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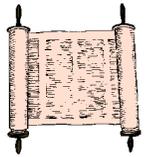
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is dedicated to His bride. Yahshua will be returning soon to receive His own unto Himself (Jn. 14:3). His bride must make herself ready (Rev. 19:7). A person who is called out of this world by the Father, who repents of his/her sins, is baptized in the name of Yahshua the Messiah (Acts 2:38), the only name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved (Acts 4:12), and receives the Holy Spirit must come to know Him as the Scriptures declare and witness of Him (Jn. 5:39-47). Peter encouraged, "But grow in grace, and the knowledge of our Sovereign and Saviour Yahshua the Messiah," 2 Pet. 3:18. We will, with Yahweh's help and the Spirit of Truth, seek to reveal a most wondrous Savior and Redeemer, a Savior and Redeemer that much of the world has spoken of, dreamed of, hoped for, but truly never known. While much of the world looks to a savior, the savior of whom they have been taught has become corrupted. Another has been substituted in the true Savior's place. Those who are called out of this world and given to Him are likened unto virgins. But in accordance with His own parable of those virgins, only five are wise while the other five are foolish. The five wise are able to enter into the planned marriage with the Messiah, but the five foolish have the door closed to them (Mt. 25:1-13). Let's be wise, remember our betrothal to the Messiah and the virginity to which He has restored us (2 Cor. 11:1-2), resist the wiles of the devil and look to and prepare for a joyous and glorious marriage that will endure for all eternity. HalleluYah!!!!

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OUR COVER: The stage is set for great destruction to be wreaked upon this earth. Our studies have discovered that we are in the end days and that the curse brought about by Adam and then Israel and Judah will soon become reality. This has led the focus of this magazine to be upon the various "curses" to destruction that we are bringing upon ourselves. Even the article entitled "Taking His Name In Vain" reveals that idolatrous inclinations that all peoples of the earth have brought upon themselves. We are near the end. Soon there will be great upheavals that will take place. They are already here in the nature of mankind, but physical upheavals will begin to raise their heads in greater and greater detail. May Yahweh rescue us from all ills. The photograph was produced and authorized by Alchemy Gothic. They have no religious, political, organizational, nor secular association with YEA.

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THE END IS COMING, AN END IS COMING

The Prophet Ezekiel was commanded to declare, “Also, thou son of man, thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh unto the land of Israel; **An end, the end is come upon the four corners of the land. Now is the end come upon thee**, and I will send mine anger upon thee, and will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense upon thee all thine abominations. And mine eye shall not spare thee, neither will I have pity: but I will recompense thy ways upon thee, and thine abominations shall be in the midst of thee: and ye shall know that I am Yahweh. Thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh; An evil, an only evil, behold, is come. An end is come, the end is come: it watcheth for thee; behold, it is come. The morning is come unto thee, O thou that dwellest in the land: the time is come, **the day of trouble is near**, and not the sounding again of the mountains. Now will I shortly pour out my fury upon thee, and accomplish mine anger upon thee: and I will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense thee for all thine abominations. And mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: I will recompense thee according to thy ways and thine abominations that are in the midst of thee; and ye shall know that I am Yahweh that smiteth. Behold the day, behold, it is come: the morning is gone forth; the rod hath blossomed, pride hath budded. Violence (Heb. = chamas or hama) is risen up into a rod of wickedness: none of them shall remain, nor of their multitude, nor of any of theirs: neither shall there be wailing for them. The time is come, the day draweth near: let not the buyer rejoice, nor the seller mourn: for wrath is upon all the multitude thereof,” Ez. 7:2-14.

I never planned for the focus of this magazine to be on the curse that is coming on the earth, but here it is. When I learned that the Hebrew word for “curse” is “Alah,” a new door of understanding was opened. Not only had I discovered this and written the article about this curse, which appears on page 7, but Brick Parrish had also discovered this fact and had written a corresponding article on it (see page 13).

I have understood for some years now that utilizing the term “god/God” for the Creator Yahweh was a word that actually makes Him into the image of an ox, bull, or calf. I have finally written and included in this magazine the article entitled “Taking His Name In Vain,” which reveals this fact. (p. 14) You may have to read this article more than once and even study it in-depth to understand what is written as some have indicated that it is rather difficult to understand, but then Yahweh’s word is written so that not everyone can truly understand it and Yahshua came speaking to a generation who didn’t understand what He was doing or saying; so if you have problems understanding it, please pray about it and ask for understanding.

I have also just come across a web-site that reveals the Satanic and demonic influences on rock musicians and their music. Yahweh had inspired Moses to prophesy that Israel would fall away to the worship of devils, demons or goat gods, “But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked: thou art waxen fat, thou art grown thick, thou art covered with fatness; then he forsook Elohim which made him, and lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation. They provoked him to jealousy with strange gods, with abominations provoked they him to anger. They sacrificed unto devils, not to Eloah; to gods whom they knew not, to new gods that came newly up, whom your fathers feared not. Of the Rock that begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast forgotten Elohim that formed thee. And when Yahweh saw it, he abhorred them, because of the provoking of his sons, and of his daughters. And **he said, I will hide my face from them, I will see what their end shall be**: for they are a very froward generation, children in whom is no faith. They have moved me to jealousy with that which is not Elohim; they have provoked me to anger with their vanities: and I will move them to jealousy with those which are not a people; I will provoke them to anger with a foolish nation. For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains. I will heap mischiefs upon them; I will spend mine arrows upon them,” Dt. 32:15-23.

Islam worships Allah. I have shown in the “curse” article that even though in Arabic the term means “The God,” in Hebrew it means “The Curse.” They are worshipping a curse to destruction. The Satanic musicians of our day are worshipping and serving Satanic destruction. One very well known rock musician is so troubled by demons that he loves to go sit in graveyards because it is so serene, so peaceful and he even admits that there is a smell there that is sweet to him.

Islam gets special privileges in prison and also in the free world. Their religion can even be taught and acted out in our schools even though any reference to or prayer to the Elohim of the Holy Scriptures is forbidden and reacted to with horror, anger and hostility. Our own Supreme Court forbids prayer and the Holy Scriptures in the schools.

Yahweh knew that His own people would turn away from Him. It is prophesied time, and time, and time, and time again in the Scriptures. We are now beginning to see the evidence of that forsaking. If we forsake Him, He will forsake us. But thankfully, He won’t forsake us forever. Yes, as an angry husband and parent, He will correct His children and that correction may seem to be quite harsh, but once He gets our attention and grants us repentance, He will turn His hand to heal us. We who publish this magazine have a tremendous responsibility because we must not only reveal the wondrous plan of mercy that He grants to us through Yahshua the Messiah, but we must also reveal the dangers that we face walking in a world of deception and unbelief.

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AMAZING FIND PLUS NEWS REVEALS PROPHETIC EVENTS PART II

The Prophecies that Yahweh gave in His word, the Holy Scriptures, are sure. This is the second part of events, etc., that are taking place in today's world to bring about the catastrophes upon Yahweh's people, Judah and Israel which were predicted in the latter days.

By Jerry Healan

ISAAC'S PROPHETIC BLESSING

When Rebekah (Esau's and Jacob's mother) heard Isaac tell Esau to bring him some of the savory venison that he loved to eat so that he could bless him, she and Jacob schemed so that Jacob could receive that blessing instead. When Esau came in with the food that he had prepared, both he and His father Isaac learned that Jacob had come and received the blessing instead. Esau pleaded, "And Esau said unto his father, Hast thou but one blessing, my father? bless me, even me also, O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept. And Isaac his father answered and said unto him, Behold, thy dwelling shall be the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above; And by thy sword shalt thou live, and shalt serve thy brother; and it shall come to pass when thou shalt have the dominion, that thou shalt break his yoke from off thy neck," Gen. 27:38-40.

Let's understand something here. Isaac blessed Jacob with the dew of heaven, the fatness of the earth and plenty of corn and wine. He also blessed him to be a noble before whom the people and nations would bow down to as well as making him sovereign over his own brethren. Isaac even told Esau, "Behold, I have made him thy sovereign, and all his brethren have I given to him for servants; and with corn and wine have I sustained him: and what shall I do now unto thee, my son?" Gen. 27:37.

The implication is that since Jacob has been blessed with these things, then they can't also belong to Esau.

Therefore, when Isaac blessed Esau saying, "Behold, thy dwelling shall be the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above..." (v. 39), he was declaring that he would be **away from** those things.

