

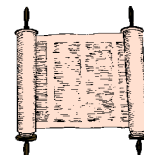
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is dedicated to His bride. Yahshua will be returning soon to receive His own unto Himself (Jn. 14:3). His bride must make herself ready (Rev. 19:7). A person who is called out of this world by the Father, who repents of his/her sins, is baptized in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

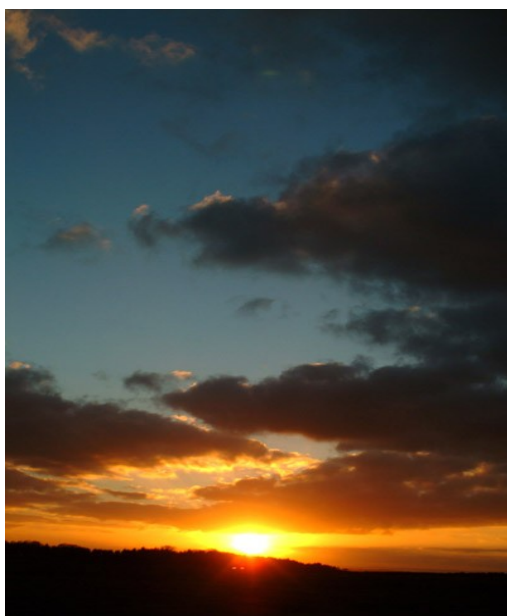
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THE BLIND EVOLUTIONISTS

A dear sister recently sent in the following statements that she found quite interesting concerning one evolutionist who is possibly considering that the universe might after all, be created by a great Creator. Following is what she submitted:

From the reading of a recent book, based on a series of his lectures on the study of the universe, it would appear that Stephen Hawking, the noted theoretical physicist, has arrived at a point of agreement with the concept of a Creator of the universe.

Excerpts from: *The Theory of Everything* by Stephen E. Hawking.

“Our galaxy is only one of some hundred thousand million that can be seen using modern telescopes, each galaxy itself containing some hundred thousand million stars. We live in a galaxy that is about one hundred thousand light-years across and is slowly rotating: the stars in its spiral arms orbit around its center about once every hundred million years. Our sun is just an ordinary, average-sized yellow star, near the outer edge of one of the spiral arms.” (p. 20)

“In the hot big bang model....the initial rate of expansion would have had to be chosen very precisely for the universe not to have re-collapsed before now. This means that the initial state of the universe must have been very carefully chosen indeed if the hot big bang model was correct right back to the beginning of time. It would be very difficult to explain why the universe should have begun in just this way, except as the act of God who intended to create beings like us” (p. 106)

We can ask about the nature of God even if there is only one possible unified theory that is just a set of rules and equations. What is it that breathes fire into the equations and makes a universe for them to describe? The usual approach of science of constructing a mathematical model cannot answer the question of why there should be a universe for the model to describe. Why does the universe go to all the bother of existing? Is the unified theory so compelling that it brings about its own existence? Or does it need a creator, and if so, does He have any effect on the universe other than being responsible for its existence? And who created Him?....

However, if we do discover a complete theory, it should in time be understandable in broad principle by everyone, not just a few scientists. Then we shall all be able to take part in the discussion of why the universe exists. If we find the answer to that, it would be ultimate triumph of human reason, for then we would know the mind of God.” (p. 165-167)

I love to watch history channel on television when they have a program entitled the Universe on. They say so many, many amazing statements that simply fly right over their own heads. Just as this man speculated, just the other night I heard one of the scientists make the statement that “We (man) exist so that the universe can discover to itself what it is really like.” What kind of moronic statement is this? Here is a person who is supposed to be one of the most intelligent scientists that the world can produce and because of their idiotic focus on a universe that evolved rather than having been created, he has to postulate that the universe brought us forth so we could explain it to itself. Wouldn’t you think that a universe that has the power and intelligence to bring forth the awesome things that are in existence in the heavens above the earth, in the earth and beneath the earth would already understand what it is really like? What a pompous statement to think that man knows so much that he has everything figured out and the creation must learn from him. In actuality, the Creator brought the creation forth and then man so that man could learn of His greatness and power.

Let’s ask this question, how many of these scientists are in agreement with each other? The answer is, NONE! They all have their own little petty and pet ideas, theories and doctrines and they are just like everyone else, whether in politics, religion or anything else, none of them are really in total agreement on anything.

In another Universe program, same series, but different show, they were speaking about matter and anti-matter. Did you know that, according to certain scientists, in the initial explosion, there was such an equal amount of matter and anti-matter that they really don’t understand how matter came into existence because the anti-matter cancelled out all of the matter in the initial blast, except out of the billions of atoms that came into existence and were cancelled out by subsequent billions of anti-matter atoms, one little proton escaped and we are that one proton. This is taking fantasy to increasing heights! How can such supposedly great minds conjure such ridiculous things?

In yet another program, it was stated that in the beginning, before the big bang, everything was compressed into a body that was smaller than the smallest atom. But the explosion happened and that tiny, tiny, tiny microcosm of whatever it was began to expand out into what we see today, and it continues to expand.

Why don’t they ever consider that man is so far above everything in creation because Yahweh created him and placed him in that capacity? They continue to try to search out the intelligence of the animals in creation to see if they can find any of them that can learn to speak man’s languages, to see if they can follow in our footsteps, etc. None ever consider the vast difference. Man thinks about the past, present and future. Man not only builds dwelling places, but he plans, plants, sows and stores. He engineers, designs and has creative powers. Man delights in art, music, movies, books, magazines, etc., etc. Man not only has learned how to fly, but he has also learned how to get above the earth’s atmosphere, gone to the moon, plans to go to Mars, etc., etc.

How many creatures are in competition with man in the abilities that man has? How many creatures have raised up

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YAHSHUA'S FULFILLMENT OF THE OFFERINGS

The offerings were an integral part of the Levitical priesthood of ancient Israel. They were to be exercised until the one most important and supreme sacrifice was made by Yahshua. They were to then be done away. These sacrifices or offerings were important in that they were exercised to lead and point Yahweh's people to Yahshua. They reveal many important aspects about Yahshua and Yahweh's plan in Him.

There are those who discount or disbelieve that Yahshua fulfilled all of the offerings. This has to be because they simply haven't taken the time to research and study these things out. We have utilized the Scriptures themselves to point these things out. To deny how the Scriptures speak of Him, is to also deny Him. We encourage all to read with care.

By Jerry Healan

Yahshua said, "Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of Me," Jn. 5:39. The Scriptures do speak of salvation, but they speak of salvation through Yahshua. As we search the Scriptures we should seek out the manner in which they do testify of Him. It has all been hidden from the foundation of the world in mysteries, "But we speak the wisdom of Yahweh in a **mystery**, even the **hidden wisdom**, which Yahweh ordained **before the world** unto our glory," 1 Cor. 2:7.

We all know that Yahshua gave Himself as a sacrifice for the world. We also know that the sacrifices and offerings of the Old Testament were types of His sacrifice. The book of Hebrews reveals that the priesthood, tabernacle, vessels, sacrifices, and offerings were figures (the Greek word is "paraboles" translated elsewhere as **parable** or **parables**) for that period of time, imposed on them until the time of reformation (Heb. 9:9-10).

Furthermore, Yahshua revealed that He, Himself, spoke in **parables** in order to keep the **mysteries** of Yahweh's kingdom **hidden**, Mt. 13:10-17. Paul followed up this fact with the reality that Israel was purposely **blinded**, Ro. 11:7-10, 25, adding that as Moses put a vail over his face to keep Israel from seeing his face, which was shining from having been in Yahweh's presence, so the glory of that covenant was to be abolished. Even so, their hearts and minds were still **blinded** when Moses was read (2 Cor. 3:11-15). Why? Because the Scriptures are written in **parables**.

Yahshua said to search the Scriptures (the Old Testament Scriptures were the only Scriptures extant in that day. The New Testament had not been written.) to see how they testified, witnessed of Him.

