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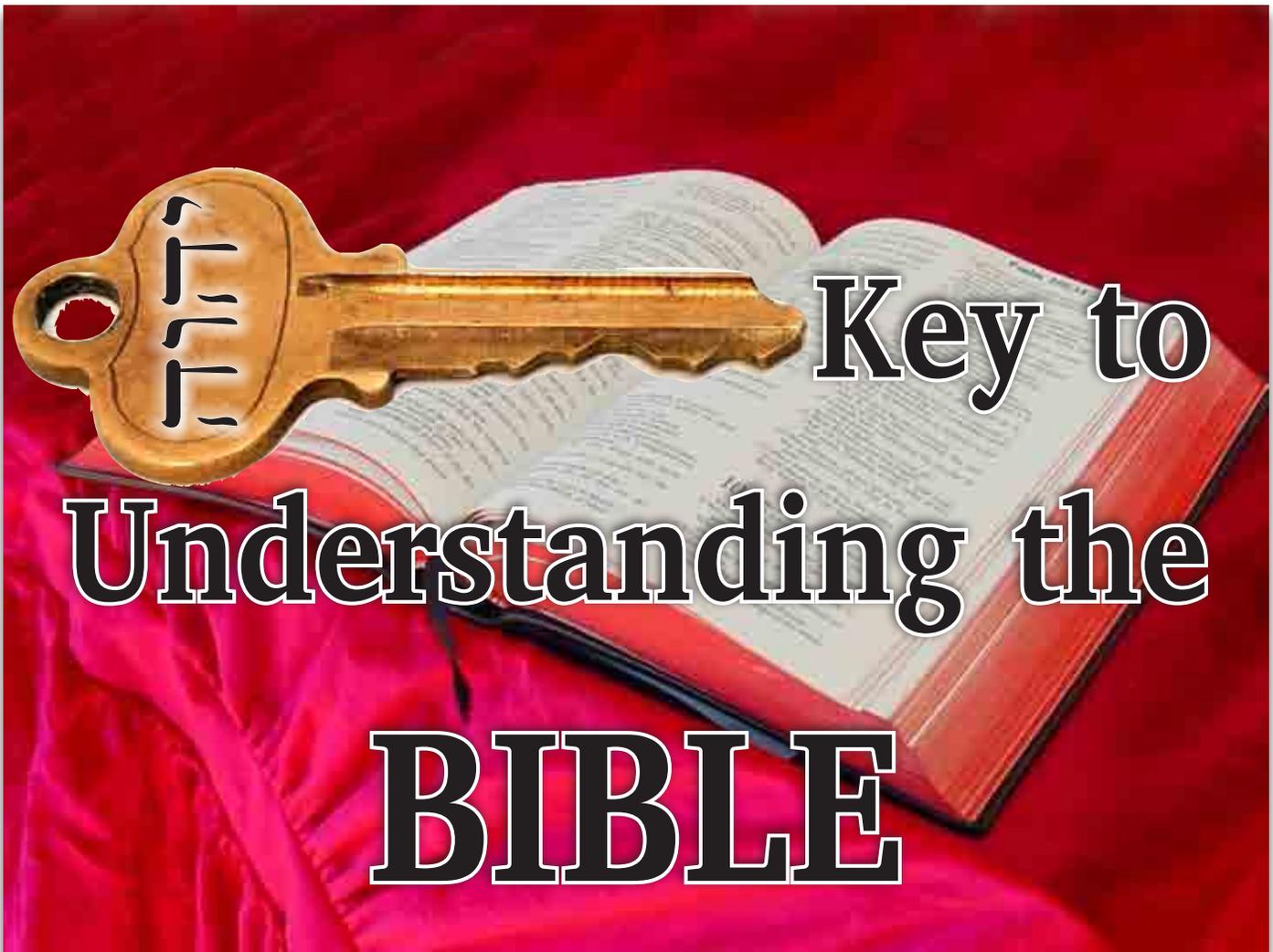
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Dates (and figs as well) have been a delicious treat in Israel from antiquity even until today, and markets around the Holy Land feature bins that are heaping with this sweet fruit.

“The righteous shall flourish like the palm-tree . . .” (Psalm 92:12). Have you made the seventh-day Sabbath a part of your life? Yahweh promises a blessing for those who observe His fourth commandment! Make the Sabbath a sign between you and your Maker! **“They shall flourish in the courts of our Elohim. They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; They shall be full of sap and green: To show that Yahweh is upright . . .”** (Psalm 92:13b-15). Will you keep Yahweh's Sabbath holy this week?

Basic Truths of Bible Doctrine

THE SACRED NAME



Undoubtedly many believe that one must be a scholar to understand the doctrine of the Sacred Name, nothing could be further from the truth. This series of articles on the basic doctrines taught by the Assemblies of Yahweh is presented

by
Elder Jacob O. Meyer

for consideration to the **Sacred Name Broadcaster** reader who has an average education. The studies

are published to show how simple, logical, and straightforward are the sound doctrines that the Bible teaches. We hope that you will take the time to read each of these articles carefully, because they are most important to you. They will

prove that the Bible is really very easy to understand when we do not complicate, or muddle, its message with irrelevant interpretations.

Misconceptions of what the Bible teaches regarding various doctrines have been perpetuated by nominal religion. Religious organizations have frequently withheld pertinent scriptural information that would result in good understanding, so that their members would be unable to comprehend the true message of the Bible. When a Truth-seeking member asks questions of the ministers and teachers in nominal Christianity, the usual reply is, "It's a mystery; you can't understand." However, Almighty Yahweh, our Heavenly Father, repeatedly tells the reader of the Bible that He wants His people to comprehend what He wishes them to do. The book of Proverbs and the writings of the prophets are good examples of this.

The Bible Message Is Not a Mystery

Reading the Scriptures and allowing them to harmonize with consistency from Genesis to Revelation is the method one must employ in Bible study. If we encounter Scriptures that seem to conflict, or appear to be inconsistent in some way, the answer may always be obtained by returning to the original texts as nearly as possible. You need not be a linguist, or a scholar, to do this. During the past 75 years, Bible study reference books breaking the language barrier between the original texts and translations have been available to anyone who is genuinely interested in gaining a better understanding.

Our eternal salvation is at stake. It is imperative that we spend sufficient time on our study of the Bible so that we can truly understand its message. We must know what we believe about the Bible message and why we believe it. Understanding the Will of our Heavenly Father, so that

Frequent Biblical Use Proves Its Importance

"When we peruse the Hebrew text we discover that the Name of the Heavenly Father is used more frequently than almost any other single word in the Bible. The name Yahweh appears in the Masoretic text 6,823 times. Were we to take an exhaustive concordance and check each one of the occurrences in which the Tetragrammaton appears, our research would uncover the fact that the Scriptures declare it to be very important. It is one of the most frequently used words in the entire Bible, a good indication of its common use in the everyday life of ancient Israel.

