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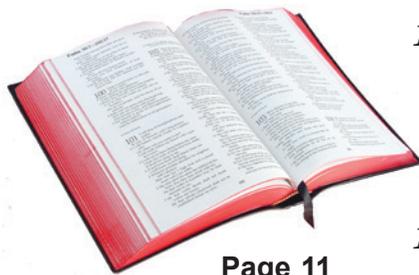
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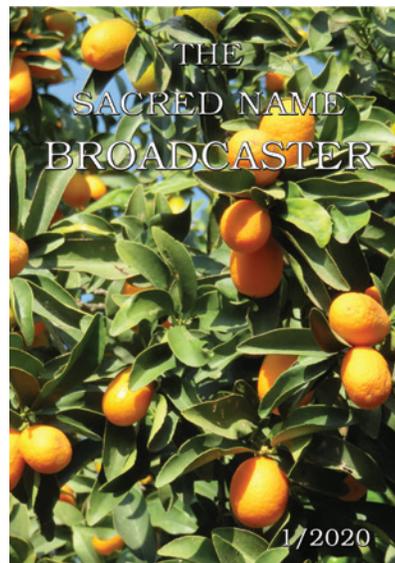
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Our Cover:

This month's cover depicts the delicious jaffa orange, which was named for the port of Jaffa (Joppa)—now part of Tel Aviv. These oranges are a familiar sight throughout Israel and are a refreshing snack, or dessert.

The land of Israel is a good land, just as Yahweh described it to Moses out of the burning bush at Horeb. Moses reminded Israel (and us, as well) of this fact 10 times in the book of Deuteronomy alone.

If we are faithful to Yahweh—following in the footsteps of Yahshua the Messiah—we will be granted entrance into the Kingdom of Yahweh. During the thousand-year millennium, these blessings will be given to us, and we will see Eden restored to this earth. **"They shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them. And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be plucked up out of their land which I have given them, says Yahweh your Elohim."** (Amos 9:14b-15).

Have you made your calling and election sure?

*“For this cause I bow my knees to the Father,
from whom every family in heaven and
on earth is named....”*

What's In A Name?

by Elder Jacob O. Meyer

When someone hears a strange-sounding name he usually becomes inquisitive. What is the nationality of the person to whom it belongs? What kind of a name is it? What does it mean?

Names are fascinating and the study of names has been the subject of many volumes of authorship. As a matter of fact, an entire grammar has been formulated in the Amorite language using almost exclusively the proper names of those who appear on the written record of that culture.

In our time we have (for the most part), lost the comprehension of the intrinsic importance

of the meanings of names. This is not to say, however, that people are currently uninterested in names. During biblical times the etymological meanings of names were much more important to an individual than they are today. One could frequently tell something about an individual simply by the name that was his.

In the Hebrew Scriptures this is an especially impressive fact. People were known by a word that described some aspect of their character, physical appearance, or perhaps their ancestry. On many occasions the central characters of the biblical narrative were named for something

that the Almighty had done or would do for them. Consequently, you find many biblical names which either begin or end with Iah (Yah).

The Bible is a book that records the history of mankind from the creation of the first man, Adam, up to the end of the age. This multifaceted volume is the instruction book that the Almighty has given to His creation. Within portions of its passages appear commandments, statutes, and judgments that our Heavenly Father wishes us to observe. Located in the written record that is your Bible may be found ample evidence that the

Name of the author of the book, the One Who inspired it to be written from the very heavens, is extremely important.

As a matter of fact, this record declares that there is a family name attached to the spiritual people who have associated themselves with the True Mighty One, Yahweh. We read of this importance in Ephesians 3:14-15. ***“For this cause I bow my knees to the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.”*** The Name of the Almighty is obviously very important.

If we are ever to become a member of His family ***we will need to know His Name. We must be called by His Name and this is the reason why the Body of True Worshipers today is called the Assemblies of Yahweh.***

We should not brush lightly over the biblical example of the name of the first man, Adam. The first reference to him may be found in Genesis 1:26 where Elohim said during the creation, ***“Let us make man (Heb.—adam) in Our image and in after our likeness.”*** Found in this text is a reference to the man, although the word in Hebrew is **adam**. The reason why we have used a lower case letter for the “a” rather than capitalizing to make it a proper noun is because during the first chapter of Genesis **adam** is not a name. It is merely the generic designation for mankind. The root of this name may be found in the Hebrew word **adamah**, which means *red clay, earth, or ground*. Adam was made of the dust of the ground (adamah) and as a consequence, the generic name for Homo sapiens was recorded in the Bible as adam.

In the latter part of the second

chapter where the Almighty took this man and created a female companion for him would be the precise place that this word shifts from a common to a proper noun.

If we wish to be saved, we must call upon the Name that means eternal existence.

Thereafter, the first man is called **Adam** as a personal name. He names his wife Eve (Chawah), which means *the mother of all living*.

Here then is a good example of the importance of names relative to a better understanding of the Hebrew Scriptures. This concept has been virtually lost in our modern society and we no longer pay quite as much attention to the meanings of names as civilizations in antiquity once did. In our time we generally choose a name merely for the way it sounds to our ears.

What Is the Meaning of the Almighty’s Name?

The Name of our Heavenly Father also has a very special meaning. It is derived from the Hebrew verb of existence **הָיָה**. In the verbal conjugation in which it appears you will discover that it is derived from the “H” (Hiphil) or causative stem. And in the imperfect form this means that the Name of the Heavenly Father should be understood as ***He Who shall cause things to exist*** or ***He Who shall cause to be***. This Name could mean **He**

Who exists, because He wills or causes all to exist.

Do you see now why we must call upon the Name of the Heavenly Father if we wish to be saved? If we wish to be saved we must call upon the Name that means eternal existence. We find this thought emerging in a number of different passages throughout the Scripture. Turning first to Joel 2:32 we read, ***“And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the Name of Yahweh shall be delivered for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as Yahweh hath said, and in the remnant whom Yahweh shall call.”*** The reason why **we must call upon the Name of the Heavenly Father and use His correct Name** is that we will not find everlasting, eternal existence, or salvation unless we are calling upon the proper Name of the Almighty which was inspired to be written into the Hebrew Scriptures. His Name means everlasting existence. Hence it connotes salvation for the person who calls upon the Mighty One Who has this characteristic inherent within His Name.

It is very simple. The importance of the Sacred Name is candidly obvious for all to comprehend, especially after we have learned the importance of names in the ancient Middle Eastern cultures. We can then derive a much greater message from the meaning of the Name of the Almighty.

What Is His Name?

It is vitally important to this study that we take into account every Scripture that will deal with the subject of the importance of the Name of the

Heavenly Father. For example, when we turn to Psalm 96:4-5, we can determine that every other mighty one which is worshipped upon the earth is a **pagan mighty one**. **YAHWEH is the only true Mighty One.** *“For great is Yahweh, and greatly to be praised: He is to be feared above all elohim. For all the elohim of the peoples are idols; but Yahweh made the heavens.”*

Do you perceive, then, that there are no other elohim (mighty ones) except Yahweh only? When we come to this enlightening realization we can certainly conclude that we have learned a great and vital truth. **Our Heavenly Father Yahweh is the only true Mighty One; all the other mighty ones of the nations are idols.** It is Yahweh Who made the heavens. When we are worshipping this true Mighty One we obviously have established communication with the creator of this universe whose throne is in the heavens. This communication binds us together in one accord with Him when we obediently do His will. We may then become a part of His very own spiritual family.

Since we have now proven that all the other mighty ones in the world are idols, that it is only Yahweh Who is the true Mighty One, let us turn to another passage of Scripture that will finally and securely nail down this important fact.

We shall turn to Jeremiah 10:10. We read there: **“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.”** Certainly, our Heavenly Father Yahweh has without reservation

declared Who He is through the words of the prophet. Straightforwardly He has informed us that He, Yahweh, is **the only true Mighty One**. There is no other

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mighty one. All the other elohim (mighty ones) are idols. Now the question arises, do you worship this only, true, revealed Mighty One today, or are you worshipping in the name of a mighty one who was once an idol of the nations?

Has the Almighty Heavenly Father Declared His Name?

Has this Almighty Being Who inspired the Bible to be written left Himself without witnesses? We must conclude that He would not be the all-knowing, omnipotent Mighty One if his instruction book had not been written in such a way that His Name would continue to appear in the text. All we need to do to prove this to ourselves is to read some of these candid Scriptures. When we do, the fallacious and fabricated arguments of those who oppose the Sacred Name doctrine will disappear from before our eyes like fog before a hot burning sun.

