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SHOULD WE SACRIFICE A LAMB?

Recently I received the following email from India:

“Some people sacrificed lambs for Pascha (Passover). I seek your suggestion for it. Is it really necessary for the physical Gentile people like us? Some one sacrificed two lambs, one for circumcised and another for the uncircumcised. Please send your explanation.” (JB, 5/16/08)

By Jerry Healan

What does it take for people to understand the Scriptures? I know, I know...it requires the Holy Spirit. But who has the Holy Spirit? Who understands the truth? Who understands what is written?

It seems that those who publish the truth are never listened to, only the ones who will take the Scriptures and twist and corrupt them to their own line of thinking will be followed and in great numbers, it seems. (Many are called, few are chosen.)

Most of the world has fallen for Constantine's edicts and his messiah rather than the true Messiah revealed in the pages of the Scriptures.

Most of the world has fallen for King James and his god and messiah rather than the true Elohim Yahweh and the Messiah Yahshua.

How can I even begin to imply these things about Constantine and King James? “Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against Yahweh, and against his anointed (Messiah), saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us,” Psa. 2:1-3.

While many have turned to Yahweh,

Yahshua, the commandments (which includes the seventh day Sabbath, annual holy days, etc.), some have raised up to mislead people into a false Lunar Sabbath doctrine, slaying a Passover lamb, etc. It is frustrating because we can't even agree on the pronunciation of the names, when the new moons are, when the feasts take place, how we are to observe them, etc. Truly the Scriptures are quite accurate when they say that we are, “Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth,” 2 Tim. 3:7.

I will give an answer according to the faith that is in me and according to the Scriptures that I am led to, but who is going to listen to Jerry Healan? Don't think that I am so high minded and proud of myself that I am the final authority on anything, but the Scriptures are, Yahweh is, Yahshua is, the Holy Spirit is. If I do not speak nor advise in accordance with the Scriptures, then don't listen. Just cast my useless words behind and continue in the way that your own eyes lead you. I certainly am not your master and never intend to be. But I have a Master Who advises me to speak, write, and inform.

THE MEDIATOR

Moses said that one like him was coming



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on the scene and we had better pay attention to Him and all there is about Him, "For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall Yahweh your Elohim raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; **him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you,**" Acts 3:22.

"This is that Moses, which said unto the children of Israel, A prophet shall Yahweh your Elohim raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; **him shall ye hear,**" Acts 7:37.

This is taken from Deuteronomy 18:15-19, "Yahweh thy Elohim will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken; According to all that thou desiredst of Yahweh thy Elohim in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, Let me not hear again the voice of Yahweh my Elohim, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I die not. And Yahweh said unto me, They have well spoken that which they have spoken. **I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him.**"

Moses was the mediator between Yahweh and the children of Israel. When they saw the mountain in flames of fire and Yahweh speaking, the people removed themselves and told Moses to let Yahweh speak to him and then he could relay the message to them.

In the transfiguration it is recorded, "A bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, 'This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; **hear ye him**,'" Mt. 17:5.

Hear is what He said, "Ye sent unto John,

and he bare witness unto the truth. But I receive not testimony from man: but these things I say, that ye might be saved. He was a burning and a shining light: and ye were willing for a season to rejoice in his light. But I have greater witness than that of John: for the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father hath sent me. And the Father himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape. And ye have not his word abiding in you: for whom he hath sent, him ye believe not. Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me. And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life. I receive not honour from men. But I know you, that ye have not the love of Yahweh in you. I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that cometh from Yahweh only? **Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuseth you, even Moses, in whom ye trust. For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?"** Jn. 5:33-47.

Moses wrote of Yahshua. He wrote of Him in so many, many ways, but few truly understand his writings. You see, Moses wrote in parables, types, metaphors, etc.

PARABLES

I have heard many ministers proclaim that parables are simple, little made up stories that are tendered to make meanings clearer. Oh really!?? So the parables that Yahshua gave were made up stories? Didn't Yahshua say that He is the way, the TRUTH, and the life? "Yahshua saith unto him, **I am** the way, **the truth**, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me,"



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Jn. 14:6.

