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LET'S NOT BREAK THE THIRD COMMANDMENT!

Here is an article by a Jewish Rabbi who reveals that the true names are very important to know and utilize in honor and respect toward the Heavenly Father and His beloved and obedient Son. May Yahweh open your eyes to see and understand the truth of the situation presented here.

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Acts 4:12, "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

In the decalogue of Exodus 20:7, the Elohim of Israel, warns us in the simplest and clearest possible terms not to bring His Name to naught, or not to use it in a vain, unbecoming or empty manner. Our Creator knew, in His great omniscient foreknowledge, that this would be an ongoing tendency in man that needed to be carefully guarded, lest mankind copy the ways of the pagans Jeremiah 10:1-4, who always use "The Name of the Creator in vain, one way or another.

In Exodus 3:13-15, the Creator revealed to Moses that His eternal Name is YHWH and states that the very "Name" itself is to be used, propagated and spoken by all true worshipers. He gave Moses and all the children of Israel, His Name as an eternal memorial to all generations. YHWH is the tetragrammaton for the Hebrew phrase, Ehyeh Asher Ehyeh, "I will become what I will become." YHWH was revealing to Moses and to us that He would become the solution and the answer to whatever problem Moses faced in his call to redeem His people from Egypt.

Exodus 6 verses 2 and 3 confirm this marvelous truth when Yahweh reminds Moshe that he was not the first human to learn the Sacred Name telling him "I was known to them (the patriarchs Abraham, Isaac and Jacob) as El Shaddai and by my name Yahweh was I not known to them?" The best translations put this verse in a question format rather than a statement. The statement format of this verse can be found in other poorer translations.

The Name of YHWH was known to Adam, Eve and others prior to the global flood of Noah's day. We see in Genesis 4:26, that mankind after Adam did in fact know and call on His true Name. It is safe to surmise that the Sacred Name of the Creator totally disappeared after being used by Noah and his sons. The repopulated earth of Genesis

chapters 9-11 did not know it, use it, or proclaim it.

As mankind began to invoke all kinds of demonic deities under the one world government of Nimrod, the soul hunter of mankind, Genesis 10:8-11, the Creator purposely hid His Name so that fallen man would not misuse or combine it with demonic worship or substitute it. The Tower of Babel, built by Nimrod and his followers in the land of Shinar, was a project begun in the Hebrew language. It was left incomplete when YHWH confounded their language, so that the impurities of their languages would stop the impurities of their evil and wicked hearts from manifesting in an attempt to build a stairway to heaven. YHWH did this to stop Nimrod and his descendants from using the Set Apart Name of YHWH in their occult and impure worship practices introduced through Nimrod's soul stealing, nefarious activities. Secular history tells us that Nimrod founded Babylon and became known as Baal by his followers who began to worship him posthumously! Thus the Name was removed by the Creator from human usage, for six hundred or so years, from Nimrod to Moses. This explains why the Patriarchs had no use of The Name, that Adam, Eve and other humans did have access to.

After YHWH showed this renewed grace to Moses, He warned Israel not to make the same mistake that the pagans did over a 1000 years earlier. They were never to bring The Name to naught or take it in vain by using it lightly without reverence and respect. As a divine safeguard to the Sacred Name being used improperly, He forbade even the mention of other false gods. We find this directive given in Exodus chapter 23:13. YHWH was in essence saying that in light of the privilege that you now have in regard to having free license to properly use my Name, just make sure that you, and the people you shepherd, make no mention of other deities either by title or by name. They must never be found on your lips and must never proceed from your heart, since those lips and that



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heart were created to glorify Me alone.

What did the sons of Israel do with these warnings? They did just the opposite, bringing great condemnation upon themselves and many others who did some of the same things that Israel did.

In a self righteous attempt to obey the third commandment, Exodus 20:7, "Thou shalt not take the name of Yahweh thy Elohim in vain; for Yahweh will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain," the Jewish leaders adapted a pagan practice found in Babylon known as ineffability. The pagans gave false reverence and respect to pagan mighty ones such as Marduk and Baal by refusing to use their real names and by substituting titles to show these false deities a form of perverted honor. Even in Egypt, the name of Osiris was said and taught to be ineffable. Ineffable means unspeakable.