"Additionally, the abbreviated form **Yah** that usually appears in poetic passages appears in the Scriptures a total of 49 times. The abbreviated form also is affixed to other words to form proper nouns throughout the Bible. Such familiar names as Isaiah (IsaYAH), Jeremiah (JeremeYAH), Zephaniah (ZephanYAH), and Zechariah (ZecharYAH), all contain the abbreviated form of the Tetragrammaton. Would you believe that you have unknowingly used the Sacred Name all your life in the names of these prophets?

"Furthermore, we discover upon further checking that in 134 passages in the Scriptures the scribes admit to removing the Tetragrammaton and they substituted Adonai.

"Consequently, it is apparent that the Tetragrammaton is used in the Hebrew Scriptures over 7,000 times. This fact is important itself, because the frequency of its use in the Hebrew text should be a positive indicator of its importance where the biblical message is concerned."

The Memorial Name Yahweh, pg. 9

Popular Arguments Against the Sacred Name

1. “That’s a Hebrew Name, it only applies in the Hebrew language.”
2. “That’s the Name the Almighty gave Moses to use, it’s not for us.”
3. “All the descriptive words or titles applied to the Almighty are His Names—He has many Names, NOT JUST ONE SPECIFIC NAME—and all of them are holy.”
4. “The Sacred Name was changed to (the more commonly known) Theos (G-d) and Kurios (L-RD).”
5. “The true pronunciation of the Sacred Name has been lost, it’s not possible for us to know what the original form of the Sacred Name was.”
6. “The name ‘Yahweh’ was not known until the Almighty told it to Moses at Mount Horeb.”
7. “Why isn’t it found in the New Testament?”

ANSWERS FOR CHART ABOVE

1. Ephesians 3:14-15
2. Isaiah 42:8—Yahweh’s Name
3. Revelation 14:1—His Name is the first of the Ten Commandments. Exodus 20:2, Jeremiah 10:10
4. By whom? No heavenly authority for such a change.
5. It wasn’t—the letters: **yod**, **he**, and **waw** were originally “long vowels” as history records. Note Isaiah 52:4-6.
6. Genesis 12:18; 13:18; 26:25, and 28:21
7. It is—Revelation 19 (cf. Psalm 68:4), and many places in the Aramaic New Testament

we may obey Him, is the supreme factor motivating our eagerness to learn. He desires His children to be obedient to His directions. We must know what He wishes us to do and then live in harmony with His commandments.

The Sacred Name Doctrine

Your Bible reveals that the Sacred Name of our Heavenly Father is of vital importance to our salvation. To prove this conclusively, we can turn to nearly every book in the Bible and find references to the Name of the Almighty Heavenly Father, or the Name of His Son, the Messiah.

Book of Psalms Proves the Sacred Name

One of the most impressive books of the Bible from which to prove the importance of the Sacred Name doctrine is Psalms. There we find an attempted transliteration of our Heavenly Father’s Name directly from the Hebrew in Psalm 68:4. *“Sing to Elohim, sing praises to his name: Cast up a highway for him that rides through the deserts; His name is Yah; and exult before him.”* Notice that the **King James** text has the Name transliterated as JAH from the Hebrew. Since this is pronounced in modern English as Yah, we shall continue with this preferable form.

The Word HalleluYAH

Many times, you will find the word **HalleluYAH** written **Hallelu-jah**. Did you know that **HalleluYah** is a Hebrew word incorporating the Name of the Heavenly Father? It means, *Praise ye Yahweh*. The syllable **IAH** or **Jah** (Yah) is the abbreviation of the Heavenly Father’s Name **Yahweh** as it is found in the Inspired Hebrew Old Testament Scriptures. It forms part of the scriptural proper noun as Isaiah

“Let us notice also the world **HalleluYAH**. This word is a Hebrew sentence command (an imperative) and it means *Praise ye Yah*. This word introduces or is appended to a number of the Psalms. The one who reads these Psalms is encouraged to **PRAISE YAHWEH** throughout the assemblies and congregations of Israel. Israel is the people of Yahweh. They are His spiritual congregation and the assembly of believers that He has called. They are His nation of people, and their Mighty One is Yahweh.”

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Yahweh
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HalleluYah

(IsaYah), Jeremiah (JeremeYah), Zechariah (ZecharYah).

What Is the Heavenly Father's Name?

The Name of our Heavenly Father was inspired to be written in the Word. It appears 7,000 times in the Hebrew text from which your English Bible was translated. There must be a significant underlying reason for such monumental frequency of appearance. **Our Heavenly Father wanted us to know and use His Name; therefore, He underscored its importance with frequent use**, as well as causing it to appear 1,000 times the perfect number 7. Nevertheless, Bible translators substituted another word for it so that the Name **Yahweh** was hidden from the view of those who desire to be True Worshipers. In the Hebrew text, His Name appears as four letters יהוה, best transliterated into English as **Yahweh**.

Why Is It Important?

Exactly why is the Name of our Heavenly Father so important? You will occasionally hear us say on the Sacred Name Broadcast (or you will read in our literature) that it is of vital importance to our salvation. Why?

The Bible constitutes the declared Will of our Heavenly Father. He

wanted us to have a set of instructions with which to regulate our lives. These directives were written to **every member of the human family**, but they were passed down through the Hebrew, Israelite, and Jewish peoples to our modern time. Every human being on earth should apply these directives to his life.

In the Bible, the Almighty promises everlasting life to all those who are obedient to His Will. He has extended a Covenant, or agreement, to everyone who wishes to enter into it. The revealed, personal Name of our Heavenly Father Yahweh is integrally associated with that agreement; thereby, all people entering into the Covenant can rely upon the veracity of its promises. The Covenant was always made throughout the biblical era in the Name of Yahweh, and this fact is important to our salvation. Let us learn how.

The Meaning of His Name

The Name of the Heavenly Father actually means *everlasting*, or *eternal life*. It is derived from the Hebrew verb of existence, **hayah**. This means that those who accept this Name and make it a part of themselves, those loving the Heavenly Father and being obedient to Him, will be granted everlasting, eternal life (**existence**) in the King-

dom of Yahweh to be established on this earth. How can anyone hope to receive everlasting life unless he calls upon a Being whose Name actually means **to exist forever**? This great Creator Being is the One who has determined His Name, and that Name is Yahweh, meaning **He who lives, or exists, forever**.

Conclusive Proof of the Name

Let us examine several Scriptures that will prove the Sacred Name doctrine conclusively. Turn first to Exodus 3:15. **“And Elohim said moreover to Moses, In this manner shall you say to the children of Israel, Yahweh, the Elohim of your fathers, the Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Isaac, and the Elohim of Jacob, has sent me to you: this is my name forever, and this is my memorial to all generations.”** A similar statement appears in Hosea 12:5.

The Name of our Heavenly Father is Yahweh. This is what He called Himself in the Bible. This is His Name forever. The Hebrew word **olahm**, translated **forever**, means **to time out of mind**.