If He is the truth, then how could He make up stories? Whether you believe it or not, this author believes that every instance, every parable, every word that Yahshua spoke was the truth. He never spoke a lie or made up stories. He was always speaking of true things that occurred in the physical and/or spiritual realms.

Parables are given to keep the meaning hidden and the people blinded to the truth, as Yahshua stated, "And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables? He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given. For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath. Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand. And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive: For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them. But blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear," Mt. 13:10-16.

Why would Yahweh do this? Why would Yahweh purposely blind His people? Why would He command them to do and fulfill things that they simply weren't able to obey nor fulfill? Why?, Why?, Why!?

"Therefore seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not; But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of Yahweh deceitfully; but by

manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of Yahweh. But if our evangel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of the Messiah, who is the image of Elohim, should shine unto them. For we preach not ourselves, but the Messiah Yahshua the Sovereign; and ourselves your servants for Yahshua's sake. For Elohim, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of Elohim in the face of Yahshua the Messiah. But **we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of Yahweh, and not of us,**" 2 Cor. 4:1-7.

Do you get that? We have no power. Yahweh has the power. If we do anything and do it right, the glory doesn't belong to us, it belongs to Yahweh. We can lay no claim to any greatness of ourselves. When Yahweh does something through us, it should humble us and we should give Him the credit.

Yahweh told Israel, "Hear ye this, O house of Jacob, which are called by the name of Israel, and are come forth out of the waters of Judah, which swear by the name of Yahweh, and make mention of the Elohim of Israel, but not in truth, nor in righteousness. For they call themselves of the holy city, and stay themselves upon the Elohim of Israel; Yahweh of hosts is his name. I have declared the former things from the beginning; and they went forth out of my mouth, and I shewed them; I did them suddenly, and they came to pass. Because I knew that thou art obstinate, and thy neck is an iron sinew, and thy brow brass; **I have even from the beginning declared it to thee; before it came to pass I shewed it thee: lest thou shouldest say, Mine idol hath done them, and my graven image, and my molten image, hath commanded them.** Thou hast heard, see all



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this; and will not ye declare it? **I have shewed thee new things from this time, even hidden things, and thou didst not know them. They are created now, and not from the beginning; even before the day when thou heardest them not; lest thou shouldst say, Behold, I knew them. Yea, thou heardest not; yea, thou knewest not; yea, from that time that thine ear was not opened: for I knew that thou wouldest deal very treacherously, and wast called a transgressor from the womb,**" Isa. 48:1-8.

Yahweh purposely blinded Israel because they were stiff necked, hard headed, obstinate, treacherous and transgressors from the womb.

NEW THINGS

Yahweh says that He is bringing forth a New Covenant based upon better promises, but too many people want to go back and bring themselves under the Old Covenant, which was a covenant of bondage and death. How can I say such a thing? Because the Scriptures say those things. I wouldn't dare say them if the Scriptures didn't.

Yahweh declares, "Behold, the days come, saith Yahweh, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith Yahweh: But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith Yahweh, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their Elohim, and they shall be my people. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know Yahweh: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith Yahweh: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will re-

member their sin no more," Jer. 31:31-34 & Heb. 8:8-12.

Too many people want to teach that the covenant is not new, but renewed. I am so sorry for you if you believe that such is the case. You see, the covenant of Moses was made for the flesh, but the covenant made through Yahshua is for the Spirit. The flesh only endures for a little while and then ceases because of sin, corruption and death. An eternal spiritual covenant may have many of the same principles, but they are not applied in the exact same manner because there is quite a difference between flesh and spirit. Yahshua didn't come to destroy Moses and the prophets, but to fulfill (Mt. 5:17-20).

However, Paul reveals the truth of the matter, "Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. **But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away,**" 1 Cor. 13:8-10.

