

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES



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 Yahweh only? Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuseth you, even Mosheh, in whom ye trust. For had ye believed Mosheh, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words? (John 5:39—47)



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"Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price," Isa. 55:1.

"...freely ye have received, freely give," Mat. 10:8.

FROM THE EDITOR

THE BLACK HEBREW BACKLASH!

My response to the Black Hebrew's letter in the last edition was no different than anything else we have published. There were some very positive responses, even from a man who was accepted into the Black Hebrew movement, but, of course, there were some negative, to very negative responses also. Most of the negative comments were extremely biased against America. I was accused of seeking to justify America's role in slavery, but why didn't they read the part where I did agree that America must be judged? If they had read properly, they would have understood that I wasn't seeking to justify America's tenure in the slave business, but rather I was seeking to reveal that the whole world has been guilty of completely destroying other people's lives because of slavery (which is still going on today, by the way). Of course, I detected that bias to begin with, but I never realized what I would uncover until I began the research. I must admit that I was very surprised, myself.

Not one of them thanked me for revealing even more atrocious evils elsewhere. What the rest of the American countries (Central and South America), the Caribbean Islands, Islam, etc. did simply didn't matter. So North America's 5% of the slave trade in the whole of the Americas (North, Central and South) is unforgivable, but give the rest of the world a pass. This is complete and total misguided bias!

One man who had been on our mailing list ever since 2009 discontinued his subscription. I wonder if he has ever taken to heart the things we have been publishing anyway.

Another man accused me of lying about the smallpox plague that wiped out the native population around the Plymouth Rock area. He commanded me to cease publishing such lies. Well, I certainly wasn't there, but I have studied history, and such is what history has taught, and by the way, you can find it posted on the internet also. So if I find out differently, then I will publish my mistake along with an apology. But if it is true (and it is), then shouldn't turn about be fair play? Look, we are in the process of publishing the truth, not a bunch of lies. We don't twist anything. What we publish, we back up with research and facts. If the truth is offensive to you, then you have very serious problems. A little soul searching would help.

JH

A STUDY INTO THE BOOK OF DANIEL

DANIEL CHAPTER 3

As this chapter unfolds, we hope that you are able to grasp the lessons that are revealed herein. Daniel continues to reveal so many important things.

Da 3:1 Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height was threescore cubits, and the breadth thereof six cubits: he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.

2 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king sent to gather together the princes, the governors, and the captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

3 Then the princes, the governors, and captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, were gathered together unto the dedication of the image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up; and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

4 Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O peo-

ple, nations, and languages,

5 That at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up:

6 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

COMMENT: These verses reveal the intent of all kings of the earth. They want all in their realm to worship the god/gods that they worship so that there is unity in the kingdom. It doesn't matter to the king and his appointed leaders whether the god (-s) they serve is a false god or not. All must follow the king's orders or die.

Psalms 2 gives us insight into this tendency also, "Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? **The kings of the earth set themselves,**

and the rulers take counsel together, against Yahweh, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us," Psa. 2:1-3.

Nebuchadnezzar is, of course, breaking all of the commandments because James says that if we offend in one point, then we are guilty of it all (Jas. 2:10). Nebuchadnezzar is chiefly putting another elohim before Yahweh, the Elohim of elohim. He is making an image for the people to bow down and worship. Surely, he isn't utilizing Yahweh's name for the image. Then there is the Sabbath commandment. Was Nebuchadnezzar a Sabbath keeper? Surely not! So the first four of the ten commandments are already being violated.

The book of Revelation reveals that the kings of the earth have worked along with the Babylonian harlot to cause the whole earth to commit fornication (Rev. 17:1-5; 18:1-3).

The history of Rome itself is that once Constantine Caesar entered into the New Testament assembly, he took over and began to dictate how the people

would serve his sun god. He and the leaders following him, as Nebuchadnezzar, commanded the people to embrace his form of worship on pain of torture and death.

The king of England also followed suit. Many people had to flee his wrath because of the persecution he brought upon those who steadfastly refused to worship in his commanded manner. Christianity continues to follow the dictates of Constantine Caesar to this very day!

This ministry has recently received a call from a woman who obtained one of our *Yahshua's Witness Magazines* and has accused us of proclaiming a false message that will cause us to be assigned to hell when Jesus Christ returns. But this is what happens when people blindly follow their leaders, ministers, and traditions without proving what we teach, or what they, themselves, believe.

It is also interesting to note the dimensions given of the image. It is 60 cubits tall and 6 cubits wide. If the image is a flat plate or sheet of gold, then it would be 60 x 6, which would be 360 square cubits. But if it is three

dimensional then it would be 60 x 6 x 6, or 2160 cubic cubits. However, remember that the number of the beast in the book of Revelation is 666. Sixes are prominent numbers in relation to man. Man was created on the sixth day (Gen. 1: 26-31). Interestingly, we also consist primarily of carbon. The atomic number for carbon is six (6)!

Yahweh gave the seventh day for rest, blessings, holiness, etc. (Gen. 2:1-3) He commanded Israel to observe the Seventh day rest (Sabbath) as a memorial and a sign between Him and them, that He was their Elohim and they were His people (Ex. 20:8-11; 31:15-17). Seven, therefore, is the number for rest, blessings, spiritual perfection and completion, as well as a sign. Six falls short of the number seven.

We are all born into this world as children of Adam and Eve who were created on the sixth day. We are born with the spirit (breath) and understanding of man (Adam), but not the Holy Spirit. The spirit of man gives us the understanding of a man (1 Cor. 2:11), but not the knowledge of Yahweh (same

verse).

Idolatry is nothing more than that which is raised up by the serpent through men who do not have the Spirit of Yahweh. Men who lack the Spirit of Yahweh are stamped with the number six and have disdain for the Seventh day Sabbath. They prefer Sunday, the first day of the week, which is the day of the pagan sun god. That's why it's called Sunday.

Da. 3:7 Therefore at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and all kinds of musick, all the people, the nations, and the languages, fell down and worshipped the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

COMMENT: This is what the kings, leaders, and rulers of the earth desire in people. They desire obedience to their commands without questions to the contrary. While the kings and their governments are established to bring about leadership, stability, safety, and protection for the subjects, which is a good thing, the situation is that their religion is a religion that is opposite and contrary to that of

Yahweh. Sadly, only a few ever question or even choose to make a stand for the truth. Most just blindly follow error.

Da 3:8 Wherefore at that time certain Chaldeans came near, and accused the Jews.

9 They spake and said to the king Nebuchadnezzar, O king, live for ever.

10 Thou, O king, hast made a decree, that every man that shall hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, shall fall down and worship the golden image:

11 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth, that he should be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

12 There are certain Jews whom thou hast set over the affairs of the province of Babylon, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego; these men, O king, have not regarded thee: they serve not thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

COMMENT: Do you see what I mean? For some reason Daniel isn't included in the mix here,

but we know that he went along with Shadrach, Mechach, and Abednego, but this was just after he had shown the dream and its interpretation to the king, so he evidently wasn't considered at this time. His fiery trial would come about in chapter six.

Only three men out of the whole realm refused to bow to the king's image. There are always those around who will quickly accuse, especially if the supposed offenders are in high places of authority because they desire to replace them.

Da 3:13 Then Nebuchadnezzar in his rage and fury commanded to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Then they brought these men before the king.

14 Nebuchadnezzar spake and said unto them, Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, do not ye serve my gods, nor worship the golden image which I have set up?

15 Now if ye be ready that at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the image which I have made; well: but if ye wor-

ship not, ye shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a burning fiery furnace; and who is that Elohim that shall deliver you out of my hands?

16 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter.

17 If it be so, our Elohim whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king.

18 But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

COMMENT: Nebuchadnezzar is angry because of the insubordination of anyone who is under the authority of his hand in the realm. But Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego are men of rare character because they refuse to worship a false god, and that false god's image even to the point of the loss of their lives. They state that they know that their Elohim can deliver them out of the king's hand, but if he chooses not to, then they are

ready to die rather than follow that which is utterly false and vain.

There are ministers in this world who really know a lot more of the truth than they let on, but they are willing to teach falsehoods and corruptions because the pay is good. They will obey Caesar because to make a stand for truth will bring vengeance. It is too easy to give in and teach whatever seems appropriate and acceptable for the day in man's eyes, but not Yahweh's.

Da 3:19 Then was Nebuchadnezzar full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: therefore he spake, and commanded that they should heat the furnace one seven times more than it was wont to be heated.

20 And he commanded the most mighty men that were in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, and to cast them into the burning fiery furnace.

21 Then these men were bound in their coats, their hosen, and their hats, and their other garments, and were cast into the

midst of the burning fiery furnace.

22 Therefore because the king's commandment was urgent, and the furnace exceeding hot, the flame of the fire slew those men that took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.

23 And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

COMMENT: Nebuchadnezzar was the most powerful man on the earth at that time. His anger must have been fierce and frightening. He was so angry that he commanded that the furnace would be heated seven times beyond its capacity. It was so violently hot that the mighty men who threw them into the midst of the furnace died from being exposed to the dangerous overheating. Seven is an interesting number in itself. We have a free booklet entitled *The Witness of the Number Seven* if anyone desires it.

Da 3:24 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonished, and rose up in haste, and spake, and said unto his counsellors, Did not we cast three men bound into the

midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O king.

25 He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of Elohim.

COMMENT: Nebuchadnezzar had been so angry at Shadrach's, Meshach's, and Abednego's insubordination that he unwisely had the furnace increased to seven times its capacity. He cared not that the mighty men who cast them into the furnace perished. His anger and fury were just too much for caution. But now he sees an amazing thing! He sees the men that were cast into the furnace walking around in it and there is also another, a fourth, person walking around with them, and this fourth one's form was like the Son of Elohim!