He continues by declaring that His personal Name is to be His memorial throughout **all** generations. Every generation of people is required to call upon our Heavenly Father by His revealed personal

Name, Yahweh, because it is His Will that we do this. Can you see how plain the Scriptures are in this regard? Can any human decide for himself what he **personally** wants to call the Almighty? That would be the height of insulting arrogance, wouldn't it? All that is asked of us is to submit humbly to the directions contained in the Almighty's instruction book, the Bible. We should not resist His superior authority.

Salvation Only in Yahweh's Name

We cannot hope to achieve salvation, unless we call upon the Name of Yahweh. Joel 2:32 drives home this fact very plainly. ***“And it shall come to pass, that WHOEVER SHALL CALL ON THE NAME OF YAHWEH shall be delivered [saved]; for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those that escape [salvation], as Yahweh has said, and among the remnant those whom Yahweh does call.”***

On the day of Pentecost, the Apostle Peter quoted this same Scripture in Acts 2:21. Then, somewhat later, the Apostle Paul also referred to the same Scripture in Romans 10:13. Clearly, only those who **know** and **use** the revealed, personal Name of the Almighty will be saved. These and many other passages of Scripture throughout the Bible make this candidly obvious.

The True Mighty One—Yahweh

The Scriptures tell us that there is one True and Living Mighty One, who has a specific, personal Name, not a mighty one with hundreds of different names. The only way that we can distinguish the True Mighty One from the multitude of false mighty ones (worshiped by the people of this Babylonish system) is through calling Him by the personal Name He Himself has chosen to be His appellative.

Notice carefully what we read in Jeremiah 10:10. ***“But Yahweh is the true Elohim; he is the living Elohim, and an everlasting King: at his wrath the earth trembles, and the nations are not able to endure his indignation.”***Yahweh

The Almighty has only one Name, and that Name is Yahweh.

is the true Mighty One, not any other. Zephaniah 3:9 says, ***“For then will I change to the peoples a pure language, that they may call upon the name of Yahweh, to serve him with one consent.”*** Furthermore, we read in Zechariah 14:9, ***“And Yahweh shall be King over all the earth: in that day shall Yahweh be one, and his name one.”*** Obviously, there is every indication in the Scriptures that the Name Yahweh is of vital importance to True Worship. He is the regal Ruler over this earth, and all people will soon be forced to recognize His authority.

Must We Use the Name Yahweh Exclusively?

There are people who believe that we can use the Name of Yahweh if we wish, but that we can also use any other name to designate the Almighty. **Nothing could be further from the truth!** Our Heavenly Father has declared His Name in the Scriptures to be

Yahweh. The **Jerusalem Bible** translates Isaiah 42, verse 8, as, ***“My Name is Yahweh”*** Frequently, where the word *L-rd* is used in the **King James Bible**, *Yahweh* appears in the Hebrew text. Restoration of the revealed, personal Name of our Heavenly Father to the text will clearly reveal the importance of His Name, as in the verse above. Then, the **King James** translation of Isaiah 42:8 will read, ***“I am Yahweh, that is My Name and My glory will I not give to another, neither My praise to graven images.”*** Check this verse for yourself in the **King James** translation and see how explicit it becomes when the Name **Yahweh** is restored to its rightful textual position of honor.

Only One Name

The Almighty has only **one** Name. That Name is **Yahweh**. This may be understood from Psalm 83:18. ***“That men may know that Thou, Whose Name alone is Yahweh, Art the Most High over all the earth.”*** In your **King James Bible** you will find the attempted transliteration **Jehovah**, but this is incorrect. The name *Jehovah* is a hybrid word, formed by uniting the four letters of our Heavenly Father's personal Name through the use of diacritical marks (called vowel points) in the Hebrew text with the word for *L-rd*, which is *Adonai*. The Almighty has only one Name, and that Name is **Yahweh**. Throughout the Bible, this Truth is proved consistently.

We clearly cannot use any Name for the Almighty that we ourselves would care to apply to Him. He has chosen His Name. He has revealed it to His people in His Word. Who are we to reject those royal directives? If we reject His revealed Name in favor of an inferior name, perhaps a name that was once used to designate a pagan idol (such as the name *G-d*), we will be violating the commandments of Yahweh. The first commandment in the Hebrew text

begins, "I am Yahweh, your Mighty One..." Exodus 20:2.

one True Mighty One, not many, and He has chosen one special Name for

Yahweh is known in the sacred Scriptures by many titles, but by only one name. Below is a list of the titles that are sometimes attached to His name, their definitions, and several scriptural references.

Yahweh-Jireh: "Yahweh will see (and provide)." Genesis 22:14.

Yahweh-Ropheka: "Yahweh who heals you," Exodus 15:26.

Yahweh-Nissi: "Yahweh is my banner." Exodus 17:15.

Yahweh-Mekaddishkem: "Yahweh who sanctifies you," Exodus 31:13, Leviticus 20:8, 21:8, 22:32, Ezekiel 20:12.

Yahweh-Shalom: "Yahweh send peace." Judges 6:24.

Yahweh-Sebaoth: "Yahweh of hosts," 1 Samuel 1:3.

Yahweh-Zidkenu: "Yahweh is our righteousness," Jeremiah 23:6, 33:16.

Yahweh-Shammah: "Yahweh is there," Ezekiel 48:35.

Yahweh-Elyon: "Yahweh most high," Psalm 7:17, 47:2, 97:9.

Yahweh-Moshi'ek: "Yahweh your savior," Isaiah 60:16.

Yahweh-Elohim: "Yahweh our mighty one," Genesis 3:1, 3:9, 3:22.

Yahweh-Roi: "Yahweh is my shepherd." Psalm 23:1.

or on earth; as there are many Mighty Ones, and many Lords; yet to us there is one Elohim, the Father, of whom are all things, and we to him; and one Master, Yahshua the Messiah, through whom are all things, and we through him. However, there is not that knowledge in all men: but some being used until now to the idol, eat as of a thing sacrificed to an idol; and their conscience being weak, is defiled. 8 But food will not commend us to Elohim: neither, if we do not eat, are we the worse; nor, if we eat, are we the better."

There are many mighty ones that are worshiped among the peoples of the world (there are many g-ds and many l-rds), but today we of the Assemblies of Yahweh **worship the same Mighty One worshiped by Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob of the Old Testament**, because we are using and calling upon the same Name that they revered. We have rejected the numerous names attached to the mighty ones of the nations, because we are commanded in the Scriptures to do so. How can you tell whether you are calling upon the True Mighty One without using His revealed, personal Name? It is impossible to assume otherwise, according to Psalm 96:5. Our only recourse is to obey the Bible. Please read also Exodus 23:13, Joshua 23:7, and Psalm 16:4, which direct us to use only the Name of Yahweh in our worship.

ALL the Mighty Ones, Except Yahweh, Are Idols

An explicit Scripture that should strongly motivate anyone reading the Bible to think seriously about the Sacred Name doctrine is Psalm 96:5. ***"For all the elohim of the peoples are idols; But Yahweh made the heavens."*** Why should the one True Almighty have many Names, when there are numerous idols worshiped in all nations, each having their own name? There is

Himself. We are not given liberty to question His reasons so we can avoid obeying, but we humbly submit to the Will of the Most High.