What is more perfect, the physical animal sacrifices offered by the hands of man or the perfect sacrifice of Yahshua made once and for all? "Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O Elohim. **He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.** By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Yahshua the Messiah once *for all*," Heb. 10:11-12.

What is more perfect, the physical circumcision of the flesh made by the hands of man, which is outward, or the circumcision of the heart made by the Spirit of Yahweh, which is inward and can't be seen outwardly? What is more perfect, the threads made into tallits, and tassels by the hands of man or the covering that is offered through Yahshua the Messiah? Didn't Paul say that we must put Yahshua on? (Gal. 3:17; Ro. 13:14; 2 Cor. 5:1-5)



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Can't we understand that when we put Yahshua on, when we are clothed by and with Him? We don't need physical hand-made, man-made things anymore!

THE NEW PASSOVER

I was speaking to a brother recently who quizzed me on the three articles that appeared in our last newsletter concerning the three days and three nights. He said that he viewed all three articles and that after viewing them he had to determine that I have reverted my stand as to when we should observe the Passover because all three had Yahshua observing the Passover with His disciples at the beginning of the 14th.

I told him that Yahshua had to do that because He wasn't going to be alive the next evening, He would be in the grave. Besides, that Passover was only a type of His Passover sacrifice. I explained that He died at the exact time that they were beginning to slaughter the evening sacrifices and the Passover sacrifices in perfect fulfillment of those types that had preceded Him.

He said, What? Do you mean to tell me that Yahshua violated the law by observing the Passover at the wrong time? I had to tell him that Yahshua is the One Who had ordained the Passover to begin with. While man should follow the pattern as closely as follows, when the perfect is come, that which is in part is done away (1 Cor. 13:9-10). I told him that Yahshua is the Passover.

He replied, What do you mean? The Passover lamb is the one that was slain in Egypt in order to set the Israelites free. True, the original Passover lambs were the lambs that were slain in Egypt, but they were only types, parables, metaphors of the true, the real the perfect Passover Lamb, Yahshua the Messiah Who was to come.

Jeremiah prophesies, "Therefore, behold, the days come, saith Yahweh, that it shall no more be said, Yahweh liveth, that

brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; But, Yahweh liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither he had driven them: and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers," 16:14-15.

Do you get that? He says that the Egyptian Passover would be forgotten, not even remembered? How would He bring this about? By providing the more perfect Passover Lamb Yahshua the Messiah. You see, the little animals that were slain in Egypt were utilized by Yahweh to deliver the Israelites out of Egypt, but only the living were delivered. Through the new Passover Lamb Yahshua the Messiah, not only the living, but also the dead will be delivered.

Yahshua is our Passover sacrificed for us (1 Cor. 5:7). While Israel was in rigorous bondage to Egypt, the fact of the matter is that they were not delivered from the grave at that time. All of Israel as well as ourselves in this day are still in bondage to the one who has had power over death, that is Satan the devil, "Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. For verily he took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham. Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people," Heb. 2:14-17.

Our Passover Lamb, Yahshua the Messiah, has power over the grave and death! HalleluYah!!!! The sacrificed Passover animals in Egypt and later had no such power! Do you not see? Are you not beginning to see that you do not need to continue offering an animal in sacrifice for the Passover any



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longer? The ultimate, the best ever has come and been sacrificed. Yahshua now has power over death and the grave!

How is it that people want to read Moses and follow what he said, going about seeking to establish their own righteousness, but refuse to see that He was writing about Yahshua the Messiah? (Jn. 5:33-47, again)

ISAIAH

Here is what Isaiah proclaims, "Thus saith Yahweh, The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool: where is the house that ye build unto me? and where is the place of my rest? For all those things hath mine hand made, and all those things have been, saith Yahweh: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word. He that killeth an ox is as if he slew a man; he that sacrificeth a lamb, as if he cut off a dog's neck; he that offereth an oblation, as if he offered swine's blood; he that burneth incense, as if he blessed an idol. Yea, they have chosen their own ways, and their soul delighteth in their abominations," 66:1-2.

