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## הנכת . . . ἐγκαίνια . . . Dedication

26 But the Comforter [Helper] [G3875] [which is] the Holy Ghost [Spirit], whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. [John 14:26 [King James Version or KJV]

26 But when the Comforter [Helper] [G3875] is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, [even] the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: [John 15:26 KJV]

7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter [Helper] [G3875] will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. [John 16:7 KJV]

[G3875] parakletos . . . παράκλητον . . . פְּרַקְלִיטָא . . . פְּרַקְלִיט . . . ורוח קדשך

- I. summoned, called to one's side, esp. called to one's aid
  - A. one who pleads another's cause before a judge, a pleader, counsel for defense, legal assistant, an advocate
  - B. one who pleads another's cause with one, an intercessor
    - i. of Christ in his exaltation at God's right hand, pleading with God the Father for the pardon of our sins
  - C. in the widest sense, a helper, succourer, aider, assistant
    - i. of the Holy Spirit destined to take the place of Christ with the apostles (after his ascension to the Father), to lead them to a deeper knowledge of the gospel truth, and give them divine strength needed to enable them to undergo trials and persecutions on behalf of the divine kingdom

[Source: Blue Letter Bible, Strong's Concordance]

20 The **breath** of our **nostrils**, the **anointed** [messiah] of the **LORD** [YHVH or Yahweh], was taken in their pits, of whom we said, Under his shadow we shall live among the heathen. [Lamentations 4:20 KJV]

רוח אפינו משיח יהוה נלכד בשחיתותם אשר אמרנו בצלו נחיה בגוים

## Editors and Editing . . .

I am not a professional writer. I never dreamed of writing books or anything else. My experiences in this arena have been illuminating and frustrating.

My experience has been simply that editors want to change the story. They want to edit or change content. I welcome an excellent proofreader, someone who formats and a graphic designer. God knows I need help, lots of it.

I heard it said once, “that someone with a testimony is never at the mercy of someone with an argument”. Such is my experience with editors.

I take complete responsibility for all typographic mistakes, errors in punctuation, run-on sentences, dangling participles and every other error in the publication of this book (and all my works).

Also, and more importantly, I alone am responsible for the content. I believe everyone can and does hear the Spirit of the Living God. Most times, we’re simply not interested in obeying what he says to do. As a younger man, I prayed fervently to God that he would grant me the opportunity to be a medical doctor. I told him clearly that if he would let me be a physician, I’d do anything he asked me to do.

He granted that request but one day (sort of) he reminded me about my pledge. It turns out for now, anyway, that I am to write, to be a “scribe” for the Lord God Almighty. I don’t mean that arrogantly, but with humility.

13 Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous [sins]; Let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, And I shall be innocent of great transgression. [Psalms 19:13 NKJV]

1 "For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, and all the proud [presumptuous], yes, all who do wickedly will be stubble. And the day which is coming shall burn them up," Says the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts, "That will leave them neither root nor branch. [Malachi 4:1 NKJV]

2 Then the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh, God of Israel] answered me and said: "Write the vision and make [it] plain on tablets, that he may run who reads it. 3 For the vision [is] yet for an appointed time; But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; Because it will surely come, It will not tarry. 4 "Behold the proud, His soul is not upright in him; But the just shall live by his faith. [Habakkuk 2:2-4 NKJV]

“My righteous ones shall live by trusting me, says YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity”.

כי פי יהוה דבר. . . Be prepared to run those of you who read it . . .

# Introduction

*The Stone That the Builders Rejected*  
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*This verse* taken from *Psalm 118:22* has a multiplicity of meanings depending upon the filter that one uses in an attempt to understand its meaning. There are many filters as well such as world view, political views and religious views. But, before we get to those viewpoints, let me ask a series of questions.

Who wrote Psalm 118? Does it matter?

Who were the builders in question? Does it matter?

If this was a “prophetic verse,” has it been fulfilled?

Does it matter?

This verse is nearly 3000 years old. It could be just historical narrative. The writer also wrote many Psalms which are considered by some to be poetry. Poetry from a Hebraic or biblical perspective

is poetry. In other words, it isn't prose. The question about this verse being "prophetic" is larger than it might seem at first glance.

Should anyone care today since the verse is nearly 3000 years old?

Should you care?

Do you care?

Obviously or not so obviously, I must care or I wouldn't be writing another book. I self-publish so my publisher must care.

Within the construct of religious views there are three that we will consider. Obviously, there are more than three religious viewpoints but the viewpoints of "the people of the book" are the ones that I want to focus on. Within that category, "people of the book," I will consider those of the Jewish, Catholic and Protestant faiths or persuasions.

By sects of Judaism, I mean, for example, Orthodox, Reformed, Conservative, Renewal, and Karite Judaism. An orthodox rabbi friend of mine told a joke about the division that exists within Judaism. The punch line referred to the divisions as "denominations." It was, "You mean it has come to this?" Judaism reflects in many ways the denominations or divisions in Protestant

theology, old mainline denominations versus the countless non-denomination denominations. The rabbi received a good laugh from his Jewish audience. They saw the parallels. Denominate means to divide. Judaism is divided perhaps more today than that at any other time.

I was born into a Roman Catholic family, grew up in a Roman Catholic community, attended a Roman Catholic elementary school and received my bachelor's degree from a Roman Catholic college (now a university). I didn't know there were other Catholic faiths.

What an eye-opening experience it was for me on my first trip to Israel. At the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, I found out that is divided (denominated) by the Roman, Greek, Armenian, Russian, Syrian and Egyptian or Coptic Catholic churches. If I've left any out, it isn't intentional.

With that said, I would consider all the groups listed above as "people of the book."

But, what "book" would that be?

Would it be the Hebrew bible [Tanakh] in Hebrew?

What about the Hebrew bible translated into Greek?

In a sense, this is a simplified picture of what I have learned to call the Christian Bible. This doesn't even begin to attempt to understand the dozens and dozens of translations into the common languages today. In English alone, there a bewildering number of translations. Each "new" English translation is farther and farther from the truth found in the Hebrew Tanakh (bible). It is sad but very true.

I tend to use one English translation, "The New King James Bible" or Version, "NKJV." However, I use the English as a bridge to the Greek or Latin. From these texts, Latin or Greek, I turn to the Hebrew. I see **all** the English translations as an approximation to the Hebrew scripture.

The phrase "something is lost in the translation" is nowhere more relevant than as it relates to the story of the God of all humanity. Yes, I believe there is a singular God that He is the God of all humanity and He has only one name.

I believe the name of that God from the Hebrew text in the Tanakh or "Old Testament" is pronounced "Yahweh." One could write an entire book on that singular name. Maybe someone should . . .

*For the purposes of **this** book, I will translate the name of the God of Israel and the God of all **humanity** as Yahweh.*



27 Behold, I [am] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the God of all **flesh**: is there anything too hard for me? [Jeremiah 32:27 KJV] KJV or King James Version

27 "I am the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] the God of all **the peoples of the world**. Is anything too hard for me? [Jeremiah 32:27 NLT] NLT or New Living Translation

הנה אני יהוה אלהי כל-בשר **הממני** יפלא כל-דבר

Please don't be offended if my choice concerning the pronunciation of "the name" does not reflect your choice.

Choose to read this book substituting "the name" as you pronounce it or, don't pronounce it at all.

One of the beauties of free will is that we all get to choose.

I want us to begin on a journey, a journey that is intended to last a lifetime. The journey is all important. I want a destination for my journey. Some have been taught to say that heaven is the destination. Others have been taught that the Garden of Eden is a picture of heaven and hence, the journey is to go back to the Garden

of Eden. Some believe that the Garden of Eden (Heaven) was actually in Israel.

Since the story of the One True God, YHVH or Yahweh begins in the Garden of Eden [יָדֵן] the garden might well be the final destiny. Here, very briefly, it is the beginning of (part?) of the story. Adam and Eve sin and are cast out of the garden but YHVH or Yahweh first makes tunics from animals to cover them. Blood is shed first in the garden by YHVH or Yahweh for the benefit of Adam and Eve.

21 Also for Adam and his wife the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] God made tunics of skin, and clothed them. 22 Then the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of Us, to know good and evil. And now, lest he put out his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever"-- 23 therefore the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken. 24 So He [YHVH or Yahweh] drove out the man; and He [YHVH or Yahweh] placed cherubim at the east of the Garden of Eden, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life. [Genesis 3:21-24 NKJV]

YHVH or Yahweh expresses concern that mankind in their fallen sinful state might eat of the “tree of life” and live forever in a sinful,

rebellious, idolatrous state. YHVH or Yahweh stations angels, a “Cherub or Cherubim (plural)” with a flaming sword to keep mankind away from the tree of life . . . in their rebellious state. Can anyone get past these angels [guards] with flaming swords?

The answer is of course! Who or what is the “tree of life?” Some Christians have been taught that the tree of life represents Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of God and the Son of Man who dies on the cross [tree] in payment for humanity’s sins. They are partially true and get “partial credit.”

It was YHVH or Yahweh, son of God, Yahweh ben Yahweh or Yahweh bar Yahweh, incarnate as a savior who died on the tree (cross). It was YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity who was on the cross (tree) at Calvary.

YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel is the Savior of humanity. Paul of Tarsus wrote, paraphrasing, “11 and [that] every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ [is] Lord, to the glory of God the Father. [Philippians 2:11 NKJV]

Paul’s Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh saves, is salvation or is savior] was, is and will always be YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel.

2:11καὶ πᾶσα γλῶσσα ἐξομολογήσεται ὅτι κύριος Ἰησοῦς Χριστὸς εἰς δόξαν θεοῦ πατρὸς

κύριος is pronounced “kurios or kyrios (from the latin). The rabbi’s and Jewish sages of antiquity used the Greek word κύριος to translate the singular name of the True and Living God, YHVH or Yahweh [יהוה] into Greek. Paul has written that Jesus was YHVH or Yahweh . . .

In other words, the scripture, Hebrew, Greek and Latin make it very clear that Jesus of the Tanakh was in fact, YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel.

To get past the cherubim and their flaming swords, you must recognize that Jesus of Christianity is YHVH, the son of Yahweh, Yahweh ben Yahweh or Yahweh bar Yahweh. Only the Spirit of the Living God, the True God, the everlasting King, Yahweh can lead you to the garden, to heaven, to eternal salvation.

I have been in a lifetime struggle with identity and destiny. I’ve been a US Marine, a warrior, a US Navy physician, battalion surgeon, anesthesiologist, specialist in pain medicine and management, a pastor, teacher, husband, father, son, brother etcetera. I struggle with identity. Identity and destiny are linked. Satan sought to hide, destroy, remove, obscure the identity and destiny of Adam and Eve.

The Spirit of the Living God who is the God of gods, Lord of Lords and King of kings, YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of

all humanity, says to me (Tom) . . . in this journey . . . I can be your (the readers') "tour guide." I can show some sites along the journey and perhaps how to get from point "a" to "b" but I cannot run the race for you. In fact, I can't even run the race with you.

No Rabbi, Pastor, Prophet, Priest, Teacher, Apostle (one who is sent) or Evangelist can run the race for you. When we/they try, you won't get where you need to get. It becomes idolatry for you to seek them out as your source and it is idolatry for them (us/me) to attempt to be your source. Everyone must embark on the journey for themselves.

Abraham, Isaac and Jacob all ran the race for themselves. We are no different.

I am like Jim Bridger the famous (American) mountain man, army scout, explorer, trapper and wilderness guide who followed in the footsteps of Lewis and Clark. Some can show you the way.

Trust me when I say, it is a wilderness fraught with danger, real and eternal to re-enter the Garden of Eden. But re-enter, we must. The Tree of Life awaits us. It is not found anywhere else.

I will say to you, in all human honesty and humility, I have walked up to the angels with the flaming swords and seen them lower the

swords that I might enter. I have been there or “seen” it twice [הראה].

8 For by grace you [I] have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves [myself]; [it is] the gift of God, [Ephesians 2:8 NKJV]

Yahweh is not a “respector of persons,” He does not play favorites and He does not change. YHVH or Yahweh is the same today, yesterday and forever.

If or since I was allowed to enter, Yahweh El Shaddai (God Almighty) will allow you to enter as well. But, it must cost you something real and tangible. Jacob became called Israel because he struggled with man and God. YHVH or Yahweh dislocated Jacob’s hip and he never walked the same again.

I am, primarily, a medical doctor by training (long retired). I was an anesthesiologist and a specialist in pain medicine and pain management. I taught the bible for a season on live radio. While teaching on something one day, the Spirit of the LORD Yahweh who is Holy said to me, “So, what kind of dislocation did Jacob have”?

From my medical training, I knew there were two types. In one, the head of the femur comes out of the hip socket and moves anteriorly

(to the front) of the patient. In the other, the head of the femur comes out of the hip socket and rotates posteriorly, to the rear of the patient. An anterior dislocation is a “surgical emergency.” A posterior dislocation is not a surgical emergency. The Lord Yahweh’s point to me, was that Jacob had a posterior dislocation and developed chronic (disabling) arthritis. Every movement Jacob made for the remainder of his life “cost him something physical, tangible and real.” As a pain management specialist, I can say he never moved again the same. He lived in chronic pain when he walked, sat, slept and on and on. We see him near the end of his life “leaning on his staff” to worship, Hebrews 11:21. It wasn’t just because of his advanced age, but it was because of his disabling hip pain. Jacob became “Israel” because he struggled with man and with God and he persevered, that is, he didn’t quit. He “earned” the title “Israel.” “Israel” is more than a name. It is also a “God given ‘status symbol.’” It is, was and will always be a “badge of honor”, God given. Israel is not . . . a birthright. It must be earned. One can live in Israel today and be known as an “Israeli” but they are not “Israel” until they have struggled with God [YHVH or Yahweh] and man and persevered. Or, as some have said, “God owes Jacob an apology.”

It will cost all of us as it did Jacob, son of Isaac son of Abraham, as it cost Shaul of Tarsus. There is no salvation any other way except than through the “Tree of Life.” You may find yourself crawling on

your hands and knees, but do not stop until you have laid hold, firmly, of the “Tree of Life.”

11 I am coming soon. Hold on to what you have, so that no one will take your crown. [Revelation 3:11 NIV]

There is no other way . . . YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all flesh/humanity *will grant you* the grace, mercy and strength to persevere.



## “How to Read This Book”

I have learned over the course of the last ten years or so, that writing a book that I believe is being directed by the Spirit of the Living and True God who is Holy, is not like writing a book that is to be edited, published and distributed by a mainstream publishing whether it promotes itself as Christian or is completely secular.

26 I am writing these things to you about those who are trying to lead you astray. 27 As for you, the anointing you received from him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about all things and as that anointing is real, not counterfeit--just as it has taught you, remain in him. [1 John 2:26-27 NIV]

I use highlighting to direct the reader's attention to a particular thought or verse.

“the anointing you received from him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you.”

27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie,

and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

[1 John 2:27 KJV]

The “anointing” refers to which has been smeared on, such as oil. It represents an understanding of the “messiah or mashyiach who has been “mashach” or anointed with “shemen” or oil. From Christian perspective, it represents the Holy Spirit or the Spirit of the Holy God. “Shemen” comes from olives at the olive press or “gat shemen” or Gethsemane.

John is saying that if you abide in the (true) Messiah, the spirit of the Messiah who is holy will teach you. If we choose to hear from men and women (well-meaning) **that we can see**, the True Holy Spirit will no longer teach us. He will leave us Jews, Catholics or Protestants as surely as He left ancient Israel [see Lamentations 4:20 in a non-pointed, non-Masoretic (no vowels) text from a Hebrew bible].

Just because I have highlighted a text does not mean that the Spirit of the Living and True God will use it or take you down that path I believe I am forging. He is God and may take you elsewhere. You’d be wise to let Him.

My writing (almost) always makes sense to me (eventually). I write as I hear (perceive). I don’t use formal editors because I have

learned through much agony and financial cost, that what they really want to do is change the text, change the story. I can't do that. I self-publish for that same reason. This story, as I believe I have received it from the Living and True God, will war against the idolatry and heresy that is commonplace in organized religion Jewish, Catholic and Protestant. And, it will "invite" you into a spiritual battle with what is called the "anti-Christ (messiah)."

I accept that and have chosen this path in faith, not pride or arrogance but in fear and trembling.

I use *italics*, **bold text** and underlining for the same reasons as **highlighting**. Let or allow the Holy Spirit of God to be your Rabbi and use them or not. Allow God to be God as you read.

13 All your children will be taught by the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], and great will be their peace. [Isaiah 54:13 NIV]

If YHVH or Yahweh is going to teach, that means, in the Hebrew context of the scriptures, Old and New, that YHVH or Yahweh is willing to be your Rabbi. Allowing Him to teach will mean the difference between life and death (not my words but His).

It is my **fervent belief** that the true, eternal gospel is **not** found in English (my native tongue), Latin or Greek. I grew up in the Latin

mass of Roman Catholicism and “evolved” into the Greek of protestant faiths. The True, Life Giving Gospel is only found in the Hebrew language and I (personally) found it in an Orthodox Jewish synagogue. You can come close in the other languages (a first approximation), but you run the very real risk of not finding the eternal life you hoped for unless you choose to venture into the Hebrew text. I did not learn Hebrew in seminary. The Spirit of the Holy God taught me as I submitted to his authority in my life. It has been a journey. God is more interested in the journey than the destination. I have needed to learn patience. I know the destination from a real and literary perspective. I can lead you on a journey to both but you must choose to hear from the Spirit of the True and Living God and Eternal or everlasting King to finish the journey. Remember, as an author, I am a “tour guide.”

Organized religion is a “crossroads or a “T,”” where you can turn left or you can turn right, but you must turn.

I frequently quote a Hebrew text and will often include its Greek and or Latin counterpart. English is my native tongue and I prefer the New King James Bible/Version “NKJB or NKJV.” It is copyrighted and as such, I can only quote a certain number of scriptures without financial charges. You be aware that there are at least two Greek “New Testaments” (codices) that are quoted in bibles. They can be

similar but they can also be very different. Read the forward of your bible of choice and *learn* which Greek text your bible uses.

15 But sanctify [revere] the Lord God in your hearts, and always [be] ready to [give] a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear; [1 Peter 3:15 NKJV]

15 But in your hearts revere [sanctify] Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, [1 Peter 3:15 NIV]

These two statements that *appear* to be equal are exceeding different if one takes the time to put the Greek into Hebrew. It will be time well invested, not spent.

[Brackets] are almost always used by translators to add a word or words. Sometimes, (parentheses) are used for the same reasons as are *italics*. You should carefully examine the bible you read and find out how the writer/editor/publisher uses them.

I use (parentheses) to highlight a point I am making, perhaps an extra thought of clarification. I use [brackets] when I add a word.

Thomas Nelson Co., publisher of the New King James Version, has graciously permitted me to add my brackets to their copyrighted text which also includes [brackets]. A careful review of *their* format will reveal which ones I have added. This is a small but important point.

## An Example of a “Proof Text”

A “proof text” is particular text that seems to exist from a writer’s perspective, to prove a point. Hence, it is a “proof text.” Such a text, “proof text” is often repeated to make a point as it “proves” a point. A “proof text” might include a verse or text that “proves” a larger or more complex point.

To begin at the beginning, to me, means to begin from the Hebrew Tanakh [Torah, Neviim and the Ketuvim]. Unfortunately, since I learned the story of the Living God in English, I must start there.

In a Jewish prayer book called a “siddur,” there is prayer called the “Hallel.” The Hallel is a series of prayers (Psalms 113 to 118) in Hebrew but the essence of the hallel, for me, is Psalm 118. Hallel means “to praise.”

22 The **stone** [which] the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone [Psalm 118:22 NKJV].

[Brackets] or *italics* in a verse in a Christian bible usually mean that a word(s) have been added to enhance the meaning in the translation from Hebrew. This repetition is necessary as it will help you understand which words have been added by the translators.

My personal default Hebrew text is the Westminster Leningrad Codex or WLC. Unfortunately, there is no single Hebrew text that we can use as our default source. Different Jewish “denominations” might use a different Hebrew text. Other common Hebrew texts are the BHS or Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia or the Biblia Hebraica, BH. It is what it is . . . Below is the text in Hebrew, as a “proof text.”

אבן מאסו הבונים היתה לראש פנה: 118:22

I study from an online source found at [www.blueletterbible.org](http://www.blueletterbible.org). They have graciously granted me use of their resources for publications. The Hebrew text above is from the WLC found on their site.

The Hebrew text was translated into the Greek by Jewish sages between the third and first centuries before the common era or B.C.E. The Septuagint or LXX (Latin for 70) is a Jewish document. It is not a Christian source as it predates the “Christ” by 100 to 300 years. The story of the Septuagint is an interesting and worthwhile investment of your time. *For the purposes of this book, it’s story beyond our scope. Many excellent sources can be found.*

Here is Psalm 118 verse 22 as it has been translated into the Greek. In the Greek Septuagint, it has a different numerical designation.



118:22 λίθον ὃν ἀπεδοκίμασαν οἱ οἰκοδομοῦντες οὗτος ἐγενήθη εἰς κεφαλὴν γωνίας

This Greek verse was translated into the Latin by Jerome in the fourth century of the Common Era, C.E.

[Vulgate 117:22] lapis quem reprobaverunt aedificantes factus est in caput anguli

We will look at the word “stone” in four languages, English, Latin Greek and Hebrew. We will “see” what is lost in the translation.

Stone = יָבֵשׁ = λίθον = lapis

I have written and self-published two books, *Yahweh of Nazareth: The Name Above All Names* and *Jesus In the Tanakh*. *Yahweh of Nazareth* was written with a protestant Christian audience in mind, although Roman Catholics could easily read it is well. *Jesus in the Tanakh* was written with a Jewish audience in mind (Orthodox, Conservative, Reformed, etc.).

I'm not interested in promoting these books but from time to time I will use excerpts from these works.

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Occasionally, I will excerpt entire chapters or large portions of chapters. What follows in the next chapter is one of those occasions.

We need to study in some detail the word for **stone** in Hebrew. The Chapter that I have chosen is from *Jesus in the Tanakh* and explores a text that I believe is prophetic in nature **but only** in the Hebrew language. If translators are not using the Hebrew and submitted to the Holy Spirit of the Living God, it is easy to miss His small, still voice. It is worth the time and effort to learn to hear that voice. In doing so, you fulfill the words spoken and written by John in his epistle called 1<sup>st</sup> John.

“20 But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and you know all things. ... 27 But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and **you do not need that anyone teach you;** but as the same anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you will abide in Him. [1 John 2:20, 27 NKJV]

The Spirit of the Living God who is Holy [The Holy Spirit or *the anointing* per John] is well able to teach you. He alone can free you from the bondage to the spirit of religion as it only prepares you for

the lake of fire. It is for freedom that He will set you free, not for fire.

*As Jesus in the Tanakh* was written to an audience that is familiar with the Hebrew language, I began many sections with a Hebrew text. The corresponding English text always follows directly. This is also true any time I quote from the Hebrew (to the best of my ability).

Let me remind you that Hebrew reads from right to left. Also, a reality that authors face is that many but not all Christian bibles are copyrighted. They all allow a fixed number of verses to be quoted without charge to the author. Some are more liberal in the number of verses that can be quoted. In the United States, the King James Version (KJV) is in the public domain (not true in England). It can be quoted without charge. I use the KJV for quotation for that reason. If you don't use the KJV, refer to your default translation of choice. Be aware that there are more than one Greek New Testaments available for study. If I quote from a KJV and you use a New International Version (NIV), they may read very differently. The reason is that they use different Greek sources (New Testaments). Let me give you a relevant example.

15 But **sanctify the Lord God** in your hearts: and [be] ready always to [give] an answer to every man that asketh you a

reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:  
[1 Peter 3:15 KJV] “proof text.”

15 But in your hearts **revere Christ as Lord**. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, [1 Peter 3:15 NIV] “proof text.”

On the surface, these two texts say the same thing but, if we take the time to translate them from the Greek into Hebrew, they are quite different. What they reveal in the Hebrew is extraordinary.

The concept of “LORD God or Lord GOD” . . . never . . . appears in the Hebrew text . . . never.

Remember though, beginning in whatever English translation you choose to work from . . . you **must . . . must end up in the Hebrew text** for that verse (if it exists). *Linguistically*, not ending up in the Hebrew texts could cause you to be found at the “second death.”

15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire. [Revelation 20:15 KJV]

14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. [Revelation 20:14 KJV]

8 All those who live on the earth will worship it, everyone whose name was not written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who was slaughtered.

[Revelation 13:8 CSB]

27 Nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those written in the Lamb's book of life. [Revelation 21:27 CSB]

These are examples of “proof texts.”

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## יהוה איש מלחמה יהוה שמו

3 The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] a **man** of war: the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] his name. [Exodus 15:3 KJV]

It is easy to forget that Moses is many things not just “our rabbi.”

Moses is a prophet:

1 And this [is] the blessing, wherewith Moses ***the man of God*** blessed the children of Israel before his death. [Deuteronomy 33:1 KJV]

וזאת הברכה אשר ברך משה **איש האלהים** את-בני ישראל לפני מותו:

15 The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee ***a Prophet*** from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, ***like unto me***; unto him ye shall hearken; [Deuteronomy 18:15 KJV]

**נביא** מקרבך מאחיד כמני יקים לך יהוה אלהיך אליו תשמעון:

7 Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the **prophets**. [Amos 3:7 KJV]

כי לא יעשה אדני יהוה דבר כי אסגלה סודו אל-עבדיו הנביאים:

I am personally convinced that one of the reasons we read Moses (in synagogue) every year is **to search out prophecy** that we might have overlooked. It is a daunting task for those of us who do not read Hebrew but study it from the internet. Fortunately, we have the Spirit of the Living God to lead us on our journey.

*[The following is a section from Jesus in the Tanakh that we need to focus on.]*

Several years ago, I was invited to attend a lecture from a visiting orthodox rabbi. He came to our Chabad synagogue. His primary talk was in regards to what life was really like in modern Israel versus how the media portray it. He gave a brief commentary on Parashat Vayetzi (Genesis 28:10-32:3). This is 28:11:

ויפגע במקום וילן שם כי-בא השמש ויקח מאבני המקום וישם מראשתיו  
וישכב במקום ההוא:

11 So he came to a certain place and stayed there all night, because the sun had set. And he took one of the **stones** of that place and put it at his head, and he lay down in that place to sleep. [Genesis 28:11 NKJV]



אבני stones

The rabbi noted that the word for stone in Hebrew was actually made up of two words, אב, “ab” or father and בן, “bn” or son. Is it possible the word for stone prophesies the God of the bible as father and son?

With that in mind, it is possible to read from Genesis 49:22-26 from a *prophetic* perspective.

22 Joseph [is] a fruitful bough, [even] a fruitful bough by a well; [whose] branches run over the wall: 23 The archers have sorely grieved him, and shot [at him], and hated him: 24 But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the **mighty [God] of Jacob**; (from thence [is] the **shepherd, the stone of Israel**;) 25 [Even] by the God of thy father, who shall help thee; and by the Almighty, who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the breasts, and of the womb: 26 The blessings of thy father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him that was **separate** from his brethren.  
[Genesis 49:22-26 KJV]

ותשב באיתן קשתו ויפזו זרעי ידיו מידי אביר יעקב משם רעה אבן  
ישראל:

לדוד יהוה רעי לא אחסר [the] shepherd [the] stone [of] Israel. The  
shepherd of Israel is “HaShem,” מזמור לדוד יהוה רעי לא אחסר,  
Psalm 23, “YHVH or Yahweh is my shepherd . . .”

It is possible that Jacob (Moses was the writer of Genesis) is  
prophesying that YHVH (HaShem) is both father and son? Again,  
this is **not** an argument for Christianity. It is an argument against  
Christianity in its present form. It argues **for** the Hebrew Tanakh.

If we look carefully, there is more prophetic revelation in Genesis  
49:24.

אביר יעקב, the mighty [one or God] of Jacob (Yakov). By my count,  
this form of “mighty” appears 6 times in the Tanakh. It has as its  
root אבר. אבר like אבן is made of two separate words. אב “ab” or  
father and בר “br” or son (bar, “br” is the Aramaic text whereas ben  
“ben” is from the Hebrew text).

From the roots (shoreshim), I believe that Yakov was prophesying  
that the stone of Israel, the mighty (God) of Yakov was both father  
and son. Since Moses was the writer of Genesis, it is possible that  
he was also prophesying as well. Again, **both** could be prophesying.

Remember, the Lord Yahweh does nothing unless He tells His secrets to his servants the prophets (Amos 3:7).

This is **not** an argument for Christianity. It asks the question, *“Have we all missed something very important?”*

אבר with different vowel points appears 4 times in the Tanakh.

Job 39:26 המבינתך יאבר־נץ יפרש כנפו לתימן:

Psalm 55:6 ואמר מי־יתן־לי אבר כיונה אעופה ואשכנה

וקוי יהוה יחליפו כח יעלו אבר כנשרים ירוצו ולא ייגעו ילכו ולא ייעפו:

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Isaiah 40:31

ואמרת כה־אמר אדני יהוה הנשר הגדול גדול הכנפים ארך האבר מלא הנוצה אשר־לו הרקמה בא אל־הלבנון ויקח את־צמרת הארז

Ezekiel 17:3

Again, the question is, *“Have we all missed some prophetic revelation?”*

My intellectual argument is **for** the Hebrew Tanakh **as our sole source document**. I would prefer to work from a non-Masoretic text, i.e., one without vowel points as the text existed in its original form. Mine is not an argument against the Talmud. However, I believe we must begin with “what is written,” and not “what was spoken, then written.”

My ability to “cut and paste” from [www.blueletterbible.org](http://www.blueletterbible.org) allows me to remove the vowel points and work solely from the consonants. I do not read or speak Hebrew (mea culpa).

*A short recap is in order . . .*

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. However, the stone that was rejected is the prophecy that the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, Yahweh El Shaddai or the LORD God Almighty, God of the Hebrews, the God of Israel . . . intended to reveal Himself as Father **and** Son. Since YHVH is the **only** God, He can do what He pleases (the book of Job would be a good read). Since YHVH is spirit, this in part, makes this possible.

So, the God of Israel, Yahweh El Shaddai must be father and son and Spirit.

This is my *prophetic* opinion but **supported** by the Hebrew Tanakh

. . . not the Greek, Latin or English Tanakh (Old Testament).

This is a very different statement than saying Jesus of Nazareth was the son of God. Listen (read) carefully. Jesus cannot be preexistent because Jesus while being the son of God is also the **son of man**. He was flesh and blood. Flesh and blood cannot preexist its creation by the creator. Jesus could not have been preexistent. Yahweh the son of Yahweh [YHVH ben/bar YHVH] was preexistent whether you choose to believe it or not, whether you can “see” it or not.

How did we get here? We got here by reading the **Hebrew** text for several verses from the **Hebrew** bible, Psalm 118:22 and Genesis 49:22-26. This prophecy is not revealed in the English word “stone,” the Latin word “lapis” or the Greek word “lithos.” It is only revealed from the Hebrew language by the Holy Spirit (Ruach HaKodesh) or the Spirit of the Living God, the God of Israel.

With that said, there are other texts we must examine in some detail. A little later, I will expand on a principle that is found in the Torah (in Moses). This principle is that truth is determined by a multiplicity of witnesses, 2 or 3 (at the least appeared sufficient). We will examine these texts in 3 or 4 languages. My primary language is English. I learned to read the bible in English and Latin. Later on, I added Greek to the English and Latin. Eventually, Hebrew entered my study. It is just how I learned. You may have

had a different path. To examine any single text in English, Latin, Greek and Hebrew **leaves us with 4 witnesses** . . . the languages themselves become witnesses.

This is a small but very important concept and detail. As they say, “the devil is in the details.” That will become increasingly clear.

Think of the term “witness” in a legal sense. Witnesses witness at a trial in a courtroom. Imagine that the courtroom is the heaven where the God of the bible is usually personified as existing. Finally, imagine (understand) that the God behind the bench is the God of Israel (**this is *necessarily* true whether you believe it or not**).

From a biblical stand-point, a stone is not a rock and a rock is not a stone. They are different words in Hebrew. They are often, however, linked together in revelation within a particular story or text(s). We need to look into that now.

The question “who are the builders that rejected (refused) the stone” is a question with critical and perhaps eternal consequences. I think it might be useful to lay some more groundwork before we ask that fiery question.

Remember . . . we are in the court room of heaven where the God of Israel presides as judge . . . jury . . . and executioner. The charge

brought by the accuser of the brethren (ha satan) is no less than *treason by virtue of rebellion with idolatry thrown in for good measure.* The following “word picture” based on Genesis 49:24 might be useful.

YHVH, as Father, is the judge.

YHVH son of YHVH is our defense attorney.

The “satan” is the prosecuting attorney. The “satan” is the adversary, the accuser from Strong’s Concordance #H7853 and #H7854.

It is easy to dismiss “satan” as a real and evil entity. A portion of “the satan’s” argument will go in the direction of “stone versus rock.”

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## The Rock of Offense *and* the Stumbling Stone

The writers of the “New testament or New Covenant” are all Jews with the exception of one, Luke or Lucius. As the story unfolds, they are often sent somewhere to someone with some kind of message.

In the English text from the Greek and Latin, they are thought of as “apostles.” Being “a sent one” is *not* a Christian concept. Moses was sent to Pharaoh. The concept of sending relates to the Hebrew verb שלח. Moses was *sent* with a message . . . prophets and apostles are *sent* with messages . . .

11 in all the signs and wonders which the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] sent him [Moses] to do in the land of Egypt, before Pharaoh, before all his servants, and in all his land,  
[Deuteronomy 34:11 NKJV]

לכל-האֵתוֹת וְהַמּוֹפְתִים אֲשֶׁר שָׁלַח יְהוָה לַעֲשׂוֹת בְּאֶרֶץ מִצְרַיִם לְפָרְעֹה  
וּלְכָל-עַבְדָּיו וְלְכָל-אֶרֶצוֹ

34:11 ἐν πᾶσι τοῖς σημείοις καὶ τέρασι ὃν ἀπέστειλεν αὐτὸν κύριος ποιῆσαι αὐτὰ ἐν γῆ Αἰγύπτῳ Φαραῶ καὶ τοῖς θεράπουσιν αὐτοῦ καὶ πάσῃ τῇ γῆ αὐτοῦ

ἀπόστολος in Greek or, apostolus in Latin.

The fact that Moses was sent makes him an “apostle or sent one.”

שליח pl. שליחים/שלוחים is often pronounced as “schliach, pl. schlucus or schluchim. These renderings are synonymous with “apostle,” but originate in Yiddish.

Perhaps the most famous “apostle or sent one” in what is called “The New Testament or NT,” was Saul (Shaul) of Tarsus (south central Turkey). Paul or Saul had a message.

Shaul or שאול, Paul was born in the “diaspora” or “galut.” He was a Hebrew of Hebrews, a Pharisee and the son of a Pharisee of the tribe of Benjamin. For whatever reason, he was born in and grew up in Turkey. He was more than likely fluent in Hebrew (Aramaic) and Greek.

Here is how Paul begins to describe the *then* current situation:

30 What shall we say then? That Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, attained righteousness, even the righteousness which is by faith; 31 but Israel, pursuing a law of righteousness, did not arrive at [that] law. 32 Why? Because [they did] not [pursue it] by faith, but as though [it were] by works. They stumbled over the stumbling stone, 33 just as it is written, "BEHOLD, I LAY IN ZION A **STONE** OF

STUMBLING AND A **ROCK** OF OFFENSE, AND HE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED."

[Romans 9:30-33 NASB]

Recall, in the NASB translation, quotes from the Tanakh or OT (Old Testament) are in all CAPITALS.

Paul is quoting from the prophet Isaiah 8:14 and 28:16.

14 And he shall be for a sanctuary; but for a **stone** of stumbling and for a **rock** of offence to both the houses of Israel, for a gin and for a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem. [Isaiah 8:14 KJV]

והיה למקדש ולאבן נגף ולצור מכשול לשני בתי ישראל לפח ולמוקש  
ליושב ירושלים

and,

16 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a **stone**, a tried **stone**, a precious corner [stone], a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste. [Isaiah 28:16 KJV]

לכן כה אמר אדני יהוה הנני יסד בציון אבן אבן בחן פנת יקרת  
מוסד מוסד המאמין לא יחיש:

It might be tempting to think of Paul as the founder of Christianity but that religion, as we know it today, comes from the Roman Catholic Church established by the Roman Emperor Constantine and Helena, his mother. It dates to the 4<sup>th</sup> century in the Common Era, C.E. around 325.

Paul writes these particular observations as part of a letter (epistle) to the gentiles in Rome who had accepted Jesus of Nazareth as the physical incarnation of YHVH [יהוה] or Yahweh son of YHVH, the God of Israel, as a savior. Paul did not teach Jesus as God apart from Jesus [Yeshua or ישוע] being YHVH [יהוה], the God of Israel. Paul's writings in Greek "translated" into Hebrew prove this point.

His letter to the Romans, chapters 9, 10 and 11 will make Paul's [שאול] Jewishness obvious. Paul cites several scripture verses from the Tanakh dealing with the issue of "stone and rock."

We should have a basis understanding of the concept of "stone" in Hebrew as being prophetic for the God of Israel, YHVH or Yahweh El Shaddai revealing Himself as Father, Son and Spirit (pages 28 through 35 of this book).

We need to look at “rock” in some detail. The concept of a “rock” is offensive to many most likely relating to an encounter Jesus (Yahweh of Nazareth) has with his disciples but mostly with Simon Peter.

13 When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? 14 And they said, Some [say that thou art] John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets. 15 He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? 16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. 17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, **Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not *revealed* [it] unto thee, but my Father and upon this which is in heaven.** 18 And I say also unto thee, that thou art **Peter,** and upon this **rock I will build my church;** and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. 19 And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. 20 Then charged he his disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the Christ. [Matthew 16:13-20 KJV]

6:18 κάγω δέ σοι λέγω ὅτι σὺ εἶ **Πέτρος** καὶ ἐπὶ ταύτῃ τῇ πέτραοὶ κοδομήσω μου τὴν ἐκκλησίαν καὶ πύλαι ᾗδου οὐ κατισχύσουσιν αὐτῆς

In dissecting this text, it is undeniable that the Greek reads, “Petros or Πέτρος.”

We need to remember, that Jesus did not speak to Peter in Greek. He surely spoke in Aramaic or Hebrew. Peter has just received **“revelation from heaven”** according to Jesus. Peter has been told that the revelation came from Jesus’ (Yeshua’s or Yehoshua’s or Yahweh son of Yahweh’s) father in heaven (also Yahweh). In conventional Hebraic thought, Yahweh was only Father. These Jews *as a people group*, most likely had no revelation of their God as anything but a father. *Individuals* might have well understood prophecies such as the “stone” and other prophecies that we will eventually discuss . . . but not now.

The **revelation** Peter receives is that he sees (understands?) for the first time that Jesus (Yahweh saves or Yahweh is salvation) is the **Christ, the Son of the Living God**. This is **revelation** to Peter, it is not common knowledge from anyone including Jesus (in that Jesus did not teach Peter this concept) and certainly not from the rabbis, Pharisees or Sadducees. The revelation came from the God of the Israelites or Hebrews in heaven. How is that even possible?

The “Jesus” known to Peter **in this text** is **not** the Jesus of Christianity but the Jesus revealed in the Hebrew Tanakh.

Consider the following verses from the Hebrew Tanakh. An in-depth discussion is found in *Jesus in the Tanakh*.

13 And David took [him] more concubines and wives out of Jerusalem, after he was come from Hebron: and there were yet sons and daughters born to David. 14 And these [be] the names of those that were born unto him in Jerusalem; Shammua, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon, 15 Ibhar also, and Elishua, and Nepheg, and Japhia, 16 And Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphalet. [2 Samuel 5:13-16 KJV]

Most would read this name as “Eli-shua.” “Eli” would mean “my God.” “Shua” can mean wealth or salvation. Elishua can mean “My God saves/is salvation or my God is wealth after Strong’s #H474.

The Hebrew text can also be read as “God Yeshua,” or “God Jesus.” However, . . . the Hebrew demands that if Yeshua is God, He must also be ‘El’ or Yahweh El Shaddai [God Almighty]. Jesus cannot be God unless He is the God of the bible. He simply cannot.

The Hebrew looks like this: **ואלישוע** and reads literally “and Elishua,”

The first letter is a “vav” or “ו” and here it means “and.” **אל-ישוע** can also be read as God Yeshua or God Jesus.

So, God Jesus or God Yeshua would come through the line of David. God. Yahweh who saves or is salvation (Jesus or Yeshua or Yehoshua the God of Israel) would come through the line of David. YHVH or Yahweh would come as a human, as a savior, through the line of David. Simple but it is not easy.

A Samaritan woman at a well reveals this in her discussion with Yeshua.” She is a “witness.”

25 The woman said, "I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us.

26 Then Jesus declared, "I, the one speaking to you--I am he." [John 4:25-6 NIV]

4:26 λέγει αὐτῇ ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐγώ εἰμι ὁ λαλῶν σοι

In Hebrew or Aramaic which he was speaking, Yahweh saves or Yahweh is salvation (Jesus) after Strong's #2424, says “ani or anochi” from the Hebrew instead of ἐγώ εἰμι .

This is a common construct in the Hebrew (and Greek) Tanakh.

2 "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. [Exodus 20:2 NIV]



אנכי יהוה אלהיך אשר הוצאתיך מארץ מצרים מבית עבדים

20:2 ἐγώ εἰμι κύριος ὁ θεός σου ὅστις ἐξήγαγόν σε ἐκ γῆς Αἰγύπτου  
ου ἐξ οἴκουδουλείας

ego sum Dominus Deus tuus qui eduxi te de terra Aegypti de  
domo servitutis

When Jesus says “I Am,” He is saying “אנכי or אני.” The Greek and Latin are witnesses that Jesus is saying to a woman who was part Hebrew, that He was YHVH or Yahweh, the Messiah or Christ as a savior. Further in this book, we will look at several texts where Jesus (YHVH who saves or is salvation) reveals his identity by the use of Ani or anochi but written in Greek as ego emi (ἐγώ εἰμι) or ego sum.

Lest we get sidetracked, the **revelation** to Peter was that Jesus was the Christ, the Son of the Living God. So, from that text in Matthew, **you (the reader) are receiving revelation**. It is not from me as the author but from the Spirit of the Living God, if you choose to receive.

**Revelation** is from above. Knowledge is from below. Today's knowledge was yesterday's revelation, so to speak.

18 Where [there is] no **revelation**, the people cast off restraint (perish); But happy [is] he who keeps the law. [Proverbs 29:18 NKJV]

באין חזון יפרע עם ושמר תורה אשרהו

“Chazon or **חזון**” is used for prophetic vision or revelation as in a vision. These gifts are seen in the Hebrew text but the English is commonly “seer,” as in Gad the seer.

Without prophets and their vision, people perish. Prophetic vision (**revelation**) is from above . . . like Jesus told Peter. Those who deliver it are only messengers or harbingers or ambassadors (in other texts). Often, their names are not even in the story being recorded. The **revelation** is crucial but the identities of those who deliver the revelation are not.

Let’s keep looking at what is recorded in Matthew (aka Levi).

18 And I say also unto thee, that thou art **Peter**, and upon this **rock** I will build **my church**; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

It may not be immediately clear, but Peter or Petros **is not** the rock revealed. The Hebrew prophets had spoken . . .

47 The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] liveth; and blessed [be] my rock; and exalted be the God of the rock of my salvation.

[2 Samuel 22:47 KJV]

חַיִּיהוּה וּבְרוּךְ צוּרִי וַיִּרְם אֱלֹהֵי צוּר יִשְׁעֵי

חַיִּיהוּה . . . (right to left) . . . YHVH or Yahweh lives

צוּרִי . . . literally, my rock

צוּר . . . literally, rock

יִשְׁעֵי . . . literally, my salvation or my savior

יִשַׁע . . . this is the Hebrew verb, to save

Taking part of the name of YHVH or Yahweh, יָהּ and adding it to the verb to save, יִשַׁע, creates the name Yehoshua (Joshua).

Yehoshua ( יְהוֹשֻׁעַ ) shortens to ( יֵשׁוּעַ ) Yeshua (Jesus) much like my name Thomas shortens to Tom (if you study the Hebrew bible carefully paying attention to people's names, this is common, often as they return from the Babylonian exile). Yehoshua or Joshua can also be written as יְהוֹשׁוּעַ

The “rock” that Jesus is speaking to Peter about comes from this verse as well as others.

46 The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] liveth; and blessed [be] my rock; and let the God of my salvation be exalted. [Psalm 18:46 KJV]

חייהוה וברוך צורי וירום אלוהי ישעי

Psalm 18 and 2 Samuel 22 are our first two **witnesses** (truth determined by two or three . . . languages count as witnesses as they speak clearly today if you listen to that still, small voice that spoke to Elijah (Eliyahu) the prophet (ha navi).

Add the third witness:

4 Trust ye in the LORD [YHVH] forever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] everlasting strength: [Isaiah 26:4 KJV]

4 Trust in the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] forever, for the LORD [Yah], the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] himself, is the Rock eternal. [Isaiah 26:4 NIV]

בטחו ביהוה עדי־עד כי ביה יהוה צור עולמים

I find this a very unusual verse as the name of God, YHVH or Yahweh shows up *three times* in one verse.

The name of God rendered Jehovah is unusual in the King James Version . . . 4 times in a singular form and twice in a compound form. In the Hebrew bible, Yahweh God, My Lord Yahweh or Yahweh appears nearly 7000 times.

Since YHVH or Yahweh lives . . . as a savior, hidden (in plain sight), Jesus is telling his disciples that He is the fulfillment of these three verses. YHVH (son of Yahweh from “stone of Israel”) is the rock, the savior. Jesus of Christianity is not the savior of the world but Jesus of the Tanakh is . . . read online or down load my book *Jesus in the Tanakh*, without charge.

Peter has never been the rock although his name Πέτρος or Petrus] suggests he is the rock in the text. He clearly is not as I believe. We shall “see” . . . chazon . . . have revelation if we *choose* to receive it.

18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. [Matthew 16:18 JKV]

“That thou art Peter.” Did Yahweh of Nazareth (Jesus) speak Greek, Latin or English? No, but what about Hebrew? Probably, so what Hebrew word *sounds like* “peter”?

2 "Consecrate to Me all the **firstborn**, whatever **opens** the womb among the children of Israel, [both] of man and beast; it is Mine." [Exodus 13:2 NKJV]

קדש-לי כל-בכור פטר כל-רחם בבני ישראל באדם ובבהמה לי הוא

**פטר** . . . "peh-ter" is the one who opens the womb.

**בכור** . . . "be-kore" firstborn, firstling

Simon called Peter or 'Petros' becomes the one who **opens** the womb to receive **revelation** from above . . . he is a firstborn who opens a womb of revelation . . . Yahweh is the Christ (Messiah) who had become human as a savior. The Christ or Messiah's name can only be Yehoshua or Yeshua.

18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter [**פטר**], and upon this **rock** [of revelation] **I will build my church**; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. [Matthew 16:18 JKV]

10 "let it be known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh saves or is salvation] Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God [Yahweh, father] raised from the dead, by Him this man stands here before you whole. 11 *"This is the 'stone which was rejected*

*by you builders, which has become the chief cornerstone.'* 12

"Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

[Acts 4:10-12 NKJV] . . . because Jesus . . . Yehoshua . . .

Yeshua . . . means YHVH or Yahweh saves . . . Yahweh is salvation.

I will build **my church** . . . I, Yahweh who became human as a savior . . . Yehoshua . . . Yeshua . . . Yahweh saves or is salvation . . . will build my . . .

The following story illumines (perhaps for the first time for many), what Jesus actually meant, **not** what we have become accustomed to hearing taught.

