LAW & GRACE

A STUDY OF ALL THE COMMENTS THE APOSTLE PAUL MADE ON THE SUBJECT

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INTRODUCTION

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This booklet is not intended to be read, but diligently studied. There is not another book or booklet like it. One night when I awakened from a deep sleep I said, "Speak YAHWEH for your servant hears you." Immediately my mind was flooded with this whelming thought "I NEED THIS BOOKLET." Armed with the promise that YAHWEH'S word will not return unto him void, it will accomplish that purpose for which he sent it forth. It answers or explains from the Bible every comment the Apostle Paul made on the subject of LAW AND GRACE. It is not exhaustive, for how could anyone exhaust the word of YAHWEH, or even a portion of it. Please make up your mind to look up every scripture and study the meaning intently, coupled with persevering prayer that YAHWEH would give you a real love for the truth [see II Thessalonians 2:10b-II]. Please get a good version of the Bible, not one of these modern versions that water down the intended meaning. The recognized commentary authors were not used in writing this booklet. Four reference books were used to aid in the research; Strong's Concordance, Gesenius' Hebrew Lexicon, Thayer's Greek English Lexicon and Webster's Dictionary, plus four or five other versions of the Bible.

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LAW & GRACE WHY NOT LAW <u>OR</u> GRACE?

THE SIMPLE ANSWER IS, THAT THERE CAN BE NO GRACE [FAVOR OR UNDESERVED PARDON] WITHOUT LAW. THE LAW DEFINES WHAT WE CAN AND CANNOT DO [WHAT SIN IS]. GRACE IS THE TOOL BY WHICH THE YAHWEH ELOHIM RESTORES US TO HIS FAVOR, WHEN WE REPENT OF OUR SINS AND ASK FOR FORGIVENESS. THE TWO ARE INEXTRICABLY LINKED TOGETHER.

WHERE DOES THIS FALLACIOUS CONCEPT [LAW OR GRACE] COME FROM? ARE THERE SCRIPTURES THAT CONCLUSIVELY SHOW THAT A CONSPIRACY OR MOVEMENT WAS EXTANT AND STILL IS, TO DISCREDIT AND DISASSEMBLE THE HOLY COMMANDMENTS OF YAHWEH ELOHIM?

Glad you asked. There are many scriptures that tell us of the conspiracy, if we as serious bible students will just look at them and believe. Isaiah 8:20 says "To the law [Old Testament] and to the testimony [New Testament]: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is **no light** in them." This verse specifically says that if they leave the law out of what they say [do away with or make it voluntary], they are darkness, without light [meaning there is no truth in what they say]. In II Thessalonians 2:10-12, it says that because they don't **love the truth, YAHWEH** deludes them and they believe a lie. Believing lies brings about damnation, for they take pleasure in unrighteousness. Righteousness is Biblically defined as "**all of YAHWEH'S COMMANDMENTS**," as Psalm 119:172 clearly says.

Jude 3b-4 says eternal vigilance [earnestly contend] is required, because certain men crept in unawares [without being detected], and these unrighteous men were ordained to a specific condemnation. They stand condemned for two things. They try to turn YAHWEH'S GRACE [undeserved pardon] into license to do as you please. Lasciviousness is being licentious marked by sexual lust; licentious is disregarding the **laws** of morality. The laws of morality are defined in the Ten Commandments and all the other individual laws and instructions concerning sexual conduct, as found in the Bible. They say YAHWEH'S LAW does not have to be kept, or is voluntary, because we now have grace. This is a damnable heresy, it is lascivious, and it is license to do as you please and it is disregarding the laws of ALMIGHTY YAHWEH. And secondly, these unrighteous men, also deny the only YAHWEH ELOHIM, THE FATHER and [a separate personage] our MASTER YAHSHUA MESSIAH. They do this by worshipping the false god Trinity, and by espousing the false teaching about the oneness of god. [This subject is explained in our booklet about the false teaching of the oneness of god.]

The point here is that the denial of the FAMILY OF YAH, the denial of YAHWEH THE FATHER, and the denial of our MASTER YAHSHUA MESSIAH, goes hand in hand with other damnable heresies, as other scriptures also show.

Let us next turn to II Peter 2:1-3, where we read a similar warning. "There were **false prophets** also among the people [in ancient Israel], even as there shall be **false teachers among you**, who privily [secretly, without being detected] shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the MASTER that bought them." "Many [meaning not a few, whole denominations, the vast majority of professing Christianity] shall follow their pernicious [fatal, destructive] ways." These false teachers shall speak evil [demean and ridicule the law, calling it harsh and overbearing] of the way of truth. With feigned [fake, flatterous] words, they shall lustfully [through covetousness], make merchandise of you [take your money]. YAHWEH ELOHIM judgment and damnation for this damnable heresy should not be taken lightly.

MANY WARNING SCRIPTURES RAISE UP BRIGHT RED FLAGS, ASKING US NOT TO BE DECEIVED BY THE TEACHING OF <u>NO</u> LAW KEEPING OR <u>VOLUNTARY</u> LAW KEEPING.

II John 6-8 gives us a warning about those who would try to deceive us away from the BIBLE definition of love. "This is love, that we walk after [keep by obeying] his [YAHWEH'S] **commandments [Ten Commandments**]. This is the commandment [instruction] that, as you have heard from the beginning, you should walk [keep, by obedience] in it." Many deceivers are in the world **denying** YAHSHUA MESSIAH'S anointed work in the flesh [as a human man]. "Look to yourselves [earnestly contend, be forewarned and alert] so you don't lose your reward."

II JOHN 9 SAYS, IT IS A TRANSGRESSION AND YOU DO NOT HAVE ELOHIM, IF YOU DO NOT ABIDE IN THE <u>DOCTRINE OF MESSIAH</u>. WHAT IS THE DOCTRINE OF MESSIAH?

The **DOCTRINE OF MESSIAH** is found in Matthew 19:17b-19, ...if you will enter into life [everlasting], keep the commandments." Verses 18 & 19 tell you to keep the **Ten Commandments**. Matthew 5:17 says, "Think not that I am come to destroy the law..." If you have the **doctrine of MESSIAH**, you will not allow yourself to think that YAHWEH'S LAW [THE TEN COMMANDMENTS] is done away or is voluntary. Revelation 14:12 says the patient saints are they that keep **the commandments of YAHWEH**, and the faith [doctrine] of YAHSHUA. Having the **doctrine of MESSIAH** is a requirement if you want the indwelling of the SPIRIT OF THE FATHER AND THE SON in you. Acts 5:32 clearly says that YAHWEH ELOHIM gives the HOLY SPIRIT to them that obey him. **Obedience requires works**, you have to do something.

Il Corinthians 11:4 tells us that there is **another Jesus, another spirit**, with **another gospel**. The spirit of that Jesus preaches a gospel of greasy grace, and sloppy agape, with no law keeping being required. Whereas it's true that everlasting life is a free gift from YAHWEH, it's also true that YAHWEH only gives his SPIRIT to those who obey

him. This part of the subject will be covered in greater detail in a later chapter, in this booklet.

Let us now turn to I John 4:1, where we are warned not to believe every spirit [and or voice] we hear, but we are to try [by testing or comparing with the clear scriptures] the spirits [words we hear or read], whether they are of YAHWEH. Many [not a few] false prophets are in the world. These false prophets will try every trick, known by Satan, to deceive you. Verses 2 & 3 shows their two-part denial that YAHSHUA MESSIAH did not come in the flesh [as a human man] to do the will of the FATHER: nor does he come into our flesh [into our lives] to give us the strength to keep his Kodesh Commandments. Galatians 2:20 screams out loud to us that **MESSIAH LIVES IN ME**. He doesn't keep the law for me, he lives in me so that I can [have the strength to] keep the law.

I John 4:6-8 says, "We are of YAHWEH..." those who hear [understand] us know YAHWEH. Those who don't understand the clear scriptures we are quoting <u>don't know</u> <u>YAHWEH.</u> **DON'T SHOOT TILE MESSENGER**, YAHWEH wrote the BIBLE, not the author of this booklet. Continuing with verse 6b it tells us we can know the difference between the two different spirits. One is the spirit of truth and the other is the spirit of error. The spirit of truth will lead you to love one another, with the love that is from YAHWEH, for YAHWEH IS LOVE. [if you don't know and practice the BIBLE definition of love, then YAHWEH doesn't know you.]

The BIBLE DEFINITION of the love of YAHWEH is found in I John 5:2-3, where the clear understanding of scripture says, we know that we love the children of YAHWEH, when we love YAHWEH, and keep his commandments. For this is the love of YAHWEH, that we keep his commandments [the TEN COMMANDMENTS]. His commandments are not grievous [burdensome, overbearing or irksome]. Let him that has ears to hear, let him hear.

LET US NOW EXPLORE THE SCRIPTURES WHICH THOSE WITH THEIR DAMNABLE HERESY SEEM TO US TO TRY TO PROVE THAT THE LAW

[COMMANDMENTS] IS DONE AWAY OR VOLUNTARY.

Before explaining what the Apostle Paul says about "Law and Grace" we need to understand Paul's position as to obeying YAHSHUA MESSIAH who is Paul's head [See I Corinthians 11:3; Colossians 1:18], as compared to Judaism, which is **not** the true religion of YAHWEH ELOHIM. YAHSHUA MESSIAH had already denounced. Judaism and its teachers as having corrupted itself so badly so as to be totally unreliable [See Mark 7:6-13 and Matthew 23]. Paul the apostle. spent three years under the direct tutelage of YAHSHUA in the Arabian Desert [See Galatians 1:17-18], where he received **the abundance of revelations** [See II Corinthians 12:1-7]. When Paul says he gives us "what he received from the YAHSHUA" [See I Corinthians 11:23 and 15:3], he means teaching and revelation directly from YAHSHUA.

A MAJOR ADMISSION FROM THE APOSTLE PAUL: JUDAISM DOES NOT

CONTAIN ADEQUATE KNOWLEDGE OF THE WAY OF SALVATION. JUDAISM IS NOT THE TRUTH OF YAHWEH ELOHIM AS REVEALED IN TILE BIBLE. THE PATRIARCHS OF OLD DID NOT PRACTICE JUDAISM.

In Galatians 1:11-16, Paul speaks of the gospel, which he preached, as being directly revealed to him by YAHSHUA MESSIAH. It was the same gospel that YAHSHUA MESSIAH taught in Mark 1:14-15 [the gospel of the Kingdom of YAHWEH]. Also revealed to Paul, and it had to be revealed, was that Judaism [the Jew's religion] and the traditions [See Mark 7:6-13 for those vain traditions,] of the fathers [not Abraham, Isaac and Jacob], was not the truth of YAHWEH ELOHIM, that would lead to salvation. We will see, when we come back to Galatians, that it was Judaism, with its hundreds, if not thousands of extra man-made laws, that Paul was addressing. [Contact us for our free five tape series on the book of Galatians.] Also revealed [Galatians 1:15-16] by YAHWEH ELOHIM was that his son [YAHSHUA], was to be preached among the heathen [the nations], by Paul. Judaism could not reveal YAHSHUA MESSIAH to the nations, seeing as they had rejected him.

In Philippians 3:3-9 Paul continues to expose, the teaching of the law as defined by the Pharisees [verse 5], with its bigoted zeal in persecuting [in I Corinthians 15:9 Paul takes full responsibility for his heinous actions, before his conversion] the assembly (verse 6], as a dung pile [so much manure]. Verse nine, Paul says his righteousness [AS DEFINED BY PHARISAICAL INTERPRETATION, JUDAISM] was discarded [verse 8 counted as loss] for the righteousness [Psalm 119:172 all YAHWEH'S COMMANDMENTS are righteousness] which is of YAHWEH by faith, which is through the faith of MESSIAH.

The proof that Philippians 3:3-9 is addressing Judaism [Pharisaical definition of the law a.k.a. the traditions of the fathers] is found in I Corinthians 9:18-21. Paul took the good news of YAHSHUA to every group there was in his sphere of influence. To the Jews he approached them from the Judaism perspective and to those who were under the Pharisaical encumbrance of thousands of additional dos and don'ts [which he thoroughly understood] under the law, he approached them from a Pharisaical point of view. To those who were without law [the nations or gentiles around them], he approached them from a non-Pharisaical definition of the law.

READ IT LOUD AND CLEAR [VERSE 21][BEING <u>NOT</u> WITHOUT LAW TO YAHWEH, <u>BUT UNDER THE LAW (TEN COMMANDMENTS) TO MESSIAH.]</u>

The apostle Paul received direct revelations from YAHSHUA MESSIAH, as to the truths espoused by Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses [YAHWEH'S lawgiver] and the rest of the true commandment keepers. And about the false, vain traditions of the Pharisaical, Judaism observers of his day, Paul said he keeps YAHWEH'S LAW. That is Paul's position, as revealed from the pages of the BIBLE. We will now look at every pertinent scriptural argument to see if it dislodges Paul's position. We will also look at additional scriptures that continue to strengthen Paul's position. The Apostle Paul, who wrote more books of the Bible than any other man, made many bold statements about law [Ten Commandments] keeping. We shall begin in the book of Romans, the first in the Biblical list of Paul's writings.

ROMANS, PAUL AND LAW & GRACE.

Romans 2:6-7 says YAHWEH "will render to every man according to his **deeds** [works]. To them who by patient continuance in **well doing** [works] seek for glory, honor, immortality and eternal life." This passage clearly states that every man who seeks eternal life [salvation] has **deeds** to do, and will continue [his whole life] to do well, and it is YAHWEH who renders this judgment.

Romans 2:10-11 says YAHWEH does not respect any person above another. Jews have to do **good works** as well as Gentiles [all the other nations]. Verse 13 shows what these good works are: **"the doers of the law shall be justified."** Justified means, according to Webster's Dictionary, "to declare to be free from the penalty of sin." Verses 14 and 15 say the Gentiles [other nations] did not receive the law [as did the Jews], but when they keep the law of YAHWEH, they show the **work of the law written in their hearts**. In Hebrews 8:10 and 10:15-16 it clearly says the work of the **NEW COVENANT** through the power of YAHWEH'S KODESH SPIRIT is to write and put YAHWEH'S laws into our hearts and minds, whether you be Jew or Gentile. The rest of Romans, chapter two, shows that it doesn't matter whether you are a Jew or Gentile, circumcised or uncircumcised obedience to YAHWEH'S law is that of the heart, in the spirit and is of YAHWEH.

In Romans 3:20b it says another bold statement, that "by the law is the knowledge of sin". Romans 7:7 corroborates this with "... I had not known sin [what sin is], but by the law..." And I John 3:4 "... sin is the transgression [breaking] of the law." Going back to Romans 2:13 for clarification, we find that it is not the keeping of the law, of and by itself, that justifies us, but that YAHWEH will not justify us if we continue to sin,, which means, by Bible definition, law breaking. Romans 3:9b and 3:23 conclude that all [Jew and Gentile] have sinned, have broken YAHWEH'S LAW.

Romans 3:20a says, "... by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh [person] be justified in his [YAHWEH'S] sight..." Does this verse refute what Paul said in Romans 2:13, that "the doers of the law **shall be** justified?" No it does not, it adds to it. Notice the words **shall be** [written in the future tense] in Romans 2:13, denoting a future event. Remember the law defines what sin is, and what Romans 2:13 is saying is if you stop sinning YAHWEH will, coupled with a future event, justify you. However, as Romans 3:20a clearly says you can stop sinning [doing the deeds of the law] until you die, and it, of and by itself [without that future event], will not justify you. What is that future

event? What else does one have to do? What was it that the Jews didn't do? What must I do to be saved?

SIMPLY STATED, AS PAUL TOLD THE PHILIPPIAN JAILER IN ACTS 16:31, "...BELIEVE ON THE LORD YAHSHUA THE ANOINTED ONE AND YOU SHALL BE SAVED, AND YOUR HOUSE."

Or as Philip said to the Ethiopian eunuch in Acts 8:37 "... If you believe with all your heart..." The eunuch's answer and actions reveal much, for he said "I believe [faith] that YAHSHUA MESSIAH is the SON OF YAHWEH" and Philip baptized him, as also was the case with the Philippian jailer and all his house. In Acts 2:38 Peter gave the whole formula when he said "**Repent** [change your present way of life, stop sinning, stop law breaking] and be baptized, in the name of YAHSHUA MESSIAH, for the remission [payment] of sins [law breaking], and you shall receive the gift of the KODESH SPIRIT."

Returning to Romans 3:21, 22, 24, 28 & 31 we find out what it all means and how it all fits together. First we need the definition of one word. That word is <u>'without</u>' and it is found both in verse 21 and 28 and using the word <u>'without</u>' seems to suggest that there is a righteousness outside of, or instead of keeping the Kodesh Commandments of YAHWEH. Verse 28 is the most poignant where it seems to say that a man can be justified by faith without [outside of] the deeds of the law.

The Greek word **CHALAO** mistranslated **WITHOUT** in the King James Version has given rise to other versions carrying the anti-YAH'S LAW theme to an even greater level of error. The New International Version [NIV] recognized from its arrival on the scene, in about 1973, as the most anti-YAH'S LAW version in existence. We quote Romans 3:21 and 28 to show the NIV's complete disregard for the KODESHNESS AND SACREDNESS OF YAHWEH'S COMMANDMENTS. Verse 21 "But now a righteousness from YAHWEH, apart from law, has been made known..." And verse 28 "For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from observing the law."

THE GREEK WORD '<u>CHALAO</u>' DOES NOT MEAN '<u>WITHOUT</u>' NOR '<u>APART FROM</u>' AS MISTRANSLATED IN THE KING JAMES AND NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSIONS OF THE BIBLE.

The Greek word **CHALAO** as identified by and defined in Strong's Concordance [SC #5465] means to lower, to let down. The Greek word **CHALAO** as identified by and defined by Thayer's Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament, using Strong's number system [SC #5465] means (a) to loosen, slacken, relax, and (b) to let down from a higher place to a lower. The word chalao is used in Mark 2:4 in "they let down the bed," from the roof to the floor, and in Luke 5:4 in "let down your nets," from the boat down into the water. In all the words used to explain the meaning of the word **CHALAO**, none of them even comes close to meaning without or apart from. The proper

meaning of the word **CHALAO** is to take a secondary position to or to be relaxed in view of the fact that something else is more important. That **first position** or **more important element** is the **precious blood of YAHSHUA MESSIAH** that cleanses us from all unrighteousness [commandment or law breaking], otherwise known as sin. Surely the life of YAHSHUA, YAHWEH is of far greater value than the commandments he gave. And he made it more important when he implemented the redemptive process. To put it into even clearer focus, and the context confirms it, the Jews who were commissioned to preserve the oracles [torah, teachings of YAHWEH], had turned the law into an object of worship. They added hundreds even thousands of extra do's and don'ts which severely burdened the people when YAHWEH intended the law to serve them, and teach them how to love [agape love].

Let us now read Romans 3:21, 22, 24, 28 & 31 and see what the Apostle Paul, inspired by YAHWEH ELOHIM himself, intended it to mean. "The righteousness of YAHWEH with the law in a secondary position is manifested ... Even the righteousness of YAHWEH which is by faith of YAHSHUA MESSIAH unto all ... that believe ... Being justified [free from the penalty of sin] freely by his grace [undeserved pardon] through the redemption [shed blood of YAHSHUA MESSIAH] that is in MESSIAH YAHSHUA ... Therefore we conclude that a man is justified [free from the penalty of sin] by faith [in the redemption that is in YAHSHUA MESSIAH] and that the deeds of the law [obeying the law) take a secondary position to this ... Does having faith [in the shed blood of YAHSHUA MESSIAH as payment for our sins] make void the law [commandments]? YAH forbid: we establish the law [as that which identifies sin]."

Rightly dividing the Word of Truth is of paramount importance if you want Yahweh to approve of your workmanship.

IT MUST <u>BE CLEARLY</u> REMEMBERED THAT THE APOSTLE PAUL CAME OUT OF THE STRICTEST BRANCH OF JUDAISM AND THAT JUDAISM TAUGHT THEN AS IT STILL DOES NOW, THAT YOU CAN EARN SALVATION BY JUST KEEPING THE LAW. LAW KEEPING WHICH DEFINES RIGHTEOUSNESS [PSALM 119:1721 CAN NEVER PAY THE PENALTY FOR PAST SINS [THERE IS A DEATH PENALTY THAT HANGS OVER THE HEAD OF EVERY SINNER). IT IS BY FAITH IN THE SHED BLOOD OF YAHSHUA MESSIAH, AS FULL PAYMENT FOR YOUR PAST SINS, THAT MOVES <u>YOU</u> FROM BEING UNDER THE PENALTY [THE DEATH PENALTY) OF THE LAW TO GRACE. GRACE IS UNDESERVED PARDON FOR YOUR PAST SINS. THAT'S WHAT MAKES SALVATION SO WONDERFUL. YAHWEH IS WILLING TO FORGIVE ALL YOUR PAST SINS IF YOU JUST BELIEVE [FAITH] WITH ALL YOUR BEING THAT THE SACRIFICE OF YAHSHUA MESSIAH] CLEANSES YOU FROM ALL UNRIGHTEOUSNESS [LAW BREAKING].

Romans, chapter four, is showing that faith in YAHWEH and faith in YAHWEH'S PROMISES is not incumbent upon your keeping the law. However it must be clearly

understood that nowhere in this chapter does it tell you to disregard the law for the law stills identifies sin.

Romans, chapter five, begins with telling us to rejoice in YAHWEH'S salvation that is ours by faith. And that the gift of the KODESH SPIRIT which is ours through repentance and baptism [see Acts 2:38] will cause a over-whelming love to flow out of us. This <u>conversion experience</u> causes many to be extremely joyful, especially those who have had much sin forgiven. The story in Luke 7:36-50 of the woman who anointed and kissed YAHSHUA'S feet bares this out. Verse 47 says, "... Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much..." in verses 48 & 50 YAHSHUA says "...Your sins are forgiven ... Your faith has saved you..." Because of your repentance and baptism [in faith] YAHWEH gives you forgiveness of sins [law breaking] and his KODESH SPIRIT. This makes a personal relationship possible, with the FATHER and YAHSHUA. That relationship needs to be nurtured through prayer and bible study.

The rest of Romans, chapter five, is about sin, how it entered into the world, and how YAHWEH had to reconcile man back to himself. Particular note must be made of verses 13 & 14 where it says death [the death penalty] reigned from Adam to Moses. Adam being the first man, Moses who came some twenty five hundred years later received the TEN COMMANDMENTS [the law of YAHWEH] at Mt. Sinai, from YAHWEH in codified form. The death penalty proves that YAHWEH did **impute sin during** that 2500 years. Therefore the law [Ten Commandments] was in existence and force during that 2500 years period from Adam to Moses. There are numerous biblical references, substantiating the Ten Commandments being in force from Adam to Moses, and this booklet will reference them when applicable.

GRACE <u>DOES NOT GIVE</u> ANYONE PERMISSION TO PICK AND CHOOSE, WHICH OF YAHWEH'S LAWS YOU WILL OBEY. "GREASY GRACE AND SLOPPY AGAPE" SAYS I <u>WILL DECIDE [IN PLACE OF YAHWEH]</u> WHICH LAWS I WILL OBEY. THIS IS THE SAME TRICK OF SATAN USED ON MOTHER EVE WHEN HE OFFERED HER THE TREE OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL, WHERE YOU DECIDE WHAT'S RIGHT OR WRONG. THE <u>PROTESTANT LEGACY</u> OF NO LAW REQUIRED FOR SALVATION IS THE SAME TRICK OF SATAN. LEAVING MANY MILLIONS OF SO-CALLED "BELIEVERS" AT ODDS WITH THE CLEAR SCRIPTURES. ACTS 5:32 CLEARLY SAYS THAT YAHWEH GIVES HIS SPIRIT TO THEM THAT <u>OBEY</u> <u>HIM</u>. WHAT PART OF OBEY DO WE NOT UNDERSTAND?

Remembering for emphasis Romans 3:20b ". . . by the law is the knowledge of sin," and I John 3:4 "...sin is the transgression of the law." We now turn back to Romans, chapter six, where verse one asks the question that every "Believer" must answer. "Shall we

continue to sin [break YAHWEH'S law] that grace [undeserved pardon] may abound?" "YAHWEH FORBID... "that we continue to break YAHWEH'S law as verse two answers.

Romans 6:3-11 describes the meaning of Baptism [a temporary watery grave] that pictures the death and burial of the old man [meaning what the person was before conversion]. And coming up out of the water pictures the new man [meaning cleaned up and living a new life, without sin, without law breaking].

We have just covered three chapters [Romans 3, 4 & 5] about the wonderful, free gift of YAHWEH, of salvation through faith in the shed blood of YAHSHUA MESSIAH, as payment for our past sins [law breaking]. Now Romans chapter six continues the overall discussion about **conversion**, zeroing in on **sin** [missing the mark (therefore not partaking of the prize), error, trespassing, breaking YAHWEH'S law]. Romans 6:12 says don't let sin [law breaking] rule your body. Verse 13 says don't yield yourself or any part of your body to sin [law breaking]. Verse 14 says sin [law breaking] shall not have dominion [authority] over you, for you are pardoned by YAHWEH with an undeserved pardon [GRACE]. Verse 15 repeats verse one and two [repetition by YAHWEH always means to pay special attention to it]. Verse 15 says you shall not sin [break YAHWEH'S law] just because you have grace [undeserved pardon] to cover it.

Twice in verses 14 & 15 the Apostle Paul uses the phrase "for you [we) are not under the law." What does this phrase mean? Does it mean that we do not have to keep the law of YAHWEH, as the PROTESTANT LEGACY wants you to believe?