Isaac continued, "And by thy sword shalt thou live, and shalt serve thy brother; and it shall come to pass **when thou shalt have the dominion** that thou shalt break his yoke from off thy neck," Gen. 27:40. As long as Israel was a kingdom, and then Israel and Judah were divided kingdoms, they had dominion over Esau. When the Jewish people returned from Babylon/Persia to rebuild the city

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The Interlinear Bible interprets "when thou shalt have the dominion" as "when you fight." When did Esau get the dominion? When did Esau and Israel begin to fight so that Esau received the dominion? Wasn't it when Rome was converted from a Republican form of government to that of dictatorship under the Caesars? Julius Caesar began to make war against the Celts, Gauls and Goths (Israelites),

and to overcome them bringing them under the dominion of Rome. The Israelite descendants were also very fierce warriors, but the Romans had developed military strategies which brought the Israelites under subjection. While some of the various descendants did make a successful fight against Rome, even entering in and conquering the city, they just eventually blended in with the Roman people and became subjects of the government.

Also, once Yahshua had come and offered the acceptable sacrifice, raising up the assembly of believers, then Rome came into the land with her armies, defeated the Jewish remnants and destroyed Jerusalem and her famous temple dedicated to Yahweh.

Israel's blending in with the Roman/Edomite government was prophesied in the great image that Nebuchadnezzar was shown in his dream in Daniel chapter two. The legs of the kingdom were represented as iron, but the feet were part of iron and part of clay (Dan. 2:33). The prophet Isaiah declared, "But now, O Yahweh, Thou art our Father; we are the clay, and Thou art our Potter; and we all are the work of Thy hand," Isa. 64:8. He was decrying the overthrow of Israel and the desolation of Zion, Jerusalem, etc.

THE CONFEDERACY

Esau (Rome) is confederate with, has made a covenant with the Ishmaelites (descendants of Ishmael who hated Isaac because he was cast out of his father's Abraham's house and denied the inheritance of the firstborn

son. The religion of Ishmael is Islam.), Moab (**probably** Iraq), the Hagarines (Egypt), Gebal (Masons), Ammon (Jordan), Amalek (Russia), Philistines (Palestinians), Tyre (probably Lebanon and Syria, but on the great scale of things is Roman Europe).

When Psa. 83 says that these peoples have consulted together with one consent. The Hebrew for consulted is “ya’ats” which has to do with resolve or deliberating. Together is translated from “yachad” which means that they are united. “Consent” is translated from “leb,” which is Hebrew for the heart. So they are together, united, alike, with one heart, one intent, one spirit, and that is to entrap, ensnare, overthrow and destroy the habitations of Israel, both nations America and Israel, taking them as their own possession.

The spirit of Ishmael is Islam and all nations and peoples who adhere to that faith and belief. The spirit of Amalek is Communism, which is a humanistic, socialistic religion based upon false science and atheism. Remember that Amalek attacked Israel in the wilderness because he feared not Elohim.

Another spirit of Esau is that of corrupted Christianity as is evidenced by Roman Catholicism, Greek Orthodoxy and Russian Orthodoxy, believe it or not. While Protestantism came out of the Roman Catholic Church in protest, they have refused to turn to Scriptural truths, e.g., the seventh day Sabbath, the annual feast days, the commandments, the true names, etc. Therefore, we find that they are more willing to follow after the spirit of Esau, at this point in history, than to repent of their own rebellion. We trust that Yahweh will rectify this rebellious spirit in His own time as is evidenced in the prophecies of Scripture.

DESTRUCTION FORETOLD

The prophet Ezekiel reveals that Jerusalem is to suffer a third destruction, “Thou therefore, son of man, prophesy, and smite thine hands to-

gether, and **let the sword be doubled the third time**, the sword of the slain it is the sword of the great men that are slain, which entereth into their privy chambers. I have set the point of the sword against all their gates, that their heart may faint, and their ruins be multiplied: ah! It is made bright, it is wrapped up for the slaughter. **Go thee one way or other, either on the right hand, or on the left**, whithersoever thy face is set. I will also smite Mine hands together, and I will cause My fury to rest: I Yahweh have said it,” 21:14-17.

Isn’t it interesting that we have two distinct ways in today’s world? There is the conservative “right,” and the liberal “left.” Generally, the Republicans are the conservative right, while the Democrats are the liberal left. (Notice that I said “generally.”) Did you know that the governmental style of the Greeks was Democracy, while the governmental style of the Romans was Republican? Daniel prophesied that the Greek kingdom would be a kingdom of brass, while the kingdom of Rome would be a kingdom of iron. These metals reveal a spiritual nature

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of these kingdoms. Did you know that Yahweh warned Israel that if they didn’t obey Him, He would turn their heaven to brass and earth to iron? In other cases He warned that He would turn their heaven to iron and their earth to brass. (Dt. 28:21-24; Lev. 26:15-20)

This has been accomplished and is being fulfilled today! We will soon be running an article in our magazine entitled “The Iron Furnace,” which will explain it all.

END-TIME PROPHECIES

The return of Judah to the land is prophesied to take place, but most of

the Jewish peoples who understand what the Scriptures say do understand that the real return will be under the powerful hand of Yahweh. There are many Jewish peoples in today’s world who resist taking part with the modern day nation of Israel because they understand that the formation of the nation named Israel is purely of Masonic background. Go to the library, get the *Encyclopedia Judaica* and look up the word Zionism. You will find that the ones who concocted the modern-day movement to return the Jewish people to the land of Canaan weren’t even believers in Scripture and didn’t care anything about Yahweh’s word at all. As a matter of fact, you will find that the ones who did believe in and understand the Scriptures separated themselves from the political Zionist movement. There are several Jewish groups in today’s world who take a stand against the political Zionist government. Just look up “Jews Against Zionism” on the internet.

Yahweh warned that in the latter days, Jacob’s iniquity will come to an end (Ez. 35:5). Jeremiah prophesies, “And these are the words that Yahweh spake concerning Israel and concerning Judah. For thus saith Yahweh; We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace. Ask ye now, and see whether a man doth travail with child? wherefore do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness? Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob’s trouble; but he shall be saved out of it,” Jer. 30:4-7.

Obadiah decrees concerning Esau and his hatred for Jacob, “For thy violence against thy brother Jacob shame shall cover thee, and thou shalt be cut off for ever. In the day that thou stoodest on the other side, in the day that the strangers carried away captive his forces, and foreigners entered into his gates, and cast lots upon Jerusalem, even thou wast as one of them. But thou shouldst not have looked on the day of thy brother in the day that he became a stranger; neither should-

est thou have rejoiced over the children of Judah in the day of their destruction; neither shouldst thou have spoken proudly in the day of distress. Thou shouldst not have entered into the gate of my people in the day of their calamity; yea, thou shouldst not have looked on their affliction in the day of their calamity, nor have laid hands on their substance in the day of their calamity; Neither shouldst thou have stood in the crossway, to cut off those of his that did escape; neither shouldst thou have delivered up those of his that did remain in the day of distress," vv. 10-14.

TERROR

Yahweh prophesied against Israel, "But if ye will not hearken unto me, and will not do all these commandments; And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your soul abhor my judgments, so that ye will not do all my commandments, but that ye break my covenant: I also will do this unto you; **I will even appoint over you terror**, consumption, and the burning ague, that shall consume the eyes, and cause sorrow of heart: and ye shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it," Lev. 26:14-16.

The Hebrew word for "terror" is "*behalah*." Another Hebrew word for "terror" is "*ballahah*." It is defined as, alarm, destruction, terror and trouble. Since Hebrew is the language of revelation, and we find that many of the things in this world are identified by Hebrew words, as we did for Russia, Esau, Edom, etc., for instance, we can possibly associate some of the modern-day enemies of Israel and America with Hebrew words.

One of the Palestinian organizations that has been raised up in these last days, which is dedicated to the violent overthrow of Israel is named "Hamas." The Hebrew word associated with this organization is "*chamac*" (pronounced as "khaw – mas" or even "haw – mas"). David is inspired to cry out, "Deliver me, O Yahweh, from the evil man: preserve me from the violent man

(*chamac/hamas*)," Psa. 140:1.

Is it possible that the last part of the name "Hezbollah" (bollah) comes from the Hebrew words "*behalah*" and/or "*ballahah*?" What would the name mean then? "Bollah," of course, would be easy to figure out. It means "terror, alarm or destruction." The Hez part of the name can also be found in the Hebrew. The English letter "h" is equivalent to the Hebrew letter ה (hey). Generally, when this letter is added to the beginning of a word, it means "the," "lo," or "behold."

The "ez" part of the word can also be translated into the Hebrew word "עז" (*ez* or *az*). This Hebrew word is defined as, strong, vehement, harsh, etc.

Thus Hezbollah, in Hebrew, would mean "the strong terror," or "the vehement destruction," or "the strong destruction," etc., etc.

OMINOUS NEWS

While both sides are proclaiming victory concerning the outcome of the conflict between Israel (Judah) and Hezbollah, the simple fact of the matter is that Israel did not accomplish

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her goal of obliterating Hezbollah, while Hezbollah did withstand Israel's attacks and was left armed and fairly intact. Their stand has served to unite the Arab Islamic world against both Israel and America.