14 And the king [Solomon] turned his face about, and blessed all the **congregation** of Israel: (and all the **congregation** of Israel stood;) [1 Kings 8:14 KJV]

ויסב המלך את־פניו ויברך את כל־קהל ישראל וכל־קהל ישראל עמד

8:14 καὶ ἀπέστρεψεν ὁ βασιλεὺς τὸ πρόσωπον αὐτοῦ καὶ εὐλόγησεν ὁ βασιλεὺς πάντα Ἰσραὴλ καὶ πᾶσα **ἐκκλησία** Ἰσραὴλ εἰστήκει

convertitque rex faciem suam et benedixit omni ecclesiae  
Israhel omnis enim ecclesia Israhel stabat

קהל . . . or “qahal” is an assembly of people after Strong’s #H6951

The story line is, the people (קהל) are gathered at the dedication of the temple or (אהל מועד) ohel mow’ed).

The people gathered have nothing to do with the building itself.

Jesus was and is still looking for people who will be like “פטר peh-ter, בכור bekore” who are as firstborns, who are willing to open the womb (of revelation) . . . to your family . . . your city . . . your county . . . your state . . . your nation . . .

36 Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh saves], whom ye have crucified, both Lord [YHVH or Yahweh] and Christ [Messiah]. 37 Now when they heard [this], they were pricked [cut to the heart] in their heart, and said unto Peter [פטר] and to the rest of the apostles, Men [and] brethren, what shall we do? 38 Then Peter [פטר] said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus [Yehoshua or Yeshua or YHVH saves or is salvation] Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost (Spirit or



Ruach HaKodesh). 39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, [even] as many as the Lord our God [YHVH Eloheniu] shall call. 40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation. 41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added [unto them] about three thousand souls. [Acts 2:36-41 KJV]

Some would see this event as the “birth” of the Christian church, orthodox then protestant. They would be *mistaken*. This event occurs on Shavout (Shavous) or Pentecost. This was/is a feast of YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, one of the three that the Hebrew/Jewish males were commanded to appear before YHVH their God at the place where He commanded His name to be located. They have come from many parts of the diaspora . . . read the list in Acts 2. While there may been some gentiles in the crowd, this was a Jewish event. If you read the Hebrew carefully, you will also note that this event occurred in this same month (third month of the Jewish calendar) that Moses ascended Mount Sinai to receive the “Ten Commandments.” The Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel was “poured out” on a crowd in Jerusalem similar as to when Bezalel was first filled with the Holy Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh. The “anointing” goes from one man (Bezalel) to a crowd. It eventually goes from the Jews gathered in Jerusalem to a gentile centurion.

Why? Because the words of the prophet Jeremiah needed to come full circle.

20 The breath of our nostrils, [the] anointed [of the] LORD, [YHVH or Yahweh] was taken in their pits, of whom we said, Under his shadow we shall live among the heathen. [Lamentations 4:20 KJV]

רוח אפינו משיח יהוה נלכד בשחיתותם אשר אמרנו בצלו נחיה בגוים

4:20 πνεῦμα προσώπου ἡμῶν χριστὸς κυρίου συνελήμφθη ἐν ταῖς διαφθοραῖς αὐτῶν οὓς εἶπαμεν ἐν τῇ σκιᾷ αὐτοῦ ζησόμεθα ἐν τοῖς ἔθνεσιν

20 RES spiritus oris nostri christus dominus captus est in peccatis nostris cui diximus in umbra tua vivemus in gentibus [Lamentations 4:20 VULGATE]

The breath of our nostrils (spirit or 'ruach') Messiah YHVH or Yahweh . . . was taken (left).

רוח אפינו משיח יהוה נלכד בשחיתותם אשר אמרנו בצלו נחיה בגוים

37 Now when they heard [this], they were pricked [**cut to the heart; hearts were pierced**] in their heart, [Acts 2:37 KJV]

16 **Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart**, and be no more stiffnecked. [Deuteronomy 10:16 KJV]

ומלתם את ערלת לבבכם וערפכם לא תקשו עוד

To understand what was happening, the Jews needed to circumcise the foreskins of their hearts . . . they needed to be cut to the heart . . . they needed to have their hearts pieced.

11 In Him you were also **circumcised with the circumcision made without hands**, by putting off the body of the sins of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, [Colossians 2:11 NKJV]

This is circumcision of the heart (i.e. male **and** female) performed by the Spirit of the Living God, YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel was the same prophesied in Deuteronomy (Devarim).

Simple but not easy to understand. It is the work of the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of the God of Israel, YHVH or Yahweh who is holy.

Here is what we (I) hope for:

27 Then you will know that I am in Israel, that I am the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God, and that there is no other; never again will my people be shamed. [Joel 2:27 NIV]

**(This scriptural note was added for context).**

28 "And afterward, I [YHVH or Yahweh] will pour out my Spirit [of YHVH] or Yahweh] on **all** people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. 29 Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit [of YHVH or Yahweh] in those days. 30 I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and billows of smoke. 31 The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. 32 And everyone who calls on the name of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] will be saved; for on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be deliverance, as the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] has said, even among the survivors whom the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] calls. [Joel 2:28-32 NIV]

Why **all** people?

27 "I am the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the God of all mankind [flesh]. Is anything too hard for me? [Jeremiah 32:27 NIV]

YHVH or Yahweh isn't just the God of the Jews, Hebrews or Israel. He is the singular God of all humanity.

**Religion has mishandled the text.**

As a metaphor, "religion" has fumbled the ball.

As a metaphor, "religion" has failed to cross the goal line, the finish line.

What religion? **All** but especially the people of the book, Jews Catholic Christians and Protestant Christians have mishandled the text, fumbled the ball and failed to cross the finish line. All means all.

How's that for a legacy or destiny?

But . . . God . . . YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel . . .

4 Behold, all souls are mine [YHVH or Yahweh]; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine [YHVH or

Yahweh]: the soul that sinneth, it shall die. ... 23 Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord GOD: [the Lord YHVH or Yahweh] [and] not that he should return from his ways, and live? ... 32 For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD [the lord YHVH or Yahweh]: wherefore turn [yourselves], and live ye. [Ezekiel 18:4, 23, 32 KJV]

Remember, YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel is the God of all humanity, Jeremiah 32:27.

Turn to . . . return to . . . YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel who became human as a savior to fulfill the righteous requirements of the Law . . . **there is no forgiveness of sin without the shedding of blood.** Yahweh, the son of Yahweh, the God of Israel gives himself as payment for our sins that the words of the prophets be fulfilled:

3 Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the **tenth [day] of this month** they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of [their] fathers, a lamb for an house: [Exodus 12:3 KJV] . . . 6 And ye shall keep it up until the **fourteenth day of the same month**: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening. [Exodus 12:6 KJV]

13 And it shall come to pass, as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of Jordan, [that] the waters of Jordan shall be cut off [from] the waters that come down from above; and they shall stand upon a heap. [Joshua 3:13 KJV]

19 And the people came up out of Jordan on the **tenth [day] of the first month**, and encamped in Gilgal, in the east border of Jericho. [Joshua 4:19 KJV]

3 Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the **tenth [day] of this month** they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of [their] fathers, a lamb for a house: [Exodus 12:3 KJV]

13 Then Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh] came from Galilee to John **at the Jordan** to be baptized by him. 14 And John [tried to] prevent Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and are You coming to me?" 15 But Jesus answered and said to him, "Permit [it to be so] now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he [Yehochanon ben Zechariah ha cohen] allowed Him. [Matthew3:13-15 NKJV]

16 When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God [YHVH or Yahweh El Shaddai] descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. 17 And suddenly a voice [came] from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." [Matthew 3:16-17 NKJV]

The voice from heaven is understood from the “stone of Israel mighty one of Yakov” prophecy in Genesis 49:24 (only in Hebrew) that YHVH El Shaddai, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob is both Father and Son . . .

This voice is connecting Exodus 12:3 & 6, Joshua 3:13, 4:19 and Matthew 3:16-17. Again, three witnesses (this time scripture verses) testifying to Truth. There is no forgiveness of sin without the shedding of blood. Yahweh, Lord of all the earth, the Passover Lamb must become human to have blood to shed. Yahweh ben Yahweh is tasked with the act of salvation. As it is written, “Salvation is of the Jews,” after John 4:22.

Can there be a better or more definitive way for YHVH, Yahweh the God of Israel to prove He is the living God than to become a living human being?



10 But the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] the true God, he [is] the living God, and an everlasting king: at his wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide his indignation. [Jeremiah 10:10 KJV]

ויהוה אלהים אמת הוא־אלהים חיים ומלך עולם מקצפו תרעש הארץ  
ולא־יכלו גוים זעמו

Dominus autem Deus verus est ipse Deus vivens et rex  
sempiternus ab indignatione eius commovebitur terra et non  
sustinebunt gentes comminationem eius

Greek text for Jeremiah 10:10 does not appear in the Septuagint (LXX).

13 O LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, [and] they that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the fountain of living waters.  
[Jeremiah 17:13 KJV]

17:13

מקוה ישראל יהוה כל־עזביך יבשו יסורי בארץ יכתבו כי עזבו מקור מים־  
חיים את־יהוה

17:13 ὑπομονή Ισραηλ κύριε πάντες οἱ καταλιπόντες σε καταισχυ  
νθήτωσαν ἀφεστηκότες ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς γραφήτωσαν ὅτι ἐγκατέλιπον  
πηγὴν ζωῆς τὸν κύριον

expectatio Israhel Domine omnes qui te derelinquunt  
confundentur recedentes in terra scribentur quoniam  
dereliquerunt venam **aquarum viventium** Dominum

Living water = מים חיים = πηγὴν ζωῆς = **aquarum viventium**

3 He left Judea and went away again into Galilee. 4 And He had to pass through Samaria. 5 So He came to a city of Samaria called Sychar, near the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph; 6 and Jacob's well was there. So Jesus, being wearied from His journey, was sitting thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour. 7 There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." ... 9 Therefore the Samaritan woman said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask me for a drink since I am a Samaritan woman?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) 10 Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." ... 13 Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again; 14 but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give him will become

in him a well of water springing up to eternal life." ... 24 "God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." 25 The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming (He who is called Christ); when that One comes, He will declare all things to us." 26 Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am [Εγώ εἰμι = ego sum = אֲנִי or אֲנֹכִי] [He.]

[John 4:3-7, 9-10, 13-14, 24-26 NASB]

Jesus (YHVH or Yahweh saves) has just told a woman at "Jacob's well" . . . given to his son, Joseph (hear Ephraim or Manasseh) that he is YHVH or Yahweh the fountain of living water

מִי־סַחֲיִים אֶת־יְהוָה who has come to save people from their sins . . .  
He, YHVH or Yahweh is the Messiah or Christ.

The "New Testament" (New Covenant) text says clearly that John is **baptizing** near the Jordan River. Rivers flow as opposed to lakes or ponds that are stagnant. The visual imagery of a flowing stream takes us back to Abraham and Isaac's well that produces "living water," literally in the Hebrew text (deeper explanation follows). Most translators describe it as spring, running, flowing, fresh and so forth. In ancient Israel, water was scarce and access to streams/rivers was limited. Cisterns or "mikvehs" were dug to catch rain water. Ritual bathing/cleansing in a mikveh was/is performed

for the imagery of being cleansed or washed from our sins. It is as if the living water that is YHVH EL Shaddai cleanses us from our sin.

13 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. [Jeremiah 2:13 KJV]

13 O LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, [and] they that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the fountain of living waters. [Jeremiah 17:13 KJV]

The God of Israel is saying that the Hebrews/Jews of antiquity traded Him for cisterns that could not hold water. They traded their God for idols. They traded away the “living water”.

John is “baptizing or immersing” in the flowing or running water to recapture the imagery of being cleansed from sin by returning to YHVH, the God of Israel. John’s baptism is strictly for the imagery of being cleansed from sin, a baptism of repentance. John is **NOT** “baptizing” Jews. The Jordan River provides the imagery of being immersed in the Living Water that is YHVH El Shaddai . . . the LORD God Almighty himself. A baptism of repentance

demonstrates returning to YHVH or turning . . . for the first time to YHVH, the God of Israel . . . the God of all humanity. John is duplicating the concept of a “mikveh” but also “remembering” from a story in the Hebrew Tanakh (Old Testament).

14 So Naaman went down to the Jordan River and **dipped** himself seven times, as the man of God had instructed him. And his skin became as healthy as the skin of a young child's, and he was healed! [2 Kings 5:14 NLT]

5:14 καὶ κατέβη Ναιμαν καὶ ἐ**βαπτίσατο** ἐν τῷ Ιορδάνῃ ἑπτὰκι κατὰ τὸ ῥῆμα Ελισαιε καὶ ἐπέστρεψεν ἡ σὰρξ αὐτοῦ ὡς σὰρξ παιδαρίου μικροῦ καὶ ἐκαθαρίσθη

“**Batpizo**” but in the verb sense above . . . he dipped . . . he baptized (himself) . . . in the flowing water (living water or **מים חיים**) of the Jordan.

וירד וי**טבל** בירדן שבע פעמים כדבר איש האלהים וישב בשרו כבשר נער  
קטן ויטהר:

טבל = βαπτίς = baptized. Joh was “dipping” people in the Jordan. Leprosy was thought to be an external representation of an internal sin. Naaman received a baptism or “dipping” or immersing for repentance of his sin (Hebrew thought).

In this story is an exceedingly important **biblical** principle regarding inheritance.

*[ While it may seem odd, we are still pursuing why the “rock” would become a “rock of offense.” The Spirit of the Living God does not always teach in a straight line . . . **revelation** is often more ‘cursive’. It is an analogy lost on those who no longer are required to learn cursive for penmanship.]*

1 And there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And **Isaac** went unto Abimelech king of the Philistines unto Gerar. 2 And the LORD [El Shaddai] appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of: 3 Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I sware unto Abraham thy father; 4 And I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; 5 **Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.** [Genesis 26:1-5 KJV]

**Isaac inheritance is directly to his father, Abraham’s obedience.**

15 So all the wells that his father's servants had dug in the time of his father Abraham, the Philistines stopped up, filling them with earth. ... 18 Isaac reopened the wells that had been dug in the time of his father Abraham, which the Philistines had stopped up after Abraham died, and he gave them the same names his father had given them. [Genesis 26:15, 18 NIV]

Abraham's wells are passed on to his son, Isaac, not because of anything Isaac did . . . because Abraham obeyed [YHVH] El Shaddai's voice, kept His charge, kept his commandments, his statutes and His laws . . . a very interesting (personal) journey is to find where this verse was fulfilled in the life of Abraham, "where is it written?"

Jesus (Yehoshua or Yeshua or YHVH or Yahweh saves or is salvation) is at Jacob's (Yakov's) well that Yakov gave to his son Yosef . . . but Yosef died in Egypt after Yakov "adoped" his sons Ephraim and Manasseh. The well(s) were to passed to Isaac then to Jacob then to Joseph then to Ephraim and Manasseh . . . all because Abraham's obedience . . .

7 Our God, did you not drive out the inhabitants of this land before your people Israel and give it forever to the descendants of Abraham your friend? [2 Chronicles 20:7 NIV]

8 "But you, Israel, my servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen, you **descendants of Abraham my friend**, [Isaiah 41:8 NIV]

23 And the scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness," and he was called **God's [YHVH's] friend**. [James (Yakov) 2:23 NIV]

18 and Isaac turneth back, and diggeth the wells of water which they **digged in the days of Abraham** his father, which the Philistines do stop after the death of Abraham, and he calleth to them names according to the names which his father called them. 19 And Isaac's servants dig in the valley, and find there a **well of living water**, [Genesis 26:18-19 YLT or Young's **Literal Translation**]

ויחפרו עבדי־יצחק בנחל וימצאו־שם באר **מים חיים**

26:19 καὶ ὤρυξαν οἱ παῖδες Ἰσαακ ἐν τῇ φάραγγι Γεραρων καὶ εὔρον ἐκεῖφρέαρ **ὑδατος ζῶντος**

foderunt in torrente et reppererunt **aquam vivam**

Jesus is at a well where **He tells a Samaritan woman** (The ten northern tribes were exiled to Assyria, intermixed with other non-Hebrew or Jewish, the exiles then re-settled in Israel. Samaria was the capital of the northern kingdom of Israel or Ephraim) **that He is**



Yahweh, the fountain of living water. He tells her this in part based on Abraham's obedience, which in part relates to digging a well where he (Abraham) found "living water." It is the God of Abraham, YHVH El Shaddai who Himself is the well of living water.

The battle since Abraham left Ur of the Chaldees and his father's gods, has been for the "right, honor or privilege" of being known as the "living water," the source of life. It is Abraham who dug the first well where living water . . . מים חיים is found. It is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob's **right** to be known as "The" source but there is always a usurper. The battle has taken many forms throughout the ages. But, a new age is upon mankind.

Religion is the usurper . . . Catholic Christianity, Protestant Christianity, Judaism in all its forms and Islam (Mohammedanism).

Religion desires be seen as "The Most High God."

The rebellion in the Garden of Eden was about who would be God. Would it be YHVH or Yahweh? Would it be Adam and Eve?

22 But Samuel replied: "Does the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]? To obey is better than sacrifice,

and to heed is better than the fat of rams. [1 Samuel 15:22 NIV]

22 But Samuel replied, "What is more pleasing to the LORD: [YHVH or Yahweh] your burnt offerings and sacrifices or your obedience to his voice? Listen! Obedience is better than sacrifice, and submission is better than offering the fat of rams. [1 Samuel 15:22 NLT]

ויאמר שמואל החפץ ליהוה בעלות וזבחים כשמע בקול יהוה הנה  
שמע מזבח טוב להקשיב מחלב אילים

Rebellion is a religion of self-exaltation. It is the desire to be seen as the Most High God [אל עליון], the God of Israel אל אלהי ישראל, YHVH or Yahweh the God of all flesh (humanity) after Jeremiah 32:20,

הנה אני יהוה אלהי כל-בשר הממני יפלא כל-דבר:

What is the source, the “well spring” of rebellion? Who dug the wells? Abraham and Isaac dug the wells that the Philistines covered up. The battle was, is and will always be for the Living Water.

How do “we” solve these problems? They will never be solved in English, Latin, Greek or any other language/tongue than Hebrew.

Isaac ben Abraham ben Terah was and is the child of promise as it relates to covenant. Let's re-dig his wells. . .

I've chosen Young's Literal Translation because it accurately translates the initial as "living water."

19 And Isaac's servants dig in the valley, and find there a well of living water, 20 and shepherds of Gerar strive with shepherds of Isaac, saying, 'The water [is] ours;' and he calleth the name of the well 'Strife,' [Esek] because they have striven habitually with him; 21 and they dig another well, and they strive also for it, and he calleth its name 'Hatred.' [Sitnah] [Genesis 26:19-21 YLT]

עשק pronounced "esek" is from the Hebrew root for striving, quarreling or contention according to Strong's Concordance.

שטנה pronounced "sitnah" comes from the root שטן. The meaning is in the direction enmity, accusation, strife, contention, etc.

שטן in English would read "stn." It is most familiar to us in a different story:

1 Then he showed me Joshua יהושע the high priest standing before the Angel of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], and Satan

standing at his right hand to oppose him. [Zechariah 3:1  
NKJV]

ויראני את־יהושע הכהן הגדול עמד לפני מלאך יהוה והשטן עמד  
על־ימינו לשטנו

3:1 καὶ ἔδειξέν μοι Ἰησοῦν τὸν ἱερέα τὸν μέγαν ἐστῶτα πρὸ προσ  
ώπου ἀγγέλου κυρίου καὶ ὁ εἰστήκει ἐκ δεξιῶν αὐτοῦ τοῦ ἀντικεῖσ  
θαι αὐτῷ

et ostendit mihi Iesum sacerdotem magnum stantem coram  
angelo Domini et Satan stabat a dextris eius ut adversaretur ei

Enmity, strife, contention and accusation come from the accuser,  
ha satan or שטן or διάβολος or the Satan.

The contention, strife and enmity is over the living water. More  
accurately *in human (visual) terms*, it is over who possesses the  
living water or has access/control of access to the living water.

In the story regarding the wells, Abraham leaves Ur of the Chaldees  
and is rewarded by entering to relationship the True and Living  
God, YHVH or Yahweh El Shaddai (God Almighty). YHVH  
eventually becomes more clearly the God of Israel. YHVH is the  
God of all humanity as we have seen.

YHVH, God of the Patriarchs, the God of the Hebrews enters into a “battle” with Pharaoh and his gods. YHVH wins (no surprise) but the satan waits patiently.

The satan sends out Amalek who attacks the rear guard of the columns, the weak, sick, tired or the old. Amalek is distinguished by being Esau’s grandson (Genesis 36:12). Jacob I have loved but Esau I have hated, says the Lord YHVH, God Israel? Why? Esau rejected (despised) his birthright counted it as a small thing not to be apprehended. The sins of the father . . .

All the battles that Israel fights (physically) are regarding whose god is God. Is it the god of the Philistines? Is it the god of the Babylonians? Is it the god of the Amalekites? *Yahweh of Nazareth: The Name Above All Names* deals extensively with these battles.

YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel is always the name above the god(s) He engages with in battle. Always means always especially in Hebrew. Behind each “demon god” is the satan, the accuser, the usurper, the evil one who would be King of kings, LORD of Lords and God of gods. Jesus was, is and will always be YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel. Yahweh was, is and will always be a savior.

8 Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh saves or is salvation Strong's #G2424 and #H3091] Christ [is] the same yesterday, today, and forever. [Hebrews 13:8 NKJV]

9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh saves etc.] every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, 11 and [that] every tongue should confess that Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh saves etc.] Christ [is] Lord [kurios or YHVH or Yahweh יהוה], to the glory of God the Father. [Philippians 2:9-11 NKJV]

2 [It is] the glory of God to conceal a matter, But the glory of kings [is] to search out a matter. [Proverbs 25:2 NKJV]

Remember, you have **free access** to these books as well as *Jesus in the Tanakh* at [www.anassemblyofyhvh.org](http://www.anassemblyofyhvh.org). Please, just follow the download directions.

In somewhat of a recap, let's revisit the scripture regarding a stone of stumbling and a rock of offence that Shaul (Paul) quotes in his epistle to the Romans who had accepted Jesus of Nazareth as the physical incarnation of YHVH or Yahweh the son of Yahweh.

14 And he shall be for a sanctuary; but for a stone of stumbling and for a rock of offence to both the houses of Israel, for a gin and for a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem. [Isaiah 8:14 KJV]

The Hebrew word translated as “offense” above is מכשול or “mikshowl.” While it is often translated as “offense,” it can also be translated as “stumbling, a means of stumbling or a stumbling block.”

A “stone of stumbling” is from the Hebrew root נגף or “negeph.” It can also mean “to strike, stumble or striking against.”

This verse could also read in English:

14 He will keep you safe. But to Israel and Judah he will be a stone that makes people stumble, a rock that makes them fall. And for the people of Jerusalem he will be a trap and a snare. [Isaiah 8:14 NLT]

14 He will be a sanctuary; but for the two houses of Israel, he will be a stone to stumble over and a rock to trip over, and a trap and a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem. [Isaiah 8:14 CSB]

14 He will become a sanctuary, but a stone that makes a person trip, and a rock that makes one stumble - to the two houses of Israel. He will become a trap and a snare to the residents of Jerusalem. [Isaiah 8:14 NET]

As a writer, there are challenges relating to copying from copyrighted texts. These last three from the New Living Translation, Christian Study Bible and New English Translation perhaps capture what is meant from the Hebrew text for Isaiah 8:14

*Tanakh, The Holy Scriptures* from the Jewish Publication Society renders this verse as above as does *The Stone Edition of the Torah, Prophets and Writings* and *The Interlinear NIV Hebrew English Old Testament*.

A stone that makes a person trip and a rock that makes one stumble could also be thought of as stubbing one's toe.

Why focus so much on these grammatical nuances?

13 Sanctify the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts himself; and [let] him [be] your fear, and [let] him [be] your dread. [Isaiah 8:13 KJV]



13 The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts, Him you shall hallow; [Let] Him [be] your fear, And [let] Him [be] your dread. [Isaiah 8:13 NKJV]

13 The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] Almighty is the one you are to regard as holy, he is the one you are to fear, he is the one you are to dread. [Isaiah 8:13 NIV]

את־יהוה צבאות אתו תקדישו והוא מוראכם והוא מערצכם

It is YHVH or Yahweh **יהוה**, the God of Israel whom we are to sanctify or set apart in our hearts. We are to fear YHVH or Yahweh or **יהוה** but it is this Yahweh who is the stone . . . father and son . . . the rock . . . from the Hebrew texts. It is the son of God, Yahweh who comes in the form of a human, even a “bondservant or slave” who offers himself up as the Passover Lamb for the forgiveness of sins.

There is no pre-incarnate Jesus or Yeshua. There is a pre-incarnate son of Yahweh, or Yahweh ben Yahweh or Yahweh bar Yahweh who comes in the form of a man.

**This is the stone that one trips over. This is the rock that is a stumbling block, to the Jew first and then the gentile.**

21 For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not [come to] know God, God was well-pleased through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. 22 For indeed Jews ask for signs and Greeks search for wisdom; 23 but we preach Christ crucified, to Jews a stumbling block and to Gentiles foolishness, 24 but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25 Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. [1 Corinthians 1:21-25 NASB]

16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. [Romans 1:16 NIV]

The gospel that Paul is preaching is that Yahweh, the God of Israel was the son of God, Yahweh son of Yahweh who became human as a savior . . . for there is no forgiveness of sin without the shedding of blood . . . the ark of Yahweh, Lord of all the earth comes out of the Jordan river on the tenth day of the first month, the same day the lamb was taken into the homes of the Hebrews in Egypt. I could go on.

The gospel or **בשורה** or “besorah” of Shaul **שאול** aka Paul of Tarsus

Has nothing to do with the Jesus of the Christian Churches, orthodox or protestant.

It has everything to do with the Yahweh or YHVH, Lord of all the earth, God of Israel.

Does this make you stumble? Does this make you stub your toe? Are you offended that it was the King of Israel, the King of the Jews, the Lawgiver that gave his life for you to satisfy the righteous requirement of His own teaching (Torah)?

47 Jesus [YHVH saves or is salvation] saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!" 48 Nathanael said to Him, "How do You know me?" Jesus [YHVH saves or Yahweh is salvation] answered and said to him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you" 49 Nathanael answered and said to Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" [John 1:47-9 NKJV]

37 And they put up over His head the accusation written against Him: THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS. [Matthew 27:37 NKJV]

26 And the inscription of His accusation was written above:  
THE KING OF THE JEWS. [Mark 15:26 NKJV]

38 And an inscription also was written over Him in letters of  
Greek, Latin, and Hebrew: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.  
[Luke 23:38 NKJV]

19 Now Pilate wrote a title and put [it] on the cross. And the  
writing was: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE  
JEWS. [John 19:19 NKJV]

An orthodox rabbi friend of mine said in a recent synagogue service that per chance was on “Easter Sunday” morning, “the God of another religion cannot be the savior of the world. The God of Israel is the Savior of the world.”

I doubt that you will hear a more accurate or more concise rendering of the gospel than his words.

The God of Christianity is not the savior of the world unless the God of Christianity is the God of Israel . . . that is why Paul,

5 circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, [of] the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of the Hebrews; concerning the law, a Pharisee; [son of a Pharisee] [Philippians 3:5 NKJV],

was not ashamed. Paul's Jesus was, is and will always be *Yahweh of Nazareth: The Name Above All Names* and Paul's Jesus was *Jesus in the Tanakh*, not Jesus in the Talmud not Jesus of the Targums or Jesus of Christianity.

The stone that the builders rejected that has become the chief cornerstone, that stone of stumbling and rock that makes one fall or trip is YHVH, Yahweh ben Yahweh or Yahweh bar Yahweh, the son of Yahweh. Or said another way, the God of the "Old Testament" or Tanakh is Yahweh ben/bar Yahweh, the son of Yahweh.

Yahweh the God of Israel, the God of the Hebrews, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of all humanity is the Christ, the Messiah. He is "Salvatore Mundi," savior of the world.

This . . . is . . . **THE** . . . Gospel . . . Good News . . . **בשורה**

4 For if someone comes to you and preaches a Jesus other than the Jesus we preached, or if you receive a different spirit from the Spirit you received, or a different gospel from the one you accepted, you put up with it easily enough. [2 Corinthians 11:4 NIV]

2 It is the glory of God to conceal a matter; to search out a matter is the glory of kings. [Proverbs 25:2 NIV]

כבד אלהים הסתר דבר וכבד מלכים חקר דבר

## “King of kings,” the Living Water and the Battle for Mount Moriah or “The Binding of Isaac”

Simple but not easy . . .

As I have mentioned, perhaps too many times, a writer is hindered by copyright laws regarding the number of verses that can be quoted from a copyrighted bible. In America, the King James Version is in the public domain as well as several others.

I use two online bible resources, [www.blueletterbible.org](http://www.blueletterbible.org) and [www.mechon-mamre.org](http://www.mechon-mamre.org). Blue Letter Bible has graciously given me permission to use their site. The other one is [www.mechon-mamre.org](http://www.mechon-mamre.org), which is located in Jerusalem, has given me permission to use their site for my personal use but not for public or commercial use. I “check” many verses with their online source. I highly recommend it. With that said, refer to that site often. As an added benefit, you can listen to the text read in Hebrew by a native Israeli.

Remember, Abraham (Isaac and Jacob did not know their God as YHVH or Yahweh but as El Shaddai [God Almighty after Exodus 6:1-3]). This is **very crucial** concept. If one of the patriarchs were to tell/write their own stories, they would never use the word YHVH or Yahweh. But, Moses knows the name YHVH or Yahweh and as Moses writes or tells the story of the patriarchs, Moses moves freely

between the name YHVH or Yahweh and the “title,” God Almighty or El Shaddai.

Remember, Abraham is a prophet (Genesis 20:7) as is Moses (Deuteronomy 18:18 and Deuteronomy 33:1). Simon Peter or [פטר] reminds us that “no prophecy of scripture is of private origin, for prophecy never came by the will of man but from men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God”, after 2 Peter [פטר] 1:20-21.

15 "One witness shall not rise against a man concerning any iniquity or any sin that he commits; by the mouth of two or three witnesses the matter shall be established. [Deuteronomy 19:15 NKJV]

לֹא-יָקוּם עַד אֶחָד בְּאִישׁ לְכָל-עוֹן וּלְכָל-חַטָּאת בְּכָל-חַטָּא אֲשֶׁר יַחַטָּא  
עַל-פִּי שְׁנֵי עֵדִים אֹו עַל-פִּי שְׁלֹשָׁה-עֵדִים יָקוּם דְּבַר

A word is established as truth [יקום דבר] by two or three witnesses, Abraham, Moses and the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh.

Genesis 22, “The Akedah, The Binding of Isaac” (The First Witness)

1 And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt [test would be a better choice] Abraham, and said unto him,



Abraham: and he said, Behold, [here] I [am]. 2 And he said, take now thy son, thine only [son] Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the **land of Moriah**; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of. 3 And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. 4 Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off. 5 And Abraham said unto his young men, abide ye here with the ass; and I and **the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you**. 6 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid [it] upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together. 7 And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here [am] I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but **where [is] the lamb for a burnt offering?** 8 And Abraham said, **My son, God [YHVH or Yahweh El Shaddai] will provide himself a lamb** for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together. 9 And they came to the place which God [El Shaddai] had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and **bound Isaac** his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood. 10 And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son. 11 And the angel of the LORD [Yahweh] called unto him out of

heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here [am] I. 12 And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou anything unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God [El Shaddai], seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only [son] from me. 13 And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind [him] a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son. 14 And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah [YHVH or Yahweh]-jireh: as it is said [to] this day, **In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen.** [Genesis 22:1-14 KJV]

It would be a linguistically fair statement to say, “in the mount where **YHVH or Yahweh is seen.**”

Moriah or [**מְרִיָּה**] is a compound word based on the name of YHVH shortened to [Yah or **יָה**] and the Hebrew word [**רָאָה**] to see or to be seen. The essence of the word Moriah is a mount where **Yah is seen.** Abraham by faith goes to a place where *Yah will be seen*, not to a place where Yah *was* seen (by him or Isaac). Moses knows the name YHVH or Yahweh or Yah so he (Moses), can tell a story to the children of Israel that had come out of Egypt where their God as known as El Shaddai. Moses in obedience and by faith tells them the story of their God [El Shaddai] to fulfill the word of Yah . . .

15 And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this [is] my name for ever, and this [is] my memorial unto all generations. [Exodus 3:15 KJV]

Moses has “before him” three generations, those under 20 or not old enough to go to war, those old enough to go to war and those of such an age they were no longer *required* to go to war [they had a choice.]

15 And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this [is] my name for ever, and this [is] my memorial unto all generations. [Exodus 3:15 KJV]

Moses is teaching them all, three generations, the Name that is above all names, the Name they are to remember [זכר] for all generations . . . for all times. As Moses tells the story from what we recognize as Genesis 11 through at least Exodus 3, 4, 5, and 6, Moses is fulfilling the command to remember the Name YHVH for all generations.

ויאמר עוד אלהים אל־משה כה־תאמר אל־בני ישראל יהוה אלהי  
אבותיכם אלהי אברהם אלהי יצחק ואלהי יעקב שלחני אליכם זה־שמי  
לעלם וזה זכרי לדר דר

If you do not or cannot “see” this . . . ask . . . seek . . . and knock and  
it will be given [opened] to you. [Matthew 7:7-8]

*You must understand this to make it through what is to come in the  
days ahead of us . . . all of us.*

21 Then Araunah said, "Why has my lord the king come to his  
servant?" And David said, "To buy the threshing floor from  
you, in order to build an altar to the LORD [YHVH], that the  
plague may be held back from the people." 22 Araunah said to  
David, "Let my lord the king take and offer up what is good in  
his sight. Look, the oxen for the burnt offering, the threshing  
sledges and the yokes of the oxen for the wood. 23 "Everything,  
O king, Araunah gives to the king." And Araunah said to the  
king, "May the LORD [YHVH] your God accept you." 24  
However, the king said to Araunah, "No, but I will surely buy  
[it] from you for a price, for I will not offer burnt offerings to  
the LORD [Yahweh] my God which cost me nothing." So  
David bought the threshing floor and the oxen for fifty shekels  
of silver. 25 David built there an altar to the LORD [YHVH]  
and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings. Thus the

LORD [YHVH] was moved by prayer for the land, and the plague was held back from Israel. [2 Samuel 24:21-25 NASB]

21 As David came to Ornan, Ornan looked and saw David, and went out from the threshing floor and prostrated himself before David with his face to the ground. 22 Then David said to Ornan, "Give me the site of [this] threshing floor, that I may build on it an altar to the LORD [YHVH]; for the full price, you shall give it to me, that the plague may be restrained from the people." 23 Ornan said to David, "Take [it] for yourself; and let my lord the king do what is good in his sight. See, I will give the oxen for burnt offerings and the threshing sledges for wood and the wheat for the grain offering; I will give [it] all." 24 But King David said to Ornan, "No, but I will surely buy [it] for the full price; for I will not take what is yours for the LORD [YHVH], or offer a burnt offering which costs me nothing." 25 So David gave Ornan 600 shekels of gold by weight for the site. 26 Then David built an altar to the LORD [YHVH] there and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings. And he called to the LORD [YHVH] and He answered him with fire from heaven on the altar of burnt offering. [1 Chronicles 21:21-26 NASB]

1 Now Solomon began to build the house of the LORD [YHVH] at Jerusalem on Mount Moriah, where the LORD

[YHVH] had appeared to his father David, at the place that David had prepared on the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite. [2 Chronicles 3:1 NKJV]

Araunah and Ornan are the same person.

David bought the threshing floor to build an altar to YHVH.

Solomon built the temple to YHVH on the threshing floor.

**Mount Moriah** is the mount where YHVH or Yahweh *would be seen*.

This becomes the fulfillment of the prophecy given by Abraham recorded by Moses . . . 2 prophets.

The first temple built by Hebrews was built on Mount Moriah.

The second temple built by Jews was built on Mount Moriah.

The third (?) temple built by (???) will be built on Mount Moriah.

Why? It is the mount where YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the King of Israel, the king of the Jews, the King of kings, the God of all humanity . . . **WILL BE SEEN**.

So, what is the “big deal?”

Who is seen on Mount Moriah today?

Allah, the god of Islam is seen on Mount Moriah (the mount where Yah **will be seen**).

Why? It is a somewhat convoluted journey but is worth the effort.

Most recently, after the Six Day war (6/7/67), Jerusalem was liberated from the Jordanians (Muslims), including the Temple Mount or Mount Moriah. Mount Moriah was returned to the Jordanian WAFQ by Moshe Dayan and Levi Eshkol. They did not believe the Israeli military could keep the land. Moshe and Levi add their names to the list of the ten spies who returned to give Moses the “negative” report (Numbers 13). Think of it as, there are now 12 spies who provide a negative report. By the way, the original 12 spies found the giant fruit in the “valley of Eshkol.” The Hebrew word translated “negative is phonetically ‘dibbah’ or [דבַּת].” This word [דבַּת] is the word that is currently used in Israel for a law suit regarding “slander or ‘dibbah’.” The spies “slandered” YHVH or Yahweh.

Consider these completely astonishing words:

6 Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord [Jesus or YHVH of Nazareth], will You at this time **restore the kingdom to Israel?**" [Acts 1:6 NKJV]

7 And He [Jesus or Yehoshua or Yeshua or YHVH of Nazareth] said to them, "It is not for you to know **times or seasons** which the Father has put in His own authority. 8 "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be **witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria** [known today as the "West Bank"], **and to the end of the earth.**" [Acts 1:7-8 NKJV]

Recall, that truth is determined by two of three witnesses . . . Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria. To some degree, who "occupies" these territories? Palestinians or Arabs of which both groups are overwhelmingly Muslims. Allah occupies these territories as he does Mount Moriah.

Why?

Islam does not understand the binding of Isaac as such. They believe and teach that it was **Ishmael who was bound** as a sacrifice.

Moriah means the "mount where Yah is seen . . . not the mount where Allah is seen or will be seen.



Islam believes that Abraham or Ibrahim went to Moriah with the son he loved, Ishmael. Allah even sent his prophet Mohammed on a night journey to Mount Moriah to be caught up into heaven.

Allah desires **to be seen** as YHVH or Yahweh (creator, savior, redeemer, deliverer, forgiver of sins, healer, life, length of days, shield and shelter/strong tower/refuge, God of gods, Lord of lords and King of kings, Most High God, everlasting God, all-powerful God, all-sufficient God, great God, Mighty God, etc.).

It is even prophesied in the Hebrew language. Isaiah 14 is clearly about the king of Babylon but we have an opportunity to see how “ha satan or satan or Lucifer” works through people. We saw, from the Hebrew language in Genesis 26 how “the accuser” or ha satan was responsible for the strife, contention, accusation, resistance or opposition was at work in the digging of Abraham and Isaac’s wells. Recall the root, **[שטן]** from Genesis 26:21. The contention was for the well with “living water,” or **[מים חיים]**.

12 "How you have fallen from heaven, O [Lucifer] star of the morning, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the earth, You who have weakened the nations!

13 "But you said in your heart, 'I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God, And I will sit on the mount of assembly In the recesses of the north.

ואתה אמרת בלבבך השמים אעלה ממעל לכוכבי־אל ארים כסאי  
ואשב בהר־מועד בירכתי צפון

14 'I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.' [Isaiah 14:12-14 NASB]

אעלה על־במתי עב אדמה לעליון

When a Jew immigrates from the diaspora (galut) to Israel, they are said to make “Aliyah,” or to ascend or to go up (implicitly to Jerusalem).

In a Jewish synagogue, when Jewish males ascend to read from the Torah, it is said that they are being offered an “aliyah.”

Aliyah means to ascend or go up to YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel. Whether Yah is “seen” to be in Jerusalem on the Temple Mount (Mount Moriah) or in a synagogue, Yah is “seen” in the Ark of the Torah [ארון־הקדש] or in the scrolls themselves (metaphor, as in the living word).

The satan seeks to make “Aliyah” above the throne of the Most High or El Elyon (YHVH or Yahweh, God of all humanity or flesh) in the heavens but also on earth.

It is clear that YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel is to be seen on Mount Moriah (where **Yah will be seen**). What a better place for “the satan” to be seen as Yah or YHVH or Yahweh than on Mount Moriah (Temple Mount?)

Why? The devil or Lucifer or “the satan” is a usurper. He desires what is not his. He has always desired to be the True and Living God. He only comes to steal, kill and destroy. He has been a liar from the beginning [**בראשית**]. The truth is not in him.

“The satan” wants to be the living water . . . he wants to possess the living water . . . he desires to withhold access to the living water.

Yet, from Abraham and Isaac’s well of living water . . . to Israel itself,

12 Be astonished, O heavens, at this, And be horribly afraid; Be very desolate," says the **LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]** 13 "For My people have committed two evils: **They have forsaken Me [YHVH or Yahweh], the fountain of living waters,** [And] hewn themselves cisterns--broken cisterns that can hold no water.

[Jeremiah 2:12-13 NKJV]

13 O LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the hope of Israel, All who forsake You shall be ashamed. "Those who depart from Me [YHVH or Yahweh] Shall be written in the earth, Because they have forsaken the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], The fountain of living waters." [Jeremiah 17:13 NKJV]

But, to understand the Mount Moriah (Temple Mount) connection, we need the writings of the prophet Zechariah (Yah remembers):

1 Behold, a day is coming for the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] when the spoil taken from you will be divided among you. 2 For I will gather all the nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city will be captured, the houses plundered, the women ravished and half of the city exiled, but the rest of the people will not be cut off from the city. 3 Then the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] will go forth and fight against those nations, as when He fights on a day of battle. 4 In that day His feet

[How does the LORD fight in that day . . . 3 The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] a man of war: the LORD [is] his name. [Exodus 15:3 KJV] as on page 27.

יהוה איש מלחמה יהוה שמו

Yahweh is a man . . . (prophecy)

[Yahweh has feet because He is a **man** . . .] will stand on the Mount of Olives, which is in front of Jerusalem on the east; and the Mount of Olives will be split in its middle from east to west by a very large valley, so that half of the mountain will move toward the north, and the other half toward the south. 5 You will flee by the valley of My mountains, for the valley of the mountains will reach to Azel; yes, you will flee just as you fled before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Then the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], my God, will come, [and] all the holy ones with Him! 6 In that day there will be no light; the luminaries will [be] dwindled. 7 For it will be a unique day which is known to the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], neither day nor night, but it will come about that at evening time there will be light. 8 And in that day **living waters will flow out of Jerusalem, half of them toward the eastern sea and the other half toward the western sea; it will be in summer as well as in winter.** [Zechariah 14:1-8 NASB]

Perhaps “the satan or Lucifer or Allah” thinks that by his presence on Mount Moriah (mount where ***Yah will be seen***) can delay the inevitable.

The battle has been from well to well to Mount Moriah.

Revelation comes from above . . . all I do is type . . .

And, what of the “anti-christ?”

This end times or end of days [בְּאַחֲרֵית הַיָּמִים] battle does not appear to include “the Christian Church, Catholic or Protestant.” If they were “players,” wouldn’t they have a stake or place on Mount Moriah? They did at one point. Orthodox Catholic churches have been on Mount Moriah or the Temple Mount . . . in times past.

At this point in this book it is at least implicit if not explicit that YHVH or Yahweh ben Yahweh or Yahweh bar Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of the Patriarchs, the God of the Hebrews, the God of all humanity . . . is the Messiah, the Christ. But, since there is no forgiveness of sin without the shedding of blood per the Lawgiver, Yahweh, He must become human to fulfill the prophesy regarding the ark of YHVH or Yahweh, Lord of all the earth coming out of the Jordan on the tenth (first day of the tenth month). He must have a human body . . . YHVH cannot be the Passover lamb that comes into the house of Israel unless He has a body . . . no longer will you call me Yahweh “baali” but you will call me “ishi or my man or my husband.”

16 "And it shall be, in that day," Says the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], "[That] you will call Me 'My Husband,' And no longer call Me 'My Master,' [Hosea 2:16 NKJV]

(WLC 2:18)

והיה ביום־ההוא נא־סִיְהוּהוּ תִקְרָא אִישִׁי וְלֹא־תִקְרָאֵי־לִי עוֹד בְּעַלִּי

17 For I will take from her mouth the names of the Baals, and they shall be remembered by their name no more. [Hosea 2:16-17 NKJV]

והסרתי את־שמות הבעלים מפיה וְלֹא־יִזְכְּרוּ עוֹד בְּשֵׁמִם (WLC 2:19)

YHVH will fight as he fights in the day as a “man” of war and an “ishi or my man or my husband” and YHVH’s feet will stand on the Mount of Olives. YHVH will fight as a man and a bridegroom.

30 So the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. [Exodus 14:30 NKJV]

וְיֹשֶׁעַ יְהוָה בְּיוֹם הַהוּא אֶת־יִשְׂרָאֵל מִיַּד מִצְרַיִם וַיִּרְא יִשְׂרָאֵל  
אֶת־מִצְרַיִם מֵת עַל־שַׁפְתַּי הַיָּם

Literally, the Hebrew reads “and saved YHVH or Yahweh.” The English syntax reads “YHVH or Yahweh saved.”

Reading the highlighted text from right to left (Hebraic) creates the name, Yeshayahu or Isaiah.

Reading the highlighted text from left to right (English syntax) creates the name Yehoshua (Joshua) which shortens to Yeshua (Jesus).

16 These [are] the names of the men which Moses sent to spy out the land. And Moses called **Oshea [Hoshea]** the son of Nun **J[Y]ehoshua**. [Numbers 13:16 KJV]

13:16

אלה שמות האנשים אשר-שלח משה לתור את-הארץ ויקרא משה  
להושע בן-נון יהושע

Hoshea or Oshea receives a name change to help the people remember that it was YHVH or Yahweh who saved them from the Egyptians. Hoshea or Oshea translates as “salvation” or “deliverance.”

Moses didn't save the Hebrews. Yah did. Moses' successor needs a name that helps the Hebrews [**העברים**] remember who saved them.



It wasn't Hoshea or Oshea ben [son of] Nun. Joshua ben Nun leads them into the promised land but his name for 40 years helps them remember how they got there. "YHVH or Yahweh saves/salvation/savior [יהושע] ben Nun."

So, where in Isaiah or Yeshayahu can we find a scripture regarding YHVH or Yahweh saving that day (English syntax)?

22 For the LORD [YHVH] [is] our judge, the LORD [YHVH] [is] our lawgiver, the LORD [YHVH] [is] our king; **he** [YHVH or Yahweh] will save us. [Isaiah 33:22 KJV]

It seems as though there are two choices: (1) YHVH or Yahweh will save us or (2) the king will save us. The pronoun "he", in this case, in English syntax, usually refers to the last noun (I'm reaching way back for this data).

7 Surely the Lord GOD [YHVH or Yahweh] will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets. [Amos 3:7 KJV]

13 And David took [him] more concubines and wives out of Jerusalem, after he was come from Hebron: and there were yet sons and daughters born to David. 14 And these [be] the names of those that were born unto him in Jerusalem;

Shammua, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon, 15 Ibhar also, and Elishua, and Nepheg, and Japhia, 16 And Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphalet. [2 Samuel 5:13-16 KJV]

ויבחר ואל־ישוע ונפג ויפיע

This should look familiar . . . and God Yeshua (Jesus) but since “el” refers to God [El Shaddai], Jesus must be YHVH or Yahweh . . . Yahweh saves or is salvation . . . We have been here earlier . . . But,

33 And Ner begat Kish, and Kish begat Saul, and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal. [1 Chronicles 8:33 KJV]

ונר הוליד את־קיש וקיש הוליד את־שאול ושאול הוליד את־יהונתן  
ואת־מלכי־ישוע ואת־אבינדב ואת־אשבעל

מלכי־ישוע can also be written without the hyphen (which doesn't exist or didn't exist in a scroll) as מלכישוע. This word can be read as “king Yeshua or Jesus.” Jesus or Yeshua or Yehoshua means YHVH or Yahweh saves or is salvation.