REMEMBER PAUL'S POSITION IN I CORINTHIANS 9:21 WHERE HE SAID <u>HE WAS</u> "<u>NOT WITHOUT LAW TO YAHWEH, BUT UNDER THE LAW TO MESSIAH.</u>"

What then could Paul mean when he said we are not under the law? When a person sins [breaks YAHWEH'S law] it puts them under the penalty of the law and that penalty is a curse. Right here in Romans 6:23 it says the wages [reward, penalty, and curse] for sin [law breaking] is death. Back to verses 3-6, where we are baptized into [as a type] MESSIAH'S death ... that our old man [the way we were before conversion] is crucified [baptism's symbolic death] with him ... that henceforth we should not serve sin [law breaking]. When we are baptized [in faith that the shed blood of YAHSHUA MESSIAH pays the penalty for our sins] we are forgiven for our past sins [law breaking]. The law which held the death penalty over our heads was completely satisfied by the sacrifice of YAHSHUA MESSIAH [OUR SAVIOUR]. Galatians 3:13 says it very clearly, "MESSIAH hath redeemed us from the curse [death penalty] of the law, being made [when he was made] a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed [damned to death] is every one that hangs on a tree." Now let us read Romans 6:15 [also 14] as YAHWEH reveals through these other supporting scriptures. "What then? Shall we sin [break YAHWEH'S law),

because we are not under the law [the death penalty, the curse), but under grace [forgiveness, undeserved pardon)? YAHWEH forbid [absolutely not, don't break YAHWEH'S law]." Romans 6:16-23 compares the difference between being a servant of sin [law breaking] to being a servant of righteousness. Verse 23 concludes the discussion of sin with telling us that sin [law breaking] will cause your death, but faith in the shed blood of YAHSHUA MESSIAH] as the sacrifice or payment for your sins, will give you eternal life, which is YAHWEH'S free gift.

THE APOSTLE PAUL SAYS YAHWEH'S LAW [COMMANDMENTS) ARE <u>KODESH</u>, <u>JUST</u> <u>AND</u> <u>GOOD</u>, AND ARE USED TO DEFINE SIN.

Romans, chapter seven, is divided into three subjects; **1.** The law [YAHWEH'S COMMANDMENTS] being kodesh, just and good, and are used to define sin, all the days of our lives. **2.** Our inability to keep [i.e. I Corinthians 10:1-12, Israel's 1500 years of some few times pleasing YAHWEH but mostly displeasing YAHWEH] YAHWEH'S kodesh, just and good commandments, **of and by ourselves**, as find ourselves struggling to be pleasing in YAHWEH'S sight. **3.** As we continue Paul's discussion about conversion we are introduced to raw carnality, In verse 14 Paul says "...I am carnal, sold to do sin." Verse 18 Paul says "For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwells no good thing..." Is not this the great, spiritual Apostle Paul who said in I Corinthians 9:27 "I keep under [control] my body, and bring it into subjection..." In Romans 7:24 Paul says, "I am a wretched man, who needs deliverance from his deadly body." In verse 25 he thanks YAHWEH the FATHER that deliverance will come through YAHSHUA MESSIAH OUR MASTER. In Philippians 3:20-21 Paul recognizes the YAHSHUA MESSIAH OUR SAVIOUR as the one who will change our vile bodies.

What is this no good flesh, wretched man and vile body that PAUL is talking about? In Romans 7:7-8 Paul talks about lust and all manner of concupiscence [lustful, sexual desire] in him. Paul was battling the same battle we all battle, sexual contact with members of the opposite sex. This author knows that battle all to well. Having come from a family where my father was unfaithful to my mother, where I have two halfbrothers born from adultery. I can speak from experience, that when one member of a marriage commits adultery, they commit adultery against the whole family. The whole family is severely wounded. Grab hold of yourself and don't commit this great evil. When Joseph, father of Ephraim [Britain] and Manesseh [USA] was tempted by Zelicka [Potiphar's wife], for one and a half years, he said how can I do this great wickedness and sin [break YAHWEH'S law) against YAHWEH? King David who wrote Psalm 119:172, "...all your commandments are righteousness," gave into the temptation of that great wickedness [see II Samuel 11 & 12] and the family disrespect and curses and the other curses followed him long after his death and beyond. Ask David, the next time you see him, if it's a curse to have your sins written up in the Bible, for all the approximately forty to fifty billion other human beings to read about.

With all the ugliness we know about adultery how come we are constantly bombarded by temptations to commit it. 0 wretched men and women that we are, thank YAHWEH our FATHER that YAHSHUA MESSIAH will deliver us, **IF** we with all our hearts, cry out to him for that help.

THE KEY: WREN YOU ARE STRONG AND CLOSE TO YAHWEH, CRY OUT TO HIM, NOT TO LET YOU FAIL WREN YOU ARE WEAK. TO PUT A HEDGE OF PROTECTION ABOUT YOU. YOU ARE HIS PRECIOUS CHILD.

Back to Romans, chapter seven, for one last thought. Notice the seven positive comments the Apostle Paul says about YAHWEH'S law. Here is the Apostle Paul's position on the law of YAHWEH. **1.** Verse 7, "...I had not known sin, but by the law..." **2.** Verse 10, "The commandment ... was ordained to life..." **3.** Verse 12, "... The law is kodesh, and the commandment kodesh, and just, and good." **4.** Verse 14, "...The law is spiritual..." **5.** Verse 16, ". ..I consent unto the law that it is good." **6.** Verse 22, "I delight in the law of YAHWEH after the inward man." **7.** Verse 25, "... So then with the mind I myself serve the law of YAHWEH..."

THE FIRST EIGHT CHAPTERS OF ROMANS GIVES US THE FORMULA FOR CONVERSION. CHAPTER ONE SHOWS THE UTTER DEPRAVITY OF MAN, WITHOUT YAHWEH. WE NOW COME TO CHAPTER EIGHT, WHERE WE GET THE ANSWER TO THE APOSTLE PAUL'S QUESTION. <u>"WHO SHALL DELIVER US</u> FROM THIS DEADLY BODY?"

In Romans 8:1 we are offered a great word of encouragement. This encouragement comes to us before we compare carnality with spirituality. "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in YAHSHUA MESSIAH, who walk ... after the Spirit." It's as if YAHWEH knew how hard the battle was and he wanted us to know that as long as we wage the good fight of faith, even though we might occasionally slip, his condemnation was not upon us. He wanted us to know, that we can be forgiven, reconciled to the FATHER, by the shed blood of YAHSHUA MESSIAH. Just like King David was restored by YAHWEH'S GOOD GRACE [UNDESERVED PARDON], even so can we be also.

Romans 8:1-14 is a comparison, back and forth, of the differences between **being carnal** and **being spirit filled**. We will separate the two making first a list of carnal [fleshly] mindedness then a list of spirit-mindedness; then followed up by some conclusions. The flesh or carnality means the desires of the human body and brain. The carnal minded list begins: 1. Carnality is called 'the law of sin and death [verse 2].' 2. The flesh is weak [verse 3]. 3. Sin is condemned in the flesh [verse 3]. 4. Fleshly minded people care about things of the flesh [verse 5]. 5. Carnally minded is

death [verse 6]. 6. The carnal mind is enmity [at war, at odds with] against YAHWEH [verse 7]. 7. The carnal mind is not subject to the law of YAHWEH [this is the reason why there are people who want to do away with YAHWEH'S law] [verse 7]. 8. The carnal mind cannot be subject to YAHWEH'S law [when we require carnal minded man to obey YAHWEH'S law we are asking him to do something he cannot do] [verse 7]. 9. The fleshly-minded man cannot please YAHWEH [verse 8]. 10. We are not debtors [yet some people are hopelessly addicted to many things] to the flesh [we do not owe ourselves anything] [verse 12]. 11. There is no requirement upon us to live a fleshly or carnal life [verse 12]. 12. If you live a fleshly or carnal life you will die [verse 13].

A person with a spirit-filled mind list begins with 1. No condemnation [death penalty hanging over your head] [verse 1]. 2. Free from sin [law breaking] and death [verse 2]. 3. The righteousness of the law is fulfilled in us [the Protestant legacy of no law says that YAHSHUA MESSIAH fulfilled the law for us therefore we don't have to keep it, but this clear scripture says the righteousness of the law is fulfilled in (by) us, through the power of the SPIRIT OF YAHWEH (see also Galatians 2:20 & Hebrews 10:16) [Romans 8:4]. 4. The spirit-filled mind pays attention to [thinks about] the things of the SPIRIT OF YAHWEH [verse 5]. 5. Life [eternal] and peace is the blessing and reward of the spiritually minded person [verse 6]. 6. If the spirit of YAHWEH [THE FATHER] is in you, you are not fleshly or carnal [verse 9]. 7. If you have the spirit of MESSIAH you have a special relationship with YAHWEH THE FATHER and YAHSHUA MESSIAH THE SON [verse 9]. 8. Your body is dead [turned off] to sin if MESSIAH is in you [verse 10]. 9. The spirit-filled person has life [eternal] because of righteousness [verse 10]. 10. The resurrection from mortality to immortality awaits the spirit-filled person [verse 11]. 11. The spirit-filled person mortifies [stops] the deeds of the body [flesh] and receives life [eternal] [verse 13]. 12. Be led by the SPIRIT OF YAHWEH and you become a son of YAHWEH [VERSE 14].

THE BLESSED SIDE OF THIS COMPARISON IS A RESULT OF KEEPING YAHWEH'S COMMANDMENTS AND LAW. YOU BEING JUSTIFIED [YOUR PAST SINS FORGIVEN] BY THE SHED BLOOD OF YAHSHUA MESSIAH, PICTURED BY BAPTISM BURYING YOUR PAST. AND RECEIVING THE GIFT OF YAHWEH'S KODESH SPIRIT.

The answer to Paul's question *[who shall deliver us from this deadly body?]* is found in Romans, Chapter Eight. The indwelling of the SPIRIT OF YAHWEH shall deliver us and nothing else.

Romans, chapter one, though chapter eight, gives us the formula for conversion. Chapter one shows the utter depravity of man without YAHWEH. Chapters 2 & 3 say we are to obey YAHWEH'S LAW, which shows us what sin is. Chapter three shows us that YAHSHUA'S sacrifice saves us from our sins. Chapter four & five shows us that it requires faith. Chapter six shows us the need to be baptized. Chapter seven shows us that YAHWEH KODESH LAW needs to be kept but our wretched carnality keeps us in a state of sin, which is unacceptable to him. Chapter eight shows us the hope that is given us by the indwelling of THE KODESH SPIRIT of OUR HEAVENLY FATHER and our elder brother YAHSHUA. It is the exact same formula [but in intense detail] that Peter gave when in Acts 2:36-38, after they realized that their sins killed YAHSHUA MESSIAH their MASTER. They then asked, ". . . Men and brethren, what shall we do?" Verse 38, "Then Peter said unto them, Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of YAHSHUA MESSIAH for the remission of sins, and you shall receive the gift of the KODESH SPIRIT."

It shouldn't surprise us that two different apostles, coming from two different perspectives, would deliver to us the same formula for salvation. After all the entire BIBLE is written by **THE MIND OF YAHWEH**. Speaking about the scripture, Peter said in II Peter 1:19-21, "... but holy men of YAHWEH spoke as they were moved by the KODESH SPIRIT."

Romans 11:6 is the next scripture for us to explore. This scripture seems to pit **grace** against the **law**, but the word law is never mentioned in the verse or the context. The word that is mentioned is work or works. As we search out the meaning of this verse we are reminded that 'word definition' is what reveals the understanding, not some preconceived idea. One of the meanings of the meanings of the word **grace** is spiritual or divine influence upon the heart [meaning the inner spirit of a person] including acceptance, benefit, favor or gift. The context in verse five referring to the **remnant according to the election of grace** bears out this meaning. Also Thayer's Greek English Lexicon of the New Testament says this Greek word 'Charis' [SC # 5485] in Romans. 11:6 means "... that kindness by which YAHWEH bestows favors ... and grants to sinners the pardon of their offenses, and ... eternal salvation through MESSIAH." Although the word grace has additional meanings, this author will use this meaning throughout this booklet, unless otherwise noted.

The word **work or works** means [SC # 2041] to toil, an act, deed, doing, labor or work. The simple conclusion is that Romans 11:6 says that no work [of any kind] can give you salvation or pardon for sins. However because the word grace means undeserved pardon for sins [law breaking], we must add meaning to the word **work or works**. Meaning which would include trying to gain pardon for sins [law breaking] through some kind of work or works. What might that work or works be called?: **REMORSE** or feeling sorrow over what you did, without repentance, **PENANCE** which is voluntary punishment or suffering to atone for sin, **OR ANIMAL SACRIFICES TO ATONE FOR SINS**, and those Jews [and others] who have rejected [some have not rejected] YAHSHUA MESSIAH as their SAVIOUR, as the ultimate sacrifice for their sins.

YOU CANNOT GO BACK TO OR REMAIN INVOLVED IN <u>THE WORKS</u> OF ANIMAL SACRIFICES FOR SINS. IT IS A DESPICABLE ABOMINATION TO THINK THAT THE BLOOD OF AN ANIMAL COULD EVER TAKE THE PLACE OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF YAHSHUA MESSIAH 'THE ANOINTED ONE OF YAHWEH ELOHIM. THIS WOULD INCLUDE NOT PARTAKING OF THE UNLEAVENED BREAD AND WINE AT PASSOVER AND GOING BACK TO OR SUBSTITUTING LAMB OR ANY OTHER THING AT WHAT IS CALLED THE JEWISH SEDAR. JOHN 6:53 CLEARLY SAYS "...EXCEPT YOU EAT THE FLESH [UNLEAVENED BREAD] AND DRINK HIS BLOOD [WINE], <u>YOU HAVE NO LIFE IN YOU.</u>" [SEE ALSO MATTHEW 26:26-28 AND I CORINTHIANS 11:23-29.] THE PASSOVER IS A BLOOD SACRIFICE FOR SINS. "...FOR EVEN MESSIAH OUR PASSOVER IS SACRIFICED FOR US:" AS I CORINTHIANS 5:7B SO CLEARLY SAYS. YAHSHUA MESSIAH WAS SACRIFICED ON THE PASSOVER DAY, THEREBY FULFILLING ALL THE SHADOW OF THINGS TO COME, THAT THE PASSOVER COULD PICTURE [SEE COLOSSIANS 2:16-17]. <u>WHAT WORKS COULD YOU EVER DO THAT WOULD SUBSTITUTE FOR</u> <u>YAHWEH'S! WONDERFUL LOVE IN GIVING HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON FOR THE</u> <u>SINS OF THE WORLD</u>?

Let us now turn to Hebrews, chapters nine and ten, and see this spelled out in language we can all understand. Hebrews 9:11-14 "MESSIAH...by his own blood...obtained eternal redemption for us. If the blood of bulls and goats...sanctifies to the purifying of the flesh. How much more shall the blood of MESSIAH...purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living ELOHIM?"

This quotation from the pen of the Apostle Paul, inspired by YAHWEH is the difference between grace and works.

SIX TIMES on one page in the BIBLE it says [by virtue **of the** importance **of what it** says] not to go back to animal sacrifices for sin [works which can never make the corners thereunto perfect, Hebrews 10:1]. 1. Hebrews 9:26 "...but now <u>once</u> in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself." 2. Hebrews 9:28 "So MESSIAH was <u>once</u> offered to bear the sins of many..." 3. Hebrews 10:10 "...we are sanctified through the offering of the body of YAHSHUA MESSIAH <u>once</u> for all." 4. Hebrews 10:12 "... this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of ELOHIM." 5. Hebrews 10:14 "For by <u>one</u> offering be bath perfected forever them that are sanctified." 6. Hebrews 10:18 "Now where remission of these [sin and iniquity] is, there is <u>no more</u> offering for sin."

The context of Hebrews 9:11 to 10:20 is the comparative study of animal sacrifices on one side and the sacrifice of YAHSHUA MESSIAH on the other side. Or as Romans 11:6 says **works or grace**. And this leads us to fully understand, the grossly misunderstood, Hebrews 10:9. The context, of Hebrews ten, is undeniably animal sacrifices, verse 1, sacrifices; verse 3, sacrifices; verse 4, blood of **bulls and goats**; verse 5, sacrifice and offering; verse 6, burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin; verse 8, sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin. Verse 9, is the connecting verse, where YAHSHUA MESSIAH says he comes to do the will of YAHWEH THE FATHER, which is to take away the first [animal sacrifices, with their works] and establish the second, GRACE, [the sacrifice of YAHSHUA MESSIAH as our undeserved pardon for sin. The next eleven verses [Hebrews 10:10-20] speak about the sacrifice once, of YAHSHUA MESSIAH, for sins, forever, thereby corroborating that

verse 9 is speaking about works off animal sacrifice compared to the sacrifice of YAHSHUA. It is a mistake and very poor exegesis to say or even hint that Hebrews 10:9 is referring to the old and new covenants. If you would like to learn more about the COVENANTS, send for our forth-coming booklet about THE COVENANTS / WHAT THEY MEAN / TO WHOM THEY APPLY.

As we study and ponder the next scripture, which is Romans 13:8-10, we realize the very close similarity with Matthew 19:16-22. It has been suggested [without any proof that this author is aware of] that this rich young man was Saul, who later became the Apostle Paul. In Luke's account [Luke 10:25-37] of this same story, Luke calls him a certain lawyer, which fits Paul's description of himself in Philippians 3:5-6, as being blameless in the law, and a Pharisee as touching the law. In Matthew's account of the story, YAHSHUA told the rich young man to sell what you have and give to the poor if be wanted to reach perfection. In Luke's account YAHSHUA told him how to give to the poor. In the Good Samaritan story he told him to pay the expenses of those who could not pay for themselves.

Paul says in Romans 13:8, to love one **another is to fulfill the law.** The word fulfill [as per Webster's Dictionary] means 1. To carry out [a promise]. 2. To obey [a law or command]. 3. To satisfy [a prayer or desire]. 4. To complete or accomplish a task. 5. To answer a purpose. 6. To man. In Luke's account of this story [Luke 10:27] the first four commandments were covered with the statement "Thou shall love YAHWEH THY ELOHIM with all your heart, soul, strength and mind..." So all of YAHWEH'S TEN COMMANDMENTS were discussed as necessary for eternal life.

LOVING YAHWEH YOUR ELOHIM WITH ALL YOUR HEART, SOUL, STRENGTH, AND MIND AS COVERED BY THE FIRST FOUR COMMANDMENTS IS NOT THE WORKS OF THE LAW. BUT IT IS YOUR OBLIGATION, DUTY AND THE KEY TO YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH YAHWEH AND YAHSHUA, AS A CALLED OUT MEMBER OF THE [EKKLESIA] BODY OF BELIEVERS.

LOVING YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOUR SELF AS COVERED BY THE LAST SIX COMMANDMENTS IS NOT THE WORKS OF THE LAW. BUT IT IS YOUR OBLIGATION, DUTY AND THE KEY TO YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH YOUR NEIGHBOR, AS A CALLED OUT MEMBER OF <u>THE</u> [EKKLESIA] BODY OF BELIEVERS.

IF YOU KEEP YAHWEH'S TEN COMMANDMENTS [WITH THE HELP OF THE INDWELLING SPIRIT OF YAHWEH AND YAHSHUA] AND YOU ACCEPT YAHWEH'S GRACE (THE SHED BLOOD OF YAHSHUA AS FULL PAYMENT FOR YOUR PAST SINS] YOU WILL HAVE ETERNAL LIFE.

The next scripture we will explore is Romans 14:5-6, where it seems to say that you can pick and choose what day you worship YAHWEH. First of all, the words Sabbath, Sunday, Friday nor any other day of the week is not mentioned throughout the entire chapter. Proper exegesis requires that we do not add anything to the meaning and especially that we do not bring any preconceived ideas to the understanding of the text. Second, the words worship, keep kodesh nor sanctified are again, not mentioned throughout the entire chapter. Thirdly, the subject of the entire chapter is about, not judging your brother in the faith, not about what day you keep kodesh. Fourth, that point covering what day we keep kodesh to YAHWEH is clearly defined in the fourth of the Ten Commandments. We cannot take an obscure [obscure to the subject of Sabbath observance] scripture such as Romans 14:5-6 and try to define Sabbath keeping, thereby.

Romans 14:1 sets the tenor of the chapter when it says to receive a weak [in the faith] brother but don't argue over insignificant or unimportant matters. Some people eat herbs, some don't. Some people eat meat, some don't. Some people set aside a day for something special, some don't, i.e. some people fast on the first and third Wednesday of every month. Some people think we should keep Thanksgiving at the end of October where it probably was keep on the first Thanksgiving, and perhaps was really an observance of the Feast of Tabernacles. Whereas it would be nice to know whether the Pilgrims really kept the Feast of Tabernacles or not, it is however not necessary for salvation, nor is it worth an argument which may hurt a brother who is weak in the faith.

In like manner, Romans 14:14 does not mean you can eat any animal flesh that you sochoose. Leviticus eleven and Deuteronomy fourteen clearly spell out what animal flesh is good for human consumption. We cannot take an obscure [obscure in dealing with what animal flesh is good for human consumption] scripture and try to define a clear subject with it. The word 'unclean' in verse 14 is [SC # 2839] and it means common, defiled, unclean and unkodesh. In other words it is un-kodesh or unclean because it is defiled. In I Corinthians 8:4-10 Paul inspired by YAHWEH, deals with this subject more fully when be says that meat offered to an idol is not really unclean, because idols aren't really alive. Verse 8, says meat does not commend us to YAHWEH. Back to Romans 14:14 where Paul is saying the meat isn't really unclean [of itself] just because it was offered to an idol. Romans 14:17 adds, "For the Kingdom of YAHWEH is not meat and drink..." This does not open the door to eating any animal flesh you so choose. That subject is clearly covered in Leviticus eleven and Deuteronomy fourteen. But what it does mean is, what you eat will not get you into the Kingdom of YAHWEH. YAHWEH is not keeping score or count of all the ceremonially exceptional meals you eat. There are some who will only eat Kosher meat, again this will not gain you entrance into the Kingdom of YAHWEH. It may add to your good health and that is certainly worth something. "Kosher" is not a BIBLICAL principle, and should not be looked upon as adding anything to a person's spiritual character. Whereas not eating animal flesh that YAHWEH says don't eat nor the blood of any animal, is being obedient to YAHWEH'S instructions. In Mark 7:18-23 YAHSHUA MESSIAH puts it all into proper perspective. Its not what you put into your mouth that spiritually defiles you, but what comes out of your mouth [what you say], and what is in your heart [what you think], that spiritually defiles the man. The beauty of Psalm 19:14 comes alive with "Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in your sight, O YAHWEH, my strength, and my redeemer."

I CORINTHIANS, PAUL & YAHWEH'S LAW.

I Corinthians has much less to say about law and grace, than does Romans, Never the less every scripture is important to the overall understanding of the subject.

The first scripture we come to is found in I Corinthians 5:7-8, where we find the Apostle Paul commenting on the Gentile believers who were keeping the Passover and Days of Unleavened Bread. Paul claims to have laid the foundation of spiritual knowledge for the Corinthians in I Corinthians 3:9-11. That knowledge included the atoning work of YAHSHUA MESSIAH as well as the meaning and observance of YAHWEH'S HOLY DAYS. Notice in I Corinthians 5:7-8 Paul's powerful KODESH DAY statements, "MESSIAH OUR PASSOVER is sacrificed for us," and "you are unleavened..." [something you do when you keep the days of UNLEAVENED BREAD], also the command of "...let us keep the feast...with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth," showing fully that Paul and the Corinthians understood and taught the NEW COVENANT meaning of the OLD COVENANT revealed truths of YAHWEH.

Colossians 2:16-17 clearly states that KODESH DAYS are shadows [pictures, images cast by an object, representing the form of that object], [so says Thayer's Lexicon], of things to come. The original PASSOVER pictures the atoning work of YAHSHUA MESSIAH. The DAYS OF UNLEAVENED, coming out of Egypt, and crossing the Red Sea, pictures REPENTANCE, coming out of sin and leaving it completely behind. The rest of the KODESH DAYS picture completely, YAHWEH'S plan of salvation, for all mankind, for all time. A total explanation of the KODESH DAYS will be given later when we discuss Colossians, chapter two.

In I Corinthians 6:12 and again in 10:23 Paul uses the phrase "all things are lawful unto [for] me." In I Corinthians 6:12-13 Paul says he will not be brought under the power of any of these things, and the body is not for fornication. Paul is not saying YAHWEH allows him to commit fornication, but that society allows him to commit sin if he so chooses. Paul's answer is that although society allows me to do many things [which are sin in YAHWEH'S eyes] I will not do any of them.

In I Corinthians 7:19 Paul says the physical act of circumcision will neither give or not

give a person salvation, but the keeping of the commandments of YAHWEH is of utmost importance.

The next scripture we come to is I Corinthians 9:2 1, where Paul says that he "being not without law to YAHWEH, but under the law to MESSIAH." Refer back to page five for more explanation concerning this scripture.

I Corinthians 10:27 says, "... whatsoever is set before you, eat, asking no question for conscience sake." The context is whether or not to eat meat offered to idols. There is absolutely no mention of unclean meats in this entire passage. Leviticus eleven and Deuteronomy fourteen cover what animal flesh is good for human consumption.