Was not Isaiah a prophet? Was he not prophesying about future events? Let's see if we can figure out what is meant here. Didn't Yahweh command Moses to build a tabernacle according to a specific pattern so that He could dwell among His people? (Ex. 25:1-9)

As long as the tabernacle existed, it was Yahweh's dwelling place on earth so that He could live among His people the children of Israel. There was a priesthood that served the tabernacle and animal sacrifices, grain offerings, drink offerings all presented by the hands of men. The book of Hebrews proclaims that these were all figures or parables, by the way. (Heb. 9:9)

But then King Solomon built a temple. Once the temple was built, the tabernacle was no longer acceptable to utilize in the worship of Yahweh. The temple had its

priesthood, the same priesthood that served the tabernacle. It also had the same type sacrifices and offerings. It was the new dwelling place for Yahweh to live among His people and that is why the city of Jerusalem became so very famous and important not only to Israel, but to the whole world.

But then Yahshua was born into this world and things were once again beginning to change. Those who could accept the change would be tremendously and greatly blessed, but those who could not and did not, would be cursed to destruction.

Yahshua became the dwelling place of Yahweh among His people. Once He was glorified in death and resurrection, He sent the Holy Spirit to His disciples and they became the dwelling place of Yahweh on earth. The temple was no longer to be His dwelling place and after 40 years (a most important and significant number) of trial and testing to see if the people would believe the truth about Yahshua, the temple was destroyed and so were the people who yet abode in unbelief.

Now the prophecy of Isaiah can come into play. Yahweh can now ask where the house (temple) is that we can build to Him. He is no longer living in the edifices built, made by the hands of men, but He is rather dwelling in men who are the product of His own hands.

Our sacrifices are far, far better than the sacrifices of old because Yahweh has now offered the better blood sacrifice, that of His own Beloved Son Yahshua the Messiah, there is no more need for physical animal sacrifices made by the hands of men.

Today, he who sacrifices an ox, or bull is as if he slew a man (committing murder). He that sacrifices a lamb (or goat) is as if he cut a dog's neck. He that offers an oblation is as if he offered swine's blood. He that burns incense is as if he blessed an idol.

To go back and do those things again is



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just like going back to Egypt. Yahweh commanded His people to go forward, not backward.

A NEW PRIESTHOOD

The Aaronic priesthood was the most important priesthood on the earth as long as the tabernacle or temple stood. But the Aaronic priesthood was weak because it had no high priest nor priestly chaste that could continue forever.

It was also weak in that they had to offer sacrifices first for their own offenses and then for the people, **“If therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood, (for under it the people received the law,) what further need was there that another priest should rise after the order of Melchisedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron?** For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law. For he of whom these things are spoken pertaineth to another tribe, of which no man gave attendance at the altar. For it is evident that our Sovereign sprang out of Juda; of which tribe Moses spake nothing concerning priesthood. And it is yet far more evident: for that after the similitude of Melchisedec there ariseth another priest, Who is made, not after the law of a carnal commandment, but after the power of an endless life. For he testifieth, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec. For there is verily a disannulling of the commandment going before for the weakness and unprofitableness thereof. **For the law made nothing perfect,** but the bringing in of a better hope; by the which we draw nigh unto Elohim. And inasmuch as not without an oath he was made priest: (For those priests were made without an oath; but this with an oath by him that said unto him, Yahweh sware and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec:) By so much was Yahshua made a surety of a better testament. And they truly were many priests, because they were not suffered to continue

by reason of death: But this man, because he continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood. Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto Yahweh by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them. **For such an high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens; Who needeth not daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifice, first for his own sins, and then for the people's: for this he did once, when he offered up himself. For the law maketh men high priests which have infirmity; but the word of the oath, which was since the law, maketh the Son,** who is consecrated for evermore,” Heb. 7:11-28.