The book of Exodus was the written record of the account of the migration of the physical Israelites out of Egyptian bondage and into the promised land

of Canaan. This book must be understood as a type of the migration of the spiritual Israel of Yahweh from sin into His Kingdom age. As a consequence, type after type is found throughout the book of Exodus which may be comprehended and understood spiritually in the anti-type in this New Testament age. Let us see this demonstrated in Exodus chapter 3.

When our Heavenly Father Yahweh called Moses to lead His people Israel out of Egyptian bondage, Moses was herding sheep for his father-in-law, Jethro, in the desert of Midian. While there he saw a bush that began to burn, but curiously was not consumed in the fire. Walking toward the bush to investigate the source of this strange phenomenon, he was greeted by a voice instructing him to prepare to meet Elohim, the emissary of the Most High. This voice introduced Himself as the Mighty One (Elohim) of his fathers, the Mighty One of Abraham, the Mighty One of Isaac, and the Mighty One of Jacob. After hearing this pronouncement Moses did obeisance before the burning bush.

The voice from the fiery flames of the burning bush informed Moses that he was the chosen leader to bring His people the Israelites, out of Egyptian bondage. Moses must have immediately realized that the word **Elohim** was not a name, but merely a title. As a consequence, Moses was prompted to ask a question. This question may he found in verse 13. **“And Moses said to Elohim, Behold, when I come to the children of Israel, and shall say to them, The Elohim of your fathers has sent me to you; and they shall say to me, What is his Name? What**

shall I say to them?"

What is His Name? Moses realized that when he came to the children of Israel, they would ask which Mighty One had given Moses this leadership authority. Moses needed the answer. He needed to have his information directly from the very mouth of the One speaking from the burning bush. It had to be a Name with which the family of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob was familiar. As a consequence, the speaker who appeared in that burning bush explained to Moses, **I Am that I Am.** *“And Elohim said to Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, In this manner shall you say to the children of Israel, I AM has sent me to you,”* Exodus 3:14.

In the Hebrew this clause appears **אֲנִי הָאֵלֹהִים אֲשֶׁר אָמַרְתִּי**.

This means that the Almighty exists; because He wills to exist. The translated term I Am that I Am is usually defined as **I will be what I will be or I will become what I will become.** The verb of existence **הָיָה** appears in the first person singular, imperfect form. Just as names are explained at various places throughout the Scriptures, for example 1 Samuel 1:20 the Almighty first explains His Name for Moses. He explains that He has existed in the past, He is existing now, and He will always exist in the future. To reiterate, this word is derived from the Hebrew verb of existence **הָיָה**. This form Eyheh could not be His Name, **it is merely the explanation of His Name. His Name follows in verse 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.”

The Almighty in verse 14 has already explained His Name, but here His Name is now rendered into the **third person form of the verb**, **אָמַרְתִּי**. This means that His people can call upon Him, as He Who exists. He is the object of our worship. He is the One Who has established our faith. We owe our human existence to Him and to Him alone, our everlasting existence in a spiritual body also.

He was the Mighty One of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. They worshiped Him and they called upon His Name (Genesis 13:4, 21:33, 22:14, 26:25, and 28:21-22). Israel certainly had heard descriptions of the way this Mighty One had so miraculously preserved and protected their forefathers. When Moses would tell them that he was the earthly representative of the Most High they would certainly believe him, because he came in the Name and authority of Yahweh.

Yahweh Is His Memorial

There are two facts that our Heavenly Father wishes His people to understand relative to arriving at a better understanding of His Name. First of all, the Name Yahweh which He has chosen as His own personal appellative is to be **His memorial. This is how He wishes to be remembered** from year to year and from generation to generation. He wishes His people to call Him by His true, personal Name which is Yahweh. Turn now to Hosea 12:5. We read there a similar authoritative declaration about the Name of the Almighty such as is found in

Exodus 3:15. *“Even Yahweh, the Elohim of hosts; Yahweh is his memorial name,”* Hosea 12:5. Consequently, we now have **two witnesses** that show that the Name of the Heavenly Father, Yahweh, is to be **His memorial.**

When someone wishes to leave behind a memorial to himself it is usually the erection of a monument stone of the best quality granite into which a message is deeply carved so that it will endure the test of time and will not be erased by the elements.

Similarly, our Heavenly Father has erected for us a memorial of His remembrance, His revealed personal Name. He carved it into stone in Exodus 20:2, so that it would never be lost. Thereby it would always be preserved. Israel preserved that Name down through the ages of history, and the translations of the Inspired Scriptures that we have with us today have preserved it also. For examples read Psalm 68:4 and Psalm 83:18.

We should be reminded that the name of one of the minor prophets relates to the memorial Name. This prophet is Zechariah. His name means *he was remembered of Yahweh* or *Yahweh was remembered*. Beloved reader, have you remembered the Mighty One of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob? Have you offered pure worship to Him by calling upon His Name, just as did the ancient patriarchs? Are you sure that you are in communication with the true Almighty Heavenly Father today? We trust that this book will be influential in bringing you into a deeper knowledge of the True Worship that has been outlined for us in the Scriptures, and that you will also wish to become a worshiper of Yahweh the Most High.



His chosen personal Name must endure forever. It will never change. It is specified and recorded for all time.

***His Name Is
Unchangeable, Forever
It Remains the Same***

Knowing that the Almighty Heavenly Father is indeed unchangeable should have some influence on our enlightened conception of the Sacred Name. Do you recall what we find written in Malachi 3:6? ***“For I, Yahweh, change not; therefore you, O sons of Jacob, are not consumed.”*** Obviously our Heavenly Father is all powerful. Since He possesses this kind of power and this infinite knowledge, HE NEVER NEEDS TO CHANGE FOR ANY REASON. THEREFORE, BIBLE DOCTRINE IS SO INFLEXIBLE. We must then also relate this unchangeableness to His Memorial Name.

This has already been done for us in Exodus 3:15. The Almighty has told us in this passage that His Personal Name, Yahweh, has been chosen by Him to endure forever. In the Hebrew text the word “forever” is **olahm**. We

can find this word defined in the Hebrew lexicons.

For example, let us turn first to the **Tregelles Gesenius’ Hebrew-Chaldee Lexicon of the Old Testament**. We find that the primary definition is: *“what is hidden, especially hidden time or long time, the beginning or end of which is either uncertain or else undefined.”*

The word **olahm** is translated in the **Authorized Version (KJV)** as *eternity* or *endlessness*.

The Hebrew and Chaldee dictionary in **Strong’s Exhaustive Concordance** lists the word as #5769 and defines it as *concealed, to the vanishing point, time out of mind, [practically] eternity, always*. The more modern **Holladay Concise Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament** defines **olahm** as long time, constancy, all coming time (*English usage eternity or eternal*). The second definition is *for all time, FOR EVER*. The third definition is *long time ago, the dim past*. Consequently, it is

obvious from these definitions, which incidentally all agree, that when speaking of the Almighty Who is everlasting and eternal Himself, this word **olahm** must relate to an endlessness.

His chosen personal Name must endure forever. It will never change. It is specified and recorded for all time. We can always know the true Name of the Almighty Heavenly Father, Yahweh, at any time in the future, by simply returning to the Hebrew text from which our translations were made. It will always appear there. Therefore, His Name is vitally important for us to know and to understand, because it means an endless existence for those who call upon it in truth.

***What the Bible
Translators Say
Regarding the
Sacred Name***

When confronted with this mounting evidence proving the veracity of the Sacred Name of the Almighty and that it should be used exclusively in our worship, undoubtedly some skeptics will still not accept such plain biblical scholarship on the subject. Yet, Bible translators who are renowned scholars have been quite explicit about the importance of the Sacred Name, Yahweh, and what it should mean to us. They have explained the Sacred Name on many occasions in the prefaces or introductions of their translated versions. If you are one of those skeptical people who has declined to admit the importance of the Sacred Name, we invite you to examine some authoritative sources on the subject of the Sacred Name. Let us scrutinize several of the comments made

by Bible translators and bring to your attention what they say concerning the Sacred Name.

We shall first turn to the Smith-Goodspeed version entitled **The Bible, An American Translation**.

