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

### FROM THE EDITOR

### **NEW REVELATIONS**

Greetings everyone! When I looked at the date on the last *Search The Scriptures* and realized the lapse of time between it and this one, I could hardly believe it! Time is getting by absolutely too fast!

As I have been studying the book of Daniel, I have learned some things that I had not known before. It has also helped me to understand about some of the time events that have misled people in the past. One of those groups was the Millerites who had converted the 2300 days into years which had caused them to falsely prophesy that the end of the age would take place in 1844. Of course, when it didn't happen, they had to regroup and change their theory to say that Yahshua (they use Jesus) cleansed the temple in heaven at that time.

Their mistake was to apply the year for a day principle as revealed in the Torah (40 years for 40 days) and Ezekiel's prophecy found in chapter 4. In those instances Yahweh specified a year for a day principle, but He didn't do so in Daniel chapter 8. The Aramaic says "evenings and mornings" which has been erroneously interpreted as days.

The use of an he-goat in Daniel 8 has also allowed us to pinpoint the last days of Esau's and Ishmael's empires. If you have seen our article on "The Atonement Process," then you understand that the goat that was let go alive into the wilderness typified both Esau and Ishmael. The power of both of their end time kingdoms is found in the area of the Macedonian-Greek Empire. If you have traced Rome as I have, you will have discovered that Moscow, Russia is the Third Rome, while Istanbul, Turkey was Constantinople, established by Constantine to be Roma Nova or the second Rome.

The Islamic area would be the kingdom of the king of the south, while Russia is the home of the king of the north. Isn't it interesting!? Keep watching. Things are beginning to happen!

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# A STUDY INTO THE BOOK OF DANIEL **DANIEL CHAPTER 8**

Daniel 8 is a continuation of Daniel 7 as we will see in this study.

### By Jerry Healan

**Da 8:1** In the third year of the reign of king Belshazzar a vision appeared unto me, even unto me Daniel, after that which appeared unto me at the first.

2 And I saw in a vision; and it came to pass, when I saw, that I was at Shushan in the palace, which is in the province of Elam; and I saw in a vision, and I was by the river of Ulai.

3 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had two horns: and the two horns were high; but one was higher than the other, and the higher came up last.

4 I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither was there any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great.

**COMMENT:** This ram will be revealed to be the kingdom of Persia later in this chapter, but notice that the ram is pushing westward, and northward, and southward. Compare this with the bear with the three ribs in his mouth in the previous chapter. A rib can be a quarter section of the sky. The quarter sections are revealed here to be the west, north, and south. The bear raises up on one side. In other words, It is raised up from the east. It pushes first from the east to the west, and then to the north and south. This is the mystery of the three ribs in the mouth of the bear in chapter 7. The bear is the Medo-Persian kingdom. The three ribs in his mouth, and his rising up on one side, is the symbol of his power and authority over the earth.

**Dan. 8:5** And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face of the whole earth, and touched not the ground:

and the goat had a notable horn between his eyes.

6 And he came to the ram that had two horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power.

7 And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand.

**COMMENT**: The he goat is the Greco-Macedonian kingdom. The notable horn is Alexander the Great who converted the kingdom into an empire. His ability to conquer a much larger military force with a much smaller one has been studied for hundreds of years at the military institutes. General George Patton was a student of Alexander and utilized many of his tactics in World War II.

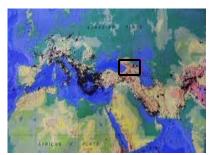
Amazingly, Alexander only had around 35,000 - 50,000 men to fight against and conquer Darius, king of Persia who had around 1,000,000 (one million) men at his disposal.

It is interesting to point out that the first great victory over Darius was at Issus in 332 BCE. Few understand that this fulfilled a prophecy of Ezekiel who was inspired to prophesy the captivity of Israel, "1Thou also, son of man, take thee a tile, and lay it before thee, and pourtray upon it the city, even Jerusalem: <sup>2</sup>And lay siege against it, and build a fort against it, and cast a mount against it; set the camp also against it, and set battering rams against it round about. <sup>3</sup>Moreover take thou unto thee an iron pan, and set it for a wall of iron between thee and the city: and set thy face against it, and it shall be besieged, and thou shalt lay siege against it. This shall be a sign to the house of Israel. <sup>4</sup>Lie thou also upon thy left side, and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel upon it: according to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon it thou shalt bear their iniquity. 5For I have laid upon thee the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days, three hundred and ninety days: so shalt thou bear the iniquity of the house of Israel," Ez. 4:1-5.

The northern kingdom of Israel went into captivity by the hand of the Assyrians who secluded them in the Caucasus Mountains area for that 390 years. (See maps)



Caucasus Region located between the Black and Caspian Seas.



Caucasus Region in relation to the surrounding world.

With the initial great defeat of Darius at Issus in 332 BCE the doors were opened for the captive Israelites to sweep northward and then westward into Europe, England, and eventually America as well as other parts of the world Israel has been known to have migrated to. Their tenure was from 722 BCE to 332 BCE, exactly 390 years!

However, let's also consider the first two prophecies in Daniel concerning the Greco-Macedonian kingdom/empire. In Daniel 2, the empire is represented by the belly and thighs of brass/bronze. The Aramaic word for brass/bronze is *nachash*, which is also the word for "serpent" in both Aramaic and Hebrew. Interestingly, Alexander the Great, the notable horn, was considered to be a great liberator of Egypt: "Alexander advanced on Egypt in later 332 BC, where he was regarded as a liberator. He was pronounced son of the deity <u>Amun</u> at the <u>Oracle</u> of <u>Siwa Oasis</u> in the <u>Libyan</u> desert. Henceforth, Alexander often referred to <u>Zeus-Ammon</u> as his true father, and after his death, currency depicted him adorned with rams horn as a symbol of his divinity." (*Wikipedia*)

His kingdom was depicted as a leopard with four heads and four wings in Daniel 7. The leopard is interesting because it is *nemer* in Aramaic and *namer* in Hebrew. The name of the first tyrant after the flood was Nimrod. From the name Nimrod, we can get several combinations. The first would be *namer radah*, or leopard ruler. We can

also get the combination of *na mered*, or now rebellion, or *namer* (leopard) *mered* (rebel).

It is a fact that Nimrod rebelled against Yahweh. He is the builder of the initial city of Babylon (*Babel* = confusion). The succession of kingdoms as revealed in Daniel are Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greco-Macedonia, and Rome. Alexander became the ruler of the third kingdom associated with brass/bronze (*nachash*/serpent) and the leopard (*nemer*/*namer*), which is a succession not only of Nebuchadnezzar's kingdom, but also Nimrod's, the great rebel.

Hislop says, "Nimr-rod'; from *nimr*, a 'leopard' and rada 'to subdue'...The name Nimrod is commonly derived from Mered, 'to rebel'...There is no doubt that Nimrod was a rebel, and that his rebellion was celebrated in the ancient myths; but his name in that character was not Nimrod, but Merodach, or, as among the Romans, Mars, 'the rebel;' or among the Oscans of Italy, Mamers (SMITH, *sub voce*), 'The causer of rebellion." (*The Two Babylons*, p. 44)

He also adds, "The Cushite god (Nimrod was the son of Cush) is clothed from head to foot in 'spotted dress,' the upper part being a leopard's skin and the under part also spotted to correspond with it. (*IBID*, p. 44)

Alexander, in like fashion as the son of Zeus-Ammon would have become the "son of god," and worthy of worship. This distinction would also have been passed down to his successors.

Finally, here in Daniel 8, his kingdom is associated with an angry goat. A goat in Hebrew is *seir* from whence we also obtain "devil!" As observed in earlier chapters, the kingdom of gold (Babylon), and the kingdom of silver (Medo-Persia) were presented as soft, moldable metals. The spirit of the kings of those kingdoms were revealed that they were able to be worked with by Yahweh and His Spirit. But the brass/bronze kingdom revealed a hardness had set in that was unbendable. This is the time when the serpent Satan began to abound in the power and strength of rebellion.

However, let's also understand that the kingdom of Esau, Jacob's

twin brother was also the kingdom of Seir, the goat, or devil. Thus, we can tie Esau, the devil, the azazel goat of Lev. 16, and even Ishmael (another azazel who is the father of Islam) with this goat kingdom.

**Dan. 8:8** Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven.

**COMMENT**: After Alexander conquered territory into modern day Afghanistan and even to India, his troops would go no further. It is said that he died after a night of drunken debauchery.

Upon his death, his four generals divided the empire into four kingdoms.

The divisions of his empire are shown below:





**Dan. 8:9** And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land.

10 And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them.

- 11 Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down.
- 12 And an host was given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.
- 13 Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that

certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?

14 And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

COMMENT: The one who first fits this description is Mithradates who renamed himself Antiochus Epiphanes. He was of the Seleucid kingdom. Coins from his time referred to him as *Theos Epiphanes* (the manifest god). Wikipedia reports: Antiochus was the first Seleucid king to use divine epithets on coins, perhaps inspired by the Bactrian Hellenistic kings who had earlier done so, or else building on the ruler cult that his father Antiochus the Great had codified within the Seleucid Empire. These epithets included Θεὸς Ἑπιφανής 'manifest god', and, after his defeat of Egypt, Νικηφόρος 'bringer of victory'. However, Antiochus also tried to interact with common people by appearing in the public bath houses and applying for municipal offices, and his often eccentric behavior and capricious actions led some of his contemporaries to call him *Epimanes* ("The Mad One"), a word play on his title *Epiphanes*....The Seleucids, like the Ptolemies before them, held a mild suzerainty over Judea: they respected Jewish culture and protected Jewish institutions. This policy was drastically reversed by Antiochus IV, resulting in harsh persecutions and a revolt against his rule, the Maccabean revolt.

