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TAKING HIS NAME IN VAIN

Many take issue against the Sacred (Hallowed) name of the Creator. Yahweh, Himself, commanded, "Thou shalt not take the name of Yahweh thy Elohim in vain; for Yahweh will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain," Ex. 20:7.

What does this mean? Most people in the world today think that using the substitute word "God" along with another English word "damn" is taking His name in vain. Now, this author doesn't care to listen to the vile profanity that comes out of people's mouth, but truthfully, the Creator's name IS NOT "God." Never has been and never will be.

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What does it mean to take Yahweh's name in vain? Since the Hebrew language is the language of revelation, a look at the Hebrew words and their definitions will reveal much to us concerning this topic. "Vain" is translated from the Hebrew word *shav*. It is number 7723 in *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance* and is defined as; from the same as 7722 in the sense of desolating; evil (as destructive), literally (ruin) or morally (especially guile); figuratively idolatry (as false, subjective), uselessness (as deceptive, objective); also adverbially, in vain).

Let's also go to the word from which *shav* is taken. It is #7722 *show*, which is defined as; from an unused root meaning to rush over; a tempest; by implication, devastation.

From this examination, we can begin to understand why a person will want to "damn" someone or something utilizing the Creator's name. To "damn" something or someone means to curse them to destruction. When someone utilizes what he thinks is the Creator's name to curse something or someone to destruction, it actually means that they are utilizing the power of the name of the Creator to destroy that

thing or person. While a person may not be truly utilizing the Creator's name in their curse, they think that they are, thus, as a man thinks, so is he. There are grave consequences for doing such things.

But *shav* is utilized in other places in the Scriptures that is quite revealing, "I have hated them that regard **lying** (*shav*) vanities (*hebel*): but I trust in Yahweh," Psa. 31:6. "Neither shalt thou bear **false** (*shav*) witness against thy neighbour," Dt. 5:20.

In both of these instances, *shav* is translated as a lie or falsehood. Furthermore, the Prophet Isaiah is inspired to declare, "Behold, Yahweh's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: But your iniquities have separated between you and your Elohim, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear. For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness. None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak **lies** (*shav*); they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity," 59:1-4.

Once again, the diversity of the word *shav* is revealed. The commandment for-



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bids us to take His name in vain (*shav*). The use of this word in Exodus 20:7 can also mean that we must not take His name and apply it to lying, lies, falsehood, etc. But it can also be forbidding us from replacing it with another name or term, which would then be a false name, a lie.

TO TAKE

The Hebrew word for “take” is *nasa*. It is defined as; a primitive root; *to lift*, in a great variety of applications, literal and figurative, absolute and religious. When the Scriptures speak of someone **lifting up** their eyes to see something, the word *nasa* is utilized. They would also **lift up** the head, the hands (in worship), a sword (to wage war), etc. When the Levites would **carry** or **bear** the ark, the word *nasa* was utilized.

Those who have been called and chosen as the firstfruits, have been sealed in their forehead. (Rev. 7:3) Rev. 14:1 reveals that they have had the name of the Heavenly Father written in their foreheads. Therefore, they are lifting up (*nasa*), carrying (*nasa*) and bearing (*nasa*) His name. This was one of the main purposes of Israel. They were to bring respect, honor, glory and dignity to the Heavenly Father’s name by obeying Him and His commandments.

It is decreed, “They made a calf in Horeb, and worshipped the molten image. Thus they changed their glory into the similitude of an ox that eateth grass. They forgot Elohim their saviour, which had done great things in Egypt; Wondrous works in the land of Ham, and terrible things by the Red sea,” Psa. 106:19-22.

Understand this, Yahweh was “their glory.” They made the molten image in the wilderness and named it Yahweh. “And when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down out of the mount, the people gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and said unto him, Up, make us elohim,

which shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him. And Aaron said unto them, Break off the golden earrings, which are in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring them unto me. And all the people brake off the golden earrings which were in their ears, and brought them unto Aaron. And he received them at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, after **he had made it a molten calf**: and they said, These be thy elohim, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. And when Aaron saw it, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation, and said, **To morrow is a feast to Yahweh**,” Ex. 32:1-5.