These two words אֱלִישׁוּעַ and מֶלֶךְ יֵשׁוּעַ are the reason that the Jews referred to Jesus as “the son of God” or the reason they want to make him king. The prophets had spoken . . .

I've written more on these two topics in *Yahweh of Nazareth: The Name Above All Names* and *Jesus in the Tanakh*. You have free online access to these works. Use them, please.

24 "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. [Matthew 7:24 NIV]

48 They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. [Luke 6:48 NIV]

Matthew was written to a Jewish audience. Luke was written to a gentile audience. If you are a gentile and don't or didn't have access to the Hebrew scriptures or the Spirit of YHVH who is holy, you'll have dig deeper. Ask the Spirit of the LORD YHVH or Yahweh to be your teacher or rabbi and see how He fulfills the scripture in your life.

13 All your children will be taught by the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], and great will be their peace. [Isaiah 54:13 NIV]

וכל־בני־ךְ לְמוֹדֵי יְהוָה וְרַב שְׁלוֹם בְּנִי־ךְ:

Since YHVH or Yahweh or Yeshua or Yehoshua is your teacher, He must be a rabbi . . .

49 Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel." [John 1:49 NIV]

8 "But you are not to be called 'Rabbi,' for you have one Teacher, and you are all brothers. ... 10 Nor are you to be called instructors, for you have one Instructor, the Messiah. [Matthew 23:8, 10 NIV]

8 "But you, do not be called 'Rabbi'; for One is your Teacher, the Christ, and you are all brethren. [Matthew 23:8 NKJV]

Jesus was telling His Jewish audience that He was YHVH or Yahweh who came to teach them . . . *this scripture is fulfilled today in your hearing [reading].* Do not be called rabbi or call no man rabbi was meant for His Jewish audience that was “before his face.”

YHVH is the Christ/Messiah who came to teach, to be called Rabbi.

Now you know why Jesus did not want the little children hindered in coming to Him. It has nothing to do with having the faith a child (as a primary cause) but it was for the fulfillment of scripture. It will, however, require that you have the simple faith in Yahweh to receive this as fact, as truth.

Jesus desired to say of this scripture Isaiah (“Yeshayahu” or salvation is of YHVH or Yahweh) “this scripture is fulfilled today within your hearing.”

“This scripture is fulfilled today within your hearing” based on a statement that Jesus made when he was given an “aliyah” in the synagogue.

17 And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, 18 The Spirit of the Lord [is] upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, 19 To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. 20 And he closed the book, and he gave [it] again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. 21

And he began to say unto them, **This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.** [Luke 4:17-21 KJV]

Jesus (Yahweh son of Yahweh who became human as a savior) was reading from Yeshayahu (salvation is of YHVH, Isaiah 61).

1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD [my lord YHVH or Yahweh] [is] upon me; because the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to [them that are] bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] . . . [Isaiah 61:1-2 KJV]

רוח אדני יהוה עלי יען משח יהוה אתי לבשר ענוים שלחני לחבש לנשבר  
יִלֵּב לְקַרְא לְשִׁבוּיִם דְּרוּר וּלְאִסוּרִים פְּקַח־קוּחַ  
לְקַרְא שְׁנַת־רְצוֹן לִיהוֹה וַיּוֹם נָקַם לְאֱלֹהֵינוּ לְנַחֵם כָּל־אֲבֵלִים

This becomes a pattern of revelation . . . “this scripture is fulfilled today within your hearing (in your ears).”

How many of these revelations have we missed?

Does it matter?

## Who Are the Builders?

22 The **stone** [which] the builders refused is become the head [stone] of the corner. [Psalm 118:22 KJV]

22 The **stone** [which] the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. [Psalm 118:22 NKJV]

אבן מאסו הבונים היתה לראש פנה: 118:22

We have examined the possibility (probability) that the concept of “stone” in Hebrew prophesies the existence of the Yahweh El Shaddai or the LORD Almighty or God of all flesh or God of Israel or God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob as both father and son. In part from a human perspective, since the God of the bible is spirit, He can choose to reveal Himself in any form He chooses.

13 Who hath directed the Spirit of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], or [being] his counsellor hath taught him? [Isaiah 40:13 KJV]

No one could or should offer counsel to the LORD [**YHVH or Yahweh**] Almighty, **El Shaddai**. It would be the height of hubris to decree what the God of Israel can or cannot do.

With that said, I would like to pose a simple (but not easy) question. In my “lead up” to that question, I will make some superficial observations. *An in-depth discussion is beyond the scope of this work.*

There have been two temples in Israel over the last three millennia. The first temple was to some degree planned by King David but built by his son Solomon, king of Israel.

It would seem that the second temple was built in part by Zerubbabel.

9 The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house; his hands shall also finish it; and thou shalt know that the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts hath sent me unto you. [Zechariah 4:9 KJV]

ידי זרובבל יסדו הבית הזה וידיו תבצענה וידעת כי־יהוה צבאות שלחני אליכם:

Zerubbabel can be translated as “sown in Babylon.” Babylon can itself be translated as “confusion as by mixing (as in mixing the holy and the profane). The Hebrews or Jews were separated out from the nations as “holy,” but not sinless. The nations or goyim or gentiles could be thought of as profane or vulgar or common. They were not



chosen. Sown in Babylon could well mean one **conceived** in chaos or confusion or those who are holy that have been **mixed** with those who are not holy (separated out to the God of Israel, the God of all humanity or both). (You might need to read this paragraph twice.)

Zerubbabel is the son of King Josiah, king of Israel. As such, he was a legitimate heir to the Davidic throne had Israel not been occupied by the Babylonians, Medes, Medo-Persians and eventually the Persians. How could Zerubbabel set the stone and also finish it? Was he to finish the building of the temple? It isn't *necessarily* clear.

Is this a *prophecy* that another who was sown in confusion by mixing of the holy and the profane (or common) will finish the work that Zerubbabel started?

It is an interesting question. Jesus of Nazareth said of John the Baptist (Yehochanon ben Zecharyah ha cohen) that he, John was Elijah who was to come.

13 For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John (the Baptist). 14 And if ye will receive [it], **this is Elias (Elijah or Eliyahu)**, which was for to come. 15 He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. [Matthew 11:13-15 KJV]

Jesus was quoting from the prophet Malachi:

5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]:  
6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse. [Malachi 4:5-6 KJV]

It would seem that a pattern might exist.

10 And I (John son of Zebedee) took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bitter. 11 And he said unto me, thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings.  
[Revelation 10:10-11 KJV]

Zebedee = Ζεβεδαῖος = זבדי

Where זבדי is translated as “endowment from the root for rising.”

John (‘the Revelator’ as he is often called) was therefore **Yechonan ben Zabdi.**

Will John (the Revelator) ben Zabdi come back from the dead to finish this prophetic charge or should we look for another?

At least, we have clearly seen two “brick and mortar” temples.

What of Bezalel?

30 And Moses said unto the children of Israel, See, the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] hath called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah; 31 And he hath filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship;

[Exodus 35:30-31 KJV]

Bezalel was commissioned by the Lord Yahweh, the God of Israel to build the tabernacle of meeting along with all of its furnishings (and much more). To build the tabernacle of meeting where the Lord God of Israel, Yahweh El Shaddai would meet with His people, Bezalel had to first “become” the tabernacle of meeting by being filled with the Spirit of the Lord God of Israel. Wherever Bezalel went, the Spirit of God went as well. It was as if Bezalel was the ark before he built the ark of the covenant which he actually built out of acacia wood. We could say that the first ark of the covenant was flesh and blood before it the second ark was made out of acacia wood. The ark that Bezalel built would move 42 times with the Hebrews as they journeyed with their God, Yahweh during the 39 years they spent in the wilderness.

Much later on, Saul of Tarsus of the tribe of Benjamin would write a letter (epistle) to a group of people he was mentoring. He said,

19 What? know ye not that **your body** is the temple of the Holy Ghost [Spirit] [which is] in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? [1 Corinthians 6:19 KJV]

Saul known also as Paul was teaching them that the Spirit of the Lord God of Israel desired to inhabit them as the Spirit of God did Bezalel. Bezalel had a mission to accomplish. These gentiles also had a mission to accomplish. They needed that infilling of the Holy Spirit to adequately represent the God of Israel as He had grafted them into the nation of Israel because they had come to accept Jesus of Nazareth as their Lord and savior. Paul had taught them that Jesus was the physical incarnation of Yahweh El Shaddai the God of Israel. Paul did not start what we know as the Christian religion. Constantine and Helena of Rome did.

He taught them that they were no longer gentiles but by a grafting in process they had become Hebrews (*not* Jews). The Patriarchs knew Yahweh as El Shaddai or God Almighty. Recall from Exodus 6:3 that the patriarchs, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob knew God as “God Almighty” or “El Shaddai”, but not as YHVH or Yahweh. Technically, the God of the Patriarchs was El Shaddai. Abram was a Hebrew, one who had crossed over or one from the other side.

Abram was from the other side, one of the others, one who had crossed over (the Euphrates, possibly the Nile, or the Jordan). This is why Abram was a Hebrew. This is why Paul calls himself a “Hebrew of Hebrews of the tribe of Benjamin.” I personally am not aware of Paul ever referring to himself as a Jew. He was a “Benjaminite.” Paul was a “Hebrew of Hebrews” because he had “crossed over in his understanding that his God, YHVH or Yahweh El Shaddai (the all-powerful all-sufficient God) was Father, Son and Spirit (after Genesis 49:24 in Hebrew)”.

So, when you become the temple/tabernacle of the Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh who is holy, you will become a “Hebrew.”

This very short and very incomplete discussion of temples or tabernacles is meant to point out that there have actually been three (3) not two (2) tabernacles.

I don't mean to exclude Bezalel but I point him out as a prototype.

The first temple was built by Solomon, son of David the King. Technically . . . neither David or Solomon were Jews. They were Hebrews but belonged to the tribe of Judah.

The term Jew actually relates to those were part of the Southern Kingdom (or Judah) after the Northern Kingdom of Israel (Ephraim

or Israel) had been exiled to Assyria in 722 B.C.E. The word was most likely *redacted into the text* by Ezra ha cohen either in Babylon or after the return of portions of the southern kingdom of Judah after 535 B.C.E. The word Jew is very common in Ezra, Nehemiah, Ester, Hosea, Zechariah and Malachi. It is rare and no doubt *redacted into* Kings and Chronicles. **To be a Jew really means to be a remnant, a survivor** of something much larger, the divided kingdom of Israel. It is not a derogatory term. They were survivors. They are still survivors.

All of this is to say, does the verse that the stone the builders rejected refer to the Hebrews who built the first actual stationary temple?

Does it refer to the builders of the secondary temple? These people were Jews. They were the remnant that persevered. We realize that King Herod contributed to the building of that temple.

Herod, while being raised as a Jew, was the son of a Nabatean who was himself s descendant of the Edomites (Esau son of Isaac son of Abraham). In fact, Herod was a Roman (gentile) citizen. The builders could be thought of as Hebrews, Jews and possibly gentiles as Herod was a gentile, and the Jews and gentiles that had been filled by the Spirit of the God of Israel. Those people, those Jews and gentiles who had accepted Jesus of Nazareth as a physical

incarnation of the God of Israel, Yahweh El Shaddai or LORD God Almighty might also have played a part.

It would appear then, that everyone Hebrew/Jew, gentile (Christians) could be considered as builders that rejected the stone. Recall, the stone from the Hebrew text can (does is my opinion) represent a prophetic word/text that is was the God of Israel's intention beginning from the blessing by Jacob of his children that Yahweh El Shaddai intended on coming in the form of a human savior. **That the God of the bible is father, son and spirit is, therefore, a Hebraic or Jewish concept. It is not Christian.** This is not knowledge but it is **revelation** from above.

10 But the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] the true God; He [is] the living God and the everlasting King. At His wrath the earth will tremble, And the nations will not be able to endure His indignation. [Jeremiah 10:10 NKJV]

ויהוה אלהים אמת הוא־אלהים חיים ומלך עולם מקצפו תרעש  
הארץ ולא־יכלו גוים זעמו

What better way to prove you are the true and living God than by becoming a man over whom death or the grave had no hold? The true and living God is, without a doubt, the God of Israel. The only way Jesus of Nazareth can be the true and living God is if He is

Yahweh El Shaddai (LORD God Almighty), the God of the Hebrews, the God of Israel. There is *no other way*.

*Biblically speaking, has anyone not rejected that prophetic stone?*

Alternatively, has anyone accepted the prophesy that the God of Israel was and is revealed as Father, Son and Spirit? We might observe that since God is Spirit, He could choose to reveal Himself as Father and Son. When you are the creator of the universe, seen and unseen, your choice is the only choice that ultimately counts.

This is strong statement but one I believe is clearly revealed in the Hebrew language. It is also clearly **not** revealed in any other language we have considered. It is not in Greek, Latin or English.

9 "For then I will restore to the peoples a pure language, that they all may call on the name of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], To serve Him with one accord. [Zephaniah 3:9 NKJV]

That pure language can only be Hebrew. It might be the Hebrew text that we have in a Torah scroll today. It might be a form of Hebrew called "paleo-Hebrew." It might be the text in Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia (BHS), Biblia Hebraica (BH), the



Westminster (WLC) Leningrad Codex or Codex Siniaticus or the Codex Vaticanus. It any rate, it isn't Greek, Latin or English.

We need the Spirit of the Living God, the God of Israel to teach us as He did Bezalel. It is my opinion that we (all) need to be like Bezalel in order to build a **third** brick and mortar temple.

6 "As for the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], and to become his servants -- all who keep the Sabbath without desecrating it and who hold firmly to my covenant -- 7 "I will bring them to my holy mountain and let them rejoice in my house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be acceptable on my altar, for **my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations.**" 8 This is the declaration of the Lord GOD [YHVH or Yahweh], who gathers the dispersed of Israel: "I will gather to them still others besides those already gathered." [Isaiah 56:6-8 CSB]

56:7

והביאותים אל־הר קדשי ושמחתים בבית תפלתי עולתיהם וזבחיהם  
לרצון על־מזבחי **כי ביתי בית־תפלה יקרא לכל־העמים**

Why do I say we *all* need to be filled with the Spirit of the Living God, the God of Israel?

27 Behold, I [am] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the God of all flesh (humanity): is there anything too hard for me?  
[Jeremiah 32:27 KJV]

Recall that Jeremiah or Yirmeyahu means “he who YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel has appointed.” Jeremiah lives before the throne of his God today but his words still speak today.

13 O LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, [and] they that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the fountain of living waters.  
[Jeremiah 17:13 KJV]

Remember the following prophesy:

9 And the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be [only one] LORD [Yahweh or YHVH], and his name one [or the one and only name].  
[Zechariah 14:9 KJV]

Why? Because the LORD [Yahweh or YHVH the God of Israel] is the God of all humanity (flesh or meat literally from the Hebrew).

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8 "Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. **Freely you have received, freely give.** [Matthew 10:8 NKJV]

### USE MY WEBSITE WISELY

These are the words Yahweh of Nazareth gave to his 12 talmidim (disciples) as He sent them out to the lost sheep of Israel (12 disciples for the 12 tribes of Israel).

1 Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. 2 And five of them were **wise**, and five [were] foolish. 3 They that [were] foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: 4 But the **wise** took oil in their vessels with their lamps. 5 While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. 6 And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. 7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. 8 And the foolish said

unto the **wise**, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. 9 But the wise answered, saying, [Not so]; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. 10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut. 11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. 12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not. 13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man [Yahweh of Nazareth] cometh. [Matthew 25:1-13 KJV]

16 And it shall be at that day, saith the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], [that] thou shalt call me **Ishi [literally, my man]**; and shalt call me no more Baali. 17 For I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, and they shall no more be remembered by their name. [Hosea 2:16-17 KJV]

והיה ביום־ההוא נא־סִיְהוּהוּ תִקְרָאִי אִשִּׁי וְלֹא־תִקְרָאִי־לִי עוֹד בְּעַלְי:

Did Yahweh El Shaddai, the God of Israel just prophesy through the prophet Hosea, that He would be found as an **Ishi, a man, a husband, a bridegroom?**

Is the Son of Man in Matthew 25 in fact Yahweh El Shaddai the God of Israel prophesied by the Hebrew prophet Hosea?

What of the Bride?

31 "Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD [YHVH OR Yahweh], when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah-- 32 "not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day [that] I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant which they broke, though I was a husband [?] to them, says the LORD. 33 "But this [is] the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD [YHVH Yahweh]: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. [Jeremiah 31:31-33 NKJV]

10 "Thus says the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]: 'Again there shall be heard in this place--of which you say, "It [is] desolate, without man and without beast"--in the cities of Judah, in the streets of Jerusalem *that are desolate, without man and without inhabitant and without beast*, 11 'the voice of joy and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom [Yahweh Ishi?] and the voice of the bride, the voice of those who will say: "Praise the LORD of hosts, For the LORD [is] good, For His mercy

[endures] forever"--[and] of those [who will] bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the LORD. For I will cause the captives of the land to return as at the first,' says the LORD. [Jeremiah 33:10-11 NKJV]

11 Then I said, "Lord, how long?" And He answered: "Until the cities are laid waste and without inhabitant, The houses are without a man, The land is utterly desolate, [Isaiah 6:11 NKJV]

11 Then said I, Lord, how long? And he answered, *Until the cities be wasted without inhabitant, and the houses without man, and the land be utterly desolate,* [Isaiah 6:11 KJV]

As a point of historical fact . . . when President (King?) Truman recognized Israel's right to exist (again), he had his press release read at precisely 6:11 p.m. on 14 May 1948? Perhaps his was the first "clarion call," the "first trump."

52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the **last trump:** for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. [1 Corinthians 15:52 KJV]

16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the **trump of**

**God:** and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

[1 Thessalonians 4:16 KJV]

Is it possible that King (President) Trump is a “mouthpiece” of the God of Israel? Was/is his entire reason for being elected King of America to order Jerusalem returned to her rightful place as the capital of Israel . . . as the capital of the world?

5 And the glory of the LORD [Yahweh] shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see [it] together: for the mouth of the LORD [Yahweh] hath spoken [it]. [Isaiah 40:5 KJV]

ונגלה כבוד יהוה וראו כל־בשר יחדו כי פי יהוה דבר

It is a historical fact . . . that numerous Jewish/Israeli sources saw President (king) Trump as a modern-day personification of Cyrus, king of Persia.

28 That saith of Cyrus, [He is] my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid. [Isaiah 44:28 KJV]

1 Thus saith the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] to his anointed [messiah per the Hebrew text], to Cyrus, whose right hand I

have holden, to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut; [Isaiah 45:1 KJV]

כה־אמר יהוה למשיחו לכורש אשר־החזקתי בימינו לרד־לפניו גוים  
ומתני מלכים אפתח לפתח לפניו דלתים ושערים לא יסגרו

Thus saith YHVH [Yahweh] the God of Israel to *His* messiah, Cyrus . . . Harry Truman . . . Donald Trump?

13 Who hath directed the Spirit of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], or [being] his counsellor hath taught him? [Isaiah 40:13 KJV]

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1 Thus saith the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] to his **messiah**, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut; [Isaiah 45:1 KJV]

By the way . . . the word “**messiah**” appears **thirty-nine (39) times** in the Hebrew bible, “Old Testament.” Christian translators only



translate it twice (2 times) because they want you to see a pre-incarnate Jesus in the Book of Daniel (Strong's #H4899). It appears in Daniel 9:25-26. This pre-incarnate Jesus is in fact **Yahweh son of Yahweh, appearing like a son of man.**

25 He answered and said, Lo, I see **four men** loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the **fourth is like the Son of God.** [Daniel 3:25 KJV]

ענה ואמר הא־אֵנָה חִזָּה גְּבָרִין אַרְבַּעָה שְׂרִין מֵהַלְכִין בְּגֹא־נֹרָא  
וְחָבַל לֹא־אִתִּי בַהוֹן וְרוּחַ דִּי רַב־יַעֲיָא דְמָה לְבַר־אֱלֹהִין: ס

The Christian translators want you see this “fourth man, like a son of God” as the pre-incarnate Jesus. I don’t mean this as a judgment but only as a criticism, an observation (some {you know who you are} might call it ‘higher criticism’).

It completely disregards the prophecy though Jacob that the God of Israel, YHVH or Yahweh El Shaddai (LORD God Almighty) would be Father and Son.

These translators are (some) of the ones that reject the stone. They are the builders that reject the (corner) stone that is **Yahweh** incarnate as a Savior . . . Yehoshua . . . Yeshua . . . Jesus (Yahweh saves or is salvation after Strong's #G2424 and #H3091).

The only way one can get to Jesus of Christianity being the chief cornerstone or the stone that the builders rejected is to reject the Hebrew text and the Spirit of prophecy . . .

10 And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "See [that you do] not [do that]! I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus [YHVH saves or is salvation] is the spirit of prophecy." [Revelation 19:10 NKJV]

3 Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit. [1 Corinthians 12:3 NKJV]

12:3 διὸ γνωρίζω ὑμῖν ὅτι οὐδεὶς ἐν πνεύματι θεοῦ λαλῶν λέγει Ἀνάθεμα Ἰησοῦν καὶ οὐδεὶς δύναται εἰπεῖν Κύριον Ἰησοῦν εἰ μὴ ἐν πνεύματι ἁγίῳ

18 Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I [am] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. [Leviticus 19:18 KJV]

19:18 καὶ οὐκ ἐκδικᾶται σου ἡ χεὶρ καὶ οὐ μηνιεῖς τοῖς υἱοῖς τοῦ λαοῦ σου καὶ ἀγαπήσεις τὸν πλησίον σου ὡς σεαυτὸν ἐγὼ εἰμι κύριος

לֹא־תִקְמוּ וְלֹא־תִסְתַּר אֶת־בְּנֵי עֵמֶךָ וְאֶהְבֵּת לְרַעַךְ כַּמוֹד אֲנִי יְהוָה

The rabbi's/sages of antiquity used the Greek word "kurios or κύριος" to translate the Hebrew אֲנִי יְהוָה. That phrase ends up in English as "I am." The famous "I Am" statements of Jesus . . . rendered into Hebrew . . . point to the fact the He was telling His Jewish audience that He is Yahweh, son of Yahweh. He was fulfilling the prophecy of Jacob son of Isaac, that the stone of Israel, the mighty (One or God) was in fact Father and Son. He could have (?) said or might have said (?) "this prophecy is fulfilled today in your hearing."

Or, working from the Latin Vulgate of Jerome,

non quaeres ultionem nec memor eris iniuriae civium tuorum  
diliges amicum tuum sicut te met ipsum **ego Dominus**

Jerome followed the Jewish sages' pattern of translating the name of YHVH as Lord or dominus (our lord).

Let me ask again . . . maybe for the first time . . . who are the builders? Who were the builders? Are you a builder? Should we look for others?

Are we (humanity) being given another chance (a “mulligan”?) by the God of all flesh (humanity) to build again for the first time?

הנה אני יהוה אלהי כל־בשר הממני יפלא כל־דבר:

39:27 ἐγὼ κύριος ὁ θεὸς πάσης σαρκός μὴ ἀπ’ ἐμοῦ κρυβήσεται

ecce ego Dominus Deus universae carnis numquid mihi difficile erit omne verbum

By the way, אלהי is masculine singular.

5 Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And [Pilate] saith unto them, **Behold the man!**  
[John 19:5 KJV]

19:5 ἐξῆλθεν οὖν ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἔξω φορῶν τὸν ἀκάνθινον στέφανον καὶ τὸ πορφυροῦν ἱμάτιον καὶ λέγει αὐτοῖς Ἴδε ὁ ἄνθρωπος

ut cognoscatis quia in eo nullam causam invenio et purpureum vestimentum et dicit eis **ecce homo**

ecce homo . . . is Pilate now among the prophets (1 Samuel 10:11)?

You will find that the “anointing . . . the spirit of prophecy . . .” does not teach as men teach . . . that the words of the prophet(s) might be fulfilled:

27 As for you, the anointing [the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of the Lord Yahweh, the spirit of prophecy testifying that Yahweh became human to save] you received from him remains in you, and **you do not need anyone to teach you**. But as his anointing teaches you about all things and as that anointing is real, not counterfeit--just as it has taught you, remain in him.

[1 John 2:27 NIV]

Does **THAT** Spirit remain in you? Was it ever in you?

7 "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. [Matthew 7:7 NIV]

1 After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, "**Come up here**, and I will show you what must take place after this." [Revelation 4:1 NIV]

**Come up here** could be understood as an opportunity (actually a command) to “make Aliyah,” to come up to Yahweh, the God of Heaven and the God of Israel, the God of all humanity.

One has to go up (come up) to Yahweh the God of Israel as Jerusalem is “up” from most places in Israel (Joppa, Tel Aviv, Jericho etc.). When a Jew “returns” to Israel for the first time to make his/her home there, they are said “to make Aliyah,” to come up to or to return to Yahweh their God.

Remember, the presence of Yahweh the God of Israel, the God of all humanity dwelt on the temple mount on Mount Moriah . . . but He left . . . see chapter regarding Josephus.

And,

1 A Song of Ascents. Of Solomon. Unless the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] builds the house, They labor in vain who build it; Unless the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] guards the city, The watchman stays awake in vain. [Psalm 127:1 NKJV]

שיר המעלות לשלמה אִם־יְהוָה לֹא־יִבְנֶה בַּיִת שׁוֹא עֲמָלוֹ בּוֹנֵי בּוֹ  
אִם־יְהוָה לֹא־יִשְׁמַר־עִיר שׁוֹא שְׂקָד שׁוֹמֵר:

Some simple questions:

Did YHVH [Yahweh son of Yahweh] build the house called Christianity, either orthodox or protestant? If so, where is it written?

Did YHVH [Yahweh son of Yahweh] . . .

Build the house called “Judaism”? If so, where is it written?

Build the house called Israel? Where is it written?

Build the house called Judah? Where is it written?

Build the house of Ephraim? Where is it written?

Build the house of YHVH [Yahweh] in Jerusalem? Where is it written?

Unless YHVH [Yahweh son of Yahweh] builds . . .

To not recognize the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob, the God of Israel and the God of all humanity as Father . . . Son . . . Spirit . . . is an error truly of biblical proportion.

13 And as soon as the priests who carry the ark of the LORD— [YHVH or Yahweh] the Lord of all the earth--set foot in the Jordan, its waters flowing downstream will be cut off and stand up in a heap." [Joshua 3:13 NIV]

19 On the **tenth day of the first month** the people went up from the Jordan and camped at Gilgal on the eastern border of Jericho. [Joshua 4:19 NIV]

Recall, the tenth day of the first month is when the lamb was brought into the houses of the children of Israel (Hebrews) in Egypt. It was sacrificed at twilight on the 14<sup>th</sup> (fourteenth).

3 Tell the whole community of Israel that on the **tenth day of this month** each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. [Exodus 12:3 NIV]

This is **clear prophecy** that Yahweh, the God of Israel was to be the Passover lamb . . .

The ark of Yahweh (YHVH) the Lord of all the earth went into Canaan (eventually Israel) on the 10th day of the first month. That Jesus of Nazareth was in fact, Yahweh of Nazareth, Yahweh ben/bar Yahweh who became human as a savior, is inescapably clear.

John the Baptist (Yehochanan ben Zechariah ha cohen was immersing, i.e. putting into the Jordan, a “mikveh”) beyond the Jordan when he was approached by priests (cohanim and leviim) and they asked him who he was. His response was clear . . . from a Hebrew text,



23 He said: "I [am] 'The voice of one crying in the wilderness: "Make straight the way of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]," ' as the prophet Isaiah said." [John 1:23 NKJV]

John was quoting from the scroll of Isaiah,

3 The voice of one crying in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]; Make straight in the desert A highway for our God [God Almighty or El Shaddai, the God of Israel]. [Isaiah 40:3 NKJV]

קול קורא במדבר פנו דרך יהוה ישו בערבה מסלה לאלהינו

John's continues to "testify or give his witness."

29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" 30 "This is He of whom I said, 'After me comes a Man who is preferred before me, for He was before me.' 31 "I did not know Him; but that He should be revealed to Israel, therefore I came baptizing with water." 32 And John bore witness, saying, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and He remained upon Him. 33 "I did not know Him, but He who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'Upon whom you see the Spirit descending, and remaining on Him,

this is He who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' 34 "And I have seen and testified that **this is the Son of God.**" [John 1:29-34 NKJV]

John's (Yehochanan be Zechariah ha cohen) words are critical to understand.

John's father, Zechariah was a cohen, a priest who could trace his genealogy back to Aaron. Therefore, John is a cohen, a descendant of Aaron, brother of Moses and Miriam.

Most believe that Ezra ha cohen wrote Chronicles during his time in Babylon or after returning to Israel. His words are also crucial.

3 Now for a long season Israel [hath been] without the true God, and without a teaching priest, and without law.  
[2 Chronicles 15:3 KJV]

וימים רבים לישראל ללא אלהי אמת וללא כהן מורה וללא תורה

ללא אלהי אמת "without God true" literally,

וללא כהן מורה "without cohen teaches/teaching"

וללא תורה "without torah"

The root for “torah” implies the concept of throwing or casting or shooting like an archer.

What Ezra is saying, prophetically, is that Israel has been without a teaching cohen (priest) who could hit the mark. The cohen places an arrow in his bow and releases it, but it misses the target.

Not understanding that Yahweh of the Tanakh was the son of Yahweh caused them to miss the mark. They only had an approximation to the truth of the Torah and to the true God.

They had missed the prophecy that Yahweh El Shaddai was father, son and spirit. They did not understand the words of the prophets Moses as he recorded those words of the prophet Jacob son of Isaac son of Abraham (Genesis 49:24).

Our Lord Yahweh, the God of all flesh, does nothing without telling his servants the prophets.

Yehochanan ben Zechariah ha cohen comes to fulfill the prophecies recorded by Moses, spoken by Jacob and recorded by Ezra ha cohen.

This is why John says, paraphrased, that He (John) was sent to prepare the way for Yahweh son of Yahweh, the Lamb of God who

would take away the sins of the world (because Yahweh is the God of all flesh/humanity).

John is a teaching cohen whose words “hit the mark . . . bulls-eye” and Israel has an opportunity to embrace the God of the Patriarchs and the God of Israel as Father . . . Son . . . Spirit. They now have the true torah as Yahweh son of Yahweh was/is the “lawgiver” of Isaiah 33:22.

John gives them the true God, the true torah as he is a true teacher.

This is why Jesus (Yahweh son of Yahweh incarnate as a savior) says of John,

14 "And if you are willing to receive [it], he is Elijah who is to come. [Matthew 11:14 NKJV]

13 "But I say to you that Elijah has also come, and they did to him whatever they wished, as it is written of him." [Mark 9:13 NKJV]

9 "But what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I say to you, and more than a prophet. [Matthew 11:9 NKJV]

26 "But what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I say to you, and more than a prophet. [Luke 7:26 NKJV]

Elijah (Eliyahu or YHVH is my God) is a prophet.

John (Yehochanan ben Zechariah ha cohen) is a cohen (priest) directly related to Aaron who has now also become a prophet. He is more than a prophet because he is a priest. He is a priest and a prophet.

Because,

7 Surely the Lord GOD [my lord YHVH or Yahweh] will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets. [Amos 3:7 KJV]

כי לא יעשה אדני יהוה דבר כי אם-גלה סודו אל-עבדיו הנביאים

11 Then an angel of the Lord [Greek “kurios” or from the Hebrew YHVH or Yahweh] appeared to him, standing on the right side of the altar of incense. 12 And when Zacharias(h) saw [him], he was troubled, and fear fell upon him. 13 But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zacharias(h), for your prayer is heard; and your wife Elizabeth [אלישבע] or ‘my God has sworn or God is an oath’] will bear you a son, and you shall

call his name John [יוחנן] or YHVH has graced or given]. 14 "And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth. 15 "For he will be great in the sight of the Lord [YHVH or Yahweh], and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink [he shall be a Nazarite after נזיר]. He will also be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. 16 "And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord [YHVH or Yahweh] their God. 17 "He will also go before Him [YHVH or Yahweh] in the spirit and power of Elijah [אליהו] or YHVH is my God or my God is YHVH or Yahweh], 'to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children [5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]: 6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse. [Malachi 4:5-6 KJV], ' and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready a people prepared for the Lord [YHVH or Yahweh]" [Luke 1:11-17 NKJV]. Malachi or מלאכי simply means 'my messenger' . . . "my" is YHVH or Yahweh.

9 But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. 10 For this is [he], of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. 11 Verily I say unto you, among them that are born of women there hath not risen a

greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. 12 And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force. 13 For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. 14 And if ye will receive [it], this is Elias (Elijah), which was for to come. [Matthew 11:9-14 KJV]

2 As it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. [Mark 1:2 KJV]

27 This is [he], of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. [Luke 7:27 KJV]

1 Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord [ha adown or **הַאֲדֹנָי**], whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to **his temple** [house of YHVH or Yahweh: **בֵּית יְהוָה**] even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts. [Malachi 3:1 KJV]

John is a priest, prophet and he has been filled with the Holy Spirit (Ruach HaKodesh) while in utero.

John is anointed (he is “messiah” from the Hebrew משיח or an anointed one with the root being משה or mashach meaning the one who is “smeared” with oil or “shemen” שמן).

The word messiah or mashiyach occurs 39 times in the Hebrew bible (Tanakh). It is always translated as “anointed one.” Christian translators desire people to see Jesus in the fire with the three Hebrew boys (Daniel 3:19 and 9:25-26) and hence translate “anointed one” here as messiah.

John, because he is priest or cohen, would have been anointed as a cohen according to the custom. Aaron, the first cohen, anointed his sons. Perhaps the chief priest or even John’s father, Zechariah should have had that duty/privilege . . . Since he was to be separated out as a Nazarite from birth, he was anointed as a cohen while in the Elizabeth’s womb.

A prophet yes . . . but much more.

John was a priest (cohen), prophet, Nazarite and a “messiah” and YHVH’s messenger or מלאכי, making him sent one or apostle.

That’s why John quotes from Isaiah 40 . . . he was to prepare the way for YHVH or Yahweh “our God” or אלהינו because YHVH or Yahweh is the God of all flesh/humanity (Jeremiah 32:27)



Simple but not easy . . .

Eliyahu ha navi, Elijah the prophet prepared the way for Yahweh (son of Yahweh) to come to Israel in a way that was crucial and relevant to all as we work to further understand the Baptist.

21 And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? if the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [be] God, follow him: but if Baal, [then] follow him. And **the people answered him not a word.** [1 Kings 18:21 KJV]

ויגש אליהו אל-כל-העם ויאמר עד-מתי אתם **פסחים** על-שתי הסעפים א  
ס־יהוה האלהים לכו אחריו ואס־הבעל לכו אחריו ולא-ענו העם אתו דבר

**פסחים** but the root is **פסח**. It is usually pronounced “pesach.” It is the same word used to describe the feast of “Passover.”

11 And thus shall ye eat it; [with] your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it [is] the LORD'S [YHVH or **Yahweh's**] **passover.** [Exodus 12:11 KJV]

וככה תאכלו אתו מתניכם חגרים נעליכם ברגליכם ומקלכם בידכם ו  
**פסח הוא ליהוה** אכלתם אתו בחפזון

Elijah (my God is YHVH or Yahweh or YHVH or Yahweh is my God) re-directs these Hebrews/Jews back to the **first** Passover when it might have been unclear whether YHVH or Yahweh was indeed more powerful than the gods of Egypt.

22 These words the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] spake unto all your assembly in the mount out of the **midst of the fire**, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice: and he added no more. And he wrote them in two tables of stone, and delivered them unto me. 23 And it came to pass, when ye heard the voice out of the midst of the darkness, (for **the mountain did burn with fire**,) that ye came near unto me, [even] all the heads of your tribes, and your elders; 24 And ye said, Behold, the LORD our God hath shewed us his glory and his greatness, and we have heard his **voice out of the midst of the fire**: we have seen this day that God doth talk with man, and he liveth. [Deuteronomy 5:22-24 KJV]

Elijah is “edifying, exhorting and comforting the people” who now had questions about whether YHVH or Yahweh was still powerful enough to defeat the Baalim (plural for Baal). They had forgotten and Baal had 400+ prophets present.

3 But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men [to] edification, and exhortation, and comfort. [1 Corinthians 14:3 KJV]

But, what happens next is perhaps one of the most crucial events to understand but you must read Hebrew and trust the Spirit of YHVH who is holy to teach you.

36 And it came to pass at [the time of] the offering of the [evening] sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou [art] God in Israel, and [that] I [am] thy servant, and [that] I have done all these things at thy word. 37 Hear me, O LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], hear me, that this people may know that thou [art] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] God, and [that] thou hast turned their heart back again. 38 Then the fire of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that [was] in the trench. 39 And when all the people saw [it], they fell on their faces: and they said, The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], he [is] the God; the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], he [is] the God. [1 Kings 18:36-39 KJV]

18:38

ותפל א־שִׁיְהוּהוּ וְתֹאכַל אֶת־הָעֹלָה וְאֶת־הָאֲבָנִים וְאֶת־הָעֵצִים  
פֶּר וְאֶת־הַמַּיִם אֲשֶׁר־בִּתְעֹלָה לַחֲכָה

ותפל א־שִׁיְהוּהוּ literally, and/then fell fire YHVH or Yahweh

24 For the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] thy God [is] a consuming fire, [even] a jealous God. [Deuteronomy 4:24 KJV]

כי יהוה אלהיך אש אכלה הוא אל קנא 4:24

יהוה אש אכלה literally, YHVH or Yahweh fire consume

Yahweh or YHVH himself is a consuming fire. YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel comes down to consume the offerings as Elijah requested. He didn't send fire . . . **He came Himself as fire.**

And the people said,

18:39

וירא כל-העם ויפלו על-פניהם ויאמרו יהוה הוא האלהים יהוה הוא האלהים

YHVH or Yahweh (the God of Israel) is THE God.  
YHVH or Yahweh (the God of Israel) is THE God.

YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel isn't a God but **THE** God.

So, when "the Baptist" or Yehochanan ben Zechariah ha cohen says,

23 He said: "I [am] 'The voice of one crying in the wilderness:  
"Make straight the way of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh," ' as  
the prophet Isaiah said." [John 1:23 NKJV]

He, John, is preparing the way for YHVH or Yahweh, the God of  
Israel who is **THE** God.

Again, the people were “leaping or halting, ‘pesach”” between two  
opinions.

If YHVH or Yahweh is God, follow Him.

If the gods of Greece or Rome are god, follow them.

Since the ark of YHVH or Yahweh, Lord of all the earth came out of  
the Jordan into Canaan (Israel) on the tenth day of the first month,  
the ark of YHVH or Yahweh . . . Yahweh son of Yahweh or Yahweh  
ben/bar Yahweh who became human to save . . . came out of the  
Jordan on the **tenth day of the first month . . . the day the lamb was  
taken into the house** of the Hebrews/Jews in Egypt. YHVH or  
Yahweh the Passover lamb of God comes into Israel (Judah) to the  
words of Yehochanan ben Zechariah ha cohen, paraphrased, **“Behold  
the Lamb of God** . . . who takes away the sin of the world . . . as he  
is YHVH or Yahweh, God of Israel, God of all flesh/humanity or  
God of the gospel (good news/tidings).

... 34 "And I [John or Yehochanan ben Zechariah ha cohen] have seen and testified that **this is the Son of God.**" [John 1:23, 34 NKJV]

This Lamb of God, YHVH or Yahweh, God of Israel, God of all flesh/humanity who is consuming fire . . . is **THE** God.

יהוה הוא האלהים יהוה הוא האלהים:

11 "I [John] indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He [YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all flesh/humanity, the consuming fire] will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and **fire.** [Matthew 3:11 NKJV]

16 John answered, saying to all, "I indeed baptize you with water; but One mightier than I is coming, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose. He [YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all flesh /humanity, the consuming fire] will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and **fire.** [Luke 3:16 NKJV]

Remember from Moses regarding sanctification, if it could not pass through fire (literal) it was to be immersed in water (literally).

23 "everything that can endure fire, you shall put through the fire, and it shall be clean; and it shall be purified with the water of purification. But all that cannot endure fire you shall put through water. [Numbers 31:23 NKJV]

The “baptism of fire” that we receive from the Spirit of Yahweh who is Holy, the Holy Spirit, is meant to sanctify us, spiritually. It is as if we burn, spiritually but are not destroyed much like the tree burned but was not destroyed.

2 And the angel of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush [was] not consumed. [Exodus 3:2 KJV]

When YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all flesh/humanity said to his disciples,

18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations [gentiles or non-Jews], baptizing them in the name of the Father [YHVH or Yahweh], and of the Son [YHVH or Yahweh son of Yahweh or Yahweh ben/bar Yahweh], and of the Holy Ghost [Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh]: [Matthew 28:18-19 KJV]

To paraphrase, take them to a “mikveh . . . cistern” and **immerse** them into the living water that is YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all flesh/humanity.

13 O LORD, the hope of Israel, **All** who forsake You shall be ashamed. "Those who depart from Me Shall be written in the earth, Because they have forsaken the LORD, The fountain of living waters." [Jeremiah 17:13 NKJV]

13 "For My people have committed two evils: They have forsaken Me, the fountain of living waters, [And] hewn themselves cisterns--broken cisterns that can hold no water. [Jeremiah 2:13 NKJV]

This is a/the **“baptism” of repentance** . . . repenting or admitting that we have/had forsaken YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity . . . the Living Water . . . and hewn for ourselves cracked cisterns/mikvehs that cannot hold the living water.

Also recall the story of the Syrian (Assyrian) general, Naaman. He hears from a captured Jewish girl that there is a mighty prophet in Israel, Elisha. He goes to Elisha to be healed from leprosy (tsaras). Leprosy was thought to an external manifestation of internal sin, usually “lashon hora” or evil speaking about another person. Naaman follows the Elisha’s directions.



14 Then went he down, and **dipped** himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean. [2Kings 5:14 KJV]

5:14

וירד ויטבל בירדן שבע פעמים כדבר איש האלהים וישב בשרו כבשר נער קטן ויטהר

5:14 καὶ κατέβη Ναιμαν καὶ **ἐβαπτίσατο** ἐν τῷ Ιορδάνῃ ἑπτὰκι κατὰ τὸ ῥῆμα Ελισαιε καὶ ἐπέστρεψεν ἡ σὰρξ αὐτοῦ ὡς σὰρξ παιδαρίου μικροῦ καὶ ἐκαθαρίσθη

John is not down at the Jordan “baptizing” anyone into Jesus or into Christianity. Elisha ha navi (the prophet) sent a “sinner” down to the Jordan to dip himself (baptize himself) in the Jordan. John is “fulfilling” a mandate regarding “dipping/baptizing/טבל phonetically, “taval”. Mixing English and Hebrew, one could say Namaan “taval’ed” himself.

4 John came baptizing in the wilderness and preaching a baptism of repentance for the remission of sins. [Mark 1:4 NKJV]

3 And he went into all the region around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the remission of sins, [Luke 3:3 NKJV]

24 "after John had first preached, before His coming, the baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel. [Acts 13:24 NKJV]

4 Then Paul said, "John indeed baptized with a baptism of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe on Him who would come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus." [Acts 19:4 NKJV] [Messiah YHVH or Yahweh who saves, or is salvation or is savior . . . YHVH ben/bar Yahweh incarnate as a savior].

23 "everything that can endure fire, you shall put through the fire, and it shall be clean; and it shall be purified with the water of purification. But all that cannot endure fire you shall put through water. [Numbers 31:23 NKJV]

11 "I [John] indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. [Matthew 3:11 NKJV]

16 John answered, saying to all, "I indeed baptize you with water; but One mightier than I is coming, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. [Luke 3:16 NKJV]

24 "For the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God [is] a consuming fire, a jealous God. [Deuteronomy 4:24 NKJV]

15 And he returned to the man of God, he and all his aides, and came and stood before him; and he said, "Indeed, now I know that [there is] no God in all the earth, except in Israel; now therefore, please take a gift from your servant." [2Ki 5:15 NKJV]

You would do well to consider the concept of baptism as “put to bed” once and for all. (not my words).

40:5 ונגלה כבוד יהוה וראו כל־בשר יחדו כי פי יהוה דבר

5 And the glory of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see [it] together: for the mouth of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] hath spoken [it]. [Isaiah 40:5 KJV]

To finish a thought . . . The ark of YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity comes out of the Jordan River on the 10<sup>th</sup> of the first month (Joshua 3 & 4).

The ark of YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all flesh/humanity comes out of the Jordan River on the 10<sup>th</sup> of the first month to the words of John the Baptist, "Behold the Lamb".

And, as a third witness . . .

1 As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, 2 saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. 3 If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away." 4 This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: 5 "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, **your king** comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.' " 6 The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. 7 They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. 8 A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of

David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"  
"Hosanna in the highest heaven!" 10 When Jesus entered  
Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?"  
11 The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from  
Nazareth in Galilee." [Matthew 21:1-11 NIV]

9 Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem!  
See, **your king** comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly  
and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.  
[Zechariah 9:9 NIV]

Who is the "King of Zion?" . . . **YHVH or Yahweh** is king of Zion.

14 The sons also of them that afflicted thee shall come bending  
unto thee; and all they that despised thee shall bow themselves  
down at the soles of thy feet; and they shall call thee, The city  
of the LORD [**YHVH or Yahweh**], The Zion of the Holy One of  
Israel. [Isaiah 60:14 KJV]

60:14

והלכו אליך שחוח בני מעניך והשתחוו על-כפות רגליך כל-מנאציד וקראו  
לך עיר יהוה ציון קדוש ישראל

What is this day called? It is called "Palm Sunday."

8 And a very great multitude spread their clothes on the road; others cut down branches from the trees (palm) and spread [them] on the road. 9 Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: "**Hosanna** to the Son of David! 'Blessed [is] He who comes in the name of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]!' Hosanna in the highest!" [Matthew 21:8-9 NKJV]

25 **Save now**, I pray, O LORD [YHVH]; O LORD [YHVH], I pray, send now prosperity. [Psalm 118:25 NKJV]

118:25 אָנָּא יְהוָה הוֹשִׁיעָה נָּא אָנָּא יְהוָה הַצְּלִיחָה נָּא

26 Blessed [is] he who comes in the **name** of the LORD [**YHVH or Yahweh**]! We have blessed you from the house of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. [Psalm 118:25-26 NKJV]

118:26 בְּרוּךְ הַבָּא בְּשֵׁם יְהוָה בְּרַכְנוּכֶם מִבֵּית יְהוָה

Why do these Jews call Jesus “son of David?” “Son of David” is not in the Hebrew text of Psalm 118:26.

Son of David was added into the text of Psalm 118:26 by the writers of this text (Matthew, etc.) because,

13 And David took more concubines and wives from Jerusalem, after he had come from Hebron. Also more sons and daughters were born to David. 14 Now these [are] the names of those who were born to him in Jerusalem: Shammua, Shobab, Nathan, Solomon, 15 Ibhar, Elishua, Nepheg, Japhia, 16 Elishama, Eliada, and Eliphelet. [2 Samuel 5:13-16 NKJV]

ויבחר ואלישוע ונפג ויפיע 5:15

ואלישוע literally, from right to left . . . and God Yeshua or Jesus.

ואל . . . and God

ישוע . . . Yeshua or Jesus

Yeshua, son of David.

It is YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all flesh/humanity, the King of Israel/Zion incarnate as a savior.

Why hasn't Jesus/Yeshua come back as savior?

Simply, according to the scripture, He, Jesus/Yeshua isn't recognized as YHVH or Yahweh . . . by the Hebrews/Jews or gentiles whether orthodox catholic Christians or protestant Christians.

37 "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under [her] wings, but you were not willing! 38 "See! Your house [מבית יהוה] from Psalm 118:26] is left to you desolate; 39 "for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, 'Blessed [is] He who comes in the name of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]!' " [Matthew 23:37-39 NKJV] There is a parallel text in Luke 13:34-35]

YHVH or Yahweh had come to His own house [מבית יהוה] as a savior and was not recognized.