The news reports have shown the Lebanese army entering into the disputed southern territory of Lebanon as well as some of the UN Forces. However, where the UN is concerned, they are only allowed to utilize their weapons in their own self-defense. They will not have the power to restrain

Hezbollah from rebuilding the area destroyed and also rearming themselves. If they can only utilize their weapons in their own self-defense, then how can they resist Hezbollah and keep them from re-fortifying and re-arming? Also, the Lebanese army is sympathetic with Hezbollah, so the deck is stacked against Israel. While Hezbollah did take quite a beating, the essential fact is after over a month of fighting they are still left somewhat intact and they have won a great psychological advantage.

NEWS FROM ROME

One other news item that should be alarming to all of those who believe in, follow after, and have Scriptural understanding is the news from Rome, dated 7/26/06. There has been a conference in Rome chaired by Italian foreign minister Massimo d'Alema, which has expressed desires to place yet another UN force in the area in order to maintain security. How ludicrous! The UN has already had a peace keeping force there which turned its head while Hezbollah made their preparations for war against Israel.

This author has continually warned that it will most likely be a force comprised of UN soldiers that will surround Jerusalem and Israel in the last days, which will usher in the long awaited intervention of Yahweh by sending His Son Yahshua to take over the kingdoms of this world as King of kings and Sovereign of sovereigns (Lord of lords for those who insist on such terms).

Zechariah was inspired to declare, "Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem. And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though **all the people** of the earth be gathered together against it. In that day, saith Yahweh, I will smite every horse with

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THE CURSE THAT COMES UPON THE EARTH

A mighty curse is coming upon this earth. That curse is becoming very evident in these last days. We need to understand the truth about this curse. We need to trace its history and we need to understand where it is coming from in these last days and why.

By Jerry Healan

Yahweh, in His power and strength, brought the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage in order to make a covenant with them. We understand that this covenant was a marriage proposal made between Yahweh and Israel. Israel was to be Yahweh's wife. The covenant made between them was to be a covenant of faithfulness. Yahweh promised that if Israel would obey the conditions of the marriage covenant, then they would be greatly blessed throughout all the earth.

In Deuteronomy chapter 28 verses 1-14, Moses told the people about all of the blessings that would come upon them if they would obey the dictates of the marriage covenant. But in verses 15 – 68 of the same chapter, he warned of the curses that would come upon them for disobedience.

In the next chapter we read, "These are the words of the covenant, which Yahweh commanded Moses to make with the children of Israel in the land of Moab, beside the covenant which he made with them in Horeb. And Moses called unto all Israel, and said unto them, Ye have seen all that Yahweh did before your eyes in the land of Egypt unto Pharaoh, and unto all his servants, and unto all his land; The great temptations which thine eyes have seen, the signs, and those great miracles: Yet Yahweh hath not given you an heart to perceive, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, unto this day. And I have led you forty years in the wilderness: your clothes are not waxen old upon you, and thy shoe is not waxen old upon thy foot. Ye have not eaten bread, neither have ye drunk wine or strong drink: that ye might know that I am Yahweh your Elohim. And when ye came unto this place, Sihon the king of Heshbon, and Og

the king of Bashan, came out against us unto battle, and we smote them: And we took their land, and gave it for an inheritance unto the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to the half tribe of Manasseh. Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do. Ye stand this day all of you before Yahweh your Elohim; your captains of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, with all the men of Israel, Your little ones, your wives, and thy stranger that is in thy camp, from the hewer of thy wood unto the drawer of thy water: That thou shouldest enter into covenant with Yahweh thy Elohim, and into his **oath**, which Yahweh thy Elohim maketh with thee this day: That he

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may establish thee to day for a people unto himself, and that he may be unto thee a Elohim, as he hath said unto thee, and as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this **oath**; But with him that standeth here with us this day before Yahweh our Elohim, and also with him that is not here with us this day: (For ye know how we have dwelt in the land of Egypt; and how we came through the nations which ye passed by; And ye have

seen their abominations, and their idols, wood and stone, silver and gold, which were among them:) Lest there should be among you man, or woman, or family, or tribe, whose heart turneth away this day from Yahweh our Elohim, to go and serve the Elohim of these nations; **lest there should be among you a root that beareth gall and wormwood;** And it come to pass, when he heareth the words of this **curse**, that he bless himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the imagination of mine heart, to add drunkenness to thirst: Yahweh will not spare him, but then the anger of Yahweh and his jealousy shall smoke against that man, and all the curses that are written in this book shall lie upon him, and Yahweh shall blot out his name from under heaven. And Yahweh shall separate him unto evil out of all the tribes of Israel, according to all the curses of the covenant that are written in this book of the law: So that the generation to come of your children that shall rise up after you, and the stranger that shall come from a far land, shall say, when they see the plagues of that land, and the sicknesses which Yahweh hath laid upon it; And that the whole land thereof is brimstone, and salt, and burning, that it is not sown, nor beareth, nor any grass groweth therein, like the overthrow of Sodom, and Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboim, which Yahweh overthrew in his anger, and in his wrath: Even all nations shall say, Wherefore hath Yahweh done thus unto this land? what meaneth the heat of this great anger? Then men shall say, Because they have forsaken the covenant of Yahweh Elohim of their fathers, which he made with them when he brought them forth out of the

land of Egypt: For they went and served other elohim, and worshipped them, elohim whom they knew not, and whom he had not given unto them: And the anger of Yahweh was kindled against this land, to bring upon it all the curses that are written in this book: And Yahweh rooted them out of their land in anger, and in wrath, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land, as it is this day,” Dt. 29:1-29.

IDOLATRY

The idols of the nations were abominations to Yahweh. The Hebrew word for “abomination” is *shiqquwts*. It is defined as; disgusting, i.e. filthy; especially idolatrous or (concretely) an idol. It is generally translated as; abominable filth (idol, [abomination]), detestable (thing).

The heathen, or pagans, would cut trees or stones shaping them into an idol and then overlay them with either gold or silver. Gold, to the heathens and pagans represented the sun. Albert Pike, a 33^o mason wrote, “Gold, to the eyes of the initiates, is light condensed.” (*Morals And Dogma*, p. 102) Again he writes, “The metals, like the colors, were deemed to be Seven in number, and a metal and color were assigned to each planet. Of the metals, **gold was assigned to the Sun and silver to the Moon.**” (*IBID*, p. 728-729)

Thus, the idols covered with gold were sun deities and the idols covered with silver were moon deities.

The history of the children of Israel has been one of contrast and controversy. While they made the covenant with Yahweh, they were inconsistent in faithfulness to it. They turned to the worship of idols many times under the judges and kings. Right after they made the covenant with Yahweh, while Moses was in the mount receiving the tables of the covenant and instructions concerning the tabernacle, priesthood, etc., Israel turned to make a golden calf (a sun god) and worshipped it. At the apex of their glory and power, King Solomon turned

away from Yahweh, being led to construct temples to the deities of his foreign wives and to worship in them. This led to a separation of the northern kingdom from the southern kingdom.

The northern kingdom was established under Ephraimite kings who led the people into idolatry placing golden calves (sun images) in Dan and in Bethel. They were eventually destroyed because of the curses of the covenant and removed from Yahweh’s sight.

But Judah sinned worse than Israel for she followed in the footsteps of idolatry even after she saw what happened to the northern kingdom of Israel. The northern kingdom was removed into Assyria. Judah was removed into Babylon also suffering the effects of the curses.

BABYLON

Because of the unfaithfulness of the children of Israel and Judah, Yahweh removed them from being the head nation over the earth and they were dispersed to live among the nations. He raised up non-Hebrew, idolatrous

The history of the children of Israel has been one of contrast and controversy.

nations to be the head kingdoms over the earth. The first chief kingdom was Babylon to which Judah was banished.

King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon had a dream in which he saw an image whose head was gold, chest and arms of silver, belly and thighs of bronze and legs iron with the feet part of iron and part of clay. (Dan. 2) The head of gold represented King Nebuchadnezzar and his Babylonian kingdom. The Aramaic word for “image” is *tselem*, which means, an idolatrous figure (*Strong’s Exhaustive Concordance*, Hebrew Lexicon, #6755). What Nebuchadnezzar was shown was a thumb-nail sketch of the history of Idolatry as well as the ruling king-

doms of the world.

Babylon’s chief deity was Marduk, who was also known as Bel. Marduk was their sun deity. According to *Wikipedia*, an internet encyclopedia, Marduk was also the “solar calf.” It also reveals that Marduk was equivalent to the Egyptian sun-god *Ra*, *Zeus* of the Greeks, and *Jupiter* of the Romans. He is equivalent to the *Baal* of the Canaanites, *Dionysus* of the Thracians and Phrygians, *Tammuz* of Sumerians and Assyrians. His consort was the Queen of Heaven, *Ishtar*. (See *Wikipedia* and *Encyclopedia Britannica*, 14th Edition, Articles, *Marduk*, *Dionysus*, *Tammuz*, *Great Mother of the Gods*, *Ishtar*, *Baal*, etc.)