This was none other than the One Who eventually was born of the virgin Miriam (Lk. 1:26-56; 2:1-17), Who emptied Himself of the riches, power, honor, esteem, majesty, etc. (Phil. 2:5-8) to be born as a man, as **the Son of Elohim**, Who is also the salvation of Yahweh, or Yah-

weh the Savior.

Da 3:26 Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the mouth of the burning fiery furnace, and spake, and said, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, ye servants of the most high Elohim, come forth, and come hither. Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, came forth of the midst of the fire.

27 And the princes, governors, and captains, and the king's counsellors, being gathered together, saw these men, upon whose bodies the fire had no power, nor was an hair of their head singed, neither were their coats changed, nor the smell of fire had passed on them.

COMMENT: This hearkens back to the time when Moses saw the bush that was on fire yet it wasn't consumed, "Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of Elohim, even to Horeb. And the angel of Yahweh appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.

And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt," Ex. 3:1-3.

Da 3:28 Then Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed be the Elohim of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, **who hath sent his angel**, and delivered his servants that trusted in him, and have changed the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor worship any elohim, except their own Elohim.

COMMENT: Nebuchadnezzar has his eyes opened to see that Yahweh has sent His angel so that his own word would not hold up in the heavenly courts, nor on the earth when he goes contrary to the Elohim of the Hebrews. But this is the same angel that appeared to Moses at the incident of the burning bush. This angel, as said by Nebuchadnezzar, had the appearance of the Son of Elohim. Again, the One Who began to work with Moses is the same One who here delivered Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego out of the hands of the king and his fiery furnace. He is the same angel who delivered and redeemed Jacob (Gen.

48:16). He is the "Angel of Yahweh," or "Malak Yahweh."

John the Baptist was inspired to proclaim, "I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit, and with fire: Whose fan is in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire," Mt. 3:11-12.

The Prophet Malachi proclaims, "For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith Yahweh of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch. But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall. And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith Yahweh of hosts," Mal. 4:1-3.

The Apostle Peter says, "But the

day of Yahweh will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and piety, Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of Elohim, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness," 2 Pet. 3:10-13.

Only those who are blessed to be in Yahshua the Messiah will be able to escape these flames of fire that will reduce all of the wicked, and the works of wickedness to mere ashes.

Da 3:29 Therefore I make a decree, That every people, nation, and language, which speak any thing amiss against the Elohim of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, shall be cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made a dunghill: because there is no

other elohim that can deliver after this sort.

30 Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, in the province of Babylon.

COMMENT: We should all take note of king Nebuchadnezzar's decree because it is spoken from the power, authority, and head of Babylon. Even though Yahweh's people may face many fiery trials, their faith will see them through and they will be blessed as Peter writes, "Beloved, think it not strange

concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of the Messiah's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy. If ye be reproached for the name of the Messiah, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of Yahweh resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified," 1 Pet. 4:12-14. May you be blessed to walk in His faith! *JH*

ELDER FRANK BROWN

June 27, 1927—May 17, 2013

As most of you know by now, Elder Frank Brown, the original publisher of Search The Scriptures has died. He knew that he was going to have to slow down because he turned over the job of publishing Search the Scriptures to us last year. At the same time he announced his retirement at a meeting in Harrison, Arkansas on the Sabbath. We have received several letters from people who were on his mailing list. I wanted to publish

one of those letters below:

Mrs. Brown, Shalom Aleichem! And this peace be multiplied unto you exceedingly so in the compassion of our heavenly Father may your burdens be lifted up unto His great care. I extend to you, dear lady, my brotherly love as well as my condolences for the passing of your husband, and our beloved elder. It is unto us a great loss, but unto him it is great gain.

Although I never had the privilege or honor of meeting Mr. Brown in person, I nonetheless admired him greatly as a brother in Yahshua, and as an elder who conducted himself in the true manner of a beloved spiritual father lovingly teaching we wayward children he had taken into his very own bosom.

He has left some mighty big shoes to be filled. As I hope and pray I am confident that the grace of our heavenly Father will sustain you. And that He Himself will bless you abundantly.

It is my wish that I could be there to pay my respects in person celebrating his life, and mourning his death. Since I cannot, I hope you will accept this humble letter in my place.

To us, he was a beacon lighting our way along the path. He was a devoted instructor and a good friend. His tone, especially towards those of us incarcerated, was always loving and forgiving.

UNSETTLED FEELINGS

Dear Elder Healan, Peace unto you & yours.

Thank you so much for accepting my previous apologies & sending me the booklets I re-

Our beloved sister and facilitator, R'vka is suffering this loss second only to you, as she does with all her heart see Elder Brown as her father figure. How easy this is for me to understand. For folks like she and I who, because of so much of our past experiences almost never trusted anyone, a man such as Elder Brown exhibit such integrity and sincerity, we could not help but love and trust him.

Both you and R'vka (Crenshaw) will be in our hearts, minds, and prayers. Shalom! Toda Raba!

Yours truly, Robert Beard

Brethren, to me, this was one of the most touching letters that truly explained Elder Frank's relationship with so many of the men and women who are incarcerated, as well as his leadership.

We certainly thank Yahweh for Elder Brown who dedicated his life to serve others. *JH*

quested. I have read & re-read them several times & I am in total agreement with your logic.

I'm ashamed to say I've whored around with just about all the

Protestant, Catholic, & non-demon (oops) denominational (I had it right the first time) doctrines & through them all, I never could claim to completely believe their “versions” of the truth. The truth I perceived from Scripture, in the course of my personal studies. Well, it never lined up with what they taught. So, I would go to the next church & so on & so on.

As I prayed for truth & to know Him, He had been trying to reach me with Assemblies of Yahweh materials for years, but in my ignorance & false Christian pride, I rejected the brother’s thinking & believing the lies that Y.E.A & such were occult groups, legalists who contradicted New Testament teachings. In 2011, I finally shut my mouth long enough to listen to a brother associated with the Assemblies of Yahweh. At the same time Yahweh spoke to my heart and I received revelations of truth. I began to see & understand the Scriptures with clarity. It certainly was a divine appointment, but instead of relief, it brought me into a crisis of belief. When I realized the Messiah’s name wasn’t Jesus I freaked

out, to say the least. I mean, just who in the hell had I been praying to? As the light of Scripture penetrated the darkness of my mind, I could see all the deception & confusion I’d been believing as truth for more than 20 years. I didn’t want to accept that I’d been deceived. But through many tears I cried out to Yahweh & He sent me Y.E.A. Through your publications & a re-examination of the Torah, Yahweh has been enabling me to see through the haze of delusional teaching. I’ve come to realize that one can not interpret the New Testament without a complete understanding of the Old Testament. Scripture interprets Scripture. They complement each other. “So thank you Y.E.A.” & I’m truly grateful to Yahweh for answering my prayers.

A question I have unsettled is my conversion experience. I had a spiritual experience when I was “saved” in the name of Jesus...then again when baptized in the name of the Father, Son, Holy Ghost. Actually, I’ve had many “spiritual experiences” throughout my life when I professed Christianity. Blessings,

favor & many prayers answered. I have seen & felt Yahweh's Spirit move in my life many times while calling on & praying in the name Jesus. He confirmed & convinced me of His love & desire for me even in the midst of deception! Why? To coin the phrase "Why fix it if it ain't broken?" Now, I am convinced that the Savior's name was NOT Jesus & Lord & God. All are rooted in paganism. But how do you explain this to someone who is in love with the name Jesus and credit their entire spiritual life experience on what "Jesus" has done for them? It's a matter of conscience for me now that I know the facts. But where do the believers in Jesus stand when we all stand before Yahweh to be judged? Are they the one's that fulfill the prophecy of Yahshua where He says "Many on that day will say 'Lord, Lord' & He says 'away with you, ye workers of lawlessness, I never knew you?'" Then why does He seem to be present throughout their lives & they experience the fruits of salvation? I can't help but feel some guilt because I experienced & was drawn to Yahweh through my conversion in Jesus' name. So, yeah, I'm still

working out a lot of confusion.

JO/AR

Dear JO,

Thank you so much for your letter and your thoughts and questions. I hope that I can help you out with the issues spoken of above.

I don't think that anyone loved the name Jesus more than I did at one time. Jesus was my savior and redeemer and I would die for Him and that name. To me, that name was so special that I felt that no one else was deserving to have it. If I had had a son, I would have had no problem naming him Joshua, but the name Jesus was so special, no son of mine could ever deserve it, nor live up to it. Then the knowledge of the true names was presented to me. I did take some time to deliberate on the issue, but had to accept the truth. I had not realized that Joshua, was the Anglicized version of the Savior's Hebrew name Yahshua.

I also had many experiences, blessings, healings, etc. in the name Jesus. But truth is truth. The journey of a true believer is that of seeking the truth. We

live in a world of deception and lies. No lie is of the truth (1 Jn. 2:21). Yahweh winks at our ignorance (Acts 17:30). When the truth comes, we must embrace it and leave the lies behind. Here is what Paul says about the issue, "For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way," 2 Thes. 2:7.

Remember that "iniquity" is translated from the Greek word "anomia" which is defined as; illegality, i.e. violation of law or (genitive case) wickedness. The "mystery of iniquity" is a mystery of lawlessness (the law is done away).

"And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Master shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying won-

ders, And **with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved,**" vv. 8-10.

All of Yahweh's commandments are righteousness (Psa. 119:172). Therefore, unrighteousness has to do with not walking according to Yahweh's commandments. This is Christianity's problem. Their champion, Jesus, does away with the law. He is the master of iniquity. He is the one who sits in the temple of God showing himself that he is god (2 Thes. 2:4).