All, who believe in Yahshua, have a general or over-all concept of how Yahshua fulfilled the Scriptures, but do we study deeply enough to pull out the many minor details of that fulfillment? The sacrifices and offerings of the Old Testament administration spoke of the very sacrifice of Yahshua. If we study into them, then surely they will present a clearer picture of the true sacrifice

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offered so long ago; for they were **parables, types** of Him. Let's study into these Scriptures to see how many of the minute details witness of Him. Paul says, "But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart. **Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Master (Yahshua), the vail shall be taken away.**" Let's see if we can take away the vail.

THE TYPES

We find the command of the sacrifices and offerings listed in the book of Leviticus, beginning in chapter one. There are five different types or categories of offerings. In the spiritual significance of numbers, five

denotes grace or mercy just as one denotes unity and seven denotes completion or perfection.

There are five books of the law; Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy. The fifth book magnifies the grace of Yahweh ("*Number in Scripture*" by E. W. Bullinger, p. 137, par. 1).

The book of Psalms is divided into five books corresponding with the books of the law. The very first Psalm of the fifth division is Psalm 107 and the opening verse speaks of Yahweh's mercy (grace and mercy are interchangeable). "O give thanks unto Yahweh, for He is good: for His **mercy** endureth for ever. Let the **redeemed** of Yahweh say so, whom He hath **redeemed** from the hand of the enemy...O that men would praise Yahweh for His **goodness** (The Hebrew word translated for goodness here is "cheched" and can also be translated; favor, kindness, mercy, pity)...They fell down, and there was none to help. Then they cried unto Yahweh in their trouble, and He **saved** them out of their distresses...Oh that men would praise Yahweh for His **goodness** (grace, mercy), and for His wonderful works to the children of men!...Whoso is wise, and will observe these things, even they shall understand the **lovingkindness** (grace, mercy) of Yahweh," Ps. 107:1-2, 8, 12-13, 15, 20-21, 43.

Yahweh revealed to Daniel (chapter 2) that there would be five world ruling kingdoms, (1) Babylon, (2) Persia, (3) Greece, (4) Rome, and (5) the kingdom of Yahweh. The fifth kingdom, the kingdom of Yahweh, will be for the purposes of bringing in

rest, peace, healing, grace, mercy and life, real abundant living.

The five types of sacrifices were (1) the burnt or holocaust offering, (2) the meat or meal offering, (3) the peace offering, (4) the sin offering, and (5) the trespass offering. The five offerings describe the manner in which Yahweh distributes His grace and the total character of the Messiah, Who was able to fulfil them.

There were also five different types or classes of animals or items offered. They were; (1) the bullock (oxen or cattle), (2) sheep, (3) goats, (4) fowl (turtledoves or pigeons, and (5) meal (grain, especially barley and wheat). Each type of sacrifice satisfied all the requirements of the offerings enumerated in the book of Leviticus. Therefore, careful scrutinization of each of these offerings will give a clearer understanding of the sacrifice of our Savior as revealed in the evangel accounts. Thus, the grace of Yahweh is truly revealed in the number five!

I. THE BURNT OR HOLOCAUST OFFERING

The very first offering dealt with in the book of Leviticus was the burnt offering. This offering was to be totally consumed by fire on the bronze altar. The word burnt in Hebrew actually means a step or collectively stairs as ascending; usually a holocaust (as going up in smoke). This offering was a sweet savor to Yahweh, ascending into heaven as smoke before Him. Its total consumption by fire represented the total commitment of Yahshua to Yahweh's purpose, "Yahshua saith unto them, 'My meat is to do the will of Him that sent Me, and to finish His work,'" Jn. 4:34.

It was an offering which exhibited the total dedication and zeal of Yahshua, "And the Jews' passover was at hand, and Yahshua went up to Jerusalem, and found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting: and when He had made a

scourge of small cords, He drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables; and said unto them that sold doves, 'Take these things hence; make not My Father's house an house of merchandise.' And His disciples remembered that it was written, '**The zeal of Thine house hath eaten me up,**'" Jn. 2:13-17.

The prophet Isaiah was inspired to write of this zeal, "Behold, Yahweh's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither His ear heavy, that it cannot hear: but your iniquities have separated between you and your Elohim, and your sins have hid His face from you, that He will not hear. For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness, none calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity. They hatch cockatrice' eggs, and weave the spider's web: he that eateth of their eggs dieth, and that which is crushed

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breaketh out into a viper. Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works: their works are works of iniquity, and the act of violence is in their hands. Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; wasting and destruction are in their paths. The way of peace they know not; and there is no judgment in their goings: they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace. Therefore is judgment far from us, neither doth justice overtake us: we wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, but we walk in

darkness. We grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if we had no eyes: we stumble at noon day as in the night; we are in desolate places as dead men. We roar all like bears, and mourn sore like doves: we look for judgment, but there is none; for salvation, but it is far off from us. For our transgressions are multiplied before Thee, and our sins testify against us: for our transgressions are with us; and as for our iniquities, we know them; in transgressing and lying against Yahweh, and departing away from our Elohim, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood. And judgment is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter. Yea, truth faileth; and he that departeth from evil maketh himself a prey: and Yahweh saw it, and it displeased Him that there was no judgment. **And He saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor: therefore His arm brought salvation** unto Him; and His righteousness, it sustained Him. For He put on righteousness as a breastplate, and an helmet of salvation upon His head; and He put on the garments of vengeance for clothing, **and was clad with zeal as a cloke,**" Isa. 59:1-17.

Yahshua was Yahweh's arm, so to speak, for when He had finished the work given for Him to do, He returned from whence He came and sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high (Heb. 1:1-3).

The offerer was to offer it of his own voluntary will (Lev. 1:3). Yahshua Messiah offered His own life voluntarily, "I am the good Shepherd: the Good Shepherd giveth His life for the sheep...I am the good Shepherd and know My sheep, and am known of Mine. As the Father knoweth Me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down My life for the sheep...Therefore doth My Father love Me, because I lay down My life, that I might take it again. 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, 14-15, 17-18.

It is noted in Lev. 1:4 that this offering is an atonement, but sin is not the total issue in this type of offering, as there was also the sin offering and trespass offering that dealt with such. We will deal with the atonement shortly.

NATURE OF ANIMALS

There were five different types or classes of animals used for the burnt offering and each of these portray a nature of the Messiah. They were the bullock, lamb of the sheep, kid of the goats, turtledoves, or young pigeons.

The bullock, “Strong to labor,” Psa. 144:14, for “great increase is by the strength of the ox,” Prov. 14:4, portrays Yahshua in service to Yahweh and man, patient, untiring. The book of Mark speaks again and again of the great multitudes that followed Him, pressing upon Him to be healed of many and various afflictions as well as hear his words, Mk. 1:45, 2:2-5, 13-14, 3:7-8, 10, 20, 4:1, 6:32-34, 54-56, 8:1-3, 10:1.

The lamb portrays submission without murmur, for the lamb is the figure constantly chosen to represent the submissive, uncomplaining character of Yahshua’s sufferings. “He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, **so He openeth not His mouth,**” Isa. 53:7. “And the chief priests accused Him of many things: but **He answered nothing.** And Pilate asked Him again saying, ‘Answerest Thou nothing? behold how many things they witness against Thee.’ But **Yahshua yet answered nothing;** so that Pilate marvelled,” Mk. 15:3-5.

The kid of the goats served the same purpose as the lamb, for a kid, being such, is young, innocent, unmurmuring, uncomplaining. It was also the prime animal focused on in the day of atonement sacrifices recorded in Lev., chapter 16. Two kids of the goats were presented

before Yahweh at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation where Aaron, the high priest, cast lots for them. One lot was for Yahweh, the other for the scapegoat or azazel (Lev. 16:7-10). The goat on which Yahweh’s lot fell was offered for a sin offering, “For He made Him to be (a) sin (offering) for us, Who knew no sin,” 2 Cor. 5:21, to make atonement for us, “And not only so, but we also joy in Yahweh through our Master Yahshua Messiah by Whom we have now received the atonement,” Ro. 5:11.