The Apostle Paul discussed the concept of monotheism in 1 Corinthians 8:4-7.

"Concerning therefore the eating of things sacrificed to idols, we know that no idol is anything in the world, and that there is no Yahweh but one. For though there be that are called Mighty Ones, whether in heaven

The Biblical Name of the True Worshipers

The Name of Messiah's True Body on this earth today is the Assemblies of Yahweh. Throughout the Bible, this was the name carried by the True Worshipers. When they were scattered in small groups in various places in the world, they were known as **Assemblies** of Yahweh. Please read 1 Corinthians 11:22, 1 Thessalonians 2:14, and 2 Thessalonians 1:4. The English word **church** is

unquestionably an inaccurate translation of the Greek word **ekklesia**, which, in the Greek version of the Old Testament (the **Septuagint**), translated the Hebrew word **kahal**. Both of these words have as their root meaning **an assembly of called-out believers**.

Do you have our article **Church or Assembly?** If not, write immediately to the **Assemblies of Yahweh, Bethel, PA 19507** to receive it without cost or obligation of any kind. You will be astonished at the information in this article.

True Worshipers Called by the Father's Name

The True Worshipers down through history did indeed have a special name by which they were known. They were called by the Name of our Heavenly Father. Ephesians 3:14-15 make this very plain. This is why the modern-day extension of the Apostolic Assembly, founded when the Holy Spirit was given to the True Believers on the day of Pentecost in Acts 2, is today called the Assemblies of Yahweh.

Let us look carefully at Ephesians 3:14-15 and allow this truth to penetrate our minds so that we may become more obedient to our Heavenly Father. ***“For this cause I bow my knees to the Father; from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.”*** If you are a member of a religious organization that does not call itself the Assemblies of Yahweh, can you believe that you are in the True Body of the Messiah? Your Bible will certainly not support your stand. The plain fact is that the True Worshipers have a **specific biblical name** incorporating the Name of the Father by which they can be recognized as a part of the true spiritual family.

A child knows the name of his father. He respects that family name. Similarly, the spiritual family has a specific Name which unites them. They respect this Name in a special way. We are rapidly drawing near

to the world's next great prophetic event, perhaps the greatest event in the history of the world—the Second Coming of Yahshua the Messiah to establish the Kingdom of Yahweh on this earth. Those who will be accepted into Messiah's Body will have

The One whose Name is Yahweh will protect all His obedient children bearing His personal Name.

a special family Name inscribed on their foreheads. This Name **Yahweh** will signify that they are accepted into the only family which has everlasting life.

Name of Spiritual Family Determines Your Salvation

The prophet Malachi describes this process of adoption into the spiritual family.

“Then they that feared Yahweh spoke one with another; and Yahweh listened, and heard, and A BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE WAS WRITTEN BEFORE him, for them that feared Yahweh, AND THAT THOUGHT UPON HIS NAME. And they shall be mine, says Yahweh of hosts, even my own possession, in the day that I make; and I will spare them, as a man spares his own son that serves him. Then shall you return and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serves Elohim

and him that serves him not.” Malachi 3:16-18 (emphasis ours).

When the predicted tribulation and judgment from On High is poured out upon this world in these last days, we will need supernatural protection. The One whose Name is Yahweh will protect all His obedient children bearing His personal Name. These people are described as rare jewels scattered among the people of the world.

Protection Offered in the Name of Yahweh

A Psalm that harmonizes perfectly with the passage of Malachi is Psalm 91. This great, prophetic Psalm shows that, because we have been called by the Name of our Heavenly Father, we will be spared during the tribulation. Please read this entire chapter, paying special attention to verse 15. Then turn to Proverbs 18:10: ***“The name of Yahweh is a strong tower; The righteous runs into it, and is safe.”*** It becomes obvious from these Scriptures that the Name of the Almighty is of vital personal importance to us, perhaps even more vital in the last days at the close of this age if we wish to receive our Heavenly Father's protection in the forthcoming tribulation.

In the Name of the Father and Son

There are two Names that will be inscribed on the foreheads of the 144,000 True Worshipers. The **Benjamin Wilson** translation gives a very accurate rendering of Revelation 14:1. ***“And I saw, and behold, the Lamb standing on the mount Zion, and with him a hundred forty-four thousand, having his name, and the name of his Father, written on their foreheads.”***

There is a reason these special Names are written on the foreheads of those following the Lamb. First of all, the mark, or Name, of our Heavenly Father is an exclusive

sign of protection inscribed upon those who are opposing the wickedness of the age. Ezekiel 9 will prove this to you beyond doubt. The Names of the Father and the Son bring us everlasting life, because that is the meaning of the Name **Yahweh**. All those who are in the spiritual family (blessed with everlasting, eternal life) will call upon this Name and use it in their worship. They have separated themselves from this wicked Babylonish system of the world. The spiritual family into which they receive the adoption bears the Name Yahweh. That is why it is inscribed on their foreheads, indicating the seat of our understanding and intellect.

Occasionally, as we drive the highways, we encounter billboards on which appear the words “J-sus Saves.” Many logical questions relating to this popular slogan arise that are unanswered in the word “J-sus.” But when we know that the Name actually given to the Messiah by the angel from heaven was **Yahshua**, these questions are laid to rest forever.

The Messiah’s Name— Yahshua

By turning to Matthew 1:21 and using a good center-column reference Bible, you will be able to prove the Savior’s Name to yourself quite readily. If it does not appear in the center-column references of your Bible, we will be happy to supply you a photocopy of the marginal note in the **Companion Bible**. The Savior’s Name means **salvation**, with the Name **Yah** prefixed. We are informed Messiah’s Name was Yahshua, and this Name means **Yahweh is salvation**. It is the **ONLY Name under heaven, given among men whereby we MUST be saved**, Acts 4:12.

In the biblical text, the inclusion of what seems to be an out-of-place sentence, or phrase, is, nevertheless, of great importance. This can be readily ascertained from reading Acts

26:14. The Apostle Paul is repeating the account of his conversion experience when he encountered the Savior on the Damascus Road. He explains that he heard the Savior speaking to him **in the Hebrew tongue**. Why should it be so important to know that the Savior spoke to him in the Hebrew tongue? The answer, of course, is that if the Apostle Paul heard the Messiah speak to him in the Hebrew language, Paul **did not hear His Name as J-sus Chr-st**, but as **Yahshua Ha Messiach**. Think carefully about all of the implications raised by this verse.

Yahshua—The Name of the Millennial King

It is of supreme importance that we know the True Name of our Messiah King, because we must know the Name of our spiritual leader. Just as we today are citizens of an earthly power, and we know the name of the leader of the government over us, we must know the Name of the heavenly King who will soon establish His millennial reign on this earth. We are eagerly anticipating the arrival of that day. Therefore, we have taken on the Name of our King, having been baptized into His Name, just as a bride takes on the name of her husband. Yahshua is to be the husband and provider for His people, the Assembly of True Worshipers.