I Corinthians 16:2 is used by those, whose legacy it is to do away with YAHWEH'S law, to try to show that the gentile Believers in Corinth were keeping the first day of the week to worship YAHWEH and rest. By Paul's own admission he was a SABBATARIAN, as Acts 17:2; 18:4 and 13:42 & 44 clearly shows that he fellowshipped with YAHWEH'S people and preached YAHWEH'S WORD on the SABBATH DAY. It was his manner [custom, habit, way of life] to keep the SABBATH DAY. Remember Paul's position [I Corinthians 9:21] was to keep the LAW OF YAHWEH, which included the **SEVENTH DAY SABBATH**.

What we find in I Corinthians 16:2, and the context bears this out, was that Paul was giving instructions to the GENTILE BELIEVERS that they were to work [not on the Sabbath Day of rest] but on the first day of the week. That work was for the purpose of gathering together an offering of surplus food [root vegetables, grains etc.], because there was a famine in and around Jerusalem. They were doing their Christian duty in providing for their less fortunate brethren.

In I Corinthians 16:8 we find Paul's mention of staying in Ephesus, until he kept the Feast Day of YAHWEH, called Pentecost. This is the same Feast of Pentecost wherein YAHWEH poured out

his KODESH SPIRIT upon his ekklesia [body of believers] in Acts 2:1-4. It can easily be determined that YAHWEH also gave the TEN COMMANDMENTS, to Israel at Mt. Sinai, on the Feast of Pentecost. YAHWEH does **HIS** important things on his KODESH DAYS. To say that this was Paul's way of marking the calendar [and that's all it was] as to where and what he was doing, is to totally misunderstand Paul's total commitment to YAHWEH and his KODESH LAW which includes the KODESH DAYS. References to the ekklesia [body of believers] keeping the Kodesh Days are scattered throughout the

book of Acts and the entire New Testament Scriptures, [see Matthew 26:17; John 7:1-2, 10, 14, 37; Acts 2:1; Acts 18:21; Acts 20:6; I Corinthians 5:7-8 & 16:8 and Colossians 2:16-17].

II CORINTHIANS, YAHWEH'S LAW WRITTEN ON THE FLESHLY TABLES OF OUR HEARTS.

The next scripture we explore is II Corinthians 3:3. Paul likens the believer to be as an epistle [a letter] of [belonging to] MESSIAH. Under the OLD COVENANT the statutes and judgments were written with pen and ink on parchments and the law [Ten Commandments] was written on tables of stone [indicating their permanence]. In verse six Paul says he is a minister of the NEW COVENANT [TESTAMENT], which is spiritual not physical [in the letter]. In John 4:19-24, YAHSHUA covers this same subject when the woman at the well discusses the physical location of where we should worship YAHWEH. YAHSHUA answered her by saying the true worshippers [ekklesia, body of believers] shall worship the FATHER [YAHWEH] in spirit and in truth. The FATHER [YAHWEH] seeks that kind of worship.

Back to II Corinthians 3:3 where Paul says the believer [likened to an epistle or letter] is written with the SPIRIT of the LIVING ELOHIM "...in the fleshly tables of the heart."

YAHWEH'S LAW IS WRITTEN IN THE HEART OF THE TRUE BELIEVER. THIS IS A DIRECT RESULT OF THE INDWELLING POWER OF THE SPIRIT OF THE LIVING ELOHIM.

Both Old and New Testament scriptures promise this wonderful blessing. First in Jeremiah 31:33 "This shall be the covenant that I will make...I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts, and will be their ELOHIM, and they shall be my people." This same scripture is quoted in Hebrews 8:10 and 10:16.

Except for a few, YAHWEH had not given the ancient Israelites the heart to obey him.

Deuteronomy 29:4 "Yet YAHWEH hath not given you an heart to perceive, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, unto this day," Moses observed. Joshua also understood this when he said in Joshua 24:19 "...You cannot serve YAHWEH, for he is an kodesh ELOHIM; he is a jealous ELOHIM; he will not forgive your transgressions nor your sins." In Matthew 13:11 YAHSHUA said to his disciples "...it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, but to them **it is not given.**"

In Hebrews 8:7-8 the Apostle Paul said the first [old] covenant was faulted. The fault was with them [the people]. They didn't have the heart or spirit to obey YAHWEH. Except for a few, YAHWEH had not given them his KODESH SPIRIT. I Corinthians 2:12-16 says "Now we have received...the SPIRIT which is of YAHWEH; that we might know the things [mysteries of the KINGDOM OF HEAVEN]...of YAHWEH...comparing spiritual things with spiritual [things]. Now the natural [carnal, fleshly] man receives not the things of ELOHIM. [Romans 8:9b says, "...Now if any man have not the SPIRIT OF

MESSIAH, he is none of his."] The things of YAHWEH are spiritually discerned [understood]." Verse 16 asks the question,, "...Who has known the mind of YAHWEH?..." [the answer is, the believer] "...we have the mind [spirit] of MESSIAH."

Back to II Corinthians 3:3 & 6 for a concluding statement. We [the ekklesia, the body of believers] are MESSIAH'S epistle [letter]; with the indwelling of the SPIRIT of the LIVING ELOHIM, we have YAHWEH'S LAW [TEN COMMANDMENTS] written in the fleshly tables of our hearts. By this we do show that the SPIRITUAL NEW TESTAMENT [COVENANT] is fulfilled in us, and that through the indwelling SPIRIT OF YAHWEH we have life [eternal].

One last point before we leave II Corinthians chapter three. In verses 7 to 9 we read about the **ministration of death**. The **ministration of death** is not the Ten Commandments. The **ministration of death [condemnation]** is the death penalty that hangs over the head of the sinner, who breaks YAHWEH'S LAW [TEN COMMANDMENTS]. The **ministration of the spirit [righteousness]** exceeds in glory because it forgives the sinner [YAHWEH'S grace] if he repents and gives him eternal life.

GALATIANS, A MAN IS JUSTIFIED THROUGH THE WORKS OF THE LAW, BUT ONLY BY THE FAITH OF YAHSHUA MESSIAH, IN HIM.

The book of Galatians is a very easy book to understand when you use the **keys to unlock the meaning.** YAHWEH'S WORD is not in conflict. YAHWEH is the author. He would not inspire the meaning to be a certain way in one book and then to change it in another book. I bring to your remembrance Paul's position concerning the law [Ten Commandments] of YAHWEH. I Corinthians 9:2 1, Paul says he is not without law to YAHWEH, but under [in obedience to] the law [Ten Commandments] to MESSIAH.

Galatians 1:13-14 sets the stage for the entire understanding of the book. Every statement in Galatians and Paul's other epistles also, must be viewed from Paul's SPECIFIC PURPOSE STATEMENT, found in Galatians 1:13-14. "You have heard of my conduct, in the past, in the JEW'S RELIGION [JUDAISM, which is not YAHWEH'S TRUE WAY OF LIFE OR WORSHIP]...I profited in the JEW'S RELIGION [JUDAISM] above many others who were my equals...being more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers."

JUDAISM [THE JEW'S RELIGION] IS NOT THE TRUE WAY OF LIFE AS REVEALED IN TILE BIBLE.

The Jew's Religion [Judaism] at the time of YAHSHUA MESSIAH and during the life of Paul was very different than what was revealed by YAHWEH for man to live by. In Matthew, chapter twenty-three, YAHSHUA shows the extreme hypocrisy of Pharisaical Judaism. Specifically Matthew 23:2 says [as the New American Standard Version properly translates this verse] "The scribes and the Pharisees have seated themselves in the chair of Moses." How did the scribes and Pharisees take over the seat of Moses? Where did they get the authority to sit in Moses' seat and interpret the scriptures? The scribes and Pharisee's were not of the priesthood. The Sadducees were the priesthood [Aaronic and Levitical Priesthood] and they ruled or controlled the temple that was the seat of learning and instruction in the law of YAHWEH. The Sadducees and the Pharisees were at odds with each other as Acts 23:7-8 clearly shows. The Pharisees took over control of the Sanhedrin [the council of 70 established by Ezra] during the time surrounding YAHSHUA'S life. And it was the Pharisees who built and controlled the local synagogues. The Pharisees started a new religious sect and set up their own brand of Judaism with the **oral law** with its **thousands of additional do's and don'ts** which were never in YAHWEH'S LAW as revealed to us through Moses. Later the oral law was written down and became known as the Talmud [also known as **tall mud**], and other writings of the Jews.

In Mark 7:5-13, the Pharisees asked YAHSHUA why he and his disciples did not keep the traditions of the elders [the fathers]. Lest you think that the elders [fathers] refer back to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, be aware that they did not vainly worship YAHWEH by keeping the commandments of men. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob kept YAHWEH'S COMMANDMENTS and his alone. YAHSHUA condemned the Pharisees for keeping the **traditions of men** and not keeping the commandments of YAHWEH. In verse 9, YAHSHUA told the Pharisees that they reject the commandments of YAHWEH, so that they may keep their own traditions. Verse 13

YAHSHUA said "Making the word of YAHWEH of none effect [void or worthless] through your traditions, which you have delivered: **and many such like things do you.**"

HERE IS THE TRADITION OF THE FATHERS OF THE PHARISEES, AS REVEALED BY YAHWEH ELOHIM, IN NEHEMIAH 9:26 <u>"THEY WERE DISOBEDIENT, AND REBELLED AGAINST THEE [YAHWEH], AND CAST THY [ELOHIM'S] LAW BEHIND THEIR BACKS, AND SLEW THY PROPHETS WHICH TESTIFIED AGAINST THEM.</u>" THESE SAME PHARISEES KILLED YAHSHUA MESSIAH. AND THESE SAME PHARISEES CONTINUED TO KILL YAHWEH'S PROPHETS AS ACTS 7:54-60 SHOWED THEY DID TO STEPHEN, WITH SAUL [THE ONE WHO BECAME THE APOSTLE PAUL] BEING RIGHT THERE WITH THEM. PAUL SAID IN ACTS 23:6 "...I AM A PHARISEE, THE SON OF A PHARISEE..." IN GALATIANS 1:14, IT WAS THE TRADITION OF PAUL'S FATHER THAT HE WAS REFERRING TO.

We now turn to **THE ARCHKO VOLUME** for addition corroboration of what Judaism was all about during the time surrounding the life of YAHSHUA. The Archko Volume is a translation from original manuscripts, by Doctors McIntosh and Twyman, of various contemporary writers with YAHSHUA. One of these writers Hillel the Third, who maintained a school for the teaching of the law, wrote the following, found on Page 181, beginning his third letter. "As all the nations of the earth lacked the knowledge of the true ELOHIM except us Jews, it devolved on us as a nation to extend this knowledge to all the world, which was brought about by the following plan: First, by the universal

diffusion of the Greek language, and, secondly, by the conquest of the world by the Romans. Another cause [thirdly] almost as essential was the scattering of our nation among all nations of the earth, for narrowness and bigotry had almost made us a barren tree, as to any general good for the world. So ancient were our habits and fixed our customs that spiritual life was almost extinct...It was necessary, too, that a foreign language should be forced upon us; for nothing but conquest and constraint could overcome our bitter prejudices."

BY THE ADMISSION OF ONE OF PHARISAICAL JUDAISM'S OWN TEACHERS [HILLEL THE THIRD], JUDAISM WAS BIGOTED AND NARROW, VOID OF SPIRITUAL LIFE AND FULL OF BITTER PREJUDICES.

This is the Judaism that Saul [Apostle Paul] learned, the Judaism that YAHSHUA said was vain tradition that made void the commandments of YAHWEH. This is the Judaism that Paul is speaking about in Galatians 1:13-14, when he said he had been "...exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers." This same Judaism had to be reeducated out of Paul by YAHSHUA in the Arabian desert over a three year period, [see Galatians 1:16-18 and II Corinthians 12:1-7].

Galatians 2:4 shows the battle Paul was waging in this book of Galatians, "...false brethren were brought in...that they might bring us into bondage." What bondage? The bondage of the vain traditions, with its bigoted, bitter prejudices, of the Pharisaical Jewish fathers. So strong was this false teaching that Peter got caught up in it in Galatians 2:11-14, also infecting Barnabas with this 'Jewish Superiority' pack of lies. Pharisaical Judaism had become a barren tree, extinct of spiritual life and full of bitter prejudices. Paul rebuked Peter for practicing Jewish Superiority. Be it known to every reader of this booklet. The Jews [as a group, not individuals] and the Jewish Rabbis rejected YAHSHUA HA MESHIACH when he walked this earth two thousand years ago and they still reject him today. THEREFORE THEIR WORD AND TESTIMONY IS INVALID AND UNTRUSTWORTHY, not having any spiritual or doctrinal significance. Like any bible commentary, with their slanted views, we can read what they say and glean some historical or cultural understanding from them. But to look to them for any doctrinal or spiritual guidance is unthinkable. Read again Nehemiah 9:26 "They were disobedient, and rebelled against thee [YAHWEH], and cast thy law behind their backs, and slew thy prophets which testified against them to turn them to thee, and they wrought great provocations."

WHAT ADVANTAGE THEN HATH THE JEW? PAUL ASKS IN ROMANS 3:1-3. HE THEN ANSWERS, "MUCH [IN] EVERY WAY ... UNTO THEM WERE COMMITTED THE ORACLES [SC #3051, UTTERANCES OF YAHWEH, DIVINE UTTERANCES, TEACHINGS OF YAHWEH]." VERSE THREE [IN THE CONTEXT] SAYS SOME WOULD NOT BELIEVE. II CORINTHIANS 3:14 SAYS "THEIR MINDS WERE BLINDED, UNTIL THIS DAY REMAINS THE SAME VAIL UNTAKEN AWAY IN THE READING OF THE OLD TESTAMENT." CONCLUSION: THE OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES [THE ORACLES OF YAHWEH] WERE COMMITTED UNTO THE JEWS FOR SAFE KEEPING; SO THEY WOULD NOT GET LOST. AND BECAUSE

THE JEWS POSSESSED THIS GLORIOUS TRUTH OF YAHWEH, SOME OF THEM WOULD BE CONVERTED TO <u>THE</u> EKKLESIA [BODY OF BELIEVERS], BUT NOT VERY MANY OF THEM AT THIS TIME.

In John 4:21-26 YAHSHUA shifted the emphasis away from physical to spiritual worship in truth. Ephesians 2:19-22 shows the oracles of YAHWEH also included the foundation of the **Apostles**, with YAHSHUA MESSIAH being the **chief corner** of this spiritual, holy temple. The **chief corner** of a building [especially a spiritual building] is where the main entrance is located. YAHSHUA MESSIAH is the WAY, the TRUTH, and the LIFE. In I Timothy 3:15 the apostle Paul, under inspiration of YAHWEH, made this very important statement. "...The house of YAHWEH, which is **the assembly** [ekklesia, body of believers, called out ones] **of the LIVING ELOHIM** [is] the pillar and ground of the **truth.**"

If the Pharisees ever [by YAHWEH'S edict] sat in the seat of Moses [there is not one single place in the Bible where YAHSHUA puts his approval upon them, but instead he rebukes them every time], then it is obvious that position was shifted unto the ekklesia, the body of believers. It is the **duty and responsibility of the ekklesia** to guard and protect the oracles of YAHWEH, and to earnestly contend for the faith [truth] once delivered unto the saints as Jude, verse three, so aptly says.

The apostle Paul wants you to know as the book of Galatians begins, that there is a Judaistic, Talmudic, vain traditions of your fathers, wrong way of looking at **YAHWEH KODESH LAWS AND COMMANDMENTS**. As we study the book of Galatians it is incumbent upon us to decipher which of the five separate laws Paul is referring to in the text.

We turn our attention back to Galatians where, in chapter 2:16 Paul [inspired by YAHSHUA says a man is justified by the works of the law, BUT only if he has the faith of YAHSHUA MESSIAH working in him. This is in complete agreement and harmony with what Paul said in Romans 2:13 and 3:20-24, 28 & 31. Go back and review pages five through eight, of this booklet, for a complete explanation of justification through keeping the law but having faith in the sacrifice of YAHSHUA MESSIAH. Also James 2:17-26 has much to say about faith and works being coupled together.

James 2:17-26 clearly says, both in words and by examples, that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only. Verses 17 & 26 boldly say **faith without works is dead**. James makes it clearly understandable, that it takes both working in a man to justify him. Martin Luther called the book of James "The book of straw," meaning worthless, because he wanted the false concept of "**grace through faith without the law**" to be so right that he was willing to throw out a portion of scripture to prove his point. For all that he did in exposing the fallacies of the Roman Catholic church, he could not see the vital point revealed in Isaiah 28:9-13. To understand knowledge [of YAHSHUA and his way of life], to understand doctrine, the mature [weaned from the milk and drawn from the breasts] Bible student will put "**precept upon precept**, **precept upon precept**

[repeated for emphasis]; line upon line, line upon line [repeated for emphasis]; here a little, and there a little. For with stammering [pauses between words or phrases] lips and another tongue [different languages] will he [YAHWEH] speak to this [his people" [verses 10-11] Verse thirteen repeats this vital truth with the added warning that if you do not use this principle in understanding YAHWEH'S doctrines, that you will "...fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken." Martin Luther fell backward [didn't understand] the doctrine of LAW AND GRACE.

Let us return to Galatians 2:16 and learn even more as we read it in the King James translation. "Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by [except through] the faith of YAHSHUA MESSIAH..." This verse seems to pit "the works of the law" against faith, which is to say that we can be declared righteous based solely on what YAHSHUA MESSIAH has done, not by anything we do. [Remember, James says faith without works is dead.] Both the Jay Green Interlinear and The Complete Word Study Dictionary, by Zodhiates show that the words 'but by' should be translated as 'except through' or 'by means of' denoting 'the channel through which one secures salvation.'

Remember the battle Paul is waging here in Galatians is with legalistic Judaism. Romans 9:30- 10:3 aptly describes what is going on here. Verse 31, "Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the law of righteousness." Verse 32 "Why not? Because they sought it **not by faith**, but...by the works of the law [alone]..." Verse 10:3 "for they being ignorant of YAHWEH'S righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness [without faith in YAHSHUA MESSIAH'S sacrifice for sins], have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of ELOHIM."

One definition of legalism and it is legalistic Judaism's definition is "the belief in salvation by obedience to the law rather than by the grace of YAHWEH or by faith" [see Baker's Concise Dictionary of Religion]. To believe and keep the laws of YAHWEH as a believer's obligation and expression of love for YAHWEH and fellow man is decidedly **not legalism**. It is a corroboration of genuine faith and love.

We cannot be justified by any works of any law, including the Ten Commandments. Even though YAHWEH requires obedience, it does not and can not earn justification and salvation, which are free gifts of the grace of YAHWEH. Simply stated Galatians 2:16 says, "A man is not justified by the works of the law **except by means of** faith in YAHSHUA MESSIAH..." Therefore, faith in YAHSHUA MESSIAH is necessary along with works, to be justified.

WHY DOES YAHSHUA MESSIAH LIVE IN US? WHAT DOES THE FAITH OF THE SON OF YAHWEH, LIVING IN ME, DO FOR ME?

Let us examine Galatians 2:20 carefully and see what it says and means to us. "I am

crucified with MESSIAH ... "The word crucified means killed along with. "... Nevertheless I live," shows that this death is symbolic. It is symbolized by baptism as Romans 6:1-6 clearly shows. The changed life [newness of life] is not me [that is, not in my strength], but is **MESSIAH LIVING IN ME.** And the changed life I now live, as a human being, I live by [because of] the faith of the SON of YAHWEH, who lives in me. I Corinthians 2:10, 12, 14 & 16 "YAHWEH has revealed things unto us by his spirit," "...we have received...the spirit which is of ELOHIM; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of ELOHIM." "The natural [carnal] man receives not the things of the SPIRIT of YAHWEH because they are spiritually discerned." This spiritual discernment occurs in the mind or intellect of man. "Who has known the mind [intellect] of YAHWEH...We [the ekklesia, believers] have the mind [intellect, spirit] of MESSIAH." Here in I Corinthians 2:10-16 we see that the word spirit [as in spirit of YAHWEH] is used synonymously with mind [as in mind of MESSIAH]. Philippians 2:5 gives the same instruction is saying "Let this mind [spirit] be in you, which was also in MESSIAH YAHSHUA." Romans 8:9 adds more to our understanding when it says, "...Now if any man have not the SPIRIT [mind] of MESSIAH, he is none of his." Here having the SPIRIT [mind] of MESSIAH denotes ownership and association with MESSIAH. In Matthew 16:13-17 YAHSHUA told Peter that the FATHER [YAHWEH ELOHIM] revealed YAHSHUA'S true identity to Peter. Remembering I Corinthians 2:10, that YAHWEH reveals things to us by his SPIRIT which is his MIND. So it was the SPIRIT [MIND] of the FATHER that revealed YAHSHUA'S true identity to Peter.

YAHWEH REVEALS THAT MAN HAS A SPIRIT IN HIM THAT IS UNIQUELY HIS.

I Corinthians 2:11 says that there is **a spirit of man** that is in mortal flesh and blood man. This is not what the Bible calls a "Soul." It could be called intellect, mind, scat of the emotions; it is what

makes man a sentient [having sense perception] being, its what gives man his cognitive ability. When YAHWEH and YAHSHUA add their SPIRIT [MIND] to the **spirit of man** a connection is made that gives the individual the ability to understand spiritual things [which he could not here to fore understand], and to have power [see II Timothy 1:6-7] to overcome sin and to obey YAHWEH'S TEN COMMANDMENTS AND LAWS.

In Jeremiah 3 1:33, Hebrews 8:10 and 10:16 YAHWEH says he will make a new covenant wherein he will put his laws into their minds, and write them in their hearts. Il Corinthians 3:11 tells us how he will accomplish this task which was not achieved throughout the general population of Israel in the scriptures prior to YAHSHUA MESSIAH'S first coming. Il Corinthians 3:11 clearly shows that these laws of YAHWEH will not be written with ink and not written in tables of stone, but the SPIRIT of the LIVING ELOHIM will write [YAHWEH'S LAWS] in the fleshly tables of the heart.

ACTS 2:38 LEAPS OFF THE PAGES OF THE BIBLE WITH HOW THIS WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED.

"...Repent [stop breaking YAHWEH'S LAW] and be baptized...in the name of YAHSHUA MESSIAH for the remission of sins, and you shall receive the gift of the

KODESH SPIRIT." Acts 8:14-19 shows that the gift of the Kodesh Spirit is transferred to the repentant person when the elders lay their hands on them. II Timothy 1:6-7 corroborates that the gift of the Kodesh Spirit is given through the laying on of the hands of the elders of the ekklesia [body of believers].

WHY DOES YAHSHUA MESSIAH LIVE IN US? WHAT DOES THE FAITH OF THE SON OF YAHWEH, LIVING IN ME, DO FOR ME?

YAHSHUA MESSIAH doesn't live for us, he lives in us, he didn't keep the law for us [as the Protestant legacy presupposes]. He lives in us so we can keep the law.

As we study through the book of Galatians we must stop and gain some very important understanding. This is understanding which bypasses the first-time or peripheral reader of Galatians, it bypasses the person who presupposes that YAHWEH'S LAW is done away, but it does belong to the mature Bible student [see Hebrews 5:11-14], who rightly divides the word of truth [see II Timothy 2:15]. Before we look at that understanding we must realize that not once, does the apostle Paul say that the law of YAHWEH is done away. But what he does emphasize is that justification [salvation] cannot be achieved by law keeping alone, but it must include faith in YAHSHUA MESSIAH and his sacrifice for sin [law breaking].

THE UNDERSTANDING FROM THE BOOK OF GALATIANS IS THAT PAUL IS SPEAKING ABOUT FIVE DIFFERENT LAWS OR FACETS OF THE LAW, AND THAT HE BOUNCES BACK <u>AND</u> FORTH BETWEEN THOSE FIVE DIFFERENT LAWS, AS HE WRITES THE BOOK OF GALATIANS.

#1. Galatians 1:13-14; 2:4 and 2:11-14, shows the traditions of the fathers [the oral law] which legalistic Judaism held to be incumbent upon the people for salvation. See also Mark 7:4-5 where it says, "...And <u>many other things</u> there be, which they have received to hold [keep]..." And "... Why walk not thy disciples according to the tradition of the elders..."

#2. The law of YAHWEH [including the Ten Commandments] is mentioned off and on throughout the book of Galatians.

#3. Galatians 3:13 mentions the curse of the law, which is the death penalty, which hangs over the head of every sinner who has not come under the blood of YAHSHUA MESSIAH'S sacrifice. MESSIAH became a curse for us, for it is written, "...Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree." In John 19:7 the Jews said "...We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of ELOHIM." That law is found in Leviticus 24:16 where it says, "...he that blasphemes the name of YAHWEH, he shall surely be put to death, and all the congregation shall certainly stone him..." Why then did the Jews cry out in John 19:15 "...away with him, away with him, crucify him..." The answer is found in Deuteronomy 2 1:22-23 where it says, "...(for he that is

hanged [on a tree] is accursed of YAHWEH.)" The Jews knew this law also and they wanted YAHWEH'S EXTRA CURSE [besides death] to be upon YAHSHUA. The explanation is that when a man is stoned he can fall on his knees, repent and ask for YAHWEH'S mercy as he breathes out his last breath. But when a man is hanged on a tree, he is prohibited from falling on his knees in repentance, therefore he is accursed of YAHWEH. The explanation is bogus because YAHWEH can forgive the repentant sinner no matter what the position, [i.e. the repentant thief on the stake].

#4. There is a **law that was added because of transgressions.** What law is this? It can't be the Ten Commandments [a.k.a. the LAW OF YAHWEH] seeing as it defines what transgression is. It has to be a different law. This added law, **of animal sacrifices and offerings**, will be explained when we get to Galatians, chapter three.