Those who are seeking to sacrifice a Pass-over lamb every year, have they not read these Scriptures? Those who continually trust in things made by the hands of man, yes, in accordance with the law of Moses, but have they never read the Scriptures that transfers the glory, honor and power to Yahshua in accordance with the WORD OF YAHWEH?

Those who are trusting in Moses, and the works of their own hands, sacrifices, tassels, tallits, physical circumcision, they are no longer trusting in the power of the Word of Yahweh! All they are doing with these physical things is exhibiting to the world that they personally have power to observe the law of Moses. As Paul warned, they are taking themselves out from under the grace that is freely given through Yahshua the Messiah! “Behold, I Paul say unto you, that if ye be circumcised, the Messiah shall profit you nothing. For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, that he is a debtor to do the whole law. The Messiah is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace. For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith. For in Yahshua the Messiah neither circumcision



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availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love," Gal. 5:2-6.

Those who are putting Moses above what is written in the New Testament, are committing grievous error. Moses wrote of Yahshua and His faithfulness. He also wrote of man (us) and our weaknesses and unfaithfulness. So did the Psalmists and prophets!

Yahshua's priesthood, our priesthood, is after the order of Melchisedek, "For he testifieth, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec," Heb. 7:17.

Notice that! He is a Priest FOR EVER! Either He is our priest and we trust in His sacrifice made once for us for all time or we must revert back to the Aaronic Levitical priesthood with its sacrifices, which have already failed! We must go forth in faith in Yahshua the Messiah, our heavenly High Priest after the order of Melchisedek, or turn back to Egypt, it is as simple as that.

"We have an altar, whereof they have no right to eat which serve the tabernacle. For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp. Wherefore Yahshua also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach. For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come," Heb. 13:12-14.

KING SAUL'S EXAMPLE

By the way, the only acceptable ones to sacrifice animals, grains, burn incense, etc., were the priests of Aaron's lineage, the order of Aaron ACCORDING TO THE LAW! Remember what happened when King Saul offered the sacrifice of his own accord because the Priest Samuel's arrival was delayed?

Those who seek to follow the law by sacri-

ficing animals need to take careful note. Yahweh, according to the Torah, accepts no offering by the hands of any man other than the Levitical Aaronic priesthood. So if they offer sacrifices, they are still contrary to the law!

But the oath to Yahshua has come since, after the law was given at Sinai. It was inspired to be sang, spoken and recorded by the Prophet and King David.

The kingdom was taken away from Saul because he took matters into his own hands. Will the kingdom be ripped out of the hands of those who take matters into their own hands and begin sacrificing animals?

Remember Korah, Dathan and Abiram? They claimed to be able to have that power, but Yahweh showed them who His choice was.

Even today's Jews will not sacrifice a Pass-over lamb because they understand the principle. If any have been sacrificing lambs because they are seeking to be zealous for Yahweh's commands, they have been misled. They need to cease and desist, to repent deeply from such things. But I am sure that they won't listen.

WHICH JERUSALEM?

This brings me to another important point in these matters. There are so many who are making sure where the east is so they can bow toward the east and thus pray toward Jerusalem. This is a tradition brought forward from Rabinnic Judaism!

We see the Jewish men who gather before the wailing wall, which they perceive to be the only stones left as a reminder of the glory of the temple that existed in Jerusalem; men who still hold modern day Jerusalem to be a holy city; men praying to dead stones and a dead dwelling place that was made by the hands of men. Yahweh no longer dwells there. He had the place destroyed because He has changed His dwell-



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ing place.

These men appear to be worshippers of Yahweh and obedient to the commands of the Torah when, in fact, they have forsaken Yahweh, believing that to pronounce the name is an abomination! The temple was built as a house for the name Yahweh. They are also in the process of denying and forsaking the very One of Whom Moses wrote, that is, Yahshua the Messiah! They will not hear Him!

These men refuse to learn from Isaiah and others. They refuse the witness of the New Testament. They are blinded and if any follow them, as Yahshua said, they will both fall in the ditch!