Helpful Bible Translations

When one is finally alerted to the importance of the Name of the Heavenly Father and the Name of His Son, the Messiah, he need only open the Bible to find this doctrine unmistakably clear throughout the volume. Perhaps you should begin by reading the book of Psalms, using a translation employing the restoration of the Sacred Name to the text. Some of those translations are the **Rotherham Bible**, the **Anchor Bible**, the **Jerusalem Bible**, and

the **Holy Name Bible**. Each one of these versions restores the Name of the Author of the book to its rightful position in the text rather than attempting to translate it by employing a foreign term like “the L-rd.” Then the context will plainly inform us of the importance of using the Name of Yahweh exclusively in our worship. Our next obligation is to submit humbly to the inspired Word of our Heavenly Father.

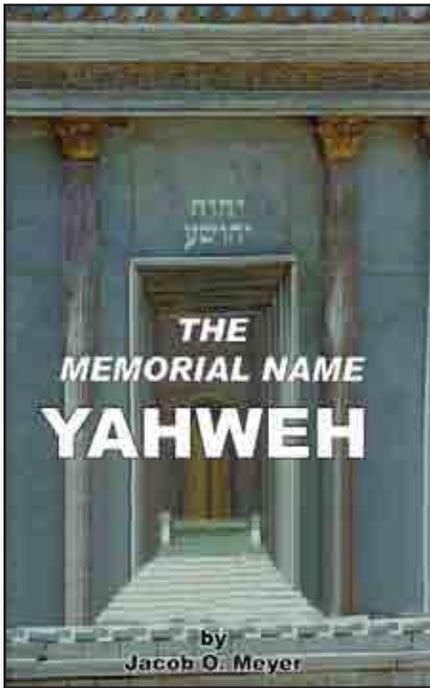
Satan Responsible for Substitution

Perhaps the best indication of the party responsible for replacing the Almighty’s Name in Bible translations with a host of substitute names becomes clear when we consider the name of the adversary. In the Bible, the name of the evil spirit, the adversary, the devil, is Satan. Would you believe that his name was left intact and transliterated slavishly from the original text into all languages, rather than being translated or removed as was the Name of the Almighty, the Author of the Book? This should convince even the most skeptical individual that Satan himself played the major part in removing the Sacred Name from the text. If no one knows the Name of the Messiah, or the Heavenly Father, they cannot be saved! Obviously, Satan would then win the victory without a battle.

Booklets and books you may wish to obtain to assist you in proving this doctrine from the inspired Scriptures are:

- The Memorial Name—Yahweh
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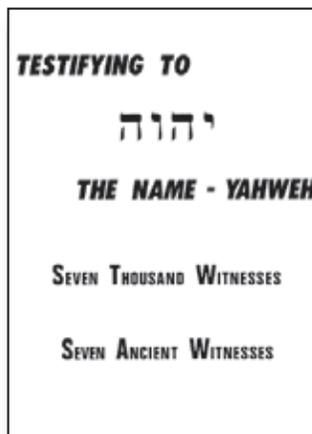


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Important information about our Redeemer's Name and its vital importance to all believers.



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Twenty-four ways you can prove

Yahweh's Name is true and necessary for salvation in these last days.



A-5
Valuable historical evidence validating our use of the Sacred Names.

The Sacred Name— The Key to Bible Understanding

Again, it is not required that you be a scholar to understand the importance of the Sacred Name to your personal salvation. You must have a submissive attitude, however, allowing the Word of the Almighty to correct you and bring you into greater knowledge of the Will of Almighty Yahweh.

By simply restoring the Name of Yahweh to the text from which it has been removed, you will gain an immeasurable amount of knowledge. The Sacred Name is the key that actually unlocks the Bible to the understanding of the truth seeker, Luke 11:52. When the Sacred Name is restored to the text, there can be no question about its importance. If you would like to substantiate the Sacred Name, read the preface of the **Smith-Goodspeed American Translation** and the introduction to the **Moffat Translation** of the Bible. The **Rotherham Emphasized Bible** also has an outstanding introduction dealing with this subject. These noted works prove the veracity of the Name of the Heavenly Father beyond the shadow of doubt.

Should you desire more scholarly information, you may obtain it in your home town library. The research material is excellent, and you will be able to prove to yourself conclusively that the Name of the Heavenly Father is of supreme importance to your salvation. Without using it, you cannot receive salvation. Without calling upon it, you cannot know that you are in personal communication with the Most High. Without knowing and calling upon the Name of the Savior Yahshua the Messiah, you cannot be saved. All this is clear from the Word. Will you take the initiative to prove this to yourself from the Bible? Your personal salvation is at stake!

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Awake

You that Sleep and Arise (Ephesians 5:14)

How does one keep from floundering into the pitfalls of Laodiceanism? The specter of becoming a spiritual Laodicean has been employed by many commentators and religious organizations in the past to spur those who may have become lackadaisical.

The characteristics of the Laodicean are described in detail Revelation 3:15-17.

“I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot: I would rather you were cold or hot. So

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because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spew you out of my mouth. Because you say, I am rich, and have gotten riches, and have need of nothing; and know not that you are the wretched one and miserable and poor and blind and naked.”

The Laodicean is described as lukewarm—that is, he is no longer on fire for the Truth as he once was, nor is he cold toward sin. The fire of Truth in his heart flickers low, but some embers still remain, which must be immediately fanned into flame, or they will be extinguished. He stands in some sort of spiritual limbo between zeal and indifference, but not near enough to either pole to be categorized as such. What has taken place to cause such a deplorable situation to emerge?

Actually, the Laodicean is parallel to the parable of the sower. This account can be found in Matthew 13.

When someone hears the Word of Truth being preached and it sparks his interest, he may be like the one receiving the Word in stony places. Joy floods into his heart as the light of Yahweh's Truth enters. He proves this message to be true, and, for a little while, he continues on the Narrow Pathway, but his roots have not penetrated to any great depth. Like a tree that is planted in irrigated soil, his roots will not penetrate deeply into the soil in search for water, but they will lie near the surface. With the first mild test, his Faith will be overthrown like a stalk of corn before a violent storm. When persecution or tribulation comes because of the Word, he is soon offended and rapidly turns away from following the Most High. He has never securely anchored himself to something tangible. Although he retains some measure of knowledge, this unfruitful one is not motivated.

Additionally, a Laodicean is like one who receives Yahshua's message among thorns. When he hears the Word of Yahweh being proclaimed, he joyfully receives it, but when he discovers he must give up something to obey it, he becomes cold. The cares of the world, the deceitfulness of riches and temporal things of life choke the Word until its light flickers and dies so that he becomes unfruitful.

Isn't it true that many people who first encounter the message of the Sacred Name and its importance become tremendously elated and joyful? With the passion of first love, they immediately follow what the Scriptures teach. They would undoubtedly be ready to meet the Savior in the air and be changed into the spiritual body were Yahshua to return at that moment.