#5. The law of circumcision as mentioned in Galatians 5:2-3, 11 & 6:12-15. Circumcision as a requirement for salvation was judged as **not required for salvation**. Turn to Acts 15:1, 5-11 & 13-21 and see that circumcision would not be required for salvation but that [verse 11] "... through the grace of the MASTER YAHSHUA MESSIAH we shall be saved..." Notice in verse 20 that other physical things of the law of ELOHIM, i.e. pollution's of idols, fornication, meat that was strangled, and the blood of animals were not removed from the requirements of the gentile ekklesia [body of believers].

THERE ARE EIGHT APPARENT CHANGES IN GOING FROM THE OLD TO THE NEW COVENANT.

YAHWEH'S LAW was not done away in going from the Old Covenant to the New Covenant, but a very few changes were made. This author can count eight changes that are recorded and revealed in the Bible.

- 1. Circumcision is of the heart, in the spirit, as Romans 2:29 says, not in the flesh. Circumcision is not required for salvation.
- 2. Sacrifices of animals for sin is not required or acceptable seeing that [Hebrews 9:28] "...MESSIAH was once [one time only] offered to bear the sins of many..."
- 3. In Hebrews 7:11-12 the Levitical and Aaronic priesthood was changed to [verses 17, 21 & 24], the Melchisedec priesthood.
- 4. In Hebrews 7:5 a commandment was given to the Levitical Priesthood to take tithes from the people, and in verse 12 that law of tithing had to be changed also. Notice carefully it is a change **[not do away with]**. Look for our forth-coming booklet on tithing to understand this controversial subject. It will probably surprise most people how compassionate YAHWEH really is in what he requires of us. The change in the tithing law is whom you give it to, not in whether you give it.
- 5. The LAW of YAHWEH [Ten Commandments] is to be written in our hearts, by the SPIRIT of YAHWEH, not just in tables of stone as II Corinthians 3:3, 6; Jeremiah 3 1:33, Hebrews 8:10 and 10:16 all say.
- 6. The promises made to Israel under the Old Covenant were physical in nature [long life, the promised land, physical blessings] whereas the promises in the New Covenant are eternal in nature [eternal life, the spiritual Kingdom of YAHWEH, being in YAHWEH'S loving, ruling family forever]. See Hebrews 4:8-11; 6:17-18 & 11:9-16.

Likewise the curses were physical whereas under the New Covenant, un-repented of sin will bring eternal death in the lake of fire [see Revelation 20:13-15].

- 7. In II Corinthians 3:7-9 we find a comparison between the ministration of death and the ministration of the spirit. The ministration of death is the penalty that was exacted for sins and offenses under the Old Covenant. It is found, in its basic form, in Exodus. 21:23-25: Life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth and so forth. In II Corinthians 3:7-9 Paul said it was glorious, as it never let the offended get ahead of the offender. But there is something far more glorious and it is found in II Corinthians 5:14-21 and it is called the ministry of reconciliation. It is far more glorious to be reconciled through repentance and forgiveness than to take anther's life, or his eye or his hand.
- 8. Although this is not actually a change, it must also be understood that the laws, instructions and requirements of the Aaronic and Levitical Priesthood never were incumbent upon the

people. There is a great deal of spiritual understanding and lessons that can be gleaned from studying the priesthoods but great care must be taken, not to misapply it, or how to apply it.

WHO HAS BEWITCHED YOU, O FOOLISH GALATIANS? THINKING SALVATION CAN BE ACHIEVED THROUGH WHAT YOU DO [WORKS OF THE LAW], WHEN IT CAN ONLY BE ACHIEVED THROUGH FAITH.

Take notice in Galatians 3:1 "...who has bewitched you?..." Who has twisted your thinking? Paul here is referring back to Galatians 2:4 where he identifies false brethren, who without being detected [at first], tried to bring us into the bondage of legalistic Judaism. This author began this booklet showing all the warnings about false brethren and false prophets who creep in with hidden agendas. Please go back and review II Peter 2:1-3; II John 6-8; Jude 3-4; II Corinthians 11:3-4; Galatians 1:6-9 and YAHSHUA'S very own warning in Matthew 24:4-5 about false prophets and false brethren. The ekklesia has always had its share of false [liars] people with hidden agendas.

THE TRUTH OF YAHWEH'S KODESH WORD HAS ALWAYS BEEN ONE OF SIMPLICITY.

The simple truth of YAHWEH is that the law [Ten Commandments] identifies what sin is, and you have to repent [quit breaking] of breaking YAHWEH'S LAW, and through faith accept YAHSHUA MESSIAH'S sacrifice for your past sins. At baptism and the laying on of hands you receive the gift of the KODESH SPIRIT. This puts you in YAHWEH'S good graces [under grace]. That is the gist of what Paul is saying in Galatians 3:1-14.

Keeping the law of YAHWEH [The Ten Commandments] without faith in the blood sacrifice of YAHSHUA as full payment for our sins will not give you salvation. The Jews [as a group, not individually] have been doing it [in their own way] for centuries and

even millennia, to no avail. They rejected and called for the crucifixion of their messiah and until they repent of that and accept YAHSHUA as their saviour [which some have done as individuals], they will not have salvation. As Galatians 3:10 says they are cursed because they are not doing all that the law [the Old Testament instructions to sacrifice animals for their sins] tells them to do.

Whereas the true believer has no death penalty [curse of the law] hanging over his head. YAHSHUA became our curse for us. He is the one who was hanged on a tree [nailed to a stake] for our sins. See point #3, on page 29 for a more complete explanation of MESSIAH being the curse of the law for us.

IN GALATIANS 3:15-25 PAUL SPEAKS ABOUT A LAW THAT WAS <u>ADDED</u> BECAUSE OF TRANSGRESSIONS [SIN]. THE LAW THAT WAS ADDED BECAUSE OF TRANSGRESSIONS IS CALLED ANIMAL SACRIFICES ["...WITHOUT THE SHEDDING OF BLOOD IS NO REMISSION," HEBREWS 9:221. THIS <u>ADDED</u> <u>LAW</u> CAME FOUR HUNDRED AND THIRTY [430] YEARS AFTER THE COVENANT YAHWEH MADE WITH ABRAHAM.

THIS ADDED LAW CANNOT BE THE TEN COMMANDMENTS SEEING AS SIN HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED SINCE THE CREATION OF ADAM AND EVE.

SABBATH BREAKING, DISHONORING PARENTS, LYING, MURDER, ADULTERY, LUST, STEALING, HAVING ANOTHER ELOHIM BEFORE THE TRUE ELOHIM, IDOLATRY AND USING YAHWEH'S NAME IN A VAIN <u>WAY</u> ALL WERE IN FORCE AND CLEARLY IDENTIFIED AS SIN BEFORE THE TEN COMMANDMENTS WERE GIVEN AT MOUNT SINAI. ROMANS 5:12-14 CLEARLY SAYS THAT IT REQUIRES LAW TO IMPUTE SIN. AND SIN WAS IMPUTED BETWEEN ADAM AND MOSES [BETWEEN CREATION AND MT. SINAI].

THE ADDED LAW IS IDENTIFIED IN THE PAGES OF THE BIBLE.

Turn to Jeremiah 7:21-23, especially verse 22, "I spoke not unto you fathers, nor commanded them in the day that I brought them out of the land of Egypt, concerning burnt offerings or sacrifices." Read Exodus 20-24 which is the terms of the covenant [Old Covenant] and you will not find any reference to blood sacrifices for sin mentioned. When did YAHWEH ELOHIM tell Israel to offer animal sacrifices for sin? Turn to Exodus 40:17 where we have this **dated** comment. The first day of the first month of the second year [after Israel left Egypt] the tabernacle was reared up. That was fifteen days short of one year after Israel left Egypt [Israel left Egypt on the fifteenth day of the first month, of the first year]. Leviticus 1:1 says, "And YAHWEH called unto Moses, and spoke unto him OUT OF THE TABERNACLE... saying." This was almost but not quite one year after Israel left Egypt. Leviticus, chapter one through six, gives the instructions to give and how to give offerings and blood sacrifices for sins.

WHEN DID YAHWEH ELOHIM GIVE ISRAEL THIS ADDED LAW OF BLOOD

SACRIFICES BECAUSE OF TRANSGRESSIONS? JUST BEFORE THE FIRST FULL YEAR, SINCE ISRAEL LEFT EGYPT ENDED. THIS IS STILL WITHIN THE TIME CONSTRAINTS OF THE 430TH YEAR SINCE THE COVENANT WAS GIVEN TO ABRAHAM.

Once more for review we go back to Galatians 3:16-18, where we see that a covenant was made between Abraham and YAHWEH ELOHIM. This covenant had promises and those promises applied to Abraham's one seed only [not many seeds, but to Isaac's children only] and also to that seed who would be called YAHSHUA HA MESHIACH. It also says that that covenant that was confirmed by YAHWEH cannot be disannulled by this law that was added 430 years later. This scripture also shows us that the covenant and the law are not one and the same thing and that the covenant and the law do not rise and fall together. I.E. if YAHWEH makes a New Covenant and makes void the old one, this has absolutely no bearing what so ever on the law [the Ten Commandments], which was and is a part of the terms of the Covenant. YAHWEH does not mince or waste words. When he says a law was added 430 years after the covenant was given to Abraham he means it precisely.

Let us go back to Exodus twelve and trace the four hundred and thirty [430] years and see how precise YAHWEH is. We will guote Exodus 12:40-42 in its entirety, so we see its fullest meaning. "Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, was four hundred and thirty years. And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of YAHWEH went out from the land of Egypt. It is a night to be much observed unto YAHWEH for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: this is that night of YAHWEH to be observed of all the children of Israel in their generations." Here are a few points to ponder. 1. The sojourning was 430 years, they were not in Egypt for 430 years. 2. They left on a specific day [even the selfsame day], predetermined by an event that had occurred 430 years before. 3. They actually left by night [a night to be much observed] on the fifteenth day of the first month [see Exodus 12:2-3, 6, 22, 31] for the instructions of how they were to keep the Passover, on and through the night as the fourteenth began. On the daylight portion of the fourteenth [after the Passover the night before] the Israelites spoiled the Egyptians [see Exodus 12:35-36]. The Israelites then journeyed a thirty-mile trip from Rameses to Succoth [see Exodus 12:37-38] on foot, with children, flocks and herds and very much cattle. The actual number of Israelites was approximately three to four million people, six hundred thousand men with an equal number of woman, at least two-plus children per family, plus a mixed [non-Israelite] multitude. The logistics and organization of moving and gathering together a group this large would easily take a whole day, according to army logisticians. Israel left Egypt [Succoth] at night as the fifteenth day began. [Remember the day began and ended at sunset at this time in history, and according to Biblical instructions.] Leviticus 23:4-8 confirms the fourteenth Passover and the fifteenth first holy day of Unleavened Bread.

"EVEN THE SELFSAME DAY." WHAT DOES IT MEAN? WHAT HAPPENED 430 YEARS BEFORE, THAT MADE IT SUCH AN IMPORTANT DAY?

Remember Galatians 3:16-17 says a covenant was made with Abraham and a law came 430 years later. This 430 years in Galatians 3:17 is the same 430 years as is in Exodus 12:40-41. We now turn to Genesis, chapter fifteen, where YAHWEH appears to Abram and promises him a son out of his own bowels [marriage], this is where [verse 6] Abram's faith pleases YAHWEH and is counted for righteousness [verse 6 & Romans 4:13-25]. In Genesis 15:12-18, in a deep sleep [dream or vision] YAHWEH speaks in **general terms**, about the sojourning of his children and the covenant. Four hundred [400] plus years shall pass [verse 16 says in the fourth generation] showing the generality of the years, after which Israel shall be wealthy and the afflicting nation [Egypt] shall be judged. Notice in verse 18 the landmass [that YAHWEH promised to Abram's seed] was from the Nile River [from the southwest] in Egypt to the river Euphrates [in the northeast]. Israel's only possession of that entire landmass was during Solomon's reign And, although [Romans 4:13] that promise is extended to include all the world, the fulfillment of that promise will be to the saints A.K.A. spiritual Israel [see Galatians 3:29]; at the return of YAHSHUA MESSIAH, as the KINGDOM OF YAHWEH is brought to the earth [see Daniel 7:13-14, 27].

In Genesis, chapter seventeen, YAHWEH extends the covenant to include so much more, changes Abram's and Sarai's names to Abraham and Sarah and he tells them **they will have a son named Isaac.** The "**everlasting covenant**" will be established with Isaac only [see verses 19-21], **at his birth**, at this set time [exact time] in the next year [or exactly one-year later]. This covenant applies to Isaac's seed **only** [see Galatians 4:22-31 for a full explanation of why]. The wording here in Genesis 17:21 of "I will establish my covenant with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear ...at this set time in the next year." Puts the covenant and Isaac's birth on the **first day of Unleavened Bread.** Verses 23-27 clearly say that "in the selfsame day" Abraham, Ishmael and every man under his control were circumcised. Circumcision's spiritual meaning is that of repentance, as both the Old and New Covenants confirm [see Deuteronomy 10:16 & Romans 2:29]. Repentance means to stop or turn from sinning and it is the meaning **of** putting leaven out of your life, during the Days of Unleavened Bread. The connection is undeniable.

In Genesis 21:1-3 we see that YAHWEH fulfilled the promise of Isaac's birth, **at the set time [exactly one-year later].** Because the covenant was established with Isaac [at Isaac's birth, the earliest date the covenant could be established] and Isaac's birth was an absolute miracle, based upon Abraham's [Romans 4:18-22] and Sarah's [Hebrews 11:11] faith, we therefore begin the count of 430 years from Isaac's birth date. Remember Galatians 3:17 the law [animal sacrifices] which came in the 430th year after the confirmed covenant [at Isaac's birth], could not disannul the covenant.

Back to Exodus 12:41 where we read that Israel, on the 430th anniversary of Isaac's birth and the establishment of the covenant, **went out from the land of Egypt [Egypt is a type of sin, compare Revelation 11:8 & Lamentations 4:12-13].** Israel left Egypt on the first day of Unleavened Bread and they were eating unleavened bread all of which pictures repentance and coming out of sin. In I Corinthians 5:8 Paul commands the ekklesia [body of believers, the assembly that is of YAHWEH] to keep this feast of

Unleavened Bread with the changed repentant heart of sincerity and truth. The connection is undeniable.

We now go back to Galatians 3:19 for further corroboration of this **added law.** Go back and review pages 28 & 29 [of this booklet] for when YAHWEH gave this added law. This law was added because of transgressions [law breaking, I John 3:4, "Sin is the transgression of the law," the Ten Commandments], **until the seed [YAHSHUA MESSIAH] should come to whom the promise was made.** With the blood sacrifice, for our sins, by YAHSHUA MESSIAH paying the

total price for all the sins of the whole world for all time, it made animal sacrifices totally unnecessary. Verse 24 says this law [sacrifices] was our schoolmaster to bring us to MESSIAH [THE ANOINTED ONE]. We are justified [forgiven] by our faith in the blood sacrifice of YAHSHUA. Verse 25 says because of this [our] faith we no longer are under this schoolmaster [animal sacrifices]. Back to verse 21, where it asks, is this added law against the promises of YAHWEH? No, because there is not a law in existence that can give you righteousness. The only purpose of law is to define sin. Keeping the law does not forgive [justify] you for past sins.

We must now go ahead to Hebrews chapters 9 & 10 for a fuller explanation of this added law. Please read the entirety of Hebrews 9 for it is a comparison between animal sacrifices and the sacrifice of YAHSHUA. However verses 9 & 14 are significant in that it says that animal sacrifices [the schoolmaster, the added law] could not make the conscience perfect, **but the blood of MESSIAH** can purge the conscience from dead works [sin].

Hebrews 10:1-14, which is a continuation of chapter 9 [a comparison of animal sacrifices and YAHSHUA'S blood sacrifice] is often misquoted and misunderstood. Verse one starts with "For the law," with the last half of the verse identifying which law its talking about. Lets read it again, "For the law...can never with those sacrifices..." What law has sacrifices as its only or main tenet? The "added law" of Galatians 3:19, the "schoolmaster law" of Galatians 3:24, the "law of sacrifices" that YAHWEH did not talk to Israel about when he brought them out of Egypt, the laws of burnt offerings and sin sacrifices spoken of to Israel out of the tabernacle at the end of the 430th year [see Exodus 40:17 and Leviticus 1:1 and the first six chapters of Leviticus]. All these laws are one and the same and they are not the Ten Commandments, anymore than the law about not spitting on the sidewalk has anything to do with not murdering. See page 29 of this booklet, for the five different laws that are mentioned in the book of Galatians. Read the Ten Commandments in Exodus 20:1-17 and you will notice there is no mention of any sacrifices. The Ten Commandments identify sin. The wages [payment] for sin is death as Romans 6:23 says. Hebrews 9:22 says that without the shedding of blood there is no remission [payment] for sin. This added law, because of transgressions, of animal blood sacrifices was the schoolmaster that led us to be justified [forgiven] by faith in the blood sacrifice of YAHSHUA MESSIAH.

Let us now read Hebrews 10:1-6 & 8 and see the total inadequacy of animal blood sacrifices to take away sin. Those year by year sacrifices did not make the comers

perfect, their conscience was not purged, they remembered their sins continually, and their sins were not taken away. Therefore [verse 5, 6 & 8] they would not do the sacrifices, Verse 7 says that YAHSHUA came to earth to do the FATHER'S [YAHWEH'S] will, Verse 9 is the key verse to understanding the subject.

YAHSHUA MESSIAH CAME TO DO THE WILL OF YAHWEH THE FATHER, BY TAKING AWAY THE FIRST [ANIMAL BLOOD SACRIFICES], THAT HE MAY ESTABLISH THE SECOND VERSE 10, SANCTIFICATION [FORGIVENESS AND HOLINESS] IS THROUGH THE OFFERING OF THE BODY OF YAHSHUA MESSIAH <u>ONCE FOR ALL</u> MEANING ALL HUMANITY FOR ALL TIME. HOW WILL HE ACCOMPLISH THIS SANCTIFICATION [HOLINESS]? VERSE 16, BY WRITING HIS LAWS [TEN COMMANDMENTS] IN THEIR HEARTS AND MINDS. HE GIVES <u>GRACE</u> [UNDESERVED PARDON] AND <u>LAW</u> [TEN COMMANDMENT] TO MAN FOR HIS SANCTIFICATION.

The covenant, made to Abraham and established in Isaac, is in full force as Galatians 3:29 clearly confirms and is now applicable to spiritual Israel [the ekklesia, the assembly].

YAHWEH'S WEEKLY AND YEARLY SABBATHS ARE NOT DONE AWAY.

Galatians 4:8-11 is an interesting portion of scripture, for whereas there are those who would do all they can to discredit YAHWEH'S laws and way of life, this portion of scripture upholds YAHWEH'S way of life, and shows the "world's" way as weak and beggarly.

The false prophets [teachers] say verse 10 condemns the observation of the Sabbaths and Kodesh Feasts, etc. Look at the words used in verse 10 and notice the difference. 1. You observe days. YAHWEH exclusively uses the word Sabbath and Sabbaths and Feasts of YAHWEH. The world's holidays are noted as **days** such as New Years Day, Valentines Day, Good Friday, Easter Sunday, May Day, Christmas Day etc. 2. Months. All the names of the months, of the Roman Calendar are from paganism or their Ceasars names. YAHWEH numbers his new moons. Over 250 times in the Bible the word chodesh [which only means new moon] is used to describe the time period between one new moon to another. The so-called Jewish names for the months [which some are found in the Bible] came out of Babylon, except for Abib [Aviv] which describes a condition of ripe grain or barley. 3. Times. Again YAHWEH uses the word seasons to describe his festivals. YAHWEH condemns the observance of times [see Leviticus 19:26] in the Bible, which is using the zodiac to predict or explain events in your life. 4. Years. YAHWEH uses the word Jubilee and the Land Sabbath and otherwise he uses numbers to describe his years. The world uses names I.E. the year of the horse, the year of the dragon, the year of the Olympics, the year of the child, etc.

These are not YAHWEH'S feasts, Sabbaths, new moons or Jubilees that Paul is talking

about. But they are the paganism that the Galatian believers came out of.

YAHWEH SAYS NOW THAT I KNOW YOU AND YOU KNOW ME, DON'T TURN BACK TO THE WORLD'S WEAK AND BEGGARLY ELEMENTS (HOLIDAYS AND EVENTS]. WHY WILL YOU AGAIN RETURN TO THE BONDAGE OF THEIR LIES AND PAGANISM.

WHAT DOES THE TERM <u>UNDER THE LAW</u> MEAN?

In Galatians 4:21 and in other places throughout Galatians and in Romans we find this term **UNDER THE LAW**. What does this term mean? Does it mean the law is done away, if you are not under the law? The quick answer to this latter question is, **no YAHWEH'S LAW is not done away.** Now what law is this verse talking about? Remember we can identify at least five different laws [see page 29 for an explanation] in Galatians. This **cannot** be the Ten Commandments and other laws that identify or describe what sin is. This **can** be and is legalistic Judaism's oral law [traditions of the elders or fathers, sometimes call the Law of Moses which it is not]. It is the added law of animal sacrifices, and also of circumcision. Salvation cannot be achieved or attained by **interweaving** [as the Greek word nacak, S.C. #5259, means, but translated as <u>under</u>] Judaism's oral law, animal sacrifices or circumcision with faith in the sacrifice of YAHSHUA MESSIAH.

Remember Judaism's oral law [traditions] makes the "WORD OF YAHWEH of none effect," and sacrificing animals for sin is an abomination when YAHSHUA'S sacrifice "once for all" is the only thing that will pay the price for your sins. And what does circumcision [the cutting off of a small piece of skin or flesh] have to do with salvation [more about this when we get to Galatians, chapter five]? Go back and review Galatians 2:4, "the false brethren who came in to bring us into bondage again." They are the same false brethren who in Acts 15:1&5 wanted the Gentile converts to be physically circumcised for salvation.

Review also Galatians 3:26-4:7 and realize that the ekklesia [Greek spelling], the called out ones, the body of believers, who are MESSIAH'S, Abraham's seed [SPIRITUAL ISRAEL], heirs of the promises, are redeemed [bought back] from legalistic Judaism's traditions, animal sacrifices, and the physical act of circumcision. Therefore we are under no obligation to interweave legalistic Judaism's traditions, animal sacrifices and/or physical circumcision into our faith in YAHWEH ELOHIM or YAHSHUA'S sacrifice for our sins.

THE ALLEGORY OF HAGAR AND HER SON AND SARAH AND HER SON ISAAC FOUND IN GALATIANS 4:22-31 SHOWS THAT WE [THE EKKLESIA] ARE THE CHILDREN OF PROMISE. THEREFORE [GALATIANS 5:11 STAND FAST IN THE LIBERTY OF MESSIAH AND BE NOT ENTANGLED IN THE BONDAGE OF LEGALISTIC JUDAISM'S TRADITIONS, ANIMAL SACRIFICES AND PHYSICAL CIRCUMCISION FOR SALVATION. Galatians 5:2 is saying if you be [physically] circumcised [for salvation], MESSIAH profits you nothing. Physical circumcision for hygienic reasons is a good thing to do, but it has nothing to do with salvation.

WHAT DOES THE PHYSICAL CUTTING OFF OF A SMALL PIECE OF SKIN OR FLESH FROM THE MALE SEX ORGAN, AT AGE EIGHT DAYS, HAVE TO DO WITH SALVATION? ABSOLUTELY NOTHING. THE BABY IS TO YOUNG TO KNOW WHAT REPENTANCE IS ALL ABOUT.

This author knows all the arguments about circumcision hitting the man where some of his biggest sinful problems are. These arguments hold no water when compared to real RIGHTEOUS REPENTANCE. Moses knew what circumcision really meant, in Deuteronomy 10:16 he says, "Circumcise...the foreskin of your heart..." and in Deuteronomy 30:6 "YAHWEH your ELOHIM will circumcise your heart..." Jeremiah 4:4 says, "Circumcise yourselves to YAHWEH, and take away the foreskins of your heart..." Romans 2:29 says, "circumcision is of the heart, in the spirit..." We must worship the FATHER in spirit and in truth, as John 4:23-24 clearly says. Philippines 3:3 says, "We are the circumcision which worship YAHWEH in the spirit and have no confidence in the flesh." And Colossians 2:11 says, "...you are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off.., the sins of the flesh..."

With Old Testament scriptures like the three mentioned above and more, and with YAHSHUA'S instruction about worshipping THE FATHER in spirit and truth. the apostles and elders, came to a relatively easy decision to see through the circumcision argument [See Acts 15:1, 5 and other scriptures.].

In Galatians 5:4-5 Paul repeats the same thing he said in Galatians 2:16 [but in different words]. MESSIAH is become of no effect **[you are fallen from grace]**, if you think you can be justified by keeping the law [any law], without faith in the sacrifice of YAHSHUA MESSIAH. Remember Romans 2:13 "... The doers of the law **shall be** justified." The words **shall be** indicating something else has to be added at a later time. That something else is **FAITH IN THE SACRIFICE OF YAHSHUA MESSIAH, AS FULL PAYMENT FOR OUR SINS.**

THE WRITINGS OF THE APOSTLE PAUL, ALTHOUGH HARD TO UNDERSTAND AT TIMES [SEE II PETER 3:15-16] NEVER CONFLICT WITH OR CONTRADICT HIS OTHER LETTERS, NOR WITH THE OTHER BIBLE WRITERS. IN JAMES 2:14-26, JAMES TAKES THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS ISSUE OF WORKS VERSUS FAITH. JAMES DOESN'T REFUTE WHAT PAUL SAYS BUT SHOWS THAT THE <u>RIGHT</u> <u>KIND OF WORKS</u> [THERE ARE WRONG WORKS], PROVE YOUR FAITH. JAMES 2:24 ANSWERS ALL THE QUESTIONS BY STATING (INSPIRED BY YAHWEH ELOHIM] THAT IT TAKES FAITH AND WORKS TO BE JUSTIFIED. THIS IS THE

SAME THING PAUL SAID [SEE THE PARAGRAPH ABOVE AND PAGES 8 & 9 FOR UNDERSTANDING].