According to the authors of the <u>Books of Maccabees</u>, while Antiochus was busy in Egypt, a rumor spread that he had been killed. In <u>Judea</u>, the <u>deposed High Priest Jason</u> gathered a force of 1,000 soldiers and made a surprise attack on the city of <u>Jerusalem</u>. <u>Menelaus</u>, the High Priest appointed by Antiochus, was forced to flee Jerusalem during a riot. King Antiochus returned from Egypt in 167 BC, enraged by his defeat; he attacked Jerusalem and restored Menelaus, then executed many Jews.

"When these happenings were reported to the king, he thought that Judea was in revolt. Raging like a wild animal, he set out from Egypt and took Jerusalem by storm. He ordered his soldiers to cut down without mercy those whom they met and to slay those who took refuge in their houses. There was a massacre of young and old, a killing of women and children, a slaughter of virgins and infants. In the space of three days, eighty thousand were lost, forty thousand meeting a violent death, and the same number being sold into slavery." (2 Maccabees 5:11-14.)

Antiochus decided to side with the <u>Hellenized Jews</u> in order to consolidate his empire and to strengthen his hold over the region. He outlawed <u>Jewish religious rites and traditions</u> kept by observant Jews and ordered the worship of <u>Zeus</u> as the supreme god (2 Maccabees 6:1–12). This was anathema to the Jews and they refused, so Antiochus sent an army to enforce his decree. The city of Jerusalem was destroyed (168 BC) because of the resistance, many were slaughtered, and Antiochus established a military Greek <u>citadel</u> called the <u>Acra</u>. (*Internet*)

Antiochus defiled the temple by sacrificing a pig, boiling it and splashing its walls with it. He set a statue of Zeus in the holy of holies and sponsored a pagan sexual orgy in the court area. This took place from 168—164 when he was slain.

The 2300 days is actually presented in the Aramaic as 2300 evenings and mornings. The daily sacrifice was offered in the morning and in the evening. 2300 evenings and mornings means that the temple sacrifices were suspended for 1150 days (2300  $\div$  2 = 1150). 1150 days would be about 3.19 (1150  $\div$  360 [a prophetic year] = 3.19444) years, which would be the time period between 168 and 164 BCE. This was the temporary suspension of the sacrificial system that interrupted the flow of that system from the time the second temple was established until the Messiah appeared to perform His sacrifice which fulfilled the whole sacrificial system. It was the Maccabean priesthood that cleansed the temple and restored the daily sacrifices which is annually observed as Hannukah.

**Dan. 8:15** And it came to pass, when I, even I Daniel, had seen the vision, and sought for the meaning, then, behold, there stood before me as the appearance of a man.

16 And I heard a man's voice between the banks of Ulai, which called, and said, Gabriel, make this man to understand the vision.

17 So he came near where I stood: and when he came, I was afraid, and fell upon my face: but he said unto me, Understand, O son of man: for at the time of the end shall be the vision.

- 18 Now as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground: but he touched me, and set me upright.
- 19 And he said, Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end shall be.
- 20 The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia.
- 21 And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.
- 22 Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power.

- 23 And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.
- 24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people.
- 25 And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.
- 26 And the vision of the evening and the morning which was told is true: wherefore shut thou up the vision; for it shall be for many days.
- 27 And I Daniel fainted, and was sick certain days; afterward I rose up, and did the king's business; and I was astonished at the vision, but none understood it.

**COMMENT:** Antiochus Epiphanes was also a type and forerunner of another great king who would rise up to greatly destroy Yahweh's people. The Aramaic word for "destroy" utilized in verses 24-25 is *shacath* which has to do with decay, ruin, corrupt (-ion) (see *Strong's* #H7843).

The kingdom that followed the Macedonian-Greek kingdom was Rome. (Dan. 2:33, 40-43; 7:7-8, 11, 19-25) Rome was a Republican form of government until the Caesars appeared and changed the Republic into a tyrannical dictatorial empire. Julius Caesar was the sire of the dynasty who desired to be like Antiochus Epiphanes, worshipped as a god. The Roman Senate ended his desires through his assassination, but his nephew Octavian succeeded him. A comet appeared in the heavens at that time, thus Octavian declared that the comet was Julius Caesar ascending into the heavens to take his seat among the gods. He declared himself to be Julius Caesar's adopted son, thus establishing himself as "the son of God." He changed his

name to Augustus Caesar. Augustus means "worthy of being revered, or worshipped." King Herod built a city with a temple dedicated to Augustus named Caesarea.

The Caesars were henceforth worshipped as gods, which is blasphemy. A descendant, Titus, is the one who destroyed Jerusalem and the temple, which ended the Levitical priesthood and sacrificial system. The temple had been Yahweh's dwelling place built by the hands of man, and even refurbished by Herod the Great which is the temple that Yahshua came to. But Yahshua instituted a new dwelling place for Yahweh on earth. After His ministry and sacrifice, the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the disciples of Yahshua changing Yahweh's habitation from a man-made temple to an earthly temple made by Yahweh's own hands, that is, men and women. (Acts 2)

We can read in the New Testament how the assembly began to become unraveled and corrupted even before the death of the apostles. Then Emperor Constantine came on the scene who divined the future of the faith, entered into the corrupted remnants of the New Testament Assembly, dictated the form of worship which had nothing to do with the true form of worship, e.g. Sunday worship, a false name, and titles, substituted Greek for Hebrew, pagan holidays for holy days, and the corruption to destruction took hold mightily!

He dissolved the Roman government at Old Rome and transferred the power of Rome to Byzantium naming it Constantinople, and also calling it *Roma Nova* (New Rome). This transfer to the east had tremendous implications. This eastern half of the Roman Empire controlled the very area that Antiochus Epiphanes and Ptolemy had controlled. This eastern Roman Empire did exactly what is described in Dan. 8:9-10. It waxed great toward the south, toward the east, and toward the pleasant land. By instituting his own god, the god of forces, he also cast the truth to the earth and stamped on it. The truth, of

course, is Yahshua the Messiah. The assembly was to pray to the Father Yahweh in Yahshua's name. But another name, the name Yesus (from the Celtic Yesu/Esus [pronounced Hesus] and the Egyptian Isis [also pronounced Hesus]), which is today rendered as Jesus, was substituted. Thus, he has practiced and prospered as the true faith, but in actuality, has corrupted Yahweh's people. Yahshua had raised up the New Testament Assembly by the pouring out of the Holy Spirit introducing a new sanctuary. But Constantine cast the truth to the earth as did Antiochus Epiphanes and he and his successors have corrupted Yahshua's body to destruction!

Antiocus also called himself Νικηφόρος (Nikephoros) which means "bringer of victory." It was at the Council of Nicea that Constantine began to "conquer" the assembly. Nicea is pronounced like Niseah in the English world, but the Greek language would be Nikea. Constantine is the one of the first seal, "And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see. And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer," Rev. 6:1-2. The Greek words are *Nikon* and *Nikese*. He went forth conquering and to conquer the world in the religion that he had taken over and began to syncretise with paganism.

### THE REAL 10 COMMANDMENTS

A brother in prison recently sent a letter and a couple of attached pages that his wife had sent him off the internet. The question was, "Which are the actual 10 Commandments?" They claim that the only place in Scripture where the ten commandments are alluded to is found in Ex. 34:10-26, "<sup>10</sup>And he said, Behold, I make a covenant: before all thy people I will do marvels, such as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation: and all the people among which thou art shall see the work of Yahweh: for it is a terrible thing that I will

do with thee. <sup>11</sup>Observe thou that which I command thee this day: behold, I drive out before thee the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite. <sup>12</sup>Take heed to thyself, lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land whither thou goest, lest it be for a snare in the midst of thee: <sup>13</sup>But ye shall destroy their altars, break their images, and cut down their groves: 14For thou shalt worship no other Elohim: for Yahweh, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous Elohim: 15Lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they go a whoring after their gods, and do sacrifice unto their gods, and one call thee, and thou eat of his sacrifice; 16And thou take of their daughters unto thy sons, and their daughters go a whoring after their gods, and make thy sons go a whoring after their gods. <sup>17</sup>Thou shalt make thee no molten gods. <sup>18</sup>The feast of unleavened bread shalt thou keep. Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, as I commanded thee, in the time of the month Abib: for in the month Abib thou camest out from Egypt. <sup>19</sup>All that openeth the matrix is mine; and every firstling among thy cattle, whether ox or sheep, that is male. <sup>20</sup> But the firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a lamb: and if thou redeem him not, then shalt thou break his neck. All the firstborn of thy sons thou shalt redeem. And none shall appear before me empty. <sup>21</sup>Six days thou shalt work, but on the seventh day thou shalt rest: in earing time and in harvest thou shalt rest. <sup>22</sup>And thou shalt observe the feast of weeks, of the firstfruits of wheat harvest, and the feast of ingathering at the year's end. <sup>23</sup>Thrice in the year shall all your men children appear before Adon Yahweh, the Elohim of Israel. <sup>24</sup>For I will cast out the nations before thee, and enlarge thy borders: neither shall any man desire thy land, when thou shalt go up to appear before Yahweh thy Elohim thrice in the year. <sup>25</sup>Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leaven; neither shall the sacrifice of the feast of the passover be left unto the morning. <sup>26</sup>The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring unto the house of Yahweh thy Elohim. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk. 27And Yahweh said unto Moses, Write thou these words: for after the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel," Ex. 34:10-27.

When one reads these Scriptures in this manner he has to admit that, sure enough, what is enumerated here is the real ten commandments, and that Ex. 20:1-17, and Dt. 5:6-21 are not what was written on the stone tablets.

