swear (*shaba*) by no greater, he sware (*shaba*) by himself, Saying, Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee," Heb. 6:13-14. Yahweh promised, He made an oath, He seavened Himself not only to Abraham, but to His own creation at the very beginning. When we observe the seven day Sabbath cycle, and the calendar of events which contain the Passover, and the days of Unleavened Bread, we are looking to Him in faith that He will fulfill His word and His word is fulfilled in Yahshua the Messiah.

There are seven annual Holy Days, which are contained in three basic periods of the year beginning with the first month and culminating with the seventh month. Once again, we come under the number seven is we continue to follow His word.

There is another event that takes place in this first month which will take us to the second observance. It is called the wave sheaf offering. We will deal with this event in our next issue.

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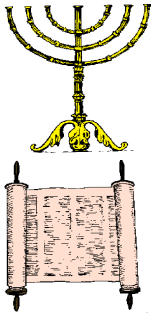
age one another to come under the blood of the greater Passover Lamb as it is stated in Rev. 12:11, "And they overcame him (Satan) by the blood of the Lamb (Yahshua), and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not

their lives unto the death."

This is the Passover that has replaced the Egyptian Passover. The Egyptian Passover, while great, began with the death of an animal, a Passover lamb. But that lamb only had the power to preserve the firstborn and to deliver

the living from the land of Egypt. This ancient Passover has been and will be greatly overshadowed by the power of the Passover Lamb, Yahshua the Messiah. His deliverance is far greater for He not only delivers from death and the grave, but He is the truth and there





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