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Editors note: The time period in my book and website is from Abraham to the Apostles. Today's Christianity is a mere shadow of what you read in the New Testament. I endeavor to be accurate to the time period. In that time GOD the FATHER was called YHWH / YAHWEH. "Words have meaning, but names have power." Known as the "Tetragrammaton" are the four consonants standing for the Hebrew Name of GOD. Hebrew is read from left to right, and in English it is written as "**YHWH**." "The true pronunciation of the Sacred Name YHWH was never lost" (Encyclopedia Judaica, Vol.7, p.679). The word has been transliterated to English as "**YAHWEH**."

The Sacred Name is revealed, and commanded to be used for *all* generations to come, in Exodus 3:15(NJB) *God further said to Moses, "You are to tell the Israelites, YAHWEH, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is my name for all time, and thus I am to be invoked for all generations to come." There are close to a hundred other passages in the Hebrew Bible commanding its use. The Prophet Malachi states the Sacred Name was given to be used by all Believers, the Israelites and the gentiles (Mal.1:11). (For clarity, all references to the CREATOR will be printed in capital letters. It is not meant to shout the Name, but out of respect, because it is the Name which is above all others. All references to HIS Kingdom will have the first letter capitalized. For example: YAHWEH'S Law, Covenants, Prophets, as opposed to man's law, covenants, secular prophets.)*

HIS Son Jesus Christ was actually called Yahshua the Messiah. In the Bible names have meaning. YHWH / YAHWEH means eternal, endless, everlasting. And the Christ/Messiah comes as salvation in His FATHER'S Name. Shua means salvation, and YAH is the FATHER'S Name, YAH-shua - now that's a name, loaded with meaning! >>For more info log on: http://www.homeworship101.com/bb-c1_top_god.htm

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Introduction

"...The feasts of the LORD, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, <u>these are My feasts</u>." - Leviticus 23:1

"These are the feasts of the LORD, holy convocations which you shall <u>proclaim at their appointed times</u>." - vs.4.

The spring season of YHWH's Holy Days will soon begin. The above verse clearly states that these are YHWH's Holy Days not just Jewish Holidays, and that we are to proclaim them at the "appointed times". This year, once again, man's preprinted calendar is not quite in harmony with the sighting of the New moon. In the above quote, appointed times means YHWH appoints the times, and HE show us the times by signs of the moon (Ps.104:19). See my Holy Day dates web page, <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_calendar.htm</u>

The Holy Days are a treasure trove of our CREATOR's Wisdom. YHWH is trying to help us, and in HIS infinite wisdom HE designed the Holy Days to have many in-depth and multilevel meanings, all with perfect symmetry leading to one place - HIS Kingdom. They have historical lessons - which we should honor by their remembrance. They teach current day character building lessons - which we should learn. They teach us health lessons for the mind and body. They are a "shadow of things to come" as they picture a prophetic, Messianic message of hope. They are future prophecies of human catastrophes with many on a planetary scale (Col.2:16-17) - which we all should watch for

Many Christians are just learning about, and starting to celebrate, the Biblical Holy Days, and there are many excellent reasons to do so. In this year's newsletters please allow me a little latitude, as I teach the "101" basics of YHWH's Holy Days as one big 7-act stage play in the greatest spiritual opera of all time.

Before we start, some opera background. No I'm not going to sing this to you – be thankful for that. This spiritual opera is a union of music (the psalms and some parts of the Torah are harmonized and put to dance), drama (good vs. evil, always lots of drama), and spectacle (YHWH wrote and prophesized this opera, need I say more).

The folks behind the opera: This is YHWH's Spiritual Opera and YHWH is the writer director (the person who directs the dramatic interpretation of the show and is generally in charge of the production). YHWH is the lighting director - the person who creates the lighting concept (YHWH created the light and shows us HIS signs by the heavenly lights). YHWH is the costume designer – the person who designs and creates the clothes that the characters wear (YHWH dictated in very great detail the clothing the Temple Priests must wear). YHWH is also the set designer – and all the world is HIS stage. The Stage manager and production manager are the Archangels. The stage crew (the team of people, who move the sets and stage pieces), are the other Angels of Light who help humanity. In the gallery the four strange creatures and the 24 elders have the best box seats, and all the angels and beings of the Kingdom make up the general audience seating (Rev.ch.5).

Yahshuas' last message for humanity:

"Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me."

"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

"For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind."
- John 14:1, 27; 2Timothy 1:7

One of the ways YHWH shows and teaches HIS Faithful the spirit of peace, love and sound mind, is by revealing to us HIS Ancient mysteries and prophecies for the future through HIS annual series of Holy Days. Today in the western world it is easy to read our Bibles, watch spiritual shows on TV, or surf the Internet for information. But it was not always like that. During the Middle Ages houses of worship developed beautiful Biblical pictorials brought to life in the vivid colors of stain glass windows. Because books were scarce and most people could not read, stained glass windows along with painted wall or ceiling murals were used by church scholars and teachers to educate the faithful.

In ancient times our CREATOR designed a formal sacrificial system to be used at the Temple in Jerusalem to educate the faithful in HIS Kingdom lessons (Books of Exodus and Leviticus). In this system HE used everyday objects to picture a higher spiritual reality of life. One picture is worth a thousand words (such as witnessing the sacrifice of the Passover lamb). The scribes and the teachers of the day would be explaining the spiritual meaning behind the symbolism of the Temple events.