Here is what they write, "The Bible is full of commandments given by its God Yahweh but there is only one group of commandments that he specifically gives the title "The Ten Commandments" to and they are not what most Christians think they are. If you ask almost anyone to list The Ten Commandments they will try to recite a partial list found in Exodus 20:1-17 and repeated at Deuteronomy 5:6-21. However if one reads the Bible those commandments are never referred to as "The Ten Commandments" and according to Exodus they are not even on the stone tablets. They are just select commandments from a collection which Moses recited verbally to the people in Exodus." (end of excerpt)

It is interesting that they say, "...if one reads the Bible..." They even attribute the book of Deuteronomy as being written by someone other than Moses. These would be purposeful lies in order to confuse people and deny the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Israel.

First of all, let's see what we can figure out here. Is that which is enumerated here in Ex. 34:6-27 the true Ten Commandments, or what can we prove otherwise?

Exodus 34:1 is key to understanding the truth of the matter, "And Yahweh said unto Moses, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first: and I will write upon these tables the words that were in the first tables, which thou brakest." Do you get that? Yahweh said that He, personally, would write upon the tables that Moses hewed out!

But what about verse 27? "And Yahweh said unto Moses, Write thou these words: for after the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel." Yahweh said He, Himself, would write on the tables Moses hewed out as we have seen in verse 1. But He commanded Moses to write the words He spoke in verses 10-26.

What did Moses write them on? It certainly wasn't on the tables that he had hewn out. Yahweh was going to write the commandments on those. So what does verse 28 say? "And he was there with Yahweh forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. And he wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the ten commandments."

We certainly can become confused concerning who verse 28 is speaking about, but we must remember the reality of the situation. Moses was there with Yahweh for forty days and forty nights. Moses neither ate bread, nor drank water. But Who wrote upon the tables? Yahweh wrote on the tables!

Let's do a little more research. Let's take a look at some verses in Deuteronomy 4, "5Behold, I have taught you statutes and judgments, even as Yahweh my Elohim commanded me, that ye should do so in the land whither ye go to possess it. <sup>6</sup>Keep therefore and do them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the nations, which shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people. <sup>7</sup>For what nation is there so great, who hath Elohim so nigh unto them, as Yahweh our Elohim is in all things that we call upon him for? <sup>8</sup>And what nation is there so great, that hath statutes and judgments so righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day? 9Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach them thy sons, and thy sons' sons; <sup>10</sup>Specially the day that thou stoodest before Yahweh thy Elohim in Horeb, when Yahweh said unto me, Gather me the people together, and I will make them hear my words, that they may learn to fear me all the days that they shall live upon the earth, and that they may teach their children. 11 And ye came near and stood under the mountain; and the mountain burned with fire unto the midst of heaven, with darkness, clouds, and thick darkness. <sup>12</sup>And Yahweh spake unto you out of the midst of the fire: ye heard the voice of the words, but saw no similitude; only ye heard a voice. <sup>13</sup>And he declared unto you his covenant, which he commanded you to perform, even ten commandments; and

he wrote them upon two tables of stone," vv. 5-13.

What!? Didn't Moses just say that what was written on those original tables were The Ten Commandments that Yahweh had spoken, which are written in Exodus 1:1-17? Didn't He just call them The Ten Commandments!? Didn't the people on the website say that there is only one place that "The Ten Commandments" are mentioned?

But let's search a little deeper. "¹At that time Yahweh said unto me, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first, and come up unto me into the mount, and make thee an ark of wood. ²And I will write on the tables the words that were in the first tables which thou brakest, and thou shalt put them in the ark. ³And I made an ark of shittim wood, and hewed two tables of stone like unto the first, and went up into the mount, having the two tables in mine hand. ⁴And he wrote on the tables, according to the first writing, the ten commandments, which Yahweh spake unto you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly: and Yahweh gave them unto me. ⁵And I turned myself and came down from the mount, and put the tables in the ark which I had made; and there they be, as Yahweh commanded me," Dt. 10:1-5.

These Scriptures prove that Yahweh is the One Who wrote on both sets of tables, and that which was written was The Ten Commandments spoken in Exodus 20:1-17, and Deuteronomy 5:6-21.

The people who have posted on and support the website are steeped in atheism and Humanism. They admit that such is the case. They have sought to twist the Scriptures in order to cause confusion and doubt. Of course there are Scriptural discrepancies that they focus on, in order to discredit Yahweh and His word. It is interesting that the website's dedicated purpose is to strike out against Christianity and their faith in the Scriptures, however, they say nothing against Judaism who uses the same Old Testament Scriptures. They make other claims against there being a Creator, etc.

There are Scriptural discrepancies that have crept in by the hand of

man. Man, after all, is not perfect. While great care has been taken to keep the Scriptures mistake free, some discrepancies have crept in, but those discrepancies do not discredit Yahweh and His Creative powers, nor do they prove that there is no Elohim. The heavens, the earth, life, law, etc. absolutely prove without a doubt that there is a most wondrous, all powerful, omnipotent, intelligent Creator Elohim. You can choose to close your eyes and ears to the true facts. You can choose to disbelieve. However, the day is coming when all will be revealed and sadly, the disbelievers will be appointed their judgment.

### HAIRBRUSH STORY

I received the following from a sister in the faith sometime ago. Sadly, she is now deceased.

Hi Jerry,

Thank you for your call yesterday. We enjoy the phone visits with you.

This is the story my sister sent to me. She sees Messanics as just

people following rules.

I tried to explain to her that when one is immersed into Yahshua the Torah is implanted in the heart along with the Holy Spirit and we obey because we love Him and want to please Him plus we receive the forgivness of our sins and are adopted into Israel.

I do not know how to respond to these gooy "Jesus" stories.

Any ideas?

Thanks Jerry

### HAIRBRUSH EXPERIENCE OF BETH M.... AT THE AIRPORT

For those of you who do not know Beth M...., she is an outstanding Bible teacher, writer of Bible studies, and is a married mother of two daughters.

This is one of her experiences:

April 20, 2005, at the Airport in Knoxville, waiting to board the plane, I had the Bible on my lap and was very intent upon what I was doing. I'd had a marvelous morning with the Lord. I say this because I want to tell you it is a scary thing to have the Spirit of God really working in you.

You could end up doing some things you never would have done otherwise. Life in the Spirit can be dangerous for a thousand reasons not the least of which is your ego.

I tried to keep from staring, but he was such a strange sight. Humped over in a wheelchair, he was skin and bones, dressed in clothes that obviously fit when he was at least twenty pounds heavier. His

knees protruded from his trousers, and his shoulders looked like the coat hanger was still in his shirt. His hands looked like tangled masses of veins and bones.

The strangest part of him was his hair and nails. Stringy, gray hair hung well over his shoulders and down part of his back. His fingernails were long, clean but strangely out of place on an old man.

I looked down at my Bible as fast as I could, discomfort burning my face. As I tried to imagine what his story might have been, I found myself wondering if I'd just had a Howard Hughes sighting. Then, I remembered that he was dead. So this man in the airport...an impersonator maybe? Was a camera on us somewhere? There I sat; trying to concentrate on the Word to keep from being concerned about a thin slice of humanity served up on a wheelchair only a few seats from me. All the while, my heart was growing more and more overwhelmed with a feeling for him.

Let's admit it. Curiosity is a heap more comfortable than true concern, and suddenly I was awash with aching emotion for this bizarre-looking old man.

I had walked with God long enough to see the handwriting on the wall. I've learned that when I begin to feel what God feels, something so contrary to my natural feelings, something dramatic is bound to happen. And it may be embarrassing.

I immediately began to resist because I could feel God working on my spirit and I started arguing with God in my mind. 'Oh, no, God, please, no.' I looked up at the ceiling as if I could stare straight through it into heaven and said, 'Don't make me witness to this man. Not right here and now. Please. I'll do anything. Put me on the same plane, but don't make me get up here and witness to this man in front of this gawking audience. Please, Lord!'

There I sat in the blue vinyl chair begging His Highness, 'Please don't make me witness to this man. Not now.

I'll do it on the plane.' Then I heard it....'I don't want you to witness to him. I want you to brush his hair.'

The words were so clear, my heart leaped into my throat, and my thoughts spun like a top. Do I witness to the man or brush his hair? No-brainier.

I looked straight back up at the ceiling and said, 'God, as I live and breathe, I want you to know I am ready to witness to this man. I'm on this Lord. I'm your girl! You've never seen a woman witness to a man faster in your life. What difference does it make if his hair is a mess if he is not redeemed? I am going to witness to this man.'

Again as clearly as I've ever heard an audible word, God seemed to write this statement across the wall of my mind. 'That is not what I said, Beth. I don't want you to witness to him. I want you to go brush

his hair.'

I looked up at God and quipped, 'I don't have a hairbrush. It's in my suitcase on the plane. How am I supposed to brush his hair without a hairbrush?' God was so insistent that I almost involuntarily began to walk toward him as these thoughts came to me from God's word: 'I will thoroughly furnish you unto all good works.' (2 Timothy 3:17)

I stumbled over to the wheelchair thinking I could use one myself. Even as I retell this story, my pulse quickens and I feel those same butterflies. I knelt down in front of the man and asked as demurely as possible, 'Sir, may I have the pleasure of brushing your hair?'

He looked back at me and said, 'What did you say?'

'May I have the pleasure of brushing your hair?'

To which he responded in volume ten, 'Little lady, if you expect me to hear you, you're going to have to talk louder than that.'