Yahweh condemns the worship of these deities throughout the Scriptures. The Prophet Jeremiah warned Judah and Jerusalem, “Behold, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit. Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other elohim whom ye know not; And come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, We are delivered to do all these abominations? Is this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, even I have seen it, saith Yahweh. But go ye now unto my place which was in Shiloh, where I set my name at the first, and see what I did to it for the wickedness of my people Israel. And now, because ye have done all these works, saith Yahweh, and I spake unto you, rising up early and speaking, but ye heard not; and I called you, but ye answered not; Therefore will I do unto this house, which is called by my name, wherein ye trust, and unto the place which I gave to you and to your fathers, as I have done to Shiloh. And I will cast you out of my sight, as I have cast out all your brethren, even the whole seed of Ephraim. Therefore pray not thou for this people, neither lift up cry nor prayer for them, neither make intercession to me: for I will not hear thee. Seest thou not what they do in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem? The children gather

wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the **women knead their dough, to make cakes to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto other elohim**, that they may provoke me to anger. Do they provoke me to anger? saith Yahweh: do they not provoke themselves to the **confusion** of their own faces? Therefore thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh; Behold, mine anger and my fury shall be poured out upon this place, upon man, and upon beast, and upon the trees of the field, and upon the fruit of the ground; and it shall burn, and shall not be quenched,” Jer. 7:8-20.

The remnant of Judah that went down into Egypt refused to repent of burning incense to the Queen of Heaven and pouring out drink offerings to other Elohim (Jer. 44), therefore Yahweh pronounced a curse to destruction upon them all.

ZECHARIAH 5

The book of Zechariah, chapter 5 contains a prophecy that has not been understood in its entirety down through the ages. At first Zechariah is shown a curse that goes forth over the whole earth. Then he is shown a woman called wickedness, “Then the angel that talked with me went forth, and said unto me, Lift up now thine eyes, and see what is this that goeth forth. And I said, What is it? And he said, This is an ephah that goeth forth. He said moreover, This is their resemblance through all the earth. And, behold, there was lifted up a talent of lead: and this is a **woman** that sitteth in the midst of the ephah. And he said, **This is wickedness**. And he cast it into the midst of the ephah; and he cast the weight of lead upon the mouth thereof. Then lifted I up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came out two women, and the wind was in their wings; for they had wings like the wings of a stork: and they lifted up the ephah between the earth and the heaven. Then said I to the angel that talked with me, Whither do these bear the ephah? And he said unto me, **To build it an house in the**

land of Shinar: and it shall be established, and set there upon her own base,” Zech. 5:5-11.

Can we identify this woman? The Hebrew term utilized for her is *Ishshah*. The very first Hebrew term utilized for the very first woman is *Ishshah*. When Adam saw the woman made for him, he declared, “This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman (*Ishshah*), because she was taken out of Man (*Ish*),” Gen. 2:23.

When the serpent deceived her, he told her, “And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For Elohim doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and **ye shall be as elohim**, knowing good and evil,” Gen. 3:4-5. Adam named his wife (*Ishshah*) Eve, “And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the **mother of all living**,” Gen. 3:20. The Hebrew for “Eve” is *Chavvah* or *Chawah*. It means “life-giver.”

There was a deity worshipped in ancient times called the “*Great Mother of the Gods*.” She was known as the mother of the gods, men and the lower

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orders. This is the title that Adam gave to Eve. Her consort was *Attis* who was castrated, died and was resurrected. She was a moon deity as was *Ishtar* whose consort was *Tammuz*. Ezekiel, chapter eight reveals that Judah and Jerusalem were worshipping *Tammuz*, whose mother, lover, wife was *Ishtar*. Thus, *The Great Mother, Ishtar* and the other moon deities are all interrelated. This is none other than the deification of the first mother, the mother of mankind, Eve.

The male devotees to the *Great Mother* were castrated in like manner to *Attis*. Special rites were observed in March. There would be weeping for

Attis or *Tammuz* (Ez. 8:14), followed by sunrise services with the declaration “He is risen!” (Ez. 8:16).

There is a modern day church that forbids its male devotees to marry (a type of castration). They worship Mary, the *Queen of Heaven*. Around March/April they hold Easter/*Ishtar* sunrise services. The *Encyclopedia Britannica*, 14th Edition declares that the worship of the “Great Mother” acted as a stepping stone to Christianity. (Vol. 10; p. 734)

FURTHER IDENTIFICATION

There is more to the woman in the ephah of Zechariah, chapter five, however. Yahweh declares, “Surely as a wife (*ishshah*) treacherously departeth from her husband, so have ye dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, saith Yahweh,” Jer. 20:3. Who is Yahweh speaking to here? It says “house of Israel.” But by the time of Jeremiah the only Israelites left in the land were those of the southern kingdom of Judah. Yahweh had given the northern kingdom of Israel a bill of divorcement, cast them out of their land and called them “not my people.” (Hos. 1:9)

Yahweh asked the Jewish remnant that went down into Egypt, “Have ye forgotten the **wickedness** of your fathers, and the **wickedness** of the kings of Judah, and the **wickedness** of their wives, and your own **wickedness**, and the **wickedness** of your wives, which they have committed in the land of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem?” Jer. 44:9.

Where had the rest of Judah, the wife (*ishshah*) of Yahweh been taken? They had been taken captive to Babylon, which was in the land of Shinar! Why? Because of their **wickedness** that they had been doing in worshipping all of the pagan deities, the host of heaven. Judah, the wife (*ishshah*) of Yahweh, had been taken captive to Babylon for her worship of Eve, the wife (*ishshah*) of Adam as the *Great Mother* of the Gods, the *Queen of Heaven*, *Ishtar/Easter*, *Baal/Bel/Tammuz*, etc. She, along

with her worship of *Ishtar* is the one who is in the ephah being taken to the land of Shinar. Shinar is the land of Babylon, the head of gold representing idolatrous worship of the sun.

THE CONSPIRACY

Two prophets of Israel witness that there is a conspiracy among Yahweh's people, "And Yahweh said unto me, **A conspiracy is found among the men of Judah, and among the inhabitants of Jerusalem.** They are turned back to the iniquities of their forefathers, which refused to hear my words; and they went after other elohim to serve them: **the house of Israel and the house of Judah have broken my covenant** which I made with their fathers. Therefore thus saith Yahweh, Behold, I will bring evil upon them, which they shall not be able to escape; and though they shall cry unto me, I will not hearken unto them. Then shall the cities of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem go, and cry unto the elohim unto whom they offer incense: but they shall not save them at all **in the time of their trouble.** For according to the number of thy cities were thy elohim, O Judah; and according to the number of the streets of Jerusalem have ye set up altars to that shameful thing, even altars to **burn incense unto Baal.** Therefore pray not thou for this people, neither lift up a cry or prayer for them: for **I will not hear them in the time that they cry unto me for their trouble.** What hath my beloved to do in mine house, seeing she hath wrought lewdness with many, and the holy flesh is passed from thee? when thou doest evil, then thou rejoicest. Yahweh called thy name, A green olive tree, fair, and of goodly fruit: with the noise of a great tumult he hath kindled fire upon it, and the branches of it are broken. **For Yahweh of hosts, that planted thee, hath pronounced evil against thee, for the evil of the house of Israel and of the house of Judah, which they have done against themselves to provoke me to anger in offering incense unto**

Baal," Jer. 11:9-17.

You can say that the time of Ephraim Israel's trouble came upon them when the Assyrians came against them and destroyed them, taking the remnant into captivity. You can also say that Judah Israel's time of trouble came upon them when the Babylonians came against them, destroying them and taking the remnant into captivity. This is true, to a point, but Yahweh also says that a time of Jacob's trouble will come upon them in the latter days. (Jer. 30:1-7)

The Prophet Ezekiel is inspired to record, "Moreover the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, Now, thou son of man, wilt thou judge, wilt thou judge the bloody city? yea, thou shalt shew her all her abominations. Then say thou, Thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh, The city sheddeth blood in the midst of it, that her time may come, and maketh idols against herself to defile herself. Thou art become guilty in thy blood that thou hast shed; and hast defiled thyself in thine idols which thou hast made; and thou hast caused thy days to draw near, and art come even unto thy years: therefore

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have I made thee a reproach unto the heathen, and a mocking to all countries....And the word of Yahweh came unto me, saying, Son of man, say unto her, Thou art the land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation. **There is a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey; they have devoured souls; they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made her many widows in the midst thereof.** Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things: they

have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them. Her princes in the midst thereof are **like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, and to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain. And her prophets have daubed them with untempered mortar, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them,** saying, Thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh, when Yahweh hath not spoken. The people of the land have used oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy: yea, they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully. And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none. Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Sovereign Yahweh," Ez. 22:1-4; 23-31.