They are looking to, praying toward, and trusting in a city whose builders and makers are men, made by the hands of men!

They circumcise the flesh by the hands of men, but their heart is far from Yahweh's truths and His Messiah.

Can't they read the Scriptures? Can't you believe in the Scriptures? Do they not know and understand that the current city of Jerusalem is not our city? Do they not know that the current city of Jerusalem is called Sodom and Egypt? (Rev. 11:8)

Wasn't Abraham a good example for us who looked for a city whose Builder and Maker is Yahweh? "By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went. By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise: For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is Yahweh," Heb. 11:8-10.

Many who want to leave everything and move to Jerusalem are just desiring to return to Sodom and Egypt! Of course, there

are many who believe that they are one of the two witnesses and therefore feel compelled to move to Jerusalem so they can be there to fulfill Rev. 11.

I hope that at least two of them are the witnesses, but I doubt if such is the case.

THE ORDINANCE OF THE PASSOVER

It is rather interesting that one group would sacrifice one lamb for the circumcised and another for the uncircumcised. Here is what Yahweh commanded concerning the original Passover, "And Yahweh said unto Moses and Aaron, This is the ordinance of the passover: There shall no stranger eat thereof: But every man's servant that is bought for money, when thou hast circumcised him, then shall he eat thereof. A foreigner and an hired servant shall not eat thereof. In one house shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry forth ought of the flesh abroad out of the house; neither shall ye break a bone thereof. All the congregation of Israel shall keep it. And when a stranger shall sojourn with thee, and will keep the passover to Yahweh, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the land: for **no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof.**" Ex. 12:43-48.

Who is a bought servant today? We have none. We do have hired servants. They are not to partake of the Passover. A stranger or foreigner is one who does not know Yahweh and Yahshua. One who has not repented and been baptized in the name of Yahshua the Messiah for the remission of sins.

Through Yah-shua, the middle wall of partition is broken down between Hebrews and non-Hebrews so that any who is called to Yahshua is grafted into the house of Israel. There would be no distinction between the two and whether a person is physically circumcised (at birth) or not, each is allowed to eat of Yahshua's table, Yahshua's Passover.

"And you hath he quickened, who were



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dead in trespasses and sins; Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others. But Yahweh, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with the Messiah, (by grace ye are saved;) And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in the Messiah Yahshua: That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through The Messiah Yahshua. For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of Yahweh: Not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in the Messiah Yahshua unto good works, which Yahweh hath before ordained that we should walk in them. Wherefore remember, that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands; That at that time ye were without the Messiah, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without Yahweh in the world: But now in the Messiah Yahshua ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of the Messiah. For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace; And that he might reconcile both unto Elohim in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby: And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh. For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Fa-

ther. Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of Yahweh; And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Yahshua the Messiah himself being the chief corner stone; In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Sovereign: In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of Yahweh through the Spirit," Eph. 2:All.

When we are called out of this world, repent and are baptized with the laying on of the hands of the ministry, then we are sealed with the Holy Spirit which imparts the name of Yahweh in our forehead. We become one of the stones in the modern day temple of Yahweh. We become His dwelling place. He is living in living stones made by His own hands; not any longer in edifices made by the hands of men.

Yahshua is our Passover sacrifice as well as the one and only blood sacrifice that we will ever need. We are not to sin, transgress the law, but and if we do, we have Yahshua as our advocate before the Heavenly Father Yahweh. He is our holocaust offering, our atonement, our peace offering, our grain offering, our drink offering, our Mediator, our High Priest. We may currently sin, but He never has, isn't sinning now, nor ever will.

Yahshua is our Passover. we need no other. He is our circumcision. We do not need to be circumcised in the flesh. Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of heaven (1Cor. 15:50). We don't need man made threads to remind us to keep our promise, we need to just look to and remember Yahshua Who brings in a better covenant based on better promises because it is based solely on the Word of Yahweh and not the word of un-

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