There is no wasted motion in the activities of YHWH, and there is a picture of a higher spiritual purpose designed into every movement of all the Temple observances. When all the Holy Days are seen throughout the year, they join together in showing we the stages of the Great Spiritual Opera of YHWH's plan of restoring HIS Kingdom to Earth. Here I call it a **YHWH's Spiritual Opera**, but these Holy Days have been given many titles throughout the centuries such as: "GOD's Calendar of Redemption," "GOD's Calendar of Redeeming Grace," "The Sacred Calendar of the History of Redemption," etc.

In the Heavenly Kingdom these Holy Days took a great deal of planning to produce the multifaceted Kingdom lessons. They are more than just an ethnic tradition. They teach the BIG picture, the really B-I-G picture, as a spiritual opera of all humankind's evolution as if it were one grand stage play from chaos to eternity, complete with interlocking spiritual symbolism on many levels, which are still current today.

Remember, YHWH's plan for humanity's destiny gives us all hope for the future. It is the same spiritual "story of hope" told to Adam and Eve, and passed on through their descendants as an oral history all the way to Noah. After the flood, Noah taught this same oral history to his descendants. The key action figure in this Spiritual Opera was revealed in the first prophecy to humanity recorded in the Adamic Covenant, the promised Messiah. Now the Heavenly mysteries will be revealed to all humanity through the theater of the portable Tabernacle and the permanent Temple of the Hebrew people, at Jerusalem.

The Angels sweat the details! Even in the Kingdom there is paperwork, and the Angels put a lot of work into bringing YHWH's design to reality. They had to do intensive research. They had to be sure the specialized materials would be available for use by the people. They had to catalog the time cycles over thousands of years to be sure that all the events were executed with perfect timing.

All the spiritual lessons point to YHWH's Kingdom. We acknowledge the Holy Days out of respect to our CREATOR. And we if watch, HE teaches us their higher spiritual lessons. Understanding the lessons bring us **peace**. **Peace** of the mind, **peace** of the heart, **peace** for the growth of the spirit, **peace** in our house, **peace** in

our community, and **peace** to our nation. The greatest joy any soul can experience is sharing this knowledge with someone else.

\sim The Holy Days of the Early Church \sim

"I have given you an example to follow..."

- John 13:15

"Do not go beyond that which is written..."

- 1 Corinthian 4:6

The Holy Days of the Early Church is listed in Leviticus ch.23. Not to be confused with secular or traditional "holidays," these are "Holy Days," because YHWH ordains them. Yahshua and the disciples kept them, and so should His followers - His church.

"Respect is what we owe - love is what we give!"

These are Holy convocations, a time to put the daily drone of our material pursuits aside, and take a day to honor and pay respect unto our CREATOR. We show love and respect for our Heavenly FATHER, through study, thanksgiving, songs of praise and dance, and joyous feasting with friends and family. This in turn will strengthen your mind, body, and spirit.

YHWH in HIS infinite wisdom designed the Holy Days to have many in-depth and multilevel meanings, all with perfect symmetry leading to one place - HIS Kingdom. They have historical lessons - which we should honor by their remembrance. They teach current day character building lessons - which we should learn. They are a "shadow of things to come" as they picture a prophetic, Messianic message of hope. And they are future prophecies of events (some on a planetary scale) yet to unfold (Col.2:16-17) - which we all should watch for.

Some Christians argue that the Old Testament ways died on the cross with Yahshua, this is simply not true. If you are going make a spiritual commitment, it's a no-brainer, you gotta get behind something that lasts forever. Leviticus ch.23 clearly states, *four times*, that the feasts *"are a statute forever"*(vs.14, 21, 31, 41). And they are an everlasting sign between HIM and a-I-I HIS people.

Yahshuas' journeys to keep the Feasts are symbolic of the journey of life every Believer walks in this alien world. Yahshua and the Disciples on occasion walked about 75 hot and dirty miles through hostile territory from Galilee to Jerusalem to "keep the Feasts." On His way to the Feasts, He at times endured hardships and sometimes He traveled incognito, but He never missed one Feast celebration. It is important to note that the early Christians understood that *Yahshua fulfilled the spiritual reality that the Feasts symbolized.* There is ample evidence that the early Christians continued to celebrate the Feast days and went to the Temple observances on the high Holy Days until the Temple was destroyed in 70 C.E. (1Cor.5:7-8; Act.18:21, 20:16).

These Holy Days are ordained for all the Believers in our CREATOR, because all together they picture the major spiritual steps in HIS great master plan to save all the world from the destructive effects of the dark powers. They are the Holy Days which we will all celebrate forever (Isa.66:23; Zec.14:16).

Unfortunately, primarily because of Satan and his dark minions spinning their web of prejudice, hatred for the Jews was drumbeated through the populace. Ancient as well as modern politics were against them, and after some time, most - if not all - of these ancient lessons have been lost or hidden from the general population of today's Christian world.

As a matter of fact, Satan does his work well, the spiritual lessons have also been lost to most of the Jews because the rabbis heaped too much rabbinic tradition on them and smothered their important original essence. When pressed, Jewish religious authorities will confess that their current customs *are not* 100% Biblically correct.