As an example, Baal the great sky deity was first called Lord-Gad and was the Babylonian god of good fortune and luck. Thus was born Baal-Gad or in English Lord-God. Does that sound familiar? It should! Most English translations substitute Lord-God for YHWH. In Isaiah 65:11, the Creator manifests His utter disgust and contempt for anyone who would knowingly practice this Babylonian custom, by condemning those who practice ineffability as having forsaken YHWH and having gone whoring after paganism. That is the attitude of YHWH towards the religionist's tendency to misuse, mask, substitute or practice avoidance of His Set Apart Name.

Prior to the Babylonian captivity, the Sacred Name of our Heavenly Father was freely and lovingly used by Biblical Judaism. After the return from Babylon we find that The Name was totally suppressed by the illegal occupants, Pharisees, who removed the sons of Aaron from Moses seat and illegally seated themselves in Moses seat without divine sanction. These religionists forbade the use of the Set Apart Name and limited it's use to temple services held on the three Feasts of YHWH, Passover, Pentecost and Tabernacles. The rest of greater Israel had no permission to use The Name and therefore had great difficulty in knowing the Father, since they were not allowed to know His true redemptive covenant Name.

The pagan practice of ineffability was further re-

inforced and proliferated by Greek culture and its attempt to hellenize the world. Even though the Assyrian king Antiochus Epiphanies tried to outlaw Torah study and observance, Sabbath keeping and other Judaic practices, He did not have to do or legislate any law when it came to getting rid of The Name of YHWH from common usage. The Jewish nation had already brought that error upon themselves. The major Greek deities such as Zeus were rarely mentioned in Greek culture. Rather the titles of Kurios, (Lord) and Theos, (God) were substituted for their proper name. Is it not fascinating to discover that the Greek titles that precede Yahshua's Set Apart Name in the Greek versions of the New Testament are the identical titles as used for Lord Zeus? That is proof that YHWH would never, I repeat never, have allowed the originally divinely inspired New covenant manuscripts to be written in any other language other than Hebrew, since doing so, would have been a violation of His own instructions given in Exodus 23:13, where He strictly forbids even the very mention of pagan titles or deities when referring to Himself or to His beloved Son Yahshua. The Talmud teaches us that it is far better for a Jew to eat pig, than to learn Greek!

Thus this unscriptural practice of avoiding, hiding or masking His true Name is a pagan custom with deep roots in Egypt, Babylon and Greece. Those who seated themselves in Moses seat, having kicked out the legitimate heirs, the Aaronic priesthood, are the traditional rabbis who have done all truth seekers everywhere a great disservice. They taught open rebellion and the violation of the third commandment. These gross sins are still practiced today in traditional Judaism. False titles such as Adonai (My Lord), Lord, God, Lord-God and numerous others, are all results of the false practice of ineffability and have absolutely nothing to do with Biblical Judaism. The belief system of ineffability is the belief system behind the omission of the o vowel, that even the most secular of Jews avoid when writing either L-rd or G-d. This omission is a meaningless act of monkey see, monkey do and scores no brownie points with YHWH. If anything, this practice is a lack of reverence and understanding, whereby unregenerate Jews change pagan titles by omitting the o all the while believing that they are engaged in a holy act of reverence.

Further evidence of Satanic tampering with the



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Sacred Name is found in the Talmud where the traditional rabbis, by their own admission, declare that everything possible must be done to mask the Name of YHWH from ever being invoked. (Tamid 7:2 or Sota 7:6) This disgraceful doctrine was the groundwork and foundational principle of the liberty taken by the 8th century rabbis who compiled the most widely read and studied Chumash, (Torah in book form), extant today. The Masoretic text added the vowels under all the consonants of the Torah writings, so as to supposedly assist readers in pronouncing words correctly. When they came to YHWH or yud, hay, vav, hay (YHWH) in the Torah text, they added the vowels not to help and assist readers in pronunciation, but rather to mislead them by having the vowels make the Sacred Name sound and read totally different than it originally did! Thus went the logic, no one could ever pronounce it accurately even if they wanted to because the added vowels under the consonants were there to lead them astray! As a believing Jew on a continual search for Truth, I find this masking practice very offensive and nothing more than another attempt by religionists everywhere to establish caste systems of religion designed to suppress divine revelation to the masses.