At this point, I took a deep breath and blurted out, 'SIR, MAY I HAVE THE PLEASURE OF BRUSHING YOUR HAIR?' At which point every eye in the place darted right at me. I was the only thing in the room looking more peculiar than old Mr. Long Locks. Face crimson and forehead breaking out in a sweat, I watched him look up at me with absolute shock on his face, and say, 'If you really want to.'

Are you kidding? Of course I didn't want to. But God didn't seem interested in my personal preference right about then. He pressed on my heart until I could utter the words, 'Yes, sir, I would be pleased. But I have one little problem. I don't have a hairbrush.'

'I have one in my bag,' he responded.

I went around to the back of that wheelchair, and I got on my hands and knees and unzipped the stranger's old carry-on, hardly believing what I was doing. I stood up and started brushing the old man's hair. It was perfectly clean, but it was tangled and matted. I don't do many things well, but must admit I've had notable experience untangling knotted hair mothering two little girls. Like I'd done with either Amanda or Melissa in such a condition, I began brushing at the very bottom of the strands, remembering to take my time not to pull. A miraculous thing happened to me as I started brushing that old man's hair. Everybody else in the room disappeared. There was no one alive for those moments except that old man and me. I brushed and I brushed and I brushed until every tangle was out of that hair. I know this sounds so strange, but I've never felt that kind of love for another soul in my entire life. I believe with all my heart, I - for that few minutes - felt a portion of the very love of God. That He had overtaken my heart for a little while like someone renting a room and making Himself at home for a short while. The emotions were so strong and so pure that I knew they had to be God's. His hair was finally as soft and smooth as an infant's.

I slipped the brush back in the bag and went around the chair to face him. I got back down on my knees, put my hands on his knee and

said, 'Sir, do you know my Jesus?'

He said, 'Yes, I do.'

Well, that figures, I thought.

He explained, 'I've known Him since I married my bride. She wouldn't marry me until I got to know the Savior.' He said, 'You see, the problem is, I haven't seen my bride in months. I've had open-heart surgery, and she's been too ill to come see me. I was sitting here thinking to myself, what a mess I must be for my bride.'

Only God knows how often He allows us to be part of a divine moment when we're completely unaware of the significance. This, on the other hand, was one of those rare encounters when I knew God had intervened in details only He could have known. It was a God moment, and I'll never forget it.

Our time came to board, and we were not on the same plane. I was deeply ashamed of how I'd acted earlier and would have been so proud to have accompanied him on that aircraft.

I still had a few minutes, and as I gathered my things to board, the airline hostess returned from the corridor, tears streaming down her cheeks. She said, 'That old man's sitting on the plane, sobbing. Why did you do that? What made you do that?'

I said, 'Do you know Jesus? He can be the bossiest thing!' And we got to share.

I learned something about God that day. He knows if you're exhausted, you're hungry, you're serving in the wrong place or it is time to move on but you feel too responsible to budge. He knows if you're hurting or feeling rejected. He knows if you're sick or drowning under a wave of temptation. Or He knows if you just need your hair brushed. He sees you as an individual. Tell Him your need!

I got on my own flight, sobs choking my throat, wondering how many opportunities just like that one had I missed along the way ... all because I didn't want people to think I was strange. God didn't send me to that old man. He sent that old man to me.

John 1:14 'The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.'

Life shouldn't be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty and well-preserved body, but rather, to skid in broadside, thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and loudly shouting, 'Wow! What a ride! Thank You, Lord!'

Please share this wonderful story.

If your eye is good, your whole body will be full of light...... Mt. 6:22

By God's grace I am what I am..... 1 Corinthians 15:10

'Life isn't about how to survive the storm, but how to dance in the rain!' (end of story)

Shalom Ellen,

I read this story last night and had to sleep on it. I even woke up during the night thinking of this story. But first of all, the problem with your sister declaring Messianics as just people following rules is quite interesting. Doesn't the whole creation exist according to rules (laws)? The only way that scientists can figure out how anything works is by discovering laws that govern the creation. Then they can not only utilize those laws to understand the creation a little more, but also invent and build things that we have available to us today because they do understand those laws. In order to make a plane fly, you need to know the laws of physics and aerodynamics. In order to make all of the materials that the plane consists of we need to know the laws of chemistry, etc. Man, himself, understands that we need rules to live by. Our own government is made up of a House and Senate called lawmakers. The administrative branch is the President, and the ajudication of the laws is done by the Judicial branch. Both Beth and the man in the wheelchair got to the airport, but in doing so, weren't there rules to obey? For example, traffic laws (rules). Those are manmade, of course.

We can't live, move, breathe, walk, eat, process, etc., without laws that govern everything that we do. There are health laws, laws of economics, and on and on they go.

But the Jesus that Christianity follows, looks so wonderful and loving to his followers, because he appears to love them so much that he took them out from under laws and rules. This brings to mind Mat. 7:21-23, "Not everyone that saith unto me, Master, Master, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Master, Master, have we not prophesied in thy name? And in thy name have cast out devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity." NOTE: Iniquity is translated from the Greek word anomia, which is defined as; illegality, i.e. violation of law or (genitive case) wickedness. It comes from another Greek word "anomos", which is defined as; lawless, i.e. (negatively) not subject to (the Jewish) law; (by implication, a Gentile), or (positively) wicked

Most of man's laws are given to govern our conduct so that we have a well ordered society, a society that actually practices love toward neighbor. But are there no spiritual laws? Paul, in speaking of the commandments, says that they are spiritual while he was carnal. The spiritual commandments teach us how to love our Creator first, and our neighbor second.

Yahshua (the One they want to erroneously call Jesus) said, "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled. Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven," Mt. 5:17-20.

We know about the Pharisees. They were very strict concerning the law. I know that the only way my righteousness can exceed theirs is through Yahshua the Messiah, but He doesn't give me or anyone else permission to flagrantly violate the commandments. If we do, we are trampling His sacrifice underfoot.

This brings me to the incident with Beth and the man in the wheelchair. Her act was an act of kindness, compassion, and love (toward neighbor). I would have to ask why, if she was in the spirit, that she only compelled herself to seek to witness to him about her Jesus. Wasn't the airport full of people? If she was going to make a fool of herself by witnessing to him, why not to everyone. Why did she only want to focus on this one man? Did she just love him and no one else around her?

My next question is this; I wonder how she would react to real truth? If one told her that the true name of the Savior is Yahshua, not Jesus, what would her reaction be? You see, the Holy Spirit is also the Spirit of Truth. The Holy Spirit loves the truth. Yahweh wants us to worship Him in Spirit and in truth. Would she be willing to change "the Lord" to Yahweh? Would she be willing to change "God" to El, or Elohim? Would she be willing to forsake the day of the sun god (Sunday) and embrace the seventh day Sabbath? Would she be willing to embrace the holy days rather than the pagan holiday system that the world is so fond of? Would she be willing to embrace the ten commandments and put them into effect in her life, because they are the basic foundation of Yahweh's teachings of love. They teach us how to love our Creator Yahweh, and how to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Paul, in 2 Thessalonians says that those who love not the truth will be damned (judged).

There are plenty of Scriptures available to us that contain both the Old and New Testaments. There are myriads of different versions. But the problem is that they have been tampered with and are being utilized to lead the world into a blinded state or condition. Christianity has been blinded to the truth. They don't even understand what the New Testament (Covenant) is all about. They deny the law that is supposed to be written

in our hearts. (Jer. 31:31-34; Heb. 8:6-13)

I do hope this helps. Jerry

### Pork ~ Indigestible! ~ Designed for Another Purpose!



I got this article from Karl Fountain's facebook page. I thought it was well put together for those looking for more ammo to maybe give to a friend on why we should be avoiding this animal. I myself am a former pork eater as probably many of you are. I'm still trying to detox my body of all those years of eating this disgusting animal.

In Australia we have a saying: "If it moves, shoot it!" Most of us cannot agree with such a moronic sentiment. But we all seem to have the attitude, "If it can be cooked, eat it!"

Listen! Not all food on the hoof was originally created to be eaten by man. Leaving the testimony of Scripture aside momentarily there is scientific evidence to back up ancient claims about the starlet of the hit film "Babe"!

The pig, we have come to realize, is an efficient producer of flesh. In fact, it is due to its unique digestive system that the pig can gain massive

weight so rapidly. Unlike the cow (whose digestive system allows it to turn grass and grain into flesh over a period of 24 hours) the pig takes only about 3 hours to do the same job — not with grain and grass — but in its consumption of muck, garbage and poison. If you know anything about cattle and sheep you will realize that for all practical purposes they have three stomachs. Pigs, which have a single stomach, are ready to be butchered in 3 to 6 months while calves take upwards of 18 months to become ready for market.

Scientific authorities who have tested meat have found that lamb is more digestible than beef. Fried pork chops, ham and bacon are the slowest of all meats to digest. These facts are determined by the rate at which meat passes from the stomach. Pig meat also contains excessive quantities of amounts of histamine and imidazole compounds which result in skin inflammation and itching, sulphur containing mesenchymal mucous **which leads to rheumatism and arthritis** with swelling in both tendon and cartilage. Gallstones and obesity can result from the pig's high cholesterol and saturated fat content.

#### **PIG FAT**

The circulation of blood in the pig is sluggish. The pig also carries a large layer of pure fat. In some pigs it has been examined and found to be at least 6 inches thick! This layer of fat is laced with toxins. Yet, we deem it a delicacy. This layer of fat can even protect the scavenger pig from snake bites. The pig is not immune from the poison injected by even a red-bellied black snake, as one farmer we know on the local scene has verified. But the poison takes so long to penetrate the bloodstream, because of the fat layer, that it is actually rendered harmless by the time it is finally absorbed. "It is more difficult to bleed a hog than any other domestic animal" (Meat and Meat Products, 69).