Today, most Jews have merged the first and second Holy periods - Passover and the Days of Unleavened Bread - into one holiday period called the Feast of Passover, with some Jews performing a Seder on the first two nights. The third and fourth Holy Days - the Day of Firstfruits and Pentecost - have been generally forgotten about. The fifth one - the Feast of Trumpets - is totally misdefined and referenced as the ancient new years day. The sixth one - Day of Atonement - along with Passover, are their High Holy Days when even the marginal Jew will attend the synagogue. The seventh - Feast of Tabernacles - is only kept by some.

Before we start, allow me to state one important point: THESE ARE NOT JEWISH HOLY DAYS! They are YHWH's Holy Days! It is easy to be confused with non-Biblical, Jewish national-based, traditional holidays, such as Hanukkah, Purim, etc., (national holidays are okay as long as they do not replace YHWH's Appointed Times Ecc.3:1). Although some Jewish national holidays have some interesting spiritual stories, for this discussion, we are concerned only with our CREATOR's Biblically ordained Holy Days. Nowhere does the Bible state that these "appointed times" were exclusively given only to the people of Judah.

REMEMBER: The Judeans, the Jews, compose only two of the twelve land holding tribes of Israel. "Jewish rabbinic tradition" dictating how to observe these "appointed times" is exclusively for the Jews - the Holy Days are for all Believers in our CREATOR, the entire worldwide Jerusalem Church.

Jewish, Christian, whatever, holidays can be hard. Today, a Western religious "holiday," means to many that our culture is at its height of materialism and superficiality. Plan it . . . Buy it . . . Organize it Set it up Prepare for it Clean up after it Afterwards, work double duty to pay for it Then they wonder: Who was enriched by the experience? Me? My friends? Or the corporate coffers?

During the Christmas or Easter season, some become nervous wrecks as they hectically mall-walk searching for the perfect present to buy. Some get holiday headaches keeping up with the endless struggle to mail out cards. And others get stressed-out keeping up with the holiday pageants and endless dinners. For many the sights and sounds trigger the loneliest time of the year. Some go into a fog, and some just glaze over. Some become gloomy, or depressed and withdrawn, until it's over. Some just go out of town. Many, happily go through the motions in ignorant bliss, never really quite understanding why they do it, or even what the ancient "spiritual" meaning really is.

Now if you are part of an interfaith marriage, for example, a Catholic and a Jew, then you really have a challenging quest in spiritual values to separate holiday rituals from personal or family habits of two different religious worlds. When the kids are coming of age, what do you do? Which one is the meaningful ritual to celebrate the season? Do I add Hanukkah to Christmas or is it Christmas to Hanukkah? Feeling completely lost, many say, "Ah the heck with it, lets go to a yoga retreat!"

This is not our CREATOR's idea of seeking the meaning of life. The Biblical Holy Days are more the just showing up to a mandatory-ritual worship service. They are "appointed times" when YHWH meets with HIS people - all HIS people, and then the magic happens. They are keys to a timeless treasure trove of Divine knowledge. Some Holy Days are a joyous feast, fun and festive, filled with song and dance, and some are serious. Most are observed at home with family, and some are shared with a large group - if possible.

Yahshua's Faithful are commanded to grow in knowledge and grace (2Pet.3:18), *to be a living sacrifice..., transformed by the renewing of your mind...* (Rom.12:1-2). The Holy Days are a personal, spirit-training series of Heavenly lessons, with subtle instructions that picture a greater spiritual truth. They repeat every year, lest we

forget, *to teach understanding*, to all - men, women and children - that our CREATOR is still in control of the Heavenly Powers of the Universe and HIS promises will be fulfilled.

YHWH's Holy Days, *dispose of your demons* through reflection and afflicting your soul, to have a change of heart and repent. *They connect us* to a Heavenly timetable - signs to watch - and *they give us hope* for the future. They put us spiritually in control and encourage us to: *live-learn-and grow - HONORABLY!*

In homeWorship, usually the man, as the head of the house, would have responsibility to speak for the family through the main prayers, but that does not mean a woman cannot add a special thought before the prayers close. The woman of the house would say the opening prayers while kindling the candles, and children have a role to play too. By performing a more intimate homeWorship observance, the burdens and decisions, the good times and the bad times of this evil world are shared together, reinforcing the family unit. (FYI: If there is no man of the house, then the woman is the head of the house.)

Contrast this with today's Roman spiritual training: Men are in, women are out. Show up at the predetermined ritual, sit down, pay your dues, listen to a sermon, get your blessing and go home. Lack of <u>real</u> personal involvement has given many the impression that GOD is only for the priests and has rendered most of the male citizenry spiritually impotent.

Roman male training starts at a very early age laying tracks to adulthood, and is based on competition for materialism - not growing spiritually. To be a man you have to compete to win, and to win you never show weakness and never admit guilt - this attitude is tough on the family. Feelings in the Roman world are a sign of weakness, real men do not cry, never show pain, and never-ever show fear.

Consequently, especially when approaching mid-life, many men do a lot of brooding, soul searching, or as some call it, reflecting on a "convergence of experiences." They struggle with regrets, loneliness, and intimacy, careers are often a disappointment, and they are generally disappointed with their faith experiences. A life of fighting for territory makes one reluctant to share the deeper inner thoughts, and by mid-life they wonder: Whom do I really connect with?