In preparation for this teaching, the Holy Spirit (Ruach Hakodesh) reminded me of my time growing up as a young boy in a Conservative Hebrew Day School in Long Island, New York. During my early grade school years, as I was trained to read Hebrew, I clearly and vividly remember reading YHWH as Yahweh during my Torah class. Despite being a beginner I read The Name correctly. My Torah teacher jumped in and turned red faced, and started to shake uncontrollably having something similar to an epileptic fit. He then strictly warned me never to use that Name, even though the innocence of a child learning the Hebrew language had done nothing improper or incorrect, ever again. I was told that it was major sin! Perhaps those of you from a Jewish background could relate to that episode with a similar sad tale of your own.

Have you ever wondered why the chief priests were infuriated when they saw the Hebrew inscription hanging over Yahshua's head as He was dying on the tree? (John 19:19-22) After all it was just a silly old sign with the accusation of the accused hanging over His head. They were upset for exactly the same reason my elementary Hebrew

School Torah teacher was. By taking the first Hebrew letter of each word of the inscription hanging over His head, Yahshua Hadnotzrei Vemelech Hayehudim and combining it into a single word, you get the same thing they got! YHWH!

In other words, the sign offended them because it identified Yahshua as King Of Israel, and it publicly proclaimed His deity, even going so far as using the unmasked Sacred Name of Exodus 3:14-15!!

This violation of the third commandment is so deep and widespread throughout traditional Judaism, Christianity, Islam, as well as segments of Messianic Judaism, that it appears to be one of those sins which will remain until Mashiach returns to personally eradicate it and cleanse His bride as well as the unregenerate earth.

To further elaborate and highlight upon the great disservice done by our Jewish forefathers, the translation for Lord-God in the Polish translation of the Bible, is Pan-Bog. Pan and Bog were both well known pagan deities in the ancient world. These unclean names and titles are the simple by-product of the suppression of the Set Apart Name which was given to us for our usage, so that we would not misuse it. YHWH wanted total preoccupation with the marvelous revelation of His Name, so that no names of other false mighty ones, could ever proceed from our lips.

Modern Christendom has inherited much of these same tendencies as well. They call our Heavenly Father, Father, but Father is a title and not a proper Name, and so much of Christianity calls on the name of Jesus, which has nothing all to do with His true Name, Yahshua, which has deep meaning, (YHWH saves.) Read Matthew 1:21!

The Set Apart Name of YHWH's Son, unfortunately has also become the victim of the ineffability doctrine. Many Christians become obstinate, angry and indignant when told that Jesus is not only not the Messiah's true Name, but is in fact a variant of the Egyptian deity, Isis. When translated into Greek, Isis becomes Iesous which becomes Jesus in English. This error of ineffability has become so entrenched among modern day religions, that when anyone dares to mention the true Name of YHWH and His Son Yahshua, they are labeled mentally unbalanced with perhaps cultic affiliation.



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Allow me to make this abundantly clear. Just because some cultists like Yahweh Ben Yahweh in Miami have blasphemed and brought the Set Apart Name to naught, does not mean that Truth seekers who desire to have personal intimacy with the Heavenly father on a first name basis are character deficient, gullible or weird! The true cults are those who, in direct violation of the third commandment, refuse to ever mention His revealed Name! That is literally and blatantly bringing His Name to naught, by totally ignoring it.

How would you feel if some close personal life-long friend insisted on constantly calling you Mr. or Mrs. after the initial flattery wore off, you would wonder why that person was avoiding your name and bringing it to naught.