But such a blessing is not to be. Almighty Yahweh wishes to test His people, to prove and try

them, to ascertain if they will be faithful under any circumstances they might encounter in the future. Consequently, Satan the Adversary soon arrives and tests the individual. The True Worshiper must remain in a world that is simply saturated with sin. Daily that individual must resist the temptation to forget all about the Bible and turn to other pursuits. If his character is weak, he will soon capitulate and fall away; but someone who bears the family name of Yahweh must be strong and have Yahweh's character, able to resist the enticement of sins that would destroy him in the end.

The Apostle Paul gave a very appropriate description of people in the last days in his prophecy in 2 Timothy chapter 3. This could very appropriately be applied to the Laodiceans. In 2 Timothy 3:5 we find them described as ***"Holding a form of righteousness, but having denied the power of it: from these also turn away."***

Notice that this is a prophecy directed toward the last days, at the close of the age just before the Kingdom of Yahweh is to be established. It relates quite closely to

the Laodicean Assembly—the last Assembly of the seven addressed by Yahshua the Messiah in the book of Revelation. Conceivably, therefore, this last Assembly can depict the close of the age of man.

For just a moment, let us glance at some of the other identifying characteristics of the Laodicean Assembly. Besides being lukewarm, they have an apparent proclivity toward materialism. Notice what we read in Revelation 3:17. ***"Because you say, I am rich, and have gotten riches, and have need of nothing . . ."***

The age in which we are living is indeed an age of unprecedented affluence. Comparing the present financial status of the people of this age with that of our forefathers, we must say that indeed in our time most people are comfortably well off. During the past three decades, almost every family has had access to conveniences our forefathers hardly dreamed would ever be invented.

Nevertheless, this affluence has bred an attitude of self-sufficiency within the hearts of most people. They desire more and more wealth, and they equate money with rich-



teousness, 1 Timothy 6:5. They imagine that if one has a sufficient amount of material wealth he has need of nothing more. But in the end, what is really the most important thing at the moment of death? A good example of this attitude might be that few people today rely on Almighty Yahweh for healing when they are ill, while, conversely, they rely upon a medical health program to give them long life, a program purchased with material resources. Can you see how such an approach would change the attitudes of people? The quest for wealth is always uppermost in most peoples' thoughts, pushing aside the spiritual life.

Yahshua the Messiah continues in Revelation 3, verse 17, when He says, “. . . **and know not that you are the wretched one and miserable and poor and blind and naked.**” Just exactly what does Yahshua mean by declaring this Assembly to be existing in abject poverty? It could not be poverty of material possessions, since they are rich. It must, therefore, mean poor in **SPIRITUAL THINGS**.

It is obvious that the people of our age today declare that they have a religion, but very few indeed have a living, dynamic faith in the Heavenly Father and His Word. Proverbs 13:7 accurately describes these people. **“There is that makes himself rich, yet has nothing: There is that makes himself poor, yet has great wealth.”**

Yahshua the Messiah continues by urging the Laodicean Assembly to “. . . **buy of me gold refined by fire, that you may become rich.**” (verse 18). This means that Yahshua the Messiah is urging this indifferent Assembly to purchase sound doctrine. We can see how this is confirmed by Psalm 12:6 and Malachi 3:1-4.

Then Yahshua the Messiah continues, “. . . **and white garments, that you may clothe yourself, and that the shame of your nakedness not be made**

manifest.” We must remember that white clothing means the righteousness of the saints, Revelation 19:8. Righteousness is defined in Deuteronomy 6:25 as **“the keeping of the commandments of Yahweh.”** This may be understood

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Yahshua the Messiah continues, “. . . **and eyesalve to anoint your eyes, that you may see.**” The eyesalve here, without doubt, relates to the Sacred Name message. You will see that ointment or salve can be related to the Hebrew word **shemen**, meaning *oil*, in Song of Solomon 1:3. Consequently, the Name of Almighty Yahweh opens the eyes and enlightens one to the deep Truths of the Bible.

To summarize, the Laodicean Assembly is lukewarm, because they do not allow the fire of Yahweh's Word to burn within their hearts, Jeremiah 23:29. **“Is not my word like fire? says Yahweh; and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?”** If they did, it would keep them hot. They only half-heartedly keep the commandments of Yahweh, and this obedience is manifest only when they feel like it. They may have a form of righteousness; but if situation ethics are demanded, they will go in that direction. The

Laodicean Assembly may know the Name of Yahweh, but they have not been sealed in their foreheads (meaning in their conscious minds and hearts) with the Name of Yahweh and the saving Name of Yahshua the Messiah, His Son, who is our Redeemer.

We may also relate this Laodicean Assembly to the parable of the ten virgins of Matthew 25. We are in the time when the cry goes forth, **“Behold, the bridegroom! Come forth to meet him.”** Those Bible students who were **SLEEPING**, lukewarm Laodiceans will now **AWAKE** and trim their lamps. They will open their eyes to the Truth being proclaimed by the Assemblies of Yahweh. Their minds will understand that the world today is on a collision course with the prophesied judgment of Almighty Yahweh. The five wise virgins will begin to trim their lamps and prepare themselves in earnest for the world's greatest event—the return of Yahshua the Messiah and the establishment of the Kingdom of Yahweh on this earth.

Meanwhile, the foolish virgins will continue to sleep, blissfully oblivious to the signs of the times, until they perish when Yahshua the Messiah excludes them at His coming. The finality of the **ETERNALLY CLOSED DOOR** strikes a note of terror in the heart of the one who would be saved.

The **Sacred Name Broadcaster** magazine has been diligently proclaiming the advent of Yahshua the Messiah for decades. Some have heard this message and begun to change their lives in anticipation of Yahshua's return. Others have shrugged off this message, and, to our sadness and dismay, they continue stubbornly down a pathway of their own choosing rather than submitting themselves humbly to the Will of Almighty Yahweh as He has expressed it in His Word. They are walking like sheep toward the slaughter, because their imminent encounter with Yahweh's judgment is inevitable!

Still Sleeping?



“For you were going astray like sheep; but are now returned to the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.”
(1 Peter 2:25)

Many times we feel the same discouragement that the biblical prophets of old experienced when they were sent to proclaim a reconciliation message to Israel, the errant people of Yahweh. If you read the prophecies of Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Hosea, and Amos, you can, in a clearer way, understand the problems facing the ministry of the Word of Yahweh in our time. How can we cause this saving message to penetrate into the very minds and souls of the people of our time to warn them of the judgment of Yahweh so that they can prepare their ark of safety? The Holy Spirit is diligently at work in our time, just as it was in the crisis days of Noah, but if the people quench the Spirit and erect a solid barrier against its convicting power, there is no way that it will penetrate to do the intended job.

Have you ever had personal fellowship with Yahshua the Messiah and with Almighty Yahweh our Heavenly Father? The Laodicean Assembly of Revelation 3 is offered close communion and communication because a viable personal relationship is promised. Yahshua the Messiah promises to all who will repent and overcome that **He will come to that person and enter into His heart** (John 14:17). He will provide a fellowship meal which the person can eat, as Israel ate the manna from heaven (John 6:48-51). Almighty Yahweh and Yahshua the Messiah will live with that person, effecting a change, raising him from carnality to spirituality.