Today faith has evolved into spectator event, where the clergy perform and the laymen observe, Sunday service is nothing but a religious production, and the church buildings with their bigger is better design have more of a country club mentality then mirroring the early church. Jew or Christian the similarities run the same, the faithful have forgotten that YHWH's Holy Days are not just religious obligations; they are a treasure trove of our CREATOR's Wisdom.

GOD is not just for the priests! HomeWorship can and should be performed by every Believer in our CREATOR. Even if one does participate in a religious revival, and promises to make changes in their lives, they slide back into old habits once they are away from the highly charged revival meetings, because the spiritual connection is not properly continued at home.

YHWH's Holy Days are home Worship family days. There is a time and place for "formal" ceremony and Worship during the high Holy Days, but home Worship is less rigid, more down-to-earth and from-the-heart. In the time of the Apostles, there might be a service at the synagogue or Temple, but then the faithful would go home, prepare a Sacred Meal, and continue their Worship with family and friends. In Christianity it is called "Table Fellowship," and it is modeled after the Last - Passover - Supper. Log on: http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_day_observance.htm

Spiritual magic happens (so to speak), when you begin *to understand* the major spiritual steps in a great Heavenly master plan from chaos to eternity. And spiritual magic begins, when a person, a married couple, a family, or a group of like-minded friends is drawn together as they begin *to connect*, with the higher spiritual powers of righteousness, through the "art of performing" the acknowledgment of YHWH's wonderful Holy Days. But for magic to happen, you have to be there!

All humanity should be aware and follow the CREATOR's Holy Days, because planetary spiritual events happen on these days that affect everyone - Believer or not! As further proof of YHWH's sovereignty, and solid evidence of HIS faithfulness to HIS creation, HE has engineered nearly every major spiritual event in history to occur on a Feast day. Strange anomalies? The critics may argue, but many will believe.

All Believers of our CREATOR should acknowledge HIS Holy Days, whether you believe in Yahshua as the Messiah or not! Sometime in the future, there will be a day, you are standing in line, and nervously looking up, you receive a majestic nod to step forward and give account.... Never let it be said, "you couldn't do the least you could do." And the simplest "art of acknowledgment" of the Holy Days can be accomplished by simply lifting your head, looking to the heavens at the beginning of the Holy Day (in the evening sky, preferably facing toward Jerusalem) and saying, "Thank you YHWH, for showing me the signs." As one spiritually grows, then more time can be rescheduled to devote to the observance/celebration of the day.

Just as any skilled professional is required to take additional training or annual refresher courses. These are the annual spiritual refresher courses designed by our CREATOR, for all of HIS Believers to practice their spiritual training and maintain a high level of performance - lest we forget and lose our way.

The concern is not for mandatory ritualism, but *understanding* the truth for which it stands, and this understanding greatly enhances our faith. All the Holy Days together picture YHWH's grand majestic design of the unfolding spiritual events, affecting all humanity - that is why it is meaningful to pass on HIS teachings to others (Heb.9:10; Rom.7:6). The early Christians were Believers, and therefore already saved. The observance is not done for salvation - but of *love and respect* for our CREATOR and HIS Covenant with us (1Jno.5:3).

Enjoy the journey of learning...

- Holy Days: <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_intro.htm</u>
- How to Observe a Holy Day: <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_day_observance.htm</u>
- > How to timekeeping: <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_timekeeping&calendar.htm</u>
- Holy Days Calendar: <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_calendar.htm</u>

1st New Moon – Happy "Hebrew" New Year

Happy New Year Greetings



Pictured, over the North Pole, the lunar crescent, the first crescent moon after the totally dark new moon.

"HE appointed the moon for seasons;..." (seasons - literal Hebrew means "set times") -Psalm 104:19

Rosh Hodesh ve-Rosh Hashanah Sameach!

(Happy New Moon and Happy New Year!)

Happy 'Rosh Ha Shannah!

You're probably wondering: Huh? Rosh Ha Shannah?!?! Now? In the spring?!?!

That's correct, Happy New Year! The Bible is right - man is wrong. Coming up in the next day or two, is our CREATOR's commanded New Year's Day.

The world recognizes the Roman New Year (Dec.31), the Chinese new year, the Jewish new year in September (Rosh Ha Shannah), the Eastern Orthodox new year, and every other imaginable new year (check the list: <u>http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Year</u>), but YHWH's new year, the "Hebrew" New Year, is not even mentioned and goes largely ignored, because it one of those inconvenient truths which would embarrass the liturgy of man's Christian/Jewish religions. Is it any wonder that Christ warns the religious leaders of His day, *"I tell you the truth, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you!"* Matthew 21:31.

When one makes the decision to accept our CREATOR-YHWH, we have faith in HIM and HIS plan for all humanity, then one begins their walk with HIM on HIS <u>Ancient Path</u> "crossing over" from this evil world to HIS Kingdom. The Faithful travel on YHWH's Ancient Spiritual Path when we choose to cross over into His Kingdom because that is where HE shows us HIS power, teaches us about HIS Kingdom and HIS plans for humanity.

Here at the start of YHWH's New Year is a good place to get on the "Path" and begin ones journey of "crossing over."

"Do not go beyond that which is written,..."