Where does the name of Jesus or Yeshua come from? Yeshua is a shortened form of Yehoshua or Joshua. Linguistically, Joshua and Jesus are the same name much like Thomas and Tom or Tommy or Elizabeth and Liz or Lizzy.

2 "Send men to spy out the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the children of Israel; from each tribe of their fathers you shall send a man, every one a leader among them." 3 So Moses sent them from the Wilderness of Paran according to the command of the LORD, all of them men who [were] heads of the children of Israel. ... 16 These [are] the names of the men



whom Moses sent to spy out the land. And Moses called Hoshea the son of Nun, Joshua. [Numbers 13:2-3, 16 NKJV]

ויקרא משה להושע בן־נון יהושע

הושע בן־נון literally, Hosea ben (son of) Nun.

30 So the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. [Exodus 14:30 NKJV]

How did YHVH or Yahweh save? YHVH saves by “the hand of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. 39 times in a KJV, Yah saves by his (mighty right) hand.

31 And when the Israelites saw the mighty hand of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] displayed against the Egyptians, the people feared the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] and put their trust in him and in Moses his servant. [Exodus 14:31 NIV]

14:31

וירא ישראל את־היד הגדלה אשר עשה יהוה במצרים וייראו העם א  
ת־יהוה ויאמינו ביהוה ובמשה עבדו

Joshua and Jesus both mean “Yahweh saves or is salvation or Yahweh savior” after Strong’s #H3091 and Strong’s #G2424.

Who are builders that rejected “the stone?”

Hebrews/Jews, Orthodox Catholic and protestant Christians . . .

Do you see why?

Jesus is Yahweh or YHVH, the son of YHVH or Yahweh, YHVH ben/bar YHVH incarnate to save . . . YHVH or Yahweh is the Christ/Messiah.

YHVH or Yahweh . . . **THE** . . . God of Israel . . . **THE** God of the Hebrews . . . **THE** God of Abram, Isaac and Jacob . . . **THE** God of all flesh/humanity is the savior . . . is the messiah.

1 Kings 18:39 יהוה הוא האלהים יהוה הוא האלהים

39 Now when **all the people saw** [it], they fell on their faces; and they said, "~~The LORD~~ Yahweh, He [is] [**The**] God! ~~The LORD~~ [~~Yahweh~~], He [is][**The**] God!" [1 Kings 18:39 NKJV]

22 "You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for **salvation is of the Jews**. [John 4:22 NKJV]

4:22 ὑμεῖς προσκυνεῖτε ὃ οὐκ οἶδατε· ἡμεῖς προσκυνοῦμεν ὃ

49 Nathanael answered and said to Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" [John 1:49 NKJV]

22 (For the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] our Judge,  
The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] our Lawgiver,  
The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] our King;  
He [YHVH or Yahweh] will save us); [Isaiah 33:22 NKJV]

33:22 כי יהוה שפטנו יהוה מחקקנו יהוה מלכנו הוא יושיענו

יהוה added to יושיענו "makes" the name Yehoshua/Yeshua from King David's children's genealogy 2 Samuel 15.

15 Ibhar, Elishua, Nepheg, Japhia, [2 Samuel 5:15 NKJV]

ויבחר ואלישוע ונפג ויפיע

3 Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus [Yeshua] accursed, and no one can say that Jesus [Yeshua] is Lord except by the Holy Spirit.  
[1Corinthians 12:3 NKJV]

12:3 διὸ γνωρίζω ὑμῖν ὅτι οὐδεὶς ἐν πνεύματι θεοῦ λαλῶν λέγει Ἄνάθεμα Ἰησοῦν, καὶ οὐδεὶς δύναται εἰπεῖν **Κύριον** Ἰησοῦν, εἰ μὴ ἐν πνεύματι ἁγίῳ

The Greek translates YHVH or Yahweh using the word **Κύριον** which is the Greek for Lord or master.

1 Now Jehovah [**YHVH or Yahweh**] said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto the land that I will show thee: [Genesis 12:1 ASV]

12:1 ויאמר **יהוה** אל-אברם לך-לך מארצך וממולדתך ומבית אביך אל-  
הארץ אשר אראך

12:1 καὶ εἶπεν **κύριος** τῷ Ἀβραμ ἔξελθε ἐκ τῆς γῆς σου καὶ ἐκ τῆς συγγενείας σου καὶ ἐκ τοῦ οἴκου τοῦ πατρός σου εἰς τὴν γῆν ἣν ἄν σοι δείξω

So, what 1 Corinthians says, transliterated, is

3 Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus [Yeshua] accursed, and no one can say that Jesus [Yeshua] is **Lord [Κύριον or יהוה or YHVH or Yahweh]** except by the Holy Spirit. [1 Corinthians 12:3 NKJV]

Who were or are the builders? You. . . Me . . . We . . .

# Josephus

**Titus Flavius Josephus** ([/dʒoʊˈsiːfəs/](#);<sup>[1]</sup> [Greek](#): Φλάβιος Ἰώσηπος; 37 – c. 100),<sup>[2]</sup> born **Yosef ben Matityahu**([Hebrew](#): יוסף בן מתתיהו, *Yosef ben Matityahu*; [Greek](#): Ἰώσηπος Ματθίου παῖς),<sup>[3][4][5]</sup> was a first-century [Romano-Jewish historian](#) who was born in [Jerusalem](#)—then part of [Roman Judea](#)—to a father of [priestly](#) descent and a mother who claimed royal ancestry.  
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Josephus>

As with several other topics thus far, the extent of Josephus' writings, is beyond the scope of this book (this is not a 'cop-out'). This book is a very focused work, a roadmap with the Spirit of the God of Israel, Yahweh as your tour guide. I am honored to simply be His scribe or tour guide on the keyboard.

Here is why we need to consider Josephus:

## [Josephus](#) (A.D. 75) - Jewish Historian

"Besides these [signs], a few days after that feast, on the one- and-twentieth day of the month Artemisius, [Jyar,] a certain prodigious and incredible phenomenon appeared; I suppose the account of it would seem to be a fable, were it not related by those that saw it, and were not the events that followed it of so considerable a nature

as to deserve such signals; for, before sun-setting, chariots and troops of soldiers in their armour were seen running about among the clouds, and surrounding of cities. Moreover, at that feast which we call Pentecost, as the priests were going by night into the inner [court of the] temple, as their custom was, to perform their sacred ministrations, they said that, in the first place, they felt a quaking, and heard a great noise, and after that they heard a sound as of a great multitude, saying, "Let us remove hence" ([Jewish Wars, VI-V-3](#)).

“A supernatural apparition was seen, too amazing to be believed. What I am now to relate would, I imagine, be dismissed as imaginary, had this not been vouched for by eyewitnesses, then followed by subsequent disasters that deserved to be thus signaled. For *before sunset chariots were seen in the air over the whole country, and armed battalions speeding through the clouds and encircling the cities.*” (rendered in Chilton)

Tacitus renders his version based on Josephus’:

**Tacitus (A.D. 115) - Roman historian**

"13. Prodigies had occurred, but their expiation by the offering of victims or solemn vows is held to be unlawful by a nation which is the slave of superstition and the enemy of true beliefs. In the sky appeared a vision of armies in conflict, of glittering armour. A

sudden lightning flash from the clouds lit up the Temple. The doors of the holy place abruptly opened, a superhuman voice was heard to declare that the gods were leaving it, and in the same instant came the rushing tumult of their departure. Few people placed a sinister interpretation upon this. The majority were convinced that the ancient scriptures of their priests alluded to the present as the very time when the Orient would triumph and from Judaea would go forth men destined to rule the world." (*Histories*, Book 5, v. 13).

Eusebius renders his thoughts:

[Eusebius of Caesarea](#) (A.D. 325)

"For before the setting of the sun chariots and armed troops were seen throughout the whole region in mid-air, wheeling through the clouds and encircling the cities" (*Eusebius' Ecclesiastical History*, [Book 3, Ch. 8](#)).

<https://www.preteristarchive.com/StudyArchive/c/chariots-in-clouds.html>

This last work "Preterist Archive" is undisputedly a Christian work. It offers a view into a serious debate within Christianity regarding the timing of what might be called "the return of Jesus or Jesus' second coming." It provides what most would call a "minority viewpoint."

I do not feel it should be dismissed lightly. It was the viewpoint of a very highly regarded Christian scholar who has recently passed away. Just because it is a “minority report” does not mean it should be disregarded.

Here is the essence of the debate.

Josephus sees what I will call the “presence of the God of Israel” departing the temple.

This is not too dissimilar to events recorded by the prophet Ezekiel:

22 So the cherubim lifted up their wings, with the wheels beside them, and the glory of the God [el Shaddai] of Israel [was] high above them. 23 And the glory of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] went up from the midst of the city and stood on the mountain, which [is] on the east side of the city.  
[Ezekiel 11:22-23 NKJV]

With the first temple in overt idolatry as recorded in Ezekiel, he sees a vision of the God of Israel, YHVH or Yahweh leaving the temple over the eastern wall.

Ezekiel’s vision is not too dissimilar from Josephus’.



I've included Tacitus and Eusebius' reports to remind us of a principle found in Moses:

6 At the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, shall he that is worthy of death be put to death; [but] at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death. [Deuteronomy 17:6 KJV]

15 One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin that he sinneth: at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established. [Deuteronomy 19:15 KJV]

Simply put, this principle establishes that truth is determined by a multiplicity of witnesses.

1 This [is] the third [time] I am coming to you. In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established.  
[2 Corinthians 13:1 KJV]

19 Against an elder receive not an accusation, but before two or three witnesses. [1 Timothy 5:19 KJV]

Why might this principle be useful today?

From time to time I use different Christian translations for copyright reasons but also to highlight certain points. The NASB or New American Standard Bible (Version) has the (correct) principle of using ALL CAPITALS when quoting from the Hebrew Tanakh or “Old Testament.”

16 'AFTER THESE THINGS I will return, AND I WILL REBUILD THE TABERNACLE OF DAVID WHICH HAS FALLEN, AND I WILL REBUILD ITS RUINS, AND I WILL RESTORE IT, 17 SO THAT THE REST OF MANKIND MAY SEEK THE LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], AND ALL THE GENTILES WHO ARE CALLED BY MY NAME [YHVH or Yahweh], 18 SAYS THE LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], WHO MAKES THESE THINGS KNOWN FROM LONG AGO.  
[Acts 15:16-18 NASB]

Quickly, recall from Jeremiah 32:27, YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel is God of all humanity (flesh).

If you are not familiar with these passages from Acts, please take a few minutes to read them over. The speaker in English is called James, but the Greek clearly identifies him as Ἰάκωβος or Jacob.

15:13 Μετὰ δὲ τὸ σιγῆσαι αὐτοὺς ἀπεκρίθη Ἰάκωβος λέγων, Ἄνδρες ἀδελφοί ἀκούσατέ μου

Remember, I “cut and paste” from an online source. Often there is formatting in the texts that I cannot “see”.

This story has been recorded by Luke who I believe was a gentile proselyte or convert to Judaism (my opinion) but clearly, he was not a Jew.

In any case, Yakov or Jacob is “prophesying” from the Hebrew Tanakh (OT). Prophets can be thought of as doing two things, “fore-telling” or “forth-telling.” Forth-telling is a re-telling of another’s prophesy or prophetic event. (Moses writes Genesis and forth-tells of Abraham’s prophetic prayer over Abimelech and his household. confer Genesis 20)

Yakov has spoken and Luke has recorded Yakov’s words that he (Yakov) himself is recalling from the Hebrew prophet Amos 9:11-12. What is written in English is not a verbatim report from the Hebrew Tanakh or the Greek Tanakh. I suggest it is what Yakov is recalling from his memory perhaps as he is being led by the Ruach HaKodesh, the Holy Spirit (confer Stephen’s story as found in Acts 6-8).

Here is the Hebrew and Greek after the English:

11 "On that day I will raise up the tabernacle of David, which has fallen down, And repair its damages; I will raise up its

ruins, And rebuild it as in the days of old; 12 That they [Israel? Jews? Hebrews] may possess the remnant of Edom, And all the Gentiles who are called by My name [YHVH or Yahweh]," Says the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] who does this thing.

[Amos 9:11-12 NKJV]

ביום ההוא אקים את־סכת דויד הנפלת וגדרתי את־פרציהן והרסתי  
אקים ובניתיה כימי עולם  
למען יירשו את־שארית אדום וכל־הגוים אשר־נקרא שמי עליהם  
נא־ס־יהוה עשה זאת

9:11 ἐν τῇ ἡμέρᾳ ἐκείνῃ ἀναστήσω τὴν σκηνὴν Δαυιδ τὴν πεπτωκ  
υῖαν καὶ ἀνοικοδομήσω τὰ πεπτωκότα αὐτῆς καὶ τὰ κατεσκαμμέν  
α αὐτῆς ἀναστήσω καὶ ἀνοικοδομήσω αὐτὴν καθὼς αἱ ἡμέραι τοῦ  
αἰῶνος

9:12 ὅπως ἐκζητήσωσιν οἱ κατάλοιποι τῶν ἀνθρώπων καὶ πάντα  
τὰ ἔθνη ἐφ' οὓς ἐπικέκληται τὸ ὄνομά μου ἐπ' αὐτούς λέγει  
κύριος ὁ θεὸς ὁ ποιῶν ταῦτα

in die illo suscitabo tabernaculum David quod cecidit et  
reaedificabo aperturas murorum eius et ea quae corruerant  
instaurabo et reaedificabo eum sicut diebus antiquis

ut possideant reliquias Idumeae et omnes nationes eo quod  
invocatum sit nomen meum super eos dicit Dominus faciens  
haec

The “Speaker” is YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel (clear in the Hebrew text).

Both the Greek and the Latin follow the same “formula” of translating the name of YHVH with the Greek and Latin word for “Lord or adown ἰηουα,” Dominus and κύριος or “kurios.”

What Yakov prophesies and Luke “forth-tells” is that at some point in (future?) history, the fallen tabernacle of David will be restored to its former glory, and that the remainder of the gentiles may seek YHVH or Yahweh. They will join the gentiles who are already called by the name of YHVH or Yahweh, says YHVH or Yahweh who does these things. So, all gentiles may pursue YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity.

YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel has a plan.

Are WE ready for it?

Were WE ever ready for it?

Will WE ever be ready for it?

Did we miss it?

How did we miss it?

Will we miss it again?

Don't think of me, the author, as "de novo" prophet. Think of me as simply one who is forth-telling what (many) others have already fore-told and others have forth-told. I am just another iteration of what has been [after Ecclesiastes 1 below]. I am a tour guide and we are on a journey where others have gone before us.

Recall (again for the first time?) the words of the prophet Solomon son of David, king of Israel:

9 That which has been [is] what will be, that which [is] done is what will be done, And [there is] nothing new under the sun.

10 Is there anything of which it may be said, "See, this [is] new"? It has already been in ancient times before us. 11 [There is] no remembrance of former [things], Nor will there be any remembrance of [things] that are to come by [those] who will come after. [Ecclesiastes 1:9-11 NKJV] and,

14 I know that whatever God [remember YHVH or Yahweh was Solomon's God] does, it shall be forever. Nothing can be added to it, and nothing taken from it. God [YHVH] does [it], that men should fear before Him. 15 That which is has already

been, and what is to be has already been; And God [YHVH] requires an account of what is past. [Ecclesiastes 3:14-15 NKJV]

To that, we can add the words of Yahweh of Nazareth as the man Yehoshua or Yeshua as He forth-tells his audience what had been fore-told:

34 Jesus [YHVH saves or Yahweh is salvation] answered them, "Is it not written in **your** law, 'I said, "You are gods (Psalm 82:6) ')? 35 "If He [YHVH or Yahweh] called them gods, to whom the word of God [YHVH or Yahweh] came (and **the Scripture cannot be broken**), [John 10:34-35 NKJV]

What YHVH or Yahweh El Shaddai (The LORD God Almighty) has fore-told through His prophets . . . **will happen** but at what cost to our rebellion and disobedience?

How do we prepare?

How do WE bring Messiah?

As somewhat of a “side bar” before we move onto another topic, **Jesus does not place Himself under the law as He is the Lawgiver.** He does not say “our law” but “your law.”

22 (For the LORD [Yahweh] [is] **our** Judge, The LORD [Yahweh] [is] **our** Lawgiver, The LORD [Yahweh] [is] **our** King; He will save us); [Isaiah 33:22 NKJV]

Yahweh is **our** lawgiver . . . therefore, He can't be "under" His law in the same sense that his Jewish audience is "under" the law.

24 Therefore the law was our tutor [to bring us] to Christ [Messiah YHVH or Yahweh incarnate as a savior], that we might be **justified by faith**. 25 But after faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. [Galatians 3:24-25 NKJV]

Since Jeremiah 32:27 is true and cannot be broken,

27 "Behold, I [am] the LORD [YHVH or **Yahweh**], the God of **all flesh**. Is there anything too hard for Me? [Jeremiah 32:27 NKJV]

Whether you are a Hebrew/Jew of Gentile,

YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel, the God of all humanity is  
OUR judge.

OUR lawgiver



OUR king

And He, Yahweh, will save us . . .

21 Declare and present your case; let them take counsel together! Who told this long ago? Who declared it of old? Was it not I, the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel]? And there is no other god besides me, **a righteous God and a Savior; there is none besides me.** [Isaiah (salvation is of YHVH or Yahweh) 45:21 RSV]

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## He Shall Be Called a Nazarene

22 The **stone** [which] the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. [Psalm 118:22 NKJV]

24 But his bow remained in strength, And the arms of his hands were made strong By the hands of the Mighty [God] of Jacob (From there [is] the Shepherd, the **Stone of Israel**), [Genesis 49:24 NKJV]

19 Now, therefore, you (gentiles) are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, 20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the **chief corner [stone]**, 21 in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, 22 in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit. [Ephesians 2:19-22 NKJV]

26 The blessings of your father Have excelled the blessings of my ancestors, Up to the utmost bound of the everlasting hills. They shall be on the head of Joseph, And on the crown of the head of him who was **separate from his brothers**. [Genesis 49:26 NKJV]

ברכת אביך גברו על־ברכת הורי עד־תאות גבעת עולם תהיי  
לראש יוסף ולקדקד נזיר אחי

49:26 εὐλογίας πατρὸς σου καὶ μητρὸς σου ὑπερίσχυσεν ἐπ' εὐ  
λογίαις ὀρέωνμονίμων καὶ ἐπ' εὐλογίαις θινῶν ἀενάων ἔσονται ἐ  
πὶ κεφαλὴν Ἰωσηφ καὶ ἐπὶ κορυφῆς ὧν ἠγήσατο ἀδελφῶν  
benedictiones patris tui confortatae sunt benedictionibus  
patrum eius donec veniret desiderium collium aeternorum fiant  
in capite Ioseph et in vertice nazarei inter fratres suos

46 And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of  
Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." [John 1:46  
NKJV]

1:46 καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ Ναθαναήλ Ἐκ Ναζαρέτ δύναται τι ἀγαθὸν εἶ  
ναι λέγει αὐτῷ Φίλιππος Ἔρχου καὶ ἴδε

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ναι λέγει αὐτῷ ὁ Φίλιππος ἔρχου καὶ ἴδε

23 And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth, that it  
might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, "He shall  
be called a Nazarene." [Matthew 2:23 NKJV]

2:23 καὶ ἐλθὼν κατώκησεν εἰς πόλιν λεγομένην Ναζαρέτ ὅπως πληρωθῆ τὸ ρηθὲν διὰ τῶν προφητῶν ὅτι Ναζωραῖος κληθήσεται

et veniens habitavit in civitate quae vocatur Nazareth ut adimpleretur quod dictum est per prophetas quoniam Nazareus vocabitur

Ναζωραῖος Stong's #G3480 : Nazarite = "one separated" נזיר  
consecrated or devoted one, Nazarite; one separated out

Who shall be called **one separated out** (from his brothers who would have dwelt in Judea as Joseph was from the tribe of Judah)?

The stone of Israel, the mighty (one or God of Israel) who by the prophet Yakov was both Father and Son.

Who shall be called a **Nazarene**?

Yahweh EL Shaddai (LORD God Almighty), the God of Israel, the God of all flesh/humanity, who became human to save all from their sins . . . the Jew first and then the gentile.

Why?

27 "Behold, I [am] the **LORD [Yahweh, the God of all flesh]**. Is there anything too hard for Me? [Jeremiah 32:27 NKJV]

הנה אני יהוה אלהי כל-בשר הממני יפלא כל-דבר:

Because Yahweh, the God of Israel is the Passover Lamb.

There is no forgiveness of sin without the shedding of blood.

Who better to meet the challenge but YHVH or Yahweh the Lawgiver?

So, the question is for all who have rejected the stone of Israel that is both Father and Son . . . .

26 Blessed [is] he who comes **in the name** of the LORD [YHVH or **Yahweh**]! We have blessed you from the house of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. [Psalm 118:26 NKJV]

37 "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under [her] wings, but you were not willing 38 "See! Your house is left to you desolate; 39 "for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, 'Blessed [is] He who comes **in the name** of the LORD [YHVH or **Yahweh**]!" [Matthew 23:37-39 NKJV]

34 "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen [gathers] her brood under [her] wings, but you were not willing! 35 "See! Your house is left to you desolate; and assuredly, I say to you, you shall not see Me until [the time] comes when you say, 'Blessed is He who comes **in the name** of the LORD [YHVH or **Yahweh**]!' "  
[Luke 13:34-5 NKJV]

Three witnesses, Matthew also known as Levi, Luke and the writer of Psalm 118 (not clear from the text but perhaps David).

Simple but not easy. . .

13 All your children [shall be] **taught by the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]**, and great [shall be] the peace of your children.  
[Isaiah 54:13 NKJV]

וכל־בניך למודי יהוה ורב שלום בניך

54:13 καὶ πάντα τοὺς υἱούς σου διδακτοὺς **θεοῦ** καὶ ἐν πολλῇ εἰρήνῃ τὰ τέκνα σου

universos filios tuos doctos a **Domino** et multitudinem pacis filiis tuis

45 "It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Therefore, everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to Me. [John 6:45 NKJV]

6:45 ἔστιν γεγραμμένον ἐν τοῖς προφήταις καὶ ἔσονται πάντες διδασκτοὶ τοῦ θεοῦ· πᾶς οὖν ὁ ἀκούσας παρὰ τοῦ πατρὸς καὶ μαθὼν ἔρχεται πρὸς με

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2 "You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God which I command you. [Deuteronomy 4:2 NKJV]

לֹא תִסְפוּ עַל־הַדְּבָר אֲשֶׁר אֲנִי מְצַוֶּה אֶתְכֶם וְלֹא תִגְרְעוּ מִמֶּנּוּ  
לְשׁוֹמֵר אֶת־מִצְוֹת יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם אֲשֶׁר אֲנִי מְצַוֶּה אֶתְכֶם

Change one word . . . YHVH or Yahweh . . . for God and one loses the understanding of who the speaker is.

Jesus quoted from the Greek Tanakh (LXX) instead of the Hebrew Tanakh (OT).



Perhaps he did this to remind them that in changing the Hebrew text in Isaiah (salvation is of YHVH or Yahweh) 54:13 from YHVH or Yahweh as teacher to God as teacher, their children would have no peace. Who changed the text? Why was it changed? It matters greatly!

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## Who Did Jesus of the “New Testament” Say HE was?

13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesare'a Philip'pi, he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that the Son of man is?" 14 And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Eli'jah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." 15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" [Matthew 16:13-15 RSV]

We have addressed this text somewhat but our discussion went in another direction.

Based on this text, I have framed a similar question. Who did Jesus of Nazareth say HE was? It must be understood clearly that Jesus' [YHVH or Yahweh is salvation or saves or savior] audience was overwhelmingly Jewish. There are certainly gentiles in the crowds but the primary focus were the Jews. Many Christians are taught to “just place themselves in the story because it was written for them as well.” I understand that statement and how and why it is made, but it is perhaps only 1% true.

Why did Jesus/Yeshua/Yehoshua say He was the “son of man”?

19 "God [is] not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent. Has He said, and will He not do? Or has

He spoken, and will He not make it good? [Numbers 23:19  
NKJV]

Perhaps a better English translation to understand the Hebrew:

19 God is not human, that he should lie, not a human being,  
that he should change his mind. Does he speak and then not  
act? Does he promise and not fulfill? [Numbers 23:19 NIV]

God [YHVH or Yahweh El Shaddai or LORD God Almighty, the  
God of Israel] is not a human that he would lie or the son of [a] man  
that he would change His mind because what He said the first time  
was not correctly said the first time.

The God of Israel is not a man or the son of a man that He would lie  
or change His mind after He spoke. If God were a man he wouldn't  
lie and He would speak correctly the first time.

לא איש אל ויכזב ובן־אדם ויתנחם ההוא אמר ולא יעשה ודבר  
ולא יקימנה

So, who did Yahweh of Nazareth, the name above all names, say He  
was?

I am the way, the truth, and the life

6 Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth, and the life:** no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. [John 14:6 KJV]

14:6 λέγει αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς **Ἐγώ εἰμι** ἡ ὁδὸς καὶ ἡ ἀλήθεια καὶ ἡ ζωὴ ἡ οὐδεὶς ἔρχεται πρὸς τὸν πατέρα εἰ μὴ δι' ἐμοῦ

This is one of the statements made by Jesus (YHVH of Nazareth) that are collectively called **“the I AM statements.”**

In Greek, the original language of the “New Testament,” the following phrase appears with regularity:

**Ἐγώ εἰμι** is often pronounced (phonetically) “ego emi.” It is the construct used by the Jewish sages of antiquity to translate from Hebrew, [**אֲנִי**] or [**אני**] into the Greek when they translated the Hebrew Tanakh into the Greek Tanakh or Septuagint or LXX for “the seventy.”

These “I am” statements also appear in the Latin Vulgate in a couple of forms.

I am the **way** . . . from John 14:6

3 A voice of one calling: "In the wilderness prepare the way for the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. [Isaiah 40:3 NIV]

קול קורא במדבר פנו דרך יהוה ישרו בערבה מסלה לאלהינו

I am the way . . .

14 God replied to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. Say this to the people of Israel: I AM has sent me to you." [Exodus 3:14 NLT]

ויאמר אלהים אל-משה אהיה אשר אהיה ויאמר כה תאמר לבני ישראל אהיה שלחני אליכם

3:14 καὶ εἶπεν ὁ θεὸς πρὸς Μωϋσῆν ἐγὼ εἰμι ὁ ὢν καὶ εἶπεν οὕτως ἐρεῖς τοῖς υἱοῖς Ἰσραὴλ ὁ ὢν ἀπέσταλκέν με πρὸς ὑμᾶς

14 dixit Deus ad Mosen ego sum qui sum ait sic dices filiis Israel qui est misit me ad vos [Exodus 3:14 Vulgate]

2 I [am] the LORD [YHVH] thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. [Exodus 20:2 KJV]

אנכי יהוה אלהיך אשר הוצאתיך מארץ מצרים מבית עבדים

20:2 **ἐγώ εἰμι** κύριος ὁ θεός σου ὅστις ἐξήγαγόν σε ἐκ γῆς Αἰγύπτου ἐξ οἴκουδουλείας

2 **ego sum** Dominus Deus tuus qui eduxi te de terra Aegypti de domo servitutis [Exodus 20:2 Vulgate]

18 Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: **I [am] the LORD [YHVH]**. [Leviticus 19:18 KJV]

**אני יהוה** לֹא־תִקַּם וְלֹא־תִטַּר אֶת־בְּנֵי עַמְּךָ וְאֶהְבֵּת לְרֵעֶךָ כַּמּוֹד

18 non quaeres ultionem nec memor eris iniuriae civium tuorum diliges amicum tuum sicut temet ipsum **ego** Dominus [Leviticus 19:18 Vulgate]

A clear pattern emerges as you study more of these ‘I am’ statements. Jesus did not speak in English and very unlikely in Greek or Latin.

When we work backwards through time and multiple languages and languages that evolved over time, we are left with a question. **What was Jesus of Nazareth son of Joseph son of David trying to communicate to His **Jewish audience**?** It is not an easy question but one that can be answered from the ancient texts if we are open

minded. “Hebrew speaks louder and more correctly than Greek or Latin.”

We will examine some of the “I AM” statements from a Hebraic or Jewish perspective.

I am the way . . . I am the truth . . . John 14:6

10 But the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] the true God, he [is] the living God, and an everlasting king: at his wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide his indignation. [Jeremiah 10:10 KJV]

וְיְהוָה אֱלֹהִים אֱמֶת הוּא־אֱלֹהִים חַיִּים וּמֶלֶךְ עוֹלָם מִקְצֵפוֹ תִרְעַשׂ הָאָרֶץ  
וְלֹא־יִכְלוּ גוֹיִם זַעֲמוּ

10 Dominus autem Deus verus est ipse Deus vivens et rex sempiternus ab indignatione eius commovebitur terra et non sustinebunt gentes comminationem eius [Jeremiah 10:10 Vulgate]

I am the way . . . I am the truth . . . I am the life . . .

20 "that you may love the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God, that you may obey His voice, and that you may cling to Him, for He [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] your life and the length of



your days; and that you may dwell in the land which the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give them." [Deuteronomy 30:20 NKJV]

לאהבה את־יהוה אלהיך לשמע בקלו ולדבקה־בו כי הוא חייד וארד  
ימיד לשבת על־האדמה אשר נשבע יהוה לאבתך לאברהם ליצחק  
וליעקב לתת להם:

7 And the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] God formed man [of] the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. [Genesis 2:7 KJV]

וייצר יהוה אלהים את־האדם עפר מן־האדמה ויפח באפיו נשמת  
חיים ויהי האדם לנפש חיה:

46 And when Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh son of Yahweh incarnate as a savior, Yehoshua or Yeshua] had cried out with a loud voice, He said, "Father, 'into Your hands I commit My spirit.' " Having said this, He breathed His last. [Luke 23:46 NKJV]

23:46 καὶ φωνήσας φωνῆ μεγάλη ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν Πάτερ εἰς χεῖρά  
ς σου παραθήσομαι τὸ πνεῦμά μου καὶ ταῦτα εἰπὼν  
ἔξέπνευσεν

5 Into Your hand I commit **my spirit**; You have redeemed me,  
O LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] God of truth. [Psalm 31:5 NKJV]

31:5 (WLC 31:6) בידך אפקיד **רוחי** פדיתה אותי יהוה אל אמת

31:5 (LXX30:6) εἰς χεῖράς σου παραθήσομαι τὸ **πνεῦμά** μου ἔλυτ  
ρώσω με κύριε ὁ θεὸς τῆς ἀληθείας

22 And when He had said this, He breathed on [them], and  
said to them, "**Receive the Holy Spirit**. [John 20:22 NKJV]

20:22 καὶ τοῦτο εἰπὼν ἐνεφύσησεν καὶ λέγει αὐτοῖς **Λάβετε  
πνεῦμα ἅγιον·**

63 "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The  
words that I speak to you are spirit, and [they] are life. [John  
6:63 NKJV]

6:63 τὸ **πνεῦμά** ἐστὶν τὸ **ζωο**ποιοῦν ἢ σὰρξ οὐκ ὠφελεῖ οὐδέν· τὰ  
ῥήματα ἃ ἐγὼ λαλῶ ὑμῖν **πνεῦμά** ἐστὶν καὶ **ζωή** ἐστὶν

11 Do not cast me away from Your presence, And **do not take  
Your Holy Spirit from me**. [Psalm 51:11 NKJV]

51:11 (WLC 51:13)

אל־תִּשְׁלִיכֵנִי מִלְּפָנֶיךָ וְרוּחַ קֹדֶשְׁךָ אַל־תִּקַּח מִמֶּנִּי

51:11 (LXX 50:13) μὴ ἀπορρίψῃς με ἀπὸ τοῦ προσώπου σου καὶ τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἅγιόν σου μὴ ἀντανέλῃς ἀπ' ἐμοῦ

14 But the Spirit of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] departed from Saul, and a distressing spirit from the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] troubled him. [1 Samuel 16:14 NKJV]

16:14 רוח יהוה סרה מעם שאול ובעתו רוח רעה מאת יהוה

16:14 καὶ πνεῦμα κυρίου ἀπέστη ἀπὸ Σαουλ καὶ ἔπνιγεν αὐτὸν πνεῦμα πονηρὸν παρὰ κυρίου

The Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh God is what brings life. The Spirit is life and YHVH or Yahweh is our life. “Life” departs King Saul and he is filled by an evil, troubling spirit. David is aware of the “transaction.” When David sins his sin with Bathsheba, David’s cry to YHVH or Yahweh was that the Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh who is holy not be taken from him. King Saul sins and the Holy Spirit leaves him. When Israel’s sin had “reached the high heavens,” the Holy Spirit [of YHVH or Yahweh their Life,] was taken from them.

Recall, that translators add words when going from one language to another. The syntax is different. To be a faithful translator is a very difficult task. The translation needs to flow into the “new” language.

Here is an important “language lesson.”

20 The breath of our nostrils, the anointed of the LORD  
[YHVH or Yahweh], Was caught in their pits, Of whom we  
said, "Under his shadow We shall live among the nations."  
[Lamentations 4:20 NKJV]

4:20

רוח אפינו משיח יהוה נלכד בשחיתותם אשר אמרנו בצלו נחיה בגו  
ים

The Hebrew reads (literally): breath or spirit our nostrils messiah  
YHVH or Yahweh. The (breath) Spirit of our nostrils is Messiah  
YHVH or Yahweh.

The Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel departed with the  
destruction of the first temple. The Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh  
comes back when John the Baptist [Yehochanan ben Zechariah ha  
cohen] “baptizes or immerses” Yehoshua or Yeshua in the Jordan  
river.

16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out  
of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and  
he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting  
upon him: [Matthew 3:16 KJV]

10 And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon him: [Mark 1:10 KJV]

22 And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased. [Luke 3:22 KJV]

32 And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him. [John 1:32 KJV]

The Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh who is holy descends (returns) to Israel when it comes on or into YHVH or Yahweh the son of Yahweh, incarnate as a savior. It departs from Israel when Life himself (YHVH or Yahweh who is our life) departs from them, dies on the cross. It returns when Life, YHVH or Yahweh incarnate as a savior is resurrected and appears to some of his disciples in the upper room.

22 And when He had said this, He breathed on [them], and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. [John 20:22 NKJV]

The disciples (of YHVH or Yahweh incarnate) are the first to receive "New Life." It is, to them, a "new creation" (similar to when YHVH

or Yahweh breathes into the lump of land/dirt/ground known as “adam.” Adam becomes a living “nephesh” or soul when the Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh enters him.)

Jesus is declaring to his disciples that He is YHVH or Yahweh who breathed life into “adam” at creation.

7 And the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] God formed man [of] the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. [Genesis 2:7 KJV]

2:7

וַיִּצַר יְהוָה אֱלֹהִים אֶת־הָאָדָם עֹפָר מִן־הָאֲדָמָה וַיִּפַּח בְּאַפָּיו נְשָׁמַת חַיִּים  
וַיְהִי הָאָדָם לְנֶפֶשׁ חַיָּה

28 "And it shall come to pass afterward That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your old men shall dream dreams, Your young men shall see visions. [Joel 2:28 NKJV]

YHVH God of Israel, God of all Flesh . . . the living God becomes a living nephesh/neshama to prove He, YHVH, the God of Israel is the TRUE, LIVING God . . . no other god can do that.

## I Am the door

7 Therefore Jesus said again, "Very truly I tell you, I am the gate [door] for the sheep. [John 10:7 NIV]

10:7 Εἶπεν οὖν πάλιν αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς Ἀμήν ἀμήν λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι ἐγὼ εἰμι ἡ θύρα τῶν προβάτων

9 I am the gate [door]; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. [John 10:9 NIV]

10:9 ἐγὼ εἰμι ἡ θύρα δι' ἐμοῦ ἐάν τις εἰσέλθῃ σωθήσεται καὶ εἰσελεύσεται καὶ ἐξελεύσεται καὶ νομὴν εὕρησει

Recall, that Jesus is Yahweh and He has just said to his Jewish audience that he is the door (gate). What did they hear? What could/should they have heard?

11 And thou shalt kill the bullock before the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], [by] the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. [Exodus 29:11 KJV]

29:11 ושחטת את־הפר לפני יהוה פתח אהל מועד

29:11 καὶ σφάξεις τὸν μύσχον ἔναντι κυρίου παρὰ τὰς θύρας τῆς σκηνῆς τοῦ μαρτυρίου

לפני יהוה פתח אהל מועד Reading from right to left, almost literally, “before my face YHVH (Yahweh) door tabernacle congregation.

This is but one example where YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel is personified as the door of the tabernacle of meeting (a picture of heaven or the “garden of eden”).

Jesus has his Jewish audience here or a similar verse. He says he is the door but the door in Hebrew is YHVH or Yahweh himself.

23 "He shall bring them to the priest on the eighth day for his cleansing, to the door of the tabernacle of meeting, before the LORD. [Leviticus 14:23 NKJV]

14:23

והביא אתם ביום השמיני לטהרתו אל־הכהן אל־פתח אהל־מועד לפני יהוה

“Door tabernacle meeting (my)face YHVH or Yahweh.”

YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity is the door to the tabernacle of meeting (heaven or “garden of eden”).



## I AM the good shepherd

11 I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.

10:11 Ἐγώ εἰμι ὁ ποιμὴν ὁ καλός· ὁ ποιμὴν ὁ καλὸς τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ τίθει ὑπὲρ τῶν προβάτων·

11 ego sum pastor bonus bonus pastor animam suam dat pro ovibus

12 But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. [John 10:12 KJV]

13 The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep.

14 I am the good shepherd, and know my [sheep], and am known of mine. [John 10:11-14 KJV]

10:14 Ἐγώ εἰμι ὁ ποιμὴν ὁ καλός· καὶ γινώσκω τὰ ἐμὰ καὶ γινώσκονται ὑπὸ τῶν ἐμῶν

14 **ego sum pastor bonus** et cognosco meas et cognoscunt me  
meae [John 10:14 VULGATE]

To show a pattern in translations . . . let's look at two seemingly  
unrelated (to shepherd) scriptures:

2 I [am] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] thy God, which have  
brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of  
bondage. [Exodus 20:2 KJV]

20:2 אנכי יהוה אלהיך אשר הוצאתיך מארץ מצרים מבית עבדים

20:2 **ἐγώ ειμι κύριος** ὁ θεός σου ὅστις ἐξήγαγόν σε ἐκ γῆς Αἰγύπ  
του ἐξ οἴκου δουλείας

**ego sum Dominus** Deus tuus qui eduxi te de terra Aegypti de  
domo servitutis

13 And, behold, the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] stood above it,  
and said, I [am] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] God of  
Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon  
thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed; [Genesis 28:13  
KJV] (Jacob's ladder)

28:13

והנה יהוה נצב עליו ויאמר אני יהוה אלהי אברהם אביך ואלהי יצחק  
ק הארץ אשר אתה שכב עליה לך אתננה ולזרעך

28:13 ὁ δὲ κύριος ἐπεστήρικτο ἐπ’ αὐτῆς καὶ εἶπεν ἐγὼ κύριος ὁ  
θεὸς Ἀβραὰμ τοῦ πατρὸς σου καὶ ὁ θεὸς Ἰσαακ μὴ φοβοῦ ἡ γῆ ἐ  
φ’ ἧς σὺ καθεύδεις ἐπ’ αὐτῆς σοὶ δώσω αὐτήν καὶ τῷ σπέρματί  
σου

et Dominum innixum scalae dicentem sibi ego sum Dominus  
Deus Abraham patris tui et Deus Isaac terram in qua dormis  
tibi dabo et semini tuo

I AM = I am = Ἐγὼ εἶμι = ego sum = אנכי = אני

When we take the time to examine the “I AM or I am” statements of Jesus [Yehoshua or Yeshua], there are linguistic clues to interpretation of the text.

Remember, we (collectively) Jews, Catholics and Protestants do not have the original autographs. We have translations and transliterations that do their best to approximate the original autographs. I will list as an **appendix (A)** the letter written by (Saint) Jerome to the pope when he was asked to translate the holy scriptures into Latin. It is very illuminating.

Working from an English perspective, Jesus is saying to his Jewish audience that he is YHVH or Yahweh their God (the God of Israel). To which we can add from Jeremiah 32:27, that he YHVH or Yahweh is the God of all flesh/humanity.

### Psalm 23

A Psalm by David.

<sup>1</sup> **Yahweh is my shepherd**; I shall lack nothing. <sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. <sup>3</sup> He restores my soul. He guides me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. <sup>4</sup> Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me. Your rod and your staff, they comfort me. <sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil. My cup runs over. <sup>6</sup> Surely goodness and loving kindness shall follow me all the days of my life, and **I will dwell in Yahweh's house forever**. [This text is from the World English Bible. Wherever the name of God, YHVH occurs, it is translated as Yahweh. This translation is in the public domain].

1 A psalm of David. The LORD [YHVH or **Yahweh**] is my **shepherd**, I lack nothing. [Psalm 23:1 NIV]

מזמור לדוד יהוה רעי לא אחסר 23:1

6 Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] forever. [Psalm 23:6 NIV]

אך טוב וחסד ירדפוני כל-ימי חיי ושבתי בבית-יהוה לארך ימים 23:6

When YHVH or Yahweh is your shepherd . . . you will dwell in YHVH's or Yahweh's house. **בית-יהוה** or house of YHVH is the actual name for what is often (not always) translated “temple.” It *could also be* a picture of heaven or the garden of Eden. This would be a fair and accurate picture of what Hebrews or Jews were to expect from their “shepherds.” But, they received very different treatment from their shepherds. Jesus addresses these discrepancies in John 10.

Here is a partial list of “discrepancies.” This is a “cut and paste” effort from the **World English Bible**. It gives clearly the historical context for John 10. You might want to consider owning a “hardcopy” of this translation. It's available on Amazon for a nominal cost.

<sup>11</sup> “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. [John 10:11 WEB]

<sup>0</sup> Behold, the Lord Yahweh will come as a mighty one, and his arm will rule for him. Behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.<sup>11</sup> He will feed his flock like a shepherd. He will gather the lambs in his arm, and carry them in his bosom. He will gently lead those who have their young.  
[Isaiah 40:10-11 WEB]

<sup>1</sup> “For the Lord Yahweh says: “Behold, I myself, even I, will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup> As a shepherd seeks out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered abroad, so I will seek out my sheep. I will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day. <sup>13</sup> I will bring them out from the peoples, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited places of the country. <sup>14</sup> I will feed them with good pasture, and their fold will be on the mountains of the height of Israel. There they will lie down in a good fold. They will feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup> I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will cause them to lie down,” says the Lord Yahweh.” [Ezekiel 34:11-15 WEB]

<sup>20</sup> “Therefore the Lord Yahweh says to them: ‘Behold, I, even I, will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup> Because

you thrust with side and with shoulder, and push all the diseased with your horns, until you have scattered them abroad, <sup>22</sup> therefore I will save my flock, and they will no more be a prey. I will judge between sheep and sheep. <sup>23</sup> I will set up one shepherd over them, and he will feed them, even my servant David. He will feed them, and he will be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup> I, Yahweh, will be their God, and my servant David prince among them. I, Yahweh, have spoken it.

[Ezekiel 34:20-24 WEB]

I have other sheep which are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will hear my voice. They will become one flock with one shepherd. [John 10:16 WEB]

<sup>8</sup>The Lord Yahweh, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, says, “I will yet gather others to him, in addition to his own who are gathered.” [Isaiah 56:8]

<sup>11</sup>“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. [John 10:11 WEB]

I AM = I am = Ἐγώ εἰμι = ego sum = אֲנִי = אֲנִי = YHVH or Yahweh is the good shepherd . . . YHVH or Yahweh is my shepherd.

Asking the question “*what did the original hearers hear*” is very valuable. Jesus’ comments must always be in the context of the first century Jewish Israel.

I have other sheep which are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will hear my voice. They will become one flock with one shepherd. [John 10:16 WEB]

The fulfillment of this “prophecy” rests in our understanding of Romans 11 and Ephesians 2. Paul “sees” gentiles grafted into the cultivated olive tree that is Israel and into the commonwealth of Israel and the Israel of God that is neither Jew nor gentile, male nor female, slave nor free. [Romans 11, Ephesians 2, Galatians 3 or Colossians 3]. When we are further able to “see” Jeremiah 32:27, Yahweh or YHVH is the God of all humanity/flesh, the picture or prophecy becomes more complete.

### **I am the true vine**

1 "I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. [John 15:1 NIV]

15:1 ἐγώ εἰμι ἡ ἄμπελος ἡ ἀληθινή καὶ ὁ πατήρ μου ὁ γεωργὸς ἐστίν

By way of review,



14 God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" 15 God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': this is my name for ever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations. [Exodus 3:14-15 RSV]

3:14

ויאמר אלהים אל־משה אהיה אשר אהיה ויאמר כה תאמר לבני ישראל אהיה שלחני אליכם

3:15 ויאמר עוד אלהים אל־משה כה־תאמר אל־בני ישראל יהוה אלהי אבותיכם אברהם ואלהי יצחק ואלהי יעקב שלחני אליכם זה־שמי לעלם וזה זכרי לדר דר

3:14 καὶ εἶπεν ὁ θεὸς πρὸς Μωυσῆν ἐγώ εἰμι ὁ ὢν καὶ εἶπεν οὕτως ἐρεῖς τοῖς υἱοῖς Ἰσραὴλ ὁ ὢν ἀπέσταλκέν με πρὸς ὑμᾶς

3:15 καὶ εἶπεν ὁ θεὸς πάλιν πρὸς Μωυσῆν οὕτως ἐρεῖς τοῖς υἱοῖς Ἰσραὴλ κύριος ὁ θεὸς τῶν πατέρων ὑμῶν θεὸς Ἀβραὰμ καὶ θεὸς Ἰσαὰκ καὶ θεὸς Ἰακώβ ἀπέσταλκέν με πρὸς ὑμᾶς τοῦτό μού ἐστιν ὄνομα αἰώνιον καὶ μνημόσυνον γενεῶν γενεαῖς

14 dixit Deus ad Mosen **ego sum qui sum** ait sic dices filiis  
Israhel qui est misit me ad vos 15 dixitque iterum Deus ad  
Mosen haec dices filiis Israhel **Dominus** Deus patrum  
vestrorum Deus Abraham Deus Isaac et Deus Iacob misit me ad  
vos hoc nomen mihi est in aeternum et hoc memoriale meum  
in generationem et generatione [Exodus 3:14-15 VULGATE]

**I AM** [YHVH or Yahweh] = יהוה אהיה = ἐγώ εἰμι κύριος = **ego sum**  
Dominus. **I am YHVH** or Yahweh **becomes** I am **Lord** becomes I am  
**your lord**. The name YHVH or Yahweh becomes a “title”. Think  
about it . . . read this short paragraph again, please.

The name of YHVH or Yahweh is not found in the Greek or the  
Latin. YHVH or Yahweh’s esteemed title “Lord” is substituted for  
his name in Greek and Latin at the expense of His one and only  
name that we were commanded to remember so that it could be  
passed down from generation to generation (Exodus 3:15).

ALL the I am statements of Jesus therefore proves his identity as  
YHVH or Yahweh . . . from these two texts, Exodus 3:14-15.

I am the true vine becomes, “YHVH or Yahweh . . . true . . . vine.  
This statement is true here in John 15:15 but it is true in all the “I  
am statements” of Jesus.

I am the true vine also argues/implies that there must have been “false” vine . . . at least at the time he spoke. I would suggest that you re-read the section on “I am the good shepherd” as I believe (am sure) that He had in mind the shepherds of Ezekiel 34.

Another technique to determine why Jesus said what he said to his Jewish audience that he was the true vine can be seen as follows.

Use this as an “exercise”.

If “a” = “b”, and “b” = “c”, then it follows that “a” must = “c” (but the statement must be sensical, i.e., it cannot be non-sensical).