*“One detail of the translation which requires explanation is the treatment of the divine name. As nearly as we can now tell, the Hebrews called their Deity by the name Yahweh, and in a shorter form, Yah, used in relatively few cases. In course of time they came to regard this name as too sacred for utterance. They therefore substituted for it the Hebrew word for ‘L-rd.’ When vowels were added to the text, the consonants of ‘Yahweh’ were given the vowels of ‘L-rd.’ Somewhere in the fourteenth century A.D. Christian scholars, not understanding this usage, took the vowels and consonants exactly as they were written and produced the artificial name ‘Jehovah’ which has persisted ever since. In this translation we have followed the orthodox Jewish tradition and substituted ‘the L-rd’ for the name ‘Yahweh’ and the phrase ‘the L-rd G—d’ for the phrase ‘the L-rd Yahweh.’ In all cases where ‘L-rd’ or ‘G-d’ represents an original ‘Yahweh’ small capitals are employed. Anyone, therefore, who desires to retain the flavor of the original text has but to read ‘Yahweh’ wherever he sees L-RD or G-D. (the Smith-Goodspeed version; **The Bible, An American Translation**. (The Univ. of Chicago Press, 1951) Preface—page 15.*

Did you fully comprehend

what you have just read? Doctor J. M. Powis Smith, the editor of the **Smith-Goodspeed** version, has said that, *“If we wish to retain the flavor of the original text we have but to read Yahweh wherever we see L-RD and G-D.”* Truly astounding, isn’t it? Perhaps you have had a copy of the **Smith-Goodspeed** version in your own home for a number of years. The author has personally been familiar with it since he was a small boy. Yet you may have overlooked this authoritative statement by this noted Bible translator. Don’t you think that we should retain the flavor of the original text as closely as we can return to it? Certainly, this is where the truth of the Bible may be finally located. The original texts, as closely as we can return to them, are the Fountainhead of Truth. What heavenly understanding may be unlocked by following Dr. Smith’s suggestion!

But let us take into account yet another statement by a widely known Bible translator. This quote will be from the Moffatt translation.

“One crucial instance of the difficulty offered by a Hebrew term lies in the prehistoric name given at the exodus by the Hebrews to their G-d. Strictly speaking, this ought to be rendered ‘Yahweh’ which is familiar to modern readers in the erroneous form of ‘Jehovah.’ Were this version intended for students of the original there would be no hesitation whatever in printing ‘Yahweh.’ But almost at the last moment I have decided with some reluctance to follow the practice of the French scholars and of Matthew Arnold [though not exactly for his reasons], who

translate this name by ‘the Eternal’ except in an enigmatic title like ‘the Lord of hosts.’ There is a distinct loss in this, I fully admit; to drop the racial, archaic term is to miss something of what is meant for the Hebrew nation.” **A New Translation**, James Moffatt, (Harper & Brothers publishers, 1954) Introduction—page 21.

How truly startling! Here is a very widely quoted Bible translator and he has straightforwardly stated that *“strictly speaking” the name of the Almighty should be transliterated as Yahweh and not translated as he himself has done by translating it!* He informs us that he chose to use the term “the Eternal,” because **he translated** the Name of the Almighty, although he knew that Yahweh was preferable and the more correct rendering. However, in order to be consistent **all names** in the Bible would then have to be **translated**, and yet Doctor Moffatt did not do this. Furthermore, he informs us that **if his version were intended for Bible students he would have had no hesitation in printing Yahweh.**

Don’t you think that we should ALL be **diligent students** of the Inspired Scriptures? We need to remember that we have been urged by the Apostle Paul to study to show ourselves approved unto Yahweh, 2 Timothy 2:15. Let us also remember that the word *disciple* means *a student or a learner*. It will be those diligent students who have acquired a sound knowledge of the Scriptures who will be awarded the blessing of adoption into the Elohim family and the diploma of everlasting life at the end of the age.

Rotherham

EMPHASIZED BIBLE

Turning then to the translation called the **Emphasized Bible** done by Dr. Joseph Bryant Rotherham, we find that he has devoted slightly over seven pages to a discussion of the Sacred Name in his introduction. Let us carefully note some of the facts he has included in this very noted Bible translation.

II. The Name Restored

A. Why?

1. *Because its suppression was a mistake. So grave a mistake cannot be corrected too soon. An unwarrantable liberty has been taken; the path of humility is to retrace our steps.*

2. *Because thereby serious evil may be averted. Men are saying to-day that 'Yahweh' was a mere tribal name, and are suggesting that 'Yahweh' Himself was but a local deity. As against this, only let The Name be boldly and uniformly printed, and the humblest Sunday School teacher will be able to show the groundlessness of the assertion.*

3. *Because solid advantage may be counted upon as certain to follow the restoration. Even if the meaning of The Name should not disclose itself, the word itself would gradually gather about it the fitting associations—and that would be a gain; and [pious] readers would be put on quest—and that would be a further gain; and if the true significance of the Tetragrammaton should be brought to light, there would be a trained constituency to whom appeal could be made—and that would be a yet greater gain.*

B. In What Form?

1. *Why not in the form 'Jehovah'? Is that not euphonious? It is, without question. Is it not widely used? It is, and may still be freely employed to assist through a period of transition. But is it not hallowed and*

endeared by many a beautiful hymn and many a pious memory? Without doubt; and therefore it is with reluctance that it is here declined. But why is it not accepted? There it is—familiar, acceptable, ready for adoption. The reason is, that it is too heavily burdened with merited critical condemnation—as modern, as a compromise, as a 'mongrel' word, 'hybrid,' 'fantastic,' 'monstrous.' The facts have only to be known to justify this verdict, and to vindicate the propriety of not employing it in a new and independent translation. What are the facts? And first as to age. 'The pronunciation Jehovah was unknown until 1520, when it was introduced by Galatinus; but was contested by Le Mercier, J. Drusius, and L. Capellus, as against grammatical and historical propriety.' Next, as to formation. 'Erroneously written and pronounced Jehovah, which is merely a combination of the sacred Tetragrammaton and the vowels in the Hebrew word for Lord, substituted by the Jews for JHVH, because they shrank from pronouncing The Name, owing to an old misconception of the two passages, Ex. 20:7 and Lev. 24:16... To give the name JHVH the vowels of the word for Lord [Heb. Adonai] and pronounce it Jehovah, is about as hybrid a combination as it would be to spell the name Germany with the vowels in the name Portugal - viz., Gormuna. The monstrous combination Jehovah is not older than about 1520 A.D.' From this we may gather that the Jewish scribes are not responsible for the 'hybrid' combination. They intentionally wrote alien vowels—not for combination with the sacred consonants, but for the purpose of cautioning the Jewish reader to enunciate a totally different word, viz., some other familiar name of the Most High."

Joseph Bryant Rotherham, **The Emphasized Bible** (The Standard Publishing Company), Introduction pp. 23-25.

It seems quite clear to anyone who wishes to take the time and do some studying that the Name of the Almighty is indeed important. Dr. J. B. Rotherham has proved this in his scholarly commentary. He has conclusively argued the point of restoring the Name of the Almighty to the text of the Bible translation. He sees that it is vitally important to our salvation to know and use the Sacred Name. Although he admits that the Sacred Name has been removed from general use and is not widely known (when he wrote at the turn of the century), nevertheless, he urges that everyone immediately take action to restore it and begin teaching it. His explanation of what the Sacred Name means and what it stands for is still unquestionably a work of superb scholarship.

But the question then remains squarely with you. You are the one who must make the decision! Will you accept the almost innumerable concrete proofs of the authenticity of the Name of Yahweh and the necessity of its use? **YOU must be the final judge.**

What will you do with this vital information? Will you spurn it? Will you reject it? Will you cast it aside as being of no importance or consequence? On the other hand, will you continue your study with an open mind and prove whether these things are so? Just remember, this subject is of such supreme

importance to your salvation that you must one day give an accounting of what you have done with this knowledge you are presently reading. We hope you will come down on the side of sound knowledge and Bible truth. Really, what can you lose?