The conspiracy begins with the men of Judah and the city of Jerusalem. Her prophets and priests are also complicit in the conspiracy. That conspiracy is still at work in today's world. The earth is still under the curse. But there is more to the history of it all.

PERSIA

The next world ruling kingdom, represented by the breast and arms of silver in Nebuchadnezzar's idolatrous image, was Persia. One of Persia's chief sun deities was Mithra or Mithras. Could we possibly discover who this false elohim is?

The *Encyclopedia Britannica*, 14th Edition, Volume 15, p. 620-621, has this to say about Mithras, "The birth of Mithras; then **the god nude, cutting fruit and leaves from a fig-tree** in which is the bust of a deity."

Who was naked when he was created and not ashamed? Wasn't it Adam? Who cut leaves from a fig tree in order to cover his nakedness? Wasn't it

Adam?

What does Mithra (-s) mean? Once again, the Hebrew language is the language of revelation. There is a little known Hebrew alternative word for man. That word is *math. Ra*, to the Egyptians, was their sun-god. Since the worship of the sun was wickedness to Yahweh, the Hebrew meaning of the word *ra* is wickedness. Thus, Mithra (-s) is the sun-god to the Persians, but to Yahweh he is the “man (*math/mith*) of wickedness (*ra*).”

The serpent had told Eve, “Ye shall not surely die: for Elohim doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as elohim (gods), knowing good and evil,” Gen. 3:4-5.

Mithra (-s) is Adam and *Ishtar* is Eve with heathenistic and paganistic mythology surrounding them!

GREECE/MACEDONIA

The next world-ruling empire of Nebuchadnezzar’s dream was to be the belly and thighs of **brass/bronze**. Alexander the Great was the founder of the empire, but he was cut off in his youth and four of his generals divided his kingdom among themselves.

The god of the Greeks was *Zeus*, who is likened to *Mithras* by the *Wikipedia*. Interestingly, Yahweh had warned Israel that if they turned to the worship of the idols of gold and silver it would become like “gall.” The Hebrew word for “gall” is *ro’sh*. “Gall” (*ro’sh*) is defined as; a poisonous plant, probably the poppy (from its conspicuous head); generally **poison** (even of **serpents**). (*Strong’s Exhaustive Concordance*, Hebrew Lexicon)

The Hebrew word for **brass/bronze** is *nechosheth*. *Nechosheth* is derived from the Hebrew word, *nechushah*, which in turn is derived from *nachash* or **serpent**!

The *Wikipedia* has this to say about Alexander, “Serpents figured prominently in archaic Greek myths too: the myth-element of [Laocoon](#), the ancient [Hydra](#) that was battled by Heracles, the serpent of the oldest [Delphic](#) oracle. [Olympias](#), the mother of [Alexan-](#)

[der the Great](#) and a princess of the primitive land of [Epirus](#), had the reputation of a snake-handler, and **it was in serpent form that Zeus was said to have fathered Alexander upon her.**” “Alexander the Great was the son of King [Philip II of Macedon](#) and of his fourth wife, [Epirote](#) princess [Olympias](#). According to [Plutarch](#) (*Alexander* 3.1, 3), Olympias was impregnated not by Philip, who was afraid of her, and her affinity for sleeping in the company of snakes, but by [Zeus Ammon](#).”

The Greeks, in the spirit of the serpent, hated everything Hebrew. They did everything that they could to bring an end to the Hebrew ways and traditions held by the Jews dwelling in the land. Alexander had been declared to be the son of god by the priest of Zeus Ammon at the Oasis of Siwa in Egypt (*Encyclopedia Britannica*, 14th Edition, Vol. 1, p. 568). From that time all of the Greek leaders, following Alexander’s demise, were worshipped as the son of god. The spirit of the Greeks/Macedonians was to be like that of the serpent Satan who hates Yahweh and seeks to exalt himself

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above the Creator. The prophesied spirit of “gall” (*ro’sh* [*poison of the serpent*]) had come.

The original form of government in Greece was DEMOCRACY.

ROME

The fourth kingdom of Daniel chapters 2 and 7 is Rome. Rome is represented firstly by iron in Daniel chapter 2 and as the terrible indescribable beast of Daniel chapter 7. While in her initial building stage, Rome was a REPUBLICAN form of government, but through the Caesars she became a

dictatorship. Julius Caesar first sought to establish himself as the supreme dictator, but he also fancied himself as a god and desired to be acknowledged and worshipped as such. He was slain by some of his closest friends, but his nephew Octavian, renamed Augustus, seized the day through subtlety. A comet appeared at that time and Octavian announced that the comet was his resurrected adopted father Julius Caesar who was ascending into heavens to take his place in the hall of the gods. This enabled him to declare himself the son of god and worthy of worship, thus the name Augustus.

Mithraism had recently been introduced into Rome by Pompey. It became extremely popular with the whole empire. The *Encyclopedia Britannica*, 14th Edition, Vol. 15, p. 620 says this about Mithras, “The Persian belief that the legitimate sovereign reigned by the grace of Ormazd, whose favour was made manifest by the sending of the *Hvarenō*, a kind of celestial aureole of fire, resulted in the doctrine that the sun was the giver of the *Hvarenō*. **Mithras, identified with *Sol Invictus*, thus became the giver of authority and victory to the imperial house.**”

Rome had become the power that dominated the land of Canaan, displacing the Greek/Macedonian kingdom. It is interesting that not long after Augustus declared himself to be the “son of god” that the true Son of Elohim, Yahshua was born in Bethlehem. His appearance had been expected by the Jewish element, but not in the way that it took place. They were looking for a powerful Messiah who would deliver them from their oppressors and begin the kingdom rule from Jerusalem crushing the world kingdoms bringing them into submission to themselves. Because of this, they were willing to revolt against Rome’s rule in 68-70 CE and again in 135 CE. They suffered the BITTERNESS (wormwood) of defeat and destruction.

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Mithras. (p. 621)

The *Wikipedia* reveals that Mithras was known as “*sol Invictus*” (the undefeated sun). This title was also applied to the sun and the Roman Empire! December 25th was *Deus Sol Invictus* or the festival of the birth of the Unconquered Sun!

The original form of the Roman government was REPUBLICAN in nature. Our own present form of government is supposed to be republican, but we also declare that we are a democracy. The two parties that control our government are Democrats and Republicans. Most of our peoples are involved in the worship of Mithras (Adam) and Ishtar (Eve) because of Sunday worship (the day of *Sol Invictus*), Easter (*Ishtar*) and Christmas (Dec. 25th - *Mithras*) observance.

YAHSHUA

Yahshua, the only begotten son of Yahweh (Jn. 1:14-18; 3:16-18; 1 Jn. 4:9, etc.), had appeared on the scene raising up His body of believers. Yahshua was the Messiah (Anointed) of Yahweh. His disciples and apostles began teaching a new and living way (Heb. 10:19-20), which was foreign to both the Jewish and Gentile elements (1 Cor. 1:23). His followers were originally termed Messianics, but this became corrupted into Christians by the Greeks.

Yahshua, Himself, declared that He didn't come to destroy the law or the prophets, but rather to fulfill them. (Mat. 5:17) To fulfill means that He perfectly obeyed them. The law, especially the ten commandments, describes what sin is (1 Jn. 3:4). Yahshua raised up a commandment keeping assembly which began to grow in numbers among the Hebrews at first. As long as the movement remained among the Hebrews, the government at Rome didn't give them a second look, but when the Centurian Cornelius and his household were called (non-Hebrews), the empire had had enough. The Roman government began to wage war against Yahshua's saints. (Dan. 7:21, 25) The problem that Rome suffered is that the more

she persecuted Yahshua's disciples, the more they grew in number.

CONSTANTINE

In the fourth century an emperor of Rome was raised up who took special note of Yahshua's followers. Constantine became Caesar and Augustus. He was also bestowed the title of *Pontifex Maximus*. He became the undisputed master of Rome in 312 CE. He began to show favor to the sect of Christians through his edict of Milan toleration in 313 CE.

He determined to remove the seat of the empire from Rome, Italy, to Byzantium because Rome was the stronghold of paganism. Byzantium was renamed Constantinople, after Constantine, of course, but it was also named *Roma Nova* or New Rome. The city was inaugurated by Christian ecclesiastics on May 11, 330, when it was dedicated to the Blessed Virgin (*Encyclopedia Britannica*, Vol. 6, p. 298).