Yahweh is the One Who brought Israel out of Egypt. Aaron and the Israelites were making Yahweh into the image of an ox. This produces the effect of blaspheming Yahweh and His name turning His glory into shame as the Psalmist decrees, “Hear me when I call, O Elohim of my righteousness: thou hast enlarged me when I was in distress; have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer. O ye sons of men, **how long will ye turn my glory into shame? how long will ye love vanity**, and seek after leasing? Selah. But know that Yahweh hath set apart him that is pious for himself: Yahweh will hear when I call unto him. Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah. Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in Yahweh. There be many that say, Who will shew us any good? Yahweh, lift thou up (*nasa*) the light of thy countenance upon us,” Psa. 4:1-6.

Here is that word *nasa* again. The Psalmist is requesting Yahweh to lift up His countenance upon them (those who are righteous in Yahweh [vs. 1]). Israel turned Yahweh’s glory into shame by turning to vain idolatry. They took His name in vain because they applied it to an idolatrous im-



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TRACING MODERNDAY IDOLATRY

The Prophet Jeremiah proclaimed, “Hear ye the word of Yahweh, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel: Thus saith Yahweh, What iniquity have your fathers found in me, that they are gone far from me, and **have walked after vanity, and are become vain?** Neither said they, Where is Yawheh that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, that led us through the wilderness, through a land of deserts and of pits, through a land of drought, and of the shadow of death, through a land that no man passed through, and where no man dwelt? And I brought you into a plentiful country, to eat the fruit thereof and the goodness thereof; but when ye entered, **ye defiled my land, and made mine heritage an abomination.** The priests said not, Where is Yawheh? And they that handle the law knew me not: the pastors also transgressed against me, and the prophets prophesied by Baal, and walked after things that do not profit. Wherefore I will yet plead with you, saith Yahweh, and with your children's children will I plead. For pass over the isles of Chittim, and see; and send unto Kedar, and consider diligently, and see if there be such a thing. Hath a nation changed their elohim, which are yet no elohim? But **my people have changed their glory for that which doth not profit.** Be astonished, O ye heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, **be ye very desolate,** saith Yahweh. For my people have committed two evils; **they have forsaken me** the fountain of living waters, and **hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water,**” Jer. 2:4-13.

It is interesting that the *Oxford English Dictionary* reveals that the English word “God” comes from two Aryan root words,

both being *gheu*. In “*The Roots Of English*” Robert Claiborne reveals that *gheu-1* comes from the Latin word *fundere*, *fus-*, which is defined as; to pour, whence the FUNNEL through which you pour things, and the FOUNDRY in which FUSED (molten) metal is poured into molds. Figurative uses include CONFUSE (“pour together”), DIFFUSE (“pour apart”), PROFUSE (“pouring forth”), TRANSFUSE (“pour across”), and REFUND (“pour back”), To REFUSE is another kind of “pouring back” – though some derive the word from a different root. **A more remote Latin relative is *futilis*, easily emptied, leaky; pouring water into a leaky vessel is FUTILE.**

Do you begin to get the point? The English word “God” is associated with a FOUNDER! It has to do with a MOLTEN IMAGE! It is associated with a more remote Latin word *futilis* from which we get another English word FUTILE! Futile and vain are synonyms! It also has to do with pouring water into a LEAKY VESSEL, which is what Israel did when they rejected Yahweh and descended into the vanity (futility) of idolatry!

Jeremiah decrees, “Every man is brutish in his knowledge: every **founder** is **confounded** by the graven image: for his molten image is **falsehood**, and there is no breath in them. **They are vanity, and the work of errors:** in the time of their visitation they shall perish,” Jer. 10:14-15.

The English words “foundry/founder and confound/confounder are derivatives of the root word *gheu-1!* To confound also means to confuse (also related to *gheu-1*). A molten image is falsehood and therefore a lie. Lies confuse and destroy.

The knowledge of man is absolutely brutish. In Old Testament times, men cut trees, shaped them into images, overlaid them with gold and silver and fell down and worshipped them. The Israelites made calves out of pure gold and fell down and



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worshipped them, the works of men's hands. This is brutish.