We Are Fulfilling the Great Commission

Although there are various religious groups today who claim to be the exclusive True Worship

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at the end of the age, while claiming also to preach the message of the Kingdom around the world, there is no group today, except the Assemblies of Yahweh, that is properly **preaching whose Kingdom it will be.**

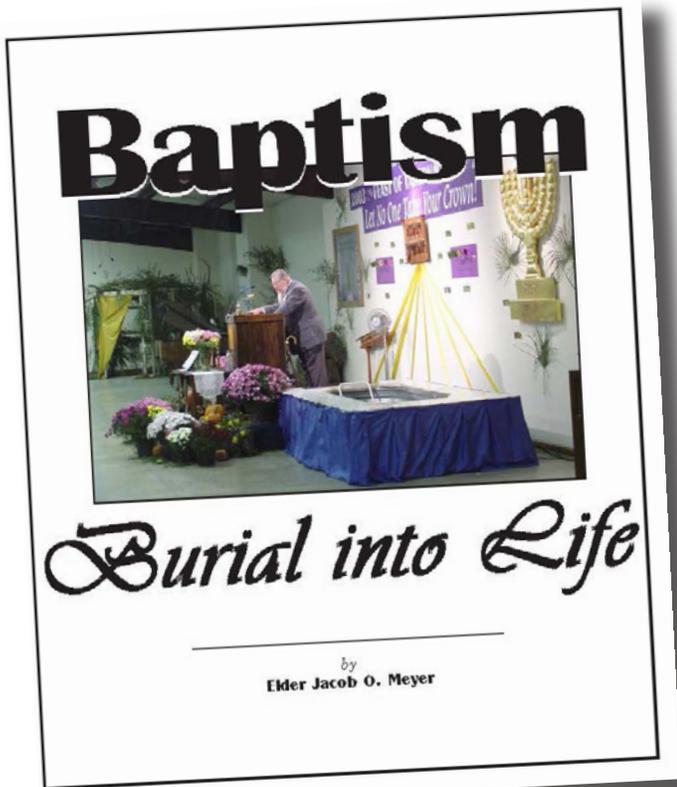
Let us turn to Obadiah 21. ***“And saviors shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be Yahweh’s.”*** In addition, we must bring two other Scriptures to your attention. The first is found in Psalm 22:28. ***“For the kingdom is Yahweh’s; and he is the ruler over the nations.”*** The second is found in Psalm 103:19. ***“Yahweh has established his throne in the heavens; And his kingdom rules over all.”***

Amazingly, you have now seen THREE witnesses which declare that the Kingdom is Yahweh’s. ***If we are preaching the Kingdom message it is imperative that we preach whose Kingdom it will be.*** Yahshua the Messiah began His model prayer with the two companion petitions: ***“Our Father who is in heaven, Hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come. Your will be done, as in heaven, so on earth,”*** Matthew 6:9-10. We of the Assemblies of Yahweh today are preaching that message to the nations of the world, the Name of the Almighty Heavenly Father and His Kingdom to come to this earth in the form of Yahshua the Messiah to rule it in right-

teousness.

There are misguided people today who believe that it is unimportant to preach the true Name of the Heavenly Father. “Get people saved first,” they say. “Talk in language that everyone can understand. Preach the message of salvation around the world and then after you have converted the people, preach the Sacred Name.”

But you must know, this is **not** the procedure outlined by our Savior Yahshua the Messiah when He was here on this earth. The directive He gave may be found in Matthew 28:19-20, The Great Commission. ***“Go you therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, immersing them into the name of the father and of the Son and of the***



The Scriptures are explicit that baptism is a central part of the plan of salvation. Do you have a good understanding of this critical doctrine, or is it a clouded issue to you? For an in-depth study of the subject of baptism, write to:

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Holy Spirit: teaching them to observe all things whatever I commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.

Yahshua the Messiah commanded us to go throughout all the world teaching all nations. After they have been taught the sound doctrine of **the Name of the Almighty and His Kingdom message** (that we may be free from sin and live in that Kingdom), then we are to baptize the humble believers who show fruit worthy of repentance, in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Do you have our free article on baptism? Write: Assemblies of Yahweh, P.O. Box C, Bethel, PA 19507. Send for it today!)

Our obligations do not end there. We must continue and fulfill the second phase of the Great Commission. That is, we must continue to teach them to observe all things whatever has been commanded of us in the Word of Yahweh, the Inspired Scriptures. Consequently, the Assemblies of Yahweh today labors to fulfill each one of these obligations that has been laid upon us by Yahshua the Messiah. We don't put the cart before the horse as do most religious organizations by only teaching a part of the plan of salvation. **We teach the whole counsel of Yahweh, all of the truth He has taught us.** Humbly we labor to take this truth to the world that all men may hear of

the saving Name of the Almighty Who has sent His Son into the world to die for our sins. Faithfully we give honor and reverence to His Name just as an obedient son will try to be a credit to his family name. What kind of child would that be who disavows the name of the family into which he was born?

Are you called by the Name of the Almighty? The members of the Assemblies of Yahweh have this blessing. Are you seeking to live in harmony with His will? Have you studied the Scriptures and proven His sound doctrines to yourself? We of the Assemblies of Yahweh wish to aid you in your search for truth. Will you give us an opportunity to assist you?

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100 K Club

DOING A GREAT WORK FOR YAHWEH!

*“And I sent messengers to them, saying,
I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down.”*

(NEHEMIAH 6:3A)

During the 1999 Assemblies of Yahweh Feast of Tabernacles, Elder Jacob O. Meyer (OBM) proposed to the brethren who attended that every sincere believer (who is financially able to do so) could offer a special sacrifice of \$1,000 to be used to bring the WMLK radio transmitter up to an output transmission power of 175,000–200,000 watts. The response was immediate and most gratifying! (The term 100 K represents 100 people offering \$1,000.)

The editor believes that some of **The Sacred Name Broadcaster** readers may wish to join this effort if apprised of the opportunity to do so. Consequently, this informative comment has been placed in **The Sacred Name Broadcaster** magazine.

WMLK, the Assemblies of Yahweh international shortwave radio station, is currently being updated and improved. The original transmitter broadcast operated for 15 years. A new antenna has been constructed using the existing towers. Then, in 2000, a used BBC 250,000-watt transmitter was purchased and renovated. On March 22, 2017, the BBC transmitter was damaged by a devastating transformer fire.

A new, state-of-the-art transmitter is being built that will incorporate the latest technology that will deliver a clear, crisp sound with the greatest efficiency available. As we all know, electricity costs have greatly increased; consequently, the higher efficiency will allow us to broadcast more—for less money. Also, the new transmitter will broadcast at 300,000 watts of power, and, in this way, **MOST OF THE INHABITED AREAS OF THE WORLD WILL BE COVERED WITH THIS END-TIME MESSAGE THROUGH THE POWERFUL SIGNAL OF WMLK RADIO**, in fulfillment of the prophecy of Matthew 24:14. *“And these good tidings of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world for a testimony to all the nations; and then shall the end come.”*

If Almighty Yahweh lays this need upon your heart, and you desire to join us in this endeavor, we pray that His richest blessing will be upon you.

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Living by EVERY WORD

Human life seems to be comprised of activities directed toward the preparation of future events. For many of us, as we matured, we began thinking of marriage, the establishment of a home, perhaps raising a family. The finding of a proper mate was the first step, and much preparation was given to our appearance and the impression we might make on the opposite sex. The dreams of youth have always been directed toward the future and the part they individually hope to play in it.

Even today, many of us attempt to look ahead and anticipate the needs of our physical lives, whether it is preparing for the change in the seasons as summer to winter or the coming school year. We are always attempting to prepare as best we can for that which we know is ahead of us. Even the payment of taxes has to be considered and whether we like to stall as long as possible in making payment makes

by Elder Jacob O. Meyer

no difference. Taxes and death are, nevertheless, inevitable and certain.

Unpleasant as it may be, facing up to death is a grim reality that most people have already considered. Wills are initiated to apportion material wealth to the survivors. Insurance companies exist because of the contingency of death. The Bible says, **“For the living know that they shall die....”** (Ecclesiastes 9:5). We are all confronted with the ultimate cessation of this earthly life. We know that every little baby born into this world is actually dying, or in a state of death, whether or not he reaches his scripturally allotted three score and ten years.

Although many people have anticipated their return to dust, and have made wills, contracted funeral arrangements, burial

sites, etc., not all have looked beyond the grave to see what actually lies in store for them there. Some have a nebulous belief in “going to heaven” (which the Bible nowhere promises anyone) or drifting around on a cloud, strumming a harp, while others believe they will spend eternity just staring into the face of the Savior. Many hold a belief in an eternal punishing in a hell-fire of the unjust, which the Scriptures do not teach.