You would rightfully conclude that, that person is avoiding you, doesn't really like you and has no desire whatsoever to become intimate with you. After a while you would want that person to call you by your real name so that a first name basis relationship can be established and the formality of titles can be removed. Well much of modern day religion talks about having a close intimate and personal relationship with Elohim, yet they don't even know His Name, or in some instances do not feel it is applicable, necessary or a prerequisite to a close and personal relationship with the Creator. The Jew claims to know him better than anyone, yet refuses to mention The Name. That is in its most basic essence an act of self serving, self righteous, pseudo piety. The Christian also claims to be involved in intimacy with YHWH in the flesh, yet can neither get His or His Father's Name right. The Moslem has substituted Allah for YHWH, which is just another example of the denial of the everlasting memorial Name re-instituted to Israel through Moses.

I have spoken to many believers who defend their breaking of the third commandment by telling me that they do not have to call the Messiah by His real name of Yahshua and that Jesus suits them just fine. Ironically some of these same people would never think of violating the fourth commandment, Sabbath observance! They also have informed me that they don't have to learn Hebrew to have a personal relationship with Elohim. I find that very interesting in light of the fact that Christians have no problem reciting Hebrew words like Satan,

Amen, Halleluyah, Sheol and others. These are and always have been Hebrew words! Don't you find it very bizarre that Satan has managed to preserve his own name, Satan, from the Hebrew 'Ha Satan' in almost every language spoken amongst the sons of men? No matter what language you may speak, the name of Satan is more or less the same with just some very slight variations. IN MOST BIBLES YOU CANNOT FIND THE NAME OF THE AUTHOR YHWH, IN EITHER THE FIRST OR THE SECOND COVENANT! THE BIBLE IS THE ONLY BOOK IN THE WORLD WHERE YOU AND I CANNOT FIND THE AUTHOR'S REAL NAME IN ANY MODERN DAY LANGUAGE TRANSLATION!! DO YOU SMELL A SKUNK? Would you go to the bookstore and buy any secular book without being able to identify the name of the author? Does not the author's name give the book you are purchasing a sense of initial credibility? Wouldn't a red flag go up as you put the book back down on the shelf?

If Christianity has no hang-ups about using Satan, Amen, Halleluyah and Sheol, which are Hebraic words, then why all the stubbornness and refusal to add just two more Hebrew Names or words to biblical Christian vocabulary, especially the beloved original redemptive Names of Yahshua and His Father? Get the point? Most of the world's major faiths amazingly enough, cannot seem to add these two simple Hebrew proper Names to their existing vocabulary. Isn't it fascinating that in most English translations such as the King James Version, New King James, New American standard and many others, the Hebrew names like Elijah, Isaiah, Moses, Jonah and others more or less retain their recognition factor despite being translated from Hebrew to Greek to English! A perfect example would be how Isaiah becomes Isaias and Elijah becomes Elias and Jonah becomes Jonas, yet no one is confused or in doubt as to what characters these twice translated names refer to, since their most basic essence is preserved. The names of geographical locations such as Decapolis, Bethany Tyre & Sidon also more or less survived all translations pretty much intact.

The absolute necessity of Christendom having to adopt the two Sacred Hebrew Names of YHWH and Yahshua is not shocking when one comes to fully realize and admit that the proper name of any individual is not translatable from one language to



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another. Rather when one attempts to do that, he or she invariably winds up either transliterating or transcribing it, in order to retain its original pronunciation. Guiseppe Verdi in Italian is equivalent to Joseph Green in English. However, Guiseppe Verdi cannot be translated as Joseph Green in English, even if that is what it means in English.

Apparently Satan didn't mind other biblical names in whom there is NO REDEMPTION, being somewhat linguistically preserved, yet absolutely no attempt was made by any human translators, to preserve the Sacred Names of YHWH or Yahshua. These scholars continued the practice of ineffability instead of boldly bringing long overdue correction to this ongoing fallacy. Due to their lack of backbone in standing up to ineffability, we have wound up with Lord or with Kurios, instead of YHWH, and Jesus instead of Yahshua.