If you are dissatisfied with your present life, why not begin to make a change? Restore the dedication, loyalty, and faithfulness of your first love—or you may find yourself excluded from the Kingdom of YAHWEH. Thrust **aside** the cares of this present world and enter the way of life described by the Bible. Come out of the world (Revelation 18:4), and live the Kingdom way of life. The rewards will be great, and you have nothing to lose. SNB

HALLOWEEN

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It appears as though, each year, the public display of morbid sights throughout the community has been escalating sharply. Tombstones, skeletons, jack-o'-lantern faces, ghosts, and goblins are on display, seemingly everywhere you would care to turn.

Increasingly, each year, the greeting, "Happy Halloween," is given an even more prominent position in these displays. How can there be a happy Halloween, when, in fact, the holiday concentrates upon an obsession with death and the nether-world?

Why do people appear to follow these customs blindly? It seems as though religious people also have lent themselves to the observance of what historical research proves to be a totally pagan observance!

The following is a quote from **The Encyclopedia Britannica, Eleventh Edition**, from the article titled "Halloween." "... *Hallowe'en and its formerly attendant ceremonies long antedate Christianity. The two chief characteristics of ancient Hallowe'en were the lighting of bonfires and the belief that of all nights in the year this is the one during which ghosts and witches are most likely to wander abroad. Now on or about the 1st of November the Druids held their great autumn festival and lighted fires in honour of the Sun-g-d in thanksgiving for the harvest. Further, it was a Druidic belief that on the eve of this festival Saman, l-rd of death, called together the wicked souls that within the past twelve months had been condemned to inhabit the bodies*

of animals. Thus it is clear that the main celebrations of Hallowe'en were purely Druidical, and this is further proved by the fact that in parts of Ireland the 31st of October was, and even still is, known as Oidche Shamhna, 'Vigil of Saman.'"

In 835 C.E., Pope Gregory IV established the first day of November on the Christian calendar as All Saints Day. How could any man designate holy what Yahweh has not sanctified? Obviously, if Yahweh has not spoken on the subject of keeping the day holy it should not be observed. True Worshipers must keep His commandments.

Many of the roots of this pagan holiday celebration can be traced directly to the practices of paganism. Is there a coincidence that on the very evening the Druids anciently celebrated the last of the old year, people are celebrating the modern-day Halloween? The Druids considered October 31 as the last night of the old year, when Saman (could this name relate to Satan?), the ruler of death, would gather the souls of those who died during the past year and designate what form they would take in the forthcoming year.

Trick-or-treating is very popular with the young children and appears to have its origin here in America. Halloween pranksters



more than a century ago would make mischief like placing buggies on the roofs and overturning outhouses, and then blame their actions on evil spirits and goblins. The treat actually had its origin in the poor who went around begging for cakes baked for the celebration of All Souls Eve. When they received a cake, they would say a prayer for the dead.

Almighty Yahweh has told us not to learn the way of the nations, for the customs of the people are vanity (Jeremiah 10:2-3). **"And you shall know that I am Yahweh: for you have not walked in my statutes, neither have you executed my ordinances, BUT HAVE DONE AFTER THE ORDINANCES OF THE NATIONS THAT ARE ALL AROUND YOU."** (Ezekiel 11:12).

You must personally decide whether to observe a pagan holiday like Halloween, which is not at all supported by the sacred Scriptures, or whether you will keep Yahweh's commanded holidays of Leviticus 23. Why not write immediately for the article titled "Yahweh's Sacred Appointments." It is free for the asking when you write to: Assemblies of Yahweh, P. O. Box C, Bethel, PA 19507. **SNB**



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WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE BIBLE?

The Bible is a familiar book to most people of this world, **but, tragically, few people really know what it says!** Many people have heard stories from the Bible in Sunday school since they were small children. They may have repeated the Savior's model prayer on hundreds of occasions. They may have heard sermons being preached, or, in times of trial, they may have read a *few Psalms, but few people really understand the message of the Bible in terms of what it teaches.*

Your Bible is composed of 66 sections, which are called books. The Old Testament segment is composed of five books of law, the books

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of the former prophets, the Psalms, wisdom, and inspirational books, and the later prophets; in all, a total of 39 books. The New Testament is composed of 27 books; the first four—Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, are the account of the life of Yahshua the Messiah. The remaining books comprise letters by the Apostles to individuals and Assemblies, but the entire volume is climaxed by the Apocalypse, which is commonly called Revelation. It has been common in the

past to separate between the Old and New Testaments. But people are surprised to learn that many passages in the New Testament are quoted from the Old Testament Scriptures.

***“Behold,
the Days Come . . .”***

The term *testament is relatively obscure to most people. Some of the more modern versions use the term covenant* to translate the Greek word *diatheke*. The Hebrew word *berith* in the Old Testament **King James Version** has always been translated *covenant*.

The first mention of the New Covenant may be found in Jeremiah 31:31-34. This may surprise many of the readers, but it is, nevertheless, a provable fact, if you would like to check it for yourself. Allow me to quote from Jeremiah 31:31-34. ***“Behold, the days come, says Yahweh, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they broke, although I was a husband to them, says Yahweh. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says Yahweh: I will put my law in their inward parts, and in their heart will I write it; and I will be their Elohim, and they shall be my people: and they shall teach no more every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, Know Yahweh; for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says Yahweh: for I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin will I remember no more.”***

So, when people tell you that they are New Testament (Covenant) believers, do they know that such a term originated in the Old Testament? Or ***do they even care about the implications this fact presents?***

The Law Remains

We hope that you were careful while reading this passage. You will find that the Law of Yahweh will be inscribed upon the inward parts of Israel and will be written on their hearts. Consequently, it is vital that we understand this obvious fact, that the Law of Yahweh will occupy a major position in the New Covenant of Israel. (The Hebrew

term for *new* can mean either *new* or *renewed*.)

The Law had not been done away with when the Savior died upon the tree of Calvary. In fact, Yahshua the Messiah Himself, in Matthew 5:17-20, informs us that

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the Law was to endure until heaven and earth passed away. He even emphasizes this point so strongly that the meaning is unmistakable to anyone who is seeking to serve the Almighty sincerely.

The following is quoted from the Moffatt translation of Matthew 5:17-20, which should clarify the message for you if you have any doubts in your mind at this moment. ***“Never imagine I have come to destroy the law or the prophets; I have not come to destroy but to fulfil. [I tell you truly, till heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a comma, will pass from the law until it is all in force. Therefore whoever relaxes a single one of these commands, were it even one of the least, and teaches men so, he will be ranked least in the Realm of heaven; but whoever obeys them and teaches them, he will be ranked great in the Realm of heaven.] For I tell you, unless your goodness excels that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the Realm of heaven.”***

Obviously from reading this passage and thinking upon it, the meaning should become candidly clear, that ***none of the law of Yahweh has ever been done away with when the Savior died upon the tree of Calvary.*** Yahshua the Messiah came to fulfill what was written in the Law, the Psalms, and the Prophets concerning Him. The Messiah took a position converse to that taken by those who would think to relax one of the commandments, even though it may be thought to be one of the least commandments. Yahshua the Messiah taught that unless our goodness excels that of the recognized religious leaders of His day, we would in no case enter into the Kingdom of the Heavens. This is quite plain and clear. Unless we obey all the Law of Yahweh in every aspect in which it was given, we will just not be allowed into the Kingdom of Yahweh.