The pig was designed and created to be a scavenger. It was made to clean the farmyard of rotting filth, slops and refuse. The pig literally feeds on garbage! It has come to us with a very special sewerage system through which it is able to properly eliminate excess toxic waste.

### The pig is a veritable walking garbage disposal unit.

Through two small openings or abrasions on each foreleg the pig pours forth a pus-like syrup of waste matter and toxins. These openings are located just above the hoof. Again, this area happens to be the center of the most delicate of tastes for those who do not know any better. It's been called "the original pork gravy"! YUCK!

This animal carries a concentrated volume of disease and untreated infection around with it and we help ourselves — each time we sit down to a meal of pig, or to suck and slurp out this polluted, offensive, dirty swill from its pickled feet — to a steady, delicious and delectable diet of its accumulated filth. And we don't stop there, do we? We turn the pigs head into head cheese, use its blood for black pudding, its intestines for sausage covers, its heart, kidneys, liver and lungs find their way into pork

pies, we pickle its feet, turn its fat into lard for cooking and baking biscuits, its stomach into tripe, and turn the rest of its body into a variety of succulent tastes for every occasion from pork, to baked spare ribs, to ham, to bacon.

Then we use its bristles for toothbrushes, tooth picks and wax ends, and inject ourselves with insulin for diabetes!

### And we wonder WHY we get sick!

Butchers talk about "curing" pigs before they give select cuts the pride of place in their shop windows. And, of course, the old argument surfaces at this juncture: "What about Australian pig farming conditions? Are we not more advanced in the 'science' of pig-culture? We take care of the pig's diet for it! They get fed with a special diet of hormones and rich grains, not just slops and recycled garbage! Surely this makes a huge difference?"

No, actually, it doesn't! Feeding a pig a steady diet of clean, mixed grain does not change its basic physiological or internal chemical laboratory. Feeding a pig a certain amount of grain, or keeping it in ultra clean conditions, cannot change the fact — and the pig farmers know it — that the pig is a natural flesh eater, that the pig is a natural scavenger, and more importantly, that the pig is a natural reservoir of accumulated fat-poison — and that the pig is not only enormously difficult to digest but it's very FLESH is toxic and must be "cured."

The pig has a digestive system very different from other animals! And, as has been recently discovered, pigs contain viruses built into their genes. One report stated: "Genes from an animal virus could mingle with those of a human virus in an organ recipient, creating a hybrid virus with unpredictable behavior. Keeping animals isolated from infection may not be enough. Some viruses scientists are concerned about aren't caught: they're inherited. They're just part of being a pig... that's because, eons ago, these viruses infected the ancestors of modern pigs and planted their DNA in sperm and egg cells. As a result, the virus genes mingled with the pig genes and are now passed on through the generations" (Los Angeles Times, 15/6/97).

It must be admitted that cooking or "curing" pork thoroughly can, of course, destroy bacteria. What health authorities fail to mention, however, is the fact that in pig products other forms of bacteria actually thrive on excessive temperatures! A current U.S. Department of Agriculture booklet stated that "In a series of 24 cases of trichinosis reported recently, 22...resulted from 'cooked pork.'" It was also reported in another case that 40% of a swine's flesh had been tested for trichinae and was subsequently found to be infested but after the removal of cysts (eggs) the remainder was approved and sold to the public, even though the inside of the carcass was not inspected.

Another horror story doing the rounds in a medical volume tells of a mortician who was questioned about a particular autopsy. He had discovered

her head was full of worms. When asked if he had written that fact down on the death certificate he laughed. "Would you want to be told that your dearly departed had her head full of worms?" he retorted. Instead he stayed within the rules of an autopsy and noted cause of death as a "heart infarction" as the trichinae had infested the heart muscle of the deceased.

Not only so, but Yahweh gave instructions for mankind not to even touch the carcass of a swine (Lev 11.8). All abattoirs agree with this assessment for standard instruction for slaughter procedures insist that operators are not allowed to kill other animals after pigs have been slaughtered. The abattoir must first be scrubbed and all floors and freezers used for pig carcasses disinfected! The abattoir must stand idle for 48 hours.

COMMENTS FROM JERRY HEALAN: I remember years ago, Brother Howard Williams (deceased) advised that when on the farm, if something (bearings, etc.) needed grease and grease was in short supply, they would utilize pig lard, which has a very high melting temperature, and worked just as efficiently as commercial grease.

In reality, all fats begin to be rendered at 130° - 140°. This is one of the reasons why Yahweh commanded His people to "Eat no manner of fat," (Lev. 7:23). Once pig fat is in our bodies, it is next to impossible to burn it out even with a high fever.

### HE BLOODIED MY NOSE!

Then walked away saying, "Now TELL AGAIN!"

This occurred over 50 years ago, but it's seared in my memory as if it was yesterday! My pen name is Mickeal and I authored <u>A Broken Promise</u>. My book chronicles how I was forced into and 34 years later escaped same sex attraction (SSA) lifestyle. "My hope is that by telling my story, those seeking to <u>leave the SSA life</u> will see a clear path out;" as I've been free 20 years here in prison.

My SSA life began at age 7 when my 9 year old brother raped me. He opened a door that should never be opened to one so young. I told on him but was <u>not</u> believed, called a liar and was spanked. Later I was beaten and molested. While my nose bled I was told, "Now

never tell again." The following 3 years family members, and others (men, women, boys, and girls) used me for sex. A naïve frightened boy was transformed into others' sex toy, trapped in a sex-crazed world. Since I couldn't stop the abuse on me, I chose to become an active 10 year old homosexual. For 34 years I did what I learned as a child. I stopped only when I was arrested in 1994 and sentenced to 400 years.

In prison, I went to the chapel, fell on my knees and cried out to Yahweh. He saved me, took control of my heart and mind then said, "I can NOW use you to help those who <u>want to leave</u> the SSA life." These 20 years, Yah has guided me to assist man globally through my book <u>A Broken Promise</u> and Its three updates, to leave SSA.

Elohim's guidance came through a doctor who challenged me to... "speak for those unable to speak for themselves." In 1997 I wrote You Promised. The ministry that published and distributed the book worldwide began to receive many international recovery stories. We included more new stories that the previous update received and placed in the next, 2003, 2013, and soon 2016 update: it recounts how I witnessed to a Muslim Imam, and later a seasoned follower lead him to Yahshua; this Imam is now sharing Yahshua with other Muslims. Also this edition tells how I helped 2 inmates leave the SSA life; 6 eyewitnesses attest to the change. All these and other anecdotes are in A Broken Promise, Free to inmates; others can Preorder it @ \$11.00 (I receive No Profit or money from all my writings), (the full price is \$16.99 ea.)

Parents, there's an extensive "Parent's Section" to assist you with children suffering gender identity and /or sexual abuse issues: Had my parents taken the action outlined in this section, they might have prevented me from damaging so many lives. Now I pray that whoever dealing with SSA issues will read this section!

Both inmates mentioned above followed the guidelines in this section and <u>escaped SSA</u>. Hopefully many more will also become Free like those throughout this book published by Hope for Wholeness.

Parents, we are here for you! Please call Hope for Wholeness: 864-583-7606. Tell us why you're calling and what you need. Send book Pre-orders of \$11.00, inmates one free each: to Hope for Whole-

ness, P. O. Box 5781, Spartanburg, SC 29304. To read Mickeal's true life story: hopeforwholeness.org, read Newsletter May 2012, or search for my name. Know...I have never received a cent from my writings.

In *Our Daily Bread*, Sept. 9, 2015, by Laurence Darmani "Through His strength we live a Victorious life exchanging our self-ishness, for His Love and Kindness and proclaiming the goodness of His Salvation."

### LUNAR SABBATH CYCLE

Dear Bro. Healan,

I do so very much hope this letter finds you and those you hold dear in the best of health.

I write to you today concerning a very important issue that should be addressed in the Witness Magazine or the Newsletter - Are we observing Yahweh's Sabbaths or man's when we do so every Friday evening to Saturday evening under Pope Gregory's calendar?

All believers of the Sacred Names observes the Scripturally commanded Sabbaths from sundown Friday to sundown the following day. But take a look at a calendar of any Sacred Names Sabbath observing groups and you will see, as an example, that in 2013 Passover, and Days of Unleavened Bread will occur March 26th to April 2nd. The Holy Days commanded by Yahweh are always determined according to counting of days following a full moon. The beginning of all Scriptural months is on a full moon. You are undoubtedly aware that a representative of the Assemblies of Yahweh of Bethel, Pennsylvania, travels to Israel near the beginning of a Scriptural New Year so he can observe the "green ears" of grain so that the Scriptural calendar is accurately set for the beginning of a new year.

All Sacred Name and Sabbatarian assemblies exhort and proclaim the importance of setting the Scriptural dates for the Holy Days according to the full moons as Yahweh commands. Thus, Yahweh's Holy Days do not fall on the same dates year-to-year.

That said, it is my belief that we are in grievous error by observing

Sabbaths from Friday sundown to Saturday sundown. What is more, Scriptural weeks do not always have seven days! Each Biblical month begins on a full moon with the first day of the month also being the first day of the first week of the month. Quite often, when a new month begins, the last week of the preceding month had less than seven days. A study and harmonizing of Scripture leads to a correct conclusion that the observances of Sabbaths as beginning on each and every Friday at Sundown is NOT following Yahweh's command that we are to observe HIS Sabbaths. Observing Sabbaths as is now the practice, by following the Gregorian calendar that was instituted by Pope Gregory, results in observing Sabbath dates set by man rather than that established under Yahweh's lunar calendar. Doing so is the same as was changing the Sabbath from Saturday to Sunday. I have enclosed some material and a scripturally sound calendar for you to consider.