- 1Corinthian 4:6

The above quote is blatantly ignored when it comes to our CREATOR's New Year, and you will not hear it broadcast anywhere else so here are the basics. YHWH's New Year is based on the lunar cycle, with 354 days, beginning in the spring. Every three years, an extra month called Veadar or 2ndAdar, was added between 12th and 1st month. Scriptures say the sign for the start of YHWH's New Year is when first green shoots of barley reach a stage of maturity called "Abib" Barley are seen near Jerusalem, the next new – crescent/fingernail – moon begins YHWH's New Year (Exo.12:2). Once the Abib Barley has been seen in the Jordan Valley and then the next visible 2-4% new moon begins the News Years Day.

Some do not believe in sighting the new moon and would say Passover begins after the spring vernal equinox. To tell you the truth I cannot find anything in my Bible referring to the "vernal equinox" for setting Holy Day dates. YHWH made HIS Holy Days and seasons easy enough for a Sheppard boy to see the signs and set the dates without telescopes and complicated mathematics. Our CREATOR controls the timetable, the crops and seasons, one has to go out and search for physical evidence of the ripening crops and watch for the crescent new moon – it our spiritual connection to HIS timetable.

For more info log on to my Biblical timekeeping web page: http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_timekeeping&calendar.htm

YHWH's "Hebrew" New Year is anxiously awaited because it means the beginning of the spring season of HIS "Hebrew" Holy Days is near (Lev.ch.23). YHWH's annual Holy Days play out what I call YHWH's Spiritual Opera, which teaches us multifaceted Kingdom lessons of humankind's spiritual evolution from chaos to eternity. The "set times" that the New Moon shows us are the "set times (days)" for the Holy Days of the spring season. Passover, Unleavened Bread, Firstfruits, and Pentecost, are all figured from the 1st New Moon Day. We observe them not out of legal religious obligation or salvation, but we look forward to learning from them, to seek to understand their higher Divine lessons, and to celebrate them. Mans preprinted calendars may be off by a day to several days, so we have to look to the signs in the heavens or we might miss YHWH's "appointed time." To learn more log on to: http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_intro.htm

Aren't the Jews lucky? They have three New Year celebrations: the secular Rosh Ha Shannah in September, the western New Year on December 31, and one that gets hardly any mention at all is this Torah / Pentateuch / Bible / YHWH commanded New Year. Recorded in 1Samuel 8:11-18, man rejected YHWH and decided to do it his way, but make-no-mistake, the spiritual events of our CREATOR, which will bring this world from chaos to eternity, will unfold on HIS timetable, and on HIS Holy Days, not on a human designed system. The sad thing is, most Bible owners haven't got a clue - Satan has been busy corrupting knowledge (2Cor.4:4).

It's not about who you are, It's all about what you are.

No matter if you are rich or poor, a Sunday keeping Christian, out of church Christian, Messianic Jew, or otherwise. Here at the beginning of YHWH's New Year is a great place to start learning about our CREATOR's Kingdom. After you see the signs of New Year, when you are home in private light two candles, give thanks, and pray for spiritual understanding. YHWH will hear your prayer and show you HIS Ancient Spiritual Opera and teach you how to walk His <u>Ancient Spiritual Path</u>. If we have the courage to walk YHWH's Ancient Path the spiritual sojourner will be sanctified at Passover and begin to "cross over" into HIS World, where HE will reveal HIS mysteries to us, where HE will teach us, and lead us to HIS Heavenly Kingdom. All YHWH asks of us is that

we should have the humble eagerness to learn, and the faith and honor to live in HIS eternal Divine ways (Heb.ch.11).

The dates of the new moon I post on my website comes from Torah observant Jews in Jerusalem (see my links page). Some say having the new moon sightings announced from Jerusalem is immaterial because based on John 4:21-24, we do not have to look to Jerusalem for the signs. If you do not have access to outside information (the internet), then looking to your local skies is the next best thing. Maybe in centuries past there was no news from Jerusalem, and one could look out in their local skies for the new moon, but I feel since the "Dry Bones" prophecies (Ezk.37:11-14) are currently being fulfilled with the rebirth of Israel, out of respect for the prophecy, we should again begin to watch Israel and Jerusalem. Besides, with today's Internet, information follows freely and in real time, so looking towards Jerusalem is a habit we should be getting into, because that is where the Bride of the Messiah will be setting up residence, and HIS wise Bride would be watching for the signs of her betroth (Mat.25:1-13).

Watch for the new moon, in the western sky near the setting sun shortly after sundown. Technically called the waxing crescent moon and some call it the fingernail moon, it is first visible as a very thin crescent shape, with its two points facing up and left. It does not hang around all night; it comes up quick at sundown and then disappears after a short while. (New Year Exo.12:2; New moon Col.2:16; Sunset to sunset day Lev.23:32; Spring Season Holy Days Lev.23:4-22; "Observe the Month of the Abib..." Deu.16:1). For the current Holy Day dates log onto my calendar web page: http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_calendar.htm

For the do-it-yourselfer, with 2 clicks from my website, one can check the new moon sighting from anywhere in the Internet universe.

1) - On the bottom of my web pages in the Bible Study Tools section, click the **solar phase** link, or <u>http://www.fourmilab.ch/cgi-bin/uncgi/Earth/action?opt=-p</u>, **to see when the evening shadow falls over Jerusalem**.

2) - When it does, click the **moon phase** link, or <u>http://www.fourmilab.ch/cgi-bin/uncgi/Earth/action?opt=-</u> <u>m&img=Moon.evif</u>, to see the phase of the moon. It takes a 2-4% moon to be seen by the faithful from the ground and that determines the first day of the lunar month.