Many biblical scholars have even speculated that Matthew the talmid, manifested the error of ineffability in his gospel as well! Due to his Levitical background, (Matthew was known in traditional circles as Levi), his attempt to give reverence to the Sacred Name, has caused us some modern day confusion. These same scholars have come to the conclusion that the synonymous and often interchangeable terms, Kingdom of God and Kingdom of Heaven found only in Matthew's gospel, are both New Covenant maskings for YHWH. Don't forget that Matthew was writing primarily to a Jewish audience showing them that the promised King Messiah had in fact been manifested to Israel, thus fulfilling all the prophetic pronouncements of the Suffering Servant. He did not want to offend or be a stumbling block to his intended traditional Jewish audience, which was the very audience that he was witnessing to! Substituting YHWH in all these verses would eliminate these different interchangeable and supposedly synonymous terms, thus bringing uniformity to the text. According to these scholars these verses should properly read "Kingdom Of YHWH" in all instances.

Now let me ask you honestly! Does Lord, God, Lord-God, Jehovah, Jehovah-God, Adonai or Kurios sound anything like Yahweh or Yahshua? Why not? All the other names of the prophets and biblical locations seem to have come through into our modern Bible translations pretty much unblemished and intact! Very interesting! That skunk

(Satan) is pretty slimy isn't he!?

Now you may be thinking, so what! Enough already! What's the point? What's the difference? The point is that when you walk around your own home and have your kids say HEY YOU! or YO POPS! to gain your personal attention, after a short while you no doubt would be fed up with that irreverent behavior and justifiably so.

You and I have been created with a desire instilled within us that cries out to hear our own proper personal name. YHWH loves to hear His children cry out for His Set apart Name, and instilled that desire within us! Remember that we are created in His image! No wonder King Solomon under the inspiration of the Ruach Hakodesh, (Holy Spirit) wrote this twofold prophetic question in Proverbs 30:4 "Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is His Name and what is His Son's Name if you know it?"

This is clear indication that YHWH, knowing the future in 900BCE, asked this twofold question as both a reproof and an invitation to seek these two Names that have been so diabolically suppressed.

In Philippians 2:9 Paul tells us that YHWH has given Yahshua His beloved Son, THE NAME ABOVE EVERY NAME. NOT JUST A NAME, BUT THE NAME. THE DEFINITE ARTICLE HERE IS "THE NAME." The Father did not just give Yahshua A Name, but He imparted His own Name. The Name of YHWH. We see in most translations the definite article is not used in this verse of Philippians.

Let's not forget that in Matthew 6:9, Yahshua teaches us to address our Heavenly Father by His Name, "Our Father who art in Heaven Hallowed (or Set apart) be THY NAME. Notice Yahshua did not teach us to hallow or set apart the title of our Heavenly Father, which is exactly what religionists of all backgrounds have done and continue to do!

In Matthew 28:18-20 we see that the Father, Son and Spirit all have the same Name. It is in this Name that all baptisms, Mikvehs are to take place. Throughout the Book of Acts, the talmidim (disciples) continually and consistently baptize in Yahshua's Set Apart Name alone. Never ever, I repeat never, do they baptize with the three titles of the complex unity!



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In the midst of all this deception and darkness, still shines the light of our blessed Yahshua. In His first advent on this earth, one of the main ministries assigned to Him by YHWH, is also one of the more overlooked aspects of His ministry. In John 17 we find several verses where our Adon Yahshua, (Master Yahshua) shockingly has to reintroduce the Sacred Name to the eleven remaining disciples. Through the disciples, the Sacred Name was reintroduced to all of Israel and through the remnant born-again believing Jewish community, to the rest of the believing community at large. In John 17:6, Messiah teaches us that He had been commissioned to re-reveal The Name of the Father, YHWH, to those chosen out of the world. He further states that only those who know the Sacred Name are in reality those who can guard His Word. Jumping down to verses 11-12 of John 17, we see that, The Name that He is revealing or manifesting to the eleven is the same Name that YHWH, the Father had imparted YHWH the Son. In other words they BOTH HAVE THE SAME NAME!!! (2nd Cor 3:17 teaches that the Ruach HaKodesh is also called YHWH!)

In John 17:26 our Messiah openly declares that He was obedient to His Father by reinstating through divine revelation, the covenant Name of YHWH, that had been lost through ineffability.