But Yahshua came to infuse His followers with the Holy Spirit beginning a new era, a new age. This was called the New Testament age. Under the New Testament certain things were changed. Animal sacrifices were changed to spiritual sacrifices, "Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, **to offer up spiritual sacrifices**, acceptable to Elohim by Yahshua the Messiah," 1 Pet. 2:5.

The physical temple was destroyed because, as it says, Yahshua's disciples are built up a spiritual house. However, the history of those who follow Yahshua, the seven assemblies of Revelation chapters 1-3, is revealed in those same chapters. They lose their first love, are persecuted and slain, begin to dwell where Satan's throne is, allow a Jezebel to enter into the body and cause His own servants to eat things sacrificed to idols. They have a name as if they are alive, but are dead. They think that they are abounding because they are rich and increased with goods, but Yahshua says that they are blind, poor (spiritually) and naked!

NAKED!!! That's exactly what happened with the Israelites when they danced around the golden calf, worshipping it as Yahweh their Elohim Who delivered them from Egypt. (Ex. 32:25). Nakedness has to do with idolatry! The final assembly addressed in Rev. 3 is naked! They are practicing idolatry, dancing around a golden calf. Not a physical golden image, but an image made to be spiritual through the very word GOD! I know that this is very hard to believe, but it is the truth.

The second root word for God, *gheu* (*h*) is defined as; **to call, invoke**, whence the Gc GOD one invokes, and GIDDY – a word much weakened from its original sense, "**possessed by a god, insane.**"

EYE-OPENING RESEARCH

Evangelist Garner Ted Armstrong wrote a booklet entitled "*What Is God's Name*" in 1992. On page 6 he wrote, "Take, for example, our English word "God." Where did it come from? *The Encyclopedia Britannica*, eleventh edition, says, "God. The common *Teutonic* word for a personal object of worship...The word 'God' [German "Gott" from "Guth," which was related to Taurus, the Bull] on the conversion of the Teutonic races to Christianity, was adopted as the name of the one Supreme Being, the Creator of the universe... 'God' is a word common to all Teutonic languages. In Gothic it is *Guth*; Dutch has the same form as English; Danish and Swedish have *Gud*, German *Gott*. According to the *New English Dictionary*, the original may be found in two Aryan roots, both of the form *gheu*, one of which means 'to invoke,' the other 'to pour', the last is used of sacrificial offerings. The word would thus mean the object either of religious invocation or of religious worship by sacrifice. It has also been suggested that the word might mean a 'molten image' from the sense of pour." (Vol. 12: p. 169)."

He added, "Sure, no modern American or Briton thinks he is using a word which connotes a molten image, or means "to pour," no matter the ultimate Aryan roots of the English word." (pp. 6-7)

How true this is! No one thinks that they are addressing a molten image made in the form of a calf or ox. But the book of Revelation says that there is a great serpent called Satan and the devil who has deceived the whole world (Rev. 12:9).

Sin is the transgression of the law. The penalty of sin is death, but people who have never studied the Bible, who have never seen one, never read it, nor have been taught out of it, don't understand what sin is. They go about sinning in ignorance, yet they still suffer the consequences



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of breaking the law because of those sins. Many who are supposedly taught out of the Bible are also ignorant of what sin is.

Another attempt to justify the word “God” was presented by the Christian Churches of God in Australia, by one Wade Cox. In an article entitled “The Etymology of the Name God” more eye-opening information is found. They write, “Objections to the use of the word *God* stem from the understanding that the Babylonian deity of fortune was *Baal-Gad* (pronounced *gawd*). It is then assumed that the term is pagan if the word *God* is used.

“The term *God* in the ancient Anglo-Saxon comes from the word *Goode*, or *Goot* as in the Dutch and German. The word is actually a Hebrew word from which *gad* itself in the sense of SHD 1410 is derived. The word is SHD 1464 *Guwd* (pronounced *goode*). **The tribes of Israel, when taken into captivity, took with them this name.** It was used also by the Assyrians who captured them. It is a prime root meaning *to crowd upon* or *attack* and this means *to invade* or *to overcome*. It is in this sense of overcoming, as *God* is the centre of power, that the term is used. *Guwd* or *Goode* is not the same as *gad* or *Baal-Gad* worshipped by the Babylonians. One is a perversion of the concepts of the other.