"And for this cause Yahweh shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie," 2 Thes. 2:11.

If people refuse to believe the truth, then they are sent strong delusions so that they will believe the lie. *JH*

LETTER FROM LAZUM BRANG

Mar. 13, 2013

Dear Pastor Jerry Healan, American brothers and sisters, greetings to you again from Kachinland.

We, all the believers from here, are quite well now. We all praise Yahweh so much every day for His merciful protection. From December 14th up to February 3rd, 2013 the terrible

fighting was very, very tremendously great throughout the whole country. During the war-time, the Burma government was using bomber jets, Russian MI-24 helicopters, North Korean missile rockets, and Chinese 105 mm cannons. So many hundred of thousands of Burmese soldiers attacked the general headquarters of the Kachin government near China's border areas.

And also, the Burma government armies shot great weapons into the Kachin villages, and they burned over 250 villages including 66 Christian church buildings. And also, the Burma government's cruel armies raped and killed many, many young women and girls in various areas.

So many hundreds of thousands of Kachin civilians fled to China's borderlines for safety. Today, Kachinland has over 1,000,000 Christian refugees around the country. Most of them are in China's borderlines, and some are at the Christian church compounds in various areas. But, our scattered believers are not included yet among the refugees.

So now, we are aiming and planning to celebrate "Passover and Unleavened Bread" in our hometown. And I am now gathering the scattered believers to be gathered at our feast site. But, from place to place is very, very far distant. Please remember us in your prayers that Yahweh will protect us from the terrible fighting.

The mail service between Kachinland and Burma is still running regularly. Very recently we gladly received the Yahshua's Witness Magazine issue of Jan-Mar. 2013. We all thank you so much for your kind sending and generous support. Through reading this precious magazine we have had many, many spiritual knowledges and strengths. Whenever you have extra funds, please remember us in your mailing lists bi-monthly.

Kachinland has totally 16 ethnic groups, but we call ourselves "Jingpho." It means "human." Before the Christian missionaries came to Kachinland, our ancestors told a mouth to mouth story about the Creator God and the flood. From generation to generation it was said that our ancestors left the Middle-east on

the north-eastern side. And then they slowly migrated to Mongolia. In A.D. 1162 they left Mongolia and migrated to China across the Gobi Desert. They slowly roamed down to the lower areas. Later, they migrated to Kachinland by three sides. We got the Kachin name in 1875. But every Kachin people has a family name and a tribe name until today. For example; my family name is LAZUM, but my tribe name is REUBEN. My mother's family name is SHADAN, but my mother's tribe name is LEVI, and we had priests and prophets who guided the Kachin people long, long ago.

The terrible fighting will be more longer here, because the Burma government continually sends many hundred thousands of Burmese soldiers with the latest weapons to attack the Kachin armies. But the Kachin armies protect very bravely for their own people and country all the time. It is very much amazing that the "white-robed beings" are usually flying upon the Kachin armies during the fighting times so that the Burma government armies can not at-

tack the Kachin armies to be conquered totally.

On March 11, 2013 the Kachin officers and the Burma government officers met together in Ruili, China for discussing about the cease-fire and reconciliation between the two countries. But, until now, we do not know yet about the results. So, we always need your special prayers for our country "Kachinland."

In this time, my wife and I have great responsibility to look after the scattered believers. Some are very old-age widows and some are very poor families. In fact, I must confess that my family is also very poor now...

It is amazing the Yahweh miraculously provides us our daily food. I have four children, but they all are still very young and are students. Every day we need to expend at least US \$1 for the morning meals and evening meals. Though my family is poor, we all are very much happy every day because our main hope is the second coming of Yahshua the Messiah Who will surely establish the new kingdom of Yahweh on this earth very soon.

May Yahweh bless you and give you more wisdom very prosperously. With a lot of thanks and

hopes!

Pastor Lazum Brang

GOD AND TAURUS THE BULL

Evidently, one of our subscribers sent us an email asking about my reference to the word God's relationship to Taurus the Bull in a recent publication.

I suppose I should begin this treatise with a little history in my pursuit of the truth. I became convinced that Yahweh and Yahshua were the correct names of the Creator and Savior back in 1989-1990. I was baptized in Yahshua's saving name at the feast of tabernacles in Holt's Summit, Missouri in 1991.

I had been a member of the Worldwide Church of God from about 1969—1988 when I was forcibly ejected from that group for studying Scripture and coming to some conclusions that weren't their beliefs. I didn't know where to go, but finally decided to attend the Church of God International which had been founded by Garner Ted Armstrong (GTA). I continued there until coming into the truth concerning the names.

I was sent to the Philippines early in 1993 on a missionary trip. I had acquired a booklet written by GTA entitled "*What is God's Name?*" I took it with me and read it while on the plane.

When I read what he had written on page six, I almost jumped out of the plane. Here is what he wrote:

"Take, for example, our English word "God." Where did it come from? *The Encyclopedia Britannica* eleventh edition says, "God. The common *Teutonic* word for a personal object of worship... The word 'God' [German "Gott" from "**Guth,** which was related to Taurus, the Bull] on the conversion of the Teutonic races to Christianity, was adopted as the name of the one Supreme Being, the Creator of the universe... 'God' is a word common to all Teutonic languages. In Gothic is it *Guth*; Dutch has the same form as English; Danish and Swedish have *Gud*, German *Gott*. According to the *New English Dictionary*, the

original may be found in two Aryan roots, both of the form *gheu*, one of which means 'to invoke,' the other 'to pour'; the last is used of sacrificial offerings. The word would thus mean the object either of religious invocation or religious worship by sacrifice. It has also been suggested that the word might mean a 'molten image' from the sense of 'pour.'" (Vol. 12: p. 169).

While in the Philippines on that very trip we visited a brother on the island of Mindanao who had a set of books (I believe they were from the Seventh Day Adventist Church) entitled *Insight on the Scriptures*. The brother proudly presented them to me for my inspection, and it was like my hands were guided by Yahweh.

I turned immediately to Volume 1 page 207 where there was an article entitled *Astrologers* with a sub-title *Molech and Astrology in Israel*. It read:

There is evidence to show that astrology was closely allied with the worship of Molech, **a god who was sometimes depicted with a bull's head**. The bull was worshipped by the Bab-

ylonians, Canaanites, Egyptians, and others as a symbol of their deities—Marduk, Molech, Baal, and so forth. **The bull was one of the most important signs of the zodiac, Taurus.**

The sun-god was often represented by bulls, the horns signifying the rays and the bull's strong reproductive power, the sun's power as "giver of life." The female, the cow, was given equal honor as a symbol of Ishtar or Astarte, as she was variously called. So when Aaron and Jeroboam introduced in Israel such worship of the bull (calf worship) it was indeed a great sin in Yahweh's eyes—Ex. 32:4, 8; De. 9:16; 1 Ki. 12:28-30; 2 Ki. 10:29.

The apostate ten-tribe kingdom of Israel was denounced for joining this astrology cult, for "they kept leaving all the commandments of Yahweh their Elohim and proceeded to make for themselves molten statues, two calves, and to make a sacred pole, and they began to bow down to all the army of the heavens and to serve Baal; and they continued to make their sons and their daughters pass through the fire and to practice

divination and to look for omens.” - 2 Ki. 17:16, 17.

In the two-tribe kingdom to the south wicked king Ahaz and his grandson Manasseh both took the lead in worshipping the star gods and in fiendishly offering up their children to be burned alive as sacrifices (2 Ki. 16:3, 4; 21:3, 6; 2 Chr. 28:3, 4; 33:3, 6). Good king Josiah, however, “Put out of business the foreign-god priests” who were making sacrificial smoke to Baal, to the sun, and to the moon, and to the constellations of the zodiac and to all the army of the heavens,” and he tore down the high places and made Topeth unfit for worship so “that no one might make his son or his daughter pass through the fire to Molech,” (2 Ki. 23:5, 10, 24). Yahweh, by his prophets Zephaniah and Jeremiah, denounced them for their astrological practices, as “those who are bowing down upon the roofs to the army of the heavens,” and as those “making sworn oaths by Malcam (Molech). Zeph. 1:5; Jer. 8:1, 2; 19:13.

Further showing the interconnection of Molech worship, calf worship, and astrology is Ste-

phen’s account of the rebellion of the Israelites in the wilderness, when they cried to Aaron, “Make us gods for us to go ahead of us.” Yahweh “handed them over to render sacred service to the army of heaven, just as it is written in the book of the prophets.’ It was not to me that you offered victims and sacrifices...But it was the tent of Moloch and the star of the god Rephan that you took up.” Acts 7:40-43. (*End of Article*)

This alerted me to be on the lookout for more information. Over the years I have been able to put together some information that is quite revealing in its nature. I will present a good deal of the information before I make comments.

It just so happens that I found a book in a man’s library entitled *The Roots of English* by Robert Claiborne. Remember that the word God comes from a root word *gheu*. Here is what he presented:

GHEU-1, L *fundere, fus-*, to pour, whence the FUNNEL through which you pour things, and the FOUNDRY in which **FUSED (molten) metal** is poured into molds. Figurative

uses include CONFUSE (“pour together”), DIFFUSE (“pour apart”), PROFUSE (“pouring forth”), TRANSFUSE (“pour across), and REFUND (“pour back”). To REFUSE is another king of “pouring back” - though some derive the word from a quite different root. A more remote L relative is *futilis*, easily emptied, leaky; pouring water into a leaky vessel is FUTILE.