> REMEMBER: These are NOT Jewish 'holidays.' These are 'Holy Days,' the "appointed times" of YHWH.

"Keep the traditions just as I delivered them to you." - 1 Corinthian 11:2

Some folks always tell me that's all just for the Jews. The trouble is that the Jews do not observe this <u>Torah</u> commanded New Year, so how can it be just a Jewish thing? Besides, Christ and the Apostles observed this day and the above quote clearly states we should follow their example. Need more proof? Think about it, how do you prove a Spiritual truth from YHWH? See how many people either hate it (the Messiah for example) or ignore it. Read the Bible, it is easy to understand that the New Year begins in the spring, now watch for how many people talk about it. Do you hear about it in the news? Do you hear about it in the synagogues? Do you hear about it in the churches? Do you hear about in the Bible study classes? No! Ask around about it, see how many people ignore it or try to double talk around it. Watch for it and when you see the crescent new moon in the sky, stop for a moment and look around you, see all the people going to and fro, and have no idea what is in the sky above them. (We are truly blessed to understand the signs, now take a moment to say a quick prayer of thanks to YHWH for opening up your mind.) What the world ignores is the real truth of YHWH, and this YHWH commanded New Year is a shining example – the silence of the "religious & secular" world is deafening.

"Why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do the things which I say?" - Luke 6:46

It's a no-brainer, regarding the spirit; you gotta get behind something that endures forever! The "appointed times" listed in Leviticus chapter 23, are Holy because they are the Holy Convocations ordained and sanctified by our CREATOR for a-I-I humanity. **Four times** the chapter states these Holy Days will endure forever! Furthermore, the head of the New Covenant faith, Yahshua/Jesus, observed these Holy Days and so did His Apostles, and so should His followers!

"Learn not the way of the heathen..."

- Jeremiah 10:2 (NKJ)

The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak. The theme of YHWH's first Holy season is: Start Your New Year Off Right!!! That means one is encouraged to do some spiritual housekeeping. We all stumble on the Path sometimes, and now is the time to do a little spiritual spring-cleaning - clean out the bad doctrines of men and embrace YHWH's Divine wisdom. We will cover that in the next newsletter.

I often jokingly say, just because I gave up on the Pope's holidays, doesn't necessarily mean I jump in bed with the Jews, so to speak, they have their "religious" problems too. As I said, I refer to these Holy Days as YHWH's Grand Spiritual Opera bringing a-I-I humanity from chaos to eternity, for those who can see, these Holy Days are a treasure trove of spiritual lessons that armors our faith. Many people miss the fact that these Holy Days prove that YHWH is in charge of the Universe, and that there is hope for a-I-I our futures.

In the spirit of Daniel 12:4, "...knowledge shall increase in the end times."

In the past and present, learning or teaching the higher truths of our CREATOR, have caused wars and family conflicts. Stay the course; no mere mortal can suppress the truth of our CREATOR and...

Enjoy the journey of learning.

- > Holy Days calendar: http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_calendar.htm
- > Timekeeping: <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_timekeeping&calendar.htm</u>
- > Holy Days Intro: http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_intro.htm
- > Understanding the moon phases: http://earthsky.org/moon-phases/waxing-crescent

On the 10th Day – GOD Test

"... they received the word with all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily <u>to find out</u> whether these things were so."

- Acts 17:11

The Spring Holy Days will be officially starting with Passover on the 14th day of the 1st month, and I call the whole season of Biblical Holy Days our CREATOR's Spiritual Opera, or YHWH's higher spiritual lessons. Sadly most religions have turned their faith into ceremony and miss most of YHWH's spiritual meaning. All the Biblical Holy Days of Lev.ch.23 are visual representations of the higher spiritual world leading a-I-I humanity from our present dark and evil chaos to our CREATOR's eternity; and how to live a GODly life in this evil world (1Tim.4:12).

In the Jewish religion, as in the Christian religion, there is a big difference between religious tradition and Biblical truth. Please remember what I describe here are not the traditional Jewish holidays and observing them is not done for salvation. These are YHWH's ordained and sanctified Holy Days, we observe them out of love and respect for our CREATOR and HIS Covenant with us (1Jno.5:3), and to learn from them. The Bible tells us in Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 that there is a time for everything. These days, beginning with YHWH's New Year, are a busy time of spiritual reflection, and making preparations for the start of the new years Holy Days. Those preparations begin on the 10th day of the 1st month.

Did you ever hear a priest, pope, or rabbi say, test me? Test the words or the theology I teach you. Not usually. As a matter of fact, some religious leaders can get downright ugly if you question or challenge them, but not with our CREATOR–YHWH. Before the new season of the annual "Hebrew" Holy Days begins, on the 10th day of the 1st month, what Christians call Palm Sunday, the first order of spiritual business is that HE admonishes us to test HIM – to make sure that we are on the right spiritual <u>Path</u>, or sitting in the correct theater. Our example is to be like the Bereans in the above quote. (Click for all Holy Day Dates: http://www.homeworship101.com/holy days_calendar.htm.)

~Test YHWH~

"...On the tenth day of this month every man shall take for himself a lamb..., Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year." - Exodus 12:3-5

In the ancient times of Moses, during this very season, YHWH was performing miracles to free the Hebrew people from their evil Egyptian bondage (Exo.ch.7-11). Through all the spectacular miracles that were performed, YHWH identified HIMSELF, and showed the world HIS superior authority and power. The ancient Hebrew people were the participating party and YHWH showed the world that he would protect those people in HIS Covenant.