“The word *God* is derived from the old Teutonic form *gudo* which meant *that which is invoked (or worshipped) by sacrifice* (cf. *Oxford English Universal Dictionary*, art. *God*, p. 808). **This was adapted among the Teutonic tribes in the variant forms.**

“The words are further misunderstood from a symbolism adopted in early Hebrew and among the Semites. This was instanced in the practice of referring to the deity by the symbolism of a bull. The clear indication comes from Psalm 22:12. The strong Bulls of Bashan which are associated with Gilead are of the word form SHD 47. This

word and the word form SHD 6499 are combined in usage, and both are termed bulls.

“The word rendered strong bulls is actually the word *abbiyr* derived from SHD 46 ‘*abiy* meaning *mighty one* and spoken of God. SHD 47 *abbiyr* means *angel [heavenly messenger], bull or chiefest, mighty one, stout, strong or valiant*.

“The terms occur in Psalm 22:12 where the bulls are reduced to lesser beings. They occur in Psalm 50:13; 68:30; Isaiah 34:7; and Jeremiah 50:11.

“Jeremiah 52:20 refers to the twelve brazen bulls under the altar by the term SHD 1241 *baqar* in distinction to the term *abbiyr* which he uses elsewhere.

“The representation of the loyal heavenly Host as bulls representing God is ancient, even being found in pre-Hebrew culture. The Babylonian system in its mystery cults adopted the bull-slaying typology which carried into Mithraism. The bull-slaying typology is a representation of the wars in the heavens (see David Ulansey *The Origins of the Mithraic Mysteries*, Oxford, 1989 for the cosmology; Perseus is the bull-slayer for the Mysteries). This symbolism is carried on in the association with the mighty one and the centrality of goodness or *Gott* or *Goode*.

“The English word *God*, via the Teutonic *Gudo* and the earlier forms, is associated with the ancient Semitic and Hebrew as we see above. Thus, the bull was both symbol of reverence and the significant sacrifice. Hence, the name came to be associated with the bull. This pointed towards the sacrifice of Messiah as the Bull of Atonement. This understanding was long held among the Semites from Shem as high priest from the post-flood epoch. From recent finds, it seems this as further distorted in the system at Ur.

“Yahovah is the Bull of Israel. He is Messiah as the Great Bull of Heaven acting for the Father, the centre of ultimate good-



ness.” (end of excerpt)

UNDERSTANDING

Sadly, neither Garner Ted Armstrong nor Wade Cox understand what is revealed here in their own writings and attempts to justify the use of the word God to represent not only the Creator, but His name. Wade Cox denies that the word God is associated with Baal-Gad, but reveals that God is a Hebrew word associated with a bull, which the Israelites that went into Assyrian captivity had been utilizing and had taken with them. It was even a word that was being utilized by the Assyrians themselves.

The history of the northern kingdom of Israel is that once broken off from association with the kings of Judah, their own kings made golden calves placing one in Dan and the other in Bethel worshipping them as the Elohim that delivered them from Egypt (1 Kings 12:28-30). Notice that in verse 30 it says that this thing became a sin!

The northern kingdom of Israel was overthrown and destroyed because they refused to repent of Baal worship. Wade reveals that the word God is associated with a bull. Garner Ted reveals that the word God is associated with a bull, specifically a bull god.

Wade reveals that the worship of bulls as gods predates the Hebrew culture and such is truly the case. As a matter of fact, Pharaoh was worshipped as the son of god through the Apis bull. Even though Wade denies it, his own research reveals that Baal-Gad was most certainly associated with the bull-god. The Israelites were worshipping Baal. Baal was their god, their bull.

Yahweh delivered Israel from Egypt and the worship of Pharaoh along with his bull-god. But Israel made an image of the calf in the wilderness and began to worship it as Yahweh. This displeased Yahweh so

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much that He was ready to destroy the whole house of Israel and make a great nation out of Moses alone. (Ex. 32:9-10) But Moses interceded for the people and Yahweh repented (changed His mind) concerning the proposed destruction.