By the time Messiah was born, the Name had virtually disappeared in and amongst physical Israel. How in the world were the Jews going to be the light to the nations that they were called to be, when they not only did not accept the Son as YHWH, but they suppressed the Set Apart One of Israel's Name as well. Yahshua reassured the Father that He will continue to declare the Sacred Name, even after His glorification and subsequent physical resurrection from the dead, by and through the agency of the Ruach HaKodesh. (The Holy Spirit)

So we see that even while He sits at the right hand of the Father, He is still reintroducing The Name of YHWH to those with ears to hear what Name the Spirit is teaching the body of Messiah in these last days. Acts 3:21, confirms this marvelous truth by stating that Yahshua is seated in heaven and will remain there until the reinstatement and restoration of ALL THINGS, including the Sacred Name.

Zephaniah 3:9 reaffirms Messiah's last days mission by stating that the latter days will be characterized by a return to the heavenly language of Hebrew (The language of both the first and second covenant, The Old and New Testament.), "So that ALL NATIONS OR PEOPLES INCLUDING BORN AGAIN GENTILE, CHRISTIANS CAN CALL ON THE NAME OF YHWH AND SERVE HIM WITH ONE SHOULDER".

What a glorious ongoing restoration we are seeing in these last days. The ongoing ministry of Messiah Yahshua, in restoring the Sacred Name to His people to be used for deeper intimacy and answered petitions. We will see an ultimate fulfillment both in the congregation of Yahshua, and also in the land of Israel. Hosea 2:16-17 reads as follows, "And it shall be in that day, declares YHWH, that you shall call me my husband and no longer call me my Baal (MY LORD). And I shall remove the names of the baals (lords) from her mouth and they shall no more be remembered by their name."

You may be surprised to learn that Jehovah, which is just another poor substitute for the Sacred Name, cannot possibly be the correct rendering of YHWH, since neither the letter J nor the J sound even exist in Hebrew. Even more shocking is that the letter J was the last addition to our English alphabet around 1500 CE and therefore English did not originally have a J sound. Even the 1611 version of the king James Bible uses the letter I for J.

One such instance was the name of Jeremiah, which was written and translated as Ieremiah and pronounced as a Y. Neither ancient Hebrew or classical English recognizes the letter J. This evidence therefore linguistically shuts the door on Jehovah being an acceptable substitute for YHWH. Jehovah is nothing more than a well polished substitute for the supposedly ineffable name YHWH.

Even in the writings of the Jehovah Witnesses (who are guilty of breaking the third commandment themselves) there is admission that the pure and untainted original name of Jehovah is YHWH. Many intellectually honest and respected non-rabbinical secular Jewish works with no hidden agenda, such as the *Encyclopedia Judaica*, proclaim and verify the correctness of the Sacred Name. This same reliable source goes on to state that the Sacred Name has never been lost or be-



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come unpronounceable.

Friend of Truth, your moment has come! If you still feel that the issue of His Name is trivial and not of major import, then soberly meditate on Acts 4:12, "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

In the light of this prophetic teaching, one can legitimately question whether a person can even be saved by knowingly calling on the substitute names of pagan deities. Obviously millions do not know this revealed truth and are still saved, since Yahshua does not hold them accountable for poor teachers and teachings that have led the flocks astray.

I was saved for 13 years until this truth started to take root and begged for an active and immediate response on my part. That my friend is where you stand today after having digested this teaching and after looking up all the applicable Scriptures. Ask yourself why the entire Scriptures give repeated warnings, rebukes and prohibitions against the practice of Sacred Name replacement, avoidance and title substitution.

Let the Spirit-filled believer agree with the words of YHWH and reject the words, names, titles, dogmas, doctrines and baals of men!