I will keep you and yours in my prayers asking that you be blessed ten-fold for the work you do.

Your brother in Yehshua, GS.

### ANSWER:

Dear GS,

Brother, I do hope that you can listen to and learn from true Scriptural reasoning, and are not yet closed minded concerning this Lunar Sabbath Confusion. Yes! I said CONFUSION!!!!!! Because that is exactly what it is!!!!!!

In the first place, whether any of us like the Gregorian Calendar or not, it is the only calendar system that we have available to us in to-day's world to even begin to know where we are in the history of things. Whether any of us like it or not, we currently must tie Yahweh's annual calendar to the Gregorian calendar. But Yahweh's calendar never changes. There is always the first month of the year with the Passover day occurring on the 14th day of that month, with the seven days of Unleavened Bread taking place on the 15th - 21st of that first month. There is always the Feast of Pentecost which we

count and observe the same way. The seventh month of Yahweh's calendar always takes place the same time every year, as far as His calendar is concerned, but none of Yahweh's dates take place on the same Gregorian dates from year to year. In other words, even if we do tie Yahweh's Sabbaths, and annual holy days in with the Gregorian calendar, Gregory's calendar really has no control over Yahweh's calendar nor His observances.

Now, I know that you have listened to the reasoning of another man. I know that you didn't determine these things for yourself. However, with any sense of reasoning at all, all one has to do is look at the Lunar Sabbath people's articles, and calendars, compare them with the Scriptures, and their arguments fall apart. People who fall for their fallacious teachings simply haven't been trained, or trained themselves to think. But then, there is the concept of the shepherd and the sheep. People are sheep and they follow the shepherds. The real Shepherd we should all be following is Yahshua.

Anyway, you made a statement that Scriptural weeks do not always have seven days. Sadly, you made the statement without giving any proof. I would love to see the place where a week (which is defined to be a seven day period) is not seven days. Could you please produce that for me? I do have some of the best computer Bible programs available. I searched your statement out with my Bible programs, and just couldn't find any place in the Scriptures that would support your statement.

Actually, the Hebrew word for week is shavuwa (שבלש), which comes from the Hebrew word sheva (שבש), which, by the way, is the word for the number seven (7). Also, there is the word shava (שבש), which means "to swear" by sevening oneself. So, in accordance with Yahweh's own language, it is IMPOSSIBLE for a week to be anything less than seven days! The proper Scriptural week, of course, is the one that begins with day one (echad) and ends with the seventh day Sabbath. Compare Shabbat (תשבש) with seven (שבש). There is not much difference between the two words. Actually, the Hebrew word for rest (shabbat/תשבש) comes from the Hebrew word seven (שבש)

Genesis chapter two states, "And on the seventh day Elohim ended His work which He had made; and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had made," 2:2. Here is how the Hebrew looks:

ויכל אלהים ביום <u>השביעי</u> מלאכתו אשר עשה <u>וישבת</u> ביום <u>השביעי</u> מכל-מלאכתו אשר עשה

I have underlined three words in this verse. The two that are identical would be the Hebrew words that are translated as "the seventh," while the third set (appearing between the two words for "the seventh") is the Hebrew word that has been translated into the English as "rested." But notice carefully that the word, in reality, is Sabbath (חבש")! Yahweh rested, He Sabbathed on the seventh day!

#### THE SABBATH COMMAND

Yahweh commanded, "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of Yahweh thy Elohim: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days Yahweh made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore Yahweh blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it," Ex. 20:8-11.

Carefully viewing this commandment, we should come to the reality that Yahweh's requirement is: work six days, rest (sabbath) on the seventh day.

Again, He commanded, "And Yahweh spake unto Moses, saying, Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep: for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that ye may know that I am Yahweh that doth sanctify you. Ye shall keep the sabbath therefore; for it is holy unto you: every one that defileth it shall surely be put to death: for whosoever doeth any work therein, that soul shall be cut off from among his people. Six days may work be done; but in the seventh is the sab-

bath of rest, holy to Yahweh: whosoever doeth any work in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death. Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the sabbath, to observe the sabbath throughout their generations, for a perpetual covenant. It is a sign between me and the children of Israel for ever: for in six days Yahweh made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed," Ex. 31:12-17.

Hmmmm..... Do you think that Yahweh looked forward into the future and knew that someone would come up with the ridiculous idea that the lunar cycles would control the Sabbath cycles, thereby taking people out of the true Sabbath cycle? Again, He states in these verses that there must be six days of work before the seventh day Sabbath is to be observed. He established the seventh day Sabbath pattern after the pattern that He established in the first two chapters of Genesis. Any deviation from this is error, and sin!

Let's see how many more times Yahweh repeats the pattern for us:

"Six days thou shalt do thy work, and on the seventh day thou shalt rest: that thine ox and thine ass may rest, and the son of thy handmaid, and the stranger, may be refreshed," Ex. 23:12.

"Six days thou shalt work, but on the seventh day thou shalt rest: in earing time and in harvest thou shalt rest," Ex. 34:21.

"And Yahweh spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, Concerning the feasts of Yahweh, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, even these are my feasts. Six days shall work be done: but the seventh day is the sabbath of rest, an holy convocation; ye shall do no work therein: it is the sabbath of Yahweh in all your dwellings," Lev. 23:1-3.

"Keep the sabbath day to sanctify it, as Yahweh thy Elohim hath commanded thee. Six days thou shalt labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of Yahweh thy Elohim: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thine ox, nor thine ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; that thy

manservant and thy maidservant may rest as well as thou," Dt. 5:12-14.

Brother, these Scriptures are so very clear to me. They tell me that the first six days of the week are work days, but the seventh day is the day of rest. You know that the Lunar Sabbath calendar doesn't fit Yahweh's commanded Sabbath cycle because you had to promote the idea that a week isn't always seven days. I have already proven from the Hebrew and from Yahweh's commands that your statement is a falsehood.

### THE MANNA

Yahweh brought the Sabbath pattern to Israel's attention through the manna (bread from heaven) that He gave to Israel, "And they took their journey from Elim, and all the congregation of the children of Israel came unto the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after their departing out of the land of Egypt. And the whole congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness: And the children of Israel said unto them, Would to Elohim we had died by the hand of Yahweh in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the flesh pots, and when we did eat bread to the full; for ye have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger. Then said Yahweh unto Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a certain rate every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in my law, or no. And it shall come to pass, that on the sixth day they shall prepare that which they bring in; and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily. And Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel, At even, then ye shall know that Yahweh hath brought you out from the land of Egypt: And in the morning, then ye shall see the glory of Yahweh; for that he heareth your murmurings against Yahweh: and what are we, that ye murmur against us? And Moses said, This shall be, when Yahweh shall give you in the evening flesh to eat, and in the morning bread to the full; for that Yahweh heareth your murmurings which ye murmur against him: and what are we? your murmurings are not against us, but

against Yawheh. And Moses spake unto Aaron, Say unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, Come near before Yahweh: for he hath heard your murmurings. And it came to pass, as Aaron spake unto the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and, behold, the glory of Yahweh appeared in the cloud. And Yahweh spake unto Moses, saying, I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel: speak unto them, saying, At even ye shall eat flesh, and in the morning ye shall be filled with bread; and ye shall know that I am Yawheh your Elohim. And it came to pass, that at even the quails came up, and covered the camp: and in the morning the dew lay round about the host. And when the dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face of the wilderness there lay a small round thing, as small as the hoar frost on the ground. And when the children of Israel saw it, they said one to another, It is manna: for they wist not what it was. And Moses said unto them, This is the bread which Yahweh hath given you to eat. This is the thing which Yahweh hath commanded, Gather of it every man according to his eating, an omer for every man, according to the number of your persons; take ye every man for them which are in his tents. And the children of Israel did so, and gathered, some more, some less. And when they did mete it with an omer, he that gathered much had nothing over, and he that gathered little had no lack; they gathered every man according to his eating. And Moses said, Let no man leave of it till the morning. Notwithstanding they hearkened not unto Moses; but some of them left of it until the morning, and it bred worms, and stank: and Moses was wroth with them. And they gathered it every morning, every man according to his eating: and when the sun waxed hot, it melted. And it came to pass, that on the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread, two omers for one man: and all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses. And he said unto them, This is that which Yahweh hath said, To morrow is the rest of the holy sabbath unto Yawheh: bake that which ye will bake to day, and seethe that ye will seethe; and that which remaineth over lay up for you to be kept until the morning. And they laid it up till the morning, as Moses bade: and it did not stink, neither was there any worm therein. And Moses said, Eat

that to day; for to day is a sabbath unto Yahweh: to day ye shall not find it in the field. Six days ye shall gather it; but on the seventh day, which is the sabbath, in it there shall be none. And it came to pass, that there went out some of the people on the seventh day for to gather, and they found none. And Yahweh said unto Moses, How long refuse ye to keep my commandments and my laws? See, for that Yahweh hath given you the sabbath, therefore he giveth you on the sixth day the bread of two days; abide ye every man in his place, let no man go out of his place on the seventh day. So the people rested on the seventh day," Ex. 16:1-30.

Isn't this the same pattern that we found in the other Scriptures above? The children of Israel had this pattern ingrained in them because this is the pattern that they followed for 40 years, that is, gather manna for six days, gather twice as much on the sixth day, prepare for two days on the sixth day, rest on the seventh day Sabbath. There is no room for a Lunar Sabbath cycle in the commands above, nor in the account of the manna.