The turtledoves represented Yahshua as being innocent. Judas confessed, “I have betrayed **the innocent blood,**” Mt. 27:4. Pilate also confessed, “I am innocent of the blood of this **just** (innocent, righteous, holy) person,” Mt. 27:24.

The dove is also a symbol of peace, “But now in Messiah Yahshua ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Messiah, for **He is our peace** Who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; having abolished in His flesh the enmity, even in

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Himself of twain one new man, so **making peace:** and that He might reconcile both unto Yahweh in one body by the stake, having slain the enmity thereby: and came and **preached peace** to you which were far off, and to them that were nigh,” Eph. 2:13-17.

MARRIAGE DEPICTED

Both dove and pigeon mate for life and such is the relationship between the Messiah, the Lamb, and His bride, the assembly, “And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying,

‘Alleluia: for Yahweh Elohim Omnipotent reigneth. Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to Him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and His wife made herself ready.’ And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. And He said unto me, ‘Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the lamb,’” Rev. 19:6-9.

Yahshua, Himself, revealed the original intent for marriage, “The Pharisees also came unto Him tempting Him, and saying unto Him, ‘Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause?’ And He answered and said unto them, ‘Have ye not read, that He Which made them at the beginning made them male and female, and said, ‘For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?’ Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore Yahweh hath joined together, let not man put asunder.’ They say unto Him, ‘Why did Moses then command to give a writing of divorcement, and to put her away?’ He saith unto them, ‘Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered You to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so. And I say unto you, whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery,’” Mt. 19:3-9. The marriage of Yahshua to the assembly will be an eternal marriage, never to be broken.

HEAVENLY MESSENGER

Another characteristic of the pigeon is that it never forgets its home. It remembers where it came from and, upon finding itself removed from its environs, will return at the first available opportunity.

Yahshua never forgot where He came from, “I am the living bread **which came down from heaven.**” Jn. 6:51. “And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but He that **came down from heaven,** even the son of man

Which is in heaven.” Jn. 3:13. He has ascended into heaven **from whence He came**. “Who (Messiah) is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of Yahweh,” 1 Pet. 3:22.

The pigeon, because of its “homing instincts,” has been a vital tool of man for carrying messages in times past. Yahshua came proclaiming a message from Yahweh, “Now after that John was put into prison, Yahshua came into Galilee preaching the evangel of the kingdom of Yahweh, and saying, ‘The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of Yahweh is at hand: repent ye and believe the evangel,’ Mk. 1:14-15. COMMENT: The word evangel comes from the Greek word “euaggelion” and means a good message or good news.

Few people realize that Yahshua was an Apostle, “Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the **Apostle** and High Priest of our profession, Messiah Yahshua,” Heb. 3:1. Apostle means; one that is sent, a messenger.

CHARACTER OF GREAT PRICE

Yahshua’s nature, character and purpose is revealed by each of the sacrificial animals. All were to be clean and blemish free representing Yahshua as being pure, clean, blemish free, without sin.

These animals also provided another distinction for the sacrifice of Yahshua. In an agrarian society, which is called “backward” by much of today’s world, an ox is a very valuable animal. It is the “tractor” of such areas. Its value is quite high. Some estimates range from \$20,000 to \$50,000 for such an animal. Not every one could afford such an expensive animal. In the case of the sin offering, only a priest was to sacrifice a bullock for his sin. The priesthood and the wealthy were the only ones who could afford such a sacrifice.

The lamb or kid of the goats served those who were not able to offer a bullock while those who were very poor were only able to offer a pair of turtledoves or pigeons. The point is

that all classes were served.

The very size of the bullock denotes the abundance of the rich man’s wealth as well as its strength and ability to work and produce. It even far outstrips the other animals when considering it as an animal for food. The bullock, therefore, speaks of those who have riches and power as well as the ability to work and produce.

The bullock speaks of Yahshua in His capacity as Elohim, “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with Elohim, and **the Word was Elohim**. The same was in the beginning with Yahweh. **All things were made by Him**: and without Him was not anything made that was made,” Jn. 1:1-3. “For by Him (Messiah) were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: **all things were created by Him** and for Him: and He is before all things, and **by Him all things CONSIST**,” Col. 1:16-17.

The Hebrew word “El” contains only

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two letters, the aleph (א) and the lamed (ל). The aleph is an hieroglyphic for the head of an ox, while the lamed is an hieroglyphic for a shepherd’s rod.

The aleph also has to do with the number one, which denotes the unity of Elohim, Father and Son are one, “I and my Father are one,” Jn. 10:30.

The lamed has to do with the number thirty. Wasn’t he sold for thirty pieces of silver? (Mt. 26:15)

THE TRUE RICH MAN

Look at the great wealth and power of Yahshua, the true rich one. He was Elohim. He created all things in

heaven and in earth. He made the worlds. All things are upheld by His power. He had it all!!! Wealth, riches, honor, glory, power, eternal life, Elohim! (Jn. 1:1-3, 14; Heb. 1:1-8)

How do the rich and powerful generally use their wealth today? Isn’t there a saying, “The rich get richer and the poor get poorer?” What was the purpose of the unions? Weren’t they brought into existence in order to force the rich to pay “fair” wages and to provide better and safer working conditions? Aren’t there many rich men’s schemes today to do away with the unions as well as the prosperity of the common worker? Aren’t they heartlessly closing our factories and moving them to other countries where the labor is much cheaper leaving our people without jobs or means for existence? Aren’t there other schemes to buy out and amalgamate companies into large corporations, consolidating power and wealth into the hands of a “few” rich with a “streamlining,” “consolidating” scheme only for the purpose of “pure profit” and greater power for those at the top?

Yahshua’s “rich man” attitude is far different from those we see extant in this world, “Let this mind be in you, which was also in Messiah Yahshua: Who, being in the form of Elohim, thought it not robbery to be equal with Elohim (He was Elohim but He thought it not a thing to be clung to): But made Himself of no reputation (He emptied Himself), and took upon Him the form of a servant (instead of continuing as Master, He became a servant), and was made in the likeness of men (this rich One became just like one of us): and being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the stake,” Phil. 2:5-8.

“For ye know the grace of our Master Yahshua Messiah, that, though **He was rich**, yet for your sakes **He became POOR**, that ye **through His POVERTY** might be rich,” 2 Cor. 8:9. What an incredible example of a rich man! What rich man today, who is powerful and famous, is ready to give it up, becoming a poor, poverty

stricken nobody in order to make others rich?

A man came to Yahshua asking Him what he must do to have eternal life. Yahshua answered that if he would enter into life, keep the commandments. When the man asked which? Yahshua enumerated five of the last six of the ten commandments. The young man responded that he had kept all those, what else did he need? Yahshua answered, "If you will be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and **give to the poor** and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow Me." But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful: for **he had great possessions**. Then said Yahshua to His disciples, "Verily I say unto you, that a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven." Mt. 19:16-23.

What rich man today is willing to follow these instructions? Wouldn't such an action be considered "extreme" or "foolish?" Doesn't Yahweh say that the things of Elohim are foolishness to the natural man? (1 Cor. 2:14). Yet Yahshua didn't ask the young man to do anything He wouldn't do, did He? He emptied Himself of the power, riches, honor and glory that He had, becoming poor, impoverished so that we might be made rich.

The lamb or goat served the purposes of offering for the "middle" class. Those who were not able to offer a bullock, but were still fairly well off.

THE COMMON MAN'S SACRIFICE

The use of sheep and goats were somewhat different from the bullock for they were not strong work animals like the bullock. They were led out to pasture in order to feed or graze. Their importance is for wool and mohair and meat. Yahshua said of Himself, "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," Jn.

6:55-56.

The sheep's wool and the goat's cashmere is used in clothing. Paul writes, "Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But **put ye on the Master Yahshua Messiah**, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lust thereof," Ro. 13:13-14. The words "put on" actually mean; to sink into a garment, to invest with clothing, to clothe, to array.

Paul writes in another place, "For as many of you as have been baptized into Messiah have **put on** Messiah," Gal. 3:27. He also wrote, "For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of Yahweh, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be **clothed upon** with our house which is from heaven: if so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked. For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but **clothed upon**, that mortality

Doesn't Yahweh say that the things of Elohim are foolishness to the natural man?

might be swallowed up of life." 2 Cor. 5:1-4.