We return to the subject of circumcision in Galatians 5:12, where Paul says he wishes that those who trouble you about circumcision, were castrated [cut off]. The Greek word for cut is S.C.# 609 [apokopto] meaning to amputate or mutilate [the privy parts]. In Galatians 6:13 Paul says, "they who are circumcised don't really keep the law," but "they who desire for you to be circumcised, do so to glory in your flesh," or to **put you through the misery**. Verse 15 says, that neither circumcision nor un-circumcision avails [means, or accounts for] anything. But being a new creature [being converted] accounts for a whole lot, it justifies you. Turn to I Corinthians 7:19 for another comment about the subject, where Paul says, "Circumcision is nothing and un-circumcision is nothing, but **the keeping of the commandments of YAHWEH.**" Tyndale's New Testament quotes this as "**the keeping of the commandments of YAHWEH is altogether.**" Altogether means completely, thoroughly, in agreement, all things considered the thing to do.

This author has devoted seventeen pages of this booklet, to the book of Galatians, because it is probably the hardest of the books of the Bible to understand. There is still more to learn and understand, but I leave that for your own individual study.

EPHESIANS, THE APOSTLES AND PROPHETS ARE THE FOUNDATION OF OUR BELIEFS. THE YAH FAMILY IS REVEALED. HUSBANDS AND WIVES A TYPE OF MESSIAH AND THE ASSEMBLY.

In our study of law and grace the first scripture of significance found in Ephesians is 1:22-23, where we find that YAHSHUA MESSIAH is the head of the assembly [the ekklesia, the called out ones]. The ekklesia is called his body. Every "body" that has a head attached to it does what

that head tells it to do. It believes what that head believes, and it thinks what that head thinks. If that head says "Don't think that I am come to destroy the law," then that body should not think that the law is done away [destroyed]. That body should not look for ways to circumvent the clear commands of its head, E.I. "Remember the Sabbath [seventh] Day to keep it kodesh." If a part of the body, with a legacy [see page 10] of not keeping the laws of YAHWEH, continues in that erroneous vein, then it shrivels up and spiritually dies

YAHSHUA MESSIAH IS THE HEAD OF THE BODY OF BELIEVERS. HE CAN BE YOUR HEAD ALSO BUT ONLY IF YOU KEEP ALL OF HIS COMMANDMENTS [SEE I JOHN 2:3-5]. YAHSHUA WILL NOT ACCEPT LIARS INTO HIS KINGDOM AS REVELATION 22:14-15 SAYS. Listen to the clear words of YAHSHUA as found in John 15:4-6 & 10. As the head of the body he is also THE VINE, we are the branches. "...The branch **cannot bear fruit [cannot change doctrines]** of itself..." "...Without me you can do nothing." "If a man [part of the body] abide not [changes doctrines or sins] in me, he is cast forth withered...cast into the fire...and...burned." Verse 10, "If you **keep my commandments**, you shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my FATHER'S commandments, and abide in his love." The commandments YAHSHUA wants us to keep are found in Exodus 20:1-17, The Ten Commandments, and they include the 7th day Sabbath. There is no such thing as **New Testament Commandments** that are different from the Ten Commandments, as revealed in the Old Testament. There are additional commandments given in the New Testament that are to be added to and in total harmony with those given in the Old Testament but **there are not two separate sets of commandments**.

Ephesians 2:8-10 is the next scripture for us to examine. Verses 8 & 9 say that salvation [being saved] is YAHWEH'S gift. <u>Any gift is something you do not or can not work for</u>. This gift of salvation comes as a result of YAHWEH'S grace [divine favor, undeserved pardon], because you have faith in the shed blood **of** YAHSHUA OUR SAVIOUR. Please note that it is **not blind faith** in nothingness, but it is **specific faith** in the SAVIOUR'S SHED BLOOD, as the sacrifice for our past sins.

Verse 10 refutes the **no works** legacy [see page 10] of the Protestants. "We are created in MESSIAH YAHSHUA unto [to do] good works [those good works include keeping the Ten Commandments and YAHWEH'S laws, preaching the good news of the kingdom of YAHWEH and works of charity], YAHWEH [THE FATHER]...ordained that we should walk [do good works] in them."

LET THE BIBLE INTERPRET ITSELF. THIS IS A MAJOR RULE FOR UNDERSTANDING AND INTERPRETING THE BIBLE. BIBLE STUDENTS GO ASTRAY WHEN THEY PLACE THEIR INTERPRETATION, BASED ON THEIR PET DOCTRINES OR IDEAS, UPON THE SCRIPTURES.

Armed with this rule for Biblical understanding let us now examine Ephesians 2:15. The key to understanding this verse is to know the meaning of the word enmity. Romans 8:7 defines "the carnal mind as enmity [at war with, at odds with, against] YAHWEH: for it is not subject to the law of YAHWEH, neither indeed can be." Let us now read Ephesians 2:13-16 [noting that however well intentioned the translators were, the insertion of italicized words often, as in verse 15, distort the meaning YAHWEH intended. "YAHSHUA MESSIAH...having abolished the enmity [hatred] for [not 'even'] the law of commandments and [not 'contained in,] ordinances; for to make in himself...one new man [converted]...having slain the enmity."

What was slain on the stake was YAHSHUA MESSIAH and the **enmity [hatred]** for the law of commandments. And through the **New Testament** [read carefully Hebrews 9:11-17] YAHSHUA is able to put his laws into our minds, and write them in our hearts [see Hebrews 8:10 & 10:16]. The New Testament [Covenant] allows us to love YAHWEH'S law and commandments, through the indwelling of his KODESH SPIRIT.

This marrying together of the Old Covenant law, commandments and ordinances with the New Covenant [Testament] grace [undeserved pardon for sin through the shed blood of YAHSHUA MESSIAH, allows us to be "fitly framed together into an **kodesh temple in YAHWEH**" [Ephesians 2:20-22]. And we "are built upon the foundation of the Apostles [New Testament] and Prophets [Old Testament], YAHSHUA MESSIAH himself being the chief corner." What do you place at the chief corner of a building? Answer: the main entrance into the building. YAHSHUA MESSIAH is the way, the truth and the life, he is the entrance into the Father [see John 14:6], HE is the entrance into the Kodesh Temple.

The breaking down of the middle wall of partition [Ephesians 2:14], which is the mystery of Messiah [Ephesians 3:4-6] revealed by his kodesh Apostles [New Testament] and Prophets [Old Testament], allows the Gentiles to be fellow-heirs [spiritual Israelites], and of the same body [the Ekklesia, the Body of MESSIAH].

This mystery [Ephesians 3:9], this eternal purpose [Ephesians 3:11], is the cause [the reason] why we bow our knees [in complete reverence] unto the FATHER of our MASTER YAHSHUA MESSIAH. HE is also the FATHER of the whole FAMILY in heaven and earth and his name is **named upon us all** [Ephesians 3:14-15].

YAHWEH ELOHIM THE FATHER, IS THE FATHER, OF YAHSHUA MESSIAH, AND OF THE WHOLE FAMILY, AND HIS NAME IS NAMED UPON THEM. WE ARE THE FAMILY OF YAHWEH ELOHIM, MADE IN HIS IMAGE AND LIKENESS [GENESIS 1:26-27] AND NOW WITH HIS CHARACTER, MIND AND HIS LOVE.

YAHWEH IS NOT A TRINITY. YAHWEH IS NOT A TRINITY.

BOW YOUR KNEES UNTO THE FATHER OF THE YAHWEH ELOHIM FAMILY.

We must now go back and take a very close look at Ephesians 3:2 to get its fullest and accurate understanding. Quoting the verse it seems to say one thing but is actually saying something else. "...You have heard of the **dispensation of the grace of YAHWEH** which is given me to you-ward." What is the **dispensation of grace?** This verse has been misunderstood and is misused to create **the FALSE DOCTRINE OF DISPENSATIONALISM. DISPENSATIONALISM** is the false concept that there is a religious economy [the interaction of an organized system] prevailing at any given time, E.I. the Mosaic dispensation, the dispensation of grace, the dispensation of the Kingdom etc. It's not that history and the future can be divided into

periods of time that is the problem. The problem is that the **dispensationalists** inaccurately claim that YAHWEH ELOHIM changes his method or criteria in what he requires for their salvation. Hence we get the false concept of **LAW OR GRACE**, which is law under the Mosaic dispensation, grace and no law under the dispensation of grace.

MANKIND HAS ALWAYS HAD YAHWEH'S LAW WHICH DEFINES SIN AND MANKIND HAS ALWAYS NEEDED YAHWEH'S GRACE WHICH IS UNDESERVED PARDON FOR TRANSGRESSIONS AGAINST YAHWEH'S LAW AND COMMANDMENTS [REVIEW PAGES FIVE THROUGH EIGHT IF THIS IS NOT CLEAR IN YOUR MIND].

Let us go **back now and see what** Ephesians 3:2 really says. The meaning of the word dispensation is, S.C. #3622, to be an administrator, a steward, and one who dispenses or doles out. Now let us make the verse more easily understood. **You have heard that YAHWEH has given to me the responsibility [stewardship] of dispensing [giving] to you** his **grace.** When properly understood we see that Ephesians 3:2 has nothing to do with periods of time in history but with fulfilling his responsibility as a good steward or administrator.

Ephesians 4:1-16 is a rich portion of scripture having a great depth of meaning for all the ekklesia [body of believers, called out ones]. Verse one shows that each one of us is called into a vocation [a full-time profession not a part-time job] and this profession is worthy of our total commitment, our willing and voluntary enslavement. Verse 3 [the mission statement] says we are to work hard [it is extremely hard work, and it is our life's work] to keep the unity of the SPIRIT [OF YAHWEH] in the bond of peace. Verses 4-6 show the oneness and unity of our calling in the ekklesia [body of believers].

Verses 7-16 of Ephesians, chapter four, opens up the subject of the gifts that were given to the ekklesia, for the purpose of keeping unity. Starting out with the greatest gift of all, the RIGHTEOUS FAVOR [grace] we have all been given. which is the gift of YAHSHUA MESSIAH'S life as payment for our sins. Verse eight says these gifts were foretold by YAHWEH'S prophets of old [see Psalm 68:18-21].

Verse 11 tells what some of these gifts are. Please note that although they are very powerful and important gifts they are **not offices of dominion and authority** [See Matthew 20:25-28]. **Apostles**, an ambassador of the good news, one who is sent forth to represent YAHSHUA MESSIAH. **Prophets**, one who speaks with inspired speaking, whether about the future or spiritual matters. **Evangelists**, a preacher of the good news. **Pastors**, a shepherd, one who cares for the needs of the flock. **Teachers**, an instructor, master, one who teaches the principles of the oracles of YAHWEH ELOHIM [see Hebrews 5:12].

Verses 12-16 tell the purposes for these gifts. **1.** That the saints might be **perfected. 2.**

The ministry is to work to edify [to improve spiritually by instruction] the body of MESSIAH. 3. The mission statement is repeated, till we all come in the unity of the faith [be of one mind in our doctrinal beliefs]. 4. Till we be of one mind [unified] about the knowledge of the SON OF YAHWEH. 5. As a people being perfected that we measure up to the fullness of the statue of MESSIAH. 6. The ministry guards the children of YAHWEH against deceivers who blow ill winds of false doctrine, by the sleight [magical tricks] of men, with their cunning [deceitful guile] craftiness. These things toss the immature believer to and fro, meaning they try to get the believer to do and believe their [the deceiver's] pet beliefs, which often confuses the believer. There is a whole gamut of false doctrines that fall into the deceiver's pet beliefs category. This author would fill up a page or two just listing them. Everything from "Xmas" to Easter, circumcision to kosher, calling you a commandment breaker for not saying YAHSHUA in Hebrew to thinking that righteousness is wearing a beard. Remember the gist of this booklet is that the blood of YAHSHUA MESSIAH cleanses us from all unrighteousness which is defined by the commandments and laws of YAHWEH. Unrighteousness is not defined by the Talmud, the oral law, the Southern Baptist code of conduct [no drinking, card playing, dancing or movie going], or the Roman Catholic catechism. Remember the KISS principle: KEEP IT SIMPLE STUPID. YAHWEH'S way of life is through the law of liberty as James 2:12 calls it and in Romans 14:22 it says "...Happy is he that condemns not himself in that thing [its not talking about sin] which he allows." Don't turn YAHWEH'S way of life into a whole bunch of do's and don'ts, as the Pharisees did. 7. It is a gift of the ministry to speak the truth in love. 8. To help the body of believers to grow up [mature] in all things, like MESSIAH who is the Head of the Body. 9. That the whole body may be fitly [properly] joined together. 10. Effectually working together using the gifts of what every person supplies. 11. Seeing that the **body increases** spiritually, in love and in numbers as YAHWEH gives the increase. 12. Edifying itself in love.

The gifts of YAHWEH'S true ministry are designed to keep the body of YAHSHUA in perfect harmony, growing, loving the truth and each other until the glorious return of YAHSHUA HA

MESHIACH. May he bless each one of us to see this truth and use our gifts [whatever they be] to glorify our HEAVENLY FATHER and to edify the body.

Ephesians 5:21-33 gives us much rich instruction concerning the marriage relationship, however the key to this instruction is revealed in verse 32 where it says that these instructions and this understanding is first of all and more fully applicable to MESSIAH and the assembly [ekklesia, body of believers]. With MESSIAH as the head of the assembly [verse 23] he is also the husband of his wife [at his return], and that wife is subject to and submits to her husband, fully and completely.

It must be fully understood that the Apostle Paul is neither the head of the body nor the husband of the wife. He is a member of the body and he is a part of the wife and as such we are under no obligation to obey Paul if he were to try to supersede Messiah [the Head of the body, the husband]. We follow Paul as he follows MESSIAH, just like he asks us to do in I Corinthians

11:1 and Philippians 3:17 and because he has the gift of an apostle.

So when YAHSHUA THE HEAD OF THE BODY, THE HUSBAND OF THE WIFE, asks us to "**THINK NOT THAT I AM COME TO DESTROY THE LAW**," we then as the body of believers, the wife, submit our thinking to and subject ourselves to our HUSBAND, THE HEAD OF THE BODY. The wife does not think that the law [Ten Commandments) is destroyed or done away. And we follow the Apostle Paul because his position as found in I Corinthians 9:21 is that, he is not without law to YAHWEH, but under [in obedience to] the law [Ten Commandments] to MESSIAH.

PHILIPPIANS: FOR TO ME TO LIVE IS MESSIAH. PAUL DENOUNCES JUDAISM AND PHARISEEISM AS INADEQUATE FOR SALVATION. I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH YAHSHUA.

The epistle to the Philippians is one of Paul's latter epistles and as such shows his spiritual maturity and the mind of an aging believer whose whole purpose is to live to please his saviour. Philippians 1:21 says it all when Paul says, "For to me to live is Messiah..." We have all known maturing believers whose sole purpose is to get to know YAHWEH and YAHSHUA as deeply as possible and to glorify the FAMILY OF YAH with all that they say, think and do [see Psalm 19:14]. This gracious attitude seems, for the most part, to escape younger believers.

Philippians 3:1-11 & 14 is a conclusion that Paul has reached as he reflects upon his life as he has put it into the service of YAHSHUA MESSIAH. "In the final analysis..." Paul starts out warning them of three different types of false prophets. **1. Beware of dogs.** This cannot mean the Gentiles [the self-righteous Jews called the Gentiles dogs], seeing as Paul was writing to the Gentile believers in Philippi. The word dog in Greek only means dog as in the four-legged animal. Let's allow the scriptures to interpret what it means. In Matthew 7:6 YAHSHUA says "Give not that which is kodesh [of spiritual value] to the dogs, neither cast your pearls [a thing of value] before swine, lest they trample them [treat with disrespect] under their feet, and turn again and rend you [accuse you of causing their bad fortune]." And in II Peter 2:20-22 we find that there are people who understand salvation and all that it means but because of weakness, wickedness or addiction they return to the pollution of the world. YAHWEH calls them dogs that return again to their own vomit. A "spiritual dog" therefore is a person who disrespects YAHWEH'S kodesh things and kodesh truth by going back to the pollution [sins] of the world. 2. Beware of evil workers. There is much evil in the world and it all needs to be avoided but this is referring to those who go out of their way to do evil to the ekklesia [body of believers] or to the truths of YAHWEH. 3. Beware of the concision. This is the only place in the Bible where this word is used. Its meaning is to cut up or to mutilate. Can it be referring to circumcision? Only in the vaguest sense, if at all. This author believes it refers to those who twist and pervert the scriptures, to those who mutilate the meaning by suggesting it means something other than what is easily

understood. They say the Bible is figurative when it always means what it says and says what it means, unless you are forced to accept it as figurative. E.I. Romans 8:36 says, "...For thy sake we are killed all the day long..." How come we are still alive if we are killed all the daylong? Do you see how we are forced into accepting it as figurative language? The serious Bible student does not allow himself the liberty to declare any portion of scripture to be figurative, especially to fit the pet theory or concept of what he thinks it should mean.

Paul's warning to beware of these three kinds of evil people should weigh heavily upon us. We cannot fellowship with all people as II John 7-11 and I Corinthians 5:9-13 clearly show us. Just because they say they believe the Bible doesn't mean we take them for wholesome brothers. We must give them time to declare what and how they believe what they believe, and eventually they will prove whether they are false teachers or not.

Let us go back to Philippians 3:3 where is says "...we are the circumcision which worship YAHWEH in the spirit..." In John 4:23-24 YAHSHUA says, "...they that worship him [YAHWEH] **must** worship him in **spirit** and in **truth**." Circumcise your hearts is what spiritual circumcision means. Moses said it in Deuteronomy 10:16 & 30:6 and Paul repeated it in Romans 2:29.

WE HAVE NO CONFIDENCE IN THE FLESH. WHY? BECAUSE WE WORSHIP YAHWEH IN THE SPIRIT. BEING A FLESH AND BLOOD MODERN DAY ISRAELITE DOES NOT <u>GIVE</u> US SALVATION BUT IT DOES GIVE US GREAT UNDERSTANDING OF THE BIBLE AND ITS PROPHECIES.

As we continue on in Philippians 3:4 we see that Paul says that he has a whole lot of physical [in the flesh] qualifications. Circumcised the eighth day, making him Old Covenant compliant. Good Israelite lineage, making him a Hebrew of the Hebrews. Religiously he was a Pharisee in the religion of Judaism [See Galatians 1:13-14 and pages 23 & 24 of this booklet,]. His zeal led him to persecute the ekklesia [true body of believers] because he thought they were a cult of deceivers.

In verse six he said he was blameless in trying to achieve righteousness by law keeping alone. It must be remembered that the Pharisees had added thousands of additional do's and don'ts to the laws of YAHWEH. Additions which YAHSHUA said in Mark 7:6-13 made the Word of YAHWEH of no effect. This reference in verse 6 to the law cannot mean the Ten Commandments because in verse 8 Paul calls them dung. Paul did not call YAHWEH'S COMMANDMENTS dung, in one epistle, and KODESH, JUST and GOOD in another epistle [see Romans 7:12 & 16]. Regardless of what law or laws Paul was referring to, it is certain that without a personal relationship with YAHSHUA HA MESHIACH and applying the blood of his sacrifice as full payment for his [our] sins, salvation and the ensuing resurrection from the dead cannot be achieved. Paul makes us powerfully aware of this in verse 10 when he says "That I may know him

[YAHSHUA], and the power of his resurrection..."

In Philippians 4:13 Paul gives this word of encouragement and assurance that "I can do all things through YAHSHUA which strengthens me." It is as though Paul and YAHSHUA want us all [whatever age we live in] to know that we can overcome every sin and keep his Commandments, and achieve the resurrection of the dead, through YAHSHUA HA MESHIACH.

COLOSSIANS: THE FIVE WARNINGS OF CHAPTER TWO, THE HANDWRITING ORDINANCES [THE DEATH PENALTY] WAS BLOTTED OUT AND THE SABBATH, KODESH DAYS AND NEW MOONS FORE-SHADOW [PICTURE] THINGS TO COME, WITHOUT WHICH CANNOT KNOW, IN ITS COMPLETENESS, YAHWEH'S PLAN OF SALVATION FOR ALL MANKIND, FOR ALL TIME.

The **five warnings** are found in chapter two, verse four, eight, sixteen, eighteen and twenty and when fully understood it becomes very apparent that the warnings apply more today than they did nearly two thousand years ago.

In Matthew 24:3 in the famous and much discussed Olivet Prophecy the disciples asked YAHSHUA, "...what shall be the sign of [what would identify] your coming, and of the end of the world?" Verse four starts off with a warning, the same warning as Colossians chapter two, "Take heed [be warned] that no man deceive you." Verse five, "Many [not a few, not a small number]" will call themselves Believers ["come in my name"], admitting or declaring that YAHSHUA is the MESSIAH and shall deceive many." Verse 10 says, ". . . many [not the few] shall be offended [leave the ekklesia, the body of believers], shall betray one another, and shall hate one another." Verse 11 says, "many [not the few] false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many [not the few]." THIS IS ALREADY HAPPENING. MAY YAHWEH ELOHIM GIVE THE READER EYES TO SEE AND EARS TO HEAR.

Acts 20:28-31 tells where most of these **false prophets** will come from. "...Of <u>your</u> <u>own selves</u> shall men arise, speaking perverse [lies, deceptions] things, to draw away disciples after them."

The **failing away** [from the truth] of II Thessalonians 2:3 has already occurred [Was this the type or the final fulfillment? When 100,000 +- depart from the truths of the ekklesia it is noteworthy] and is continuing to occur. Verse four has been fulfilled [in some form or another] by the now deceased leader [the one who followed Herbert W. Armstrong] of the Worldwide Church of GOD [hereinafter referred to as WCG], the one who took a position above YAHWEH by declaring that the KODESH COMMANDMENTS OF YAHWEH ELOHIM were voluntary. A **love of the truth** is seriously lacking with **delusion and lies** running rampant, in those who once had the truth. And the toll of

deception is causing damnation in those who ceased to believe **the truth**, as verses 10-12 so clearly says to those whose **eyes can see and ears can hear**.

NOW FOR THE FIVE WARNINGS OF COLOSSIANS CHAPTER TWO.

1. Colossians 2:4, 7 says, be warned, **not to let any man beguile [having a hidden agenda] you with <u>enticing</u> words. Rooted and built up in YAHSHUA, and established in the**

faith. as you have been taught. The deceptive "Oneness of Yahweh" doctrine fits in here real well. YAHWEH is a FAMILY as Ephesians 3:14-15 clearly says. Don't be beguiled or deceived by this deception. YAHWEH ELOHIM reveals himself in the plural [as a family] 487 times, between Genesis 1:1 and Deuteronomy 6:4, over a period of 1550 years. Then in Deuteronomy 6:4 because of misunderstanding the Hebrew word 'echad' which has 20 legitimate meanings, two of which are 'alone' or **'only'** [reread the verse substituting the word one with alone or only and see how different a meaning you get]. Who gave Judaism the right to pick which one of the twenty meanings they wanted to pick? Stop looking to Judaism for truth, they were dead wrong about rejecting YAHSHUA MESSIAH as the ANOINTED ONE, and Judaism still to this day rejects YAHSHUA as the ANOINTED ONE. YAHSHUA said Judaism's teachers were vain teachers, substituting their own traditions for the truths [commandments] of YAHWEH as Mark 7:1-13 clearly says. Learn to recognize from the pages of the Bible where the truths of YAHWEH ELOHIM are taught. I Timothy 3:15 says that "the assembly [ekklesia, body of believers] of the living ELOHIM [is] the pillar and ground [foundation, under girding] of the truth." Stop looking to groups outside of the true body of believers with every wind of doctrine [Ephesians 4:14], whereby they lie in wait to deceive.

2.Verse 8, of Colossians 2, says Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit [doctrinal lies], after the tradition of men, after the rudiments [teachings] of the world. How many remember when WCG presented the "God Is" booklet with the lies of the Trinity all dressed up in deception? And now we have a new deceiver on the scene, the founder of the Association of Christian Development of Federal Way, Washington, who says that YAHSHUA MESSIAH IS NOT AND NEVER HAS BEEN ELOHIM. How many of us could refute this fallacious lie? How many will miss the warning of YAHSHUA and the Apostle Paul and fall for this one by saying, "let's see what he has to say," thereby being sucked into the vortex of error?

3.Colossians 2:16, warns us not to allow the judgment of any man [regardless of his position] to deter us from properly keeping the Sabbath, the Kodesh days or the New Moons [YAHWEH ELOHIM'S CALENDAR]. Man has cleverly devised a "Calculated Calendar" which is at odds with YAHWEH'S TRUE CALENDAR. [Contact us for our free booklet entitled "The Calendar of GOD, Revealed in the Bible."]