Constantine decreed ([March 7, 321](#)) *dies Solis* — day of the sun, from which “sunday” — as the Roman day of rest [CJ3.12.2]:

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On the venerable day of the Sun let the magistrates and people residing in cities rest, and let all workshops be closed. In the country however persons engaged in agriculture may freely and lawfully continue their pursuits because it often happens that another day is not suitable for grain-sowing or vine planting; lest by neglecting the proper moment for such operations the bounty of heaven should be lost.

Before his [baptism on his deathbed](#),

Emperor [Constantine](#) portrayed *Sol Invictus* on his official coinage, with the legend SOLI INVICTO COMITI, thus claiming the Unconquered Sun as a companion to the Emperor.

The religion of *Sol Invictus* continued to be a cornerstone of the emperors until [Theodosius I's](#) decree on [February 27, 390](#), that only [Nicene Christianity](#) was acceptable.

Here we have the Roman Emperor who depends upon Mithras (*Sol Invictus*) to give victory and authority to his imperial house, making the decree to observe Sunday rather than the commanded seventh day Sabbath of the Creator Yahweh. This has continued unabated in the so-called followers of the Messiah until this day.

The *Encyclopedia Britannica* observes, “His claim to greatness rests mainly on the fact that he divined the future which lay before Christianity, and determined to enlist it in the service of his empire...” (Vol. 6, pp. 298-299) Thus, Christianity has been deceived into serving and promoting the BEAST KINGDOM (the Holy Roman Empire) rather than the kingdom of heaven which is ruled by Yahweh, Yahshua and Yahshua's faithful followers.

PAGANIZATION OF THE CHURCH

Here is what *Halley's Bible Handbook* has to say about Constantine and his successors, “Emperor Constantine (A.D. 306 – 337), when he became a Christian (**NOTE: He wasn't baptized until he was on his deathbed.**), issued an Edict granting everybody the right to choose his own religion.

Emperor Theodosius (A.D. 378-398), made Christianity the state religion of the Roman Empire, and made church membership compulsory. This was the worst calamity that has ever befallen the church. This forced conversion filled the churches with unregenerate people.

Not only so, Theodosius undertook the forcible suppression of all other religions, and prohibited idol worship.

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HAVE WE INVOKED THE "ALLAH" UPON OURSELVES?

By Brick Parrish

As Moses reminded the children of Israel that Yahweh had delivered them from bondage in Egypt, leading them through the wilderness for 40 years and all the mighty acts He did, he spoke to them of another covenant besides the one Yahweh made with them 40 years earlier at Sinai. This one was dealing with their inheritance of the land of Palestine. It included all the things of the previous covenant plus the land they were being given. However, there are stern warnings attached if they failed to keep the stipulations of the covenant. The Palestinian covenant was unconditional in that Yahweh would not rescind it even though there were severe consequences for those who broke it.

Deu 29:9 **Keep** therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do.

They were cautioned to heed the words of the covenant and do them so that their ways might prosper.

Deu 29:10 Ye stand this day all of you before Yahweh your Elohim; your captains of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, with all the men of Israel,

Deu 29:11 Your little ones, your wives, and thy stranger that is in thy camp, from the hewer of thy wood unto the drawer of thy water:

Deu 29:12 That thou shouldest enter into covenant with Yahweh thy Elohim, and into his CURSE, which Yahweh thy Elohim maketh with thee this day:

All translations have "oath" where I have translated it "curse". The Hebrew word here is "Alah" and is translated "Curse" in verses 19 and 20 below. Along with this covenant and its blessings for keeping it, comes a curse for breaking it. I won't be dogmatic about translating this word as curse here, but the rest of the chapter and the next speak about calling heaven and earth to witness against Israel what would happen to them if they did not keep this renewed covenant.

Deu 29:13 That he may establish thee to day for a people unto himself, and that he may be unto thee an Elohim, as he hath said unto thee, and as he hath sworn unto

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thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

Deu 29:14 Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this CURSE;

Deu 29:15 But with him that standeth here with us this day before Yahweh our Elohim, and also with him that is not here with us this day:

The choice of the covenant or the curse is also for us that were not present on that day. It is also for future generations too.

Deu 29:16 (For ye know how we have dwelt in the land of Egypt; and how we came through the nations which ye passed by;

Deu 29:17 And ye have seen their abominations, and their idols, wood and stone, silver and gold, which were among them:)

Deu 29:18 Lest there should be among you man, or woman, or family, or tribe, whose heart turneth away this day from Yahweh our Elohim, to go and serve the gods of these nations; lest there should be among you a root that beareth gall and wormwood:

We are not to adopt the ways of the nations around us and turn to their pagan gods lest we bring the curses upon ourselves. "Wormwood" here means "to curse". (Strong's # 3939) la'ānâh; lah-an-aw'; From an unused root supposed to mean to curse; wormwood (regarded as poisonous, and therefore accursed): - hemlock, wormwood.

Deu 29:19 And it come to pass, when he heareth the words of this curse, that he bless himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the imagination of mine heart, to add drunkenness to thirst:

This is the same Hebrew word "Alah" translated "oath" in verses 12 and 14 above. Here it is rendered as originally translated, "curse" and also in the next 2 verses.

Deu 29:20 Yahweh will not spare him, but then the anger of Yahweh and his jealousy shall smoke against that man,

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TAKING HIS NAME IN VAIN

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

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

By Jerry Healan

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

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

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

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

But *shav* is utilized in other places in the Scriptures that is quite revealing, "I have hated them that regard **lying** (*shav*) vanities

To "damn" something or someone means to curse them to destruction.

(*hebel*): but I trust in Yahweh," Psa. 31:6. "Neither shalt thou bear **false** (*shav*) witness against thy neighbour," Dt. 5:20.

In both of these instances, *shav* is translated as a lie or falsehood. Furthermore, the Prophet Isaiah is inspired to declare, "Behold, Yahweh's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: But your iniquities have separated between you and your Elohim, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear. For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have

spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness. None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak **lies** (*shav*); they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity," 59:1-4.

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

TO TAKE

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

Those who have been called and

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

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

Understand this, Yahweh was "their glory." They made the molten image in the wilderness and named it Yahweh. "And when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down out of the mount, the people gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and said unto him, Up, make us elohim, which shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him. And Aaron said unto them, Break off the golden earrings, which are in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring them unto me. And all the people brake off the golden earrings which were in their ears, and brought them unto Aaron. And he received them at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, after **he had made it a molten calf**: and they said, These be thy elohim, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. And when Aaron saw it, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made

proclamation, and said, **To morrow is a feast to Yahweh,**" Ex. 32:1-5.

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

They made the molten image in the wilderness and named it Yahweh.

thou up (*nasa*) the light of thy countenance upon us," Psa. 4:1-6.

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

TRACING MODERNDAY IDOLATRY

The Prophet Jeremiah proclaimed, "Hear ye the word of Yahweh, O house of Jacob, and all

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

It is interesting that the *Oxford English Dictionary* reveals that the English word "God" comes from two Aryan root words, **both** being *gheu*. In "*The Roots Of English*" Robert Claiborne reveals that *gheu-1* comes from the Latin word

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

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

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

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

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

worshipped them. The Israelites made calves out of pure gold and fell down and worshipped them, the works of men’s hands. This is brutish.

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

The physical temple was destroyed because, as it says, Yahshua’s disciples are built up a spiritual house. However, the history of those who follow Yahshua, the seven assemblies of Revelation chapters 1-3, is revealed in those same chapters. They lose their first love, are persecuted and slain, begin to dwell where Satan’s throne

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is, allow a Jezebel to enter into the body and cause His own servants to eat things sacrificed to idols. They have a name as if they are alive, but are dead. They think that they are abounding because they are rich and increased with goods, but Yahshua says that they are blind, poor (spiritually) and naked!

NAKED!!! That’s exactly what happened with the Israelites when they danced around the golden calf, worshipping it as Yahweh their Elohim Who delivered them from Egypt. (Ex. 32:25). Nakedness has to do with idolatry! The final assembly addressed in Rev. 3 is naked! They are practicing

idolatry, dancing around a golden calf. Not a physical golden image, but an image made to be spiritual through the very word GOD! I know that this is very hard to believe, but it is the truth.

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

EYE-OPENING RESEARCH

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

He added, “Sure, no modern American or Briton thinks he is

using a word which connotes a molten image, or means “to pour,” no matter the ultimate Aryan roots of the English word.” (pp. 6-7)

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

Sin is the transgression of the law. The penalty of sin is death, but people who have never studied the Bible, who have never seen one, never read it, nor have been taught out of it, don’t understand what sin is. They go about sinning in ignorance, yet they still suffer the consequences of breaking the law because of those sins. Many who are supposedly taught out of the Bible are also ignorant of what sin is.