The sacrifice of Yahshua has provided food and clothing for us as well as drink. Paul admonished Timothy, "Having food and raiment let us be therewith content." 1 Tim. 6:8.

The goat is also famous for its "milk." Many babies that have stomach problems are recommended to drink goat's milk. It is the closest milk to "mother's" found in nature. It has less butterfat and is easily digested while cow's milk has a high content of butterfat and is not only hard to digest but sours and clabbers on the stomach. Even adults with

stomach problems have been recommended to drink goat's milk. Peter writes, "Wherefore, laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings, as newborn babes, desire the sincere (undeceitful, unadulterated) **milk** of the word, that ye may grow thereby: if so be ye have tasted that the Master is gracious," 1 Pet. 2:1-3.

THE POOR MAN'S SACRIFICE

The turtle dove and pigeon were for the very poor. Those who couldn't even afford a lamb or kid. There is very little meat or food associated with these birds revealing the penury, the poverty of the poor. They find themselves steeped in poverty, trapped, caged into a way of life that is virtually impossible to get out of. The poor are harshly oppressed, taken advantage of, even avoided and hated by many who are well off.

The Psalmist David cried out in Psa. 55 about those who were hating, persecuting and oppressing him. Then he cried out, "Oh that I had the **wings** like a dove! For then would I fly away, and be at rest," Psa. 55:6. Thereby is the key to the offering of the poor. Like the wings of a dove which is able to 'freely fly' through the midst of heaven where ever it desires to go, so shall and are the poor to be set free from their shackles of poverty into the glorious liberty of the Messiah, "Hearken, my beloved brethren, hath not Yahweh chosen **the poor of this world rich in faith**, and heirs of the kingdom which He hath promised to them that love Him?" Jas. 2:5.

Isn't it amazing that the rich and powerful are such by the physical accumulation of this world, but the more rich and powerful one becomes in this world, the more impoverished they are in the things of the Spirit. But the poor, on the other hand, are impoverished concerning the physical things of this world, but the true believers are rich in faith, which simply is not a tangible thing. In other words, they

are rich in the things of the Spirit.

The offerings of the Old Testament foretold us of the glorious power of Yahshua Who was powerful, mighty, rich, yet emptied Himself of all that He had, found Himself fashioned as a man and continued in humility and meekness in His human life until He hung destitute, naked, empty on a tree, forsaken by His own family and friends, persecuted, oppressed, shamefully treated by His own.

He did it all for us, setting the example that we might follow in His footsteps, that the rich might be humbled, the sheep fed and clothed, the poor and oppressed set free! What a Savior! What a Redeemer! What an example we have to follow!

MANNER OF SACRIFICE

Each class of animal was treated a little differently for the bullock was “flayed” that is, it was stripped of its skin. The word “flay” also implies a whipping or beating. Yahshua was stripped of His clothing and beaten and whipped, “And **they stripped Him**, and put on Him a scarlet robe,” Mt. 27:28. “Then Pilate therefore took Yahshua, and **scourged Him**,” Jn. 19:1. Isaiah also writes of this beating and flogging, “Surely He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows yet we did esteem Him stricken (beaten), smitten (slaughtered) of Elohim and afflicted (humbled, hurt). 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,” Isa. 52:4-5.

The bullock was then cut into his parts and placed in order on the altar, the head, which is the seat of intellect, an emblem of the thoughts, with the fat, representing the general health, vigor, energy, and even the wealth of the whole person. The inwards, a symbol of the inner feelings and affections, with the legs, typifying one’s walk, the pathway (narrow and strait), were washed with water, a symbol of the Holy Spirit, to symbolize cleanness and purity in

every detail.

The second class of the offering, the lamb or goat, was similar to the bullock yet there is no mention of its being flayed, but it must have been for in the third class, the doves or pigeons, the crop and feathers were plucked and cast on the east side of the altar beside the ashes.

The third class of offering, the turtledoves or young pigeons, were to be cut or split open but not cut in two (Lev. 1:17). Does this not represent the Savior, when hanging on the stake, pole or tree, having a spear thrust in His side? Jn. 19:34.

THE BLOOD OF THE COVENANT

The blood of the bullock and the lamb was sprinkled round about upon the altar. The blood of the doves or young pigeons was wrung out at the side of the altar, “And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission (forgiveness, deliverance, freedom),” Heb. 9:22.

The blood of these sacrifices were

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only a foreshadow of the blood of Yahshua, Whose sacrifice was much better, based on better promises, “But Messiah being come an High Priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by His own blood He entered in once into the holy place having obtained eternal redemption for us. For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: how much more shall **the blood of Messiah**, Who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to Elohim, purge

your conscience from dead works to serve the living Elohim?” Heb. 9:11-14.

Yahshua’s blood was poured out, “But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced His side, and forthwith came there out blood and water,” Jn. 19:34; “I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint: My heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of my bowels,” Psa. 22:14. This not only symbolized His pouring out of His physical earthly life, but also His being poured out of heaven into the earth for the purpose of fulfilling Yahweh’s will.

The life of all flesh is in the blood (Lev. 17:11). The covenant of Moses was made through the shedding of the blood of bulls and goats (Heb. 9:19). Yahshua poured out His life blood for those who are His. We must come under the blood of His sacrifice if we are to enter into the covenant made by Him (Heb. 9:15).

THE MEDIATOR

The initial description of this burnt or holocaust offering was described as “a step or collectively stairs as ascending.” The smoke of the holocaust served as a link between heaven and earth, an offering of sweet smelling savor. It served to connect heaven and earth. This serves as a type of Yahshua as Intercessor or Mediator.

We read in Isa. 59:16 that there was no intercessor, therefore Yahweh’s own arm served that purpose. Yahshua is the Mediator of the New Covenant, “And for this cause He is the Mediator of the New testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance,” Heb. 9:15. “But now hath He obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also He is the Mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises,” Heb. 8:6. “For there is one Elohim, and one Mediator between Elohim and men, the Man

Messiah Yahshua,” 1 Tim. 2:5. Yahweh is able, through Yahshua, to gather together in one all things both which are in heaven, and which are on earth (Eph. 1:10).

Yahshua is the Mediator of a better covenant than the covenant of Moses. It is based upon better promises. If you will research the English word “promise” in the Scriptures, you will find that the Hebrew word is “dabar.” Yahshua is the Word of Yahweh (Dabar-Yahweh). The covenant made through Yahshua is the better covenant because it is based upon the Word (Dabar), the Promise (Dabar) of Yahweh, Who is faithful.

The covenant of Moses was based upon two promises (dabarim) or words (dabarim). It was based upon the Promise, Word of Yahweh, Who is faithful, and the promise, word of man, who is proven unfaithful.

The covenant of Moses was based upon animal sacrifices. The covenant of Yahshua is based upon only one sacrifice, but the far, far, far better sacrifice of Yahshua, Himself.

THE ATONEMENT

The burnt or holocaust offering was for atonement. Yahshua is our atonement, “For when we were yet without strength, in due time the Messiah died for the unrighteous. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. But Yahweh commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, the Messiah died for us. Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. 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. And not only so, but we also joy in Yahweh through our Sovereign Yahshua the Messiah, by whom we have now received the atonement,” Ro. 5:6-11.

Atonement has to do with reconciliation. The Hebrew word for reconciliation and atonement is the same word.

Paul also writes, “Therefore if any man be in the Messiah, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things are of Yahweh, who hath reconciled us to himself by Yahshua the Messiah, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; To wit, that Yahweh was in the Messiah, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for the Messiah, as though Yahweh did beseech you by us: we pray you in the Messiah's stead, be ye reconciled to Yahweh. For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of Yahweh in him,” 2 Cor. 5:17-21.