*I just want to interject a note here...Jeremiah was inspired to write, “Hath a nation changed their gods, which are yet no gods? but my people have changed their (*should be* “my”) glory for that which doth not profit. Be astonished, O ye heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, be ye very desolate, saith Yahweh. For my people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters, and **hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water,**” Jer. 2:11-13....does this not apply? JH

GHEU-, to yawn or gape (? Related to **ghai-**), whence the GUMS you expose when you do. A Gk word for a yawning chasm gave us CHAOS, from

which a seventeenth-century Dutch scientist coined GAS.

GHEU(h)-, to call, invoke, whence the Gc GOD one invokes, and GIDDY—a word much weakened from its original sense, “possessed by a god, insane.” (pp. 113-114)

A book entitled *Word Origins and Their Romantic Stories* has this to say, “The central word of all faiths is God, and the history of the title God is a tangle of guesses. The word God itself is related to similar words in Danish, Saxon, Old High German, Scandinavian, and other languages, and may even be related to an ancient Lithuanian word that referred to someone who practices magic.” (p. 279)

The *Encyclopedia International*, Volume 8, 1972 by Grolier, Incorporated New York says this about the word God:

GOD. The word “God” and its cognates existed in the Germanic family of languages (German *Gott*, Danish *Gud*) in pre-Christian times, and referred to that which is worshipped or invoked in sacrificial offerings. With the conversion of the Teutonic peoples to Christianity, its

pre-Christian meanings were largely reshaped and absorbed into the Judeo-Christian tradition. As the word "God" was used to translate the Latin *Deus*, the Greek *Theo*, and the Hebrew *Elohim*, it tended to acquire the meanings associated with these terms and their traditions.

The definition of God as supreme being, first cause, the object of man's highest reverence and aspiration, infinite, eternal, perfect, omnipotent, omniscient, all-loving, all-good, source of all other existences, would be accepted by most traditional theists. It cannot be denied, however, that many different emphases and qualifications may be found in the variegated streams of western thinking about God, to say nothing of oriental reflection. (p. 52)

I also have another document on the word God that I don't know what book it came out of, but it does give many references. The page just has the word GOD at the top and (additional to p. 60). Here is what it says:

Although the majority of dictionaries do not acknowledge it, there are some that frankly admit it, and clearly state: the

origin of the word "god" is uncertain or unknown. Why? What was there to hide?

Other dictionaries propose that the most likely origin of the word "god" is the Indo-Germanic (or Sanskrit) word *huta*. Some dictionaries prefer to spell this ancient word as *ghuta*. *Huta* (or *Ghuta*) was of course an appellative or another name for Indra, the Indian Sun-deity, as the more comprehensive dictionaries duly admit. We do accept this, but would be happier to find a word with an "o" instead of a "u".

In the Indo-Germanic dictionaries there is only one word that really resembles the word "god", in fact, it is pronounced exactly the same. This is the word *ghodh*. Dictionaries which are not Indo-Germanic dictionaries, usually spell the word with an "a". Julius Pokorny, *Indogermanisches Etymologisches Wörterbuch*, vol. 2 p. 423 says the word *ghodh* means: union, also sexual union or mating. He says that from this root word, the following Germanic (European) words came forth: *gaden*, *gatten gaten*, *god*, *gader*, *guot*, *gut*, *goda*, *godina*, etc. Sand-

ers-Wülfling, *Handwörterbuch der deutschen Sprache*, p. 234, as well as Grimm, *Deutsches Wörterbuch*, under “gatten”, say that *gatten* means: **to mate**. In Dutch this word is found to be *gaden*. In German and in Dutch this word is commonly used for a marriage partner, a consort, a spouse. This word is also found in the English “beget, begat, begotten.”

Prof. Dr. Eduard Kück, *Lüneburger Wörterbuch*, vol. 1, p. 594, admits that *Gott, got, gode, gade, god* and *guth (gud)* are all the same word! Note well: *God* is the same as *gade*! Schiller & Lübben, *Mittelniederdeutsches Wörterbuch*, says the same on p. 135: *got, gode, gade* and *Gott* are the same. A third witness is that of Wossidlo-Teuchert, *Mecklenburgisches Wörterbuch*, vol. 3. p. 231, which confirms this and says that the word *Gott* was anciently known as *Gade*. Dr. Arnold Wadler, *Germanische Urzeit*, p. 300 says that the following words are the same or related: the German *Gut*, the German *Gott*, the Aramaic *GAD-a*, the Arabian *Gud*, and also the Greek *AGATH-os*. Oskar Schade, *Altdeutsches Wörterbuch*, vol. 1 pp.

342 and 359, still tries to distinguish between *gut (gud)* and *got (gott, god)*, but the lists of variants of each of these two words are virtually interchangeable!

The evidence is clear: Although the two concepts “good” and “god” developed in two different directions, the one European nation called good “god” and called god “gud”, while another called them vice versa. This confusion or interchangeability between the words, as well as the evidence from the above-named sources, bring us to the conclusion that these words had a common origin, namely the concept of “good”, which in turn originated from the concept “union” or “mating”, namely the word *ghodh*, as revealed to us in Julius Pokorny’s dictionary.

Remember: the Hebrew word “Elohim” has been translated as “God.” “Elohim” means: the Mighty or the Mighty One, while *ghodh* or *ghadh* means: union, even sexual union (to mate). The original meaning and concept of “Elohim” and of “God” differ totally, especially because of the latter’s carnal or sensual meaning.

Such then was the spirit of pa-

ganism which started creeping in at Alexandria in the 2nd century and which finally took over at Rome in the 4th century. From there this syncretistic mixed religion spread to Europe where it

took a few more centuries for it to become further admixed with the pagan elements of our Germanic ancestors. (*End of Article*)

S U M E R I A N			C U N E I F O R M		Pronunciation	Meaning
Original	Turned	Archaic	Common	Assyrian		
					KI	Earth Land
					KUR	Mountain
					LU	Domestic Man
					SAL MUNUZ	Vulva Woman
					SAG	Head
					A	Water
					NAG	Drink
					DU	Go
					HA	Fish
					GUD	Ox Bull Strong
					SHE	Barley

Fig. 7

Notice in the chart above the original Sumerian there is a second from the bottom. In the crude picture of the head of a

bull. The pronunciation is revealed to be GUD!

I hope that what I have presented here is enough evidence to prove to you that the word God is not the best term to utilize in relationship with Yahweh.

ISAIAH

The Prophet Isaiah is inspired to proclaim, "Behold, it is written before me: I will not keep silence, but will recompense, even recompense into their bosom, Your iniquities, and the iniquities of your fathers together, saith Yahweh, which have **burned incense** upon the mountains, and blasphemed me upon the hills: therefore will I measure their former work into their bosom. Thus saith Yahweh, As the new wine is found in the cluster, and one saith, Destroy it not; for a blessing is in it: so will I do for my servants' sakes, that I may not destroy them all. And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains: and mine elect shall inherit it, and my servants shall dwell there. And Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, and the valley of Achor a place for the herds to lie down in, for my people that have

sought me. But ye are they that forsake Yahweh, that forget my holy mountain, that prepare a table for "that troop" (Gad/God), and that furnish the drink offering unto "that number" (Menii)," Isa. 65:6-11.

"That troop" is translated from the Hebrew proper noun (name) Gad, pronounced like God. Menii has to do with something that is numbered, the Numberer.

Alexander Hislop has this to say about Isa. 65:11:

The name of the Lord Moon in the East seems to have been Meni, for this appears the most natural interpretation of the Divine statement in Isaiah lxxv. 11, "But ye are they that forsake my holy mountain, that prepare a temple for Gad, and that furnish the drink-offering unto Meni." There is reason to believe that Gad refers to the sun-god, and that Meni in like manner designates the moon-divinity. *

*See KITTO, vol. iv. p. 66, end of Note. The name Gad evidently refers, in the first instance, to the war-god, for it signifies to assault; but it also signifies "the assembler"; and under both ideas it is applicable to Nimrod,

whose general character was that of the sun-god, for he was the first grand warrior; and, under the name Phoroneus, he was celebrated for having first gathered mankind into social communities. The name Meni, "the numberer," on the other hand, seems just a synonym for the name of Cush or Chus, which, while it signifies "to cover" or "hide," signifies also "to count or number." The true proper meaning of the name Cush is, I have no doubt, "The numberer" or "Arithmetician"; for while Nimrod his son, as the "mighty" one, was the grand propagator of the Babylonian system of idolatry, by force and power, he, as Hermes, was the real concocter of that system, for he is said to have "taught men the proper mode of approaching the Deity with prayers and sacrifice" (WILKINSON); and seeing idolatry and astronomy were intimately combined, to enable him to do so with effect, it was indispensable that he should be pre-eminently skilled in the science of numbers.

Now, Hermes (that is Cush) is said to have "first discovered numbers, and the art of reckon-

ing, geometry, and astronomy, the games of chess and hazard" (Ibid.); and it is in all probability from reference to the meaning of the name of Cush, that some called "NUMBER the father of gods and men" (Ibid.). The name Meni is just the Chaldee form of the Hebrew "Mene," the "numberer" for in Chaldee i often takes the place of the final e. As we have seen reason to conclude with Gesenius, that Nebo, the great prophetic god of Babylon, was just the same god as Hermes, this shows the peculiar emphasis of the first words in the Divine sentence that sealed the doom of Belshazzar, as representing the primeval god--"MENE, MENE, Tekel, Upharsin," which is as much as covertly to say, "The numberer is numbered."

As the cup was peculiarly the symbol of Cush, hence the pouring out of the drink offering to him as the god of the cup; and as he was the great Diviner, hence the divinations as to the future year, which Jerome connects with the divinity referred to by Isaiah. Now Hermes, in Egypt as the "numberer," was identified with the moon that numbers the

months.