When YHWH dictated the Torah to Moses, as the above quote states, HE instructed the Hebrew people to choose their sacrificial lamb for the Passover on the 10th day of the 1st month. Choosing their lamb for the Passover sacrifice was a very painstaking process. They were instructed to choose a lamb "without blemish" which would require very close and careful examination, almost to the point of looking it over with a magnifying

glass, to be sure of its quality (Exo.12:3-5). By analogy, the followers of YHWH were to examine the quality of HIS Kingdom <u>Covenant</u> teachings very carefully to be sure of the quality of its truth, and confirming that one is on the right spiritual Path. Yahshua did not come to change or do away with His FATHER's Laws (Mat.5:17-19), His teachings were based on His FATHER's Words given in the Torah and the Prophets of the Hebrew - Old – Testament (Heb.8:8-10).

YHWH is admonishing us to look HIM over - very carefully. Ask questions, dicker a little, if you have the chutzpah (Gen.18:22-33). Unlike the pagan religions that demand mute obedience and blind faith, YHWH clearly challenges a-I-I humans, angels, or otherwise, to prove or disprove that HIS way is the best way for a-I-I the citizens of the Kingdom to live. Over the years I have read a fair amount of history and religion, I do not recall anywhere in the pagan or secular world were their leadership or deity commands the people to test them. Mostly if you open up your mouth to question them you would get your head lopped off. But here, on this day, YHWH invites inspection and respectful comments.

The question is how do you really prove GOD exists? The first thought that comes to mind is if you test somebody, first, one must recognize the fact that that person exists. Secondly is proving who is the one and only, most powerful GOD. This has been the thorny question that humankind has debated since the beginning of time. As always, the Bible has the simple answer, if one has the ears to hear.

"...I am God, and there is none like Me. Declaring the end from the beginning. And from ancient times things that are not yet done..." - Isaiah 46:9-10

Prophecy validates the Bible, and proves the existence of our CREATOR. There are approximately 10,835 prophecies in the Bible, some are of curses and punishments, some are of blessings and redemption, and they are of two types, fulfilled, and unfulfilled. The fulfilled ones we learn from, and the unfulfilled ones are the ones we are watching for.

Prophecy should lead us to YHWH. Prophecy reminds us that YHWH's Hand is in control of the course of humanities history. Prophecy assures us that good will triumph over evil, and it gives us hope for a future peaceful and just world. Prophecy tells us beyond the injustice of today, and wars of tomorrow, that there is *good news* in the future. Log on to learn more: <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/bb-c9_prophecy.htm</u>

~Test YHWH's Messiah~

Then those who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: "Hosanna! "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!" Blessed is the kingdom of our father David That comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" Mark 11:9-11

YHWH is not a dictator and the citizens of HIS Kingdom are not a race of robots – even YHWH has to follow HIS own Kingdom laws. The major element in YHWH's plan for redeeming HIS Creation from the curse of sin is HIS Messiah – a perfect sacrifice cancels the curse of sin. It is no coincidence that on this 10th day, what has now become know as Palm Sunday in the Christian world, YHWH sent HIS Son Yahshua/Jesus to present himself to the Jews and the Jerusalem general audience, as the Messiah. Yahshua's' doctrine that every life was precious,

in an empire where human life was held so trivial, was a powerful idea and a welcome message. Log on: <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/bb-c7b_are_you_the_messiah_ministry.htm</u>

Let us remember, in Yahshua's time, on an average High Holy Day, Jerusalem swelled to nearly five times its normal population of 125,000. Some Roman records show over a million people, both Jew and gentile, some from very far away places, would come to the city for Passover to pay their respects to YHWH at the Temple. On this day Jerusalem was very crowded with visitors who would witness the unfolding events that the holy season would bring.

"The ain't makin' Jews like Jesus anymore."

Most have a romantic remembrance of the Palm Sunday event. It was a stunning time. Just as the Prophets foretold, Yahshua rode into Jerusalem on a donkey (Mat.21:1-11; Zec.9:9). As He rode in, the people called out "Hosanna," which means in Hebrew "save us." The people of Jerusalem thought that He would deliver them from the cruelty of Roman bondage. They shouted praises to YHWH - HalleluYAH! - for the miracles they had seen Yahshua do. They treated Him like a conquering king.

Unfortunately, most missed the subtle symbolism. On this same day, the Jews were carefully examining and choosing their sacrificial lambs, making sure they were "without blemish." By analogy, the followers of Yahshua were to examine Him, and His is teachings of the Kingdom, very carefully, to be sure of the quality of His simple spiritual truths. And Yahshua's simple truths are rooted in HIS FATHER's Words.

In the Book of John, when Yahshua witnessed the Gospel to Nicodemus a Pharisee, he could not understand Yahshuas' plainness of speech (Jon.3:1-21). He also admonished them for not being able to see the signs, *"You look but can't see; you listen but do not hear ...,"* (Mat.13:13; Luk.6:42).