THE DAILY SACRIFICE

The daily sacrifice was also a holocaust or burnt offering. Two lambs were sacrificed daily, one in the morning and the other in the afternoon, “Now this is that which thou shalt offer upon the altar; two lambs of the

unto thee. And there I will meet with the children of Israel, and the tabernacle shall be sanctified by my glory. And I will sanctify the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar: I will sanctify also both Aaron and his sons, to minister to me in the priest's office. And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will be their Elohim. And they shall know that I am Yahweh their Elohim, that brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, that I may dwell among them: I am Yahweh their Elohim,” Ex. 29:38-46.

Again, this holocaust or burnt offering typified the sacrifice of Yahshua Who was placed on the tree of sacrifice in the morning and died at mid afternoon, the exact time that the evening sacrifice was being offered. It was called the daily sacrifice even though two lambs were sacrificed at different times.

Yahshua was crucified in the morning whereupon, according to Matthew, the soldiers cast lots for His garments. Then two thieves were crucified with him, one at the right and the other at the left. He was mocked and reviled by those passing by as well as the priests and scribes and even by the thieves who were crucified with him (Mt. 27:35-44). Then at the sixth hour (noon), darkness prevailed over the land until the ninth hour (mid-afternoon) after which he died (Mt. 27:45-50).

THE DAY OF ATONEMENT

Finally, Yahshua fulfilled the sacrifice offered on the day of Atonement. In Leviticus sixteen, two kids of the goats were chosen to be an atonement for the children of Israel, “And he shall take of the congregation of the children of Israel two kids of the goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering. And Aaron shall offer his bullock of the sin offering, which is for himself, and make an atonement for himself, and for his house. And he shall take the two goats, and present them before Yahweh at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two

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first year day by day continually. The one lamb thou shalt offer in the morning; and the other lamb thou shalt offer at even: And with the one lamb a tenth deal of flour mingled with the fourth part of an hin of beaten oil; and the fourth part of an hin of wine for a drink offering. And the other lamb thou shalt offer at even, and shalt do thereto according to the meat offering of the morning, and according to the drink offering thereof, for a sweet savour, an offering made by fire unto Yahweh. This shall be a continual burnt offering throughout your generations at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before Yahweh: where I will meet you, to speak there

goats; one lot for Yahweh, and the other lot for the scapegoat (azazel). And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which Yahweh's lot fell, and offer him for a sin offering. But the goat, on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat, shall be presented alive before Yahweh, to make an atonement with him, and to let him go for a scapegoat into the wilderness. And Aaron shall bring the bullock of the sin offering, which is for himself, and shall make an atonement for himself, and for his house, and shall kill the bullock of the sin offering which is for himself: And he shall take a censer full of burning coals of fire from off the altar before Yahweh, and his hands full of sweet incense beaten small, and bring it within the vail: And he shall put the incense upon the fire before Yahweh, that the cloud of the incense may cover the mercy seat that is upon the testimony, that he die not: And he shall take of the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it with his finger upon the mercy seat eastward; and before the mercy seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger seven times. Then shall he kill the goat of the sin offering, that is for the people, and bring his blood within the vail, and do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat, and before the mercy seat: And **he shall make an atonement for the holy place**, because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions in all their sins: and so shall he do for the tabernacle of the congregation, that remaineth among them in the midst of their uncleanness. And there shall be no man in the tabernacle of the congregation when he goeth in to make an atonement in the holy place, until he come out, and have made an atonement for himself, and for his household, and for all the congregation of Israel," Lev. 16:5-17.

SCAPEGOAT/AZAZEL

Interestingly, one kid was sacrificed for Yahweh and the other was let go in the wilderness for the scapegoat or

azazel.

The Hebrew word *azazel* is a combination of two other Hebrew words *azaz* and *azal*. *Azaz* is defined as; a primitive root; to be stout (literally or figuratively). It is generally translated into the English as; harden, impudent, prevail, strengthen (self), be strong.

Azal is defined as; a primitive root; to go away, hence, to disappear. It is generally translated into the English as; fail, gad about, go to and fro, be gone (spent).

The kids of the goats were young, innocent and tender. One is sacrificed while still in that state, but the other is let go into the wilderness where as it wanders, it becomes strong, hardened and impudent.

Some say that both goats typified Yahshua, but only one, the one sacrificed, typified Him. The other typified the hardened spirit of Satan.

Look at the definition for *azal*, to gad about, to go to and fro. These are the characteristics of one named Satan in the book of Job, "Now there was a day when the sons of Elohim came to present themselves before Yahweh, and Satan came also among them.

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And Yahweh said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered Yahweh, and said, From **going to and fro** in the earth, and from **walking up and down** in it," Job 1:6-7. Satan was going to and fro, gadding about (walking up and down) the earth.

Not only was the Passover sacrifice fulfilled by Yahshua, but He fulfilled all of the sacrifices, which were types of him, and also the sacrifice for the day of Atonement.

There were presented before Pilate, two prisoners, Yahshua and Barabbas. Barabbas means son of the Father. Yahshua, as we know, was the Son of the Father, but Barabbas stood in for the great rebel Satan, the *azazel*. Satan

was allowed to appear before Yahweh with the sons of Elohim in Job, thus, he also is a son of Elohim.

The description of Barabbas is found in the evangel accounts. He was imprisoned for sedition (rebellion against the government), murder and robbery. (Mk. 15:7; Lk. 23:19; Jn. 18:40; Acts 3:14) These actions are of the spirit of Satan, not Yahshua the Messiah.

Even though the kids of the goats of old were brought before the high priest of Israel, while Yahshua and Barabbas appeared before Pilate, it was the priests who stirred up the people to demand Yahshua's death, "But the chief priests moved the people, that he should rather release Barabbas unto them," Mk. 15:11.

While the priest also cast lots, the simple fact of the matter is that the soldiers cast lots over His garments (Mt. 27:35). Thus, all of the elements of the day of atonement were present.

The day of atonement, as well as Yahshua's sacrifice reveals that true choices are always made by Yahweh, while man always is erroneous in his choices.

Thus closes the nature of the burnt or holocaust offering for our purposes at this time. It was a freewill offering, totally consumed, totally dedicated to Yahweh to serve His purposes. No man was to eat of it. It provided a wondrous link between Elohim and man, between heaven and earth. What a glorious Elohim, and what a glorious Savior we have!!! HALLELUYAH!!!

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THE LEAVENED LOAVES

We are of those assemblies and groups who observe the commanded annual holy days as found in the Scriptures. The annual holy day that will occur during the period of time that this issue of our magazine covers, May-June 2008, is the feast of Pentecost. The annual holy days teach us so many, many things if we will choose to observe them and allow Yahweh's Spirit to guide us. Let's see what the Spirit of Yahweh teaches us about this annual observance this year.

By Jerry Healan

The primary command for the observance of this annual holy day is found in the book of Leviticus chapter 23, "And Yahweh spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest: And he shall wave the sheaf before Yahweh, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it. And ye shall offer that day when ye wave the sheaf an he lamb without blemish of the first year for a burnt offering unto Yahweh. And the meat offering thereof shall be two tenth deals of fine flour mingled with oil, an offering made by fire unto Yahweh for a sweet savour: and the drink offering thereof shall be of wine, the fourth part of an hin. And ye shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn, nor green ears, until the selfsame day that ye have brought an offering unto your Elohim: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven sabbaths shall be complete: Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days; and ye shall offer a new meat offering unto Yahweh. Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth deals: they shall be of fine flour; they shall be baked with leaven; they are the firstfruits unto Yahweh," v.v. 9-17.

Notice that there is a count of 50 days that must be done in order to reach this annual observance. The count begins with the offering of the sheaf of firstfruits (v.v. 10-11, 15). We have published articles that deal with the sheaf and the count. They are entitled "*The Sheaf of Firstfruits*" and "*How Should We Count To Pente-*

cost?" We will be very happy to provide these articles for you upon request if you desire or need a copy. But the number fifty is a spiritually significant number because it represents jubilee, liberty, freedom.

We want to focus our attention upon the leavened loaves that were to be brought out of their habitations because all things that were done, were types for something else. For instance, we have revealed in our article that focuses on the sheaf of firstfruits that the sheaf represented the resurrected Savior from the dead. It was offered in the morning after the regular Sabbath that occurred during the days of unleavened bread (the first day of the week). Yahshua ascended to be accepted as the firstborn from the dead on that morrow after the Sabbath during the days of

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unleavened bread, "Yahshua saith unto her (Miriam), Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my Elohim, and your Elohim," Jn. 20:17.