#### THE MOON'S APPEARANCE AND CYCLE

When we get right down to it, the first week, called creation week, began without the sun or the moon having anything to do with that weekly cycle. The moon didn't appear until the fourth day of the week (with the sun, of course). So, from the beginning, the moon had nothing at all to do with the weekly Sabbath cycle. The Sabbath cycle was begun on its own, and in accordance with the commands of Yahweh it continues on its own today.

As we know, the moon goes through cycle after cycle. The lunar cycle is a 29-1/2 day cycle. There is the conjunction, the visible new crescent moon, the first quarter, full moon, last quarter, and finally back to conjunction. There is the period of waxing from the new moon to full moon, and then the period of waning. The sun's daily cycle is much the same. It begins with just a few visible rays on the horizon, waxes stronger and stronger until it reaches its apex, its zenith at high noon, then it begins to wane until it finally finishes

with a few weak rays before the night and darkness comes on.

I see that you declare the full moon to be the new moon, do you begin and end your day with high noon?

Your Lunar Sabbath cycle reveals more chaos and confusion has arrived. Some people utilize the conjunction as the new moon. Others, like ourselves, utilize the first visible crescent. Still others utilize the full moon as new moon. You are the first of the Lunar Sabbath cycle that I know of who utilize the full moon as the new moon.

Some Lunar Sabbath cycle observers utilize new moon day as the first day of their calendar, while others, like you, begin to count from the second day of the new moon, which means that the first day of the Lunar Sabbath cycle is a Sabbath as the calendar that you sent to us below indicates.

I have already shown you from Scripture that the Sabbath cycle requires six previous work days. It is impossible to begin a Sabbath cycle with a Sabbath. It is impossible to have a Sabbath without six prior working days. So your friend who constructed this calendar has spent all of his time in vain. He is also causing you to begin to chase after vanity with this ridiculous pipedream.

Yahweh established the Sabbath cycle in the beginning before He began to establish the lunar cycle. The seven day Sabbath cycle is a cycle all of its own. It originated with Yahweh and can't be broken no matter what others seek to do. The Sabbath cycle is so powerfully established that even the Caesars, and Pope Gregory couldn't destroy it. They had to work around it and declare Sunday to be the Sabbath rather than the seventh day Sabbath that Yahweh established, but the Sabbath cycle is still there on their calendar declaring its place of authority to those who will heed Yahweh's commandments, honor Him, repent and embrace it.

It is interesting that the Lunar Sabbath cycle is only being heralded to Sabbatarians, especially Sacred Name believers. Some have fallen for its LUNACY. What the Lunar Sabbath cycle does is the same thing that the Caesars and Popes wanted to do, take those who had em-

braced the true Sabbath out of its observance. You, and all of the Lunar Sabbath cycle people have been removed from true Sabbath observance and worship.

#### THE LUNAR CALENDAR

Take a look at the Lunar calendar below and see the confusion! The first month, Nisan, begins with a Sabbath, which is impossible according to Yahweh's word. The 30th day of Nisan is the first day of the week, and the second month, Iyyar, begins with a seventh day Sabbath. You can't go automatically from the first day of a week to a seventh day. It is impossible according to Yahweh's word. Iyyar ends with a seventh day Sabbath and the next month, Sivan, immediately begins with another seventh day Sabbath. Yahweh's own example and commands absolutely destroy this calendar before it gets off of the ground. Why would you embrace and desire to follow such tripe?

Yahweh gave Israel manna to eat. For forty years they followed the same cycle by gathering the manna for six days. On the sixth day there was twice as much so that they could prepare the food for two days and rest (sabbath) on the Sabbath. The gathering of the manna destroys the fallacious calendar below!

According to the calendar below, the people would gather twice as much on the 28th of Nisan so they could rest on the 29th. Then they would have to have gone out and gathered another double amount on the 30th of Nisan so they could rest on the so called Sabbath of Iyyar. On the 28th of Iyyar, they would have to have gathered a triple amount on the 28th day of the month so they could rest on the Sabbath of the 29th and then on the first day of the moon, the Sabbath of Sivan, because there are double Sabbaths back to back. IT NEVER HAPPENED!!!!!

Here is my challenge! Show me in Yahweh's word that this took place in the manner that I just stated. I am the type of person that if you can prove it to me from Yahweh's word I will change, embrace it, learn it and teach it against all odds and obstacles. But, as the saying goes, "Houston, we have a problem," you will never find such in

the Scriptures. What you will find is the cycle as I have presented from Yahweh's word, the true week which is a week wherein there are six common days for labor, work to be done, but the seventh day is Yahweh's Sabbath day.

I warn you Lunar Sabbath cycle people that you need to REPENT! Turn from this lunacy and get back to the true seven day cycle that Yahweh established at the beginning. The moon does not, cannot determine the seven day Sabbath cycle of Yahweh. There is no harmony between the seven day Sabbath cycle, and the Lunar Sabbath cycle. I declare this, not because of any authority that I have, but by the authority that Yahweh reveals in His own word.

Jerry Healan

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## **ON VOTING**

As you know, we ran the article entitled "Should We Vote?" in the April-June issue of Yahshua's Witness Magazine. A brother, Michael Hutchinson, did his own quick study and sent it in to us. Here is the edited portion of his findings.

Hebrew words found in Strong's Exaustive Concordance #1465-1472 all come from the same root word as: goy (גוי) = Gentiles, heathen, nations, peoples.

They mean arrogance, prideful, resentful, morally corrupt (rebellious behavior).

The prefix sounds like our word "gay" which, incidentally, has been told to society as being synonymous with happiness. However, further study shows that you can combine it with happiness to show what kind of happiness it is. Some other definitions show that it is a word meaning "addicted to pleasure" and "impetuous" (acting without thinking). Male or female whore; loose and immoral behavior/life and is recorded as used by homosexuals about themselves/amongst themselves before the 1920's. Also means a rake, a lewd man; rakish: characteristic of, to live a life of (basically licentiousness). (Taken from Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible; Funk and Wagnall's College Dictionary; Dictionary of Euphemisms and Other double talk by Hugh Rawson 1981; Origins: A Short Etymological Dictionary of Modern English by Eric Partridge published 1958 by the MacMillian Co.)

Note: I didn't take every single definition that these publications offered, but the ones pertaining to the point (s) which I will endeavor to make.

A question: To vote or not to vote.

The answer is really simple. Shaul instructs that a soldier doesn't get caught up in the affairs of the world/this life (2 Tim. 2:3-4, "Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Yahshua the Messiah. No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.") And if

a person competes, he isn't awarded unless he goes by the rules (2 Tim. 2:5, "And if a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully."

Now our rules for this race called life is Torah, and the rules, ways, of the nations (rebels/goyim) are the affairs of this life. The two are contradictory to each other.

How could we even think of voting when the ones we vote for keep taking away from Yahweh's law and enforcing their own manmade laws, who also utilize lord, god, and Jesus Christ, also whose laws are against Torah.

These are doctrines of demons and the spiritual eating of swine's flesh (i.e. sooce; Hesus. In Latin, sus (sooce) is a pig. In Greek, sooce is an appellative of Zeus who is a pagan deity and paganism is devil worship, 1 Cor. 10:19-22, "19 What say I then? that the idol is any thing, or that which is offered in sacrifice to idols is any thing? <sup>20</sup>But I say, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to Yahweh: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils. <sup>21</sup>Ye cannot drink the cup of the Master, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Master's table, and of the table of devils. <sup>22</sup>Do we provoke the Master to jealousy? Are we stronger than he?"

Notice in this passage the word Gentiles would be from the same Hebrew root that we get pride; arrogance; (basically rebellion). So basically we can rewrite and still be in context when we say "What the proud, arrogant, rebellious peoples (Gentiles); nations whores sacrifice to is demons!"

Now we are told not to learn the ways of the nations (Lev. 20:23; Jer. 10:2). We are to destroy their religions, the names of their deities, etc., but we are not to do this with Yahweh. Yahshua distinctly said what is highly esteemed amongst mankind is an abomination to Yahweh! (Lk. 16:15) (In other words, that which is voted upon by the populous of mankind's popularity is disgusting to Yahweh, because our hearts are wicked and deceitful (adulterous, whorish?) above all else... (Jer. 17:9).

What did Yahweh say when Yishrael "voted" to have one rule over them other than Yahweh? (Through the prophet/preacher Samuel.) (1 Sam. 8:1-22) That they hadn't rejected Samuel, but they had rejected Yahweh to rule over them! (1 Sam. 10:17-19)

I believe that to vote in this Roman/Greek society is to rebel! It is to partake in the Babylonian system of the rebels, the nations (goy). Besides, Yah's people will fight the sons of Greece (the modern incarnation of the Babylonian system; see Zech. 9:13.)

Brother Healan, I agree with you on the no vote policy. I agree with the spending more time on preaching the message! Basically, all I did was read the title of your article and only a few paragraphs of the article before I sat down to write. The subject was fresh on my mind since I was allowed to witness to a Jehovah's Witness who was also a part of the Bernie Sanders' team for our state. These are some of the things I told her, and some of this is a more recent revelation and inspiration! I also spoke to her of the narrow way and the Name in comparison to Jehovah Witness doctrine, and the names Jehovah and Jesus as being false!

How do we fight? We fight with faith not using carnal means but the spiritual weapons of war. The Word of Yahweh preached and lived! If we are spending time in the political arena, that is less time spent in Yah's word! This is idolatry, which is spiritual adultery, which is being a WHORE, or a happy, gay (goy) i.e. REBEL!

It's time Yah's people began to make more of separating themselves from the secular and religious ways of the world including Christianity (Zeus worship), and modern Judaism (Molech, Ishtar, and Tammuz worship), and focus more on every letter of each word that comes from Yah's holy writ!