But later Israel’s kings committed the same sin by causing the people to worship the bull gods. Once again, Yahweh was highly displeased and sent EliYah the Prophet to reveal to the people Who the true Elohim was. While he did expose that Yahweh was the true Elohim to the people, EliYah feared for his life because of the threatenings of Jezebel, wife of King Ahab. EliYah fled for his life and the people failed to repent of their calf worship. (1 Kings chapters 18 & 19) Eventually, they were destroyed because they were unrepentant and taken into captivity by the Assyrians.

Garner Ted wrote in his booklet, “It is also important to understand that God does not frown upon everything created by “pagan (or non-Hebrew) cultures. *He forbids only those things that are contrary to His laws and things that misrepresent Who and What He is!*” (IBID, p. 7)

YES!!! ABSOLUTELY!!! And our research coupled with theirs reveals that the word God makes Him into the image of a bull, which the Scriptures reveal is very displeasing to Him!

BLASPHEMING YAHWEH’S NAME

The Psalmist laments, “O Elohim, how long shall the adversary reproach? **Shall the enemy blaspheme thy name for ever?**... Remember this, that the enemy hath reproached, O Yahweh, and that **the foolish people have blasphemed thy name,**” Psa. 74:10, 18.

Once again we can make extremely important discoveries by looking into the Hebrew language. When it asks the question, “Shall the **enemy** blaspheme thy name for



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ever?”, the Hebrew word for “enemy” is *tsar*. The Hebrew language identifies the enemy! The enemy is the Tsar! The Tsar was the head of the newly reformed Roman Empire. The head of *Roma Nova* (New Rome) was none other than one called Constantine the Great!

Constantine forbade any Hebrew writings. He decreed torture and death to any who were found with Hebrew writings in their possession, especially the New Covenant. He had the Scriptures converted to the Greek language and the names of the Father Yahweh and Yahshua changed to *Theos* and *Iesous*.

Consider this, Rome was the fourth kingdom of Daniel chapter two and the fourth **BEAST** of Daniel chapter seven! Constantine feigned repentance, entered into the New Covenant Assembly and then, as the emperor, the Augustus, the Czar, the head of the Roman Empire, began to dictate how the corrupted remnants of the disciples were to worship.

The same Psalm says, “**Thine enemies** roar in the midst of thy congregations; they **set up their ensigns for signs**,” v. 4. The Hebrew for both “ensigns” and “signs” is *owth*. The primary sign (*owth*) that Yahweh gave to Israel was the seventh day Sabbath (Ex. 20:8-11), which was to be observed every week, of course. Constantine decreed that Sunday, the first day of the week, would replace the Sabbath.

Yahweh gave Israel the annual feast days (Lev. 23) as other signs (*owth*), but Constantine changed them to the observance of December 25th, Easter, etc. Because of this, the prophet Isaiah declares, “For thus saith Yahweh, Ye have sold yourselves for nought; and ye shall be redeemed without money. For thus saith Sovereign Yahweh, My people went down aforetime into Egypt to sojourn there; and the Assyrian oppressed them without cause. Now therefore, what have I here, saith Yahweh, that my people is taken away for nought? **They**

that rule over them make them to howl, saith Yahweh; and my name continually every day is blasphemed,” Isa. 52:3-5!

Jeremiah warns, “Thus saith Yahweh of hosts, Hearken not unto the words of the prophets (or preachers) that prophesy (or preach) unto you: **they make you vain**: they speak a vision of their own heart, and not out of the mouth of Yahweh. They say still unto them that **despise me**, Yahweh hath said, Ye shall have peace; and they say unto every one that walketh after the imagination of his own heart, No evil shall come upon you,” 23:16-17.

The word “despise” is translated from the Hebrew word *na’ats*. It is the exact same word that is translated as “blaspheme” and “blasphemed” in Psa. 74:10 & 18. It is the very same word that is translated as “blasphemed” in Isa. 52:5. Thus, this could be translated here in Jeremiah as “...them that blaspheme me!” After all, something that is blasphemous is also something that is despised.

How have they blasphemed Yahweh and His Son? By replacing their names for the names of the pagan Baal gods. This same chapter, Jeremiah 23, goes on to declare, “I have heard what the prophets (or preachers) said, that prophesy (or preach) **lies in my name**, saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed. How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? yea, they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart; **Which think to cause my people to forget my name** by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbour, **as their fathers have forgotten my name for Baal,**” 23:25-27.