While many adults have attended church all their lives, they are not really sure exactly what they believe about a life after death, nor are they acquainted with the message that the Savior came to bring this world. They have been taught His miracles, His perfectness, His love for mankind, His death on the tree at Calvary, but they are unable to coordinate the Bible into one harmonious message. Most of those attending a church are not really certain of their reason for

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"Till we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of Yahweh, to a full grown man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of the Messiah...."

(EPHESIANS 4:13)

going, or what the end-result of their attendance should produce.

Mark 1:14 relates that, after John was put in prison and could no longer herald the coming Redeemer, Yahshua came into Galilee preaching the good news of the Kingdom of the Heavens. While it is true that our Savior came to live a perfect life on this earth and to die for the sins of the world, the most often overlooked purpose of His coming to this earth was the establishment of His Assembly, of which He said, ***"the gates of the grave shall not prevail against it."*** (Matthew 16:18).

He then commissioned His disciples (students which include you and me!) to preach the same message that He taught while here upon this earth—to preach these good words of the Kingdom to all the world. That message was simply that the Messiah was coming back to set up His Kingdom upon this earth. He invites human beings to join with Him in the establishment and rulership of that Kingdom.

The disciples understood His message. In Acts 1:6, they asked if He would, at this time, restore again the Kingdom to Israel. Yahshua replied that it was not for them to know the exact time for the restoration of the Kingdom. The Kingdom's re-establishment was far down the road of time, but the disciples took the message of the Kingdom to the world as commissioned by the Savior.

Do you understand what Yahshua the Messiah was telling His disciples (as well as the world) through His recorded word? Do you grasp that He is offering positions of rulership in that Kingdom to you and to me? He said that the meek would inherit the earth. (The word

translated *meek* in the **KJV** is actually from Psalm 37:11 meaning *the patient oppressed ones; the humble or lowly.*) To be meek, as taught in Matthew 5:5, carries with it the meaning of a willingness to learn, an attitude of humility, to accept knowledge as a little child, accepting what the Scriptures teach instead of trying to force our own ideas and concepts of what the Scriptures require of us.

If we understand this to be the paramount message of the True Assembly—to prepare a people for the return of the Messiah and the establishment of His Kingdom upon this earth—then we can eagerly look ahead to that time and gain insight into the Kingdom. The Scriptures tell of the requirements of those living under the rule of that Kingdom. We can learn who will be in charge, who will be ruling, and where that Kingdom will have its beginning at what city, province, and nation.

Daniel 7:27 tells us that ***"the kingdom and the dominion, and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High."*** We find the last book in the Bible promises the same: ***"but they shall be priests of Yahweh and of the Messiah, and shall reign with him a thousand years."*** (Revelation 20:6). The Messiah, Himself, promised the same thing in Matthew 19:28-29. If we overcome the temptations of this world, Yahshua promises that we will be granted a position with Him in His throne (Revelation 3:21). Paul also wrote to Timothy that IF we endure, we shall also reign with Him (2 Timothy 2:12.)

Strangely, so many denominations and ministers supposedly

expounding the Scriptures miss the plain, simple statements of Holy Writ, promising positions of rulership with the Messiah. Most are content to preach the great and glorious promise of the offer of salvation to mankind without going on to show the reason for this salvation. Beyond the promise of our being saved from eternal destruction is the purpose of our inheritance in that Kingdom, which is a position of leadership in the Kingdom of Yahweh under the supreme authority of Yahshua our Messiah.

Salvation is a free gift. It is given to us by the grace of the Heavenly Father. We can do nothing to merit salvation, but once we have accepted the shed blood of our Savior as the atoning sacrifice for our sins, we are expected to live a converted life, growing into the stature and fullness of the Messiah (Ephesians 4:13). We have faith in the atoning blood of the Messiah and are declared justified of our past sins (Romans 3:25).

What are some of the events that the Scriptures reveal will be taking place when Yahshua returns to rule? We read in Psalm 2:7-9 and Revelation 2:26-27 that Yahshua is to rule all nations with a rod of iron. His rule will be absolute and final. Justice will prevail, and obedience to Yahweh's Laws will be the order of the day (Isaiah 2:2-4). Notice it does not say there will be an entire set of NEW laws such as we often hear today. Yahweh does not change, His Laws endure forever (Psalm 119:152, 160). The application of Yahweh's Laws may take on a higher, spiritual meaning, but they are not done away (Isaiah 42:21).

We read in Isaiah 66:17 that Yahweh will consume those disobedient people who eat hog

meat. Nations shall come to worship Him Sabbath to Sabbath. The sacred calendar shall be the order of the day, with the new moons delineating the beginnings of months (Isaiah 66:23). We will no longer use a paganized sun calendar with man-made months and seasons. This is the reason the Assemblies of Yahweh are observing the New Moons—to remind us of the soon-coming Kingdom from On High each month.

In Ezekiel 45:21, we find that the Passover and the Days of Unleavened Bread shall be in force. Customarily today, the perversion of Yahweh's festival as observed by the churches has become known as the "Eucharist" either daily, weekly, monthly, or quarterly, or whenever it seems right in their own eyes. There is no scriptural justification for doing this. The Passover season will be kept at the proper time as Yahweh has ordained in His Word. There is nowhere in the Scripture where it states this Feast of Unleavened Bread, or any of the other commanded convocations, have ever been done away. The fact that they will be kept again in the Millenium proves that they were ordained forever (Leviticus 23:14).

Immediately following the battle at the end of the age which takes place in the environs of Jerusalem, we find Yahweh's Feast of Tabernacles being observed (Zechariah 14:16-19). The nations will be punished by plagues until they willingly come year-by-year to keep the Feast of Booths to Yahweh.

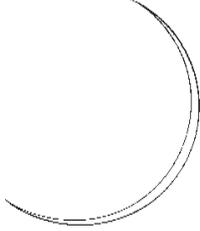
Yahweh expects us to be teachers of His Word (Hebrews 5:12). We are to live by every word of Yahweh, Matthew 4:4, so that we make His Laws active and viable by becoming a living

witness of His Word. As we live His Laws day by day, not only do we exemplify His Laws in action and project a witness to the world, but we commit them to habit and memory. Then they become a way of life with us, and we can live our daily lives in conformity to His Laws and have them inscribed upon our hearts and minds.

1 Corinthians 6:1-3 declares that the people of Yahweh (saints) shall judge the world! This means that we are to assist in rendering judgment at the resurrection, deciding whether or not those who are resurrected measure up to what is commanded in the Scriptures. It is an awesome responsibility to ascertain whether or not Yahweh's Law is being carried out. However, that is the responsibility that is promised to the saints! It behooves us, therefore, to become diligent students of the inspired Scriptures, knowing what the Word instructs. We should be able to "rightly divide the word of Truth," 2 Timothy 2:15, but note that it says that we should first of all study Yahweh's Word!

If we would be looking ahead to the things that Yahweh has prepared for those who love Him, to see the future position Yahweh has in mind for those who are conformed to the image of His Son, Romans 8:28-29, we would gain a better insight into what we should be doing now. Yahweh is calling out a people for His name right now, to become a Kingdom of priests (Revelation 1:6, 20:6) to sit with Yahshua on His throne reigning for a thousand years. It is clear that when we see that the Sabbaths and feast days will be kept in the Millenium, we had better become familiar with them and know what they are all about.

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by
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Can you say today that you are progressing to that time when you can sit on the High Tribunal of the Heavenly Father's Son and mete out righteous judgment? Are you learning what Yahweh's Laws are and preparing yourself to administer those Laws? Do you keep the holy days of Leviticus 23, so that you know when to keep them, what to do on those days, and how long to keep them? Every one of those

days will be kept from year to year when Yahshua rules with a rod of iron with His saints (Daniel 7:18, 22,27).

The Almighty Heavenly Father is calling out of the world at this time a people for His Name, Yahweh. Many are called for this position of being a priest of our Heavenly Father, but the Scripture says only a few will be chosen (Matthew 22:14). Only a few will endure unto the end (Matthew 10:22). When the glories of the soon-coming Kingdom are mentally apprehended, many people are elated with the opportunity of having a part in that high calling. They start out with great happiness and joy. Then Yahweh, through His Holy Spirit, begins to weed out those who are not able to overcome the pull of the world, the wiles of Satan, and those who simply lack the determination to walk by faith. The way becomes TOO NARROW and the path TOO DIFFICULT, and many become

disillusioned and start dropping out. They do not hold fast to their goal, and another takes their crown (Revelation 3:11)!