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

“The term *God* in the ancient Anglo-Saxon comes from the word *Goode*, or *Goot* as in the Dutch and German. The word is actually a Hebrew word from which *gad* itself in the sense of SHD 1410 is derived. The word is SHD 1464 *Guwd* (pronounced *goode*). **The tribes of Israel, when taken into captivity, took with them this name.** It was used also by the Assyrians who captured them. It is a prime root meaning *to crowd upon*

or *attack* and this means *to invade* or *to overcome*. It is this sense of overcoming, as *God* is the centre of power, that the term is used. *Guwd* or *Goode* is not the same as *gad* or *Baal-Gad* worshipped by the Babylonians. One is a perversion of the concepts of the other.

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

“The words are further misunderstood from a symbolism adopted in early Hebrew and among the Semites. This was instanced in the practice of referring to the deity by the symbolism of a bull. The clear indication comes from Psalm 22:12. The strong Bulls of Bashan which are associated with Gilead are of the word form SHD 47. This word and the word form SHD 6499 are combined in usage, and

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both are termed bulls.

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

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

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

which he uses elsewhere.

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

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

“Yahovah is the Bull of Israel. He is Messiah as the Great Bull of Heaven acting for the Father, the centre of ultimate goodness.” (end of excerpt)

UNDERSTANDING

Sadly, neither Garner Ted Armstrong nor Wade Cox understand what is revealed here in their own writings and attempts to justify the use of the word *God* to represent not only the Creator, but His name. Wade Cox denies that the word *God* is associated with *Baal-Gad*, but reveals that *God* is a Hebrew word associated with a bull, which

the Israelites that went into Assyrian captivity had been utilizing and had taken with them. It was even a word that was being utilized by the Assyrians themselves.

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

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

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

Yahweh delivered Israel from Egypt and the worship of Pharaoh along with his bull-god. But Israel made an image of the calf in the wilderness and began to worship it as Yahweh. This displeased Yahweh so much that He was ready to destroy the whole house of Israel and make a great nation out of Moses alone. (Ex. 32:9-10) But Moses interceded for the people and Yahweh repented (changed His mind) concerning the proposed destruction.

But later Israel's kings committed the same sin by causing the people to worship the bull gods. Once

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

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

YES!!! ABSOLUTELY!!! And our research coupled with theirs reveals that the word God makes Him into the image of a bull,

Once again we can make extremely important discoveries by looking into the Hebrew language.

which the Scriptures reveal is very displeasing to Him!

BLASPHEMING YAHWEH'S NAME

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

Once again we can make extremely important discoveries by

looking into the Hebrew language. When it asks the question, "Shall the **enemy** blaspheme thy name for ever?", the Hebrew word for "enemy" is *tsar*. The Hebrew language identifies the enemy! The enemy is the Tsar! The Tsar was the head of the newly reformed Roman Empire. The head of *Roma Nova* (New Rome) was none other than one called Constantine the Great!

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

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

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

Yahweh gave Israel the annual feast days (Lev. 23) as other signs (*owth*), but Constantine changed them to the observance of December 25th, Easter, etc. Because of this, the prophet Isaiah declares, "For thus saith Yahweh, Ye have

sold yourselves for nought; and ye shall be redeemed without money. For thus saith Sovereign Yahweh, My people went down aforetime into Egypt to sojourn there; and the Assyrian oppressed them without cause. Now therefore, what have I here, saith Yahweh, that my people is taken away for nought? **They that rule over them make them to howl**, saith Yahweh; **and my name continually every day is blasphemed**,” Isa. 52:3-5!

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

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

How have they blasphemed Yahweh and His Son? By replacing their names for the names of the pagan Baal gods. This same chapter, Jeremiah 23, goes on to declare, “I have heard what the prophets (or preachers) said, that prophesy (or preach) **lies in my name**, saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed. How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? yea, they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart;

Which think to cause my people to forget my name by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbour, **as their fathers have forgotten my name for Baal**,” 23:25-27.

TREACHERY

The Prophet Isaiah is inspired to declare, “But ye are they that forsake Yahweh, that forget my holy mountain, that prepare a table for that troop (Gad/God), and that furnish the drink offering unto that number (Meniy),” Isa. 65:11.

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

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been carried over to our day!

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

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

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

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

“From the uttermost part of the earth have we heard songs, even glory to the righteous. But I said, My leanness, my leanness, woe unto me! the treacherous (בגד/גד) dealers have dealt treacherously (בגד/גד); yea, the treacherous (בגד/גד) dealers have dealt very treacherously,” Isa. 24:16.

“Yahweh said also unto me in the days of Josiah the king, Hast thou seen that which backsliding Israel hath done? she is gone up upon every high mountain and under every green tree, and there hath played the harlot. And I said after she had done all these things, Turn thou unto me. But she returned not. And her treacherous (בגד/גד) sister Judah saw it. And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous (בגד/גד) sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also. And it came to pass through the lightness of her whoredom, that she defiled the land, and

committed adultery with stones and with stocks. And yet for all this her treacherous (בגד/בגד) sister Judah hath not turned unto me with her whole heart, but feignedly, saith Yahweh. And Yahweh said unto me, The backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous (בגד/בגד) Judah,” Jer. 3:6-11.

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

“Woe to her that is filthy and polluted, to the oppressing city! She obeyed not the voice; she received not correction; she trusted not in Yahweh; she drew not near to her Elohim. Her princes within her are roaring lions; her judges are evening wolves; they gnaw not the bones till the morrow. Her **prophets are light and treacherous** (בגד/בגד) persons: her priests have polluted the sanctuary, they have done violence to the law,” Zeph. 3:1-4.

The prophets now, as then, deal “In God,” “In treachery” (בגד/בגד). Our political and governmental system is treacherous! Our merchandising system is treacherous! Our religious systems (Christian, Jewish, Moslem, pagan) are treacherous! Our financial, our monetary system is treacherous! All deal “IN GOD”! All deal in the Babylonian deity of

FORTUNE (GAD/GOD)! None truly trust in, nor know, nor care to know YAHWEH!

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

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fornication: And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, **BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.** And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Yahshua: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration,” Rev. 17:1-6.

For those who can't seem to make the connection, here is Babylon, even in the end-time. If Babylon and her mystery religion is still prevalent, so are the names of her deities, which are names of blas-

phemy. The kings, the merchants, the prophets (preachers/religions) and the people love Babylon, her ways, her deception, her treachery.

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

DESTRUCTION FORETOLD

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

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

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

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think about. I was never challenged to live holy. Thank you all very, very much!

In an attempt to continue in my studies, I pray I am not wearying you with my request. I look forward to your studies like most here look forward to commissary or letters from home! I have no money, or family, so you see, your correspondence "IS" my letters from "FAMILY," and my "FOOD" THEY KNOW NOT OF!
JH/CO

I am writing to let you know someone left a May-June issue of Yahshua's Witness Magazine on a table as they were trans packing to

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

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

When Moses returned from the mount, he beheld what the Israelites were doing. He angrily burnt the idol, crushed it to powder and made the Israelites drink of it. He then, "...stood in the gate of the camp, and said, Who is on Yahweh's side? Let him come unto me. And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together unto him. And he said unto them, Thus saith Yahweh Elohim of Israel, Put every man his sword by his side, and go in and out from gate to gate

another prison. I picked it up and really like the cover depicting the heavens. Opening to the third page, reading from the editor: A Warning to our Leaders was really good. I was impressed with what it said and found all your inside issues to be real good, especially the article on pronouncing the name Yahweh or Jehovah was educational. Yahweh's Principles Our Standard by Dave Ganton was outstanding. Your whole magazine "cover to back" was inspiring. I just want to thank you for all your good work you're doing and for telling the truth. And yes, look at the wondrous glory of Yahweh's name! And I will say I love your magazine and the name Yahshua's Witness Magazine.

throughout the camp, and slay every man his brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbour. And the children of Levi did according to the word of Moses: and there fell of the people that day about three thousand men. For Moses had said, Consecrate yourselves to day to Yahweh, even every man upon his son, and upon his brother; that he may bestow upon you a blessing this day," Ex. 32:26-29.

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

In these last days, another evil system has reared up its ugly head and mightily deceived the people into Baal/bull/God worship. While the people may be ignorant and deceived concerning this, the fact of the matter is that when Yahshua (Moses was a type of Yahshua) returns from the mount, from the Father's throne to this earth, He is going to make war against the

It's great, and that's the truth. Keep up the good work. May Yahweh bless Yahshua's Witness Magazine's writers and staff.

TO/CA

I have just finished reading your May-June 2005 issue of YWM and I must say that I was truly amazed in a good way about the carefully researched information that you provided in those articles.

I want to thank you all so very much for the subscription of Yahshua's Witness Magazine. It is a most insightful magazine (food).

EG/TX

kingdoms of this world and destroy them. He will also decree, "But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay them before me," Lk. 19:27.