He was called "Lord of the moon" (BUNSEN); and as the dispenser of time" (WILKINSON), he held a "palm branch, emblematic of a year" (Ibid.). Thus, then, if Gad was the "sundivinity,"

Meni was very naturally regarded as "The Lord Moon."

Meni, or Manai, signifies "The Numberer." And it is by the changes of the moon that the months are numbered: Psalm civ. 19, "He appointed the moon for seasons: the sun knoweth the time of its going down." **The name of the "Man of the Moon," or the god who presided over that luminary among the Saxons, was Mane, as given in the "Edda," and Mani, in the "Voluspa."** That it was the birth of the "Lord Moon" that was celebrated among our ancestors at Christmas, we have remarkable evidence in the name that is still given in the lowlands of Scotland to the feast on the last day of the year, which seems to be a remnant of the old birth festival for the cakes then made are called Nur-Cakes, or Birth-

cakes. **That name is Hogmanay. Now, "Hog-Manai" in Chaldee signifies "The feast of the Numberer";** in other words, the festival of Deus Lunus, or of the Man of the Moon.

To show the connection between country and country, and the inveterate endurance of old customs, it is worthy of remark, that Jerome, commenting on the very words of Isaiah already quoted, about spreading "a table for Gad," and "pouring out a drink-offering to Meni," observes that it "was the custom so late as his time [in the fourth century], in all cities especially in Egypt and at Alexandria, to set tables, and furnish them with various luxurious articles of food, and with goblets containing a mixture of new wine, on the last day of the month and the year, and that the people drew omens from them in respect of the fruitfulness of the year." The Egyptian year began at a different time from ours; but this is as near as possible (only substituting whisky for wine), the way in which Hogmanay is still observed on the last day of the last month of our year in Scotland.

I do not know that any omens

are drawn from anything that takes place at that time, but everybody in the south of Scotland is personally cognisant of the fact, that, **on Hogmanay, or the evening before New Year's day, among those who observe old customs, a table is spread, and that while buns and other dainties are provided by those who can afford them, oat cakes and cheese are brought forth among those who never see oat cakes but on this occasion, and that strong drink forms an essential article of the provision.**

Even where the sun was the favourite object of worship, as in Babylon itself and elsewhere, at this festival he was worshipped not merely as the orb of day, but as God incarnate. **It was an essential principle of the Babylonian system, that the Sun or Baal was the one only God.** When, therefore, Tammuz was worshipped as God incarnate, that implied also that he was an incarnation of the Sun. In the Hindoo Mythology, which is admitted to be essentially Babylonian, this comes out

very distinctly. There, Surya, or the sun, is represented as being incarnate, and born for the purpose of subduing the enemies of the gods, who, without such a birth, could not have been subdued. *

* See the Sanscrit Researches of Col. VANS KENNEDY. Col. K., a most distinguished Sanscrit scholar, brings the Brahmins from Babylon (Ibid.). Be it observed the very name Surya, given to the sun over all India, is connected with this birth. Though the word had originally a different meaning, it was evidently identified by the priests with the Chaldee "Zero," and made to countenance the idea of the birth of the "Sun-god." The Pracrit name is still nearer the Scriptural name of the promised "seed." It is "Suro." It has been seen, in a previous chapter, that in Egypt also the Sun was represented as born of a goddess.

It was no mere astronomic festival, then, that the Pagans celebrated at the winter solstice. That festival at Rome was called the feast of Saturn, and the mode in which it was celebrated there, showed whence it had been derived. The feast, as regu-

lated by Caligula, lasted five days; * loose reins were given to drunkenness and revelry, slaves had a temporary emancipation, ** and used all manner of freedoms with their masters.

Subsequently the number of the days of the Saturnalia was increased to seven. ** If Saturn, or Kronos, was, as we have seen reason to believe, Phoroneus, "The emancipator," the "temporary emancipation" of the slaves at his festival was exactly in keeping with his supposed character.

ANALYZING THESE FACTS

The Saxons, Teutons, Celts, Goths, Gauls, etc. are actually descendants of the unrepentant Israelites of the northern Ephraimite kingdom the went into captivity by the hands of the Assyrians. This was accomplished by the hands of the Assyrians who invaded from the north, overthrowing and destroying the Kingdom of Israel taking the survivors into captivity in the environs of the Caucasus Mountains.

The Prophet Ezekiel was commanded to lay on his left side for a period of 390 days, a day for a

year, to prophesy of the iniquity of the Kingdom of Israel. They were to be held in captivity until that time, and only a period of 40 days (for 40 years) for the Kingdom of Judah. (Ez. 4)

Israel went into captivity in 723-721, and 390 years later, the defeat of the Persians by Alexander the Great at Issus released the Israelites to travel northward and then eastward into Europe, Britain, and eventually America.

Now stop and think for a moment. The unrepentant Israelites continued to serve their deity named Gad, God, Gud, Gott, Guth, etc. of which they had made images of, for they placed the images of an ox in Bethel, and another in Dan (1 Ki. 12:28). When the Christian missionaries came into their midst, instead of embracing the true names and titles, they converted the name of Yahweh Elohim to "The Lord God."

How is it that these people were allowed to do this, but other pagans weren't?...should be our question. This is like the Greeks utilizing Zeus, the Romans Jupiter, the Chaldeans Bel, the Egyptians Osiris, etc. in the place of God and "the Lord" in

today's Scriptures.

Isaiah 65:11 still stands in condemnation of our people because they have stubbornly refused to repent. They continue to set their table to "Gad/God."

HOGMANAY

Furthermore, Hislop also is very helpful in his research of "Hogmanay." He reveals it to be the "feast of the numberer."

Believe it or not Hogmanay stems from Hebrew. One of the chief Hebrew words for "feast" is "*chag*." (pronounced like hag/hog) "Manay" is still very close to the original "Menii." The Hebrew would be *chag Menii*.

As he revealed, the Hebrew also means "feast (*chag*) of the Numberer (Menii) which ties in with December 25th (Christmas).

Interestingly, Gad/God has to do with fortune, and Menii has to do with numbering. What we number or count in today's world for our fortune is "money" which is a derivative of Menii. Of course, on our money/Menii, which is our "fortune" (Gad/God), we have placed "In God We Trust."

MOSES AND YAHSHUA

Whether you can believe this, or understand this, or not, the Scriptures have been written in parables, types, metaphors, etc. that make them impossible to understand as far as the natural, carnal mind goes, "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of Elohim: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned," 1 Cor. 2:14.

It isn't even easy for a person who has Yahweh's spirit to perfectly understand (1 Cor. 13:12).

But consider this, Moses said that Yahweh would raise up a prophet like unto himself and that the people were to listen to that prophet (18:15). That Prophet, of course, is Yahshua the Messiah as was revealed by the Apostle Peter (Acts 3:22).

When Moses went up into the mount for forty days and nights, the children of Israel fell away to idolatry. Aaron, the high priest even made a golden calf for the people to worship.

Moses was the mediator of the Old Covenant, but Yahshua is the Mediator of the New Cove-

nant. While Yahshua has been away in the heavens (for a period of about 50 x 40 [50 is the number for jubilee, 40 is for testing]) His followers have fallen away to worship another form of the golden calf, or Taurus the Bull, which is called God!

When Moses returned, the Levites took sides with him and they went through the camp and slew thousands of idol worshippers and especially their leaders.

When Yahshua returns, those who belong to Him will fight alongside with Him to overthrow the wicked and evil ones who continue to cause His people to embrace idolatry. It won't be a pretty picture, but it will be an effective one.

FORNICATION

I also want to touch base on the material that presented the word God with mating, and having sex.

Idolatry has always been associated with the most base forms of sex worship. There were always female and male prostitutes associated with the idolatrous pagan temples. Prostitution leads men and women to be unfaithful

not only to their mate, but their family and their Elohim (Yahweh, that is.).

I know that I have focused on these Scriptures quite a bit lately, but the situation is that they reveal the down and dirty tactics of our leaders, kings, queens, priests, prophets, etc.

Psalms 2 states, "Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against Yahweh, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us," vv. 1-3.

The book of Revelation records, "And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of **the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.** So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a

woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, **full of names of blasphemy**, having seven heads and ten horns. And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of **her fornication**: And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, **THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH**,” 17:1-5.

Babylon was the kingdom that Yahweh raised up to replace the kingdom of Judah when He overthrew them for their infidelity. Their head, Nebuchadnezzar, had a dream of a great metallic image. Both the Hebrew and Aramaic words for “image” are the same. It is tselem, and has to do with an idolatrous image.

The image was in the form of a man, or it could have been in the form of a woman! But the head of the image represented Babylon. The rest of the body was described as breast and arms of silver, belly and thighs of brass, legs of iron, feet iron and

clay, and toes iron and miry clay. (Dan. 2)

The point is that the head is the control center of the whole body. All of the world ruling kingdoms that followed Babylon were following the lead of the head, that is, the Babylonian kingdom, down to this very day!

When the kings, leaders, priests, and prophets decided to utilize the Scriptures, they just changed the names of the Creator and Savior to suit their own deities, names of blasphemy!

Those who proclaim to utilize the Scriptures as their authority in today’s world, don’t follow what the Scriptures say. They have utilized the deepest deceit to change the names and the manner of worship from that which is true to that which is false.

Thus, instead of the originally inspired true names of Yahweh and Yahshua we (they) have been led them to change to the Lord, God, Jesus, etc. Instead of Yahweh’s calendar of weekly and annual events, the Sabbath and holy days, they have instituted Sunday, and holidays. These false ways are followed in the

deepest and closest association with the false names.

Those who are given the wisdom to do so, must repent of these deceitful things and turn to Yahweh, coming out of this evil system.