The race which Almighty Yahweh has set before His people is not an easy one. We must constantly keep our body and mind in subjection to the task ahead, without giving way to the desires of the flesh (1 Corinthians 9:27). The elite corps of priests that Yahweh is selecting to rule with His Son will have to undergo training, discipline, teaching, study, persecution, criticism, torture, martyrdom, and death. Are you dedicated enough to pursue this course of training to become one of Yahweh's elect? Are you able to keep your heart and mind on the high calling and the incorruptible crown that is yours if you endure to the end? Because you are reading this, you ARE one of the many who are called. It is up to you to remain steadfast and become one of the FEW who will be chosen! ^{SNB}



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RADIO MESSAGE

by Elder Jacob O. Meyer

RECOGNIZING THE TRUE WORSHIP

When Paul visited Mars Hill in Acts chapter 17, we find in verse 16 that his spirit was stirred up in him when he saw the entire city wholly given to idolatry. The phrase “wholly given to idolatry” could also be translated as “full of idols.” You would hardly imagine the possibility, when, at that particular moment, Paul was the only person who was in pure worship while he was standing among thousands of idolaters. Satan has developed a rather unique method which he uses to divert worship from Almighty Yahweh to himself. Paul was well aware of Satan’s deception and how he was perpetrating it on

an unsuspecting world through idol worship.

We find these words of caution in 2 Corinthians 11:13-15. ***“For such men are false apostles, deceitful workers, fashioning themselves into apostles of the Messiah. And no marvel; for even Satan fashions himself into an angel of light. It is no great thing therefore if his ministers also fashion themselves as ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.”***

How do you know which minister today is teaching the pure Truth of the Bible and which

one is the deceptive minister of Satan? You could be deceived rather easily if you are not cautious and diligent enough to prove all things. In these last days especially, you may observe a general trend toward watering down the Truth of the Bible. Ministers are almost universally teaching disobedience to the commandments of Almighty Yahweh. With seeming impunity, they are teaching situation ethics, or the social gospel. It is obvious that this is not the True message of the Bible, although many people are falling for it as a new innovation to make the Scriptures relevant for our time. This is

why such a prophecy is found in Revelation 12:9, ***“And the great dragon was cast down, the old serpent, he that is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world; he was cast down to the earth, and his angels were cast down with him.”***

Notice the warning that Satan has DECEIVED THE WHOLE WORLD. Only a very few people will remain in the Truth (Luke 18:8).

Have you ever entertained the possibility that you could be deceived into following a pathway of subservience to Satan? How do you know that you are not among those in the vast multitudes of people who are being misled while you may believe that you are obeying the Truth? How would you go about proving this conclusively one way or another?

Do you know that the Bible does not contradict itself? It sets a course of one straight line of doctrine from Genesis to Revelation. The Bible can indeed be harmonized, and it brings one message to the reader, exclusively, from cover to cover. In reality, it was during the second century of our era that a heretic named Marcion developed the erroneous concept that the Old Testament was no longer necessary for salvation, and much of nominal Christianity has followed that erroneous teaching down through the ages. However, in these last days, you are once more hearing the True message of the ages being proclaimed over the air on **The Sacred Name Broadcast** and **The Sacred**

Name Telecast. This message which you hear is the everlasting good news of salvation through the Name of the Heavenly Father,

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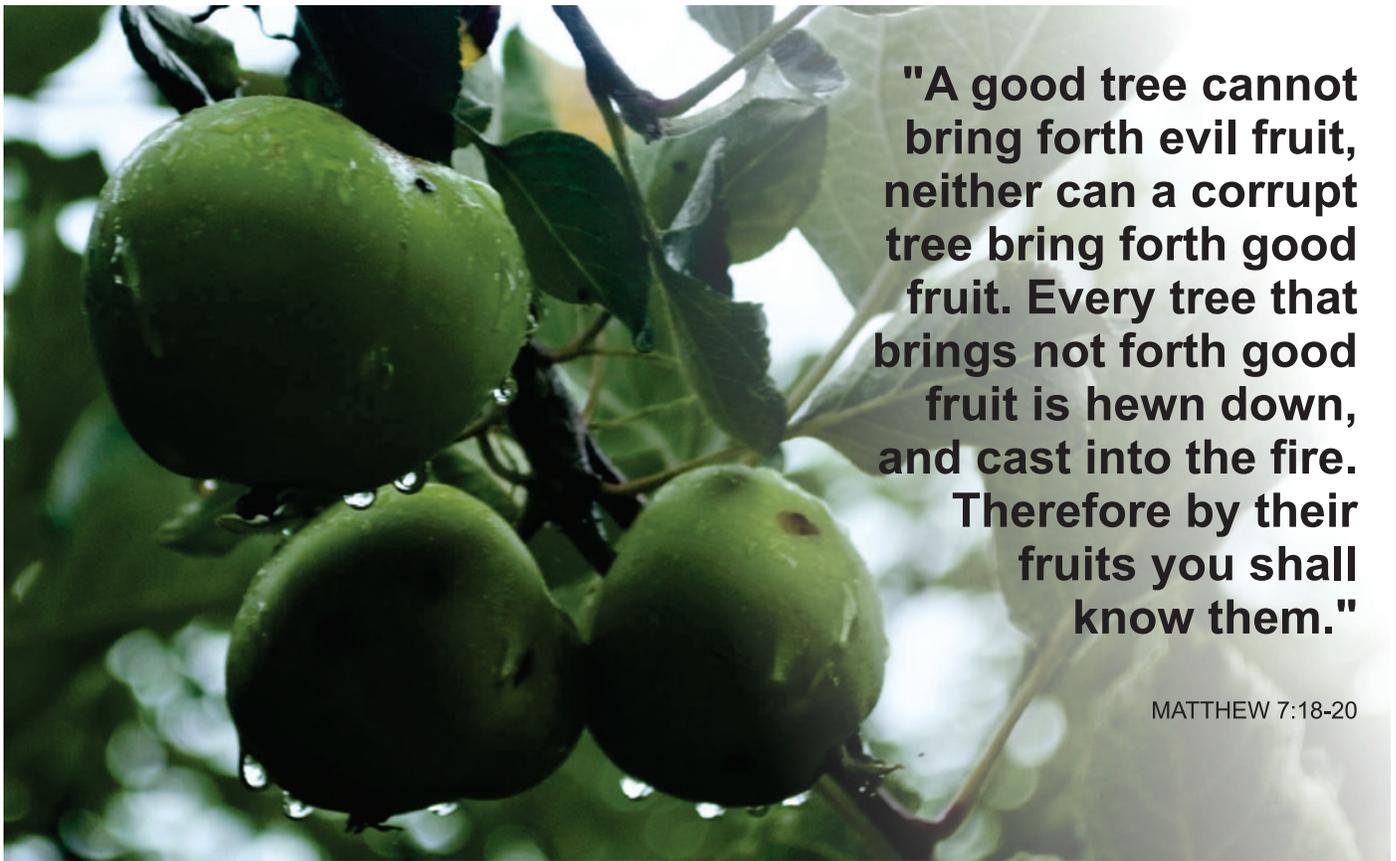
A l - mighty Yahweh, and the Name of Yahshua the Messiah. See Revelation 14:6-7.

The message of the Bible is one of hope. It reveals that when our forefather Adam sinned and was sentenced to death, there was a plan that Yahweh put into effect, whereby Adam’s descendents could eventually return to the paradise restored from which he had been evicted. When Yahweh placed man on this earth, man was given the set of directions by which to live. Just as you receive an operating manual with a new car, Almighty Yahweh outfitted man with an operating manual for human living. This was the Covenant which Yahweh made with Adam when He gave Adam commandments in Genesis 2:16-17. Adam was forbidden to eat of the tree of knowing good and knowing evil. Almighty Yahweh taught man the good way of living. However, man resorted to experiment with a different set of ideas, and, consequently, he desired to know evil also. This unlawful, carnal desire led to

the commission of sin and the ultimate downfall of humankind. Now that we have received the Law of Yahweh and the Covenant which He desires to make with us, we who have known evil are developing a desire to do only good, to serve Almighty Yahweh, our Heavenly Father, with a pure heart and delight to do His Will.