11 For Jehovah [YHVH or **Yahweh**] God **is a sun** and a shield:  
Jehovah will give grace and glory; No good thing will he  
withhold from them that walk uprightly. [Psalm 84:11 ASV]

כי שמש ומגן יהוה אלהים חן וכבוד יתן יהוה לא ימנע טוב להלכים  
בתמים:

2 But unto you that fear my name shall the **sun of  
righteousness** arise with healing in its wings; and ye shall go  
forth, and gambol as calves of the stall. [Mal 4:2 ASV]

וזרחה לכם יראי שמי שמש צדקה ומרפא בכנפיה ויצאתם ופשתם  
בעגלי מרבק

Yahweh (a) is a sun (b) and sun (c) of righteousness (d) or  
Yahweh [is a] sun a= b  
Sun [is our] righteous b = c . . . so (b) must = (c) or  
Yahweh [is our] righteousness

6 In His days Judah will be saved, And Israel will dwell safely;  
Now this [is] His name by which He will be called: THE LORD  
[YHVH or Yahweh] OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS. [Jeremiah 23:6  
NKJV]

16 In those days Judah will be saved, And Jerusalem will dwell  
safely. And this [is the name] by which she will be called: THE  
LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.'  
[Jeremiah 33:16 NKJV]

The ultimate proof is always in the Hebrew text, never elsewhere and  
almost if not always in a non-Masoretic (no vowels) text.

23:6

בימיו תושע יהודה וישראל ישכן לבטח וזה שמו אשר יקראו יהוה צדקנו

33:16 בימים ההם תושע יהודה וירושלם תשכון לבטח וזה אשר יקראל

ה יהוה צדקנו

Yahweh is our righteousness (a=c) is proven by both Jeremiah 23:6 and Jeremiah 33:16. The required third witness is the Spirit of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] who is holy.

26 "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name [YHVH or Yahweh], He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you. [John 14:26 NKJV]

**I am the true vine continues with this pattern.**

17 "Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth. [John 17:17 NKJV]

17:17 ἁγιάσον αὐτοὺς ἐν τῇ ἀληθείᾳ σου· ὁ λόγος ὁ σὸς ἀλήθειά ἐστιν

15 Indeed they say to me, "Where [is] the word of the LORD? [YHVH or Yahweh] Let it come now!" [Jeremiah 17:15 NKJV]

17:15 הנהמה אמרים אלי איה דבר־יהוה יבוא נא

17:15 ἰδοὺ αὐτοὶ λέγουσι πρὸς με ποῦ ἐστιν ὁ λόγος κυρίου ἐλθάτω

Your word is truth but דבר־יהוה or λόγος ἐλθάτω therefore the “word” is YHVH or Yahweh.

And,

10 But the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] the true God; He [is] the living God and the everlasting King. At His wrath the earth will tremble, And the nations will not be able to endure His indignation. [Jeremiah 10:10 NKJV]

10:10

ויהוה אלהים אמת הוא־אלהים חיים ומלך עולם מקצפו תרעש הארץ ולא־יכלו גוים זעמו

I am “YHVH or Yahweh” the true (God) and vine.

This exercise allows you the opportunity to “understand” John 1 perhaps for the first time.

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. [John 1:1 NKJV]

1:1 Ἐν ἀρχῇ ἦν ὁ λόγος καὶ ὁ λόγος ἦν πρὸς τὸν θεόν καὶ θεὸς ἦν ὁ λόγος

However, we just “saw” that the [דבר־יהוה] and [λόγος κυρίου] but since [יהוה] is the [κυρίου], then the [λόγος] is the [דבר־יהוה].

Therefore, John 1 reads (by the Holy Spirit, our Rabbi):

In the beginning was Yahweh and Yahweh was with God and  
Yahweh was God . . .

John used the Greek instead of the Hebrew as his intended audience would not have read Hebrew but Greek. In other words, John clearly knew and wrote that Jesus was [דבר־יהוה] [phonetically, “debar” or “devar” Yahweh].

### I am the light of the world.

12 Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." [John 8:12] ESV

8:12 πάλιν οὖν αὐτοῖς ἐλάλησεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς λέγων ἐγὼ εἰμι τὸ φῶς τοῦ κόσμου ὁ ἀκολουθῶν ἐμοὶ οὐ μὴ περιπατήσει ἐν τῇ σκοτίᾳ ἀλλ' ἔξει τὸ φῶς τῆς ζωῆς

John 8:12 is probably one of the most quoted verses in the Christian scriptures. But, I find it interesting that a companion verse is almost never quoted.

5 **As long as I am in the world**, I am the light of the world."  
[John 9:5 ESV]

9:5 ὅταν ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ ᾧ φῶς εἶμι τοῦ κόσμου

As long as I am in the world . . . I (Jesus) am the light of the world.

Was there **a light in the world before** Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh incarnate as a savior] came into the world?

How about now? Is there a light in the world? Jesus [Yehoshua or Yeshua, YHVH incarnate] clearly has left the world. His return is awaited eagerly.

**16 'AFTER THESE THINGS I WILL RETURN**, AND I WILL REBUILD THE TABERNACLE OF DAVID WHICH HAS FALLEN, AND I WILL REBUILD ITS RUINS, AND I WILL RESTORE IT, 17 SO THAT THE REST OF MANKIND MAY SEEK THE LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], AND ALL THE



GENTILES WHO ARE CALLED BY MY NAME,' 18 SAYS THE LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], WHO MAKES THESE THINGS KNOWN FROM LONG AGO. [Acts 15:16-18 NASB]  
(Recall, the NASB places in all capital letters any text that is quoted from the "Old Testament" or Tanakh [Hebrew scriptures])

11 "In that day I will raise up the fallen booth of David, And wall up its breaches; I will also raise up its ruins And rebuild it as in the days of old; 12 That they may possess the remnant of Edom And all the nations (gentiles) who are called by My name," Declares the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] who does this. [Amos 9:11-12 NASB]

Perhaps not so obvious, but **YHVH or Yahweh**, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity/flesh is the speaker in Acts 15:16-18.

Clearly, YHVH or Yahweh incarnate as a savior came into the world with his birth to a Jewish couple, Yoseph and Miriam, both of the tribe of Judah.

Was "the light" ever in the world?

3 And God said, "Let there be **light**"; and there was **light**. [Genesis 1:3 RSV]

1:3 ויאמר אלהים יהי אור ויהי אור

Remember, the “operation” if “a” = “b” and “b” = “c”, then “a” must = “c” given that it is a “sensical” statement.

1 A Psalm of David. The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? [Psalm 27:1 RSV]

This [YHVH or Yahweh] is the God of Israel, the God of David, King of Israel.

לדוד יהוה אורי וישעי ממי אירא יהוה מעוזי ממי אפחד 27:1

“אורי” here means “my light”.

YHVH or Yahweh is an [אור].

Since God said, “Let there be light [אור], He also said, “let there be YHVH or Yahweh.”

The light of the world is “YHVH or Yahweh” who enters into the world/darkness at creation on Day (1) one.

Notice also, that the sun, moon, stars are NOT created until Day (4).

The darkness pictured in Day (1) is a spiritual darkness.

4 "I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day;  
[the] night is coming when no one can work. [John 9:4 NKJV]

It is "day" because YHVH of Yahweh the light of the world has come into the spiritual "darkness" of 1<sup>st</sup> century Israel.

3 Then Satan entered Judas, surnamed Iscariot, who was numbered among the twelve. [Luke 22:3 NKJV]

27 Now after the piece of bread, Satan entered him. Then Jesus said to him, "What you do, do quickly." [John 13:27 NKJV]

Darkness (Satan) was in the world so the Light had to come into the world to expose the darkness. Actually, the Light, YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel, the God of all flesh/humanity *chose* to come into the world to expose the darkness.

But, YHVH or Yahweh incarnate as a savior left the world.

9 Now when He [Jesus or YHVH or Yahweh incarnate] had spoken these things, while they watched, He [Jesus or YHVH

or Yahweh incarnate] was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. 10 And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, 11 who also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This [same] Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh incarnate], who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven."

[Acts 1:9-11 NKJV]

Are we waiting for the Light to return or do we have “other guidance”?

14 "You are the light [אור] of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. " [Matthew 5:14 RSV]

25 And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decap'olis and Jerusalem and Judea and from beyond the Jordan. [Matthew 4:25 RSV]

1 Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down his disciples came to him. [Matthew 5:1 RSV]

28 And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, 29 for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes. [Matthew 7:28-29 RSV]

Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh incarnate] was on the northern shore of the Sea of Galilee (Kinneret) in the land given to Naphtali and Zebulun.

15 "The land of Zeb'ulun and the land of Naph'tali, toward the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles-- 16 the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned."

[Matthew 4:15-16 RSV]

This was said that the word of the prophet might be fulfilled.

1 But there will be no gloom for her that was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zeb'ulun and the land of Naph'tali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. 2 The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. [Isaiah 9:1-2 RSV]

Jesus' [YHVH or Yahweh incarnate] words were to a Jewish audience with, no doubt, some Gentiles in the crowd. Jesus is not speaking to any specific or generic Christian church or community (apart from Romans 9-11 and Ephesians 2). Remember as well, these **gentiles were supposed to be in synagogues.**

19 Therefore my judgment is that we should not trouble those of the Gentiles who turn to God, 20 but should write to them to abstain from the pollutions of idols and from unchastity and from what is strangled and from blood. 21 For from early generations Moses has had in every city those who preach him, for he is read every sabbath in the synagogues." [Acts 15:19-21 RSV]

2 For if a man with gold rings and in fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, [James 2:2 RSV]

2:2 ἐὰν γὰρ εἰσέλθῃ εἰς συναγωγὴν(synagogue) ὑμῶν ἀνὴρ χρυσοδακτύλιος ἐν ἐσθῆτι λαμπρᾷ εἰσέλθῃ δὲ καὶ πτωχὸς ἐν ῥυπαρᾷ ἐσθῆτι

1 James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes in the Dispersion: Greeting. [James 1:1 RSV]

1:1 Ἰάκωβος θεοῦ καὶ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ δοῦλος ταῖς δώδεκα φυλαῖς ταῖς ἐν τῇ διασπορᾷ χαίρειν

James or Ἰάκωβος or [יַעֲקֹב] is Jacob. Where else would you find a Jew named Jacob but in a synagogue?

To make “the current church” the light of the world is linguistically possible but not in actuality, probable and prophetically impossible. So, YHVH or Yahweh incarnate “prophesied” that **Israel was the light of the world**. While it was/is easy to miss, Israel came back as a nation in 1947/48.

It would seem to me, at least, that it is **Israel’s destiny** to be the light of the world. After all, it was YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, incarnate as a savior that died to the sins of all flesh/humanity.

Be careful if you are about to say, “But Israel denied Jesus”. Has the church accepted that Jesus was in fact YHVH or Yahweh incarnate as a savior, the God of Israel? If so, are you in a church? Why are you in a church? Israel didn’t deny Jesus of Christianity but they denied and continue to deny that their God, YHVH or Yahweh El Shaddai (God Almighty) was and is in fact revealed as Father YHVH, YHVH Son of YHVH or YHVH ben/bar YHVH and Ruach YHVH. What the Christian church have called “the Trinity or Triune God” is in fact real, but it is the God of Israel who is Father, Son and Spirit. **This is the stone that ALL the builders have rejected.**

This is truly an error of “biblical proportions”.

YHVH does come back . . .

3 Then shall the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle. 4 And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which [is] before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, [and there shall be] a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south. [Zechariah 14:3-4 KJV]

How did YHVH or Yahweh fight in the day of battle?

3 The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] a man of war: the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] his name. [Exodus 15:3 KJV]

יהוה איש מלחמה יהוה שמו 15:3

This is a prophecy . . . and a clear one . . . telling us that YHVH or Yahweh will come as a man. He will return as “a man of war” or איש מלחמה.

A word of caution about “light”.

14 And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel [messenger] of light. 15 Therefore [it is] no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of



righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

[2 Corinthians 11:14-15 KJV]

11:14 καὶ οὐ θαυμαστόν· αὐτὸς γὰρ ὁ Σατανᾶς μετασχηματίζεται εἰς ἄγγελον φωτός

11:15 οὐ μέγα οὖν εἰ καὶ οἱ διάκονοι αὐτοῦ μετασχηματίζονται ὡς διάκονοι δικαιοσύνης· ὧν τὸ τέλος ἔσται κατὰ τὰ ἔργα αὐτῶν

Another word of caution about “light”.

34 "The lamp of the body is the eye. Therefore, when your eye is good, your whole body also is full of light. But when [your eye] is bad, your body also [is] full of darkness. 35 "Therefore take heed that the light which is in you is not darkness. 36 "If then your whole body [is] full of light, having no part dark, [the] whole [body] will be full of light, as when the bright shining of a lamp gives you light." [Luke 11:34-36 NKJV]

12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. [Ephesians 6:12 NIV]

Messengers of darkness are under the authority of the angel of darkness masquerading as true angels of light . . . perhaps a fair

picture of what YHVH or Yahweh came into the world to dispel on Day 1.

Recalling,

20 "The Redeemer will come to Zion, to those in Jacob who repent of their sins," declares the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh].

21 "As for me, this is my covenant with them," says the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. "My Spirit, who is on you, will not depart from you, and my words that I have put in your mouth will always be on your lips, on the lips of your children and on the lips of their descendants--from this time on and forever," says the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh].

1 "Arise, shine, for your light has come [Zion], and the glory of the LORD rises upon you [Zion]. 2 See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] rises upon you [Zion] and his glory appears over you [Zion]. 3 Nations will come to your [Zion] light [YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel], and kings to the brightness of your [Zion] dawn. [Isaiah 59:20-21 and Isaiah 60:1-3 NIV]

11 And many nations shall join themselves to the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] in that day, and shall be my people. And I

will dwell in your midst, and you shall know that the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts has sent me to you.  
[Zechariah 2:11 ESV]

23 Thus says the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts: In those days ten men from the nations of every tongue shall take hold of the robe of a Jew, saying, 'Let us go with you, for we have heard that God is with you.'" [Zechariah 8:23 ESV]

You might ask why? . . . So that, these scriptures might be fulfilled in your hearing/seeing/perceiving . . . that Jesus of Nazareth was none other than YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel incarnate as a savior, incarnate as the light of the world.

21 And He [Jesus] began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." [Luke 4:21 NKJV]

I am the bread of life

I am the way, the truth and the life

I am the resurrection and the life

I AM = I am = Ἐγώ εἰμι = ego sum = אֲנִי = אֲנִי = YHVH or Yahweh

We would do well to remember (or learn), very well, that Jesus was talking to a Jewish audience. He isn't speaking to a Christian church.

19 I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you **life** and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose **life**, that you and your offspring may **live**, 20 loving the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God, obeying his [YHVH or Yahweh's] voice and holding fast to him [YHVH or Yahweh], for **he [YHVH or Yahweh] is your life** and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them." [Deuteronomy 30:19-20 ESV]

30:19

העידתי בכם היום את־השמים ואת־הארץ החיים והמות נתתי לפניך  
הברכה והקללה ובחרת בחיים למען תחיה אתה וזרעך

30:20

לאהבה את־יהוה אלהיך לשמע בקלו ולדבקה־בו **כי הוא חייך** וארד  
ימיד לשבת על־האדמה אשר נשבע יהוה לאבתך לאברהם ליצחק  
וליעקב לתת להם

13 O LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the hope of Israel, all who forsake you shall be put to shame; those who turn away from you shall be written in the earth, for they have forsaken the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the fountain of living water. [Jeremiah 17:13 ESV]

17:13 מקוה ישראל יהוה כל-עזביך יבשו יסורי בארץ יכתבו כי עז  
בו מקור מיס־חיים את־יהוה

48 "I am [I AM = I am = 'Εγώ εἰμι = ego sum = אני = אֲנִי = YHVH or Yahweh] the bread of life. ... 55 "For My flesh is food indeed, and My blood is drink indeed. 56 "He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him. ... 63 "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and [they] are life. [John 6:48, 55-56, 63 NKJV]

26 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke [it], and gave [it] to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." 27 Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave [it] to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. 28 "For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. [Matthew 26:26-28 NKJV] . . . interesting that He did not say "for all" . . .

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה' אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם הַמוֹצִיא לֶחֶם מִן הָאָרֶץ

*Baruch ata Adonai Eloheinu melech ha'olam hamotzi lechem min ha'aretz.*

Blessed are you, Lord [YHVH or Yahweh] our God, ruler of the universe who brings forth bread from the earth.

From the ground . . . the bread of life would die as the payment for sins . . . as “there is no forgiveness of sin without the shedding of blood (after Leviticus 17:11) . . . bread from the ground . . . Jesus/Yeshua/Yehoshua, the bread of life, is prophesying his resurrection.

8 For in the hand of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] there is a cup with foaming [red] wine, well mixed, and he pours out from it, and all the wicked of the earth shall drain it down to the dregs. [Psalm 75:8 ESV]

In the hand of YHVH or Yahweh is a cup . . .

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם בּוֹרֵא פְּרֵי הַגָּפֶן

*Baruch atah A-donay, Elo-heinu Melech Ha'Olam borei pri hagafen.*

Blessed are You, L-rd [YHVH or Yahweh] our G-d, King of the universe, Who creates the fruit of the vine.

27 "Behold, I [am] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the God of all flesh/humanity. Is there anything too hard for Me?

[Jeremiah 32:27 NKJV]

32:27 הנה אני יהוה אלהי כל-בשר הממני יפלא כל-דבר:

בֶּשֶׂר YHVH or Yahweh God of all flesh? יהוה אלהי כל בֶּשֶׂר

news or tidings? יהוה אלהי כל-בֶּשֶׂר YHVH or Yahweh God of all tidings or good news or good tidings?

Perhaps, it is יהוה אלהי כל-בֶּשֶׂר YHVH or Yahweh God of both . . . בֶּשֶׂר and בֶּשֶׂר

28 Anyone who rejected the law of Moses died without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. 29 How much more severely do you think someone deserves to be punished who has trampled the Son of God [YHVH ben/bar YHVH who became human to save] underfoot, who has treated as an unholy thing the blood of the covenant that sanctified them,

and who has insulted the Spirit of grace? [Hebrews 10:28-29 NIV]

29 Just think how much worse the punishment will be for those who have trampled on the Son of God [YHVH ben/bar YHVH who became human to save], and have treated the blood of the covenant, which made us holy, as if it were common and unholy, and have insulted and disdained the Holy Spirit who brings God's mercy to us. [Hebrews 10:29 NLT]

30 For we know the one who said, "I will take revenge. I will pay them back." He also said, "The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] will judge his own people." 31 It is a terrible thing to fall into the hands of the living God. [Hebrews 10:30-31 NLT]

29 For our God [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] a consuming fire. [Hebrews 12:29 NKJV]

24 "For the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God [is] a consuming fire, a jealous God. [Deuteronomy 4:24 NKJV]

2 "If there is found among you, within any of your gates which the LORD your God gives you, a man or a woman who has been wicked in the sight of the LORD your God, in transgressing His covenant, [Deuteronomy 17:2 NKJV]



6 "Whoever is deserving of death [man or woman] shall be put to death on the testimony of two or three witnesses; he shall not be put to death on the testimony of one witness.

[Deuteronomy 17:6 NKJV]

3 The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] a man of war; The LORD [is] His name. [Exodus 15:3 NKJV]

יהוה איש מלחמה יהוה שמו 15:3

16 "And it shall be, in that day," Says the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], "[That] you will call Me 'My Husband,' And no longer call Me 'My Master,' [Hos 2:16 NKJV]

והיה ביום־ההוא נא־סִיְהוּהוּ תִקְרָאִי אִישִׁי וְלֹא־תִקְרָאִי־לִי עוֹד בְּעַלְי

YHVH or Yahweh is a man of war, a bridegroom of war who wars for the Jew first, then the Gentile because salvation is of the Jews.

33 He [Elijah] went in alone and shut the door behind him and prayed to the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. 34 Then he lay down on the child's body, placing his mouth on the child's mouth, his eyes on the child's eyes, and his hands on the child's hands. And as he stretched out on him, the child's body began to grow warm again! [2 Kings 4:33-34 NLT] . . . Resurrection?

Elijah, “YHVH or Yahweh is my God or My God is YHVH or Yahweh” breathes the “breath of life רוח חיים [YHVH or Yahweh is our life] into the corpse and he lives . . .

7 And the LORD God formed man [of] the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the **breath of life**; and man became a living being. [Genesis 2:7 NKJV]

2:7

וייצר יהוה אלהים את־האדם עפר מן־האדמה ויפח באפיו **נשמת חיים** ויהי ה  
אדם לנפש חיה:

24 And the woman said to Elijah, Now by this I know that thou [art] **a man of God**, [and] that the **word** of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] **in thy mouth [is] truth**. [1 Kings 17:24 KJV]

17:24

ותאמר האשה אל־אליהו עתה זה ידעתי **כי איש אלהים אתה** **ודבר־**  
**יהוה בפיך אמת**

A brief summary:

I am Yahweh or YHVH:   The bread of life  
                                  The way, the truth and the life  
                                  The resurrection and the life

The light of the world  
The True Vine  
The Good shepherd  
The door (gate)  
The way, the truth and the life

Second helpings:

Who are you Lord? I am Jesus . . .

5 "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus [עִישׁוּ],  
whom you are persecuting," he replied. [Acts 9:5 NIV]

9:5 εἶπεν δέ τις εἶ κύριε ὁ δέ ἐγώ εἰμι Ἰησοῦς [עִישׁוּ]  
ὄν σὺ διώκεις (MGNT)

9:5 εἶπεν δέ τις εἶ κύριε ὁ δέ Κύριος εἶπεν, Ἐγώ εἰμι  
Ἰησοῦς [עִישׁוּ] ὄν σὺ διώκεις· σκληρόν σοι πρὸς κέντρα λακτίζειν  
(Textus receptus)

I am Jesus עִישׁוּ or עִישׁוּ . . . YHVH or Yahweh saves, or is salvation  
or savior.

Who are you Lord? I am YHVH or Yahweh who saves, or is your  
salvation or is your savior.

The pattern of discerning who the savior will be is found in many verses in the Tanakh (Old Testament). We will look at one example.

11 I, I am the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], and besides me there is no savior. [Isaiah 43:11 RSV]

43:11 אנכי אנכי יהוה ואין מבלעדי מושיע

מושיע comes from the root ישע

The name YHVH or Yahweh יהוה combined with the root ישע forms the name Joshua or יהושע that shortens to Jesus ישוע.

3 For I am the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. [Isaiah 43:3]

43:3

כי אני יהוה אלהיך קדוש ישראל מושיעך נתתי כפרך מצרים כוש וסבא תחתיד

21 Declare and present your case; let them take counsel together! Who told this long ago? Who declared it of old? Was it not I, the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]? And there is no other

god besides me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is none besides me. [Isaiah 45:21 RSV]

26 I will make your oppressors eat their own flesh, and they shall be drunk with their own blood as with wine. Then all flesh shall know that I am the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your Savior, and your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob." [Isaiah 49:26 RSV]

16 You shall suck the milk of nations, you shall suck the breast of kings; and you shall know that I, the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], am your Savior and your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob. [Isaiah 60:16 RSV]

4 I am the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God from the land of Egypt; you know no God but me, and besides me there is no savior. [Hosea 13:4 RSV]

Clearly or maybe not so clearly, since Yahweh is a savior and twice in these example texts it says that there is no other savior than Yahweh. So, Jesus can't be savior . . . unless he is Yahweh . . . which he is.

13 And David took more concubines and wives from Jerusalem, after he came from Hebron; and more sons and daughters were born to David. 14 And these are the names of those who were

born to him in Jerusalem: Sham'mu-a, Shobab, Nathan, Solomon, 15 Ibhar, Eli'shu-a, Nepheg, Japhi'a, [2 Samuel 5:13-15 RSV]

ויבחר ואלישוע ונפג ויפיע 5:15

ואלישוע “ו and” “אל God” “ישוע Yeshua” or God Jesus.

Jesus = Yeshua = Yehoshua = YHVH or Yahweh saves, or is salvation or savior = יהושע = ישוע

5 And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Ἐγώ εἰμι Jesus [Yahweh your savior], whom you are persecuting; [Acts 9:5 RSV]

8 And I answered, 'Who are you, Lord?' And he said to me, 'I am Ἐγώ εἰμι Jesus [Yahweh your savior] of [from] Nazareth whom you are persecuting.' [Acts 22:8 RSV]

22:8 ἐγὼ δὲ ἀπεκρίθην τίς εἶ κύριε εἶπέν τε πρὸς με ἐγὼ εἰμι Ἰησοῦς ὁ Ναζωραῖος ὃν σὺ διώκεις

Ναζωραῖος = נזיר = nazarite or Nazarene (one who dwells in Nazareth)

15 And I said, 'Who are you, Lord?' And the Lord said, 'I am  
Ἐγώ εἰμι Jesus [Yahweh your savior] whom you are  
persecuting. [Acts 26:15 RSV]

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## The Holy Spirit

28 And He said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel; for you have struggled with God and with men, and have prevailed." ... 30 So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: "For I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved." [Genesis 32:28, 30 NKJV]

22 "Then you shall say to Pharaoh, 'Thus says the LORD: "Israel [is] My son, My firstborn. [Exodus 4:22 NKJV]

9 They shall come with weeping, And with supplications I will lead them. I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters, In a straight way in which they shall not stumble; For I am a Father to Israel, And Ephraim [is] My firstborn. [Jeremiah 31:9 NKJV]

No one can get to the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, without struggling with God . . . and man.

YHVH or Yahweh, the son of God, Yahweh ben Yahweh or Yahweh bar Yahweh came in the likeness of men, even as a bond-servant and humbled himself by becoming obedient unto the point of death, even on a cross.

17 "the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. [John 14:17 NKJV]

26 "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me. [John 15:26 NKJV]

13 "However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own [authority], but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. [John 16:13 NKJV]

10 But the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] the true God; He [is] the living God and the everlasting King. At His wrath the earth will tremble, And the nations will not be able to endure His indignation. [Jeremiah 10:10 NKJV]

3 Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord [YHVH or Yahweh] except by the Holy Spirit [the Spirit of YHVH the true God who is holy]. [1 Corinthians 12:3 NKJV]

6 We are of God. He who knows God hears us; he who is not of God does not hear us. By this we know the **spirit of truth** and the **spirit of error**. [1 John 4:6 NKJV]

The spirit of error comes through religion, Jewish, Catholic Christian and Protestant Christian and those who teach that YHVH or **Yahweh is one and has no son**, or that **Jesus is the** Christ.

Jesus is YHVH or Yahweh, the son of God, eternally pre-existent with the Father and Spirit who is holy. Yahweh or YHVH son of Yahweh becomes **human** as a savior. Therefore, His name in English can only be Jesus but Jesus in Hebrew, Yehoshua or Yeshua translates as YHVH or Yahweh saves, or is salvation or is savior.

Jesus himself tells us to be wary of deception.

5 For many shall come in my name [Jesus], saying, **I [Jesus] am Christ**; and shall deceive many. 6 And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all [these things] must come to pass, but the end is not yet.  
[Matthew 24:5-6 KJV]

. . . saying that I [Jesus] am Christ . . . crucial to hear and to understand.

But Jesus is Yehoshua or Yeshua both of which translates as YHVH or Yahweh saves . . . is salvation . . . or savior.

English (religion) misses that Jesus is Yahweh . . . the son of Yahweh . . . who became human to save . . .

Clearly . . . YHVH or **Yahweh is the Christ** . . . Messiah.

The **Spirit of Truth** [the true God and the Living God that is YHVH or Yahweh after Jeremiah 10:10], **teaches that Jesus is Yahweh** and therefore Yahweh is the Christ . . . **Yahweh is the Messiah.**

**IF** you **don't see** that Jesus is Yahweh **or cannot see** that Jesus is Yahweh or **will not see** that Jesus is Yahweh, you are not being taught by the Spirit of the True, Living and Holy God, YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel, the God of all flesh/humanity.

**You are wrestling with men (women) who do not, cannot or will not teach from the Hebrew text (bible).** The True Gospel does not exist in English, Greek or Latin. Jacob wrestled with his uncle, Laban who did not believe in the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Jesus himself warned everyone.

Simple but not easy . . . Why?

27 "Behold, I [am] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the God of all flesh [humanity]. Is there anything too hard for Me?  
[Jeremiah 32:27 NKJV]

When people . . . Jews or gentiles do not worship YHVH or Yahweh with biblical understanding, they (we) become like Pharaoh.

2 And Pharaoh said, "Who [is] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], that I should obey His voice to let Israel go? I do not know the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], nor will I let Israel go." [Exodus 5:2 NKJV]

YHVH or Yahweh isn't just the God of Israel; He is the God of all humanity/flesh.

Understanding this is the beginning of what it means to be "Israel".

28 Then the man said, "Your name will no longer be Jacob, but Israel, because you have struggled with God and with humans and have overcome." [Genesis 32:28 NIV]

Jacob **overcame in that he did not quit**. I can say with all humility and prophetic accuracy that the Spirit of the True and Holy God has encouraged me many, many times with the words "**do not quit**".

Remember, Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity is “building” His Israel, the Israel of God that is neither Jew nor Greek (Gentile), male nor female nor slave nor free. He is forming the “commonwealth of Israel”. YHVH or Yahweh is looking for “Hebrews” as our father in faith, Abraham was a Hebrew. Paul acknowledging that truth, called himself “a Hebrew of Hebrews”.

13 A man who had escaped came and reported this to Abram the Hebrew. Now Abram was living near the great trees of Mamre the Amorite, a brother of Eshkol and Aner, all of whom were allied with Abram. [Genesis 14:13 NIV]

13 And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew; for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner: and these [were] confederate with Abram. [Genesis 14:13 KJV]

13 And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew: now he dwelt by the oaks of Mamre, the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner; and these were confederate with Abram. [Genesis 14:13 ASV]

13 And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew; for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite,

brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner: and these [were] confederate with Abram. [Genesis 14:13 Webster's]

14:13

ויבא הפליט ויגד לאברם העברי והוא שכן באלני ממרא האמרי אח  
י אשכל ואחי ענר והם בעלי ברית-אברם

ברית is the Hebrew word for "covenant".

Who are you "confederate" with? Who are you in "covenant" with?

To be in "covenant" with Abram (Abraham) is to be in "covenant" with the God of Abraham, Yahweh or YHVH El Shaddai (God Almighty). It is to be "confederate" with the God of the Hebrews.

18 "The elders of Israel will accept your message. Then you and the elders must go to the king of Egypt and tell him, 'The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the God of the Hebrews, has met with us. So please let us take a three-day journey into the wilderness to offer sacrifices to the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], our God.' [Exodus 3:18 NLT]

3:18

ושמעו לקלך ובאת אתה וזקני ישראל אל-מלך מצרים ואמרתם אלי

ו יהוה אלהי העבריים נקרה עלינו ועתה נלכה-נא דרך שלשת ימים  
במדבר ונזבחה ליהוה אלהינו

Here is Genesis 14:13 from King James Bible, 1611 edition

13¶ And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew, for he dwelt in the plaine of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner: and these were confederate with Abram.

Here is Genesis 14:13 from the Geneva Bible, 1560 edition.

14:13 And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew; for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner: and these [were] confederate with Abram.

The word “confederate” has been in the English language since at least 1560 . . . the 16<sup>th</sup> century. Think about that for a minute.

If you live in America, as I do, the word “confederate” has at least mixed meanings. The word didn’t have its beginnings with the Civil War of 1861-65.



The so-called “Confederate States” were confederate with one another because they were in “covenant” with one another. They became “allied” for particular reasons. Don’t get lost in the debate about slavery or states’ rights or . . . It was always about being in covenant with like-minded people (states).

Pharaoh, king of Egypt, was not “confederate” with the children of Israel, the Hebrews or their God, Yahweh, El Shaddai, the all powerful, all sufficient God. Pharaoh had his own pantheon of gods. As such, the King of Egypt said, not so famously,

2 And Pharaoh said, Who [is] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], neither will I let Israel go. [Exodus 5:2 KJV]

Pharaoh paid an enormous price for his insolence and arrogance. Are you willing to pay a similar price? Would you sacrifice your firstborn to learn who YHVH or Yahweh, the God of the Hebrews, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity is? What if you are a firstborn? Is it worth your life to not be “confederate” or in “covenant” with the One, True and Living God, Yahweh? Would you sacrifice your eternity on the altar of ignorance, arrogance, rebellion and idolatry? Satan would certainly like to have you as a living sacrifice.

29 It happened at midnight - the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] attacked all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sat on his throne to the firstborn of the captive who was in the prison, and all the firstborn of the cattle. 30 Pharaoh got up in the night, along with all his servants and all Egypt, and there was a great cry in Egypt, **for there was no house in which there was not someone dead.**

[Exodus 12:29-30 NET]

If one is honest, objective and willing to be taught by the Spirit of the Living God who is holy . . . YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Abraham, there is a striking resemblance between the plagues of Egypt and the book of Revelation. Pharaoh would not repent.

5 Therefore, remember from what high state you have fallen and **repent!** Do the deeds you did at the first; if not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place - that is, if you do not **repent.** ...

16 **Therefore, repent!** If not, I will come against you quickly and make war against those people with the sword of my mouth. ...

21 I have given her time to repent, but she is not willing to repent of her sexual immorality. 22 Look! I am throwing her

onto a bed of violent illness, and those who commit adultery with her into terrible suffering, **unless they repent** of her deeds. [Revelation 2:5, 16, 21-22 NET]

3 Therefore, remember what you received and heard, and **obey it, and repent**. If you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will never know at what hour I will come against you. ... 19 All those I love, I rebuke and discipline. **So be earnest and repent!** [Revelation 3:3, 19 NET]

20 The rest of humanity, who had not been killed by these plagues, **did not repent** of the works of their hands, so that they did not stop worshiping demons and idols made of gold, silver, bronze, stone, and wood - idols that cannot see or hear or walk about. 21 Furthermore, they **did not repent** of their murders, of their magic spells, of their sexual immorality, or of their stealing. [Revelation 9:20-21 NET]

9 Thus people were scorched by the terrible heat, yet they blasphemed the name of God [YHVH or Yahweh], who has ruling authority over these plagues, and they **would not repent** and give him glory. ...

11 They blasphemed the God of heaven because of their sufferings and because of their sores, but nevertheless they still refused to repent of their deeds. [Revelation 16:9, 11 NET]

15 If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, that person was thrown into the lake of fire.  
[Revelation 20:15 NET]

27 but nothing ritually unclean will ever enter into it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or practices falsehood, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.  
[Revelation 21:27 NET]

Who is the Lamb?

13 And as soon as the priests who carry the ark of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity]-the Lord of all the earth--set foot in the Jordan, its waters flowing downstream will be cut off and stand up in a heap." [Joshua 3:13 NIV]

19 On the tenth day of the first month the people went up from the Jordan and camped at Gilgal on the eastern border of Jericho. [Joshua 4:19 NIV]

2 "This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. 3 Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. [Exodus 12:3 NIV]

YHVH or Yahweh, the God of the Patriarchs, the God of the Hebrews, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity is the Lamb (of God, the Father, Yahweh).

4 And when he had apprehended him, he put [him] in prison, and delivered [him] to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people. [Acts 12:4 KJV]

12:4 ὄν καὶ πιάσας ἔθετο εἰς φυλακὴν παραδοὺς τέσσαρσιν τετραδίοις στρατιωτῶν φυλάσσειν αὐτόν βουλόμενος μετὰ τὸ πάσχα ἀναγαγεῖν αὐτὸν τῷ λαῷ

πάσχα = ΠῨϞ = passover = pascha = peseach

27 That ye shall say, It [is] the sacrifice of the LORD'S [YHVH or Yahweh's] passover, who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and delivered our houses. And the people bowed the head and worshipped. [Exodus 12:27 KJV]

5 In the fourteenth [day] of the first month at even [is] the LORD'S [YHVH or Yahweh's] **passover**. [Leviticus 23:5 KJV]

It would seem if one is to be part of the Israel of God, the commonwealth of Israel, it would necessary to have a **biblical, not Jewish calendar** to understand the feasts of YHVH or Yahweh, the God of gods, the Lord of lords and the King of kings.

I write this book in the first month of the year on a biblical calendar, Nissan, 5781. This year, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the first month, Nissan begins on Tuesday evening, 23<sup>rd</sup> of March and continues until sundown on the 24<sup>th</sup> of March, 2021. Passover begins at sundown on the 14<sup>th</sup> of Nissan, the evening of the 27<sup>th</sup> of March and continues until sundown on the 28<sup>th</sup> of March.

Again, the question is “who are you confederate with?” Who are you “in covenant with?” Does it matter? Is your name written in YHVH or Yahweh, **THE** Lamb’s Book of Life? Anyone whose name is not in the book of Life is condemned to the lake of fire . . . it is written and scripture cannot be broken . . . saith YHVH or Yahweh of Nazareth incarnate as a savior . . .

15 "See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil, 16 "in that I command you today to love the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God, to walk in His ways, and to keep

His commandments, His statutes, and His judgments, that you may live and multiply; and the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God will bless you in the land which you go to possess. 17 "But if your heart turns away so that you do not hear, and are drawn away, and worship other gods and serve them, 18 "I announce to you today that you shall surely perish; you shall not prolong [your] days in the land which you cross over the Jordan to go in and possess. 19 "I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, [that] I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live; 20 "that you may love the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God, that you may obey His voice, and that you may cling to Him, for He [is] your life and the length of your days; and that you may dwell in the land which the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give them." [Deuteronomy 30:15-20 NKJV]

27 "Behold, I [am] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the God of all flesh. Is there anything too hard for Me? [Jeremiah 32:27 NKJV]

29 So Moses said to him, "As soon as I have gone out of the city, I will spread out my hands to the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]; the thunder will cease, and there will be no more

hail, that you may know that the earth [is] the LORD's [YHVH or Yahweh's]. [Exodus 9:29 NKJV]

1 A Psalm of David. The earth [is] the LORD's [YHVH or Yahweh's], and all its fullness, The world and those who dwell therein. [Psalm 24:1 NKJV]

26 for "the earth [is] the LORD's [YHVH or Yahweh's], and all its fullness." ... 28 But if anyone says to you, "This was offered to idols," do not eat it for the sake of the one who told you, and for conscience' sake; for "the earth [is] the LORD's [YHVH or Yahweh's], and all its fullness." [1 Corinthians 10:26, 28 NKJV]

The earth belongs to YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the fullness thereof, the lands and the people. Not only did YHVH or Yahweh create it all, but he redeemed it with his blood on the cross of Calvary. We have been purchased with this the blood of Yahweh.

29 How much more severely do you think someone deserves to be punished who has trampled the Son of God underfoot, who has treated as an unholy thing the blood of the covenant that sanctified them, and who has insulted the Spirit of grace?  
[Hebrews 10:29 NIV]



19 Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; 20 you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies. [1 Corinthians 6:19-20 NIV]

23 You were bought at a price; do not become slaves of human beings. [1 Corinthians 7:23 NIV]

Jacob was confederate with Laban, he was in covenant with Laban. Laban did not treat him righteously. Both paid a price.

23 You were bought at a price; do not become slaves of human beings . . . churches, synagogues, temples, apostles, prophets, pastors, teachers, evangelists, rabbis, denominations, non-denominations, governments, political parties, Democrat or Republican, ad infinitum, movements, fraternal associations, sports clubs, priests, military affiliations, flags, and on and on and on and on . . .

Not being in covenant with the Living God, Yahweh or YHVH the God of Israel could buy you a one-way ticket to the lake of fire. Like Jacob, you definitely need to wrestle/struggle with him [YHVH or Yahweh]. If you are a believer in Jesus, you'll wrestle with God until you accept Jesus as YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel. If you are a believer in YHVH or Yahweh or Jehovah, you will wrestle with God

until you accept that Jesus was the incarnation of YHVH or Yahweh the son of Yahweh. You will wrestle until you accept that it was the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob that is revealed as Father, Son and Spirit . . . all in the book of Genesis but in a non-pointed (no vowels) consonant only Hebrew bible.

To not accept YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity as Lord, Savior and King is to enter into covenant with the Prince of Darkness himself. There is no higher form of rebellion. There is no higher form of idolatry. Remember, “religion” enters into the equation when Adam and Eve “rebel” against YHVH or Yahweh by **self-exaltation**. It is as if they said in their hearts, “we will ascend above the throne of the Most High God,” after Isaiah 14:13-14. Ignorant or arrogant pride leads to rebellion which ends up in idolatry. Ecclesiastes 4:12 speaks about the concept of a threefold or three stranded cord not being easily broken. This threefold cord of pride, rebellion and idolatry is very problematic. One could say that the story of Israel as a nation reveals how they did or did not deal with these issues.

Do you want to be found in covenant with or confederate with the devil, the beast and the false prophet (Revelation 20:10)?

Abram’s friend whose name was never mentioned was in covenant with him, Abram. He was confederate with Abram. Remember,

Abram becomes Abraham when it revealed he will be the father of many nations.

5 "No longer shall your name be called Abram, But your name shall be Abraham; For I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. [Genesis 17:5 NASB95]

Most of discussion to this point has been in the direction of individuals choosing to be confederate or in covenant with Abraham and the God of Abraham.

What about families?

15 "And if it seems evil to you to serve the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that [were] on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. **But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh].**" [Joshua 24:15 NKJV]

What about cities or counties or states or even nations? Can they be in covenant, confederate with Abram and hence the God of Abraham, YHVH or Yahweh El Shaddai?

For some years, Egypt and Jordan have had a formal relationship with Israel . . . Abraham . . . a confederacy . . .

As of the writing of this book, The United Arab Emirates, Morocco, Bahrain and Sudan are in the process of establishing or re-establishing formal ties with Israel. Are we witnessing the formation of a “confederacy” with Abraham and hence, the God of Abraham?

As I mentioned, I live in America. I personally choose to no longer call America “the United States of America”. I’m 68 years old and have never seen America more divided. This nation becomes more divided every day.

Will America be found confederate with Abraham and the God of Abraham? Clearly, there are many individuals in this country who are and will be confederate or in covenant with Abraham and his God. It’s is possible that some states may choose to be confederate with Abraham and YHVH or Yahweh El Shaddai (God Almighty). I live in Colorado and I would like to believe that is possible and even probable for Colorado to become confederate with Abraham. But, as a native-born Coloradoan, I have my just doubts.

As a simple and very generic statement/observation, look at a map of the 2020 presidential election. Which states, in your opinion, are

likely to consider a confederacy with Abraham? Do you think “Red” states are more likely? Do you think “Blue” states are more likely? Our primary division is along “political lines” but we as a nation would do well to consider the following.

9 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus [Yahweh saves, is salvation, is savior] every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord [YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel], to the glory of God the Father.  
[Philippians 2:9-11 NIV]

In the narrative called the Bible, YHVH or Yahweh is first and foremost the God of Israel. Remember, YHVH or Yahweh of the “Old Testament” or Tanakh is the “Son of God, Yahweh, John 5:37 and John 6:46. There is no appearance of Jesus in the “Old Testament”. It is always an appearance of YHVH or Yahweh, El Shaddai (God Almighty) . . . the son of God. Every “theophany” or “Christophany” is always YHVH or Yahweh, the son of Yahweh or Yahweh ben/bar Yahweh. Always, or Jesus is wrong in John 5 and John 6. If you are a “Christian”, you really need to let that sink in.

What of nations that refuse to be confederate with Abraham and the God of Abraham? They will be seen as in rebellion and as rebels.

Rebels end up in the lake of fire . . . YHVH or Yahweh is a consuming fire . . .

1 The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] reigns, let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice. 2 Clouds and thick darkness surround him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne. 3 Fire goes before him and consumes his foes on every side. 4 His lightning lights up the world; the earth sees and trembles. 5 The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth. [Psalm 97:1-5 NIV]

The ark of YHVH or Yahweh, Lord of all the earth comes out of the Jordan river on the 10<sup>th</sup> of Nissan (10<sup>th</sup> day of the first month)

34 "Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword. 35 "For I have come to 'set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law'; 36 "and 'a man's enemies will be those of his [own] household.' 37 "He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. 38 "And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. 39 "He who finds his life will lose it,

and he who loses his life for My sake will find it.

[Matthew 10:34-39 NKJV]

51 "Do [you] suppose that I came to give peace on earth? I tell you, **not at all, but rather division.** 52 "For from now on five in one house will be divided: three against two, and two against three. 53 "Father will be divided against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law." [Luke 12:51-53 NKJV]

26 "If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple. 27 "And whoever does not bear his cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple. [Luke 14:26-27 NKJV]

25 "See, I [YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, incarnate as your savior] have told you beforehand. [Matthew 24:25 NKJV]

3 Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and **no one can say that Jesus is Lord [YHVH or Yahweh] except by the Holy Spirit.** [1 Corinthians 12:3 NKJV]

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I Shall Not Die, But Live, and Declare the Works of the  
LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. [Psalm 118:17 NKJV]

לֹא אָמוֹת כִּי־אֲחִיהָ וְאֶסְפֵּר מַעֲשֵׂי יְהוָה

What Jesus of Nazareth did and said was primarily for the benefit of his almost exclusive Jewish audience. Yes, there are a few gentiles in the story but again, they are there for a very specific reason.

We have examined *some* of the I AM statement regarding Jesus that were for the benefit of his Jewish audience. Their works became a witness that He was in fact, YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel who had become human as a savior.

But, what about the “works that he worked”?

4 I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day:  
the night cometh, when no man can work. 5 As long as I am in  
the world, I am the light of the world. [John 9:4-5 KJV]

It is so spiritually dark in first century Israel, that YHVH or Yahweh, the light of the world had to come into that darkness to reveal for the Hebrews/Jews and subsequently for all humanity, that the One, True, Living God was alive and well.

YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel had revealed himself to the Hebrews/Jews over 1400 years previously, but it might have appeared to “His People”, that he had left them.

It might have appeared to them that the gods of the Assyrians, Babylonians, Medes, Persians, Medo-Persians, Greeks, Seleucids and Romans would have the final say. Paul reminds us that we do not fight against the enemy that is seen but against the unseen enemy that controls the scene . . .

10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord [kurios YHVH], and in the power of his might. 11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high [places].  
[Ephesians 6:10-12 KJV]

The incarnation of YHVH or Yahweh, the God of all flesh/humanity (Jeremiah 32:27) was not just for the purposes of salvation.

Working from a King James Version, through Strong’s concordance and the Westminster Leningrad Codex, the concept of “the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] liveth” can be found 37 exact times. For example,

47 The LORD liveth; and blessed [be] my rock; and exalted be the God of the rock of my salvation. [2 Samuel 22:47 KJV]

22:47 חַי־יְהוָה וּבְרוּךְ צוּרֵי וִירַם אֱלֹהֵי צוּר יִשְׁעֵי

חַי־יְהוָה “YHVH lives” but what a better way to prove to the Jews that their God, YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all flesh/humanity had not abandoned them than to appear to them in form a living human (nephesh)? Once they saw and believed, they could go tell the world that their God, the God of Israel was in fact the true, living God that all humanity should, therefore, put their faith in the God of Israel (the gospel of Paul). This is the gospel of the Lord YHVH or Yahweh who became human to save all humanity from the eternal consequences of their sins. The God of Israel had become the long-awaited Messiah or Christ of all humanity . . . to the Jew first and then the Greek (gentile).

16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ [Messiah YHVH or Yahweh]: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. [Romans 1:16 KJV]

9 Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile; 10 But glory,

honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile: [Romans 2:9-10 KJV]

The Gospel of Christianity misses the fact that Jesus was essentially, YHVH or Yahweh, the son of Yahweh, who had become human as a savior. Jesus means in Hebrew “YHVH or Yahweh saves . . . is salvation . . . is Savior”. To miss this “small point”, is to miss by a mile the true gospel of Yahweh, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, YHVH, the God of the Hebrews, Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity.

What Jesus said and did was to prove, once and for all, that there is but one true, living God. His audience was Jewish so what better place to look than the Jewish (Hebrew) scriptures?