4.Verse 18, of Colossians 2, warns us again of men who beguile [having a hidden agenda]. This warning is about voluntary humility. What is "voluntary humility?" As a

young man in Protestantism I heard over and over again that you have to give up the "**self**" and the "**ego**," that it is offensive to YAHWEH. I could never justify it or fit it into the true teachings of the Bible. We are not to be self-willed [to the exclusion of having YAHWEH'S will act and react in our lives], but we are to develop all and everything [our gifts] we are. If we compare Matthew 25:14-30, Luke 19:11-27, Hebrews 2:5-8, Revelation 2:26-27 and many other scriptures we will see that mankind was created for ruler-ship and is offered as a reward for overcoming to have power over nations and cities and YAHWEH'S creation.

The word **ego** means in its purest form that **desire in man to become ELOHIM**. Ego is not wrong, what is wrong is an inflated ego, that wants to become ELOHIM now [like Lucifer did in Isaiah 14:12-14], or wants to become ELOHIM outside of YAHWEH'S parameters [outside of YAHWEH'S laws, love and serving in YAHWEH'S ways].

The concept of losing the self, the ego and going into nothingness is a false or voluntary humility. True humility is understanding who we are, compared to what and who YAHWEH is, and then realizing we are on the same level as every other human being, therefore we are no better or worse than any other, except as YAHWEH'S grace and favor gives us a RIGHTEOUS relationship. Colossians 2:23 says this **voluntary humility** [with its do's and don'ts] has a show or appearance of being wise but is really a worship of the human will; and it seems to be humble but is really "**penance**" in disguise; and is a neglecting of the body [a putting down of the self and ego]. If we can put down the self and the ego well enough, we can earn salvation. The whole concept is false and phony.

5.The fifth warning comes in Colossians 2:20-22. Why do those who have turned to YAHSHUA for salvation turn back to the rudiments and ordinances of the world, which are the commandments and doctrines of men? Same problems as Mark 7:1-13 reveals. That the Pharisees had hundreds and thousands of additional **do's and don'ts** called the oral law, later called the Talmud [really means Tall Mud] and other names, which do nothing but divert the attention of the believer away from the truths of YAHWEH and true salvation.

In Colossians 2:14 we read about a handwriting of ordinances that was against us, being nailed to the tree. This cannot be the Ten Commandments or the Law of YAHWEH seeing as they give us the definition of sin [see Romans 3:2 & 7:7 and I John 3:4] and tell us how to love our fellow man [I John 5:2-31. In Galatians 3:13 we read that YAHSHUA MESSIAH redeemed us from the **curse of the law**. The Law of YAHWEH is not the curse but the death penalty that is impose upon us for our sins is the curse. YAHSHUA is made a curse for us meaning he died for our sins. He was cursed because he was hanged upon a tree [stauros, stake] to pay the penalty for your sins.

Back to Colossians 2:14 where we read that a handwriting of ordinances that was

against us... was nailed to his tree [stauros, stake]. According to the story of the crucifixion the only thing that was nailed to the stauros [stake] was YAHSHUA. And through his shed blood [faith in his blood] our past sins are paid for [see Romans 3:24-25]. The handwriting of ordinances that was against us was the list of sins that we had committed with each one holding the death penalty [the curse of the law] over our heads. YAHSHUA OUR SAVIOUR took our curse [death penalty], took the handwriting of ordinances, the list of our sins and paid for them by being nailed to the stake [stauros] for each one of us and that is what Colossians 2:14 is telling us.

As we look at one more scripture in Colossians 2:16-17, we look at a major spiritual understanding. Whereas the Protestants try to use this scripture to show that the Sabbath, Kodesh Days and the New Moons are set aside or done away with since the first coming of YAHSHUA MESSIAH. [That YAHSHUA MESSIAH is the embodiment or fulfillment of these days and therefore we don't have to keep them.] But what this scripture actually says is the opposite of being fulfilled, set aside or done away.

Colossians 2:16-17 says that the Sabbaths, Kodesh Days and New Moon Days [YAHWEH'S KODESH CALENDAR], are a shadow [picture] of things to come. In other words, if you don't keep the Sabbath, Kodesh Days and New Moon Days and understand them as fully as is possible you do not fully understand **Bible Prophecy**. The fact of the matter is you misunderstand Bible Prophecy. To misunderstand Bible Prophecy means you don't really know what the future holds.

YAHWEH'S KODESH SABBATH

The **Sabbath** keepers know that the Sabbath is a memorial to creation [see Genesis 2:1-3], and that it pictures [foreshadows] the millennial rule [Hebrews 4:1-11 describes the type of the weekly Sabbath rest as it pictures the millennial, seventh, one thousand years rest] of YAHSHUA MESSIAH and that the KINGDOM OF HEAVEN [NOT IN HEAVEN] will be the ruling government. And that the reward of the saved is rulership in the KINGDOM OF HEAVEN OR YAHWEH [see Revelation 20:4-6, Daniel 7:13-14 & 27 and Luke 19:11-27]. The Sunday or whatever-other-day-keepers think they are going to heaven, or be recycled through some sort of reincarnation, but neither concept can be biblically substantiated.

THE KODESH DAYS

The Kodesh Day keepers know that each of the Kodesh Days is another step in YAHWEH ELOHIM'S plan for the salvation of all mankind, covering all time and that no one is left without an opportunity for salvation. As we look at each kodesh day [solemn occasion] we will see that it reveals [foreshadows] this step by step timetable of salvation.

PASSOVER

As the ancient Israelites in Egyptian captivity were spreading the blood of the slain lamb

on the doorposts and lintel on that first **Passover**, they thought it was for the slaying of the Egyptian firstborn and the passing over of their firstborn. It took some fifteen hundred years before this foreshadowed event would reveal its complete understanding. That YAHSHUA would become our **Passover** as a blood sacrifice for our [the whole world's] sins. Compare Matthew 26:17-29, Luke 22:13-20, I Corinthians 11: 23-29 and I Corinthians 5:7 where it specifically says "...**MESSIAH our Passover is sacrificed for us.**" John 3:16 "For YAHWEH so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son [YAHSHUA HA MESHIACH], that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life," **IS THE PASSOVER MESSAGE.** The blood sacrifice of YAHSHUA MESSIAH for our sins is the first step in YAHWEH'S plan for the salvation of man.

THE DAYS OF UNLEAVENED BREAD

As the ancient Israelites walked out [a type of repentance] of Egypt [a type of sin] on the **First Kodesh Day of Unleavened Bread** [I Corinthians 5:8 says we are to keep the Feast of Unleavened Bread (a type of righteousness) with sincerity and truth, not with the leavened bread (a type of sin) of malice and wickedness], they were oblivious of its foreshadowed meaning. And ancient Israel passed through the Red Sea on the **Last Kodesh Day of Unleavened Bread**, which was their baptism [see I Corinthians 10:1-2] and as they came up out of the Red Sea [a type of a watery grave] to total salvation, leaving Egypt [sin] and Pharaoh [a type of Satan] behind forever. No one in ancient Israel knew that they were foreshadowing repentance and baptism for the ekklesia [true body of believers] who are spiritual Israel [see Galatians 3:29]. Jeremiah 16:14-15 shows conclusively that this first exodus is a foreshadow of a far greater, but yet future, exodus of modern day Israelites numbering in the hundreds of millions. Repentance is the second step in YAHWEH ELOHIM'S plan for the salvation of man.

THE WAVE SHEAF

The High Priest was asked by YAHWEH ELOHIM to **Wave a Sheaf of Ripe Grain** on the morrow after the weekly Sabbath during the Days of Unleavened Bread, and to count fifty days from that day to the Feast of Weeks [Pentecost]. As the sheaf of ripe grain was cut out of the field of living ripe grain even so YAHSHUA was cut off out of the land of the living [Isaiah 53:8]. No one knew that that **Sheaf of Ripe Grain** foreshadowed YAHSHUA MESSIAH as the first-fruits [I Corinthians 15:20-23] from the dead [born again from the dead, see John 3:3-9 especially the end of verse 6 where it says **if you are born of the spirit you are a spirit being].** Also I Corinthians 15:50 says a flesh and blood person cannot inherit the Kingdom of YAHWEH [cannot appear before THE FATHER in heaven]. YAHSHUA had become a spirit being again at his resurrection from the dead and as John 20:17 says, he had to go to the FATHER to be accepted by THE FATHER [fulfilling the **Waving of the Sheaf of Ripe Grain**], before Mary Magdalene could touch him.

On the year [31 AD] that YAHSHUA died, the Passover occurred on a Wednesday [the midst (middle) of the week as Daniel 9:27 says]. At about 3 P.M. [Matthew 27:46 & Luke

23:44-46 record his time of death to be about or a little after the ninth hour, with the day starting at 6 A.M. that would answer to our 3 P.M.] he succumbed to death on the stake. YAHSHUA was dead for seventy-two hours [three days and three nights as Matthew 12:38-40 gives as the sign of his Messiahship], so he was resurrected just before sunset [about or a little after 3 P.M.) three days later on the weekly Sabbath Day. The Sabbath Day that followed the Passover was the first Kodesh Day [High Sabbath Day as John 19:31 says] of Unleavened Bread. All four Evangel writers unanimously record that the tomb was already empty when the women and Peter and John came early morning on the first day of the week. Daniel 7:13-14 and Revelation 5:5-12 seem to be depicting this awesome event. Notice the words in Revelation 5:5, 9 & 12, "The LION OF JUDAH hath prevailed...Thou art worthy for thou was slain, and has redeemed us to YAHWEH by thy blood...Worthy is the LAMB...to receive power...honor and glory." The acceptance of YAHSHUA'S sacrifice and the disqualification of Satan [see Matthew 4:1-11 & Luke 4:1-13 for YAHSHUA'S victory] as the god of this world is the third step in YAHWEH ELOHIM'S plan of salvation for man.

THE FEAST OF WEEKS [PENTECOST]

As ancient Israel encamped around the base of Mt. Sinai after counting fifty days from the wave sheaf on the morrow after the Sabbath during the Days of Unleavened Bread, little did they know what they were foreshadowing. The Feast of Weeks [Pentecost in the Greek] found them receiving the Ten Commandments and what is known as the Old Covenant [see Exodus 20-24] which they agreed to and signed to it in blood. Some fifteen hundred years later on June 18, 31 AD, fifty days after YAHSHUA fulfilled the wave sheaf and was accepted by the FATHER the **power of YAHWEH'S KODESH SPIRIT [HIS KODESH MIND] was poured out upon those who would become his ekklesia.** Acts 2:1-4, 16-21 and 41-47 shows us that although YAHWEH'S SPIRIT was to be poured out on all people [in the last days], the purpose of this outpouring was to empower them to preach the good news and to add to the assembly [ekklesia] those who should be saved. This power enabled them to carry on YAHSHUA'S work [the preaching of the Good News of the Kingdom of YAHWEH] all the way up to and including today.

Back in Leviticus 23:15-21 we find that after the counting of fifty days from the wave sheaf [representing YAHSHUA'S acceptance after his resurrection] the Israelites were to bring two loaves [one representing the true converts in each of the old and new covenants] baked with leaven [typifying sin, not yet perfect]. The foreshadowing by Israel of these two loaves [verse 20] that were to be waved before YAHWEH [to be accepted] as the first-fruits [from the dead, I Corinthians 15:23] unto YAHWEH was not even understood. The word first fruits absolutely requires that there also be a second or later ripe fruits [period of salvation].

Romans 8:23 says we which have the first fruits of the SPIRIT...are waiting for the redemption of the body [resurrection, first fruits from the dead]. James 1:18 says we are a kind of first fruits of his creatures, meaning the YAH-KIND [YAHWEH is reproducing himself through us]. Revelation 14:3-4 shows that the 144,000 were redeemed from

among men, being the first fruits unto YAHWEH [THE FATHER] and to the LAMB [YAHSHUA MESSIAH]. There is a first resurrection as Revelation 20:4-6 clearly shows that is reserved for the first fruits from the dead. More about the second fruits when we get to the last Kodesh Day. The ekklesia [assembly, body of believers] is the fourth step in YAHWEH ELOHIM'S plan for the salvation of man.

THE FEAST OF TRUMPETS

There is very little mentioned about the **Feast of Trumpets** in the Old Testament outside of Leviticus 23:23-25. In Nehemiah 8:1-2 we read that Ezra the priest read from the book of the law on the first day of the seventh new moon which is the Feast of Trumpets. YAHWEH ELOHIM did give Moses instructions to make silver trumpets and to use the shophar [rams horn]. There were at least ten different reasons with different types of trumpet blasts to announce to or warn the people of various things and we can glean from them, tidbits of knowledge. Different trumpet blasts were given to give a warning of attack or war, to break camp and move, a call to general assembly, to announce the coming of the king, to announce sunset especially as the Sabbath began, the sighting of the new moon and the beginning of a new month and the call to Kodesh Convocation on the Sabbath and Kodesh Days; etc. In Isaiah 58:1 the call to repentance is likened to a trumpet blast. And in Joel 2:1 the prophetic Day of YAHWEH, preceded by the Great Tribulation, is announced by a trumpet blowing. In Joel 2:15 a trumpet is blown to sanctify a fast because of the impending disaster known as the time of Jacob's Trouble. What we glean from all this is that YAHWEH uses the trumpet to make great and small announcements and pronouncements. We need to take this knowledge into the New Testament and learn all be can from this rather small foreshadow. Although it is a small foreshadow the fulfillment is the greatest event of all time.

The **Feast of Trumpets** pictures the return of YAHSHUA MESSIAH. Let us first read Matthew 24:30-31 where we see that the return of YAHSHUA is marked by a **great sound of a trumpet**. And I Thessalonians 4:15-17 also marks the return of YAHSHUA with the trump [trumpet] of YAHWEH. I Corinthians 15:51-52 more clearly identifies this change we go through at the return of YAHSHUA, to be **at the last trump [trumpet]**, **for the trumpet shall sound [be blown]**. When is the last trumpet that will be blown? Is it man's last attempt to do it [bring the world peace] without YAHWEH as some scholars say, or is there really a last trumpet that will be blown? The Bible clearly shows us there really is a last trumpet that will be blown.

Revelation 8:1, 2 & 6 show us that there are seven angels that sound [blow] seven trumpets. These seven trumpets are called the seven trumpet plagues. In Revelation 11:15-19 the seventh angel sounds the seventh and last trumpet, which reveals the same information we have already read in the scriptures in the paragraph above. In verse 15 it says the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of YAHWEH AND YAHSHUA ELOHIM. In verse 18 it says this seventh trumpet is the time when YAHSHUA gives reward to his servants the prophets and to the saints. **The reward of the saints is everlasting life in the Kingdom of YAHWEH.** This greatest event of all

time will occur on a Feast of Trumpets, sometime in the future, year unknown. Unequivocally this world is in desperate need of one world government in the hands of a single world ruler. But that government can only be the Kingdom and government [see Isaiah 9:6-7] of YAHWEH ELOHIM, and that single world ruler can only be YAHSHUA THE ANOINTED ONE. In the hands of man world government would be a despotic nightmare.

It can be proven that YAHSHUA was not born anywhere near December 25 [contact us for our free audio tape showing when YAHSHUA was born] but in the early autumn season [the shepherds never stayed in the fields by night after October 15, it was the cold rainy season of the year]. The early autumn season is the time of the year when the Feast of Trumpets occurs. It isn't a far stretch to say that since YAHSHUA will return on the Feast of Trumpets, then doesn't it make sense that his first arrival occurred on the Feast of Trumpets also. But seeing as THE FATHER purposely hid the date so that it would not be turned into a day of revelry and debauchery such as XMAS is today, we will have to wait for YAHSHUA to return to reveal that tidbit of knowledge to us. The return of YAHSHUA is the fifth step in YAHWEH ELOHIM'S plan for the salvation of man.

THE DAY OF ATONEMENT

Next we come to the **Day of Atonement [Day of Reconciliation's].** It is also called the second Passover because of its concentration in dealing with the consciences of sin. Leviticus 23:26-32 tells us this day is ten days after the Feast of Trumpets. Using the Biblical day for a year understanding we have to count prophetic days [See Ezekiel 4:1-6,] we have to ask the question; does the fulfillment of the Day of Atonement come ten years after the return of YAHSHUA? Or does the return of YAHSHUA occur ten years before the next Jubilee year? Review Leviticus 25:8-12 to see that the Jubilee year does not follow the regular calendar year, but it runs from the Day of Atonement to the Day of Atonement; as does probably also the seventh year land Sabbath. This makes sense since the seven year land Sabbath cycle deals with harvesting food and the autumn season is the harvest season. Also many winter grains are planted in the autumn season. When is the next Jubilee year? Be it known that there are two schools of thought which this author is fully aware of and that we will leave that part of the subject which is tantamount to date setting, for another discussion.

The next thought we come upon in Leviticus 23:26-32 is that YAHWEH ELOHIM requires that we afflict [fast] our souls [bodies] for the entire day, from sunset to the next sunset.

The entire sixteenth chapter of Leviticus shows us how ancient Israel foreshadowed the coming event of the final fulfillment of the Day of Atonement. It was the only day of the entire [See verse two] year that the High Priest could enter the Kodesh of Kodesh where the Ark of the Covenant and the mercy seat [representing the throne of YAHWEH] were located. To go into the Kodesh of Kodesh on any other day meant certain death. **NOTE:** The orthodox Jewish Rabbis in their 1998 Jerusalem web page

said that when the temple would be built, they would go back to the **Crescent New Moon Calendar as revealed in the Bible**, before they would set foot in the temple on the wrong day. Contact us for our free booklet entitled "The Calendar of GOD Revealed in the Bible." YAHWEH is a KODESH ELOHIM and requires us to worship him according to his exacting standards, not ours. Read carefully Deuteronomy 12:29-32 & 13:1-5 and you will see that YAHWEH does not accept false worship even if it is done in his name.

The next point about the **Day of Atonement** is found in Leviticus 16:7-10 & 20-22. It is the subject of the two goats. Please note that it required the casting of lots [drawing straws, calling on YAHWEH to decide] to determine which goat was which. The average [meaning without YAHWEH'S SPIRIT] person cannot determine YAHWEH'S TRUTH from the deceptions of Satan the Devil [John 8:44 says Satan is a murderer, a liar and deceiver with no truth in him,] in the religious world. Revelation 12:9 says be "deceives the whole world." The whole world includes the religious world even the Christian world. Many Bible students who think they understand the truths of the Bible are in serious error when they compare their beliefs to what the Bible actually says.

This author is fully aware of the attempt to make both of these goats to represent YAHSHUA but nothing could be further from the truth. That deception is an attempt by Satan the Devil to appear as an angel of light [see II Corinthians 11:13-15]. The real understanding comes in knowing the meaning of the Hebrew word that is translated in English as scapegoat. Before we explore the meaning of the Hebrew word, it must be understood that the word goat has nothing to do with the meaning. The goat just happens to be the animal that YAHWEH chose to be used in this ceremonial sacrifice. Had YAHWEH chosen two lambs instead we would have had a different word, that of scapelamb. The Hebrew word for scapegoat is Azazel, and its only use is found in Leviticus 16 to describe this live goat. Azazel is a proper noun, a name and it should have been transliterated as such. It should not have been translated as scapegoat, which has evolved down to us today as "a person who is made to take the blame that rightly belongs to another" [See Webster's dictionary].

Gesenius' Hebrew Lexicon on page 617, using Strong's number 5799 says Azazel is the name of a very evil demon and that it means averter, to turn aside, to remove, to separate. The name Azazel of this evil demon is also found in the book of Enoch; the Ritual Laws of the Hebrews, by Spencer, and the proper explanation is given in the Septuagint. Knowing this we are led to only one conclusion. That Azazel can only represent Satan the devil, who has deceived the whole world [Revelation 12:91, therefore he is the author of all evil and sin, and as such all sin is placed upon his head [See Leviticus 16:21,]. The fact that the goat that represents Azazel is taken to a land that is uninhabited [the wilderness], leads us to understand that it is Satan the devil who is [future, after the return of YAHSHUA] to be held in restraint. Revelation 20:1-3 says in a place uninhabited [typified by the bottomless pit], it is safe to assume that there is no place in the universe without a bottom but there are "black holes." Black holes are also misnamed but are best described as a place of negative energy where even light is totally absorbed. To rid the earth of Satan and his negative, sinful influence is the sixth step in YAHWEH ELOHIM'S plan for the salvation of man.

THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES

Fifteen days after the Feast of Trumpets [seventh new moon] begins the **Feast of Tabernacles**, which stands for the millennial [1000 year] rule of YAHSHUA. Does the fifteen days mean that fifteen years after the return of YAHSHUA that the Kingdom of YAHWEH will have brought total peace and have established YAHWEH'S government and laws [Ten Commandments, see Micah 4:1-5] over the whole earth? Ancient Israel kept the **Feast of Tabernacles** very sporadically and although they foreshadowed the millennial rule of YAHSHUA they really did not realize what they were doing. The word tabernacle means to dwell, with YAHWEH wanting to dwell with his people. The millennial rule of YAHSHUA is when YAHSHUA ELOHIM will dwell with his people. After all human life is either made everlasting or is burned up in the lake of fire [because of their rebellion], sometime after the millennium is over, the HEAVENLY FATHER, YAHWEH will also tabernacle with his family. Revelation 21:3 says "...Behold the tabernacle of YAHWEH [THE FATHER] is with men, and he will dwell with them..."

The millennial rule of YAHSHUA is covered throughout the Bible. It will be the Garden of Eden revisited. We will not go to heaven as our reward, but heaven will come to the earth. Everlasting life for those who have overcome in this life today also called the first resurrection [See Revelation 20:4-6,]. With salvation [everlasting life] for almost everyone who lives during the millennium. YAHWEH'S way of life [including the keeping of all his righteous laws and Ten Commandments] will be kept and will prove to the whole world that YAHWEH'S way of life is far superior to Satan's and man's way of sin, competition and greed. The millennial rule of YAHSHUA and the Kingdom and Family of YAH is the seventh step in YAHWEH'S plan for the salvation of man.

THE LAST GREAT DAY

Leviticus 23:33-43 barely introduces us to a Kodesh Day on the eighth day of the feast of Tabernacles with little or no explanation of its meaning. In Nehemiah 8:18 we read that they kept the Feast of Tabernacles and on the **eighth day** was a solemn assembly, according to the manner [instruction]. Very little else is mentioned until we get to John 7:37-39 when YAHSHUA called it the **last day, that great day of the feast [hence The Last Great Day].** Like the Feast of Trumpets with very little mentioned in the Old Testament but foreshadowing the greatest event in human existence, even so **The Last Great Day** is barely mentioned in the Old Testament but it foreshadows one of the most monumental happenings in human existence.

So far the Kodesh Days have foreshadowed the salvation of those who have turned to YAHWEH ELOHIM in this life [pictured by the Feast of Pentecost, from righteous Abel to the last one just before the return of YAHSHUA]. And we have covered the salvation of those who will live over into the millennium and those who will be born during the millennium [pictured by the Feast of Tabernacles]. But we have not covered the largest group of people. All those who have never had a first opportunity for salvation [pictured, as we shall see by **The Last Great Day].**

No one will receive a second chance, for we read in Hebrews 10:26-27 "if we Sin willfully [this is not sin out of weakness but a setting the mind to rebel against YAHWEH] after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remains no more sacrifice for sins. But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries."

NOTE:

Receiving the knowledge of the truth involves so much more, than knowing that Yahshua died for your sins. Organized churchianity does not know [for the most part] YAHWEH'S real plan of salvation, as revealed in the Kodesh Days. They think his law and Ten Commandments are done away with, therefore they do not know what sin is, nor do they know what to repent of. They celebrate "Xmas" [Saturnalia, rebirth of the sun at the Winter solstice] and Ishtar [Aurora, the rising sun at the Spring Equinox] when YAHWEH forbids it [See Jeremiah 10:1-5 & Ezekiel 8:15-16,]. They think the reward of the saved is to go to heaven and that all sinners [all those who die without Yahshua Messiahl will be tormented forever in an ever-burning hell-fire. Frankly what they do not know about the knowledge of the truth is far greater than what they do know. These people died thinking they will be going to heaven, they and all the billions who have never even heard the name of Yahshua Messiah will receive their first opportunity for salvation [when they receive the knowledge of the real Biblical truth for the first time] foreshadowed by The Last Great Day. Some thirty to fifty billion people have lived and died [waiting in their graves], on this earth without their first opportunity for salvation. They include your Uncle Harry who rejected Yahshua and wouldn't "give his heart to the Master" in this life. All the babies and children who died without knowing Yahshua, and all the aborted babies whose lives started in the womb [those who the true YAHSHUA, knew since conception [or before] as Jeremiah 1:5 so clearly indicates to us]. YAHWEH alone knows where that line is drawn, between those who have had their first and only opportunity and those who will receive it later at The Last Great Day. As you ponder this point let the mind of YAHSHUA guide your meditation, "but [the MASTER, YAHSHUA] is long-suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance," as II Peter 3:9 shows us.

We need to now look carefully at a few scriptures beginning with John 7:37-39. John identifies this as being **The Last Great Day of the Feast**, and it brings up the question of; is it the last day of the Feast of Tabernacles [which is not a Kodesh Day] or is it the eighth day, a Kodesh Day [which is actually after the Feast of Tabernacles and is its own separate feast day. The answer is obvious that it can only refer to the eighth day with these two compelling reasons. **1.** The monumental fulfillment of some forty billion people being resurrected on one day would require that YAHWEH use a Kodesh Day [not an ordinary day] to foreshadow it. **2.** The millennium [1000 years] is foreshadowed by the Feast of Tabernacles. Revelation 20:5 clearly says **the rest of the dead** [foreshadowed by the Last Great Day] lived not again until the 1000 years

[foreshadowed by the Feast of Tabernacles] were finished. This verse establishes the time line of the events.