After Almighty Yahweh had instructed man in the right way of living, leaving man to himself and his work which he had been given in the garden, Satan arrived almost immediately in the form of a serpent. He appeared to Eve as an enlightened one who had words of wisdom to offer. Nevertheless, the Word of Yahweh was fulfilled, and the death sentence was conferred upon her for disobedience, even though the descendents of Eve have believed down through the ages that they would never die. Satan presented himself as an angel, or messenger, of light, and he has been doing these identical verbal acrobatics ever since then. Mankind believes that they will spend an eternity in “hell” if they do wrong, even though Yahweh says, ***“The soul that sins, it shall die.”*** (Ezekiel 18:4, 20).

In our modern era, numerous different religious organizations have appeared, who all indicate that they are preaching the Truth of the Bible. They cannot all be correct in their teachings, since Paul, in Ephesians chapter 4, informs us that there is only one body, one spirit, one baptism. Now, if each one of these different



"A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that brings not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Therefore by their fruits you shall know them."

MATTHEW 7:18-20

religious groups was following the Holy Spirit of Yahweh, they would, of necessity, all need to belong to one organization. The Holy Spirit is just as powerful today as it ever was, don't you believe? Yahshua our Messiah commented on the mission of the Holy Spirit, **"However, when it, the Spirit of truth, has come, it shall guide you into all the truth: for it shall not speak from itself; but whatever things it shall hear, these it shall speak: and it shall declare to you the things that are to come."** (John 16:13). Could it be that some of these contemporary religious groups are not following the leading of the Holy Spirit of Yahweh, but are blindly following the alluring path of the fallen one who was the original angel of light? Have you ever thought about how you could prove which is the True message of salvation and which

is a counterfeit? Our Messiah Himself gave us a graphic picture of how we can identify the Body of True Worshipers down through the ages. Let us turn to Matthew chapter 7. We read in verses 13 and 14, **"Enter you in by the narrow gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leads to destruction, and many are they that enter in through it. For narrow is the gate, and straitened the way, that leads to life, and few are they that find it."** The first point the Messiah makes, so that the Body of True Worshipers can be recognized, is that they would be FEW IN NUMBER. If you are following or seeking a group large in numbers in your religious observance, you are affiliated with the wrong group of people. Yahshua the Messiah Himself stated that the way to life everlasting would be narrow and WITH A VERY NARROW

DOORWAY LEADING INTO IT. If the way is so narrow and the doorway at the entrance so small, it is hardly a wonder that His Body of True Worshipers would be few and scattered.

Yahshua the Messiah continues in verse 15, **"Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves."** How about that for a word of caution? False prophets are those who predict events to take place merely to draw attention to themselves. On the surface, they appear like sheep—calm, cool, pleasant, and knowledgeable. Inside they are ravenous wolves, meaning beasts greedily searching for prey. On the outside, these false prophets appear to be bringing the message of the lamb, meaning the message of the Messiah who was the Lamb of Yahweh (John 1:29). Within, these people are

plotting how they can separate you from your money. In the past, we observed such a case with the movie which depicted the confession of a young minister who was merely acting out a staged farce in his ministry. However, there always seem to be a lucrative response to a good show, as the minister involved lived in luxuriant splendor while demanding extreme sacrifices from his people.

Yahshua the Messiah informs His hearers that they would know these false prophets BY THEIR FRUITS. He explains, in subsequent verses, how a tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and cast into the fire. This prediction offers quite an ominous termination for the insincere leaders of nominal religion to look forward to receiving.

Then the Messiah continues in Matthew 7:21, ***“Not every one that says to me, Master, Master, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that does the will of my Father who is in heaven.”*** Strangely, all of the people in nominal Christianity call the Savior, “L-rd, L-rd,” or “Master, Master.” However, we see that it is only the most infinitesimally small number who actually acknowledge Him as Master by being STRICTLY OBEDIENT.

Notice very carefully also verses 22 and 23 of Matthew chapter 7. ***“Many will say to me in that day, Master, Master, did we not prophesy by your name, and by your name cast out demons, and by your name do many mighty works? And then will I profess to them, I never knew you: depart from me, you that work lawlessness.”***

It is incredible that people could even be performing mir-

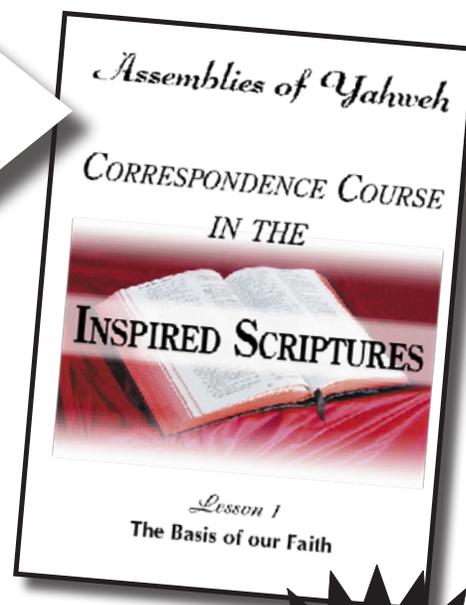
acles, and yet the Messiah would deny them access to the Kingdom! Could it be that they are not calling upon His True Name—the Name that He was given at birth and which holds such deep meaning in the plan of salvation? These people are workers of *iniquity*, which in the Greek means *lawlessness*. How enlightening to learn that the people who will be denied access into the Kingdom will be making their own laws apart from the Laws of Yahweh. They will be breaking the Laws of Yahweh

deliberately, even if it is the least of the commandments, yet they would bind unscriptural burdens (requirements) upon their followers. Don't you think that it is about time that you began to follow the Messiah of the Bible and obey Him and keep His Laws perfectly? If you do not, you may be one of these unfruitful trees which will be cast into the fire. If you obey Him and live by His every Word, you will gain an entrance into the restored Eden of the coming Millennium and be granted eternal life. ^{SNB}

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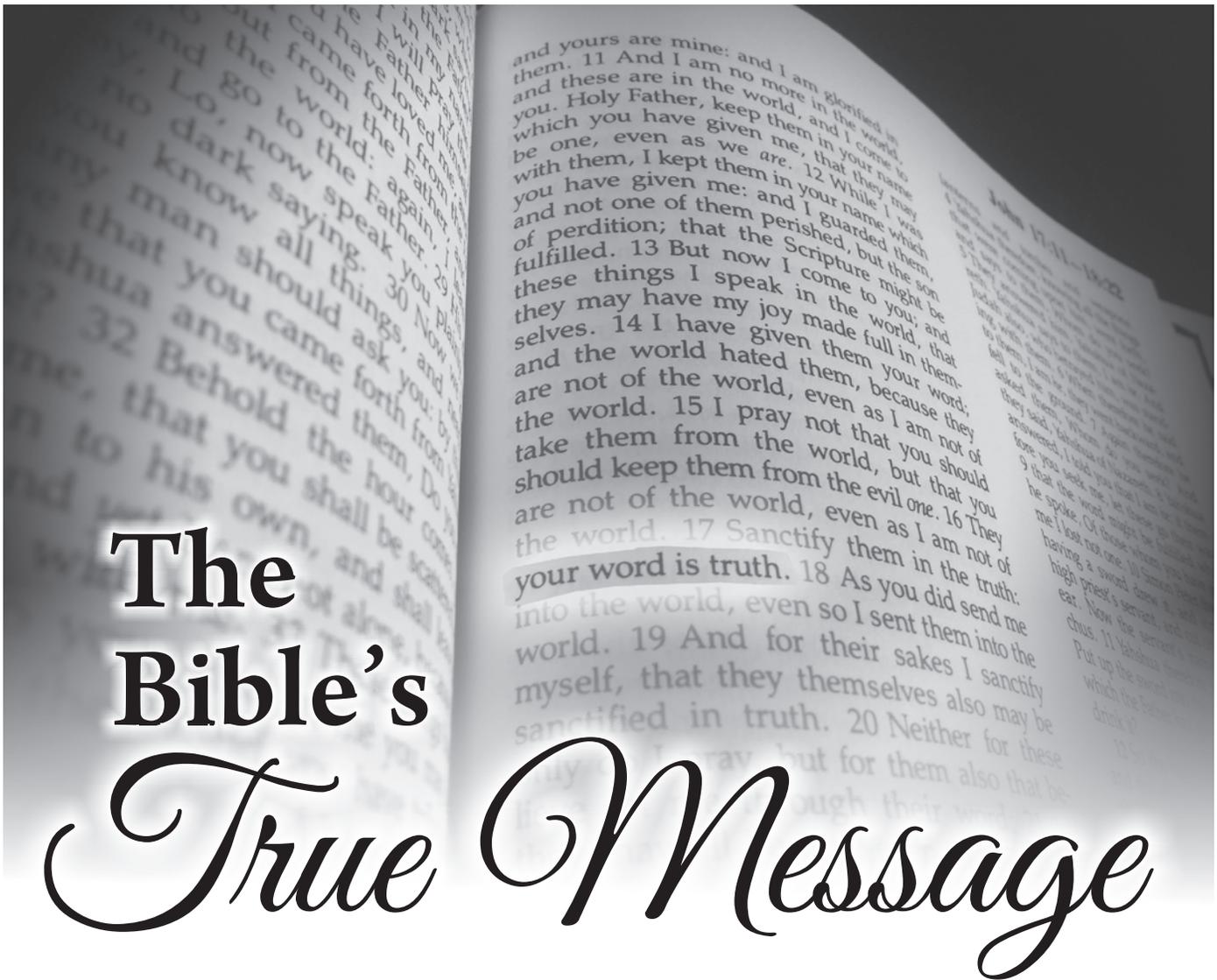
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The Bible's True Message