A special challenge needs to be issued to the global Messianic Jewish movement, which is the last great hope for the spiritual survival of the Jewish nation and which possesses the true final solution to the Jewish question. We need to stop blushing at the usage of the pure Names of YHWH and Yahshua by our brothers in the faith! It is part and parcel of our call to the Jews. We must do everything in our power to lead in the restoration of the Sacred Names. Our zeal in this area must equal our noble zeal in other well-defined areas such as Zionism, Sabbath keeping, aliyah and Torah observance. If we fail to lead the way and seize the moment, our Savior will hold us accountable and we will have once again abdicated our opportunity to determine Biblical Jewish halachah, to the often bankrupt spiritual leadership of traditional Judaism. We must put an end to their illegal doctrine and practice of ineffability, by restoring the truth about the Sacred Names. Remember that to whom much is given, much will be required. If we are the

great restoration movement that we claim to be, then our obedience in this area must be as bold, fresh and innovative as it already is in other areas. That may require the rewriting and reproducing of some of our liturgy, business cards, bulletins, music, overheads, tapes, videos, books, literature, brochures and Torah readings! So what? That is a small price to pay for more power and favor from YHWH!

There are no elitist individuals, (Romans 2:11) in His Kingdom, neither are there to be any elitist movements. We do not ever want to see the hand of the Almighty inscribe, "Ichobad" (The Glory has departed or moved on) on the doors of our blood-washed and believing synagogues, like it already has done on most traditional synagogues.

Yaakov (James 4:17) is a clear and direct warning to us. When we know to do good and do it not to us it becomes sin. Many in our movement know the truth about the Sacred Name, yet refuse to use it or teach it in the fear of other men and in the false notion that we must keep a little paganism in our services, so that unsaved and unbelieving Jews coming into our meetings can recognize the paganism that they are familiar with through exposure to other unbiblical forms of Judaism. What poppycock that is!

Why don't all the Messianic rabbis make sure that we have a miniature golden calf in our Aron Kodesh, so that our people can surely recognize the often idolatrous past escapades of our people? We are called to be separate from error, not to sprinkle just enough of it so that it can be recognizable to our people.

We are ordained to teach lost Jews how to accept Yahshua in order to receive eternal life and then to train them on just how they can allow the YETZER HATOV, (good inclinations) to prevail over YETZER HARAH (the bad inclinations.) by the power of Hashem's Ruach HaKodesh. (Holy Spirit) That is our job! The recognition and acceptance of our religious practices by lost Jewry is not the issue here. Obedience to the literal Word Of YHWH is!

The Word warns us that "the fear of man brings a snare or a trap." We must never fall into that trap. If we who know this truth and are found suppressing it out of the fear of being misunderstood, then



we are displaying our lack of faith in Yahshua's proclamation that as long as we lift Him up, people will be drawn to Him (John 12:32). When we have the CHUTZPAH, (COURAGE) to use the Sacred Name, the way He wants us to then true spirit-filled Gentile believers should add just two more Hebrew words to their vocabulary, YHWH AND YAHSUA. Through this act of surrender, you will not only approach your Creator through obedience, but rediscover the true Name of the author of the scriptures. What a joy that will be when you rediscover His Name to be neither Thomas Nelson, Jack Hayford, Mr. Kirkbride, the American Bible Society, Lord-God, Almighty God, or any other religious jargon, but rather just YHWH and YAHSUA! Allow Proverbs 30:4-5 to be personally fulfilled in your believing life.

Proverbs 30:4-6 Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended? who hath gathered the wind in his fists? who hath bound the waters in a garment? Who hath established all the ends of the earth? What is his name, and what is his son's name, if thou canst tell? Every word of Elohim is

pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him. Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.

You and I need to personally reintroduce that Set Apart Name in our walk with the Messiah. Yahshua taught us to pray and relate to our Heavenly Father with great reverence for His Name. Are we prepared to step out in total obedience despite the snickers and whispers of other fellow believers? What do you and I want more? The eternal praises of the Elohim of Israel, or the fleeting and temporal praises of men? Once you answer that question honestly and correctly, you will be prepared to address the Creator even as Yahshua did and even as He taught us to do! Our Father who art in heaven Hallowed be THY NAME!

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ADDITIONAL READING

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- ◆ The Creator Knows You By Name, Do You Know Him By Name?
- ◆ The Doctrine Of The Sacred Name In View Of Scripture
- ◆ The Heavenly Father's Great Name
- ◆ What Does It Mean When You Say HalleluYah?
- ◆ What Is His Name?
- ◆ What Is The True Name Of The Savior?

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