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

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

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astonishment, and his rider with madness: and I will open mine eyes upon the house of Judah, and will smite every horse of the people with blindness," Zech. 12:2-4.

I have emboldened the term "all the people" because these words are significant. "People" is translated from the Hebrew word "goyim" which is

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Under his decrees, heathen temples were torn down by mobs of Christians, and there was much bloodshed.

Christ had designed to conquer by pure spiritual and moral means. Up to this time conversion was voluntary, a genuine change in heart and life.

But now the MILITARY SPIRIT OF IMPERIAL ROME had entered the church. The church had conquered the Roman Empire, but in reality the ROMAN EMPIRE HAD CONQUERED THE CHURCH, by making the church over into the image of the Roman Empire.

The church had changed its nature, had entered its GREAT APOSTASY, HAD BECOME A POLITICAL ORGANIZATION in the spirit and pattern of Imperial Rome, and took its nose-dive into the millennium of Papal abominations.

The Imperial Church of the 4th and 5th centuries had become an entirely different institution from the persecuted church of the first three centuries. In its ambition to rule IT LOST AND FORGOT THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST." (p. 760)

Of course it had lost and forgot the spirit of the Messiah, because the head of its enemy, the head of the beast power had entered into the body, taken over and introduced the spirit of the serpent rather than the spirit of Yahweh.

THE CURSE

Around 570 CE a man was born who has made and is making radical influences in the world. That man's name was Mohammed. He declared himself to be a prophet, became a warrior and began to propagate his

translated elsewhere as Gentiles, nations, etc. The term "all" is translated from the Hebrew word "kol." The Hebrew term is "kol goyim." There is one and only one entity that supposedly represents all of the nations of the earth or world. That entity or organization is the "UNITED NATIONS!" The word "united" has to do with "all" of the nations. Thus, when

faith by the sword. He was filled with enthusiasm for the destruction of idolatry. According to *Halley's Bible Handbook*, Mohammed appeared at a time when the church had become paganzed with the worship of images, relics, martyrs, Mary and the saints. In a sense, Mohammedanism was a revolt against the Idolatry of the "Christian world;" a **judgment on a corrupt and degenerate church**. Islam itself has proved a worse blight to the nations it conquered. (p. 766)

Islam, of course, is the religion and worship of **Allah**, the supposed name of its deity.

When Yahweh delivered Israel out of the land of Egypt and into the wilderness they made a covenant with Him which contained an **oath** to a **curse**. Interestingly, the Hebrew for both words **oath** and **curse** is ALAH!

Islam claims that both the Jews and Christians have failed to follow the paths directed by their Creator and that Islam was raised up to punish and replace them. Allah is a combination of two Arabic words *al*, which is equivalent to the English word "the," and **Ilah**, which is the name of the deity. The Hebrew term for "the" is simply the Hebrew letter ה (hei).

The "I" in Ilah would be the English letter "A" and the Hebrew letter א (aleph), as seen in the name Abraham, which the Arabs term Ibrahim. Therefore, Allah is the prophesied CURSE that will come upon the earth. The Arabs and Islam are the perpetrators of this curse. While the Jewish people and the Americans (Israel) are locked up in a struggle against Islam and its Allah (the curse), Yahweh's word is sure. A curse is coming upon the earth. This curse is a result of not only

control of that area is given over to the United Nations, the rest of this prophecy will be fulfilled.

We may not know exactly when the end-time events will begin to unfold dramatically, but the stage is set for things to heat up even more dramatically in the near future. When these things begin to come to pass, know that it is near, even at the door.

Adam's wrongful actions in the Garden of Eden, but also Israel's (both Israel's and Judah's) failure to remain faithful to the covenant made with Yahweh.

CHERNOBYL

The nuclear disaster that took place in Chernobyl, Russia, was also an eye-opener. Chernobyl, in Russian, means **wormwood**. It is already a known fact that the Islamists have secreted some suitcase atomic bombs into America. They are called "dirty bombs" because of the intensive radiation that they will produce. The U.S. government is already experimenting with the effects of dirty bombs. This should alert the American citizens to the fact that those bombs are already on our soil. How many do they have here? It is suggested that there may be as many as five or six, but that estimate is probably very conservative.

The open borders and infiltration of illegal immigrants continues to place America at a very high risk. Myriads of enemy agents have possibly infiltrated into this country bringing with them multiple types of weapons of mass destruction to be utilized against her. With the promise of heavenly life after death with seventy two virgins, many of the young Islamists are more than willing to sacrifice their own lives in order to fulfill the will of their leaders.

The only way of escape from the destruction, from the curse that is soon to come, that is now beginning to come upon the earth, is to turn to Yahweh with all of our hearts, begin to serve Him, His Son, His word of truth and His soon coming kingdom.

What Our Readers Say

I was and have been raised to be a Christian. I've just read your Yahshua's Witness Magazine that was given to me by a friend. Reading your magazine opened my eyes and my mind to something greater that I have been missing. Now I'm asking if you can put me on your mailing list. I would like to study more of the great names Yahshua and Yahweh. If there is a Bible study or any other materials that will help, please send them also. I'm also asking for one of your Bibles with the names Yahshua and Yahweh in it. After reading your magazine, I want to learn more.
HKG/CA

I really enjoyed your study on "Yahweh's Passover Deliverance." You showed me some things I had read over many times, but never had seen them from your point of view. The insight of Satan eating dust and Yahweh telling Adam he was to be-

come dust and was made from dust, and that Satan feeds off of man; boy! Is that true! I had just never understood it that way before. Thank you for sharing that insight with us. I enjoyed all of the other things in this issue (Mar.-Apr. 2006), but that really touched me this time. Thank you for sending me this magazine of knowledge. Please thank the others that make this possible for us in the prisons that are coming to the knowledge of Yahweh's true teaching.

I was named after Garner Ted Armstrong, so you know the background of my faith. I have not stopped for one minute from studying, trying to disprove what you say. I went through a stack of books trying to disprove you and could not. All of the churches have sent me studies on how to disprove Yahweh is the name of the Creator. But Yahweh has opened my eyes this year through you. I never would have thought that J. C. was the

false messiah (Ha, Ha). Please keep me on your mailing list to spiritually feed me.

GG/NM

I would like to thank you and let you know I was truly blessed by the material you sent me. The articles are well written, and drive the truth straight into the heart. May Yahweh continue to bless and use your ministry to feed the sheep of Yahweh's pasture world wide.

PB/MI

I wish to express to you what an absolute honor, as well as a privilege it is to be able to receive your literature and study through it. I have learned more from you in the past 6 months than I have in over 20 years of "Christian" studies. Not only that, I actually want and desire to do *שׂוּפָר* will now. Before, it was just a nice thing to

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*and all the **curse**s that are written in this book shall lie upon him, and Yahweh shall blot out his name from under heaven.*

*Deu 29:21 And Yahweh shall separate him unto evil out of all the tribes of Israel, according to all the **curse**s of the covenant that are written in this book of the law:*

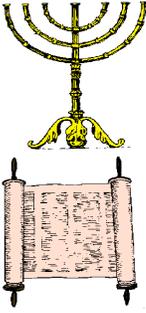
We know that Israel broke this covenant and were scattered into all the nations and the land fell into desolation, especially after the destruction by the Romans. But, there was a promise in Deut 30:3 that Yahweh would re-gather them from all the nations where He had scattered them if they would turn to Him with all their hearts. Yahweh is setting the stage for this re-gathering today.

As Daniel prayed in Dan 9 and

confessed the sins of Israel and Judah, the angel Gabriel appeared to him and spoke to him of the 70 weeks that were determined upon his people. Most of the 70 weeks have been fulfilled culminating with the advent of the Messiah and his 3 1/2 year ministry. But, there still remains 3 1/3 years of the 70 week prophecy which will be for the tribulation to punish and provoke all of Israel to return to Yahweh with all their hearts and to repent. Because all of Israel has transgressed Yahweh's laws, the **ALLAH** is poured out upon us.

Dan 9:11 Yea, all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey thy voice; therefore the "Alah" is poured upon us, and the oath that is written in the law of Moses the servant of Elohim, because we have sinned against him.

The word "Alah" above is left untranslated and is as it appears in the original scriptures. Could this be the reason for the rise of Islam? Yahweh has allowed it as an instrument to chastise Israel and Judah to repent and return to Him and the Torah. As we approach the tribulation period, the time of Jacob's trouble, we see a tremendous surge in the expansion and militancy of Islam. The crux of the problem is the land issue. Who does the land belong to? The Moslems claim that it belongs to them by birthright and Yahweh says in His word that He gave the land to Israel as an eternal inheritance via the Palestinian covenant. The final showdown is near. Do we dare force the nation of Israel to trade land for peace? Have we brought the curse or Allah upon ourselves?



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