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What is the correct message which is being taught by the Bible? Within the last 50 years especially, the True message of the Scriptures has been distorted to a great extent by the advent of the numerous theological seminaries which have been inaugurated and which are definitely teaching a different message than what the Bible teaches. The Bible does not teach the effete, trite platitudes which characterize the average minister's sermon. I like the way that Paul expresses the idea so perfectly in 2 Timothy 1:7 when he says, "**For**

Yahweh gave us not a spirit of fearfulness; but of power and love and discipline." Acts 10:38 expresses this thought of a message of POWER, this time by a sermon which was preached by Peter to Cornelius and his friends, "**how Yahweh anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for Yahweh was with him.**" Certainly, you could not say that the average church body today is very powerful, could you? In fact, the average church today teaches the "social gospel," dabbling in politics and in the civil

rights movement, areas in which they have never been instructed to enter, but to avoid, by the leader of the Assembly, Yahshua the Messiah. In prophecy, we have been warned that the days would come when people would be preaching a message which was weak and watered down, and we are instructed what course of action to take. "**Holding a form of righteousness, but having denied the power of it: from these also turn away.**" (2 Timothy 3:5). We will have to acknowledge that this prediction by Paul has been fulfilled in almost every respect in our time, but how many people are

taking his admonition to come out of the group which teaches a watered down message?

Exactly what is the True message of the Bible? This is the question with which we shall concern ourselves in this section. If you cut through all the theology which has grown like a dense maze around the Bible so that few will care to venture into it, you will find the answer. It is simply this: If you obey the Heavenly Father and accept His Covenant, He will bless you spiritually, materially, and will watch over you as a human father cares for His child. He will take care of you and, in the end, He will give you the greatest gift of all, a gift which only He can give and which only He possesses, and that is everlasting life. Now think about this for just a few minutes. Are you fulfilling your part of the bargain? Perhaps it is not the fault of the Almighty anyway, if you are not receiving the blessings and the assurances of everlasting life which you feel are promised in the Bible.

The Assemblies of Yahweh is different from all of the other religious bodies on the face of this earth, because we do not sidestep any of the injunctions which the Almighty has placed in His Word. The Scriptures dictate against any human being taking the course of circumventing any of the commandments of the Bible. And yet, how much time is being wasted, not to say the paper, etc., in explaining away portions of the Bible rather than using these precious resources profitably by teaching the Word?

It is simply amazing how many people today are being misled to

believe that they have the power of the Holy Spirit, when in fact they don't do anything. Do you know what it takes to receive the Holy Spirit of Almighty Yahweh, the Heavenly Father? We may find the answer in Acts 5:32. ***“And we are witnesses of these things; and so is the Holy Spirit, which Yahweh***

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has given to them that obey him.” Are you really obeying all of the commandments which our Heavenly Father had given to us?

Many religious groups today will go off on a tangent on some certain specific doctrine of the Scriptures. They may select some particular Truth which is not being preached to a great extent and simply work it to death, while ignoring a whole host of other doctrines which are taught by the Scriptures. There are so many things which are to be found in the Bible that must be obeyed, that it is difficult to know where to begin to teach in the Word. Yahshua the Messiah our Savior has stated in Matthew 5:17-20, ***“Think not that I came to destroy the law or the prophets: I came not to destroy, but to fulfil. For truly I say to you, Till heaven and***

earth pass away, one yothe or one tittle shall in no wise pass away from the law, till all things be accomplished. Whoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven: but whoever shall do and teach them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I say to you, that except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you shall in no wise enter into the kingdom of heaven.” Does this indicate to you that the Savior did away with His Father's Laws?

Does it appear from this passage as though the New Testament Assembly should have had no rules and regulations? He says that until heaven and earth pass, not one of the smallest letters in the Hebrew alphabet—the *yothe*, or the smallest decoration such as the *tittle*—a flourish which adorns some of the letters—would pass from the Law until all be fulfilled. Certainly, we may look around us and see that the heavens and also the earth have not passed away, so we must, of necessity, conclude that the commandments of the Heavenly Father are still very much applicable.

If you have never looked into the Old Testament to see what it says about itself, you should drop everything and do so immediately. The Old Testament is the basis for our Faith. It is a work which is tremendously absorbing! We cannot allow someone to explain a manuscript which it can best do for itself. In

Isaiah 8:20, we read just what the Law says about itself. ***“To the law and to the testimony! If they speak not according to this word, surely there is no morning for them.”*** The Law of Yahweh is His commandments, statutes, and judgments which are contained in the Old Testament Scriptures. *Testimony* means in the Hebrew, *an attestation, or an agreement*. Backing up several verses from verse 20, we may be alarmed to read, ***“Bind up the testimony, seal the law among my disciples,”*** verse 16. If you are a disciple of the Messiah today, you will be bound by the agreement and sealed by the Law, just as was ancient Israel, by the Covenant which they finally broke and for which they were rejected.

Periodically, I meet people who claim to be New Testament believers. Upon questioning them further, I learn to my surprise that they cannot explain this term scripturally, although they do feel that they are one of these people. Hopefully, they will learn someday what they are, so that they can be a better one. Let us look at the New Covenant and see if we can learn what it comprises so that we can better explain the True message of the Bible. The first place in which you find the New Covenant recorded is in the Old Testament, believe it or not. If the Old Testament holds the first recorded reference to the New Covenant or Testament, then it becomes baffling to explain why the Old Testament should be taken so lightly. Turn with me to Jeremiah 31:31 and reading down to verse 34.

Did you notice how the Almighty stated that He will place His Laws upon the inward parts of His people and write them in

their hearts, meaning the seat of their affection. Then He says that He will be their Mighty One, and they shall be His people. If you would like to compare Hebrews chapter 8, beginning with verse 8 and reading down to verse 12, you will be able to see that this is an exact quote from the book of Jeremiah.

A covenant, agreement, or a testimony represents the same thing. It is a signed contract that each party will agree to do something so that they can be benefited mutually. A contract, which is drawn up at the time a property is sold, benefits the seller, since he wished to sell personal property and will receive financial compensation, while it benefits the buyer since he will be receiving the ownership of real estate. Similarly, this Covenant which we make with the Heavenly Father will benefit us more than it will Him certainly, but He will finally produce a people who revere Him as Almighty.

The agreement which He wishes to make with anyone who desires to enter it is simply this: He asks that this person becomes humble and submissive to His Will. He asks that this person becomes obedient to His commandments. When a person enters this agreement and binds the contract, then our Heavenly Father says that He, Himself, will personally become responsible for that person's welfare. He will make certain that this obedient person is clothed, fed, and sheltered. He will watch over this person and protect him. Finally, in the end of the age, He will give that faithful, obedient, and dedicated person the gift of everlasting life in the Kingdom which is to be established on this earth, where the Almighty will live with His people, and they

shall serve Him. This is the glad tidings and the good news which the Scriptures contain, the True message of salvation. Have you begun making your preparations to enter this Covenant? Just as in the days of the Apostles, this True message is going out over the world again just before the second coming of the Messiah. He is beckoning you to follow Him today. SNB

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MATTHEW 5:17

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