This is my understanding on the relationship of the word God

with Taurus the Bull along with the research materials that I have come in contact with since 1993 to this day. It is my hope that it will be a tremendous help to you in your walk in the truth.

JH

LETTER FROM A PAROLEE

Dear Brother Jerry,

It is always my prayer that this letter finds you and your wife well.

Thank you for your most recent letter. It blessed me, the kind things you said, and made me feel that in your spiritual eyes, I have some value still to Yahweh, and shows me His love through the both of you. I pray I remain in His favor forever.

Pray for a special concern that I have for my daughter Michelle Parker who just gave birth Sept. 30th to a 9# baby girl that she's named Savannnah. The baby is fine, so is Michelle who is now unemployed. (I'm trying to help her as best as I can financially.)

Due to my conviction, the state of Florida won't allow me to

visit my granddaughter! I have to get special permission from the court in a bureaucratic maze of psychological tests and much jumping through "legal" hoops.

My other personal concern is...being sent back to prison (and/or jail) because of a technical violation of my probation. I have done everything that is required of me on probation. I pay \$250.00 a month to be monitored on a GPS transponder and ankle bracelet. I pay \$100.00 a month to attend mandatory weekly therapy group. I paid \$90.00 to be initially evaluated to get my history and background and paid \$200.00 to be questioned on my entire life experience to see if I'm deceptive or truthful. After four plus hours on a polygraph machine,

questioned and re-questioned on “select” points of my “story” from eighteen years of age to today. I was told the polygraph affirmed my answers are truthful in every response! (I dreaded this polygraph test, as years ago I took a polygraph and failed, although I gave truthful responses to questions that time as well!!)

I vowed never to trust a polygraph exam for the past 40+ years due to that test back then saying I lied. I prayed that the Holy Spirit of Yah would reveal that I spoke truthfully to the most embarrassing questions regarding my personal life, and my prayer was answered!

Unfortunately, I was told, “pass or fail” the results of the polygraph COULD NOT be used on my behalf or used against me in court. It was just to let the psychologist get into my head. I will still have to participate in group therapy meetings at my own expense as a mandatory condition of my probation! (Unless I can hire a lawyer to challenge it all in court.)

So, forgetting to put my GPS “box” *in my change of clothing when I took my laundry to the laundry room in the apartment

complex may cost me my freedom. Return to prison will freeze my Social Security income until I am released and start the probation cycle over again. If that’s what my Heavenly Father Yahweh Elohim wills, so be it. I think that He wants me free to do His will on the outside. I write to the brothers in Yahweh back at South Unit and send them money when I can, and pray for them and everyone else daily.

*(FYI—the ankle bracelet signals the GPS box and the box signals the satellite and it signals the monitoring company—and the monitoring company contacts the probation officer who contacts the judge (whom I have never met), who decides to excuse my forgetting or have me arrested and re-imprisoned.)

Personally, I think haSatan is attacking me because Yahweh has a “job” He wants me to complete.

Of course, whatever develops I will keep you in the loop and continue to trust in Yahweh with all my heart and lean not to my own understanding in all His ways acknowledged Elohim and He shall direct my paths.

Thank you for your patience with me, your guidance in doctrine and most of all your love, showing His love.

You stay in my thoughts and my prayers and I take comfort that I am in yours.

Shalom in Messiah Yahshua,

Your brother Chuck Balfe

ANSWER:

Dear Chuck,

I wanted to post your letter in this edition of STS for the sole purpose of showing those of us who are on the outside world how difficult life is made for those who are paroled from incarceration. But also for those who are incarcerated so that they can not only prepare themselves for the battle that they will face upon release, and also to show them how to be resolved to walk in Yahweh's ways and to trust in Him and His deliverance always.

Another point to make is that we are given our lives in this world by our Great Almighty Yahweh. Our failures are that we take the lives that He has given us and begin living for and to ourselves. We always make a

mess of things when we live life according to our own ways. Yahweh is the One Who opens our eyes to ourselves, and calls us to a greater calling and way. If we will heed His calling (Yahshua said Many are called, but few are chosen (Mt. 22:14), our lives will be filled with true purpose and blessings. Not that trials and troubles won't come, they certainly do! Peter writes, "Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of the Messiah's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy," 1 Pet. 4:12-13. But we are able to face those troubles with a faith and confidence that the world doesn't have.

Remember also that the world, and the god of this world loves his own, but they hate Yahshua and those who are His, "If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you," Jn. 15:19.

It is certainly up to us to pray for you brother, and all of our brethren, because we are fighting an up-hill battle, but we do have a Commander-In-Chief Who has already won the battle, Who understands our weaknesses and needs, and will fight our battles for us if we will just stand aside and allow Him to take charge.

In the days the Israelites were being worked with, when they cried out to Yahweh, He would

intervene, open doors, and fight for them. He will do the same for us.

Your life has been brought about for the great purposes of Yahweh. Look to Him, trust in Him, confide in Him, call on Him, submit to Him, serve Him. The greatest things are yet to come.

In Yahshua,

Jerry

ETYMOLOGY OF THE NAME JE-SUS

By Paul Sides

I want to break down the complete Etymology of the name "Jesus"... you have all come to know me over time, and if you have come to know anything about me, you will know... I intend to leave no stone unturned in my search for the Truth. I fully intend that when my King returns... that I have overthrown every stronghold, every high place, that elevates itself above Yahshua my King. Anything that stands in the way of my salvation and inheritance, with the full intention to run this race to win it! No matter the cost, no matter the consequences personally. And I de-

sire His Truth and to receive every crown and every reward promised to me in His Word. I want the highest placement in His Kingdom to come. The Apostle Paul took the Truth of YHVH and His Messiah Yahshua to a pagan Rome 2000 years ago... and I intend to do that exact same thing today to the best of my ability, the end of time as we know it.

So here we go...

Je

•GE or GEO [ME "geo", from.MF& L,from.Gk - "Ge"- "Geo",from "Ge"] EARTH GROUND SOIL (as in) GEO/

GRAPHICAL GEO/GRAPHY
and GEO / P O L I -
TICS (WEBSTER'S SEVENTH
NEW COLLEGIATE DICTIONARY)

GE (je, ge) GAEA; GAIA
GAEA (Jee), Noun. [Gr. Gaia
derived from "Ge", earth] in
Greek mythology the earth per-
sonified as a goddess, mother of
Uranus the Titans, etc, MOTH-
ER EARTH: identified by the
Romans with Tellus: also Ga-
la, Ge. GEO (jeo, jee) [Gr.
"geo" derived from gaia, ge, the
earth] a combining form mean-
ing earth, as in geo/centric,
geo/phyte. (WEBSTER'S NEW
WORLD DICTIONARY)
{PROPER NAME} GEORGE
Gr. georgos means "EARTH
WORKER" (DICTIONARY OF
FIRST NAMES)

sus

sus, sus N 3 1 NOM S C T, sus
N 3 1 VOC S C T sus, suis
swine; hog, pig, sow; (*Latin-
English-Latin Java Dictionary with
Whitaker's Wordlist*) sus : swine,
pig, hog. (*Lynn Nelson's Lat-
in=English Dictionary* (Hong
Kong) sus, -is g.c. nomen ani-
malis (*A Latin Dictionary of Saxo
Grammaticus* (medireview Latin)
SWINE [ME fr.OE swin; akin
to OHG swin swine LATIN -

SUS--more at SOW] 1: any of
various stout-bodied short leg-
ged omnivorous mammals
(family Suidae) with a thick bris-
tly skin and long mobile snout;
esp: a domesticated member of
the species (*Sus Scrofa*) that in-
cludes the European wild boar-
usu. used collectively 2: a con-
temptible person (*Webster's Sev-
enth New Collegiate Dictionary*)

Conclusion:

Je-SUS = earth pig or earthly
swine or BEAST of the Earth...
the image of corruptible man,
the abominable sacrifice of a pig
(Easter Sacrifice of the Earthly
Swine named Jesus) that pollutes
the altar and renders the Temple
of YHVH (man) unfit for service
or worship to YHVH, causing
the oblation (daily sacrifice) to
cease, that sacrifice of the Lamb
that was slaughtered before
YHVH whose name is Yahshua
(Yahweh's Salvation NOT Jesus
the son pig sacrifice of
Zeus). I.E. the Abominable Sac-
rifice that Causes the Desolation
of the Temple of YHVH, the
human body.

That is "my" opinion. And the
doctrine of Christianity demon-
strates this is true by worship-
ing a man above YHVH on

EASTER!

Why does your translation of Scripture mention the Name "YHWH" in the preface, but substitute the English word "LORD" for it in the text? If the letter "J" is less than 500 years old, why use it in the Name "Jesus"? Isn't His real Name more like Y'shua, Yahshua, or Yahushua? To call Him "Yeh-soos" or "Yeh-zeus" may not be very good, considering "soos" is Hebrew for "horse", and of course you know who "Zeus" is It is the God worshipped when the pig was slaughtered on the alter on Easter.

Names are extremely important. After all, there is only ONE name under Heaven whereby you may be saved. And that name Yahshua glorifies YHVH. The Pagan name Zeus too was used in many name-endings like Tarsus, Pegasus, Dionysus, Parnassus, etc., to honor Zeus phonetically. Yes, even the son of Zeus (the pig) Jesus.

The Latin name endings like sus, sous, and seus were employed to give honor to "Zeus". "Sus" in Latin means "pig".