Notice again in John 7:37-39 that YAHSHUA cries [shouts] out loud that the truly [spiritually] thirsty people will have that thirst abundantly satisfied. And that the satisfying of that thirst will be accomplished by and through the giving and indwelling of His KODESH SPIRIT.

Revelation, chapter twenty, gives great insight into all of the last four Kodesh Days. Interspersed in the first seven verses is the first resurrection, the binding of Satan, the millennial rule of YAHSHUA and in Verse 5 THE RESURRECTION OF THE REST [30-50 BILLION] OF THE DEAD [those who have never had their only opportunity for salvation]. TAKE

NOTE: that for a 1000 years Satan's influence and the influence of the world will have been

absent [the 1000 years will be YAHWEH'S WORLD with YAHSHUA reigning over it. But after the 1000 years is over [verse seven], Satan shall be loosed out of his restraint This author can not explain why but can only observe that those people who lived during the 1000 years were without the influence of Satan and his [the] world. Whereas those who lived before the 1000 years [who will be resurrected after the 1000 years] will get Satan's influence back again, with this one point of difference. They will be able to compare YAHWEH'S world [of truth] into which they will have been resurrected with Satan's world of deceptions [the one in which they first lived and died]. Verses 8-10 shows that Satan is again able to deceive some of them but it will bring about his ultimate and total demise.

Revelation 20:11-12 describes this great resurrection after the 1000 years is over as **THE GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT PERIOD. NOTE:** "I saw the dead [rest of the dead] stand [resurrected] before ELOHIM. And the books [SC #s 975, 976 Biblion, Biblos] were opened..." It means the understanding of the Bible was made available to them. And the book of life was also opened to them, meaning salvation was offered to them for the first time. And these resurrected, rest of the dead, were judged out of the Bible, according to their works. This is the same identical process each and every believer goes through.

Turn to Ezekiel 37:1-14 for the rest of the story. The Valley of Dry Bones depicts all the dead of Israel over the past 4000 years [an exceeding great army]. Verse 11, thinking they are dead and gone forever. Verse 13 says they will know that YAHWEH IS ELOHIM when they come out of their graves. Revelation 20:12 and the resurrected dead stand before YAHWEH, is the same language and meaning. Ezekiel 37:14 says YAHWEH will put his SPIRIT in them, in fulfillment of John 7:37-39. When YAHWEH pours out his SPIRIT [makes it available] on 30-50 billion thirsty people at one time, that will be a **MONUMENTAL LAST GREAT DAY OF SALVATION.** YAHWEH is not a respecter of persons. What is good for the resurrected of Israel is also available for the

Gentiles.

The misunderstood and mistranslated verse in II Corinthians 6:2 that many have falsely used to try to propound the idea that this is the only day of salvation, needs to be rightly understood. The Kodesh Days obviously reveal that there is more than one day of salvation. The Apostle Paul wrote to the Corinthians [those who had received the knowledge of the truth, Hebrews 10:26] that this indeed was their **DAY OF SALVATION**. Paul was quoting Isaiah 49:8 where a careful study will reveal that YAHWEH is telling the people of the earth that they will have <u>A DAY</u> OF SALVATION, and those who have already received salvation will assist them in it. This verse is prophetic of the Great White Throne Judgment Period of time. The salvation of the Rest of the Dead, foreshadowed by The Last Great Day is the eighth step in YAHWEH'S plan of salvation for mankind.

THE LAKE OF FIRE.

This completes [in brief] the meaning of the KODESH DAYS as they foreshadow the **Salvation of all mankind over all time**. However there is one last point that people bring up when we think about all mankind. What happens to those who rebel and reject YAHSHUA HA MESHIACH as their Saviour? Revelation 20: 14-15 and Malachi 4:1 & 3 reveals that those not written in the book of life [the wicked] shall be burned up in the lake of fire [where they will cause no more misery to themselves or their fellow man]. They will be ashes under the soles of the feet of the righteous. OUR LOVING YAHWEH has no such plan for their eternal torment in an ever-burning hell-fire. And our LOVING YAHWEH has no Kodesh Day to foreshadow a time of eternal failure. His Kodesh Days picture and foreshadow the Salvation of mankind.

I & II THESSALONIANS: LOVE THE TRUTH, THAT YOU MIGHT BE SAVED.

Nothing is said directly about the LAW in either of these two epistles, but there is one verse that stands out above all the rest. II Thessalonians 2:10 says "... they received not the **LOVE OF THE TRUTH...**" Many people [who we would call brethren] have had and will have the truth but their actions prove they did not love the truth.

All the same passion that a man has for the love of his life is true of your love for the truth. When a man truly loves a woman he wants to be with her, to get to know everything about her, when the time is right to possess her, to never leave or be unfaithful to her, to grow old with her and die with her. If you can be deluded into believing a lie it is the same as a man being drawn into an adulteress affair; it shows that you never had the complete love in the first place. Many hundreds of thousands [even millions] think they have the truth but, without the passionate love, they soon let their eye be turned to what they thought was a woman of equal worth and beauty, only to wake up one morning to discover that they have been in bed with an old prostitute.

Turn to Revelation 2:20-24 and carefully read and study what is being revealed to you. First of all realize that **this message is to the true assembly of YAHWEH [the ekklesia, the true believers]**. YAHSHUA is not warning some false assembly but the called out ones, of which he is the head. In verse 20 Jezebel the prophetess is a woman because it is a woman that represents the assembly. Seducing to commit fornication is mentioned because fornication represents false doctrine. [See Revelation 12:17, 14:4 & 17:1-7, 18.] Verse 22 says this false doctrine is a bed of adultery, that will lead to the Great Tribulation, if it is not repented of. Verse 24 says this seductive teaching of fornication is **doctrine [false doctrine]**.

May YAHWEH give you a love for the truth unlike any thing you have ever had before. Cry out to YAHWEH that he would give you [John 16:13] the Spirit of Truth to guide you into all truth and that he would lead you to other believers of like minds. May YAHWEH grant you eyes to see and ears to hear.

I TIMOTHY: THE ASSEMBLY OF THE LIVING ELOHIM IS THE PILLAR AND GROUND OF THE TRUTH. PAUL CHARGES TIMOTHY [AND ALL ELDERS] TO KEEP THE COMMANDMENTS OF YAHWEH.

The book of First Timothy has much instruction to discuss however the subject of this booklet is **LAW AND GRACE**, therefore this author will confine comments to that topic alone.

In I Timothy 1:5 we read "Now the end of the commandment is charity [love]..." The **false teaching** would have you believe that the Ten Commandments are now obsolete and ended because love supersedes commandment keeping. Only Bible definition will suffice, therefore we turn to I John 5:3 where we read that the definition of love [YAHWEH'S AGAPE LOVE] is keeping his commandments. Also, and very importantly the definition of the word "end" adds great weight to keeping the commandments, it is SC #5056 [telos] and it means "the point aimed at or the end result." So it should be read as follows. The point aimed at or the end result of keeping the commandments of YAHWEH is to develop true agape love.

I Timothy 1:8-10 is our next scripture to understand. Verse 8 is a quote right out of Romans 7:12 & 16 which was written five years earlier [showing Paul's consistency] when he says **THE LAW IS GOOD**. Verses 9 & 10 makes the point that the law that defines sin [See the list of sins that are pointed out,] is for people who are **lawless**. Whereas the mature believer [the righteous man] does not need to be constantly reminded of the definition of sin [Hebrews 8:10 & 10:16 it is written in his heart and mind].

The proponents of the false doctrine [that YAHWEH'S law is done away] would have you believe that all you need is love, but they leave the word love without definition. Love is keeping the Commandments of YAHWEH, as I John 5:3 so clearly says. As I Timothy 1:9-10 says, the lawless, disobedient, unrighteous sinner etc. [and I would add the new or weak convert] needs [must have] definition of what sin is. Without sin being clearly defined he would not know what to repent of. Sin has for centuries, even millennia, been ill-defined or wrongly defined, based upon the whims of societal pressure, religious misunderstanding or conscience and not upon the Bible's [YAHWEH'S MIND] definition.

Card playing, dancing, movie going, the consumption of alcohol etc. etc. all have been falsely alcohol called Prohibition and the resultant crime, corruption and death it brought about. These laws were largely implemented because of the political pressures of the misguided religious community.

However this author does not advocate excessive gambling [there will not be any organized gambling during the millennium]. Dance with your own wife only. Lewd, provocative dancing which only excites the senses in a nightlife atmosphere cannot be construed as RIGHTEOUS behavior. Most movies offend the principles of the believer and as such should be avoided, from the hard-core X rated sex and violence, crude language, to the occult, mystical and fantasy; whether in real life or animated form. And drunkenness, alcoholism and heavy drinking are all sins based upon Bible definition.

Romans, chapter fourteen, gives us ample instruction in how to achieve balance in what YAHWEH ELOHIM gives for us to use. **USE IT BUT DON'T ABUSE IT.**

I Timothy 3:15 clearly says the assembly [ekklesia, body of believers] of the living ELOHIM, is the pillar and ground of the truth. Well then don't turn to religious organizations that are not keeping YAHWEH'S COMMANDMENTS to establish your beliefs. Don't read their literature and books and say to yourself "How do these people serve their gods? Even so will I do likewise" [Deuteronomy 12:30-32]. This author has watched commandment-keeping believers try to force doctrines and beliefs, from non-commandment keepers into their belief system and it doesn't work. "You cannot be partakers of the MASTER'S table [spiritual food], and of the table of devils" [I Corinthians 10:21]. Enough said, however this author does not advocate avoiding their literature. Treat it like any commentary or reference book. Never use it to establish doctrines or beliefs. Remember it is the ekklesia [body of believers] of the living ELOHIM, that is the pillar [support] and ground [foundation] of the truth.

I Timothy 4:4-5 seems to say that all animal flesh is good for food. "Every creature of YAHWEH is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving." Does this cleanse swine, crabs, shrimp, rodents, etc. for human consumption? Verse five has

the answer. Always remember to read the context. "For it [whatever every creature meant] is sanctified by the WORD OF YAHWEH and prayer." Deuteronomy 14:1-21 and Leviticus 11:1-47 tell us what creatures are sanctified by YAHWEH for human consumption. Notice in both of these scriptures the call for us to be KODESH [a kodesh people] is directly linked to the animal flesh we allow ourselves to consume. In I Timothy 4:6 the Apostle Paul tells the evangelist Timothy that to be a good minister he must remind the brethren of clean and unclean meats.

We turn to one final scripture in I Timothy 6:13-14 where the Apostle Paul charges Timothy and by extension all ministers everywhere, "That thou [they] keep **the commandments**, without spot, un-rebuke able, until the appearing of our MASTER YAHSHUA MESSIAH." The word "this" is in Italics and is not in the original, and the word commandment is SC #1785 & 1781 and it means the authoritative prescription, commandment, precept and commandments. And Thayer's Greek-English Lexicon says it is "according to the precepts of the law [that YAHWEH had Moses write] and the Commandments of YAHWEH." Over and over we see the Apostle Paul corroborating and supporting the keeping of YAHWEH'S KODESH LAW AND COMMANDMENTS.

II TIMOTHY: THE TRUTH [SOUND WORDS] IS MENTIONED EIGHT TIMES, IN FOUR SHORT CHAPTERS. IT MUST BE NOTED THAT THIS THEME IS OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE.

WHAT IS TRUTH? Pilate asked YAHSHUA in John 18:38, in a sort of a mockingly, politically driven question. Truth was after all anything Caesar [the government, any government] said it was. Is truth aborting your unwanted, unborn baby because the government said it's legal? Is truth killing your fellow man because the government declared war to be legal? Is truth bent any which way the government, boards of men ruling over the education system or church organizations or you yourself decide it to be at any given time? WHAT IS TRUTH? Pilate asked in response to YAHSHUA'S statement in John 18:37 when he said, "...I came into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth hears my voice."

Remember it was YAHSHUA in Mark, chapter seven, who said that Judaism's board of directors [the Pharisees] had established a vain set of traditions [their teachings] that made YAHWEH'S TRUTH of none effect. It was YAHSHUA in Luke 13:31-33 that called Herod the king [the government] **that fox** [like a fox in the hen house], meaning he was cunning and deceitful [without truth].

This was the same YAHSHUA, who said in John 8:31-32 that if you continue to diligently study his [YAHWEH'S] word then you would know the truth and that truth and only that truth would set you free [give you freedom from deception]. In John 16:13 he said that his KODESH SPIRIT would guide you into all truth. And the most important part is **to love and embrace the truth**, as II Thessalonians 2:10 says.

This author has spent most of his life in a quest for the truth. Often stumbling over the truth and even rejecting the truth [by accepting error] for short periods of time. YAHWEH be thanked that he is so committed to getting us into his Kingdom and Family that he does not give up on us, but we can and some do, give up on him. It wasn't until our former religious association gave up the truth [mostly through the late 80's and early 90's] for the traditional errors of organized Christianity that I went on a quest to "**reprove**" all things [I Thessalonians 5:21]. Great appreciation goes out to the many well-meaning brethren who inundated me with articles and booklets on just about every Biblical subject. Some had axes to grind [wanting to do away with tithing, etc.] and some were totally motivated by the truth. Many names come to mind and I would like to give personal thanks to them and do, but its far more important that their names are written **in the book of remembrance mentioned in Malachi 3:16-18**.

FOUR MAJOR ERRORS CONFRONT THE ASSEMBLIES OF YAHWEH AT THIS TIME AND THESE ARE BY NO MEANS THE ONLY ERRORS.

In no particular order here are the four major errors as this author sees them.

- 1. Hierarchical Government [flier meaning the priests and arch meaning the head or rules] is man's attempt to control his fellow brethren in what they believe. This form of government does not trust the KODESH SPIRIT OF YAHWEH to lead us into all truth as John 16:13 so clearly says. Yes the ministry has a responsibility to teach the truth, but it is the SPIRIT OF YAHWEH that leads the person. I Corinthians 11:3 gives the form of government that YAHWEH uses to direct his people, "...the head of every man is MESSIAH; and the head of the woman is the man, and the head of MESSIAH is YAHWEH [THE FATHER]." This is called THEOCRATIC GOVERNMENT. No where in Theocracy is the ministry [priest] the head of the man or in-between YAHWEH and the man. I Timothy 2:5 "...there is one mediator between YAHWEH and men, the man MESSIAH YAHSHUA."
- 2. The Hebrew Calculated Calendar with its postponements, molads [conjunctions] and starting a new year before the old one was over [using the closest new moon to the equinox] as well as other misunderstandings and miscalculations concerning the Passover and Pentecost, has caused many sincere people to observe the solemn and Kodesh Days of YAHWEH on un-kodesh time. And what is even worse, these same sincere people were found to be working [breaking] on the true kodesh time. During the 26 year period prior to 2001 AD the true Kodesh Days of YAHWEH were kept on kodesh time just six years. The other twenty times were on unkodesh time, based upon the Hebrew Calculated Calendar. Contact us for our free booklet entitled "The Calendar of GOD Revealed in The Bible," and learn the simple, easy method of sighting YAHWEH'S visual observed new moons; the first one of the year coming after the Spring Equinox.
- 3. The Oneness of YAHWEH false doctrine is taking many that knew the truth about THE FAMILY OF YAH and subverting them. Ephesians 3:14-15 is completely

understood as

Paul said "...I bow my knees unto the FATHER [of the YAH family] of our MASTER YAHSHUA MESSIAH, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named." Don't let this valuable truth slip from your understanding. Only the ekklesia [true believers] understand the true nature of YAHWEH. YAHWEH is not a trinity or any variation of it such as the oneness doctrine propounds. The oneness doctrine says that Yahweh is like a lump of dough which Yahweh broke off a piece and sent it to earth in the form of Yahshua. After Yahshua died and ascended again he rejoined the lump of dough. After this, the oneness El sent his spirit to help the assembly grow. This is just another explanation of the trinity. If it looks like a duck, waddles like a duck and quacks like a duck, it's a duck. The trinity, by any other name is still the trinity. Look for our forth-coming booklet exposing the false doctrine of the oneness of YAH right from the pages of the Bible.

4. The false idea that YAHWEH'S commandments and laws are voluntary and, as such, are therefore done away. There is a long-standing debate over whether YAHWEH'S Ten Commandments and laws are done away. Many who were in the truth allowed themselves to be deceived by apostates who taught deceptions. It is the subject of this booklet to show, from the pages of the Bible, that YAHWEH'S commandments and laws show us what sin is and that the keeping of those laws and commandments expresses YAHWEH'S LOVE.

It is obvious that there are more errors and misconceptions than these. With that thought in mind let us look at II Timothy and the eight times the Apostle Paul references sound words and the truth and see what we can learn.

Il Timothy 1:13 & 2:2, **Hold fast** [cling tenaciously to] the form of **sound words**, which you have heard from me, and commit them to faithful men whom, shall teach others also.

II Timothy 2:15, rightly divide [properly interpret] the word of truth.

Il Timothy 2:18, **you can err concerning the truth** if you believe and teach false doctrines.

II Timothy 2:25, instruct those with opposing doctrines. Maybe YAHWEH ELOHIM will grant them repentance to the **acknowledging of the truth.**

Il Timothy 3:7, some because of their involvement in the sins of the world are **not able** to come to the knowledge of the truth.

II Timothy 3:8, reprobate men with corrupt minds resist the truth.

II Timothy 3:10 & 14, continue in the thing [Paul's doctrine] which you have learned.

II Timothy 4:4, some shall turn away from the truth.

When we look at the eight verses we find a very simple message. Hold on to and rightly divide the truth, and don't let the truth slip away from you.

TITUS: HOLD FAST THE FAITHFUL WORD, AND AVOID STRIVINGS ABOUT THE LAW.

Titus was a minister who was instructed and taught by the apostle Paul. Besides giving Titus ministerial instructions of a general nature Paul gave Titus seven specific instructions concerning what he taught. Titus 1:9 says, "Holding fast the faithful word and sound doctrine." Titus 2:1 says, "speak...sound doctrine." Titus 2:8 Paul says, use "...sound speech that cannot be condemned [rejected]." Titus 2:12 says, "Teaching us...we should live soberly, righteously and godly..." Titus 2:15 "These things speak, exhort and rebuke..." the things that were mentioned in verse 14. Titus 3:1 says, "Put them in mind, to be subject...do every good work." Titus 3:8 says, "...I will that you affirm constantly...to maintain good works."

Paul gives Titus three things to avoid also dealing with what he teaches. Titus 1:11 where he says, "...teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake." False teachers make money [selling audio and videotapes and books] teaching false doctrines and YAHWEH forbids it. The Good News of the Kingdom of YAHWEH is free. Titus 1:14 says, "Don't give heed to Jewish [Judaism's] fables and commandments [i.e. the laws of kosher are not Biblical] of men, that turn from the truth." Titus 3:9 says, "... avoid foolish questions, genealogies [YAHWEH mentions genealogies throughout the Bible, this probably means thinking it will gain you salvation], contentions and strivings about the law..." This statement does not annul, or do away with the law.

Luke 11:45-52 shows us what strivings [how to interpret its accomplishment] about the law means. Notice verse 52 in particular where it says [striving about the law] takes away the key of knowledge and hinders those who hear it from entering into YAHWEH'S KINGDOM. Titus 3:9 says striving about the law is unprofitable and vain. It's the same message that YAHSHUA gave in Luke 11:52. Titus 3:9 does not say the law is unprofitable or vain but that <u>striving</u> about how it should be interpreted is vain. Titus like both letters to Timothy deals with sticking to the basic truths of YAHWEH ELOHIM, and to teach those basic truths and to hold fast to them.

PHILEMON: HA S MUCH TO SAY ABOUT THE SPECIAL FAVOR WE AS THE EKKLESIA [BODY OF BELIEVERS] HAVE WITH YAHWEH ELOHIM AND OUR FELLOW BRETHREN IN YAHSHUA.

HEBREWS: YAHSHUA IS THE CREATOR ELOHIM. YAHWEH ELOHIM IS REPRODUCING HIMSELF THROUGH MAN. THE SABBATH DAY IS NEW TESTAMENT DOCTRINE. IN THE EPISTLE TO THE HEBREWS [ISRAELITES], PAUL KNITS TOGETHER ALL THE STATEMENTS HE GAVE IN HIS OTHER EPISTLES, WITH THIS ONE BOLD STATEMENT. YAHWEH'S LAWS ARE WRITTEN IN OUR HEARTS AND MINDS. THIS CONFIRMS THE PROMISES TO ABRAHAM'S HEIRS.

YAHWEH lauds YAHSHUA [son of and second in the YAH FAMILY] as the CREATOR AND SUSTAINER of the universe. And as the SAVIOUR of all mankind, he sits on the right hand of the Majestic FATHER on high [Hebrews 1:1-3]. And verse 8, YAHWEH calls YAHSHUA THE SON, ELOHIM. Your throne **O** YAH [my SON] is for ever and ever [eternal], and it takes the false doctrine of the "oneness of elohim" and relegates it to the trash heap.

Hebrews 2:6-14 shows that YAHWEH THE FATHER is mindful [pays attention to] mankind [humanity], eventually giving them all his creative powers. Nurturing them through the assembly [which is the mother of us all as Galatians 4:26 & Hebrews 12:22-23 shows] calling them his children. FATHER YAHWEH, YAHSHUA THE SON [head of the assembly] the MOTHER of us all, and we the children, are the ingredients that make up the YAH FAMILY. And we bow our knees unto YAHWEH FATHER, who after his own name names the family [Ephesians 3:14-15]. **THE FAMILY OF YAHWEH ELOHIM.**

Hebrews 4:1-11 shows us [that the weekly Sabbath Day] pictures the seventh, one thousand year day a.k.a. **THE MILLENNIUM**. We already know from Genesis 2:1-3 that the Sabbath Day is a memorial to creation when YAHWEH created the Garden of Eden. Keeping the Sabbath Day takes us from Eden [in memorial] to the New Eden [the millennium, a shadow of things to come Colossians 2:16-17].

Hebrews 4:9 says "There remains therefore a Sabbatismos [Sabbaton S.C. #s 4520 & 4521, a keeping of the Sabbath Day] to the people of YAHWEH." The use of the word "rest" is a deliberate mistranslation by the Sunday keeping translators to hide the true Sabbath keeping commandment of YAHWEH and it is the only place in the New Testament where the word Sabbatismos/Sabbaton is translated rest. The relentless attempt by the anti-YAH'S LAW groups is laid bare. Romans 8:7 says the CARNAL MAN is enmity [at war with] against YAHWEH ELOHIM. Carnal man is not subject to the LAW of YAHWEH ELOHIM, neither indeed can be. The fact that a person or group of

people thinks or wants the laws and commandments of YAHWEH to be "**done away**" is proof positive that they are led by their carnal minds. They can look and sound as religious as they can be, but the Bible definition of **carnality** is that they are not subject to the **LAW of YAHWEH. The seventh day SABBATH is the test commandment.** Using the words, "everyone should choose one day in seven to rest and worship ELOHIM," is nothing but carnal reasoning. YAHWEH did not give man the choice of what day, when he said in Exodus 20:8-11 "**Remember the SABBATH DAY to keep it kodesh...**" And again in Mark 2:27 when he [YAHSHUA] said, "**The SABBATH was made for man...**" all mankind. The seventh day Sabbath of rest was in existence from creation [see Genesis 2:1-3] long before there was a Yahuda [Judah] or his descendants called the Jewish people or the religion called Judaism.

Hebrews 6:17 is a significant verse with a message for our day and age, which cannot be ignored. It says YAHWEH is abundantly willing to continue to show [work with] the heirs of promise [descendants of Abraham], concerning the immutability of his promise to Abraham. In verses 13 & 14 he shows that that promise was to multiply [hundreds of millions to billions of people] and bless [make great with every and all wealth] Abraham's descendants. Abraham's descendants became known as Israel [Israel means prince of Elohim¹, or the children of Israel. In the ancient world Israel reached its zenith during the reigns of David and Solomon. Followed by the scattering of ten of the twelve tribes of Israel. The descendants of Judah, Benjamin and the priestly tribe of Levi alone were to be found in the land of Canaan during the New Testament period. Although the location [to the north of Canaan] of the ten tribes was known and intercourse between them occurred, the Biblical account of the ten tribes all but ceased except for a few scriptures. In Matthew 15:24 YAHSHUA said he was sent to the lost sheep of the house of Israel as opposed to the house of Judah. In Acts 2:9 we see that Israelites called by the names Parthians. Medes and Elamites [the lands they occupied] came to observe the Feast of Pentecost. And James in James 1:1 wrote and delivered his epistle to the twelve tribes [of Israel] scattered abroad, not just the Jews. Revelation 7:3-8 and 14:1-5 clearly identifies a part [the 144,000] of all of the nations of Israel, at the end time, being converted and serving with YAHSHUA in his Kingdom, at his second coming, as the millennium begins. However this was hardly a fulfillment of YAHWEH'S promise to Abraham as the New Testament began. But at the end of the age, YAHWEH is deeply involved with the twelve nations of Israel. YAHWEH is bringing about a restoration in the end time nations of Israel, by revealing to them who they are and the everlasting covenant including the Ten Commandments and laws, that he made with the faithful fathers Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph and Moses and the others.