The countdown to Pentecost or the Feast of Weeks or Feast of Firstfruits was begun on that very day and on the fiftieth day the Holy Spirit (the Spirit of liberty and freedom) was poured out upon Yahshua's disciples, "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And

they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance," Acts 2:1-4.

THE LEAVENED LOAVES

The sheaf of firstfruits that was offered on the morrow after the regular Sabbath typified the resurrected Savior. With His acceptance as the firstborn from the dead, the count was begun to Pentecost wherein the New Testament Assembly was raised up. The two wave loaves baked with leaven typified the New Testament Assembly. But why were there two loaves? Why were they baked with leaven? These questions and others must be answered.

The disciples understood that Yahshua was the promised Messiah, "When Yahshua came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Eliyah; and others, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets. He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, **Thou art the Messiah, the Son of the living Elohim,**" Mt. 16:13-16.

They also understood that He, being the promised Messiah, had come to restore the kingdom to Israel, "When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Master, **wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?**" Acts 1:6.

Israel had been separated into two kingdoms after the reign of Solomon, son of David. The northern kingdom was begun to be ruled by Jeroboam, an Ephraimite of the tribe of Joseph. The northern kingdom retained the name Israel and her capital was at Samaria. They became known as the ten tribes. The southern kingdom continued to be ruled at Jerusalem under the

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descendants of David, descendants of Judah. Thus, we have two kingdoms wherein the two loaves would represent.

The northern kingdom departed from Yahweh right away turning back to the abomination that Aaron and Israel committed by making the golden calf and worshipping it during Moses' forty day tenure in the mount wherein he was receiving instructions concerning the tabernacle, priesthood, etc. (Ex. 24 – 32) The Northern kingdom placed a golden calf in Bethel and in Dan. Yahweh sent His prophets to Israel to warn them to turn from their ways, but they refused and were cast out of the land by 721 BCE.

Judah continued to dwell in the land, but Solomon had erected temples to all of the deities of his foreign wives and the children of Israel under the Jewish kings were also committing abominations, "Behold, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit. Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other gods whom ye know not; And come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, We are delivered to do all these abominations? Is this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, even I have seen it, saith Yahweh. But go ye now unto my place which was in Shiloh, where I set my name at the first, and see what I did to it for the wickedness of my people Israel. And now, because ye have done all these works, saith Yahweh, and I spake unto you, rising up early and speaking, but ye heard not; and I called you, but ye answered not; Therefore will I do unto this house, which is called by my name, wherein ye trust, and unto the place which I gave to you and to your fathers, as I have done to Shiloh. And I will cast you out of my sight, as I have cast out all your brethren, even the whole seed of Ephraim. Therefore pray not thou for this people, neither lift up cry nor prayer for them, neither make intercession to me: for I will not hear thee," Jer. 7:8-16.

In our article entitled "What Leaven Represents," (*Yahshua's Witness Magazine*, Mar. – Apr. 2008) we revealed that leaven represents sin and false doctrine. While the leavened loaves could have

represented both of the houses of Israel, they were brought forth on the Feast of Pentecost, which the same day that Yahweh raised up the New Testament Assembly as revealed in Acts 2. The Apostle Paul reveals more concerning what the two loaves represent, "Wherefore remember, that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands; That at that time ye were without the Messiah, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without Yahweh in the world: But now in the Messiah Yahshua ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Messiah. For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace; And that he might reconcile both unto Yahweh in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby: And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh," Eph. 2:11-17.

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The loaves, thusly, would represent both the Israelites who had been made the commonwealth of Yahweh through the Covenant of Moses, and the non-Hebrews, the non-Israelites who were excluded from that commonwealth through that same covenant. Both Israel and Judah were sown among the nations of the earth because of their unfaithfulness to the covenant.

LEAVEN

The loaves were leavened, which typifies the current state of the assembly. The Apostle Paul made this clear in the book of Romans, "Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of the Messiah; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is

raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto Yahweh. For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death. But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not in the oldness of the letter. What shall we say then? Is the law sin? Yahweh forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet. But sin, taking occasion by the commandment, wrought in me all manner of concupiscence. For without the law sin was dead. For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died. And the commandment, which was ordained to life, I found to be unto death. For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it slew me. Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good. Was then that which is good made death unto me? God forbid. But sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful. For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin. For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I. If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good. Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not. For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do. Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me. For I delight in the law of God after the inward man: But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?" Ro. 7:4-24.

What is Paul saying here? The Messiah died so that our transgressions, our sin,

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our law-breaking might be forgiven. Once we are baptized and washed clean from our sins, then we are alive without the law. But Paul reveals that even though he was dead to the law, sin revived because there is a law of sin in the flesh. That law of sin is the leaven of the flesh and even though a person may be called and forgiven and has received an earnest of the Spirit, the problem is that the flesh does not stay dormant. Paul says that sin revives.

Sin is the transgression of the law (1 Jn. 3:4). John writes to us encouraging us that we sin not (1 Jn. 2:1). But in the very same sentence he says, "And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Yahshua the Messiah the righteous: And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world," 1 Jn. 2:1-2.

Paul reveals in Romans 7 and Galatians 5 that we must struggle against the law of sin in the flesh. Sometimes it is so frustrating because it seems like a losing battle, and that is when, in his frustration, he cries, "O wretched man that I am! Who shall deliver me from the body of this death? (Ro. 7:24). The answer comes immediately, "I thank Yahweh through Yahshua the Messiah our Sovereign," v. 25. (first part) But notice how he finishes verse 25, "So then with the mind I myself serve the law of Yahweh; but with the flesh the law of sin."

He reveals elsewhere that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of heaven, "Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of Elohim; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption," 1 Cor. 15:50. Thus, the two loaves baked with leaven represent the current state of the assembly, the body of the Messiah. We only receive an earnest of the spirit, which is a down payment to hold us until the day of redemption. In this state, we are still subject to the sin that is in the flesh and must resist it with the power of the Spirit through obedience to the commandments.

THE WITNESS

If you will read Revelation chapters 2 and 3, you will find a thumbnail sketch of the history of the New Testament Assembly. Only two assemblies have nothing bad said about them. One, the Smyrna As-

sembly is persecuted and martyred to the grave. The other, the Philadelphia Assembly, does not deny His name. This can mean many things. The first, of course, is exactly what it says, His name was Yahshua, not Jesus. But above that, the very word "name" in Hebrew also means authority, honor, character, etc. The flesh with the law of sin contained therein is corruptible and mortal. It is filled with leaven and is not suitable for the kingdom of heaven. We must be resurrected or changed from that which is mortal and corruptible to that which is immortal and incorruptible.

Our current mission is not to declare ourselves, but to be subject to the Spirit of truth, which witnesses of Yahshua and how He is spoken of in the Scriptures. He declared to 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 Yahweh in you. I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek

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not the honour that cometh from Yahweh only? Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuseth you, even Moses, in whom ye trust. For **had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?**" Jn. 5:39-47.

He told His disciples, "If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even **the Spirit of truth**; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you....But the Comforter, which is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things,

and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you," Jn. 14:15-17, 26. "But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, **he shall testify of me.**" Jn. 15:26. "Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: Of sin, because they believe not on me; Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. **Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.** All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you" Jn. 16:7-15.

Thus, our witness must be about Yahshua and His fulfillment of the Scriptures.

FIRSTFRUITS

The leavened loaves that were brought forth were called "the firstfruits unto Yahweh" (Lev. 23:17). The Hebrew word for "firstfruits" is *bikkuwrim* (בִּכּוּרִים). It is defined as the first-fruits of the crop (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*) and is generally translated as first fruit, hasty fruit, etc. It stems from another Hebrew word which is *bakar* (בָּקַר) which is defined as; to burst the womb, i.e. (causatively) bear or make early fruit (of woman or tree); also (as denominative from 1061) to give the birthright. (*IBID*)

The firstfruits assembly was raised up on the Feast of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit was given to the disciples. We have come down through almost two thousand years now while the firstfruits are being sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise. Yahshua, Himself, said that many are called, but few are chosen (Mt. 22:14).