Jesus and Yahshua don't even compare. Yahshua is the TRUTH! Lord, God, Adonis, and Jehovah don't even compare to YAHWEH! YAHWEH IS KING!!!!!

One is truth, the other is a wannabe look alike deceitful lie, and no lie is of the truth! You can't partake in devil worship and Yah's table. Light and darkness have no agreement! A little leaven leavens the whole lump! Yahweh's way (Yahshua) or the world's! Beast and WHORE systems...truth or lie...life or death....PERIOD!!!!! *MH* 

Michael, thank you for this letter. A couple of years ago at a Unity Conference, there was a presentation concerning getting involved in politics, voting, etc. After the presentation, I made the point that instead of getting involved in the world's politics, we elders and lay people in the assembly should be getting our heads together in order to figure out how to work together in publishing the good news of the coming kingdom of heaven rather than trying to work with the worldly in their political system. To my dismay, the elder disagreed with me, and not one elder of the assemblies gathered at that meeting, came to encourage me, shake my hand, and say that they agreed with me. However a couple of the brethren did do so.

The question now is, are we, who are called OUT OF THIS WORLD, going to turn around and deal with the professional political liars? That is exactly what they are! Instead of the President being called the Commander in Chief, he should have the title emblazoned on his desk "LIAR IN CHIEF!"

We are not of this world. We are only strangers and pilgrims passing through. Our hope is in the glorious appearance of Yahshua the Messiah to establish the promised and prophesied kingdom of heaven on this earth! His appearance is so much closer today that we can even realize. We are nearing the end of an age. Let's not lose faith and get involved with this world and its ways. Let's publish the truth about Yahshua and His coming kingdom, not lies about some unconverted man who appears good, but who has the heart described in Jeremiah 17:9, "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?"

### HOW TALL WAS GOLIATH?

A sister recently contacted me asking how tall Goliath was. It seem that one group of Sabbath keepers is now teaching that Goliath was about 6'9" tall while David was about 5'4" tall. I don't remember finding anything about how tall David was, only that he was a young shepherd boy who was already anointed to replace Saul as king over Israel.

Not all Scriptural versions agree on his height. The Septuagint reads tessarwn phcewn kai spiyamhv, four cubits and a span; and Josephus reads the same. It is necessary however to observe that the Septuagint, in the Codex Alexandrinus, reads with the Hebrew text. But what was the length of the ancient cubit? This has been variously computed; eighteen inches, twenty inches and a half, and twentyone inches. If we take the first measurement, he was nine feet nine; if the second, and we read palm instead of span, with the Vulgate and others, he was ten feet seven inches and a half; if we take the last, which is the estimate of Graevius, with the span, he was eleven feet three inches; or if we go to the exactest measurement, as laid down in Bishop Cumberland's tables, where he computes the cubit at 21.888 inches, the span at 10.944 inches, and the palm at 3.684 inches, then the six cubits and the span will make exactly 11 feet 10.272 inches. If we take the palm instead of the span, then the height will be 11 feet 3.012 inches. (Adam Clark Commentary)

David Flynn was a brilliant researcher and he posted that the common cubit was 21.6" which would make Goliath in excess of 11'.

Wikianswers says this about his coat of mail: His copper coat of mail weighed 5,000 shekels (57 kg; 126 lb). The iron blade of his spear weighed 600 shekels (6.8 kg; 15 lb).

But that's not all, "And he had an helmet of brass upon his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail; and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of brass. And he had greaves of brass upon his legs, and a target of brass between his shoulders," 1 Ki. 17:5-6.

If Goliath was only 6'9", then he wouldn't have been much taller than Saul, king of Israel who was described as being, "...higher than any of the people from his shoulders and upward," 1 Sam. 10:23. This probably means that Saul was above 6' himself. However, if Goliath was 9'-11' tall, then he was quite the formidable foe that he was described as being.

The moral of the story, however, is that David had the courage and faith in Yahweh to take on the formidable adversary, and Yahweh gave him the victory.

JH

# **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

**QUESTION**: Please address your differences in doctrine or statement of belief from that of Assemblies of Yahweh, Bethel, PA. In the 5/2014 issue of "The Sacred Name Broadcaster" the late Jacob O. Meyer writes on page 17 "Nowhere in the world today can you find the true sound doctrine, except in the Assemblies of Yahweh, because the Holy Spirit of Yahweh is in our midst."

They break religious groups into 3 categories: 1. Counterfeits 2. Hobbyists 3. Hypocrites.

If you do have the same doctrine and beliefs, why the duplication of effort? You both have the Seal, the Name, the Earnest downpayment of the Spirit/Name do you not?

**ANSWER:** This answer is not just a retort because we are included in the ones that he is judging. It is an answer for all of those who Yahweh has put into their minds to do a work for Him.

Let's see what we can find in the Scriptures, "And Moses went out, and told the people the words of Yahweh, and gathered the seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them round about the tabernacle. And Yahweh came down in a cloud, and spake unto him, and took of the spirit that was upon him, and gave it unto the seventy elders: and it came to pass, that, when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied, and did not cease. But there remained two of the men in the camp, the name of the one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad: and the spirit rested upon them; and they were of them that were written, but went not out unto the tabernacle: and they prophesied in the camp. And there ran a young man, and told Moses, and said, Eldad and Medad do prophesy in the camp. And Yahshua the son of Nun, the servant of Moses, one of his young men, answered and said, My master Moses, forbid them. And Moses said unto him, Enviest thou for my sake? would Elohim that all Yahweh's people were prophets, and that Yahweh would put his spirit upon them," Num. 11:24-29.

Moses was the leader of the people. Yahshua ben Nun wanted them

to be silenced, but Moses, the most meek man of the earth, desired the whole house of Israel to have the spirit and to prophesy. Compare this attitude with that above.

"Then there arose a reasoning among them, which of them should be greatest. And Yahshua, perceiving the thought of their heart, took a child, and set him by him, And said unto them, Whosoever shall receive this child in my name receiveth me: and whosoever shall receive me receiveth him that sent me: for he that is least among you all, the same shall be great. And John answered and said, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name; and we forbad him, because he followeth not with us. And Yahshua said unto him, Forbid him not: for he that is not against us is for us," Lk. 9:46-50.

Here is the best example. Yahshua, our Savior, Redeemer, our Salvation did not condemn, nor forbid others who weren't with them concerning speaking in His name.

We are not the only ones apart from the Assemblies of Yahweh who are doing a work in Yahweh's and Yahshua's names. While there are similarities, there are also differences. I, personally, did not come into the knowledge of Yahweh and Yahshua through Jacob O. Meyer. Some others have, but have been separated from him and his group. Do you see the difference between Moses, Yahshua, and Jacob O. Meyer?

We should all remember that Yahshua said, "Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again," Mt. 7:1-2.

**QUESTION**: With so much religion, what is truth?

**ANSWER**: Yahshua the Messiah is the truth (Jn. 14:6).

**QUESTION**: Why don't the churches know these days teach truth, such as the feast of trumpets, feast of firstfruits, etc.? Is it because the Bible says we would believe a lie and be deceived?

ANSWER: Yes.

## PRAYER LIST

Prayers have been specifically solicited for the following: Yahweh's work throughout the world, especially the Philippines, India, Africa, etc. Dave Acosta, Luisa Aldaba (Diabetes), Ernest & Joy Andrews, Teresa Ashby, John Baker, Jacob Barrett, Benita Bergman, Sandra Biggs, Marie Boileau (mouth cancer), Carl Bouen, Eunice Bourgeois, Jasmine Branch, Lazum Brang of Kachinland for the work of Yahweh there, Teresa Cecil, Elijah Collett, Evelyn Cooper, Courtney Cox (severe headaches), Roger Cryer (better job, or conditions at existing job), Jeffery Dearwester, James & Kelly Diaz, Sue Dodd, Billy, Leila, and Sammy Healan, Frances Healan, Matthew Dorado, Hilda Driedger, James Flowers, Rachel Gibson, Arturo Gonzales (suicidal tendencies), Leroy Goodwin, Kareem Greene, Sue Frazer, Erma Gorovenko & Family, Deen Haggerton and son, Richard Johnson (Diabetes), Elaine Keyes, Arville & Pat Kirk, Allun Kirk, Richard & Donna Krenke, Alfonso Manfredo, Megan Leboeuf, Chris Lopez, Morris, Roel, Cecilia Lopez, & family, Lateene Gay Manasco (cancer), Elizabeth, Destiny, Esmeralda, and Jesus Enrique Martinez, R. Massey (kidney problems), Roger Marlatt, Mark Markussen (seizures), Taylor & Hailey Markussen, Johnny McCarty, and mother, O'Brian & Torie McSwiggin, Joe & Lorenzo Medel, June Mehaffey, Don & Carolynn Moore, Bobbi Morales, Justin McKnight (bone cancer), William Murphy & family, Vickie Olson, Michelle Lynn Parker, Brandon Lee Parker, Mona Perry, Sheree Renu Pyka (conversion), Jesus Oñate, Marie Oñate & grandchild, Barry & Debra Rager, John Mark Ritter, Thomas Robards, Scott Robards, Darrin Rogers (Osteoperosis/Arthritis), Joshua Ross, Glen Salyers, Keith L. Simmons, Scotty Shipman, Pat Sloan (Brain wasting disease), Julie Thompson, Marilyn Vicknair, Joseph Warrington, James E. Webb, Shelby Webb, Tifanny Webb, Krista Weisinger (stage 4 cancer), Jason Wheeler (partial paralysis), Kenny A. Wright, Stephen Yeakel.

Please pray for the men and women 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.



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