Excluding the Greek word/name, this Latin word for SWINE i.e. pig---"SUS" is identical in writing to the suffix of the Latin and the English transliteration "Ie-SUS" and "Je-SUS". "SUS" pronounced "SOOCE" or "ZUS" in English! In Latin it means "SWINE" i.e. PIG, and has the same sound as the Greek suffix in the word/name "Ie-SOUS" , pronounced "SOOCE" Here are some more interesting parallels In the Spanish translations of the scriptures such as in Mexico for example the name is written "Je-sus" but it is pronounced He or HEY - SOOCE. Both the suffix spelling and sound of the suffix is the same for the Latin word "SUS", w h i c h m e a n s SWINE. (According to the dictionary this word SWINE can also mean a CONTEMPTIBLE Person) THE LITERAL WRITTEN PARALLELS ARE THERE! THE LITERAL PHONETIC PARALLELS ARE THERE!

EDITOR'S COMMENTS:

One of our subscribers read the article in our latest *Yahshua's Witness Magazine* entitled *The Spiritual Reality of Eating Swine's*

flesh and contacted me about this article by Paul Sides that is posted on the internet. I went to the site and found this article which not only dovetails into the article that I had written, but also fits in with some of the research that I have done in the past.

While I didn't have all of the dictionaries and books that Paul seems to have had available (I guess I could have visited some libraries), I did conclude that the original King James 1611 version had presented the name of the Savior as Iesus. I.E., and even ie, means "that is." The ie can also be changed into a "Ye".

Also knowing that the Latin for pig was sus, I had concluded that Ie-sus, or Ye- sus could mean "that is...pig," or "that is...swine."

We all know that Christianity twists the Scriptures to justify the eating of unclean foods, especially swine. (Order our article entitled "*Did Yahshua Nullify the Law of Clean and Unclean Foods?*" It is free of charge.)

We also know that there is the True Messiah, and the false messiah (anti-Christ). The false messiah will be characterized with

just that, falsehoods. Therefore, he will be served with things that are false, such as a false name. The Savior never could have been named Jesus or Iesus. He was a Hebrew of the tribe of Yudah. There has never been a "J" in the Hebrew alphabet, nor in the Greek, nor was there a "J" in the English alphabet until the 17th century. That is why no "J" appears in the initial King James Bible.

The false messiah will be served with a false worship, which would include the wrong day of the week (first day...Sunday), the wrong days of the year (holidays rather than holydays), the worship of the host of heaven (sun, moon, and stars), unclean foods, etc., etc.

Yahshua is the Passover Lamb (1 Cor. 5:7; Isa. 53:7; Acts 8:32. Jesus is the Christmas and Easter ham. Which Savior will you serve?

We encourage you to get a copy of our latest Yahshua's Witness Magazine (Oct.-Dec. 2013) and read the article referred to. Then we encourage you to only serve the true Savior Yahshua the Messiah. JH

FROM RICHARD ANDERSON

The Great Isaiah Scroll dates back to 100 BCE. I find it interesting that the scribe of this scroll utilizes the long form of Adonai (אֲדֹנָי) and Elohim (אֱלֹהִים) wherein the modern Hebrew texts do not.

I make this note because the gematria value of the Hebrew phrase אֲנִי אֱלֹהִים (I am Elohim) has the value of 153.

The value of the letter *waw* (ו) is six—the number of man. Therefore, when man becomes one with Elohim he becomes counted among the Sons of Elohim (בְּנֵי הָאֱלֹהִים/beni ha elohim) - another phrase which has the gematria value of 153. The number 153 being the number of fish caught in the net as recorded in John 21:11, “Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land full of great fishes, **an hundred and fifty and three**: and for all there were so many, yet was not the net broken.”

COMMENT FROM JERRY: Understanding this, the number of fishes caught would identify Yahshua as Elohim. But this number (153) is also associated

with Bezaleel, the builder of the tabernacle in the wilderness, which likens him to Yahshua Who is the builder of the new heavenly tabernacle/temple.

It also likens Yahshua to Eliakim son of Hilkiyah revealed in Isaiah 22:20.

Let's take a look at this prophecy, “Thus saith Adonai Yahweh of hosts, Go, get thee unto this treasurer, even unto Shebna, which is over the house, and say, What hast thou here? and whom hast thou here, that thou hast hewed thee out a sepulchre here, as he that heweth him out a sepulchre on high, and that graveth an habitation for himself in a rock? Behold, Yahweh will carry thee away with a mighty captivity, and will surely cover thee. He will surely violently turn and toss thee like a ball into a large country: there shalt thou die, and there the chariots of thy glory shall be the shame of thy master's house. And I will drive thee from thy station, and from thy state shall he pull thee down. **And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will call my servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiyah:** And I will clothe him

with thy robe, and strengthen him with thy girdle, and I will commit thy government into his hand: and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah. And the key of the house of David will I lay upon his shoulder; so he shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open. And I will fasten him as a nail in a sure place; and he shall be for a glorious throne to his father's house. And they shall hang upon him all the glory of his father's house, the offspring and the issue, all vessels of small quantity, from the vessels of cups, even to all the vessels of flagons. In that day, saith Yahweh of hosts, shall the nail that is fastened in the sure place be removed, and be cut down, and fall; and the burden that was upon it shall be cut off: for Yahweh hath spoken it," Isa. 22:15-25.

What is this prophecy saying? It is saying that there is a current treasurer over the house, temple of Yahweh. He is like a nail driven in a sure place (the cross). On him are hanging all of the treasures of Yahweh's temple. He has hewn out a sepulcher for himself on high, a sepulcher

hewn out of a rock (Yahweh is the rock).

Shebna (שבנא) has to do with growth. *B'nah* (Heb. = בנה) means to build, while *banah* (בניה) means to build by obtaining children. Shabah (שבה) means to transport into captivity.

This Shebna is the modern day treasurer of Yahweh's house who has hewn himself a sepulcher out of a rock, but in building up the family, has transported the children into captivity. This is none other than Jesus Christ, the false messiah, who has transported the children of Yahweh into the captivity of paganism and idolatry.

Eliakim means Elohim of raising (or Elohim of resurrection?) while Hillkiah means "portion (lot or inheritance) of Yah." Hillkiah, as it appears in Strong's also equals to 153.

Israel is Yahweh's inheritance (Dt. 9:26, 29; 32:9; Psa. 78:71). Yahweh and His inheritance are in captivity. When the Roman army destroyed Jerusalem, taking the temple items to Rome, this typified Yahweh going into captivity along with His

inheritance.

Yahshua had already come and been sacrificed so that Yahweh's inheritance could be raised back up in Yahweh's chosen time.

When Yahshua appeared to the Apostle John to give him the book of Revelation, it was recorded that He had the key of David with which He was able to open and no man could shut, and shut and no man could open (Rev. 3:7-8).

The gist of the message is that, today, there is a false treasurer over the house of Yahweh who is driven as a nail in a sure place (Jesus), but in the very near future, the true treasurer will appear (Yahshua), and the false treasurer will be removed and cast away.

There are so many, many important and valuable lessons hidden in the Scriptures that we need to dig out and come to understand. The lesson of the number 153 is certainly one of those lessons.

CONTINUING WITH RICHARD'S COMMENTS

When I began this letter, I had a small collection of occurrences

where Yahshua's name was found encoded in the Hebrew text. My finds now exceed 250 with 1 Sam. 7 and Isa. 53 standing out with both chapters having over 20 occurrences each.

Yesterday, as I sat with Hebrew Bible in hand looking at Isaiah 53, I was moved to make a word and letter count of the chapter. I was much surprised to find the letter count to be 666! Since the chapter speaks of Yahshua's suffering, Yahweh saw fit to identify the one through whom the suffering would come—the beast system spoken of in Rev. 13:18. This is just one more witness as to Yahweh's knowledge—knowing the end from the beginning.

COMMENT FROM JERRY:

Our brother Richard has spent his life searching into the Scriptures for many hidden messages that can be found therein. May Yahweh continue to reveal those things to him for the edification of the saints.

ANSWERING LETTERS

Shalom Pastor Healan:

I'm writing to thank you for your well reasoned "Comparison of the Covenants" article found in Jan-Mar 2013 Witness Magazine. Sadly, you appear to have run out of available space to bring this valuable teaching full-circle and I hope you will do so next issue.

As you know from my previous letters, I'm a prisoner in the NC Dept. of Corrections, where a variety of ministers are permitted to bring a wide array of beliefs and interpretations for the men serving behind these walls. One of our most common messages is that of presenting the Gospel, which of course is the starting point for most "new" believers, at least in "Christian" religious speak and thought. Sadly however, it rarely goes beyond the reciting of an emotionally charged prayer, as there is no follow-up on how anyone can and should live an honoring life with Messiah Yahshua at its helm.

Clearly, it should come as no surprise that most prisoners became such as a result of their

selfish choices, and our correctional systems have largely given up on restoring our lost souls to society with a for-profit incarceration model that's straight from the pit of hell, which means everyone loses and often Satan wins another minion in an ever darkening world.

But what's the answer? I left Protestant worship and embraced Messianic Judaism because it offered a discernible path to living a restored life beyond the evangelical Christian message that "Jesus paid it all for me, so I'll get into heaven no matter how I live out my days, even if I reek of smoke." Frankly, I find such a view repulsive and I am not alone. Most of us in here are looking for a path out that will not lead us back inside. We also understand better than most of our brothers with "entitlement issues" on the street that there really is no "free lunch." Indeed, we've learned, often in the most painful ways, that everyone, in fact, reaps what they've sown eventually, as it should be.

Consequently, the tenets of

Messianic faith, as I've been taught them, work for me, as I now understand that Yahshua is my Messiah, Lord, and role-model whom I owe everything as I've been bought with a price and wish to become a profitable servant to all. He alone is the Mediator of the New and better covenant long foretold and ultimately realized at His first advent, or coming and though I am not worthy of any mercy for the things I've done, I know I've been redeemed through His sacrifice.