Paul was a “Hebrew of Hebrews, of the tribe of Benjamin” circumcised according to the Law on the eighth day but also circumcised in the foreskin of his heart not by human hands but by the Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh who is holy.

Paul was a “true Jew” although it is never recorded that he said that of himself.

Creation or “creative miracles”

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. 17 And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. [Colossians 1:15-17 NKJV]

Firstborn over all creation . . .

3 Then God said, "Let there be **light**"; and there was light. [Genesis 1:3 NKJV] . . . sound familiar?

ויאמר אלהים יהי **אור** ויהי־אור 1:3

1 [A Psalm] of David. The LORD [YHVH or **Yahweh**] [is] my **light** and my salvation; Whom shall I fear? The LORD [is] the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be afraid? [Psalm 27:1 NKJV]

LORD [YHVH OR Yahweh], you are my Light and my **Savior**, so why should I be afraid of anyone? [Easy Read Version 2008]

לדוד יהוה **אורי** וישעי ממי אירא יהוה מעוז־חיי ממי אפחד 27:1

Recall, God said, “let there be אור and אור or was. But, “יהוה אור”, so God (Elohim) also said, “let there יהוה and יהוה was”.

The Spirit of the Lord YHVH or Yahweh does not teach as men teach. *As you are able to receive his teaching* (not mine), you are forming a personal testimony. We need a personal testimony.

11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. [Revelation 12:11 KJV] . . . willing to lay down their lives . . . to pick up their crosses and follow Yahweh daily. . .

Remember, YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel is the Lamb of God.

13 And it shall come to pass, as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of Jordan, [that] the waters of Jordan shall be cut off [from] the waters that come down from above; and they shall stand upon a heap. [Joshua 3:13 KJV]

19 And the people came up out of Jordan on the tenth [day] of the first month (the same day the lamb came into the homes in Egypt just 40 days earlier), and encamped in Gilgal, in the east

border of Jericho. [Joshua (YHVH or Yahweh saves or is salvation or is savior) 4:19 KJV]

You are developing a “testimony” but there is no “testimony” without a “test”. What you do with the “testimony” is between you and YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel who died for your sins . . .

1 As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth. ... 6 After saying this, he spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man's eyes. 7 "Go," he told him, "wash in the Pool of Siloam" (this word means "Sent"). So the man went and washed, and came home seeing. [John 9:1, 6-7 NIV]

7 Then the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] God formed a **man** from the **dust of the ground** and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being. [Genesis 2:7 NIV]

The “man” in John 9 has no name because his name is “man” after Genesis 2. This man is blind because he has no eyes. Jesus takes up some dust from the ground (adamah in Hebrew) and spits into it to make a paste . . . to form eyes for “adam”. Why? The work of creation was not finished in this man.

3 And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know;

that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but that man lives by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of the [YHVH or Yahweh] LORD. [Deuteronomy 8:3 RSV]

8:3

ויענך וירעבך ויאכלך את המן אשר לא־ידעת ולא ידעון אבתיך למען הודעך כי לא על־הלחם ל  
בדו יחיה האדם כי על־כל־מוצא פי־יהוה יחיה האדם

The Septuagint or LXX adds the concept of “a word” proceeding out of the mouth of “God”. There is no word “word” in the Hebrew.

8:3 καὶ ἐκάκωσέν σε καὶ ἐλιμαγχόνησέν σε καὶ ἐψώμισέν σε τὸ  
μαννα ὃ οὐκ εἶδισαν οἱ πατέρες σου ἵνα ἀναγγείλῃ σοι ὅτι οὐκ  
ἐπ’ ἄρτω μόνῳ ζήσεται ὁ ἄνθρωπος ἀλλ’ ἐπὶ παντὶ ῥήματι τῷ ἐκ  
πορευομένῳ διὰ στόματος θεοῦ ζήσεται ὁ ἄνθρωπος

The Septuagint removes the name of YHVH or Yahweh substituting God and adds the concept of a spoken word or (rhema) as that by which man lives. The Hebrew says that is by the mouth of YHVH that man lives. Remember, YHVH or Yahweh breathes into the first “adam or man” and he becomes a living “nephesh”.

This creative miracle is intended to take the original “audience” back to the Genesis creation narrative and put the correct name of the creator back into the text/narrative.



This man lived by even the saliva that came out of YHVH or Yahweh incarnate's mouth.

15 When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." 16 Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." 17 They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." 18 And he said, "Bring them here to me." 19 Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. 20 And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. 21 And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children [Matthew 14:15-21 RSV] see also Mark 6:35-44 and John 6:5-14.

32 Then Jesus called his disciples to him and said, "I have compassion on the crowd, because they have been with me now three days, and have nothing to eat; and I am unwilling to send them away hungry, lest they faint on the way." 33 And the disciples said to him, "Where are we to get bread enough in the desert to feed so great a crowd?" 34 And Jesus said to them,

"How many loaves have you?" They said, "Seven, and a few small fish." 35 And commanding the crowd to sit down on the ground, 36 he took the seven loaves and the fish, and having given thanks he broke them and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. 37 And they all ate and were satisfied; and they took up seven baskets full of the broken pieces left over. 38 Those who ate were four thousand men, besides women and children. [Matthew 15:32-38 RSV]

Most Christians have been taught that Jesus "multiplied" the loaves and fishes. Remember the first four plagues in Egypt? Recall that Pharaoh's magicians could "duplicate" the signs/wonders up to the plague of "boils". At that point, they admitted that they were beaten.

In the first case, 12 baskets of leftovers remain signifying that there remained enough for the twelve tribes. In the second narrative, 7 baskets of leftovers remain that suggest a perfect number or completion, in that, anyone who wants to eat may (even to this day).

In other words, these were meant to show that magic played no part.

Jesus, YHVH or Yahweh who became human as a savior simply created more than enough.

1 On the third day there was a marriage at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; 2 Jesus also was invited to the marriage, with his disciples. 3 When the wine failed, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." 4 And Jesus said to her, "O woman, what have you to do with me? My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." 6 Now six stone jars were standing there, for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. 7 Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the steward of the feast." So they took it. 9 When the steward of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward of the feast called the bridegroom 10 and said to him, "Every man serves the good wine first; and when men have drunk freely, then the poor wine; but you have kept the good wine until now." 11 This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed in him. [John 2:1-11 RSV]

Water is recognized as "H<sub>2</sub>O" symbolizing that it consists of 2 molecules of hydrogen and one molecule of oxygen. Alcohol is a carbon-based liquid, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O or CH<sub>3</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-OH. This creative miracle involves the **creation of carbon**. A magician could change

the water into wine but he/she could not create carbon (just like Pharaoh's magicians were also able to turn the water into blood).

The first four plagues are about far more than judgment on the Egyptians. Witchcraft, sorcery or divination is very real.

9 "When you come into the land which the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God gives you, you shall not learn to follow the abominable practices of those nations. 10 There shall not be found among you any one who burns his son or his daughter as an offering, anyone who practices divination, a soothsayer, or an augur, or a sorcerer, 11 or a charmer, or a medium, or a wizard, or a necromancer. 12 For whoever does these things is an abomination to the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]; and because of these abominable practices the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God is driving them out before you. [Deuteronomy 18:9-12 RSV]

The days of creation will also provide clues to the nature of some miracles.

20 And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the firmament of the heavens." 21 So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm,

according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. 22 And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." 23 And there was evening and there was morning, a fifth day. [Genesis 1:20-23 RSV]

1 Now it happened that while the crowd was pressing around Him and listening to the word of God, He was standing by the lake of Gennesaret; 2 and He saw two boats lying at the edge of the lake; but the fishermen had gotten out of them and were washing their nets. 3 And He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little way from the land. And He sat down and [began] teaching the people from the boat. 4 When He had finished speaking, He said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." 5 Simon answered and said, "Master, we worked hard all night and caught nothing, but I will do as You say [and] let down the nets." 6 When they had done this, they enclosed a great quantity of fish, and their nets [began] to break; 7 so they signaled to their partners in the other boat for them to come and help them. And they came and filled both of the boats, so that they began to sink. 8 But when Simon Peter saw [that,] he fell down at Jesus' feet, saying, "Go away from me Lord, for I am a sinful man!" [Luke 5:1-8 NASB95]

5:8 ἰδὼν δὲ Σίμων Πέτρος προσέπεσεν τοῖς γόνασιν Ἰησοῦ λέγων  
ν ἔξελθε ἀπ' ἐμοῦ ὅτι ἀνὴρ ἀμαρτωλός εἰμι κύριε

κύριε is derived from the word κύριος which is word used by the Hebrew sages or rabbis to translate the name of God YHVH or Yahweh יהוה into Greek.

Part of the irony of referring to Jesus as “Lord or lord” meaning master, sir, sire etc. is that they are at the same time addressing Jesus as YHVH or Yahweh or יהוה. Who is creating in Genesis 1? Yahweh or YHVH or יהוה is creating.

4 But when the day was now breaking, Jesus stood on the beach; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. 5 So Jesus said to them, "Children, you do not have any fish, do you?" They answered Him, "No." 6 And He said to them, "Cast the net on the right-hand side of the boat and you will find [a catch.]" So they cast, and then they were not able to haul it in because of the great number of fish. 7 Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord [κύριος = [יהוה]]." So when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord [κύριος = יהוה], he put his outer garment on (for he was stripped [for work]), and threw himself into the sea. 8 But the other disciples came in the little boat, for they were not far

from the land, but about one hundred yards away, dragging the net [full] of fish. [John 21:4-8 NASB95]

21:7 λέγει οὖν ὁ μαθητὴς ἐκεῖνος ὄν ἡγάπα ὁ Ἰησοῦς τῷ Πέτρῳ ὁ κύριός ἐστιν Σίμων οὖν Πέτρος ἀκούσας ὅτι ὁ κύριός ἐστιν τὸν ἐπενδύτην διεζώσατο ἦν γὰρ γυμνός καὶ ἔβαλεν ἑαυτὸν εἰς τὴν θάλασσαν

2 "But there is nothing covered up that will not be revealed, and hidden that will not be known. [Luke 12:2 NASB95]

24 When they came to Capernaum, those who collected the two-drachma [tax] came to Peter and said, "Does your teacher not pay the two-drachma [tax]?" 25 He said, "Yes." And when he came into the house, Jesus spoke to him first, saying, "What do you think, Simon? From whom do the kings of the earth collect customs or poll-tax, from their sons or from strangers?" 26 When Peter said, "From strangers," Jesus said to him, "Then the sons are exempt. 27 "However, so that we do not offend them, go to the sea and throw in a hook, and take the first fish that comes up; and when you open its mouth, you will find a shekel. Take that and give it to them for you and Me." [Matthew 17:24-27 NASB95]

A drachma was a silver coin as was a shekel. The tax was 2 drachma per person. A shekel was worth 4 drachma.

6 "For thus says the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts, 'Once more in a little while, I am going to shake the heavens and the earth, the sea also and the dry land. 7 'I will shake all the nations; and they will come with the wealth of all nations, and I will fill this house with glory,' says the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts. 8 'The silver is Mine and the gold is Mine,' declares the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts. 9 'The latter glory of this house will be greater than the former,' says the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts, 'and in this place I will give peace,' declares the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts." [Haggai 2:6-9 NASB95]

The silver already belonged to YHVH or Yahweh. He just created a coin in the fish's mouth . . .

YHVH or Yahweh of Hosts is an interesting term. Remember what Jesus said in John 5 and 6 to his Jewish audience regarding that none had ever seen the Father or heard his voice?

37 "And the Father who sent Me, He has testified of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time nor seen His form. [John 5:37 NASB95]

This is an astonishing statement. We have discussed this before.



1 In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, lofty and exalted, with the train of His robe filling the temple. 2 Seraphim stood above Him, each having six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. 3 And one called out to another and said, "Holy, Holy, Holy, is the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh or יהוה] of hosts, The whole earth is full of His glory." 4 And the foundations of the thresholds trembled at the voice of him who called out, while the temple was filling with smoke. 5 Then I said, "Woe is me, for I am ruined! Because I am a man of unclean lips, And I live among a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh יהוה] of hosts." [Isaiah 6:1-5 NASB95] Isaiah translates as “salvation is of YHVH or Yahweh or יהוה] or ישעיהו.

Who did Isaiah see? Jesus [Yahweh or Yahweh who became human to be a savior] said to his Jewish audience that no one had ever seen the Father or heard his voice. Isaiah saw YHVH ben Yahweh or Yahweh bar Yahweh or Yahweh son of Yahweh . . . or Jesus was and is wrong . . . incorrect. This is a big deal.

Peter was not mistaken when he said, “It is the LORD Yahweh”. Haggai and Isaiah both testify that the LORD of Hosts was Yahweh son of Yahweh, Yahweh ben Yahweh or Yahweh bar Yahweh.

The miracles, the works that Jesus worked were for a particular reason and a particular audience. The Jews needed to know their God was alive and well and the God of all.

### Healing Miracles

25 And he cried to the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], and the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] showed him a log, and he threw it into the water, and the water became sweet. There the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] made for them a statute and a rule, and there he tested them, 26 saying, "If you will diligently listen to the voice of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God, and do that which is right in his eyes, and give ear to his commandments and keep all his statutes, [then] I will put none of the diseases on you that I put on the Egyptians, for I am the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], your healer." [Exodus 15:25-26 ESV]

15:26

ויאמר אִם־שמוע תשמע לקול יהוה אלהיך והישר בעיניו תעשה והא  
זנת למצותיו ושמרת כל־חקיו כל־המחלה אשר־שמתי במצרים לא־  
אשים עליך כי אני יהוה רפאך

It is clear that healing was directly linked to obedience. So it is not a stretch to understand disease as a consequence of disobedience. {It took me years to come to grips with this truth. I am an M.D. certified by three (3) medical boards}.

1 Of David. Bless the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! 2 Bless the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, 3 who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, [Psalm 103:1-3 ESV]

הסלח לכל-עונכי הרפא לכל-חלאיכי 103:3

8 You answered them, O LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] our God; You were to them God-Who-Forgives, Though You took vengeance on their deeds. [Psalm 99:8 NKJV]

99:8

יהוה אלהינו אתה עניתם אל נשא היית להם על-עלילותם

Lest you think that YHVH or Yahweh our God refers only to the Hebrews or Jews, remember:

27 Behold, I [am] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the God of all flesh [humanity]: is there anything too hard for me?

[Jeremiah 32:27 KJV]

24 And from thence he arose, and went into the borders of Tyre and Sidon, and entered into an house, and would have no man know [it]: but he could not be hid. 25 For a [certain] woman, whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of him, and came and fell at his feet: 26 The woman was a Greek, a Syrophenician by nation; and she besought him that he would cast forth the devil out of her daughter. 27 But Jesus said unto her, Let the children first be filled: for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast [it] unto the dogs. 28 And she answered and said unto him, Yes, Lord: yet the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs. 29 And he said unto her, For this saying go thy way; the devil is gone out of thy daughter. 30 And when she was come to her house, she found the devil gone out, and her daughter laid upon the bed. [Mark 7:24-30 KJV]

5 When Jesus returned to Capernaum, a Roman officer came and pleaded with him, 6 "Lord, my young servant lies in bed, paralyzed and in terrible pain." 7 Jesus said, "I will come and heal him." 8 But the officer said, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come into my home. Just say the word from where you are, and my servant will be healed. 9 I know this because I

am under the authority of my superior officers, and I have authority over my soldiers. I only need to say, 'Go,' and they go, or 'Come,' and they come. And if I say to my slaves, 'Do this,' they do it." 10 When Jesus heard this, he was amazed. Turning to those who were following him, he said, "I tell you the truth, I haven't seen faith like this in all Israel! 11 And I tell you this, that many Gentiles will come from all over the world--from east and west--and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob at the feast in the Kingdom of Heaven. 12 But many Israelites--those for whom the Kingdom was prepared--will be thrown into outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." 13 Then Jesus said to the Roman officer, "Go back home. Because you believed, it has happened." And the young servant was healed that same hour. [Matthew 8:5-13 NLT]

Paraphrased, "I am YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity who forgives your sins . . . who heals you".

1 Jesus stepped into a boat, crossed over and came to his own town. 2 Some men brought to him a paralyzed man, lying on a mat. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the man, "Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven." 3 At this, some of the teachers of the law said to themselves, "This fellow is blaspheming!" 4 Knowing their thoughts, Jesus said, "Why do

you entertain evil thoughts in your hearts? 5 Which is easier: to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up and walk'? 6 But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So he said to the paralyzed man, "Get up, take your mat and go home." 7 Then the man got up and went home. 8 When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe; and they praised God, who had given such authority to man. [Matthew 9:1-8 NIV]

1 After this there was a feast of the Jews; and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 2 Now there is at Jerusalem by the sheep [market] a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda, having five porches. 3 In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water. 4 For an angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he had. 5 And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years. 6 When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time [in that case], he saith unto him, Wilt thou be made whole? 7 The impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me. 8 Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk. 9 And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his

bed, and walked: and on the same day was the sabbath. 10 The Jews therefore said unto him that was cured, It is the sabbath day: it is not lawful for thee to carry [thy] bed. 11 He answered them, He that made me whole, the same said unto me, Take up thy bed, and walk. 12 Then asked they him, What man is that which said unto thee, Take up thy bed, and walk? ... 14 Afterward Jesus findeth him in the temple, and said unto him, Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee. [John 5:1-12, 14 KJV]

10 Now He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. 11 And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise [herself] up. 12 But when Jesus saw her, He called [her] to [Him] and said to her, "Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity." 13 And He laid [His] hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. 14 But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, "There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day." 15 The Lord then answered him and said, "Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead [it] away to water it? 16 "So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound-

-think of it--for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?" 17 And when He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him. [Luke 13:10-17 NKJV]

20 And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind [him], and touched the hem of his garment: 21 For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole. 22 But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour. [Matthew 9:20-22 KJV]

1 For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh or יהוה] of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch. 2 But unto you that fear my name [YHVH or Yahweh or יהוה] shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall. [Malachi 4:1-2 KJV]

11 For the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] God [is] a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good [thing]



will he withhold from them that walk uprightly. [Psalm 84:11  
KJV]

YHVH or Yahweh [is a] sun

Sun [of] righteousness

If “a” = “b” and “b” = “c”, “a” must = “c”, therefore,  
YHVH is righteousness . . .

6 In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely:  
and this [is] his name whereby he shall be called, **THE LORD**  
**[YHVH or Yahweh] OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.** [Jeremiah 23:6  
KJV]

16 In those days shall Judah be saved, and Jerusalem shall dwell  
safely: and this [is the name] wherewith she shall be called,  
The **LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] our righteousness.**  
[Jeremiah 33:16 KJV]

13 And all thy **children** [shall be] **taught of** the LORD [YHVH  
or **Yahweh**]; and great [shall be] the peace of thy children.  
[Isaiah 54:13 KJV]

44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day. 45 It is written in the prophets, [*Isaiah 54:13 Septuagint*]. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me. 46 Not that any man hath seen the Father, save he which is of God, he hath seen the Father. [John 6:44-46 KJV]

Have you ever wondered what happened to the peace of the children of Israel? Since we are grafted into the cultivated olive tree that is Israel (Romans 9-11 and Ephesians 2), where is the peace of the Christian children? Is YHVH or Yahweh the teacher of your children either at home or in a church, Catholic or Protestant?

25 Then answered all the people, and said, His blood [be] on us, and on **our** children. [Matthew 27:25 KJV]

15 But they cried out, Away with [him], away with [him], crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, **We have no king but Caesar.** [John 19:15 KJV]

Christianity has only had since 325 C.E. [Roman Catholicism] and 1517 C.E. [protestant reformation begins with Martin Luther nailing

his 95 theses against Rome to the door of the church/castle at Wittenberg, Germany] to inquire of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. Plenty of guilt to go around.

Disease or illness is clearly related to demonic possession, disobedience and somewhat oddly, the glory of God.

1 And as [Jesus] passed by, he saw a man which was blind from [his] birth. 2 And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind? 3 Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but **that the works of God should be made manifest in him.**

[John 9:1-3 KJV]

If this is a challenge, you probably have not invested nearly enough time in Job, especially chapters 1 & 2 and 38-42. By the way, Job's three friends were chastised by YHVH but not the fourth, Elihu. I wonder why? What does "Elihu" mean in Hebrew? Who was he?

Let me offer a brief personal testimony in regards to healing. I was born into a Roman Catholic family, attended Roman Catholic schools up to college. You can't choose your parents or their faith. I learned to confess my sins to a priest and receive absolution for those sins. The priest then made intercession to God for me.

Several years ago, I was diagnosed with cancer. As a physician, I explored all options. As an ordained minister, I explored all options. One day while sitting at home, the Spirit of the Holy God, Yahweh said to me . . . with no condemnation . . . “since you asked the priests of Rome to forgive your sins, why don’t you ask them to heal your disease?” I recognized immediately that the encounter was about repentance. I did what I thought was correct but it was not correct Yahweh’s eyes. I repented for not seeking him for forgiveness.

1 [[A Psalm] of David.] Bless the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh],  
O my soul: and all that is within me, [bless] his holy name  
[YHVH or Yahweh]. 2 Bless the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], O  
my soul, and forget not all his benefits: 3 Who forgiveth all  
thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; [Psalm 103:1-3  
KJV]

You would be seriously mistaken to understand my testimony as a criticism of Roman Catholicism. It isn’t. It is simply where I was but Yahweh was offering me an opportunity to “come up higher” in relationship with him. Are you ready to “go up higher”? Yah won’t let you stay where you are unless you insist (free will).

Demonic possession

“A man/woman with a testimony is never at the mercy of a man/woman with an intellectual argument”. I am not sure where I heard this quote, but it most likely comes from Leonard Ravenhill.

The exact quote is below.

“A man with an experience of God is never at the mercy of a man with an argument.” Leonard Ravenhill 1907-1994.

19 Micaiah said, "Therefore, hear the word of the LORD. I saw the LORD [YHVH] sitting on His throne, and all the host of heaven standing by Him on His right and on His left. 20 "The LORD said, 'Who will entice Ahab to go up and fall at Ramoth-gilead?' And one said this while another said that. 21 "Then a spirit came forward and stood before the LORD [Yahweh] and said, 'I will entice him.' 22 "The LORD [YHVH] said to him, 'How?' And he said, 'I will go out and be a deceiving spirit in the mouth of all his prophets.' Then He said, 'You are to entice [him] and also prevail. Go and do so.' 23 "Now therefore, behold, the LORD [Yahweh] has put a deceiving spirit in the mouth of all these your prophets; and the LORD [YHVH] has proclaimed disaster against you." [1 Kings 22:19-23 NASB95]

2 The chief priests and the scribes were seeking how they might put Him to death; for they were afraid of the people. 3

And Satan entered into Judas who was called Iscariot, belonging to the number of the twelve. 4 And he went away and discussed with the chief priests and officers how he might betray Him to them. 5 They were glad and agreed to give him money. 6 So he consented, and [began] seeking a good opportunity to betray Him to them apart from the crowd.  
[Luke 22:2-6 NASB95]

15 For thus the Lord GOD [YHVH or Yahweh], the Holy One of Israel, has said, "In repentance and rest you will be saved, In quietness and trust is your strength." But you were not willing,  
[Isaiah 30:15 NASB95]

30:15

כי כה־אמר אדני יהוה קדוש ישראל בשובה ונחת תושעון בהשקט ו  
בבטחה תהיה גבורתכם ולא אביתם

23 Just then there was a man in their synagogue with an unclean spirit; and he cried out, 24 saying, "What business do we have with each other, Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh saves, is salvation, is savior] of Nazareth? Have You come to destroy us? I know who You are the Holy One of God

[אדני יהוה קדוש ישראל]!"

25 And Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be quiet, and come out of him!" 26 Throwing him into convulsions, the unclean spirit cried out with a loud voice and came out of him. 27 They were all amazed, so that they debated among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey Him." [Mark 1:23-27 NASB95]

66 As a result of this many of His disciples withdrew and were not walking with Him anymore. 67 So Jesus said to the twelve, "You do not want to go away also, do you?" 68 Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have words of eternal life. 69 "We have believed and have come to know that You are the Holy One of God." [John 6:66-69 NASB95]

6 Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], and Satan also came among them. 7 The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] said to Satan, "From where do you come?" Then Satan answered the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] and said, "From roaming about on the earth and walking around on it." [Job 1:6-7 NASB95]

1:6

ויהי היום ויבאו בני האלהים להתיצב על־יהוה ויבוא גם־השטן בתוכ

ם

1:6 καὶ ὡς ἐγένετο ἡ ἡμέρα αὕτη καὶ ἰδοὺ ἦλθον οἱ ἄγγελοι τοῦ θεοῦ παραστῆναι ἐνώπιον τοῦ κυρίου καὶ ὁ διάβολος ἦλθεν μετ' αὐτῶν

1 Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], and Satan also came among them to present himself before the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. 2 The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Then Satan answered the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] and said, "From roaming about on the earth and walking around on it." 3 The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] said to Satan, "Have you considered My servant, Job? For there is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man fearing God and turning away from evil. And he still holds fast his integrity, although you incited Me against him to ruin him without cause." 4 Satan answered the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] and said, "Skin for skin! Yes, all that a man has he will give for his life. 5 "However, put forth Your hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh; he will curse You to Your face." 6 So the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] said to Satan, "Behold, he is in your power, only spare his life." 7 Then Satan went out from the presence of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. [Job 2:1-7 NASB95]



46 No one has seen the Father except the one who is from God; only he has seen the Father. [John 6:46 NIV]

Who did Micaiah see?

Who did the spirit see when he said he would be a lying spirit in the mouths of Ahab's prophets?

The spirit(s) that were in the man in the synagogue, how did they know who Jesus was?

Who are the sons of God?

Satan obviously knew who YHVH or Yahweh was. How did he know? Satan may have thought he'd seen God and all there was to him because he never saw YHVH, the Father. Satan only knew that "Jesus" was YHVH or Yahweh (the son).

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1:6 ויהי היום ויבאו בני האלהים להתיצב על־יהוה ויבוא **ג־השטן**  
בתוכם

Satan ἰσῦ or diabolos διάβολος had presented himself along with the sons of God to YHVH or Yahweh . . . the Son of Yahweh.

46 **No one** has seen the Father except the one who is from God; only he has seen the Father. [John 6:46 NIV]

1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil [**Satan ἰσῦ or diabolos διάβολος**]. 2 And after He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He then became hungry. 3 And the tempter [**Satan ἰσῦ or diabolos διάβολος**] came and said to Him, "If [**Since**] (this is a first-class conditional clause in Greek) **You** are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." 4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE, BUT ON EVERY **WORD** THAT PROCEEDS OUT OF THE MOUTH OF **GOD**.'" [Matthew 4:1-4 NASB95]

Here is the first challenge with this story. The “New Testament” uses the Greek Septuagint or LXX instead of the Hebrew text.

3 "He humbled you and let you be hungry, and fed you with manna which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that He might make you understand that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by everything that proceeds out of

the mouth of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh].  
[Deuteronomy 8:3 NASB95]

8:3

ויענך וירעבך ויאכלך את המן אשר לא־ידעת ולא ידעון אבתיך למען הודעתך כי לא על־הלחם לבדו יחיה האדם כי על־כל־מוצא פ־יהוה יחיה האדם

8:3 καὶ ἐκάκωσέν σε καὶ ἐλιμαγχόνησέν σε καὶ ἐψώμισέν σε τὸ μαννα ὃ οὐκ εἶδισαν οἱ πατέρες σου ἵνα ἀναγγείλῃ σοι ὅτι οὐκ ἐπ' ἄρτω μόνω ζήσεται ὁ ἄνθρωπος ἀλλ' ἐπὶ παντὶ ῥήματι τῷ ἐκπορευομένῳ διὰ στόματος θεοῦ ζήσεται ὁ ἄνθρωπος

Translations are just translations and we are where we are. I mean no condemnation of anyone as I make these observations. But it does highlight why we must have the Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh who is holy to teach us [1 John 2]. As I said earlier, there is enough condemnation to go around between Jew and Gentile etc.

The Jewish sages or rabbis of antiquity substituted the word God for YHVH or Yahweh. As I mentioned earlier, there is no “v” or “i” sound in Greek. So, they substituted the word “God” for “YHVH or Yahweh”, in this case. They also added the word “rhema” (spoken word ῥήματι] into the text where it did not exist.

So, if we put the actual Hebrew text into the story, it changes it significantly.

1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil [Satan ἰσὺς or diabolos διάβολος]. 2 And after He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He then became hungry. 3 And the tempter [Satan ἰσὺς or diabolos διάβολος ] came and said to Him, "If [since, as this is a first class conditional clause in Greek] You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." 4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE, BUT ON EVERYthing ~~WORD~~ THAT PROCEEDS OUT OF THE MOUTH OF ~~GOD~~ [YHVH or Yahweh].'" [Matthew 4:1-4 NASB95] amended by author for teaching purposes.

5 Then the devil [Satan ἰσὺς or diabolos διάβολος] took Him into the holy city and had Him stand on the pinnacle of the temple, 6 and said to Him, "If [Since] You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down; for it is written, 'HE WILL COMMAND HIS ANGELS CONCERNING YOU'; and 'ON [their] HANDS THEY WILL BEAR YOU UP, SO THAT YOU WILL NOT STRIKE YOUR FOOT AGAINST A STONE.'" 7 Jesus said to him, "On the other hand, it is written, 'YOU SHALL NOT PUT THE LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] YOUR GOD TO THE TEST.'" 8 Again, the devil [Satan ἰσὺς or diabolos διάβολος] took Him to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of

the world and their glory; 9 and he said to Him, "All these things I will give You, if You fall down and worship me." 10 Then Jesus said to him, "Go, Satan! For it is written, 'YOU SHALL WORSHIP THE LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] YOUR GOD, AND SERVE HIM [YHVH or Yahweh] ONLY.'" [Matthew 4:5-10 NASB95]

Correcting the “translation error” from Deuteronomy 8:3, three (3) times, Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh, the son of Yahweh who became human as a savior] states to Satan/devil/diabolos . . . the He, Jesus is YHVH or Yahweh the son of God, the Holy One (of Israel).

6 "On the evidence of two witnesses or three witnesses, he who is to die shall be put to death; he shall not be put to death on the evidence of one witness. [Deuteronomy 17:6 NASB95]

The three witnesses are three verses of scripture from the Hebrew bible, each one declaring Jesus was . . . is and will always be YHVH or Yahweh. These three verses put YHVH or Yahweh on the cross to die for the sins of mankind, for the Jew first, then the Gentile.

These “demonic” encounters are very, very beneficial to our understanding of the overall story. They are not just stories.

13 Now when the devil [Satan ἄσας or diabolos διάβολος] had ended every temptation, he departed from Him until an opportune time. [Luke 4:13 NKJV]

Do you ever get the feeling that, as was true for Jesus, the satan has departed for a more opportune time? It is clear, if you are willing to admit it, that Satan knew Jesus was YHVH or Yahweh. Why don't Christians recognize Jesus as YHVH or Yahweh? Why don't Jews recognize Jesus as YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel? I wonder who is at work here? To be sure, Satan surely knows now that Yahweh is father and Yahweh is son and Yahweh is spirit.

17 The seventy [or seventy-two] returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name." 18 And He said to them, "I was watching Satan fall from heaven like lightning. 19 "Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will injure you. 20 "Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are recorded in heaven." [Luke 10:17-20 NASB95]

Did Jesus see Satan fall like lightning *at that time*? Was Jesus *prophesying* that Satan would fall like lightning at some point in history?

9 So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

[Revelation 12:9 NKJV]

9 The great dragon was hurled down--that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.

[Revelation 12:9 NIV]

Who sits on Mount Moriah proclaiming himself to be God? Who sits as though he was above the Most High? Where? When? Who is supposed to be seen there? What is the abomination that makes desolate?

31 And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily [sacrifice], and they shall place the abomination that maketh desolate.

[Daniel 11:31 KJV]

10 Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand. 11 And from the time [that] the daily [sacrifice] shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, [there shall be] a

thousand two hundred and ninety days. 12 Blessed [is] he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days. [Daniel 12:10-12 KJV]

We (all) need to learn to think differently. Since Jesus was in fact Yahweh the son of Yahweh, what does that say of Christianity? Even so, what does that say of Judaism?

If the abomination that makes desolate is in fact the “Dome of the Rock” that sits on the “temple mount” or Mount Moriah (mount where YHVH is seen), what do we do?

Construction began on the “Dome of the Rock” in 632 C.E. and it was finished in 691 C.E. If we understand that time as measured by God is very different than it is for us, then the phrase “a day is as a thousand years and a thousand years is as a day” might take on a different meaning.

Beginning with 632 C.E. and adding 1290 days (periods of time) we end up at 1922 C.E. If you are building Christianity, 1922 means little. If you are looking forwards to the Kingdom of Yahweh, God of Israel, God of all flesh/humanity, it takes on a different meaning.

In 1920, a conference was held at Saint Remo, Switzerland to determine if Israel had a right to exist. The answer was, it did.



The legality of the findings did in fact become law on the 24 July 1922.

Beginning at 632 C.E. and adding 1335 days (periods of time), we end up at 1967. This date means little on a Christian calendar. But if you are Jewish and looking forward to the establishment of the Kingdom of Yahweh, the God of Israel, you find yourself at the “Six Day War” or 6/7/67 the day Jerusalem was re-captured from the Muslim Jordanians. I’d call that “blessed”, Daniel 12:12.

I understand that I’ve covered some of this before. Why did Moshe Dayan and Levi Eshkol decide that their God, Yahweh was not able to hold the temple mount? Why did they give control back to the Wafq (Jordanian religious authority)? Is it possible fear set in as with the 12 spies going into the land and again, they felt like they were grasshoppers in the sight of the giants in the land?

Understand, I am just asking questions. I mean no condemnation of Moshe (Dyan) or Levi (Eshkol)

6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? [Acts 1:6 KJV]

6 So when they had come together, they were asking Him, saying, "Lord, is it at this time You are restoring the kingdom to Israel?" 7 He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or epochs which the Father has fixed by His own authority; [Acts 1:6-7 NASB95]

Fifty-three (53) times reference is made to the "Kingdom of God" in the gospels. Thirty-one (31) times, this kingdom is referred to by Luke. Recall, Luke wrote Acts as well. Luke's audience was primarily gentile. Was he preparing them for the Kingdom of Yahweh, the God of Israel who would rule over the world with a rod of iron? Was Luke instructing them in how to survive or prosper during Yahweh's reign as the God of all humanity?

Do you think Satan has had a role in the confusion of modern times?

9 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel. 10 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth. 11 Serve the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] with fear, and rejoice with trembling. 12 Kiss [worship towards] the Son [YHVH or Yahweh], lest he be angry, and ye perish [from] the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed [are] all they that put their trust in him. [Psalm 2:9-12 KJV]

Revelation 2:18-29 is a letter to the church (assembly) at Thyatira.

26 And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: 27 And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father. 28 And I will give him the morning star. [Revelation 2:26-28 KJV]

To question whether demonic possession is real today is an extremely naïve question. It is worth noting that ignorance is not a sin but arrogance is. Ignorance has a remedy, education.

I don't want this book to be about me but I have a testimony that I have been through . . . am going through . . . a test(s).

I am a scientist by avocation. I have two undergraduate degrees in science, biology and chemistry and a doctorate in medicine. I am board certified by three (3) authorities. I was a scientist and a clinician. My first trip to Israel was with a group from our church and it involved staying the "old city". With Yahweh's permission, Satan appeared to me and my roommate (also a scientist). It wasn't what he looked like that is the main issue but it was the fear I could feel emanating from him. Like an x-ray, it penetrated every fiber of my being. My roommate had a similar experience. Later in the trip, I was picked up and literally hurled down a flight of stairs. No, I didn't

trip. After we returned, one of the members of the group was also thrown down a flight of stairs. I had two encounters with demons/spirits at my house in which in each encounter, they were attempting to kill me by strangulation.

When I was in Marine Corps boot camp, we learned how to dispatch an enemy combatant by strangulation using certain means. It left us all with an extremely sore throat and neck for some days. I remember, to this day, the feeling. After one of the demonic encounters, I had the same feeling in my throat and neck for days. Again, Yahweh permitted these encounters in an effort to “prove” to me that the unseen spiritual realm was real. Recall, Micaiah “saw” YHVH or Yahweh seated on the throne and the hosts of heaven (spirits) gathered around Him (1 Kings 22 or 2 Chronicles 18).

My roommate eventually became disabled by an intestinal condition that remains to this day. Our team leader committed suicide by shooting herself in the heart.

I am a man with a testimony and I am not the mercy of a man with an argument. Are you ready for the test? There is no testimony without a test . . .

My wife and I submitted to a lengthy deliverance ministry in which it was proven to us without any doubt, we had “company”.

Subsequently, we ourselves had a deliverance ministry for many years in which we routinely saw “Satan cast out by the finger of God”. Yahweh permitted us to “see” demonic entities or spirits move between people as if attempting to hide from us. Yahweh permitted it.

My wife and I made several trips to India where demonic possession is very, very common . . . in believers. These entities regularly disrupt services and the faithful simply gather around the person manifesting the entity and deal with it. Services then continue as if nothing happened. India is a very poly-theistic country. Hinduism and Islam are everywhere. You can “feel” the presence of the demonic entities as you leave one village and enter another.

The story about India is background so I can say the following. After one of our trips, the Spirit of the Holy God, Yahweh said to me one day regarding our experiences in India, “Don’t think these (demonic entities) aren’t in your church as well. They are just better dressed and better behaved”.

In India, the unseen realm exerts its presence and desires by fear. In America, they exert their presence more by manipulation and control (witchcraft). Their goals here are different than there in India.

It would be a mistake to think anyone who manifests a demonic entity or spirit is in gross sin. We have learned that certain entities lay claim to bloodlines based on generational sin. If my ancestor(s) committed a sin that granted an entity access to our DNA and it was passed on to me, it doesn't mean that I am in sin but that God is simply asking me (you) to repent for the sin that defiled his name, Yahweh. It is a rare opportunity. Remember, sin defiles YHVH or Yahweh's name (Ezekiel 36).

My wife and I have a testimony in this area. We are not at the mercy of someone, usually from a Christian church, with an intellectual argument.

Why would we (that is, all of us) have these challenges today? Who is the Christ/Messiah? It is and has always been Yahweh or Yahweh, the God of Israel who is also the God of all humanity.

What's different? Maybe Father, Yahweh has spoken:

7 And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. 8 "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." [Acts 1:7-8 NKJV]

Has Christianity ever been witnesses to anyone that Jesus of Nazareth was in fact, Yahweh of Nazareth? Has Christianity connected the dots that there never was a Jesus of Christianity but there has always been a Jesus of the bible who was Yahweh son of Yahweh . . . Yahweh, son of God who came in a human form to become Son of Man?

11 And for this reason God [Father] will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, 12 that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness. [2 Thessalonians 2:11-12 NKJV]

Are we re-living 1 Kings 22 or 2 Chronicles 18?

Remember . . .

10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. [John 10:10 RSV]

I, YHVH or Yahweh, the source of life, have come that **they** may have life and have it abundantly.

They . . . to the Jew first and then the gentile life has come. Where is the abundance?

44 "You are of [your] father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own [resources], for he is a liar and the father of it. [John 8:44 NKJV]

Has the thief stolen it or did we just give it away, consumed with our petty religious arguments?

10 "Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion! For behold, I am coming and I will dwell in your midst," says the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. 11 "Many nations shall be joined to the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] in that day, and they shall become My people. And I will dwell in your midst. Then you will know that the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts has sent Me to you. 12 "And the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] will take possession of Judah as His inheritance in the Holy Land, and will again choose Jerusalem. 13 "Be silent, all flesh, before the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], for He is aroused from His holy habitation!" 1 Then he showed me Joshua [יהושע] the high priest standing before the Angel of the LORD, and Satan [(שטן)] standing at his right hand to oppose to be or act as an



adversary to resist or oppose] him. 2 And the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] said to Satan, "The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] rebuke you, Satan! The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] who has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you! [Is] this not a brand plucked from the fire?" 3 Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and was standing before the Angel. 4 Then He answered and spoke to those who stood before Him, saying, "Take away the filthy garments from him." And to him He said, "See, I have removed your iniquity from you, and I will clothe you with rich robes." 5 And I said, "Let them put a clean turban on his head." So they put a clean turban on his head, and they put the clothes on him. And the Angel of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] stood by [Zechariah 2:10-13 NKJV and Zechariah 3:1-5 NKJV] Remember, this text existed as a scroll with no numbers.

As the high priest of Israel, Joshua is covered with his own sins plus the sins of the people of Israel. Remember, this is a vision [חזון], a prophetic vision for an appointed time. It is a picture of a future redemption by another Joshua or Jesus. Remember, that linguistically, Joshua and Jesus are the same name, like Thomas and Tom, Elizabeth and Lizzy.

Remember that Jesus is going to write his new name on the church (assembly) of Philadelphia in part because they did not forget the name Yahweh or YHVH and knew that Jesus was YHVH.

8 "I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it; for you have a little strength, have kept My word, and have not denied My name. ... 12 "He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more. I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God. And [I will write on him] My new name [Joshua?]. 13 "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches." ' [Revelation 3:8, 12-13 NKJV]

As purely an observation without any condemnation, how do you think Satan would present himself to the “Angel of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]” and accuse, resist or oppose the pope or the popes of antiquity? (Satan was accusing Joshua)

I heard a “discussion” in an “evangelical church” many years ago about the “so-called popes of protestant Christianity”. The point was that there were several (a few) rather exalted men of God who appeared to sit over certain denominations as though they were “pope”.

How do you think Satan would accuse, oppose or resist them? What would the “Angel of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] do, in either case?

People who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones. There is more than enough guilt and responsibility to go around.

What will YHVH or Yahweh do?

What are the charges or accusations to be brought against us?

16 For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son [YHVH or Yahweh], that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God sent the Son [YHVH or Yahweh] into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. 18 He who believes in him is not condemned; he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God [YHVH or Yahweh] [John 3:16-18 RSV]

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## “Put It to Bed”

Depending upon how old you are, this may be a familiar term or it may be completely unfamiliar. In the days of the daily newspapers being one's primary source of information, work began “today” for the paper that would be printed for “tomorrow.” At some point, the work today for tomorrow's paper had to cease. What was ready to go to print had to go to the printing press. The expression “put it to bed” was used to signify that the work on tomorrow's paper today had to cease.

“To put it (something) to bed” means it has to cease being today so the new thing can begin.

It is time to put the Christian religion, Catholic and Protestant, to bed. It has run its course and ceased to be relevant.

The Christian religion, Orthodox Catholic or Protestant has not, does not and will not choose to “see” Jesus of Nazareth as Yahweh of Nazareth. For them, finding *Jesus in the Tanakh* (Old Testament) does not involve a scholarly search of the Hebrew scriptures under the guidance of the Spirit of the Lord, God of Israel who is Holy (the Holy Spirit). It has been the God of Israel's pleasure to conceal a matter but the Christian religion has chosen not to search out the

matter. It has also attempted to usurp the covenant right of the Hebrews (Jews) to be a kingdom of priests.

6 And ye shall be unto me [YHVH or Yahweh] a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation. These [are] the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel. [Exodus 19:6 KJV]

1 Therefore, putting aside all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander, 2 like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation, 3 if you have tasted the kindness of the Lord. 4 And coming to Him as to a living stone which has been rejected by men, but is choice and precious in the sight of God, 5 you also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house for a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. 6 For [this] is contained in Scripture: "BEHOLD, I LAY IN ZION A CHOICE STONE, A PRECIOUS CORNER [stone,] AND HE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED." 7 This precious value, then, is for you who believe; but for those who disbelieve, "THE STONE WHICH THE BUILDERS REJECTED, THIS BECAME THE VERY CORNER [stone,]" 8 and, "A STONE OF STUMBLING AND A ROCK OF OFFENSE"; for they stumble because they are disobedient to the word, and to this [doom] they were also appointed. 9 But

you are A CHOSEN RACE, A royal PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION, A PEOPLE FOR [God's] OWN POSSESSION, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; 10 for you once were NOT A PEOPLE, but now you are THE PEOPLE OF GOD; you had NOT RECEIVED MERCY, but now you have RECEIVED MERCY. [1 Peter [פטר] 2:1-10 NASB]

Peter or [פטר], a firstborn who opened womb to new revelation, is writing to Jews who had accepted the incarnation of Yahweh as Messiah or Jesus . . . Yeshua . . . Yehoshua. This text still has meaning to the gentiles who are being “grafted in,” but it cannot exclude the Hebrews or Jews.

The Hebrews/Jews have an eternal covenant with YHVH or Yahweh El Shaddai the God of Israel. The gentiles (everyone else) are offered a place in that covenant according to Romans chapters 9, 10 and 11 as well as Ephesians 2. I (the author) am a gentile but I have a place with YHVH’s covenant people because I have come according to the scripture. I was born into a religion of usurpation (Roman Catholicism). I joined another religion that usurped the covenant rights of YHWH’s people (Hebrews/Jews). Eventually, I became an ordained minister in the Christian religion.

I have renounced that religion and my ordination in that religion. I have not and will not renounce the Christ . . . the Messiah . . . who according the Hebrew scripture is YHVH or Yahweh El Shaddai (LORD God Almighty), the God of Israel and the God of all humanity.

While Christianity was “*building its own tower of Babylon*,” here is what happened.

Take a deep breath, hold on, and let the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of the Lord . . . YHVH or Yahweh to teach you. Listen to Him,

4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **come out of her [Babylon], my people**, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. 5 For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities.  
[Revelation 18:4-5 KJV]

While I did not copy all of Chapter 18 from the Book (scroll) of Revelation, I would recommend that you read the entire chapter . . . for context.

Also, read all of Genesis 11 for context but I will copy a few verses here.



9 Therefore its name was called **Babel**, because there the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] **confused** the language of the whole earth; and from there the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] scattered them abroad over the face of the whole earth. [Genesis 11:9 NASB]

Babel in Hebrew is [**בבל**] and it comes from the root word [**בלל**]. Genesis 11:9 in Hebrew follows

על-כן קרא שמה **בבל** כי-שם **בלל** יהוה שפת כל-הארץ ומשם  
הפיצם יהוה על-פני כל-הארץ

“Babel” means confusion by mixing. YHVH or Yahweh confused their language, which was a singular language (one lip), by creating other languages and put the initial language into the “stew,” so to speak.

This is why we read/hear later from the prophet Zephaniah,

9 "For then I will restore to the peoples a pure language,  
That they all may **call on the name of the LORD** [YHVH or Yahweh],  
To **serve Him** [YHVH or Yahweh] **with one accord**. [Zephaniah 3:9 NKJV]

כי־אז אהפך אל־עמים שפה ברורה לקרא כלם בשם יהוה לעבדו  
שכם אחד

When one serves YHVH or Yahweh, a “name” can result, Obadiah or [עבדיה] or “servant of Yah.”

The Kingdom of Judah (southern kingdom) was eventually deported to a literal place called Babylon (same root words).

The short version is that the people who were set apart to YHVH or Yahweh, the Hebrews/Jews were deported into a place that did not worship YHVH or Yahweh. The holy or set apart people were sent in among those who were not set apart.

“To come out of her (Babylon), my people . . .” is YHVH or Yahweh calling out of a “spiritual” confusion (mixing the holy teaching of the Torah, Tanakh and “New Testament”) a people from a place of mixing (common/profane/secular) to become those set apart in YHVH’s or Yahweh’s eyes as being holy unto Him.

It is my opinion . . . that place of spiritual confusion or mixing what is holy with that which is not holy. . . is present day religion . . . Jewish, Catholic or Protestant . . . or any form that does not recognize the incarnation of YHVH or Yahweh, Yahweh ben Yahweh

or Yahweh bar Yahweh the God of Israel as a human savior . . . Jesus (YHVH or Yahweh is salvation or saves).