But let us go back to Hebrews 8:8-12. You may be surprised to find in this segment of Scripture an almost exact quote of Jeremiah 31:31-34. The writer of Hebrews shows that Almighty Yahweh did not find fault with the Law which He had given as a Covenant, but that **HE FOUND FAULT WITH THE PEOPLE.** The people had a stony, cold heart, in which there was no love for Almighty Yahweh and for His Truth.

Almighty Yahweh declares that one day He would remove that stony heart from Israel, and He would give them a warm heart, a heart of flesh. He promised to write His Laws upon those hearts of warm flesh; He would be their Mighty One, and they would be His people. This means that they would allow the Almighty Heavenly Father Yahweh to direct their lives, to submit to Him as their strong and powerful Protector. They would submit willingly to His government and His laws, and this would make them His people.

If you would like to learn more about this incident when Yahweh

enters into the second Covenant with Israel, turn to Ezekiel 36. Let us read verses 25-28: ***“And I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you; and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and you shall keep my ordinances, and do them. And you shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and you shall be my people, and I will be your Elohim.”***

What a wonderful description of life in the Kingdom of Yahweh. These prophetic writers are unitedly showing a single culmination of prophecy at the end of the age. They are depicting an era when all people would live as true Israelites, when they would all be keeping the Law of Yahweh. Then all people will be recipients of the Holy Spirit of Almighty Yahweh to keep them in the Narrow Pathway which leads to a rewarding and happy life.

Keeping the Law Today

Here, then, is the message which most Bible readers have missed. They have apparently not seen the importance of keeping the Law of Yahweh now, at this time. We read in Isaiah 66:23 that the weekly seventh-day Sabbath will be observed in the Millennium. We read in Zechariah 14:16-21 that the Feast of Tabernacles will also be observed in the Millennium.

How can we ever hope to be kings and priests, meaning the governing officials and the teachers of the people in the Millennium, unless we learn how to obey the commandments of the Scriptures now, in this life, with the Holy Spirit of Almighty Yahweh teaching us? The answer obviously is that we would be poor

leaders of the people, unless we have learned the executive process now. Learning to serve Yahweh when His Kingdom rules is the purpose of our human life.

At one time, Yahshua the Messiah was asked by a young

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ruler, ***“ . . . Good Teacher, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?”*** The answer the Messiah gave was very straightforward and to the point. ***“ . . . If you would enter into life, keep the commandments.”***

It has often occurred to us that if Yahshua the Messiah would have asked some special feat of the young man (or of the world in general, for that matter), there would have been no argument, or attempted circumvention. ***“IF YOU WOULD ENTER INTO LIFE, KEEP THE COMMANDMENTS.”*** Now that statement is very plain, straight to the point, quite simple to understand, and impossible to misinterpret, don't you think?

By way of clarification, the young man asked, ***“Which commandments?”*** Almost mechanically, Yahshua the Messiah begins to quote from the Decalogue. Most ministers recognize this fact, but they explain it away by saying that He omitted the first five commandments.

Thinking logically, we would have to conclude that the Messiah did not do away with the commandments which are meant to instruct us on how to show respect to the Almighty Heavenly Father.

Let us never forget that, at every turn, when the Messiah is asked which are the most important of the commandments, He invariably quoted from Deuteronomy 6:5, ***“And you shall love Yahweh your Elohim with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.”*** This verse is situated within a passage of Scripture which shows the importance of keeping the commandments of Yahweh and is a part of the passage known as the *Shema*.

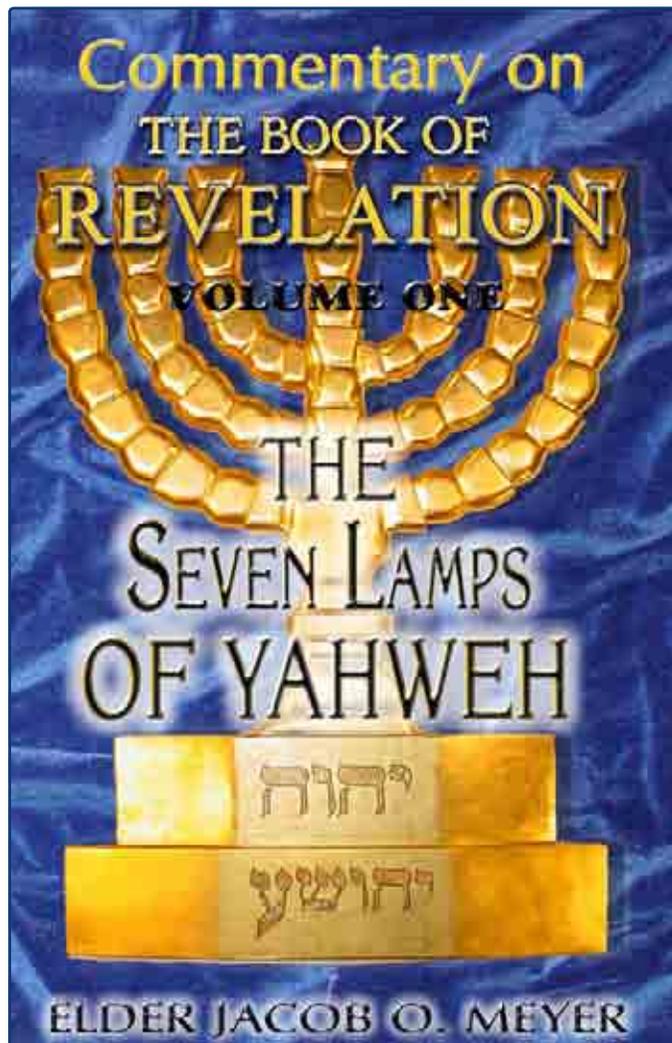
Do you know how we can show love to the Heavenly Father? Let us turn to 1 John 5:3, ***“For this is the love of Yahweh, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.”*** The basic message of the Bible then is government. It is the government of the Kingdom of Yahweh ruling over the lives of men on this earth. That government is encompassed in the keeping of the commandments, statutes, and judgments which are found in the Scriptures.

This message begins with the first verses of Genesis, and it is the same message right down through to the book of Revelation at the end of the Bible. Don't you think that it is time you obeyed the living voice speaking to us from the pages of the sacred Scriptures? Notice the description of the True Worshipers who will be living at the end of the age, as found in Revelation 12:17 and 14:12. ***“And the dragon became exceedingly angry with the woman, and went away to make war with the remnant of her seed, that keep the commandments of Yahweh, and hold the testimony of Yahshua . . . Here is the patience of the saints; They that keep the commandments of Yahweh, and the faith of Yahshua.”***

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