Now, I would never sacrifice an animal of any kind for sin as I believe this tramples on the Messiah's ultimate gift to our fallen world, but I do believe also that observance of ordered festivals and commanded forms of worship are important as they continue to provide a rehearsal for those events that have yet to occur in human history...

It's to this end that I anxiously await your completion of the "Comparison of the Covenants" article as I'm always seeking to deepen and, where appropriate, expand my own worldview.

No, I do not believe Orthodox Judaism, nor most mainstream

Rabbinical thought honors or even recognizes Yahshua in His rightful place, but there remains a remnant within Messianic, or Hebrew root communities that have not thrown the baby out with the bath water; who seek to both follow and worship in spirit and in truth those precepts given through His word, ministry, and life's walk... Indeed, by defining sin and its cost within the Torah and empowering us to choose obedient fellowship over lawlessness, His love for us is evident and available to all who sojourn as homeward bound Israelites. In fact, He gave us the answers to life's test (-s) before they ever began and through them we can know where we came from, why we're here, and what happens when our time on earth ends. But most importantly, His pathway of blessings is ever before us if we choose them in and through our relationship with Him. Obedience to Torah and Scriptural mandates anchors my life within boundaries that I certainly needed and that is why I'm imploring all well grounded believers to become involved with prison ministry. The men and women behind these walls need more

than a feel-good, sloppy agape, sleezy grace gospel message that neither costs them anything nor requires them to set aside the very selfishness that brought us in here to begin with. We need real mentors who will teach and hold us accountable as brothers and sisters in Messiah's body. In doing so, you're not only following His command, but also providing a valuable service to the society we will, for better or worse, one day rejoin as your neighbors, co-workers, and fellow citizens. I am far more than a convicted felon to our Lord and Messiah Yahshua, as are many behind these walls. Please try and make your assembly or readers recognize this before yet another unrepentant soul exists here, becoming a problem rather than a blessing to your community.

I look forward to reading/studying your conclusion and thank you in advance for your time and kind consideration to these matters. I remain respectfully, RB/NC.

ANSWER:

Shalom RB, and all those who are receiving our literature, and especially to those who, like

you, feel that the article "Comparison of the Covenants" fell short of its intended purpose.

I would like to encourage you all to read the article/booklet again, because it did accomplish its intended purpose of distinguishing between the Old and New Covenants, the Covenant of Moses, and the Covenant of Yahshua. You see, there are those who proclaim that the New Covenant isn't new, but rather a RENEWED covenant of Moses. If it is only a renewed covenant of Moses, then ALL things written therein are incumbent upon us today, which means that we all have made a promise with Yahweh to keep under our own strength and power of righteousness all that He has said and that is written therein. This, of course, puts us back under the curse to destruction.

Doesn't Paul make it clear that there is a law of sin in the flesh and even though we determine to do that which is right, we fail?

The New Covenant is a covenant of GRACE! But it definitely isn't the covenant that Christianity proclaims, which you so apt-

ly described. Christianity does away with the commandments which describe what sin is. Sin is the transgression of the law (1 Jn. 3:4). Which law? The table of commandments that Yahweh gave to Moses to place inside the ark of the covenant. The are called the tables of witness (Ex. 32:15).

Therefore, Christianity's definition of sin is playing cards, dancing, drinking, not going to church, etc. because they no longer understand what sin is and can't define it. None of them understands that Sunday isn't the commanded seventh day Sabbath, or if they do, they proclaim that it has been changed. The Sabbath is the seventh day of the week. They love to do business on the day Yahweh commanded and go to church (hold a holy convocation) on Sunday, the first day of the week. Thus, they are sinning. The command from John the Baptist, Yahshua, the apostles, and all righteous men down through the ages is to REPENT!

It isn't just the Sabbath day that we should point out either. While the first commandment has to do with having no elohim

before Yahweh, the second having to do with the forbidding of graven images (crosses, statues of saints, pictures of the Savior, etc., etc.), but the third has to do with the proper respect and honor of Yahweh's name, which neither Christianity, Orthodox Judaism, or even most Messianic groups fulfill. We are supposed to remember His name by rightfully placing it where it belongs in the Scriptures, and pronouncing it in those places so that we don't forget it. Of course we are to respect and honor His name, and utilize it in that manner in our daily lives.

The rest of the commandments are self explanatory.

As far as a structured life, yes, we definitely need a structured life, structured as close to the Scriptures as we can possibly get. If we have come under the atoning blood of the Lamb Yahshua the Messiah, then we must sin not!!!! But, and if we do sin through weakness of the flesh, we can seek forgiveness through Yahshua. But we simply can't continue to live a life of sin, because we are not truly honoring Yahweh in such a case, we are rather trampling Yahshua

and His precious sacrifice under foot.

The problem that we see not only with Christianity, but also with men and women who re-enter society from behind the bars and walls of prison, is that they simply return to life as it was before, and a great percentage end up back in prison. Even the overall preponderance of those who embrace the truth about Yahweh and Yahshua. Repentance means that we change our lives, dedicating them to Yahshua and seek to walk in His righteousness.

You could follow up our article “Comparison of the Covenants” with another article we have written entitled “Is the Law Done Away?” and also “What Is Sin?” *JH*

QUESTION:

Hello YEA,

Where can I obtain a copy of the Scriptures with both Old and New Testaments in Hebrew?

RW/PA

ANSWER:

The J. P. Green Interlinear Bible is an excellent source of the Old Testament in Hebrew with **cor-**

responding English translation. However, the New Testament is Greek to English. This version is obtainable from various Bible vendors.

Distributors, Hebrew Scriptures, P. O. Box 8, Fraziers Bottom, WV 25082, does provide the New Testament with the English on one page and the corresponding Hebrew on the page across from it.

Which brings us to another issue. We get many requests for Sacred Name Bibles. Sadly, we haven't been able to publish a Sacred Name version, but there are some assemblies that do:

THE WORD OF YAHWEH

Assembly of Yahweh
1017 N. Gunnell Rd.
Eaton Rapids, MI 48827

RESTORATION STUDY BIBLE

Yahweh's Restoration Ministry
P. O. Box 463
Holts Summit, MO 65043

THE SACRED SCRIPTURES BETHEL EDITION

Assemblies of Yahweh
Bethel, PA 19507

THE SCRIPTURES

Institute For Scripture Research
P. O. Box 1830
Northriding 2162
South Africa

THE HOLY NAME BIBLE

By A. B. Traina is available at
Amazon.com.

THE HALLELUYAH SCRIPTURES English & Spanish

Halleluyah Scriptures
P. O. Box 7625
North Brunswick, NJ 08902-7625

LA ESCRITURA DE VERDAD

Diego Garcia
18580 Van Buren Ave.
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QUESTION:

In Ex. 20:7 we are told to not take Yahweh's name in vain (to naught) twice. Does this mean that when I receive literature with His name in it...or, as we have here behind the razor wire,...lay-in passes with Yahweh on them or whatever it may be, etc. if I were to discard the literature, lay-in, or other... would this be bringing His name to naught (nothing)? What is acceptable, or am I reading into this too much? Perhaps this may

be part of the reason His name was suppressed within the early believer's literature?

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ANSWER:

Yahweh's name was written in the New Testament literature. The Talmud refers to this same question whether they should just destroy the literature, or cut Yahweh's name out and bury it in the earth and allow the earth to bring it to decay and destruction.

The commandment is not to take His name in vain (vain = *shav*) which is defined as: from the same as 7722 in the sense of **desolating; evil** (as destructive), literally (**ruin**) or morally (especially **guile**); figuratively **idolatry** (as **false**, subjective), **uselessness** (as **deceptive**, objective; also adverbially, **in vain**). (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance* Hebrew Lexicon #7723.

Look at the words that are highlighted. They are all very negative, even destructive connotations.

But let's look at the word "important" which is defined as:

1. meaning a great deal; having much significance or consequence 2. having, or acting as if having, power, authority, high position, etc. (*Webster's New World Dictionary*)

The word "take" (not **take** His name in vain) is translated from the Hebrew word *nasa* which is defined as: a primitive root; to lift, in a great variety of applications, literal and figurative, absol. and rel. (as follows):--accept, advance, arise, (able to, (armor), suffer to) bear (-er, up), bring (forth), burn, carry (away), cast, contain, desire, ease, exact, exalt (self), extol, fetch, forgive, furnish, further, give, go on, help, high, hold up, honorable (+ man), lade, lay, lift (self) up, lofty, marry, magnify, X needs, obtain, pardon, raise (up), receive, regard, respect, set (up), spare, stir up, + swear, take (away, up), X utterly, wear, yield. (*IBID* #5375).

Isn't the world considering the true name of the Creator (and Savior) to be so un-important that they replace it with other terms? This is one of the ways that His name is taken in vain, that is, it is not considered important enough, having enough

power and authority, value, etc. to be contained even in His own word!

It isn't because it's written on paper. It should be in our hearts, on our lips, and in our lives with significance, power, authority, high position, reverence.

What would any of us who publish His name do if we had mountains of paper with His name contained therein that we couldn't dispose?

By the way, Moses had the two stones wherein the commandments were written. Didn't he cast them to the ground breaking them? (Ex. 32:19) Was he charged with sin for doing so? Absolutely not. It was the children of Israel who had sinned and broken the covenant. *JH*

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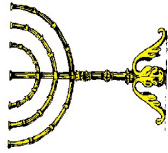
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Please pray for the men in prison who have been influenced by the Sacred Names Assemblies that their walk will be perfect before Yahweh both in and out of the prison walls. Pray for all brethren going to Kenya in November, as well as the Kenyan brethren.



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