There is nothing wrong with the name of Jesus as long as one understands that “it is not a stand-alone name.” It was meant to be a bridge from the Greek or Latin to the Hebrew. There was no “pre-existent Jesus.” Every “theophany” or “christophany” was a vision of Yahweh the son of Yahweh.

32 And they said one to another, did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures? [Luke 24:32 KJV]

16 Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no more stiff-necked. [Deuteronomy 10:16 KJV]

6 And the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live. [Deuteronomy 30:6 KJV]

4 Circumcise yourselves to the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], and take away the foreskins of your heart, ye men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem: lest my fury come forth like fire, and

burn that none can quench [it], because of the evil of your doings. [Jeremiah 4:4 KJV]

28 For he is not a Jew who [is one] outwardly, nor [is] circumcision that which [is] outward in the flesh; 29 but [he is] a Jew who [is one] inwardly; and circumcision [is that] of the heart, in the Spirit, not in the letter; whose praise [is] not from men but from God. [Romans 2:28-29 NKJV]

Paul is quoting Moses and Jeremiah when he speaks of circumcision. He isn't saying that Jewish men should not be circumcised but that everyone, male and female need the circumcision of the foreskin of the heart (metaphor).

24 But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. ... 26 After **eight days** His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors having been shut, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace [be] with you." 27 Then He said to Thomas, "Reach here with your finger, and see My hands; and reach here your hand and put it into My side; and do not be unbelieving, but believing." 28 Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord [YHVH or Yahweh] and my God [Elohim or a derivative **אלהי**]!" [John 20:24, 26-28 NASB]

Thomas was a Jew, circumcised on the eighth day, just like Paul or Shaul. Thomas is an adult male. What he received in this encounter is a **circumcision of the foreskin of his heart.**

The Jewish men (adults) that walked with Yahweh of Nazareth (Jesus) on the road to Emmaus received a **circumcision of the foreskins of their hearts.**

Why? That the words of the prophets Moses and Jeremiah might be fulfilled, paraphrased, “circumcise the foreskins of your hearts and be stiff necked no longer . . . to love YHVH or Yahweh your God, the God of Israel . . .”

For the Jewish men who walked with Jesus (YHVH) on the road to Emmaus, He opened their eyes and made the scripture concerning Him, Yahweh, alive and real. He gave them eyes to see, ears to hear and hearts that could perceive after Deuteronomy 29:4,

4 "Yet the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] has not given you a heart to perceive and eyes to see and ears to hear, to this [very] day.  
[Deuteronomy 29:4 NKJV]

Jesus brought these men out of the spiritual Babylon they had been confined to, even though they were in the land of Israel.

6 Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to *restore* the kingdom to Israel?" 7 He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. [Acts 1:6-7 NIV]

Let me ask a question. What or whose kingdom are you building? Unless it is the *kingdom of the God of Israel*, you are building the wrong kingdom. Elements of Christianity usurped the covenant Yahweh had with the Hebrews. This is called "replacement theology." The "church" *replaced* the Hebrews/Jews in that covenant. Some might, therefore, read this as "Lord, will you now give the kingdom to *the church*?"

YHVH or Yahweh is going to restore the kingdom to Israel and then He will "graft" into that cultivated olive tree as many gentiles as are willing to accept Him, YHVH or Yahweh the God of as Israel as their Lord, God and King (among others). [Romans 9, 10, 11 and Ephesians 2, "the commonwealth of Israel"]

Six times Peter or [פטר] uses the words "revealed and revelation" in regards to Jesus. Here are three.

7 that the genuineness of your faith, [being] much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of

Jesus Christ, ... 13 Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest [your] hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the **revelation** of Jesus Christ; [1 Peter 1:7, 13 NKJV]

5 who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be **revealed in the last time**. [1 Peter 1:5 NKJV]

ἀποκαλύπτω or apocalypto relates to the “unveiling of what has been covered up, to reveal what was hidden.”

What has been hidden or covered up or veiled is that Jesus of Nazareth was really Yahweh of Nazareth or Yahweh incarnate as a savior. Can it be that these are the last times . . . end of days?

12 that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. [Ephesians 2:12 NKJV]

12 remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. [Ephesians 2:12 NIV]

What does a commonwealth require? If we think in terms of a recent commonwealth, the commonwealth of England (or nations), 53 of these nations were member nations or territories of the British empire. It was said that because of the breadth of the empire, that the sun never set on the flag of England. Now, think of the commonwealth of Israel. YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel is the God of all humanity (flesh).

A commonwealth requires land (kingdom), a people and a king.

During 1517, two events of notoriety occurred, (1) Martin Luther begins what will be known as the protestant reformation, and (2) the land of Palestine “goes into captivity” as the Ottoman Turks take control of it until 1917. The land goes into captivity for 400 years. The Balfour Declaration of 1917 and the League of Nations mandate the return of the land to Israel.

13 Then He said to Abram: "Know certainly that your descendants will be strangers in a land [that is] not theirs, and will serve them, and they will afflict them four hundred years. [Genesis 15:13 NKJV]

The people go into captivity for 400 years and later, the land itself “goes into captivity” for 400 years.”



The League of Nations decides not to return the land to Israel directly but mandates the control of the region to England and France. The French Mandate and British Mandate were born. Israel (Palestine) remains under British control until 1947.

It is like we are being asked to build a puzzle. There are two boards that we can fit the pieces on according to their shape. One board is the concept of a Christian church and the other board represents the kingdom of Israel based on Acts 1:6. This metaphor is simple but powerful. The pieces *fit on each board by shape* but the picture formed is different, the church versus the kingdom of Israel.

40 Now the sojourn of the children of Israel who lived in Egypt [was] four hundred and thirty years. 41 And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years--on that very same day--it came to pass that all the armies of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] went out from the land of Egypt. [Exodus 12:40-41 NKJV]

16 Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, "And to seeds," as of many, but as of one, "And to your Seed," who is Christ [Messiah YHVH or Yahweh]. 17 And this I say, [that] the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul the covenant that was confirmed

before by God in Christ [YHVH or Yahweh], that it should make the promise of no effect. [Galatians 3:16-17 NKJV]

1517 plus the 430 years takes us to 1947. From Abraham to Moses is 430 years and represents a type or picture of reformation. In a sense, while the church was busy with its reformation, YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel and the God of all humanity was busy setting the ground work for the reformation of the 12 twelve tribes of Israel that had been scattered previously.

On the 29<sup>th</sup> of November 1947, United Nations General Resolution 181 was passed granting the Jews the “right of return” to their land given by covenant by YHVH or Yahweh the God of all humanity. What the League of Nation failed to do in 1947, YHVH the God of all humanity required by the hand of its successor, the United Nations. Nevertheless, the land was not back under Jewish control, yet.

As somewhat of an aside, Theodor Herzl, a secular Jew, was being used by the God of Israel to establish what became known as the 1<sup>st</sup> Zionist Congress in Basel, Switzerland. The year was 1897. The charter of this congress was to grant Jews access to a Jewish homeland. Mr. Herzl was asked if he thought that the Jews would be back in the land in 5 years. His response was they would be back in 50 years. 1897 and 50 is 1947.

What puzzle are you building?

On 14 May 1948, President Harry Truman signed a document at 6:11 p.m. acknowledging Israel's right to exist as Jewish state. As I mentioned earlier, the press release was read at 6:11 p.m. (See Appendix B.)

11 Then I said, "Lord, how long?" And He answered: "Until the cities are laid waste and without inhabitant, the houses are without a man, the land is utterly desolate, [Isaiah 6:11 NKJV]

The President of the USA was being directed prophetically as though he was King Cyrus of Persia and the year was 535 B.C.E.

28 That [YHVH or Yahweh] saith of Cyrus, [He is] my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid. [Isaiah 44:28 KJV]

1 The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] says this to Cyrus, his anointed [literally, his messiah or משיחו], whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and disarm kings, to open doors before him, and even city gates will not be shut:  
2 "I will go before you and level the uneven places; I will shatter the bronze doors and cut the iron bars in two. 3 "I will give

you the treasures of darkness and riches from secret places, so that you may know that I am the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. I am the God of Israel, who calls you by your name. 4 "I call you by your name, for the sake my servant Jacob and Israel my chosen one. I give a name to you, though you do not know me. 5 "I am the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], and there is no other; there is no God but me. I will strengthen you, though you do not know me, 6 "so that all may know from the rising of the sun to its setting that there is no one but me. I am the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], and there is no other. [Isaiah 45:1-6 CSB]

It is interesting that if we examine the dates 29 November through 14 May 1948, we find an unusual "pattern." Counting the number of days between those dates, there are 168 days. If we allow that 1948 was a leap year and discount 29 February 1948, there are 167 days. If we look at those "benchmark dates" as if they were "bookends" and choose not to count those two dates (29 November and 14 May), the number is now 165 days. If we study about Hanukkah from a historical perspective, we see that Antiochus Epiphanes IV laid siege to Jerusalem in 168 B.C.E. and was defeated in 165 B.C.E.

The altar in the temple was defiled by an unholy sacrifice and was rebuilt. The rebuilding required that olive oil be burned continuously for 8 days for purification. The Seleucid army had broken the seals on the holy oil such that only one jar of oil

remained. The God of Israel created a miracle and that one jar burned for eight days. Hanukkah is about the light coming to the world through Israel.

You can't have an altar to purify unless you have a temple and can have neither unless the land exists to put the people in.

The correlation between the dates 29 November 1947 and 14 May 1948 is no less a miracle than the splitting of the Red Sea by YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel permitting the Hebrews to leave Egypt. These pieces do not fit on the puzzle board called *church*. (I utilized the concept of 'inclusive' vs. 'exclusive' dating to arrive at 165 versus 168).

But, there are more pieces to be fit on the board called Israel.

The prophet Daniel and the angelic messengers of the God of Israel have yet to weigh in on the subject of return.

27 "He will make a firm covenant with many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and offering. **And the abomination of desolation will be on a wing of the temple** until the decreed destruction is poured out on the desolator." [Daniel 9:27 CSB]

Work began on what we know as the Dome of the Rock in 632 C.E. It was completed in 691 C.E. This is another bellwether event.

11 "From the time the daily sacrifice is abolished and the abomination of desolation is set up, there will be 1,290 days.  
[Daniel 12:11 CSB]

From the time that the sacrifice is taken away **and** construction begins on the abomination sets the date at 632. Adding 1290 “days or time periods” to that is **1922**.

On the puzzle board called *reformation of the state of Israel*, 1922 is a fascinating landmark. It had been preceded by Churchill’s “White Paper” in 1920 regarding the right and need for a Jewish state/nation. In 1920 in San Remo, Switzerland a conference was convened on the matter. It ruled, from a legal perspective, that the Jews had a right to a national homeland. It went to until 24 July **1922**.

The angel speaks again to Daniel and he records.

12 "**Happy** is the one who waits for and reaches 1,335 days.  
[Daniel 12:12 CSB]

אשרי המחכה ויגיע לימים אלף שלש מאות שלשים וחמשה

Beginning again in 632 but this time adding 1335 days (periods of time), went end up at 1967.

Happy (blessed) indeed are those who waited and endured the Six Day War. On 6/7/67, Jerusalem was retaken by the Israeli forces. Rabbi Goren blew the shofar at on the Temple Mount. The name “goren,” in Hebrew [גֹרֵן] is translated as “threshing floor.” Rabbi “threshing floor” blew the shofar on the “threshing floor” of Araunah (Ornan) the Jebusite.

The blast of the shofar is a “clarion call.” It signified a very special event . . . a year of jubilee.

10 "You are to consecrate the fiftieth year and proclaim freedom in the land for all its inhabitants. It will be your Jubilee, when each of you is to return to his property and each of you to his clan. ... 13 "In this Year of Jubilee, each of you will return to his property. [Leviticus 25:10, 13 CSB]

Every 50 years, if the inhabitants of the land of Israel (Jews) had lost or sold their land, they (Hebrews/Jews) had a “right of return to their land.”

23 The land must not be sold permanently, because the land is mine [YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel is the speaker

through Moses] and you reside in my [YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel] land as foreigners and strangers. [Leviticus 25:23 NIV]

The land was given by covenant to the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Isaac (and not Ishmael) was the “child of promise.”

In 2017, President (king) Trump (trumpet . . . shofar . . . clarion call) issued his intent to recognize Jerusalem as Israel’s capital. In 2018, it became a reality.

Years of “Jubilee” . . . 1517 . . . 1917 . . . 1967 . . . 2017 . . .

2017 Jerusalem was decreed as Israel’s capital (the place that the God of Israel and God of all fresh (humanity) had mandated as a place for his name to dwell.

The 1967 Six Day War resulted in the land being returned to Israel by the God of Israel and the God of all humanity.

The 1917 League of Nations mandate was to return the Jews to the land of “Palestine.” They failed but YHVH or Yahweh the God of all humanity acted.



In 1517, Palestine/Israel was taken captive by the Islamic Ottoman Turks. From 1517 to 2017 is 500 years or 10 periods of Jubilee.

What puzzle were you building?

6 So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, are you restoring the **kingdom to Israel** at this time? " 7 He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. [Acts 1:6-7 CSB]

It seems like "Father YHVH or Yahweh" began to speak in 1517. Was anyone able to hear? Who had ears to hear?

Who has eyes to see and a heart to perceive today?

4 "Yet to this day the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] has not given you a mind to understand, eyes to see, or ears to hear. [Deuteronomy 29:4 CSB]

Ask . . . seek . . . knock . . . and it will be opened (understanding?) for you.

10 For thus saith the LORD (YHVH or Yahweh), That after **seventy years** be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and

perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place [Jeremiah 29:10 KJV].

Is this a picture of a future Jubilee?

2 in the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, understood from the books according to the word of the LORD to the prophet Jeremiah that the number of years for the desolation of Jerusalem would be seventy. [Daniel 9:2 CSB]

2 In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, where of the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem. [Daniel 9:2 KJV]

If we are building the same puzzle that the God of Israel, the God of all humanity is building . . .

1947 plus 70 (years of desolation of Jerusalem) equals 2017 . . . the same time frame for “King” Trump to decree Jerusalem to be the capital of Israel . . . capital of the world?

In case we missed “the event of the century,” 1948 plus 70 years of desolation for Jerusalem equals 2018. The reality of Jerusalem as the capital of Israel is finalized. YHVH or Yahweh has spoken.

As an interesting aside, King Cyrus made his proclamation that the Jews could leave Babylon 538 B.C.E., but it took until 535 for them to return.

The Jews were deported to Babylon in “three waves,” 605, 598(7) and 587(6). The first “wave” returned in 535 B.C.E. 70 years after the first “wave” went into exile. (605-70=535)

Although Israel began to return to the land of Israel in 1947/48, it wasn't until 1967 that the “old city” of Jerusalem and the Temple Mount (Mount Moriah . . . where YHVH or Yahweh *will be seen*), remained under Muslim/Islamic control until the Six Day war (1967). Jews were not permitted to pray at the “western wall” or “kotel” as it was under Jordanian [Muslim] control.

Interestingly, there had never been a country called Jordan. The Emirate of Transjordan was established in 1921 by the Hashemite Emir Abdullah I. Jordan simply refers to the Jordan river that runs north to south. Jordan can be thought of as the “east bank of the Jordan river while Judea and Samaria are referred to as the “west bank.” The Jordan river runs north to south, therefore, it has east and west banks. It isn't more complicated than that. Historically, three of the original Israelite tribes were given land “on the east bank.” They were Reuben, Gad and a portion of Manasseh. In other words, the east bank is part of Israel.

It is interesting that the Jews consider the name of their (everyone's God), YHVH or Yahweh to be too holy to pronounce. It is often referred to in Hebrew as "ha shem," or "the name."

Jordan is officially called "The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan." Hashim was one of Mohammed's sons. It is difficult not to "see" the word play regarding "hashem." The Hashemite kingdom of Jordan could be understood as "Ha Shem's kingdom in (of) Jordan" or, "YHVH's or "Yahweh's kingdom in Jordan."

1 [A Psalm of David.] The earth [is] the LORD'S [YHVH's or Yahweh's], and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. [Psalm 24:1 KJV]

26 For the earth [is] the Lord's [YHVH's or Yahweh's], and the fullness thereof. [1 Corinthians 10:26 KJV]

It would seem that the God of Israel, the God of all humanity, has the title deed to the earth that He created and He is causing it to (slowly) come back into the hands of His covenant people.

25 Know therefore and understand that from the going forth of the word to restore and build Jerusalem to the coming of an anointed one, a prince, there shall be seven weeks. Then for

sixty-two weeks it shall be built again with squares and moat, but in a troubled time. [Daniel 9:25 RSV]

Do you know that during the year 2018 while excavating around one of the walls in the “Old City” of Jerusalem, an ancient moat was discovered?

25 So know and understand: From the issuing of the command to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until an anointed one, a prince arrives, there will be a period of seven weeks and sixty-two weeks. It will again be built, with plaza and moat, but in distressful times. [Daniel 9:25 NET]

ותדע ותשכל מן־מצא דבר להשיב ולבנות ירושלים עד־משיח נגיד  
שבעים שבעה ושבעים ששים ושנים תשוב ונבנתה רחוב וחרוץ  
ובצוק העתים

I mentioned earlier, that the Christian bible translators “want” the reader to “see” the word translated here as “anointed one or messiah” has to be Jesus. That is why this verse 25 of Daniel the word “Messiah” is used. It is here and verse 26 was well. As I noted earlier, the Hebrew word for anointed one or משיח occurs 39 times in the Hebrew scriptures. Why do the Christian translators want us to see Messiah Jesus here and not the other 37 times? Obviously or perhaps not, a “messianic” messiah (anointed one) is not in the

picture in those verses except for Isaiah 45 where King Cyrus . . . clearly could be understood as “messiah.” Cyrus was “anointed” to a task. Was President Trump (shofar) anointed to a similar task? Was Trump’s clarion call that Jerusalem should be in its place the capital of Jerusalem? Was Trump’s clarion call about the place YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel and the God of all humanity has chosen as a place for his name to dwell? Is the “Prime Minister (king) of Israel” this anointed prince . . . this messiah who is foretold here?

Benjamin Netanyahu, in Hebrew, can be understood as “son of my right-hand gift/given of Yah(u) (which is a shortened form of YHVH or Yahweh).

Is the name Netanyahu related to the Hebrew name [נתנאל] or Nethaneel, “gift of God,” after Strong’s #H5417? If we substitute “el” for “yahu,” we have the same name. Names often changed in the scripture when the people returned from Babylon (or captivity).

Translators, being human, whether Jewish, Catholic or Protestant cannot help but have filters or agendas often related to their religious or scriptural (or secular/political) worldview. If one’s worldview is the Kingdom of the God of Israel, the worldview or filter changes or at least can be changed *if one’s free will permits*.

6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time **restore again the kingdom to Israel?** [Acts 1:6 KJV]

6 So when the apostles were with Jesus, they kept asking him, "Lord, has the time come for you **to free Israel and restore our kingdom?**" [Acts 1:6 NLT]

What is your filter? Do you have more than one filter? Would you be willing to change it?

12 That at that time ye [gentiles in Ephesus] were without Christ [Messiah YHVH], being aliens from the **commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise**, having no hope, and without God in the world: [Ephesians 2:12 KJV]

13 But now you [gentiles in Ephesus] have been united with Christ Jesus [Messiah Yahweh who became human as a savior]. Once you were far away from God, but now you have been brought near to him through the blood of Christ [Messiah YHVH or Yahweh who became human as a savior, man of war and a bridegroom]. [Ephesians 2:13 NLT]

16 And as many as walk according to this rule, peace [be] on them, and mercy, and upon **the Israel of God**. [Galatians 6:16 KJV]

28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus [Messiah YHVH who became human to save]. [Galatians 3:28 KJV]

11 Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond [nor] free: but Christ [is] all, and in all. [Colossians 3:11 KJV]

8 The Lord GOD [my lord Yahweh or YHVH], who gathers the outcasts of Israel, says, "Yet I will gather to him [Others] besides those who are gathered to him." [Isaiah 56:8 NKJV]

8 For the Sovereign LORD [my lord YHVH or Yahweh], who brings back the outcasts of Israel, says: I will bring others, too, besides my people Israel." [Isaiah 56:8 NLT]

8 The Lord [YHVH or Yahweh], who gathereth the outcasts of Israel, saith, Yet will I gather [**others**] to him, besides his own that are gathered. [Isaiah 56:8 ASV]



17 SO THAT THE REST OF MANKIND MAY SEEK THE LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], AND ALL THE GENTILES WHO ARE CALLED BY MY NAME,' [Acts 15:17 NASB]

12 That they may possess the remnant of Edom And all the nations who are called by My name," Declares the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] who does this. [Amos 9:12 NASB]

למען יירשו את־שארית אדום וכל־הגוים אשר־נקרא שמי עליהם  
נא־ס־יהוה עשה זאת

9:12 ὅπως ἐκζητήσωσιν οἱ κατάλοιποι τῶν ἀνθρώπων καὶ πάντα τὰ ἔθνη ἐφ' οὓς ἐπικέκληται τὸ ὄνομά μου ἐπ' αὐτούς λέγει κύριος ὁ θεὸς ὁ ποιῶνταῦτα

The Jewish sages of antiquity understanding that YHVH the God of Israel was the God of all humanity correctly set the stage for the understanding of this verse (principle). All gentiles may seek the name of YHVH or Yahweh, God of Israel and be called by His name.

Paul/Shaul “sees” this as the gentiles (branches of wild olive trees) being grafted into the cultivated olive tree that is Israel (whose roots are Abraham, Isaac and Jacob) including all the Hebrews and fathers of the Jewish people today. Later, Paul, in writing the letter to the gentiles in Ephesus who had accepted Jesus of Nazareth as the

incarnation of YHVH or Yahweh the son of Yahweh (remember Genesis 49 and “stone” of Israel the Mighty one of Jacob) refers to these “grafted in gentiles” as part of the commonwealth of Israel or as citizens of Israel. YHVH is the God of all humanity so it isn’t a picture of these gentiles converting to Judaism (Noahides, to use a modern term?).

34 "For who has known the mind of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]? Or who has become His counselor?" [Romans 11:34 NKJV after Isaiah 40:13 and Jeremiah 23:18]

"Or who has first given to Him [YHVH] And it shall be repaid to him?" [Romans 11:35 NKJV after Job 41:1]

Or, more than likely, our filters have ‘filtered out’ another prophecy.

21 So shall ye divide this land unto you according to the tribes of Israel. 22 And it shall come to pass, [that] ye shall divide it by lot for an inheritance unto you, and to the strangers that sojourn among you, which shall beget children among you: and they shall be unto you as born in the country among the children of Israel; they shall have inheritance with you among the tribes of Israel. 23 And it shall come to pass, [that] in what tribe the stranger sojourneth, there shall ye give [him] his inheritance, saith the Lord GOD [YHVH or Yahweh].  
[Ezekiel 47:21-23 KJV]

Is this “the” or “a” prophetic picture of the land of Israel, the Israel of the God of Israel that is neither Jew nor Greek, male nor female neither slave or free? Perhaps they are all “Hebrews?”

13 But one of Lot's men escaped and reported everything to **Abram the Hebrew**, who was living near the oak grove belonging to Mamre the Amorite. Mamre and his relatives, Eshcol and Aner, were Abram's allies. [Genesis 14:13 NLT]

ויבא הפליט ויגד **לאברם העברי** והוא שכן באלני ממרא האמרי  
אחי אשכל ואחי ענר והם בעלי **ברית-אברם**

Hebrew or [עברי] from the root word [עבר] means “from beyond or the others.”

Will this Israel of the God of Israel be occupied by **העברי** [Hebrews] or those **עבר**? [Hebrew]? Is it already?

If I lived in Israel now, perhaps residing in Jerusalem of Judea and raised my family there and worshipped the God of Israel, YHVH or Yahweh, would I have an allotment of land there and be as if I was a native-born Israeli? Can one be an Israeli and not be a Jew? It seems as though that is what YHVH or Yahweh spoke through the prophet Ezekiel (God is my strength). The answer is “yes”.

I had mentioned the concept of truth being determined by two or three witnesses based on a reference from Deuteronomy. People can be witnesses, languages can be witnesses, and dates can act as witnesses.

Consider the year 2017 or 5777 on a Hebrew or Jewish calendar.

From 1517 to 2017 (500 years or 50 Jubilees) as one witness.

From 1947 to 2017 (70 years based on Jeremiah and Daniel) as the second witness.

And the third . . .

37 "But as the days of Noah [were], so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. [Matthew 24:37 NKJV]

26 "And as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man: [Luke 17:26 NKJV]

3 And the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, for he [is] indeed flesh; yet his days shall be one hundred and twenty years." [Genesis 6:3 NKJV]

7 Moses [was] **one hundred and twenty years** old when he died.  
His eyes were not dim nor his natural vigor diminished.  
[Deuteronomy 34:7 NKJV]

Recall Theodore Herzl and the First Zionist Conference in Basel, Switzerland in 1897. Herzl was asked if he thought Israel would be back in 5 years? His response was 50 years (1897 + 50 = 1947).

1897 + 120 = 2017, for our third witness.

Is it possible that the world is missing still or again what “the Father” is saying regarding His children Israel?

22 **Then you shall say to Pharaoh,** 'Thus **says the LORD:** "Israel [is] My son, My firstborn.'" [Exodus 4:22 NKJV]

**ואמרת אל-פרעה** כה אמר יהוה בני בכרי ישראל

9 They shall come with weeping, and with supplications will I lead them: I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble: for I am a father to Israel, and **Ephraim [is] my firstborn.** [Jeremiah 31:9 KJV]

בבכי יבאו ובתחנונים אובילים אוליכם אל-נחלי מים בדרך ישר לא  
יכשלו בה **כי-הייתי לישראל לאב** ואפרים בכרי הוא

Who are the pharaohs today? . . . **ואמרת אל-פרעה** “Thus you shall say to Pharaoh”

Do they need to hear? . . . **כה אמר יהוה בני בכרי ישראל** “Thus says YHVH or Yahweh, Israel is my firstborn son”

Do they also need to hear? . . . **כי-הייתי לישראל לאב** “for I am a father to Israel”

Why don't they hear? . . . **ואפרים בכרי הוא** “Ephraim is my firstborn.”

[Questions asked are from Exodus 4:22 and Jeremiah 31:9 with the English paraphrased (I cut and pasted this text)].

All of the world's pharaohs need ears to hear, eyes to see and a heart to perceive the **“handwriting that is on the wall.”**

5 At that moment the fingers of a man's hand appeared and began writing on the plaster of the king's palace wall next to the lampstand. As the king watched the hand that was writing, 6 his face turned pale, and his thoughts so terrified him that he soiled himself and his knees knocked together. 7 The king shouted to bring in the mediums, Chaldeans, and diviners. He

said to these wise men of Babylon, "Whoever reads this inscription and gives me its interpretation will be clothed in purple, have a gold chain around his neck, and have the third highest position in the kingdom." 8 So all the king's wise men came in, but none could read the inscription or make its interpretation known to him. 9 Then King Belshazzar became even more terrified, his face turned pale, and his nobles were bewildered. 10 Because of the outcry of the king and his nobles, the queen came to the banquet hall. "May the king live forever," she said. "Don't let your thoughts terrify you or your face be pale. 11 "There is a man in your kingdom who has a spirit of the holy gods in him. In the days of your predecessor he was found to have insight, intelligence, and wisdom like the wisdom of the gods. Your predecessor, King Nebuchadnezzar, appointed him chief of the magicians, mediums, Chaldeans, and diviners. Your own predecessor, the king, 12 "did this because Daniel, the one the king named Belteshazzar, was found to have an extraordinary spirit, knowledge and intelligence, and the ability to interpret dreams, explain riddles, and solve problems. Therefore, summon Daniel, and he will give the interpretation." 13 Then Daniel was brought before the king. The king said to him, "Are you Daniel, one of the Judean exiles that my predecessor the king brought from Judah? 14 "I've heard that you have a spirit of the gods in you, and that insight, intelligence, and extraordinary wisdom are

found in you. ... 24 "Therefore, he [Lord of heaven] sent the hand, and this writing was inscribed. 25 "This is the writing that was inscribed: Mene, Mene, Tekel, and Parsin. 26 "This is the interpretation of the message: 'Mene' means that God has numbered the days of your kingdom and brought it to an end. 27 "'Tekel' means that you have been weighed on the balance and found deficient. 28 "'Peres' means that your kingdom has been divided and given to the Medes and Persians."

[Daniel 5:5-14, 24-28 CSB]

ודנה כתבא די רשים מנא מנא תקל ופרסין:

I wonder what the Lord of heaven and earth will say about those who have copyrighted HIS intellectual property?

I personally believe that the handwriting is again on the wall for the kings of earth (United Nations) to read or have interpreted for them? Just as reminder, the USA is part of the United Nations . . .

I asked before and probably did not answer. "How do we bring Messiah?"

The world in general may have forgotten Yah or YHVH or Yahweh but He doesn't forget us. Zechariah 14 is a crucial clue to this challenge (Zechariah means "Yah remembers").



1 Behold, a day is coming for the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh, the God Israel the God of all humanity], when the spoil taken from you will be divided in your midst. 2 For I [YHVH] will gather all the nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city shall be taken and the houses plundered and the women raped. Half of the city shall go out into exile, but the rest of the people shall not be cut off from the city. 3 Then the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] will go out and fight against those nations as when he fights on a day of battle [Exodus 15:3. . . YHVH is a ‘man of war’]. 4 On that day his feet [‘man of war,’ **אִישׁ מִלְחָמָה**] shall stand on the Mount of Olives that lies before Jerusalem on the east, and the Mount of Olives shall be split in two from east to west by a very wide valley, so that one half of the Mount shall move northward, and the other half southward. 5 And you shall flee to the valley of my mountains, for the valley of the mountains shall reach to Azal. And you shall flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Then the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] my [our?] God will come, and all the holy ones with him. [Zechariah 14:1-5 ESV]

How do we get YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel, the God of all humanity to put his feet on the Mount of Olives?

11 and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven,

will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

[Acts 1:11 ESV]

11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven. [Acts 1:11 KJV]

5 God is gone up with a shout, the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] with the sound of a trumpet. [Psalm 47:5 KJV]

עלה אלהים בתרועה יהוה בקול שופר

16 For the Lord [kurios in Greek but translates to YHVH] himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 17 Then we which are alive [and] remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

[1 Thessalonians 4:17 KJV]

51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the

dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.  
[1 Corinthians 15:51-52 KJV]

37 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, [thou] that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under [her] wings, and ye would not! 38 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. 39 For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, **Blessed [is] he that cometh in the name [of the] Lord** [kurios in Greek but in Hebrew, YHVH]. [Matthew 23:38-39 KJV after Psalm 118:26]

ברוך הבא בשם יהוה ברכנוכם מבית יהוה

34 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen [doth gather] her brood under [her] wings, and ye would not! 35 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate: and verily I say unto you, Ye shall not see me, until [the time] come when ye shall say, **Blessed [is] he that cometh in the name [of the] Lord** [kurios in Greek but in Hebrew, YHVH]. [Luke 13:34-35 KJV after Psalm 118:26]

ברוך הבא בשם יהוה ברכנוכם מבית יהוה

It would appear that the Jews must recognize that Jesus of Nazareth was in fact . . . by the prophets and Hebrew scripture, YHVH or Yahweh of Nazareth. He was YHVH incarnate as a savior. It would also appear that it must (should or could?) happen from Jerusalem.

ברכנוכם מבית יהוה . . . we have blessed you from the house of YHVH.

Does it require another brick and mortar temple?

19 Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit [who is] in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? [1 Corinthians 6:19 NKJV]

Remember Bezalel who was commissioned to build the first tabernacle? He becomes the “first tabernacle” before he can build the tabernacle.

1 Then the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] spoke to Moses, saying:  
2 "See, I have called by name Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah. 3 "And I have filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, in knowledge, and in all [manner of] workmanship, [Exodus 31:1-3 NKJV]

6 "Also the sons of the foreigner Who join themselves to the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], to serve Him, And to love the name of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], to be His servants--Everyone who keeps from defiling the Sabbath, And holds fast My covenant-- 7 Even them I will bring to My holy mountain, And make them joyful in My house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and their sacrifices [Will be] accepted on My altar; For My house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations." 8 The Lord GOD [YHVH or Yahweh], who gathers the outcasts of Israel, says, "Yet I will gather to him [Others] besides those who are gathered to him." [Isaiah 56:6-8 NKJV]

כי ביתי בית־תפלה יקרא לכל־העמים:

If the Spirit of the Holy God, YHVH or Yahweh is in us, don't we become like Bezalel? Isn't that what Paul thought? He used the word temple but a tabernacle can move . . .

Who are the gentiles called by the name of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] today? Where are they?

If they Jews realized that Jesus was Yahweh, the God of Israel incarnate as a human savior/bridegroom, they could fulfill Psalm 118:26.

26 Blessed [is] he who comes in the name of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]! We have blessed you from the house of the LORD. [Psalm 118:26 NKJV and paraphrased above in Matthew 23:38-39 KJV and Luke 13:34-35 KJV]

ברוך הבא בשם יהוה ברכנוכם מבית יהוה

What if the gentiles told them [Israel or the Jews] who Jesus of Nazareth *really* was?

11 I say then, have they stumbled that they should fall? Certainly not! But through their fall, to provoke them to jealousy, salvation [has come] to the Gentiles. 12 Now if their fall [is] riches for the world, and their failure riches for the Gentiles, how much more their fullness! ... 15 For if their being cast away [is] the reconciling of the world, what [will] their acceptance [be] but life from the dead? [Romans 11:11-12, 15 NKJV]

These Jews were “pruned out and off” of the cultivated olive tree and gentiles who accepted that Jesus was YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel were grafted in their place. The Jews were “pruned out” because they did not receive Jesus (Yeshua) as YHVH incarnate.

If you (we) knew that, then they (the Jews) could accept Jesus as Yahweh YHVH their God and not need to “convert” to Christianity. Since Jesus was YHVH or Yahweh, why did they need to convert in the first place? Should the gentiles have “converted” or turned to YHVH the God of Israel? The word translated in some bibles as “convert” or “converted” is from the Hebrew word [חשב] or “shuwb,” which means “turn or return.”

10 Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and **convert**, and be healed. [Isaiah 6:10 KJV]

השמן לביהעם הזה ואזניו הכבד ועיניו השע פן־יראה בעיניו ובאזניו  
ישמע ולבבו יבין **ושב** ורפא לו

10 excaeca cor populi huius et aures eius adgrava et oculos eius claude ne forte videat oculis suis et auribus suis audiat et corde suo intellegat et **convertatur** et sanem eum [Isaiah 6:10 Vulgate]

In the context of Isaiah 6, what could the Jews have converted to? They needed to **return** to YHVH or Yahweh.

Misinterpretation of texts has created more problems than we can possibly understand.

10 Moreover the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] spake again unto Ahaz, saying, 11 Ask thee a sign of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] thy God; ask it either in the depth, or in the height above. 12 But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. 13 And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David; [Is it] a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also? 14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name **Immanuel**. [Isaiah 7:10-14 KJV]

לכן יתן אדני הוא לכם אות הנה העלמה הרה וילדת בן וקראת שמו עמנו אל

The prophet is Isaiah or Yeshayahu (salvation is of Yah or YHVH) so how can Immanuel be a prophecy about any other God than YHVH or Yahweh the God of the Hebrews, the God of Israel being literally with them (Israel) as a child (in this text)?

Jesus of Christianity isn't the Jesus in the Tanakh. If they were the same, the gentiles would have turned to the God of Israel long ago.



When the Jews come to an understanding that Jesus of Nazareth was Yahweh of Nazareth and was prophesied as Jesus (Yeshua) in the Tanakh, then they will have life from death (spiritual) according to Paul.

What of the gentiles?

What of the Christians?

22 Yea, many people and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts in Jerusalem, and to pray before the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. 23 Thus saith the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] of hosts; In those days [it shall come to pass], that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard [that] God [is] with you [Israel]. [Zechariah 8:22-23 KJV]

כה אמר יהוה צבאות בימים ההמה אשר יחזיקו עשרה אנשים מכל לשנות הגוים והחזיקו בכנף איש יהודי לאמר נלכה עמכם כי שמענו אלהים עמכם

17 Ye shall not need to fight in this [battle]: set yourselves, stand ye still, and see the salvation of Jehovah [YHVH or Yahweh] with you, O Judah and Jerusalem; fear not, nor be

dismayed: tomorrow go out against them; for Jehovah [YHVH or Yahweh] is with you. [2 Chronicles 20:17 ASV]

לא לכם להלחם בזאת התיצבו עמדו וראו את־ישועת יהוה עמכם  
יהודה וירושלם אל־תיראו ואל־תחתו מחר צאו לפניהם ויהוה עמכם

אלהים עמכם becomes ויהוה עמכם

God with you becomes YHVH or Yahweh with you.

Is it clear yet, that no one is “saved” without confessing or understanding that Yahweh was incarnate as a savior? Jesus means YHVH or Yahweh saves or is a savior or is salvation.

This is exactly what Paul said in Romans 10. The translations have become corrupted.

9 If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord [κύριον and it translates יהוה]" and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. 11 As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame." 12 For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all [Jeremiah 32:27] and richly blesses all who

call on him, 13 for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord [יהוה] will be saved." [Romans 10:9-13 NIV]

It is journey beginning in the heart that will take you through your native language (mine is English), through the Latin and/or Greek and into the Hebrew language.

I personally have come to believe that the true gospel that sets one free from the bondage of religion can only be found in the Hebrew bible or Tanakh. It can only be revealed by the Spirit of the Living God who is Holy . . . YHVH or Yahweh the God of the Hebrews, the God of the Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and the God of all humanity.

I don't think that the Jesus of the Christian religion can get you where you want to go or where you think (hope) you are going.

*Jesus in the Tanakh* "Old Testament" is ready, willing and able. *Yahweh of Nazareth: The Name Above All Names* went out on a limb for you. Will you go out on a limb for Him?

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## While We're Putting Things to Bed . . .

### Anti-Christ (Messiah)

The clearest link from the concept of “messiah” into the “Christ” is most easily seen in the book of Daniel. We’ll look at the English, Hebrew, Greek and Latin. The word “Messiah” appears in only two scripture verses, Daniel 9:25-26.

25 Know therefore and understand, [that] from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the **Messiah** the Prince [shall be] seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times. [Daniel 9:25 KJV]

9:25

ותדע ותשכל מן־מצא דבר להשיב ולבנות ירושלים עד־משיח נגיד ש  
בעים שבעה ושבעים ששים ושנים תשוב ונבנתה רחוב וחרוץ ובצוק  
העתים

9:25 και γνώση και συνήσεις από έξόδου λόγου τοῦ ἀποκριθῆνα  
ι και τοῦ οἰκοδομησαι Ιερουσαλημ ἕως **χριστοῦ** ἡγουμένου ἑβδο  
μάδες ἑπτὰ και ἑβδομάδες ἐξήκοντα δύο και ἐπιστρέψει και οἰκ  
οδομηθήσεται πλατεῖα και τεῖχος και ἐκκενωθήσονται οἱ καιροί

25 Scito ergo, et animadvertite: Ab exitu sermonis, ut iterum aedificetur Ierusalem, usque ad **Christum** ducem, hebdomades septem, et hebdomades sexaginta duae erunt: et rursum aedificabitur platea, et muri in angustia temporum.

[Daniel 9:25 VULGATE]

26 And after threescore and two weeks shall **Messiah** be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof [shall be] with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined. [Daniel 9:26 KJV]

9:26

ואחרי השבעים ששים ושנים יכרת **משיח** ואין לו והעיר והקדש יש  
ית עם נגיד הבא וקצו בשטף ועד קץ מלחמה נחרצת שממות

9:26 καὶ μετὰ τὰς ἑβδομάδας τὰς ἐξήκοντα δύο ἐξολεθρευθήσεται **χρῖσμα** καὶ κρίμα οὐκ ἔστιν ἐν αὐτῷ καὶ τὴν πόλιν καὶ τὸ ἅγιον διαφθερεῖ σὺν τῷ ἡγουμένῳ τῷ ἐρχομένῳ καὶ ἐκκοπήσονται ἐν κατακλυσμῷ καὶ ἕως τέλους πολέμου συντετημημένου τάξει ἀφανισμοῖς

26 Et post hebdomades sexaginta duas occidetur **Christus**: et non erit eius populus, qui eum negaturus est. Et civitatem, et sanctuarium dissipabit populus cum duce venturo: et finis eius

vastitas, et post finem belli statuta desolatio. [Daniel 9:26  
VULGATE]

משיח = χριστοῦ = Christum/Christus = messiah or Christ.

What משיח really means in Hebrew is “anointed one”. Christian translators “want” people see “Jesus” as the Christ or messiah. The word משיח appears 39 times in the Hebrew scriptures and is never applied to YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity/flesh except one time. Aaron, his sons, kings such as Saul and David and even Cyrus, King of Persia are anointed. Cyrus is clearly called “messiah” in the Hebrew. It is only in a non-masoretic, non-pointed (no vowels) text (scroll) that we gain our first clue as to the “true messiah”.

20 The breath of our nostrils, the anointed of the LORD, Was caught in their pits, Of whom we said, "Under his shadow We shall live among the nations." [Lamentations 4:20 NKJV]

4:20

רוח אפינו משיח יהוה נלכד בשחיתותם אשר אמרנו בצלו נחיה בגוים

4:20 πνεῦμα προσώπου ἡμῶν χριστὸς κυρίου συνελήμφθη ἐν ταῖς διαφθοραῖς αὐτῶν οὗ εἶπαμεν ἐν τῇ σκιᾷ αὐτοῦ ζησόμεθα ἐν τοῖς ἔθνεσιν

20 RES spiritus oris nostri christus dominus captus est in peccatis nostris cui diximus in umbra tua vivemus in gentibus [Lamentations 4:20 VUL]

It is the spirit or breath of our nostrils that is messiah . . . YHVH or Yahweh . . . רוח אפינו משיח יהוה

The Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh is messiah/Christ.

Following from “the beginning” or Genesis:

7 And the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] God formed man [of] the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. [Genesis 2:7 KJV]

4 The Spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life. [Job 33:4 KJV]

רוח-אל עשתני ונשמתי שדי תחיני 33:4

Who is “God Almighty”?

2 And God spoke to Moses and said to him: "I [am] the LORD. [YHVH or Yahweh] [Exodus 6:2 NKJV]



6:2 וידבר אלהים אל־משה ויאמר אליו אני יהוה

2 And God spoke to Moses and said to him: "I [am] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. 3 "I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty [באל שדי], but [by] My name LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] I was not known to them. [Exodus 6:2-3 NKJV]

6:3

וארא אל־אברהם אל־יצחק ואל־יעקב באל שדי ושמי יהוה לא נודע תי להם

God Almighty or El Shaddai is YHVH or Yahweh.

1 "The Spirit of the Lord GOD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] upon Me, Because the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] has anointed Me To preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the prison to [those who are] bound; [Isaiah 61:1 NKJV]

61:1 רוח אדני יהוה עלי יען משח יהוה אתי לבשר ענוים שלחני ל חבש לנשברי־לב לקרא לשבויים דרור ולאסורים פקח־קוח

Literally, the Hebrew reads:

Spirit my lord YHVH or Yahweh messiah YHVH or Yahweh.

The Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh El Shaddai (God Almighty) descends or comes upon Jesus (Yeshua or Yehoshua) and anoints him . . . the spirit is messiah . . .

The Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh, the messiah comes into creation to create and then breathes the breath of life into the clay/dirt called “adam.”

3 Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.  
[Genesis 1:3 NKJV]

ויאמר אלהים יהי אור ויהי־אור 1:3

We've been here before, but to review:

1 [A Psalm] of David. The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear? The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be afraid? [Psalm 27:1 NKJV]

לדוד יהוה אורי וישעי ממי אירא יהוה מעוזי־י ממי אפחד 27:1

2 The earth was without form, and void; and darkness [was] on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. [Genesis 1:2 NKJV]

1:2

והארץ היתה תהו ובהו וחשך על-פני תהום ורוח אלהים מרחפת ע  
ל-פני המים

If “a” = “b” and “b” = “c”, then “a” must = “c”.

God [is a] light and light [is] YHVH or Yahweh,  
God [is] YHVH or Yahweh.

The Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh . . . who is messiah . . . comes into the realm of what is being created as YHVH or Yahweh.

“The Spirit of the Lord” appears 28 exact times working from a King James Version and the WLC or Westminster Leningrad Codex (Hebrew bible)

So, when Jeremiah laments in “Lamentations”,

רוח אפינו משיח יהוה נלכד בשחיתותם אשר אמרנו בצלו נחיה בגוים

“spirit [of our] nostrils messiah YHVH or Yahweh” **THE** Holy Spirit or the Spirit of YHVH who is holy is teaching us to find the truth in the Hebrew text.

*The is no gospel without the Hebrew bible because YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel is **THE** Messiah, the Christ.*

Any person or religious system or construct that teaches otherwise is of the “anti-christ”.

Anti-christ/messiah perverts the knowledge of YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel as Christ or Messiah.

When the people of Israel, Hebrews/Jews sin . . . after a point . . . the Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh, God of Israel abandons them. They choose to serve “other spirits.”

18 Then the glory of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] departed from the threshold of the temple and stood over the cherubim.  
19 And the cherubim lifted their wings and mounted up from the earth in my sight. When they went out, the wheels [were] beside them; and they stood at the door of the east gate of the LORD's [YHVH or Yahweh's] house, and the glory of the God of Israel [was] above them. [Ezekiel 10:18-19 NKJV]

23 And the glory of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] went up from the midst of the city and stood on the mountain, which [is] on the east side of the city. [Ezekiel 11:23 NKJV]

But, the Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh, the Living God, the True God, the God of Israel, the God of all flesh/humanity returns to Israel and to the people.

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. 14 And John [tried to] prevent Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and are You coming to me?" 15 But Jesus answered and said to him, "Permit [it to be so] now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed Him. 16 When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him [YHVH or Yahweh son of YHVH who became human to save]. 17 And suddenly a voice [came] from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." [Mathew 3:13-17 NKJV]

This is why Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh son of YHVH or Yahweh] said to his disciples (10) gathered in the upper room:

22 And with that he [YHVH who became human to save] breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit."  
[John 20:22 NIV]

If you are having trouble understanding or believing what I'm writing, look here:

3 Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. [1 Corinthians 12:3 NIV]

12:3 διὸ γνωρίζω ὑμῖν ὅτι οὐδεὶς ἐν πνεύματι θεοῦ λαλῶν λέγει ἀνάθεμα Ἰησοῦς καὶ οὐδεὶς δύναται εἰπεῖν κύριος Ἰησοῦς εἰ μὴ ἐν πνεύματι ἁγίῳ

Recall, that YHVH or Yahweh [יהוה] from the Hebrew was translated into Greek using the word "kurios" [κύριος] which means Lord. There is no "v" sound in Greek.

Jesus is YHVH or Yahweh but only the Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh (Messiah) can teach you. The Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh is a teacher or Rabbi without parallel.

The greatest “protection” that I have as a writer, as a scribe [סופר] is that if or when you “connect the dots”, I don’t get the credit. Alternatively, if or when one doesn’t “connect the dots”, it isn’t “my fault”.

I am blessed to be the [סופר] “sofer” in this undertaking. I am equally blessed to have had the Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh who is holy tell me, “Tom, you are an Israelite in whom there is no guile . . . no agenda” after John 1:47.

How did we collectively, Jews/Hebrews, Catholics and Protestants get to this place in history?

4 "Hear, O Israel: The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] our God, the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] one! 5 "You shall love the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. [Deuteronomy 6:4-5 NKJV]

29 Jesus answered him, "The first of all the commandments [is]: 'Hear, O Israel, the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] our God, the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] is one. 30 'And you shall love the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your

strength.' This [is] the first commandment. [Mark 12:29-30 NKJV]

27 "Behold, I [am] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the God of all flesh. Is there anything too hard for Me? [Jeremiah 32:27 NKJV]

When we fail to recognize that Jesus was, is and will always be YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, we violate the first and greatest commandment.