As we review some of the Old Testament scriptures concerning the covenant promises we become aware of YAHWEH'S awesome promises that he wanted the heirs [Hebrews 6:17] to understand. In Genesis 17:1-8, we see that the covenant would be everlasting [meaning in the Hebrew age lasting, lasting to the end of the age]. And that YAHWEH would be the ELOHIM of the descendants [heirs] all the way down to the end of the age. It is extremely important to realize that **the Bible is a Hebrew book** with all the **knowledge of the fathers [Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph and Moses, etc.].** If

you are of a Christian nation and use the Bible as the basis for your beliefs, and if you are a descendant of a northwest European/Saxon nation, then you have knowledge of the true ELOHIM, the ELOHIM of Abraham. And you have that knowledge because YAHWEH made that promise to Abraham. That probably makes you a descendant of the Hebrew Abraham. Judah, the father of the Jews, is only one son of Jacob's [Israel's] twelve sons. We wonder why the United States of America [who are the descendants of Mannaseh, Joseph's son] is so supportive of the Jews in Israel. We are brothers, we are family that's why. And interestingly, just as Joseph held the purse strings of Judah's survival back in Genesis 42 to 45, read this prophetic story and realize that Joseph's descendants also hold the purse strings of Judah's survival today. Realize that YAHWEH will not fail in his promise to Jerusalem, for he will again choose Jerusalem. Islam will not succeed in its attempt to oust the descendants of Israel out of the land of Israel, no matter how hopeless it appears to get.

Psalm 83 is a prophetic psalm for the end of the age. Read it and see the conspiracy of the Islamic nations to destroy Israel out of the land. Yassar Arafat is a liar when he says he is for peace. Verse 3 says they have taken crafty counsel against thy people. Verse 4 says their goal is to cut Israel off from being a nation. Verse 5 says they are of one consent [a conspiracy] against Israel.

Verses 6-8 identifies the Islamic nations as being lead by Edom [Esau's descendants, some of which have infiltrated into Israel's highest levels of banking, commerce and government], the Ishmaelites are the Arabs and the Hagarenes are probably the Arabs in Egypt seeing as Hagar was Egyptian. Moab is perhaps Iraq and Animon is Jordan, Gebal and Anialek are Islamic nations of the area. The Philistines of old occupied the Gaza strip and are the Palestinians of today. Assur anciently occupied the land that is called Syria today. The children of Lot are Moab and Ammon [see Genesis 19:36-38]. This conspiracy is not just against the Jews in Israel but is also against Britain, the United States and all Israel whom the Islamics call **the great Satan.** Islam is a big threat, but Psalm 83:17-18 says they are to be confounded, troubled, put to shame and perish. That all men everywhere "...will know that you, **whose name is YAHWEH**, are **the most high** over all the earth."

Zechariah 14:2 says this Jihad [as the Islamics call it] will get so close to succeeding that one half of Jerusalem [the Muslim half?] will be captured, before YAHWEH intervenes [see verses 3-4, 9, 11-19. With the offenders being punished and the rest being taught YAHWEH'S way of holiness as all men live into the millennium.

It would be a hopeless cause if YAHWEH did not fulfill his covenant promise to Abraham by being the ELOHIM of Abraham's seed [modem-day Israel] at this end of the age. Jerusalem is dependent upon it. The United States and Britain and all Israel is dependent upon it.

Let us examine Genesis 24:60 for some more of the covenant promises. YAHWEH already promised Abraham that his seed would equal or exceed the number of stars in the universe, and or the sand, which is on all the seashores. Here a blessed prophecy is

given to Rebekah [Isaac's wife], that she would be the mother of thousands of millions of progeny. A thousand million is a billion, and thousands of millions are billions of people. It is estimated that there are over a billion Israelites alive today. Rebekah was also the mother of Esau and this author wouldn't even have a clue as to how many Edomites are alive today. Genesis 36 lists the multitudinous number of descendants that came from Esau. Hundreds of millions could easily be alive today. Rebekah truly is the mother of thousands of millions.

We will next look at Genesis 49 and see how it fits into the equation. Notice in verse one that Jacob [Israel] was giving YAHWEH'S prophetic explanation of what would happen to each one of his son's descendants "**in the last days**." We are living in the last days as I write this booklet. Notice in verses 8-12 that Judah's hand shall be in [on or upon] the neck of his enemies, showing Judah's dominance over the Palestinians and Arabs at this the end of the age. Verse 10 although partially fulfilled at YAHSHUA'S first coming, there is still a throne [the Queen of England] of David that will be taken by YAHSHUA at his Second Coming. In verse 11 is the mention of his washing his garments [clothes] in wine [the blood of grapes], which is a reference to YAHSHUA'S blood that was shed for the Jews and all of us.

Next let us turn to Genesis 49:22-26 and look at the prophetic last days of Joseph's descendants.

Verse 22 shows Joseph [Ephraim, Britain & Manasseh, U.S.A.] as colonizing world powers [see Genesis 48:19 where Ephraim was to become a multitude, company or commonwealth of nations]. Verse 23 applies to both of Joseph's sons with the incessant hatred and repeated small and major attempts to destroy and discredit both Ephraim [Britain] and Manasseh [United States of America]. Joseph's last day descendants are not without sin but they are still counted as Israel's Firstborn and as such are the recipients of YAHWEH'S richest blessings. Remember YAHWEH wants the heirs [Hebrews 6:17] to know how great and immutable his promises are. Genesis 49:24 says Joseph's [USA & UK] bow and arms [military strength] will be made strong by **the hands of the mighty YAHWEH...even by the ELOHIM of your father, who is EL SHADDAI**. Verses 25B and 26 reveal the great bountiful blessings that are poured out on Joseph's descendants at the end of the age.

If you are realizing and understanding this truth about Israel's latter day prophecies, then also understand that the YAHWEH of Abraham the Hebrew is the one who is revealing it unto you. There is abundant proof that the United States of America and the British [in Hebrew, Berith-Covenant, ish-Man] Commonwealth of Nations and the nations of Northwest Europe are the lost ten tribes [nations] of Israel. Contact us for more information on the Identity of modern day Israel.

The interesting and profound understanding of Hebrews 6: 13-18 is that the Abrahamic Covenant is still in force [See also Galatians 3:15-17] and its promises and terms inures to the modern day descendants of the Hebrew Abraham, and most especially the keeping of all the commandments, all the statutes and all the laws of YAHWEH. **These**

covenant promises were contingent upon Abraham's obedience [see Genesis 26:4-5, 22:17-18, 18:19 and 17:1], not upon the obedience of the heirs. However the Apostle Paul pleads with the heirs of his day [as we do also to the heirs of this day] to be obedient to the same commandments, statutes and laws of YAHWEH [see Hebrews 6:9-12].

We now come to Hebrews, chapter seven, where we see the same concept presented that was presented in Hebrews, chapter six. That the obedience and covenant of Abraham bridges all of human history even so the ELOHIM in the person of MELCHISEDEC [the one who became YAHSHUA MESSIAH, see John 1:1-3, I Corinthians 10:4 and Hebrews 1:1-31 also and most emphatically bridges all human history.

MELCHISEDEC is reintroduced in Hebrews 7:1-4 as the member of ELOHIM [THE YAH FAMILY] that Abraham worshipped and paid tithes to on the spoils [this collapses the argument that tithes are only paid on agricultural increases] of war. Genesis 14:18-20 gives the actual account of Abraham's tithing to MELCHISEDEC. And Hebrews, chapter seven, shows us there is so much more to the priesthood of Melchisedec than what at first meets the eye. This priesthood is eternal as Hebrews 7:14-16, 26 clearly show us. This priesthood is not confined to the tribe of Levi or the house of Aaron as verse 11 tells us, for our MASTER YAHSHUA, sprang [was born] out of Judah. The priesthood of Melchisedec has always existed side by side when and with the priesthood of Levi [Aaron].

Read Leviticus 5:8,13,18 & 6:14 & 25-26 carefully to see that only the Aaronic priesthood were to offer sacrifices. Yet in I Samuel 1:1, 20 we find Samuel whose lineage was not of Levi or Aaron, offering sacrifices to YAHWEH [See I Samuel 16:2 & 5,]. In I Kings 17:1 and 18:31-38 Elijah who was not of Levi or Aaron offered an animal sacrifice to YAHWEH. Samuel was called prophet, **priest** and king. And Elijah the prophet did the duties of a **priest. Whose priests were they?** They were of the **priesthood of MELCHISEDEC**. As were also men like Jeremiah who was both a priest of Aaron as well as a priest of Melchisedec [see Jeremiah 1:1].

The Melchisedec Priesthood includes the twelve Apostles [ones sent forth] sent forth to preach the Kingdom message, heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead and cast out demons [See Matthew 10:1-8 and read the whole chapter,]. The Melchisedec priesthood includes all of the **true ministers of YAHSHUA MESSIAH**. And by virtue of the understanding of I Peter 2:9-10 is extended to all the **true body of believers**, for you are a **ROYAL PRIESTHOOD**. There are only two priesthood's mentioned in the Bible with any righteous consequences. Seeing as most if not all of the readers of this booklet are not of [born into] the Levitical [Aaronic] priesthood that leaves only the **ROYAL PRIESTHOOD OF MELCHISEDEC**. Is it not time for all of us to awake out of sleep [Romans 13:11] to our awesome responsibility and destiny. For you are sent forth to preach the Good News of the Kingdom of YAHWEH [Mark 1:14, 16:15-18 & Matthew

28:18-20, 24:14] which is the message of the Melchisedec Priesthood.

Let us go back to Hebrews 7:11-12 and glean some additional information from what is revealed there. In Hebrews 7:5 we find that the Levitical priesthood had a commandment to take tithes from the people **according to the law.** In verses 11 & 19 we find that perfection was not really possible under the Levitical [Aaronic] priesthood. Therefore as verses 11, 19, 22 & 25-27 show there was and is a need for another priest after the order of Melchisedec. For the **priesthood being changed** as verse 12 says, there is a necessity to **change the law. NOTE:** A change does not mean do away with. The law that is under discussion here can only refer back to the law mentioned in verse 5, the commandment that Levi had to take tithes from the people. The shift from the Levitical [Aramaic] priesthood to the Melchisedec priesthood can only mean that you would also shift who you pay tithes to. It should be noted that there are large numbers of people who have, by their choice of rejecting YAHSHUA as the MESSIAH, kept themselves under the Old Covenant and the Levitical [Aaronic] priesthood.

Part of the subject of Hebrews 7:1-12 is that of tithing. Tithing is a Biblical principal that has to be accomplished in faith. Many who will be reading this booklet have experienced the abuses of those who have tried to extract far more than what our LOVING HEAVENLY FATHER ever asked of us. Our forthcoming booklet on tithing will explain from the Bible what YAHWEH asks of us. YAHWEH does not have a double or triple standard, one for the ministry, one for the businessman [farmer] where he only pays on the net and one for the poorer laborer where he pays on the gross. Expenses are expenses regardless of who has them. We are to tithe on our increase [profits] only. Like me, no one else can find "tithe of the tithe" in the Bible, and what are Kodesh Day offerings for if not to cover expenses, etc. By the way seven Kodesh Day offerings are not Biblical, but three offerings in the three seasons of the year are. Israel, the receivers of the law received their land and houses [in some cases] free. Should we tithe on our mortgage and property tax payments? As you can see by these and many more questions that tithing is a subject that needs far more explanation. YAHWEH blesses the family who in faith, based upon Biblical principle, obeys him.

Hebrews 8:7 says that the First Covenant had a fault in it. Verse 8 says that fault was with them [the people]. Verse 9 says the people [the children of Israel] continued not in my covenant that included the laws and commandments of YAHWEH. Because of this very obvious fact theologians [especially those of modern times] have carnally [See Romans 8:7,] concluded that the fault was with the laws and commandments of YAHWEH. Hebrews 8:8 clearly says the fault was with the people. "**How weak is your heart**, saith YAHWEH ALMIGHTY, seeing you do all these things, the work of an "IMP"-erious whorish woman," Ezekiel 16:30 says about Israel. And Joshua said to Israel, "You cannot serve YAHWEH, for he is a KODESH EL; he is a jealous EL; he will not forgive your transgressions nor your sins," as Joshua 24:19 says. What did Joshua know that the ordinary Israelite of his day did not know? In Numbers 14:24, 30 & 38 we see that Caleb and including Joshua had another spirit and in Deuteronomy 34:9 we see that "Joshua...was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands upon

him..." The fault [missing ingredient] of the people and Joshua knew it, was that **they did not have the KODESH SPIRIT OF YAHWEH**.

In Hebrews 8:10-13 YAHWEH says he will write his laws [commandments] in their minds and hearts, and he will be their EL. In other words he will give them his KODESH SPIRIT. This is confirmed in Hebrews 10:15-17, Jeremiah 31:31-34 and II Corinthians 3:2-6 where YAHWEH says that Israel had the commandments and laws written in stones but the missing ingredient was to have the SPIRIT OF YAHWEH write those laws upon man's heart. Our money, public buildings and courthouses [written on stones] are full of references to YAHWEH and his commandments but it doesn't stop man from breaking his laws and commandments. Those of us, who know, as did Joshua, yearn for the fulfillment of Joel 2:28-29, when YAHWEH'S KODESH SPIRIT will be poured out upon all flesh. Amen, amen and amen, so be it.

Hebrews, chapter nine, shows why the NEW COVENANT is superior to the Old Covenant. The NEW COVENANT contained a will. Look back to Jeremiah 31:34 and Hebrews 8:12 where it says that YAHWEH will remember their sins and iniquities no more. What does it truly mean, to have your sins completely forgotten [forgiven] by YAHWEH? In Psalms 103:12 [in the Old Covenant] he gave us a clue when he said, "As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

Let us turn to Hebrews 10:3-4 for the answer. "But in those [animal] sacrifices there is a remembrance [YAHWEH wants to totally forget] again made of sins every year. For it is **not possible** that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins." The total expunging of the past sins of all Israel and the entire world required a **better sacrifice** [See Hebrews 9:23b-28.]

Hebrews, chapter nine, tells us about that better sacrifice. Verses 7 & 9 say that the animal sacrifices which were offered once a year [on the Day of Atonement, see Leviticus 16], for the

sins of the high priest and the people, could not make the conscience perfect. What it did was give the sinner another year in which YAHWEH did not impute sin, but it did not convert the mind [change the conscience]. The missing ingredient was the KODESH SPIRIT OF YAHWEH.

In Hebrews 9:11-15 we see that THE MESSIAH by his own blood [it required the life of the creator ELOHIM, obtained eternal redemption for us. The animal sacrifice by comparison obtained a one-year reprieve, a far cry from eternal redemption. Even more important [verse 14] this sacrifice of the life [blood] of YAHSHUA MESSIAH purges the conscience from past sins [dead works] and begins a pattern of righteous obedience to the laws and commandments of ALMIGHTY YAHWEH. We begin to serve the living EL [instead of ourselves] and we continue to grow in that service. All this is brought about by the indwelling of the ETERNAL KODESH SPIRIT OF YAHWEH. NOTE: This is exactly the same as Acts 2:38 where Peter said "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of YAHSHUA THE MESSIAH for the remission [payment] of sins, and you shall receive the gift of the KODESH SPIRIT."

In Hebrews 9:15 we see that YAHSHUA MESSIAH mediates a **New Testament [a new will].** Because his death [shedding of his blood] paid the price [redeemed] for **all the sins of all mankind for all time,** he is able therefore to change the terms of the will [testament]. Under the old covenant, Israel was promised long life in the Promised Land of Canaan. Under the terms of the new will [testament], they which were and are called [meaning Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses etc. etc. of the Old Covenant] and up to and including us today, shall receive the promise of **eternal inheritance in the kingdom and family of YAHWEH**. Romans 8:16-17 says, we as the children of YAHWEH are heirs, heirs of ELOHIM and joint-heirs with YAHSHUA MESSIAH. Verses 16 & 17 say all this is in force because of the death of the testator [YAHSHUA].

Hebrews, chapter nine, concludes with verses 26 & 28 saying that it only required the death of the CREATOR EL, one time, to pay all the penalty of all sin for all time.

WHICH SACRIFICE WILL YOU CHOOSE?

Hebrews, chapter ten, begins in the first eight verses to describe the weaknesses of the animal sacrifices and the animal sacrificial system. Then, in verse 9, Paul makes this bold statement. "... He takes away the first [animal sacrifices], that he may establish the second [the Passover blood sacrifice of YAHSHUA THE ANOINTED ONE]. Verses 10-20 then explains the superiority of YAHSHUA'S blood sacrifice. Verse 10 says this sacrifice of YAHSHUA was done once [once is all that was necessary] yet it covers all the sin of all mankind for all time. Verse 12 says this one sacrifice for all sins is eternal, and that YAHSHUA'S unselfish act has elevated, honored and glorified him to sit on the right hand of YAHWEH, THE FATHER OF THE FAMILY. Hebrews 1 :3b & 8 says "...When he had purged our sins, he sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high." And "...Thy throne, O YAHWEH is forever and ever [eternal]: a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of thy kingdom [the kingdom of heaven]." Revelation 5:9b & 12 adds "you were slain and has **redeemed us to ELOHIM** by your blood out of every kindred [family], tongue [language], people [ethnic group] and nation." And "...Worthy is the LAMB YAHSHUA that was slain to receive power, riches, wisdom, strength, honor, glory and blessing."

IT IS FINISHED.

Back to Hebrews 10:14 where it says this one offering has perfected **forever** them that are sanctified' [them that have availed themselves of this wonderful gift]. Not everyone will be sanctified. Verse 17 & 18 say "the sins and iniquities [of the sanctified] are remembered no more." And that "where remission [payment] for these is, there is no more offering for sin." "**It is finished**," YAHSHUA said as he died, hanging on the stake, paying the price for all the sins of all mankind for all time.

This act of supreme love and unselfishness occurred on the Passover [ending at about three PM (the 9th hour of the daylight) as Matthew 27:46, Mark 15:34 and Luke 23:44-46 confirm. This Passover in 31 AD was on a Wednesday, as Daniel 9:27 clearly shows, "And he YAHSHUA MESSIAH shall confirm the covenant [new testament] with many for [during a one week period] one week: and in the midst [middle, on a Wednesday] of the [that] week he shall cause the sacrifice [of animals] and the oblation [the act of offering something I.E. animals, for a sacred service] to cease.

DOES IT MATTER IF YOU KEEP THE OLD TESTAMENT SYMBOLS?

If the sacrifice of animals ceased at the death of YAHSHUA, why do some who claim to be New Testament believers go back and kill [sacrifice] and eat a lamb on the New Testament Passover? Make no mistake about it. The Passover is a blood sacrifice for sin. The Old Testament killing of Egypt's first born on the first Passover represented the burial [baptism] of the sin that held Israel in bondage and the blood from that first Passover lamb protected those faithful Israelites from death. I Corinthians 5:7b says, "...For even MESSIAH our PASSOVER is sacrificed for us." If you can't see that Passover is a blood sacrifice for sin, then that act of YAHSHUA MESSIAH dyeing [by his shed blood] for our sins, on the Passover day, made it a blood sacrifice for sin.

AT LEAST SIX EMPHATIC SCRIPTURES ABOUT HOW TO PROPERLY KEEP THE PASSOVER FOR NEW TESTAMENT BELIEVERS.

It has been rightfully said that YAHWEH repeats things for emphasis. When YAHWEH repeats something five, six or more times it is for special emphasis. MAKE NO MISTAKE ABOUT IT. THE PASSOVER SYMBOLS HAVE BEEN CHANGED. Matthew 26:17-30 notices the night before YAHSHUA died, on or at the keeping of the Old Covenant Passover. YAHSHUA changed the symbols to the broken unleavened bread representing his broken body, and the one cup of wine representing his shed blood of the New Testament. Notice the presence of the betrayer Judas Iscariot at the Passover meal. Mark 14:12-26 all the details are the same. Passover, the night before YAHSHUA died, the broken unleavened bread, the wine of the New Testament, and the presence of the betrayer Judas Iscariot. Luke 22:7-23 gives us all the same details again. YAHSHUA observing the Old Covenant Passover with his disciples the night before he died. The changed symbols of the broken unleavened bread and the wine of the New Testament and the presence of the betrayer Judas Iscariot round out the account. John varies his account just a little but it is obvious it is still the Old Covenant Passover service, the night before YAHSHUA died as John 13:1-30 relates. The humility of the foot-washing is added as Luke 22:27 also alludes to. But the key identifier is the presence of the betraver, Judas Iscariot. In verse 26 YAHSHUA allows John to know the identity of Judas Iscariot but the other disciples [verse 29] did not yet know who the betraver was.

THE BETRAYER, JUDAS ISCARIOT IS THE CONNECTING LINK.

For the fifth repetition of the exact details of the Old Covenant Passover service 31 AD, let us turn to II Corinthians 11:23-27. Paul who was not present at that Passover with YAHSHUA, but received directly from YAHSHUA at a later date [See Galatians 1:16-17 & II Corinthians 12:1-7,] all the same details. I Corinthians 11:23-27 says "...The MASTER YAHSHUA the same night [Passover 31 AD, the night before be died] in which he was betrayed [the betrayer, Judas Iscariot's presence is the connecting link in all five of these accounts] broke and ate the unleavened bread representing his broken body, and they all drank the wine representing his shed blood of the New Testament. Notice the warning of eating and drinking it unworthily or in a wrong context or not doing it at all, that is in verse 27. Verse 28 says to examine yourself [repent, change your thinking, adjust what you believe, whatever it takes] and take those symbols properly.

CAN YOU KEEP THE PASSOVER UNWORTHILY, RESULTING IN NO LIFE IN YOU?

The sixth emphatic scripture is found in John 6:47-58, noting especially verses 53 & 54. I tell you the truth YAHSHUA said, if you don't eat the flesh of the SON OF MAN [symbolized by the broken unleavened bread], and drink his blood [symbolized by the wine], on the Passover when he ate it, **you have no life in you.** This author is not the judge, but if such a thing as the keeping of the Passover absolutely properly or incorrectly could result in the potential of losing your salvation, why would you not do it properly? Verse 54 says if you do it properly, YAHSHUA will raise you up at the last day.

THE OLD COVENANT SYMBOLS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.

If you go back and keep the Old Covenant Passover, the killing [animal sacrifice, regardless of who does it] and eating of a lamb, and you ignore the New Testament Passover symbols of eating the broken unleavened bread and drinking the wine of the New Testament, and the foot washing service, have you not returned to that which was taken away? Hebrews 10:29 says,"...[if you] have trodden under foot [substituted] the SON OF YAHWEH [with a Lamb], and have counted the blood of the covenant [not taking the New Testament symbols], wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done [which is doing] despite unto the SPIRIT of GRACE." It would scare this author almost to death to not keep the New Testament Passover with all its proper symbols and on the exact right time and day. May YAHWEH give you [the reader] eyes to see and ears to hear.

Hebrews 12:22 the first four words and 12:24 concludes with "But you are come...to YAHSHUA the mediator of the New Covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaks better things than that of Abel." Verse 25a "See that you refuse not him that speaks..." Verse 28 "Wherefore we receiving a Kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have Grace, whereby we may serve YAHWEH ELOHIM acceptably with reverence and righteous fear."

Hebrews 13:10 says, "We have an altar, whereof they have no right to eat which serve

the tabernacle." Referring back to the Melchisedec priesthood in Hebrews 7, the New Covenant in Hebrews 8, 9 & 10 and the better sacrifices in Hebrews 9 & 10, Paul says by the inspiration of YAHWEH, that they who put themselves under the Old Covenant have no right to eat at the altar of the New Testament and New Covenant.

THIS BRINGS TO AN END OUR STUDY OF LAW AND GRACE IN TILE EPISTLES OF PAUL IT IS NOT INTENDED TO BE AN EXHAUSTIVE STUDY. THE WORD OF YAHWEH CAN NEVER BE EXHAUSTED. USE THE WORDS OF THIS BOOKLET TO LAUNCH YOUR OWN STUDY OF LAW AND GRACE. REVIEW AGAIN PAGES 5 & 6 OF THIS BOOKLET TO FULLY UNDERSTAND LIKE APOSTLE PAUL'S HARD TO BE UNDERSTOOD STYLE OF WRITING.

YAHWEH'S TRUTHS ARE REVEALED TO THE EKKLESIA [HIS BODY OF BELIEVERS], HE CALLED US HIS LITTLE FLOCK [SEE LUKE 12:321. THERE ARE MANY VERY SINCERE STUDENTS OF THE BIBLE IN THE "CHRISTIAN RELIGIONS" WHO BELIEVE THAT YAHWEH ELOHIM'S COMMANDMENTS AND LAWS ARE DONE AWAY. AS LONG AS THEY BELIEVE THIS LIE [FALSE DOCTRINE] THEY CONTINUE TO PROVE THEIR CARNALITY, THAT THEY ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE LAW OF YAHWEH [SEE ROMANS 8:7].

OUR PRAYER FOR MODERN ISRAEL IS FOUND IN ROMANS 9:1-5 AND ROMANS 10:1-4. AND THE ANSWER TO THAT PRAYER IS FOUND IN ROMANS 11:1-5 & 26. THEREFORE ROMANS 12:1-2 APPLIES TO THE EKKLESIA [BODY OF BELIEVERS]. "I BESEECH YOU THEREFORE BRETHREN, BY THE MERCIES OF YAHWEH, THAT YOU PRESENT YOUR BODIES A LIVING SACRIFICE, KODESH, ACCEPTABLE UNTO YAHWEH, WHICH IS YOUR REASONABLE SERVICE. AND BE NOT CONFORMED TO THIS WORLD: BUT BE YOU TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWING OF YOUR MINE [CONVERSION], THAT YOU MAY PROVE WHAT IS THAT GOOD, AND ACCEPTABLE, AND PERFECT, WILL OF YAHWEH."

YAHWEH AND YAHSHUA HA MESHIACH HAVE REVEALED TO YOU, THE READER HIS TRUTH ABOUT LAW AND GRACE. DON'T TAKE IT LIGHTLY. YOU COULD LOOSE IT WITH DELUSION SETTING IN.

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