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During this period of time, the leavened loaves have applied to the New Testament Assembly. But the day is coming, as Paul wrote, when the mortal and corruptible will be resurrected or changed to immortal and incorruptible. This will take place sometime in the near future on another annual holy day, the next holy day to be fulfilled.

The book of Revelation speaks of the first resurrection, "And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season. And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and **I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Yahshua, and for the word of Yahweh,** and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with the Messiah a thousand years. But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of Yahweh and of the Messiah, and shall reign with him a thousand years," Rev. 20:1-6.

Another time of great persecution is go-

ing to come upon Yahshua's disciples. This is revealed in the fifth seal of chapter 6, "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: 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? 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,**" v.v. 9-11.

They will all be resurrected at the sound of the trumpet of Yahweh, "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.** For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. 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 steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Sovereign, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in Yahweh," 1 Cor. 15:51-58.

There will no longer be any leaven in their bodies, for they will have been resurrected with new incorruptible and immortal bodies. These resurrected firstfruits are revealed in Revelation fourteen, "And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto Yahweh and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of Yahweh," vv. 1-5.

These are the ones represented by the leavened loaves of Pentecost. They are the firstfruits unto Yahweh. They are the first to be redeemed and born from the sons of Adam into the power, honor and glory of the kingdom of heaven. They will be kings and priests forever and ever, serving under Yahshua the Messiah Who is King of kings and Sovereign of sovereigns. He also is the heavenly High Priest after the order of Melchizedek. Have you been called and sealed to serve in this great capacity? Their redemption and appearance will serve to the further salvation of all peoples of the earth. May that day come soon!

"ANYBODY SMELL FISH?"

For "Average Joe's From An Average Joe"

Satan gets the blame for a lot of things. Every bad thing that happens in this world, or in our lives, he gets the blame for. Some deserved, some not. As Flip Wilson says, "the devil made me do it!" However, it's really **NOT** satan's **GAME** to make us do anything. **HIS GAME**—the one that causes him to sit back and chuckle with glee--**IS TO DECEIVE--TRICK--DISTORT--MISLEAD--LIE!** So **WHAT** is satan's favorite trick? To sit back and watch you learn

the word of **Yahuah** (god); believe you've come to understand the scriptures—doctrines; grace; faith; obedience; repentance; salvation—all the good stuff; while at the same time, he coaxes you along in some secret, presumptuous sin nobody knows about or, a blind spot in your character that's so, obvious to everybody but you. **YOU'RE JUST A FISH**—not even a big fish—a stinky fish—not a big fish—**BUT YOU'RE HIS FISH** (satan's)—all dressed up;

goin' to church; bible in your hand; sweet song in your heart; "Amen Brother!" on your lips; feelin' good; Praise the Lord!"; so joyously swimming around in **THE SEA OF THIS LIFE, WITH HIS HOOK IN YOUR MOUTH**—bait, hook, line, sinker—and come the day of your death—or **"THE DAY OF YAHUAH"** (god)—if you haven't **AWAKENED AND SPIT THAT HOOK** and its bait **OUT OF YOUR MOUTH—YOUR LIFE...**

BROTHER, YOU'RE ONE DEAD FISH!

1Ti 5:24--The sins of some men are obvious, leading on to judgment, but those of some men follow later.

Php 2:12--So that, my beloved, as you always obeyed – not only in my presence, but now much rather in my absence – **work out your own deliverance with fear and trembling,**

1Jn 2:6--The one who says he stays in Him **ought himself also to walk, even as He walked.**

Rev 12:17--And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to fight with the remnant of her seed, **those guarding the commands of Elohim (Our Mighty One)** and possessing the witness of (**Yahushua**) יהושע Messiah.

Rev 14:12--Here is the endurance of the set-apart ones, **here are those guarding the commands of Elohim (Our Mighty One)** and the belief of (**Yahushua**) יהושע

Rev 22:11-14--"He who does

wrong, let him do more wrong; he who is filthy, let him be more filthy; he who is righteous, let him be more righteous; he who is set-apart; let him be more set-apart. **And see I am coming speedily; and My reward is with Me, to give each according to his work.** I am the 'Aleph and the Taw', the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last. **Blessed are those doing His commands,** so that the authority shall be theirs unto the tree of life, and to enter through the gates into the city."

"REPENT! FOR THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND!"

(Matthew 4:17 KJV)









WALKING IN THE LIGHT

As long as you grab for what makes you feel good or makes you look important, are you really much different than a babe at the breast, content only when everything's going your way?

The night is about over, dawn is about to break. **Be up and awake to what YHWH is doing!** YHWH is putting the finishing touches on the salvation work he began when we first believed. We can't afford to waste a minute, must not squander these precious daylight hours in frivolity and indulgence, in sleeping around and dissipation, in bickering and grabbing everything in sight. Get out of bed and get dressed! Don't loiter and linger, waiting until the very last minute. Dress yourselves in anointing oil, and be up and about! Be prepared. **You're up against far more than you can handle on your own.**

In the same way, **prayer is essential in this ongoing warfare.** Pray hard and long. Pray for your brothers and sisters. Keep your eyes open. Keep each other's spirits up so that no one falls behind or drops out.

I am immersed in tears, yet always filled with deep joy; living on handouts, yet enriching many; having nothing, having it all. I can't tell you how much I long for you to enter this wide-open, spacious life. I'm speaking as plainly as I can and with great affection.

Open up your lives. Live openly and expansively! **The smallness you feel comes from within you.** Your lives aren't small, but you're living them in a small way.

Rise up with a pure heart, clear head, steady hand; in gentleness, holiness, and honest love.

Leave the corruption and compromise; leave it for good. "Don't link up with those who will pollute you. The world is unprincipled. It's dog-eat-dog out there! The world doesn't fight fair. But we don't live or fight our battles that way - never have and never will.

The tools of our trade aren't for marriage.
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ketting or manipulation, but they are for demolishing that entire massively corrupt culture.

We use our powerful tools for smashing warped philosophies, tearing down barriers erected against the truth, fitting every loose thought and emotion and impulse into the structure of life shaped by Messiah asking YHWH to give us wise minds and spirits attuned to his will, and so acquire a thorough understanding of the ways in which YHWH works.

I pray that you'll live well for the Master, making him proud of you as you work hard in his orchard. As you learn more and more how YHWH works, you will learn how to do your work.

I pray that you'll have the strength to stick it out over the long haul - not the grim strength of gritting your teeth but the glory-strength YHWH gives. It is His strength that endures the unendurable and spills over into joy.

Thank the Father who makes us strong enough to take part in everything bright and beautiful that he has for us.

You're sons of Light, daughters of Day. We live under wide open skies and know where we stand. So let's not sleepwalk through life like those others. Let's keep our eyes open and be smart. Since we're creatures of Day, let's act like it. Walk out into the daylight sober, dressed up in faith, love, and the hope of salvation.

Your baptism was not just washing you up for a fresh start. It also involved dressing you in an adult faith wardrobe.

Friends this world is not your home, so don't make yourselves cozy in it. **Don't indulge your ego at the expense of your soul.**

Live an exemplary life among the natives so that your actions will refute their prejudices. Then they'll be won over to YHWH's side and be there to join in the celebration when he arrives.

My counsel is this: Live freely, ani-

mated and motivated by YHWH's Spirit. Then you won't feed the compulsions of selfishness.

For there is a root of sinful self-interest in us that is at odds with a free spirit, just as the free spirit is incompatible with selfishness. These two ways of life are antithetical, so that you cannot live at times one way and at times another way according to how you feel on any given day.

Since, then, we do not have the excuse of ignorance, everything - and I do mean everything - connected with that old way of life has to go. It's rotten through and through. Get rid of it! And then take on an entirely new way of life - a life renewed from the inside

and **working itself into your conduct** as YHWH accurately reproduces his character in you.

What this adds up to, then, is this: no more lies, no more pretense. Tell your neighbor the truth. We all are connected to each other, after all. When you lie to others, you end up lying to yourself.