And, then, we promptly violate the second commandment:

31 "And the second, like [it, is] this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." [Mark 12:31 NKJV]

18 'You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I [am] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]. [Leviticus 19:18 NKJV]

לאֲתַקֵּם וּלְאַתֵּטֵר אֶת־בְּנֵי עַמְךָ וְאֶהְבֵּת לְרֵעֶךָ כְּמוֹךָ אֲנִי יְהוָה 19:18



19:18 καὶ οὐκ ἐκδικᾶται σου ἡ χεὶρ καὶ οὐ μνηεῖς τοῖς υἱοῖς τοῦ λαοῦ σου καὶ ἀγαπήσεις τὸν πλησίον σου ὡς σεαυτὸν **ἐγὼ εἰμι κύριος**

18 non quaeres ultionem nec memor eris iniuriae civium tuorum diliges amicum tuum sicut temet ipsum **ego Dominus** [Leviticus 19:18 VUL]

When the Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh who is holy leaves, another takes its place.

14 But the Spirit of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] departed from Saul, and an evil [**רעה**] spirit from the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] troubled [**בעת**] him. [1 Samuel 16:14 KJV]

**רוח יהוה** 16:14 **סרה מעם שאול ובעתתו רוח־רעה** מאת יהוה

This is an extremely important principle to learn. YHVH or Yahweh, God of Israel, the God of all humanity . . . sends another to take its place. YHVH or **Yahweh is “commander** (army) of heavenly hosts”.

5 So I said: "Woe [is] me, for I am undone! Because I [am] a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, The LORD [YHVH or **Yahweh**] of hosts." [Isaiah 6:5 NKJV]

6:5

ואמר אוֹי־לִי כִי־נִדְמִיתִי כִי אִישׁ טִמְא־שִׁפְתִים אֲנִכִי וּבִתּוֹךְ עַם־טָמֵא  
שִׁפְתִים אֲנִכִי יוֹשֵׁב כִי אֶתְהַמְלֹךְ יְהוָה צְבָאוֹת רְאוּ עֵינִי

YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all flesh/humanity is the commander of the armies of heaven . . . good and evil.

What follows is what is known as a “long run for a short slide”.

1 Kings 22 has 23 verses. Verses 1-22 are crucial to understanding verse 23.

*Without the understanding that can only come from our Rabbi, The Spirit of YHVH or Yahweh who is holy (THE Holy Spirit), you have great difficulty understanding what the “anti-christ” spirit or household of spirits is and why the earth is presently under its influence today.*

Here is the text from the “The World English Bible.”

<sup>1</sup> They continued three years without war between Syria and Israel. <sup>2</sup> In the third year, Jehoshaphat the king of Judah came down to the king of Israel. <sup>3</sup> The king of Israel said to his servants, “You know that Ramoth Gilead is ours, and we do nothing, and don’t take it out of the hand of the king of Syria?” <sup>4</sup> He said to Jehoshaphat, “Will you go with me to battle

to Ramoth Gilead?” Jehoshaphat said to the king of Israel, “I am as you are, my people as your people, my horses as your horses.”<sup>5</sup> Jehoshaphat said to the king of Israel, “Please inquire first for Yahweh’s word.”<sup>6</sup> Then the king of Israel gathered [his] the prophets together, about four hundred men, and said to them, “Should I go against Ramoth Gilead to battle, or should I refrain?” They said, “Go up; for the Lord will deliver it into the hand of the king.”<sup>7</sup> But Jehoshaphat said, “Isn’t there here a prophet of Yahweh, that we may inquire of him?”

<sup>8</sup> The king of Israel said to Jehoshaphat, “There is yet one man by whom we may inquire of Yahweh, Micaiah the son of Imlah; but I hate him, for he does not prophesy good concerning me, but evil.” Jehoshaphat said, “Don’t let the king say so.”

<sup>9</sup> Then the king of Israel called an officer, and said, “Quickly get Micaiah the son of Imlah.”<sup>10</sup> Now the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah were sitting each on his throne, arrayed in their robes, in an open place at the entrance of the gate of Samaria; and all the prophets were prophesying before them.<sup>11</sup> Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah made himself horns of iron, and said, “Yahweh says, ‘With these you will push the Syrians, until they are consumed.’ ”<sup>12</sup> All the prophets prophesied so, saying, “Go up to Ramoth Gilead and prosper; for Yahweh will deliver it into the hand of the king.”

<sup>13</sup> The messenger who went to call Micaiah spoke to him, saying, “See now, the prophets declare good to the king with

one mouth. Please let your word be like the word of one of them, and speak good.”<sup>14</sup> Micaiah said, “As Yahweh lives, what Yahweh says to me, that I will speak.”<sup>15</sup> When he had come to the king, the king said to him, “Micaiah, shall we go to Ramoth Gilead to battle, or shall we forbear?” He answered him, “Go up and prosper; and Yahweh will deliver it into the hand of the king.”<sup>16</sup> The king said to him, “How many times do I have to adjure you that you speak to me nothing but the truth in Yahweh’s name?”<sup>17</sup> He said, “I saw all Israel scattered on the mountains, as sheep that have no shepherd. Yahweh said, ‘These have no master. Let them each return to his house in peace.’”<sup>18</sup> The king of Israel said to Jehoshaphat, “Didn’t I tell you that he would not prophesy good concerning me, but evil?”<sup>19</sup> Micaiah said, “Therefore hear Yahweh’s word. I saw Yahweh sitting on his throne, and all the army of heaven standing by him on his right hand and on his left.”<sup>20</sup> Yahweh said, ‘Who will entice Ahab, that he may go up and fall at Ramoth Gilead?’ One said one thing, and another said another.<sup>21</sup> A spirit came out and stood before Yahweh, and said, ‘I will entice him.’<sup>22</sup> Yahweh said to him, ‘How?’ He said, ‘I will go out and will be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets.’ He said, ‘You will entice him, and will also prevail. Go out and do so.’<sup>23</sup> Now therefore, behold, Yahweh has put a lying spirit in the mouth of all these your prophets; and Yahweh has spoken evil concerning you.”

YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity has put a lying spirit in the mouths of all his (Ahab's) prophets and YHVH has spoken evil concerning (you, Ahab and the northern kingdom of Israel).

Why? Simply put, the northern kingdom of Israel (or Ephraim) refused to worship YHVH or Yahweh and served the "baals," 19 kings who refused to worship YHVH or Yahweh.

To love YHVH or Yahweh your God with all your heart, all your mind, with all your strength is the core of all of the "torah" or teaching of YHVH or Yahweh. Adding to that is the command to love one's neighbor. Jesus [YHVH incarnate as a savior] said, paraphrased, "everything else hangs on those two commandments."

One of the most often quoted and probably least understood scriptures (in the New Testament) is John 3:16. To be fair, verse 16 must be connected to verses 17 and 18 and with John 12:47, will add another dimension of understanding.

16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son [YHVH or Yahweh], that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. 17 "For God did not send the Son [YHVH or Yahweh] into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. 18 "He who

believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God [YHVH or Yahweh]. [John 3:16-18 NASB]

47 "If anyone hears My sayings and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I [YHVH or Yahweh] did not come to judge the world, but to save the world. [John 12:47 NASB]

If the son of God, Yahweh or YHVH had come into the world to condemn or judge, his name could only have been "Jehoshaphat or Yehoshaphat or YHVH or Yahweh judges or is judge."

7 When they had placed them in the center, they [began to] inquire, "By what power, or in what name, have you done this?"  
8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers and elders of the people, 9 if we are on trial today for a benefit done to a sick man, as to how this man has been made well, 10 let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh saves or is salvation or is savior] Christ the Nazarene, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead--by this [name] this man stands here before you in good health. 11 "He is the STONE WHICH WAS REJECTED by you, THE BUILDERS, [but] WHICH BECAME THE CHIEF CORNER [stone.] 12 "And there is salvation in no

one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved." [Acts 4:7-12 NASB] . . . because YHVH saves . . . is a savior . . .

The “stone” that the builders rejected is that YHVH or Yahweh is father, son and spirit. Jesus means “YHVH or Yahweh saves, is salvation or is savior”.

To not believe in the name of God’s only begotten son, YHVH or Yahweh brings condemnation, John 3:18 and 12:47].

Read carefully the words of Jesus (YHVH or Yahweh) himself.

5 For many shall come in my name [Jesus], saying, I [Jesus] am Christ; and shall deceive many. [Mathew 24:5 KJV]

YHVH or Yahweh’s own warning . . . they will say that Jesus is the Christ or Messiah and not say that Jesus is YHVH or Yahweh, therefore, YHVH or Yahweh is the Christ/Messiah.

Yahweh said to him, ‘How?’ He said, ‘I will go out and will be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets.’ He said, ‘You will entice him, and will also prevail. Go out and do so.’<sup>23</sup> Now therefore, behold, Yahweh has put a lying spirit in the mouth

of all these your prophets; and Yahweh has spoken evil concerning you.”

Christianity’s apostles, prophets, teachers, pastors and evangelists have gone out saying and Jesus was/is the Christ/Messiah. They did not say Jesus is YHVH or Yahweh and therefore, YHVH or Yahweh is the Christ/Messiah. This is true of both the orthodox catholic and protestant churches. [It is also true of all forms of Judaism.]

John, the writer of the gospel that bears his name, three epistles and the book of Revelation clearly . . . clearly understood Jesus to be YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel. Paul, without a doubt, understood this simple truth.

Since it is written that YHVH or Yahweh the God of Israel [the son of God], is the God of all humanity, where is the love that is his due? This is the same sin committed by first the Northern kingdom of Israel (Ephraim) and later the Southern kingdom of Judah. It is the singular reason both temples were destroyed.

37 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. [John 5:37 KJV]



37 "And the Father Himself, who sent Me, has testified of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His form. [John 5:37 NKJV]

46 Not that any man hath seen the Father, save he which is of God, he hath seen the Father. [John 6:46 KJV]

46 "Not that anyone has seen the Father, except He who is from God; He has seen the Father. [John 6:46 NKJV]

9 Therefore God [YHVH who is father] also has highly exalted Him [YHVH who is son] and given Him [YHVH who is son] the name which is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus [YHVH saves, is salvation or is savior] every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, 11 and [that] every tongue should confess that Jesus [YHVH saves, is salvation or is savior] Christ [is] Lord [kurios = κύριος = יהוה = YHVH = Domini] to the glory of God the Father. [Philippians 2:9-11 NKJV]

The glory given to YHVH God who is father is to recognize that Jesus [YHVH saves, is salvation or is savior] is YHVH the son of God. By this simple (but not necessarily easy) proclamation we honor our father, YHVH or Yahweh.

Paul has taught the Philippians that YHVH is father, YHVH is son and YHVH is spirit.

This journey is one of the heart. The head (mind) will eventually catch up to your heart. The journey is also from, in my case, an English text through the Greek into the Hebrew. For Roman Catholics, for example, it would be through the Latin into the Hebrew (also my story). In any and all cases, **your journey must end up in the Hebrew scriptures** (text with no vowels). I use a program that allows me to remove the vowel points. It becomes, as if, I am reading a scroll in Hebrew.

Torah scrolls have no vowel points. The Isaiah scroll at the Shrine of the Book in Jerusalem has no vowel points. I believe it dates to between 1<sup>st</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> centuries B.C.E. to C.E.

11 Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the **Messiah, the Lord** [YHVH or Yahweh]. [Luke 2:11 NIV]

11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is **Christ the Lord** [YHVH or Yahweh]. [Luke 2:11 KJV]

36 Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ. [Acts 2:36 KJV]

24 Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ. [Colossians 3:24 KJV]

15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and [be] ready always to [give] an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:  
[1 Peter 3:15 KJV]

15 But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, [1 Peter 3:15 NIV]

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Χριστός = משיח = Μεσσίας = messiah = Christ = Messiam

15 But in your hearts revere Christ [משיח] as Lord [יהוה]. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, [1 Peter 3:15 NIV]

15 But in your hearts revere **Christ** [messiah] **as Lord** [Yahweh or YHVH or **יהוה**]. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, [1 Peter 3:15 NIV]

24 Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the **Lord** [YHVH or Yahweh or **יהוה**] **Christ** [**משיח** or messiah] [Colossians 3:24 KJV]

11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is **Christ** [**Χριστός = משיח = Μεσσίας = messiah = Christ = Messiam**] the **Lord** [kurios = κύριος = יהוה = YHVH = Domini = Yahweh]. [Luke 2:11 KJV]

Savior in Hebrew is formed from the root word **ישע**.

Yahweh or YHVH or **יהוה** added to the root **ישע** forms the name of Yehoshua (Joshua) [**יהושע**] which shortens or contracts to Yeshua (Jesus) [**ישוע**].

Luke 2:11 has the messiah or christ's name "hidden" in the text if it is translated to Hebrew.

Or, it can be seen from David's genealogy as it relates to his children.

13 And David took more concubines and wives from Jerusalem, after he came from Hebron, and more sons and daughters were born to David. 14 And these are the names of those who were born to him in Jerusalem: Shammua, Shobab, Nathan, Solomon, 15 Ibhar, Elishua [אלישוע ישוע] "God Yeshua or God Jesus], Nepheg, Japhia, [2 Samuel 5:13-15 ESV]

As an aside, Elisha or [אלישע] is a shortened or contracted form of [אלישוע] "Elishuah".

*However, something happens as it always seems to. . .*

29 Jesus answered him, "The first of all the commandments [is]: 'Hear, O Israel, the LORD [יהוה] our God, the LORD [יהוה] is one. 30 'And you shall love the LORD [יהוה] your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This [is] the first commandment. [Mark 12:29-30 NKJV]

16 "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. 17 "For God did not send His Son into the

world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. 18 "He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God [YHVH or Yahweh or יהוה]. [John 3:16-18 NKJV]

27 "Behold, I [am] the LORD יהוה, the God of all flesh. Is there anything too hard for Me? [Jeremiah 32:27 NKJV]

To not love Yahweh or YHVH or Yahweh incarnate as a savior (Yeshua or Yehoshua or Jesus with all our heart as YHVH), is fraught with consequences . . .

John wrote 5 books and Moses wrote 5 books. Both are surely prophets who are prophesying. Recall,

10 And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "See [that you do] not [do that]! I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."  
[Revelation 19:10 NKJV]

10 At this I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "Don't do that! I am a fellow servant with you and with your brothers and sisters who hold to the testimony of Jesus.

Worship God! For it is the Spirit of prophecy who bears testimony to Jesus." [Revelation 19:10 NIV]

19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent. [Revelation 3:19 KJV]

9 " 'And if the prophet is enticed to utter a prophecy, I the LORD [יהוה] have enticed that prophet, and I will stretch out my hand against him and destroy him from among my people Israel. 10 They will bear their guilt--the prophet will be as guilty as the one who consults him. 11 Then the people of Israel will no longer stray from me, nor will they defile themselves anymore with all their sins. They will be my people, and I will be their God, declares the Sovereign LORD [my Lord YHVH or Yahweh].' " [Ezekiel 14:9-11 NIV]

Remember 1 Kings 22:1-23 from pages 374-376?

The lying spirit came before YHVH or Yahweh and Yahweh and Yahweh sent that spirit into the prophets of Ahab . . .

1 Now the Holy Spirit tells us clearly that in the last times some will turn away from the true faith; they will follow deceptive spirits and teachings that come from demons. [1 Timothy 4:1 NLT]

<sup>1</sup> Now, brothers, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to him, we ask you <sup>2</sup> not to be quickly shaken in your mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter as if from us, saying that the day of Christ has already come. <sup>3</sup> Let no one deceive you in any way. For it will not be unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of destruction. <sup>4</sup> He opposes and exalts himself against all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, setting himself up as God. <sup>5</sup> Don't you remember that when I was still with you, I told you these things? <sup>6</sup> Now you know what is restraining him, to the end that he may be revealed in his own season. <sup>7</sup> For the mystery of lawlessness already works. Only there is one who restrains now, until he is taken out of the way. <sup>8</sup> Then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will kill with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the manifestation of his coming; <sup>9</sup> even he whose coming is according to the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, <sup>10</sup> and with all deception of wickedness for those who are being lost, because they didn't receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. <sup>11</sup> Because of this, God sends [is sending or will send] them a powerful delusion, that they should believe a lie [lying spirit?], <sup>12</sup> that they all might be judged who didn't believe the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness

[2 Thessalonians 2:1-12 World English Bible]



3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; [2 Timothy 4:3 KJV]

3 For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. [2 Timothy 4:3 NIV]

6 I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel, 7 which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ. 8 But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed. [Galatians 1:6-8 NKJV]

3 But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. 4 For if he who comes preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or [if] you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted--you may well put up with it!

[2 Corinthians 11:3-4 NKJV]

There can be no doubt . . . Paul taught that Jesus was YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel. We must remember that Paul is a prophet.

John (the Revelator) clearly taught in his letter to the churches at Ephesus and Philadelphia . . . 1<sup>st</sup> and greatest commandment (Ephesus). . . and the second is like it (Philadelphia) . . . that Jesus was YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel.

7 Surely the Lord GOD [my Lord YHVH or Yahweh] will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets. [Amos 3:7 KJV]

5 And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see [it] together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken [it]. [Isaiah 40:5 KJV]

40:5 ונגלה כבוד יהוה וראו כל־בשר יחדו כי פי יהוה דבר

The “different gospel” that Paul warned about is someone teaching Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh incarnate as a savior] and saying the He (Jesus) was the Christ or Messiah without saying or teaching that He (Jesus) was YHVH or Yahweh, Son of Yahweh.

Paul warned his listeners and readers that they/we would gather up for ourselves teachers who would teach us what we want to hear. Paul warned us that if we weren't careful, we'd accept another gospel. Can Paul get an "amen"?

Joshua told us that the ark [of] Yahweh, Lord of all the earth came out of the Jordan River on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the first month (Nisan).

3:13

וְהָיָה כְּנֹחַ כַּפּוֹת רַגְלֵי הַכְּהֻנִּים נֹשְׂאֵי אֲרוֹן יְהוָה אֲדוֹן כְּלֵי־הָאָרֶץ בְּמִי הַיַּרְדֵּן  
מִי הַיַּרְדֵּן יִכְרַתוֹן הַמַּיִם הַיַּרְדִּים מִלְּמַעְלָה וַיַּעֲמֵדוּ נֹד אֶחָד

44 "You are of [your] father the devil [satan, accuser, Lucifer], and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own [resources], for he is a liar and the father of it. [John 8:44 NKJV] . . . father of all lies . . .

This next leg of the journey will require a measure of faith and a healthy dose of patience. Remember or learn for the first time, we (everyone) do not have the original documents of the Hebrew texts in particular. But, we have the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of the LORD YHVH Yahweh who is holy who is ready, willing and eager to teach. Said another way, "You shall know the truth and it will set you free].

14 And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah-jireh: as it is said [to] this day, In the mount of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] it will be seen. [Genesis 22:14 Webster's]

This is the closest English translation to what I firmly believe the Hebrew actually reveals.

22:14

ויקרא אברהם שם־המקום ההוא יהוה יראה אשר יאמר היום בהר י  
הוה יראה

יהוה יראה – literally from left to right, “said this day mount YHVH or Yahweh seen”.

14 And Abraham called the name of that place Adonai-jireh; as it is said to this day: 'In the mount where the LORD [YHVH] is seen. [www.mechom-mamre.org].

We are talking about Mount Moriah, where YHVH or Yahweh is to be seen. Who is “seen” on Mount Moriah? The answer is that Allah, God of Islam is seen on Mount Moriah . . . Dome of the Rock is to the north and the Al Aksa mosque to the south. Actually, at least five (5) mosques now exist on the temple mount.

How bold do you believe satan (Lucifer) is? How arrogant do you think he is? In either case, it is YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel who has given us means to discern an answer.

Remember the story of Bezalel?

30 And Moses said unto the children of Israel, See, the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] hath called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah; 31 And he hath filled him with the spirit of [YHVH or Yahweh] God, in **wisdom**, in **understanding**, and in **knowledge**, and in all manner of workmanship; [Exodus 35:30-31 KJV]

YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, filled Bezalel with supernatural wisdom, understanding and knowledge in order to complete his tasks, which were many. The chief task was to build the tabernacle of meeting. It is, as if, Bezalel had to become the “tabernacle of meeting for the ‘Holy Spirit’” in order to build it.

Paul reminds us in his letter to the “qahal, ecclesia or church” in Corinth of when Bezalel had become the “temple/tabernacle”.

19 Or do you not know that your body is the **temple** of the Holy Spirit [who is] in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? [1 Corinthians 6:19 NKJV]



In order for us to be the “temple of tabernacle of YHVH or Yahweh”, we need His wisdom, knowledge and understanding. It is as simple as asking . . . seeking . . . knocking . . .

Knowledge alone isn't up to the task. Just ask Adam and Eve. The fruit of the tree of knowledge isn't sufficient for the tasks at hand (reading in between the lines, so to speak).

12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! [how] art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! [Isaiah 14:12 KJV]

14:12

איך נפלת משמים הילל בן-שחר נגדעת לארץ חולש על-גוים

הילל is translated in the KJV and others as “Lucifer” or light bringer. This would be a controversial translation and most English translations no longer use Lucifer. Other options are: son of the morning, shining star, morning star, son of the dawn, day star, satan and even Heylel.

הילל originates from the Hebrew root word [הלל] which means to shine to praise or to be praised. Sometimes this referred to as “word play”. הילל is “played off” הלל.

13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. [Isaiah 14:13-14 KJV]

14:13 ואתה אמרת בלבבך השמים אעלה ממעל לכוכבי־אל ארים  
כסאי ואשב בהר־מועד בירכתי צפון  
14:14 אעלה על־במתי עב אדמה לעליו

These texts in Isaiah refer to human king who would be “as God”. A similar story is found in Jeremiah regarding another human king. But, we have the story of Judas to help us out.

3 Then Satan entered Judas, called Iscariot, one of the Twelve. [Luke 22:3 NIV]

27 As soon as Judas took the bread, Satan entered into him [Judas]. So Jesus told him, "What you are about to do, do quickly." [John 13:27 NIV]

Satan, “the accuser” entered into Judas (whose name is related to the concept of “praise”). It isn’t a stretch to “see” Satan entering to human kings who opposed Israel and hence, YHVH the God of Israel. A simple way of understanding the Tanakh (OT) is “whose



god is really the God.” The stories can always be seen as a battle between Light (YHVH or Yahweh) and dark (satan). Job, chapters 1-3 give the best clues as to the nature of the unseen battles.

Somewhat of a necessary rabbit trail but these are useful to understand the battles as they play out before our eyes.

Why would a human king desire to ascend [עלה] unto the heavens, sit above the “Most High (God) [לעליון] and be seen on the mount of assembly [בהר־מועד]?

22 And Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lift up mine hand unto the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the most high God, the possessor of heaven and earth, [Genesis 14:22 KJV]

14:22

ויאמר אברם אל־מלך סדם הרימתי ידי אל־יהוה אל עליון קנה שמים וארץ

Who should be seen on the Mount of the Congregation?

14 And Abraham called the name of that place Adonai-jireh; as it is said to this day: 'In the mount where the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] is seen.'

**עלה** is a root word that means “to go up or to ascend”. When a Jew returns to Israel from another country it is called “making ‘aliyah’ or [**עליה**]”. The God of Israel, the God of all humanity/flesh, is seen, metaphorically in Jerusalem. Going back to Israel is seen as going back to YHVH or Yahweh whose throne (on earth) is the Mount Moriah or the Mount of the Congregation [**מועד**].

Recall, the tabernacle of the Covenant was referred to in Hebrew as [**אהל מועד**] and the cover of the ark of testimony is referred to as the “bema” or [**בימה**].

Who has gone up or “made Aliyah **עליה**” to be seen on Mount Moriah, the mount of congregation [**בהר־מועד**] as if he/it was in fact [**יהוה אל עליון**], YHVH or Yahweh, Most High God? Who would ascend above the clouds [**בימה עליה**], judgment seat of the heavens?

You can call him Satan, Lucifer, day star, morning star, son of the dawn etc., but his desire is to be worshipped as though he was YHVH or Yahweh.

Allah, the God of Islam (which means ‘to submit’), sits on the Mount Moriah, the mount of the congregation as if he were the One True Living God, demanding “blood sacrifices” from his disciples (some

of them obey). Recall, the Living Water will flow from Mount Moriah.

8 And in that day it shall be [That] living waters shall flow from Jerusalem, Half of them toward the eastern sea And half of them toward the western sea; In both summer and winter it shall occur. 9 And the LORD [YHVH] shall be King over all the earth. In that day it shall be--"The LORD [YHVH] [is] [the] one [and only KING]," And His name one [and only]. [Zechariah 14:8-9 NKJV] [brackets] indicate words have been added for clarification.

Perhaps "Allah" will be allowed to sit there for a season.

13 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. [Jeremiah 2:13 KJV]

13 O LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, [and] they that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the fountain of living waters. [Jeremiah 17:13 KJV]

3 Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. 4 He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God's temple, proclaiming himself to be God. [2 Thessalonians 2:3-4 NIV]

22 For the LORD is our judge, the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] is our lawgiver, the LORD is our king; it is he who will save us. [Isaiah 33:22 NIV]

Forsaking YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity/flesh has real and eternal consequences.

22 For the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] our judge, the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] our lawgiver, the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] [is] our king; he [YHVH or Yahweh] will save us [savior] [Isaiah 33:22 KJV]

27 Behold, I [am] the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh], the God of all flesh: [humanity . . . and good news or gospel] is there any thing too hard for me? [Jeremiah 32:27 KJV]

13 And all thy children [shall be] taught of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh]; and great [shall be] the peace of thy children. [Isaiah 54:13 KJV] . . . so, Yahweh must be a rabbi . . .

43 Jesus therefore answered and said to them, "Do not murmur among yourselves. 44 "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day. 45 "It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Therefore everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to Me. [John 6:43-45 NKJV]

17 Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed [this] to you, but My Father who is in heaven. [Matthew 16:17 NKJV]

17 Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you [insert your name here], for flesh and blood has not revealed [this] to you, but My Father who is in heaven. [Matthew 16:17 NKJV]

27 But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you do not need that anyone teach you; but as the same anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you will abide in Him. [1 John 2:27 NKJV]

17 "the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. [John 14:17 NKJV]

26 "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me. [John 15:26 NKJV]

13 "However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own [authority], but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. [John 16:13 NKJV]

20 The breath of our nostrils, the anointed of the LORD . . .  
[Lamentations 4:20 NKJV]

רוח אפינו משיח יהוה נלכד בשחיתותם אשר אמרנו בצלו נחיה בגוים 4:20

רוח אפינו משיח יהוה “breath or spirit [of our] nostrils messiah YHVH or Yahweh” is the Spirit of Truth.

The battle is from “well” to “well”.

19 And Isaac's servants dig in the valley, and find there a well of living water, [Genesis 26:19 YLT]

26:19 **מִים חַיִּים** וַיַּחֲפְרוּ עַבְדֵי־יִצְחָק בְּנַחַל וַיִּמְצְאוּ־שֵׁם בְּאֵר

20 But the herdsmen of Gerar **quarreled** with Isaac's herdsmen, saying, "The water [is] ours." So he called the name of the well **Esek**, because they **quarreled** with him. [Genesis 26:20 NKJV]

26:20

וַיִּרְיְבוּ רְעֵי גֵרָר עִם־רְעֵי יִצְחָק לֵאמֹר לָנוּ הַמַּיִם וַיִּקְרָא שֵׁם־הַבְּאֵר עֶשֶׂק כִּי הָתָּה עֶשְׂקוֹ עִמּוֹ

**עֶשֶׂק** can be translated as strife, contention, quarrel

21 Then they dug another well, and they **quarreled** over that [one] also. So he called its name **Sitnah**. [Gen 26:21 NKJV]

26:21 **שִׁטְנָה** וַיַּחֲפְרוּ בְּאֵר אַחֲרַת וַיִּרְיְבוּ גַם־עָלֶיהָ וַיִּקְרָא שְׁמָהּ שִׁטְנָה

Quarrel, strife, contention, complaint (court or trial) can also be translated from **רִיב**

The key to understanding is in the name of the second well, "Sitnah".

**שִׁטְנָה** or "strife" has the root word שִׁטַּן or "stn". **שִׁטַּן** is also the root for "satan", the accuser or adversary who attempts to take YHVH or

Yahweh to court or trial [ריב] over the right to the living water (well).

Satan pleads his case from Mount Moriah, the mount of the congregation, again causing strife, contention, quarreling, etc. regarding the living water.

8 And it shall be in that day, [that] living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be. [Zechariah 14:8 KJV]

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והיה ביום ההוא יצאו מים־חיים מירושלם חצים אלהים הקדמוני וחצים אלהים האחרון בקיץ ובחרף יהיה

9 I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and [I know] the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but [are] the synagogue of Satan. [Revelation 2:9 KJV]

9 Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee. [Revelation 3:9 KJV]



16 Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no more stiffnecked. 17 For the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh, the son of YHVH] your God [is] God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward: [Deuteronomy 10:16-17 KJV]

28 For he is not a Jew who [is one] outwardly, nor [is] circumcision that which [is] outward in the flesh; 29 but [he is] a Jew who [is one] inwardly; and circumcision [is that] of the heart, in the Spirit, not in the letter; whose praise [is] not from men but from God. [Romans 2:28-29 NKJV]

YHVH is father, YHVH is son and YHVH is spirit. YHVH the son of YHVH comes in the form of a human even a bondservant becoming obedient even unto death on a cross.

Those who say they are Jews . . . but are not. I grew up in Roman Catholicism. They were the first but surely not the last to embrace the heresy that “the Church had become the new Israel.”

This heretical teaching is known as “replacement theology”. The church has “replaced” Israel as God’s “chosen people.” I found this same teaching in seminary.

In other words, these non-Jewish, gentile Christians thought and said they were Jews . . . these are the ones that will bow down to the feet of those who have not forgotten YHVH or Yahweh's name (church or qahal of Philadelphia).

Any teaching that says Jesus is not Yahweh and YHVH is not the Christ/messiah . . . is anti-christ . . . and comes from the synagogue (assembly) of satan (strife, contention, quarreling, complaint, trial, court case etc.).

Caveat emptor.

## The Conclusion of the Matter

9 And moreover, because the Preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yes, he pondered and sought out [and] set in order many proverbs. 10 The Preacher sought to find acceptable words; and [what was] written [was] upright--words of truth. 11 The words of the wise are like goads, and the words of scholars are like well-driven nails, given by one Shepherd. 12 And further, my son, be admonished by these. Of making many books [there is] no end, and much study [is] wearisome to the flesh. 13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, For this is man's all. 14 For God will bring every work into judgment, Including every secret thing, Whether good or evil. [Ecclesiastes 12:9-14 NKJV]

I find it very intriguing in this book “Ecclesiastes” that Soloman son of David failed to mention the name of YHVH or Yahweh even one time. Did he forget, given his wives and concubines?

1 But King Solomon loved many foreign women, as well as the daughter of Pharaoh: women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Sidonians, [and] Hittites-- 2 from the nations of whom the LORD had said to the children of Israel, "You shall not intermarry with them, nor they with you. Surely they will turn away your hearts after their gods." Solomon clung to these

in love. 3 And he had seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred concubines; and his wives turned away his heart. 4 For it was so, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned his heart after other gods; and his heart was not loyal to the LORD his God, as [was] the heart of his father David. 5 For Solomon went after **Ashtoreth** the goddess of the Sidonians, and after **Milcom** the abomination of the Ammonites.

10 And He said: "Behold, I make a covenant. Before all your people I will do marvels such as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation; and all the people among whom you [are] shall see the work of the LORD. For it [is] an awesome thing that I will do with you. 11 "Observe what I command you this day. Behold, I am driving out from before you the Amorite and the Canaanite and the Hittite and the Perizzite and the Hivite and the Jebusite. 12 "Take heed to yourself, lest you make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land where you are going, lest it be a snare in your midst. 13 "But you shall destroy their altars, break their [sacred] pillars, and cut down their wooden images 14 "(for you shall worship no other god, for the LORD, whose name [is] Jealous, [is] a jealous God), 15 "lest you make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they play the harlot with their gods and make sacrifice to their gods, and [one of them] invites you and you eat of his sacrifice, 16 "and you take of his daughters for your sons, and his daughters

play the harlot with their gods and make your sons play the harlot with their gods. [Exodus 34:10-16 NKJV]

6 Solomon did evil in the sight of the LORD, and did not fully follow the LORD, as [did] his father David. 7 Then Solomon built a high place for Chemosh the abomination of Moab, on the hill that [is] east of Jerusalem, and for Molech the abomination of the people of Ammon. 8 And he did likewise for all his foreign wives, who burned incense and sacrificed to their gods. 9 So the LORD became angry with Solomon, because his heart had turned from the LORD God of Israel, who had appeared to him twice, 10 and had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods; but he did not keep what the LORD had commanded. 11 Therefore the LORD said to Solomon, "Because you have done this, and have not kept My covenant and My statutes, which I have commanded you, I will surely tear the kingdom away from you and give it to your servant. 12 "Nevertheless I will not do it in your days, for the sake of your father David; I will tear it out of the hand of your son. 13 "However I will not tear away the whole kingdom; I will give one tribe to your son for the sake of My servant David, and for the sake of Jerusalem which I have chosen." [1 Kings 11:1-13 NKJV]

14 Now the LORD raised up an adversary against Solomon, Hadad the Edomite; he [was] a descendant of the king in Edom. 15 For it happened, when David was in Edom, and Joab the commander of the army had gone up to bury the slain, after he had killed every male in Edom 16 (because for six months Joab remained there with all Israel, until he had cut down every male in Edom), 17 that Hadad fled to go to Egypt, he and certain Edomites of his father's servants with him. Hadad [was] still a little child. 18 Then they arose from Midian and came to Paran; and they took men with them from Paran and came to Egypt, to Pharaoh king of Egypt, who gave him a house, apportioned food for him, and gave him land. 19 And Hadad found great favor in the sight of Pharaoh, so that he gave him as wife the sister of his own wife, that is, the sister of Queen Tahpenes. 20 Then the sister of Tahpenes bore him Genubath his son, whom Tahpenes weaned in Pharaoh's house. And Genubath was in Pharaoh's household among the sons of Pharaoh. 21 So when Hadad heard in Egypt that David rested with his fathers, and that Joab the commander of the army was dead, Hadad said to Pharaoh, "Let me depart, that I may go to my own country." 22 Then Pharaoh said to him, "But what have you lacked with me, that suddenly you seek to go to your own country?" So he answered, "Nothing, but do let me go anyway." 23 And God raised up [another] adversary against him, Rezon the son of Eliadah, who had fled from his lord,

Hadadezer king of Zobah. 24 So he gathered men to him and became captain over a band [of raiders], when David killed those [of Zobah]. And they went to Damascus and dwelt there, and reigned in Damascus. 25 He was an adversary of Israel all the days of Solomon (besides the trouble that Hadad [caused]); and he abhorred Israel, and reigned over Syria. 26 Then Solomon's servant, Jeroboam the son of Nebat, an Ephraimite from Zereda, whose mother's name [was] Zeruah, a widow, also rebelled against the king. 27 And this [is] what caused him to rebel against the king: Solomon had built the Millo [and] repaired the damages to the City of David his father. 28 The man Jeroboam [was] a mighty man of valor; and Solomon, seeing that the young man was industrious, made him the officer over all the labor force of the house of Joseph. 29 Now it happened at that time, when Jeroboam went out of Jerusalem, that the prophet Ahijah the Shilonite met him on the way; and he had clothed himself with a new garment, and the two [were] alone in the field. 30 Then Ahijah took hold of the new garment that [was] on him, and tore it [into] twelve pieces. 31 And he said to Jeroboam, "Take for yourself ten pieces, for thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: 'Behold, I will tear the kingdom out of the hand of Solomon and will give ten tribes to you 32 '(but he shall have one tribe for the sake of My servant David, and for the sake of Jerusalem, the city which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel), 33 'because they have

forsaken Me, and worshiped Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, Chemosh the god of the Moabites, and Milcom the god of the people of Ammon, and have not walked in My ways to do [what is] right in My eyes and [keep] My statutes and My judgments, as [did] his father David. 34 'However I will not take the whole kingdom out of his hand, because I have made him ruler all the days of his life for the sake of My servant David, whom I chose because he kept My commandments and My statutes. 35 'But I will take the kingdom out of his son's hand and give it to you--ten tribes. 36 'And to his son I will give one tribe, that My servant David may always have a lamp before Me in Jerusalem, the city which I have chosen for Myself, to put My name there. 37 'So I will take you, and you shall reign over all your heart desires, and you shall be king over Israel. 38 'Then it shall be, if you heed all that I command you, walk in My ways, and do [what is] right in My sight, to keep My statutes and My commandments, as My servant David did, then I will be with you and build for you an enduring house, as I built for David, and will give Israel to you. 39 'And I will afflict the descendants of David because of this, but not forever.' " 40 Solomon therefore sought to kill Jeroboam. But Jeroboam arose and fled to Egypt, to Shishak king of Egypt, and was in Egypt until the death of Solomon. 41 Now the rest of the acts of Solomon, all that he did, and his wisdom, [are] they not written in the book of the acts of Solomon? 42 And the



period that Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel [was] forty years. 43 Then Solomon rested with his fathers, and was buried in the City of David his father. And Rehoboam his son reigned in his place. [1 Kings 11:14-43 NKJV]

1 And Rehoboam went to Shechem, for all Israel had gone to Shechem to make him king. 2 So it happened, when Jeroboam the son of Nebat heard [it] (he was still in Egypt, for he had fled from the presence of King Solomon and had been dwelling in Egypt), 3 that they sent and called him. Then Jeroboam and the whole assembly of Israel came and spoke to Rehoboam, saying, 4 "Your father made our yoke heavy; now therefore, lighten the burdensome service of your father, and his heavy yoke which he put on us, and we will serve you." 5 So he said to them, "Depart [for] three days, then come back to me." And the people departed. 6 Then King Rehoboam consulted the elders who stood before his father Solomon while he still lived, and he said, "How do you advise [me] to answer these people?" 7 And they spoke to him, saying, "If you will be a servant to these people today, and serve them, and answer them, and speak good words to them, then they will be your servants forever." 8 But he rejected the advice which the elders had given him, and consulted the young men who had grown up with him, who stood before him. 9 And he said to them, "What advice do you give? How should we answer this people who

have spoken to me, saying, 'Lighten the yoke which your father put on us?'" 10 Then the young men who had grown up with him spoke to him, saying, "Thus you should speak to this people who have spoken to you, saying, 'Your father made our yoke heavy, but you make [it] lighter on us'--thus you shall say to them: 'My little [finger] shall be thicker than my father's waist! 11 'And now, whereas my father put a heavy yoke on you, I will add to your yoke; my father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scourges!' " 12 So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam the third day, as the king had directed, saying, "Come back to me the third day." 13 Then the king answered the people roughly, and rejected the advice which the elders had given him; 14 and he spoke to them according to the advice of the young men, saying, "My father made your yoke heavy, but I will add to your yoke; my father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scourges!" 15 So the king did not listen to the people; for the turn [of events] was from the LORD, that He might fulfill His word, which the LORD had spoken by Ahijah the Shilonite to Jeroboam the son of Nebat. 16 Now when all Israel saw that the king did not listen to them, the people answered the king, saying: "What share have we in David? [We have] no inheritance in the son of Jesse. To your tents, O Israel! Now, see to your own house, O David!" So Israel departed to their tents. 17 But Rehoboam reigned over the children of Israel who

dwelt in the cities of Judah. 18 Then King Rehoboam sent Adoram, who [was] in charge of the revenue; but all Israel stoned him with stones, and he died. Therefore King Rehoboam mounted his chariot in haste to flee to Jerusalem. 19 So Israel has been in rebellion against the house of David to this day. [1 Kings 12:1-19 NKJV] Who/where are we grafted into?

25 But Jesus [YHVH incarnate] knew their thoughts, and said to them: "Every kingdom [America?] divided against itself is brought to desolation, and every city or house divided against itself will not stand. [Matthew 12:25 NKJV]

17 But He, knowing their thoughts, said to them: "Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and a house [divided] against a house falls. [Luke 11:17 NKJV]

1 Behold, the day of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh son of Yahweh] is coming, And your spoil will be divided in your midst. 2 For I will gather all the nations to battle against Jerusalem; The city shall be taken, The houses rifled, And the women ravished. Half of the city shall go into captivity, But the remnant of the people shall not be cut off from the city. 3 Then the LORD will go forth And fight against those nations, As He fights in the day of battle [man of war Exodus 15:3]. 4 And in

that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, Which faces Jerusalem on the east. And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two, From east to west, [Making] a very large valley; Half of the mountain shall move toward the north And half of it toward the south. 5 Then you shall flee [through] My mountain valley, For the mountain valley shall reach to Azal. Yes, you shall flee As you fled from the earthquake In the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Thus the LORD my God will come, [And] all the saints with You. 6 It shall come to pass in that day [That] there will be no light; The lights will diminish. 7 It shall be one day Which is known to the LORD--Neither day nor night. But at evening time it shall happen [That] it will be light. 8 And in that day it shall be [That] living waters shall flow from Jerusalem, Half of them toward the eastern sea And half of them toward the western sea; In both summer and winter it shall occur. 9 And the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh son of Yahweh] shall be King over all the earth. In that day it shall be--"The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh son of Yahweh] [is][the] one [and only]," And His name [the] one [and only]. ... 12 And this shall be the plague with which the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh son of Yahweh] will strike all the people who fought against Jerusalem: Their flesh shall dissolve while they stand on their feet, Their eyes shall dissolve in their sockets, And their tongues shall dissolve in their mouths. [Zechariah 14:1-9, 12 NKJV]

Remember, this YHVH or Yahweh is the son of Yahweh . . . who became human as a savior . . .

5 Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus [Messiah YHVH or Yahweh], 6 who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, 7 but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, [and] coming in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to [the point of] death, even the death of the cross. 9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus [YHVH or Yahweh who became human as a savior] every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, 11 and [that] every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ [is] Lord [YHVH or Yahweh], to the glory of God the Father. [Philippians 2:5-11 NKJV]

Every knee will bow and every tongue will confess . . . Jesus is YHVH or Yahweh, the son of Yahweh . . . to the glory of YHVH or Yahweh, Father.

I am sure that “every means every” but at what price?

9 That which has been [is] what will be, That which [is] done is what will be done, And [there is] nothing new under the sun. 10 Is there anything of which it may be said, "See, this [is] new"? It has already been in ancient times before us. 11 [There is] no remembrance of former [things], Nor will there be any remembrance of [things] that are to come By [those] who will come after. [Ecclesiastes 1:9-11 NKJV]

14 I know that whatever God does, It shall be forever. Nothing can be added to it, And nothing taken from it. God does [it], that men should fear before Him. 15 That which is has already been, And what is to be has already been; And God requires an account of what is past. [Ecclesiastes 3:14-15 NKJV]

9 And moreover, because the Preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yes, he pondered and sought out [and] set in order many proverbs. 10 The Preacher sought to find acceptable words; and [what was] written [was] upright--words of truth. 11 The words of the wise are like goads, and the words of scholars are like well-driven nails, given by one Shepherd. 12 And further, my son, be admonished by these. Of making many books [there is] no end, and much study [is] wearisome to the flesh. 13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God [YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity] and keep His commandments, For this is man's all.

14 For God [YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity] will bring every work into judgment, Including every secret thing, Whether good or evil. [Ecclesiastes 12:9-14 NKJV]

19 Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit [who is] in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? 20 For you were bought at a price; therefore, glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's. [1 Corinthians 6:19-20 NKJV]

That price at which we were bought was the blood of YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel.

"For behold, in those days and at that time, when I restore the fortunes of Judah and Jerusalem, 2 I will gather all the nations and bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat [YHVH or Yahweh judges or is judge]. And I will enter into judgment with them there, on behalf of my people and my heritage Israel, because they have scattered them among the nations and have divided up my land, 3 and have cast lots for my people, and have traded a boy for a prostitute, and have sold a girl for wine and have drunk it. ... 12 Let the nations stir themselves up and come up to the Valley of Jehoshaphat; for there I will sit to judge all the surrounding nations. ... 14 Multitudes, multitudes,

in the valley of decision! For the day of the LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] is near in the valley of decision. ... 16 The LORD [YHVH or Yahweh] roars from Zion, and utters his voice from Jerusalem, and the heavens and the earth quake. But the LORD is a refuge to his people, a stronghold to the people of Israel. [Joel 3:1-3, 12, 14, 16 ESV]

YHVH or Yahweh, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah roars from Jerusalem . . . the Lion of the tribe of Judah, YHVH or Yahweh, the God of Israel, the God of all humanity/flesh roars from Jerusalem.

YHVH . . . Yahweh . . . the son of Yahweh, Lion of the tribe of Judah . . . shall be king over all the earth . . . He will be the one and only King . . .

18 Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God [YHVH or Yahweh]. [John 3:18 ESV]



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# Appendix A

## Jerome, Letter to Pope Damasus: Preface to the Gospels

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### PREFACE TO THE GOSPELS <sup>1</sup>

#### BEGINNING OF THE PREFACE FOR THE GOSPELS OF SAINT JEROME THE PRESBYTER

To the blessed Pope Damasus, from Jerome,

You urge me to make a new work from the old, and that I might sit as a kind of judge over the versions of Scripture dispersed throughout the whole world, and that I might resolve which among such vary, and which of these they may be which truly agree with the Greek. Pious work, yet perilous presumption, to change the old and aging language of the world, to carry it back to infancy, for to judge others is to invite judging by all of them. Is there indeed any learned or unlearned man, who when he picks up the volume in his hand, and takes a single taste of it, and sees what he will have read to differ, might not instantly raise his voice, calling me a forger, proclaiming me now to be a sacrilegious man, that I might dare to add, to change, or to correct anything in the old books? Against such infamy I am consoled by two causes: that it is you, who are the highest priest, who so orders, and truth is not to be what might vary,

as even now I am vindicated by the witness of slanderers. If indeed faith is administered by the Latin version, they might respond by which, for they are nearly as many as the books! If, however, truth is to be a seeking among many, why do we not now return to the Greek originals to correct those mistakes which either through faulty translators were set forth, or through confident but unskilled were wrongly revised, or through sleeping scribes either were added or were changed? Certainly, I do not discuss the Old Testament, which came from the Seventy Elders in the Greek language, changing in three steps until it arrived with us <sup>2</sup>. Nor do I seek what Aquila, or what Symmachus may think, or why Theodotion may walk the middle of the road between old and new. This may be the true translation which the Apostles have approved. I now speak of the New Testament, which is undoubtedly Greek, except the Apostle Matthew, who had first set forth the Gospel of Christ in Hebrew letters in Judea. This (Testament) certainly differs in our language, and is led in the way of different streams; it is necessary to seek the single fountainhead. I pass over those books which are called by the name of Lucian and Hesychius, for which a few men wrongly claim authority, who anyway were not allowed to revise either in the Old Instrument after the Seventy Translators, or to pour out revisions in the New; with the Scriptures previously translated into the languages of many nations, the additions may now be shown to be false.

Therefore, this present little preface promises only the four Gospels, the order of which is Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, revised in

comparison with only old Greek books. They do not disagree with many familiar Latin readings, as we have kept our pen in control, but only those in which the sense will have been seen to have changed (from the Greek) are corrected; the rest remain as they have been.

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1. Translated by Kevin P. Edgecomb, 27 July 1999, Berkeley, California. As far as I am able to find, this is the first translation of the full letter into English, modern or otherwise.

2. Hebrew > Greek > Latin.

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# Appendix B

This Government has been informed that a Jewish state has been proclaimed in Palestine, and recognition has been requested by the <sup>provisional</sup> Government thereof.

The United States recognizes the provisional government as the de facto authority of the new <sup>State of</sup> ~~Jewish~~ ~~state.~~ *Israel*

  
*Harry Truman*

*Approved,  
May 14, 1948.*

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