TREACHERY

The Prophet Isaiah is inspired to declare, “But ye are they that forsake Yahweh, that forget my holy mountain, that prepare a table for that troop (Gad/God), and that furnish the drink offering unto that number



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(Meniy),” Isa. 65:11.

“That troop” is translated from a Hebrew PROPER NOUN, which is the word *Gad* (pronounced God)! “That number” is translated from a Hebrew PROPER NOUN, which is the word *Meniy!* *Gad*/God was also the Babylonian deity of fortune. *Meniy* was the Babylonian deity for apportioning or numbering. As in many, many things, these names and meanings have been carried over to our day!

Notice that they “prepare a table.” A table is where we eat our food, which anciently was called meat or bread. What is one of the key things that we apportion or number in today’s world? Isn’t it our MONEY? Don’t we number, or apportion, or count our MONEY? Isn’t our FORTUNE appraised or estimated in dollars? Isn’t a slang term for our money, our dollars, “BREAD?”

What do we put on our money/Meniy? Don’t we put “In God we trust?” Do you get it? We put the name of the Babylonian deity of fortune, “GOD,” on our money/MENIY!

Our politicians, our government loves this God, this FORTUNE, this apportionment, this MONEY/MENIY! Our merchants love it. Our churches love it. They love to pass the plate every time they meet to worship God, the deity of fortune! The criminals love it. They will commit crime, steal, and even kill for it!

Furthermore, “In God” can be translated into a Hebrew word BaGad (בגד). Let’s take a look at how this word is utilized in the Scriptures. “A grievous vision is declared unto me; the treacherous (בגד) dealer dealeth treacherously (בגד), and the spoiler spoileth. Go up, O Elam: besiege, O Media; all the sighing thereof have I made to cease,” Isa. 21:2.

“From the uttermost part of the earth have we heard songs, even glory to the righteous. But I said, My leanness, my leanness,

woe unto me! the treacherous (בגד) dealers have dealt treacherously (בגד); yea, the treacherous (בגד) dealers have dealt very treacherously,” Isa. 24:16.

“Yahweh said also unto me in the days of Josiah the king, Hast thou seen that which backsliding Israel hath done? she is gone up upon every high mountain and under every green tree, and there hath played the harlot. And I said after she had done all these things, Turn thou unto me. But she returned not. And her treacherous (בגד) sister Judah saw it. And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous (בגד) sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also. And it came to pass through the lightness of her whoredom, that she defiled the land, and committed adultery with stones and with stocks. And yet for all this her treacherous (בגד) sister Judah hath not turned unto me with her whole heart, but feignedly, saith Yahweh. And Yahweh said unto me, The backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous (בגד) Judah,” Jer. 3:6-11.

“Oh that my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people! Oh that I had in the wilderness a lodging place of wayfaring men; that I might leave my people, and go from them! for they be all adulterers, an assembly of treacherous (בגד) men. And they bend their tongues like their bow for lies: but they are not valiant for the truth upon the earth; for they proceed from evil to evil, and **they know not me, saith Yahweh,**” Jer. 9:1-3.

“Woe to her that is filthy and polluted, to the oppressing city! She obeyed not the voice; she received not correction; she trusted not in Yahweh; she drew not near



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to her Elohim. Her princes within her are roaring lions; her judges are evening wolves; they gnaw not the bones till the morrow. Her **prophets are light and treacherous** (בגד/פגד) persons: her priests have polluted the sanctuary, they have done violence to the law,” Zeph. 3:1-4.

The prophets now, as then, deal “In God,” “In treachery” (בגד/פגד). Our political and governmental system is treacherous! Our merchandising system is treacherous! Our religious systems (Christian, Jewish, Moslem, pagan) are treacherous! Our financial, our monetary system is treacherous! All deal “IN GOD”! All deal in the Babylonian deity of FORTUNE (GAD/GOD)! None truly trust in, nor know, nor care to know YAHWEH!