Go ahead and be angry. You do well to be angry - but don't use your anger as fuel for revenge. And don't stay angry. Don't go to bed angry.

Don't give the Finger-pointer that kind of foothold in your life.

Did you used to make ends meet by stealing? Well, no more! Get an honest job so that you can help others who can't work.

Watch the way you talk. Let nothing foul or dirty come out of your mouth. Say only what helps, each word a gift.

Don't grieve YHWH. Don't break his heart. His breath of life, moving and breathing in you, is the most intimate part of your life, making you fit for himself. Don't take such a gift for granted.

Make a clean break with all cutting, backbiting, profane talk.

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Genesis 1:1 and its Misparim

by Craig Peters
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הָאָרֶץ	וָאֵת	הַשָּׁמַיִם	אֵת	אֱלֹהִים	בָּרָא	בְּרֵאשִׁית
ha'aretz	v'et	ha'shamayim	et	Elohim	bara	B'raysheet
the earth	and specifically	the heavens	specifically	Elohim	created	In the beginning

The *misparim* value for each word breaks down as follows:

913	=	(400) ת + (10) י + (300) ש + (1) א + (200) ר + (2) ב	=	בראשית	(6 letters)
203	=	(1) א + (200) ר + (2) ב	=	ברא	(3 letters)
86	=	(40) ם + (10) י + (5) ה + (30) ל + (1) א	=	אלהים	(5 letters)
401	=	(400) ת + (1) א	=	את	(2 letters)
395	=	(40) ם + (10) י + (40) מ + (300) ש + (5) ה	=	השמים	(5 letters)
407	=	(400) ת + (1) א + (6) ו	=	ואת	(3 letters)
296	=	(90) ץ + (200) ר + (1) א + (5) ה	=	הארץ	(4 letters)

Totals: 2701

7 words 28 letters

Ivan Panin points out the following over this amazing text of Scripture:

1. There are 7 words: $7 \times 1 = 7$.
2. There are 28 letters: $7 \times 4 = 28$.
3. There are 3 nouns: *Elohim* (86), *heavens* (395), and *earth* (296). As they appear in this Scripture (including those with a definite article prefix: ה), these 3 add to 777: 7×111 .
4. There is one verb: *created*. The number equivalents of its letters add to 203: 7×29 .
5. The first three words contain the subject and these three have 14 Hebrew letters: 7×2 .
6. The last four words contain the object and these four have 14 Hebrew letters: 7×2 .
7. The Hebrew words for the two objects ("ואת השמים" and "הארץ"), each have seven letters: 7×1 (7 letters: ואת השמים) and 7×1 (7 letters: הארץ) ←
9. The first letter (ב:2), the middle letters (א:1, ם:40), and the last letter (ץ:90) in the sentence add up to 133: 7×19 .
10. Keeping in mind Hebrew is read from *right to left*, the *misparim* value of the first and last letter of *all seven words* is 1393: 7×199 . This is seen just below with details provided:

Misparim Value		First/Last Letters	Hebrew Word
402	=	400:ת, 2:ב	בראשית
3	=	1:א, 2:ב	ברא
41	=	40:ם, 1:א	אלהים
401	=	400:ת, 1:א	את
45	=	40:ם, 5:ה	השמים
406	=	400:ת, 6:ו	ואת
95	=	90:ץ, 5:ה	הארץ

1393 = 7×199

11. The value of the first and last letters of the *first and last words* is 497 = 7×71 :

402	=	400:ת, 2:ב	בראשית
95	=	90:ץ, 5:ה	הארץ

497 = 7×71

12. The value of the first and last letters of all the words *between* the first and last words is 896 = 7×128 :

3	=	1:א, 2:ב	ברא
41	=	40:ם, 1:א	אלהים
401	=	400:ת, 1:א	את
45	=	40:ם, 5:ה	השמים

$$896 = 7 \times 128$$

13. There are three words with an *even number of letters*, and the sum of these three words is $1610 = 7 \times 230$:

$$913 = (400) \text{ ת} + (10) \text{ י} + (300) \text{ ש} + (1) \text{ א} + (200) \text{ ר} + (2) \text{ ב} = \text{בראשית} \quad (6 \text{ letters})$$

$$401 = (400) \text{ ת} + (1) \text{ א} = \text{את} \quad (2 \text{ letters})$$

$$296 = (90) \text{ ין} + (200) \text{ ר} + (1) \text{ א} + (5) \text{ ה} = \text{הארץ} \quad (4 \text{ letters})$$

$$1610 = 7 \times 230$$

While we have only documented some 13 different multiples of 7 seen in Genesis 1:1, there are over 30 distinctly different phenomenon related to the number 7 in this one, lone verse. All of these things are clearly documented above so that each reader may personally verify each occurrence of 7 with the *misparim* of the text which opens the entire Word of יהוה.

There are so many recurrences of 7 (what Ivan Panin called "features of seven") that for this arrangement to be purely accidental, he calculated the probability they occurred by mere chance was 1 in 33,000,000,000,000! This is one in thirty-three trillion! These stunning patterns were set in place by Design, and the arrangement of the words and their corresponding numbers is far, far beyond anything the human mind could ever produce!

After having learned these things from Ivan Panin's findings, we concluded the Scripture which commences the entire Word of יהוה is a text that can only be described as *profound beyond measure!* It is a Scripture which gives us a very dramatic introduction to the wisdom and greatness of the One whose ways

are so *immensely beyond* man's capacity to even think or to fathom! Romans 11:33 Those who have tried to deny יהוה, through vain, "scientific" pursuits across the centuries will someday be deeply shocked and thoroughly sobered when realizing His mind was so exceedingly far beyond the blind, puny machinations by which they attempted to "disprove" His existence!

As goes academic ability and scientific genius, Ivan Panin numbered among the most famous and accomplished mathematicians of the 19th century! After he became a sincere believer in the Messiah, he discovered these mathematical patterns in the original Hebrew, and not only did he use these findings to better understand the Scriptures, he also applied them towards convincing others that the Word of יהוה is *truly inspired*. Throughout Scripture, he discovered and cataloged such things as we have herein displayed. And he was so deeply awed at the Word of יהוה that this man would eventually turn down an offer to be the *President* of Harvard so he could continue searching for those true riches of wisdom and knowledge which are only to be found in the eternal word of יהוה!

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Be gentle with one another, sensitive. Forgive one another as quickly and thoroughly as YHWH forgave you.

Think of your sufferings as a weaning from that old sinful habit of always expecting to get your own way. Then you'll be able to live out your days free to pursue what YHWH wants instead of being tyrannized by what you want.

But you know better now, so make sure it's all gone for good: bad temper, irritability, meanness, profanity, dirty talk.

Don't lie to one another. You're done

with that old life. It's like a filthy set of ill-fitting clothes you've stripped off and put in the fire.

Now you're dressed in a new wardrobe. **Every item of your new way of life is custom-made by the Creator, with his label on it. All the old fashions are now obsolete.**

So, chosen by YHWH for this new life of love, dress in the wardrobe YHWH picked out for you: compassion, kindness, humility, quiet strength, discipline.

Be even-tempered, content with second place, quick to forgive an offense. Forgive as quickly and completely as

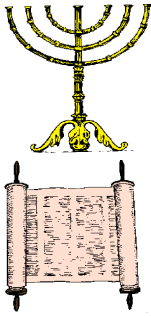
the Master forgave you. And regardless of what else you put on, wear love. It's your basic, all-purpose garment. Never be without it. **Let peace keep you in tune with each other, in step with each other.** None of this going off and doing your own thing. And cultivate thankfulness. Let the Word - the Message - have the run of the house. Give it plenty of room in your lives. Instruct and direct one another using good common sense. And sing, sing your hearts out to YHWH! Let every detail in your lives - words, actions, whatever - be done in the name of the Master, thanking YHWH every step of the way.

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schools so they can teach their young how to read, write, figure, plan, de-

sign, engineer? Man, and man alone was created in the very image of Elohim. Come on evolutionists, take the

blinders off and learn of your wondrous Creator! JH



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