John is inspired to write, “And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: **With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.** (the drink offering of Meniy/money) So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, **full of names of blasphemy** (one of those names is God), having seven heads and ten horns. And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: And upon her forehead was a name written, **MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.** And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Yahshua: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration,” Rev.

17:1-6.

For those who can't seem to make the connection, here is Babylon, even in the end-time. If Babylon and her mystery religion is still prevalent, so are the names of her deities, which are names of blasphemy. The kings, the merchants, the prophets (preachers/religions) and the people love Babylon, her ways, her deception, her treachery.

Yahweh says to come out of her My People so that you will not be partakers of her sins and receive not of her plagues that are soon to be poured out (Rev. 18:1-8).

DESTRUCTION FORETOLD

Today's preachers and prophets are committing a very grievous error. They proclaim that the name of our Creator Yahweh isn't important. They cause the people to hate and despise (blaspheme) the true names of the Father and Son because their kings, rulers and leaders deem it more important to love the names of Baal rather than the truth.

Jeremiah is inspired to declare, “Behold, a whirlwind of Yahweh is gone forth in fury, even a grievous whirlwind: it shall fall grievously upon the head of the wicked. The anger of Yahweh shall not return, until he have executed, and till he have performed the thoughts of his heart: **in the latter days ye shall consider it perfectly,**” 23:19-20.

The Hebrew for “whirlwind” is *ca'ar*. *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance* defines this word as a HURRICANE! It is generally translated in the Scriptures as storm, tempest, whirlwind. In these last days we have suffered much destruction from hurricanes and tornados. But more devastation is yet to come. You see, Yahweh has allowed man, in these last days, to be able to develop weapons of mass destruction. Atomic and hydrogen bombs create a great whirlwind of destruction. But this is only



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part of the story. Some of the most deadly and dangerous chemicals and biological weapons have also been created. Minute traces of some of the most deadly chemicals can be put into the water supply of cities that can destroy all who drink thereof. Great plagues can ravage unchecked if certain biological agents are released.

These are the latter days when Yahweh is going to make an end of iniquity. This article is being written as a warning for those kings, rulers, leaders, preachers, ministers, churches, assemblies and people (both Gentile and Israelite) who are blaspheming Yahweh's and Yahshua's names by continually refusing to repent and turn to the truth.

When Moses returned from the mount, he beheld what the Israelites were doing. He angrily burnt the idol, crushed it to powder and made the Israelites drink of it. He then, "...stood in the gate of the camp, and said, Who is on Yahweh's side? Let him come unto me. And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together unto him. And he said unto them, Thus saith Yahweh Elohim of Israel, Put every man his sword by his side, and go in and out from gate to gate throughout the camp, and slay every man his brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbour. And the children of Levi did according to the word of Moses: and there fell of the people that day about three thousand men. For Moses had said, Consecrate yourselves to day to Yahweh, even every man upon his son, and upon his brother; that he may bestow upon you a blessing this day," Ex. 32:26-29.

Do you get that? They slew their brothers, friends, neighbors and even sons! Yahweh had to destroy His own children, the children of Israel for their unrepentant Baal/bull/God worship. Then He had to turn around and destroy the remnant of Israelites, the kingdom of Judah because of their worship of the Baal gods.

In these last days, another evil system has

reared up its ugly head and mightily deceived the people into Baal/bull/God worship. While the people may be ignorant and deceived concerning this, the fact of the matter is that when Yahshua (Moses was a type of Yahshua) returns from the mount, from the Father's throne to this earth, He is going to make war against the kingdoms of this world and destroy them. He will also decree, "But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay them before me," Lk. 19:27.

Therefore, we must presently take up the double-edged sword of Yahweh's word in today's world. With that sword we must cut the opposers who revel in idols, images, bulls, Gods, falsehood, lies, deceit, guile, etc., asunder. We must lift up the truth concerning Yahweh, Yahshua, their word and their ways, so that whosoever will may be drawn unto them. We must lift up our voices and the points of our pens declaring, writing, and encouraging repentance before the dreadful day of Yahweh come.

Repent of taking Yahweh's name in vain (*shav*) all people's of the earth! Give the honor, esteem, glory, etc. to whom it is due. Lift (*nasa*) His true name and the true name of His Son into the exalted places wherein they belong!



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