Many say Yahshua did away with the Old Testament, but nothing could be further from the truth. He was YHWH's perfect teacher and His New Covenant teachings were <u>based</u> on the Torah, and the Prophets (Heb.8:8-10). He was a believer and teacher extraordinaire of the *literal understanding* of the Hebrew Scriptures, a-I-I the Sacred Scriptures, including the Prophets. Many of His lessons reflected this, for example, He quoted the Book of Deuteronomy over 130 times. He was a Master of His FATHER's Words recorded in the Hebrew Scriptures. No Lawyer of the Temple, no priest or rabbi, could argue with Him. Even at twelve years old He could intellectually confer with the Temple priests (Luk.2:41-50).

"Divine Coincidental Dates?" If one walks YHWH's Ancient Path then HE will reveal mysteries, and show us wondrous miracles along the Way. I mentioned that prophecy validates YHWH, and shows us that HIS Hand is in control of the course of humanities history, and on this date, for those who can see, HE fulfilled a biggie. Known as *Daniels Prophecy of the Seventy Weeks of Years* (Dan.9:24-27). The prophet Daniel prophesized the day of Israel's visitation and when the Messiah would be cut off at the 69th week (483 years from the day prophecy was given). This prophecy was fulfilled exactly to the day by Yahshua on 10th day of Abib / Nisan, which was Sunday April 6, 32CE. It was Palm Sunday and the day of Israel's visitation was at hand, and you know the rest of the story. ><u>http://www.homeworship101.com/bb-c7a are you the messiah prelude.htm</u>

Make-no-mistake, Yahshua of Nazareth was the only man to fulfill to the letter over 200 Scriptural prophecies, many were predicted some 1,000 years in advance of His life. Every single messianic prophecy of the Hebrew Bible was precisely fulfilled by the life of Yahshua, in a literal, common sense way. And there are over 300 prophecies in the New Testament of Yahshua's second coming as the <u>conquering-redeeming</u> Messiah – which gives us hope for the future. The prophecies surrounding His trial and death are so accurate that critics have argued that the accounts must have been written after the event. But that lasted only until the discovery of Dead Sea Scrolls which recorded the words of Isaiah 53:1,3,7,12 at least 250 years before Yahshua's birth and could have not been added to the Book of Isaiah after the life of Yahshua.

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~Test Your Theology~

"Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! ...Serpents, brood of vipers! How can you escape the condemnation of hell?" - Matthew 23:29-33

Many seem to forget, Yahshua had a prickly side to Him and often irritated the religious leadership. The point often missed is that Yahshua was also a religious reformer (Mat.3:7, 5:20, 7:6-13, 22:15-46, 23:1-36; Luk.11:37-54, 18:9-14; Jno.8:44). A point is that His church is not a church of potted plants; we should test the priests we follow.

As the reformer Yahshua challenged the orthodoxy. No one had ever before denounced the priests and Pharisees, or dared to question the doctrine of the elders. He expertly quoted the Prophets as He strongly rebuked Judaism's stiff-necked religious hierarchy - the establishment religionists who never lived the righteous life. They were corrupt. They were blind guides. They were play-actors, and did not live according to *the spirit of the Law* (Mat.3:7, 5:20, 23:1-36; Luk.11:37-54, 18:9-14; Jno.8:44).

Yahshua challenged the doctrines of the scribes and rabbis, telling them bluntly that they did not know the Scriptures (Mat.22:29). At least eight times Yahshua scornfully denounced them for being legalistic and fourteen times for being hypocritical. They were excellent in reading and quoting Scripture, to keep the people on a tight leash, but in practice they themselves disobey by following their own ritualized customs.

"True religion is the life you lead, not the creed you possess."

Yahshua strongly scolded them because they were always bitter and constantly finding faults, tearing everyone apart. This, the "holier than thou" crowd, by their own attitude, promoted bigotry, prejudice, and hatred. He showed them that their religious worship was mere ritual, with emphasis on minor details, "while ignoring the weightier matters of the Law," such as "justice, mercy, and faith." He taught that the motive of the heart was important, not just the outward action (Mat.23:1-23).

Yahshua chastised them for the many traditions they <u>added to</u> YHWH's Law, making the Law a hardship on the people. The religious authorities pretend to love you, but in reality they just want to hold you hostage. The Pharisees slowly gained power over Jewish society, by being the overseers of the many elaborate and intricate Jewish oral laws that they required the people to live by. These *"traditions of men,"* in an effort to micro manage the people, only burden the community, and has reduced righteousness to mere ceremonialism of outward splendor (Mar.7:6-13). YHWH calls HIS people to unity, not uniformity. The simple - common sense - Laws of YHWH do not enslave people, it sets them free, because less civil laws are needed to govern the people.

The Christians have their problems too with the traditions of men. We often hear from the Christians that all we have to do is believe in Jesus – donate to their church - and we will be saved. If only it were that easy. Yahshua clearly said not all who call me Lord would be saved (Mat.7:20-23). And if one reads Yahshua's message to the seven churches (Rev.ch.2-3), only one out of seven, and one possible maybe, makes the grade. It's not just talking the talk, but we have walk the walk (Mar.7:6-13; 1Tim.4:12).

"Be an example to all believers in what you teach, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity." - 1 Timothy 4:12

In the above quote, Timothy says be an example in your faith, funny he didn't say religion. What Timothy was doing was outlining <u>YHWH's Ancient Path</u>, which is based on love and kindness. The faithful of humanity is already blessed because we believe without seeing (Jon.20:29). Coming to belief in YHWH is the hard part, now all one has to do <u>is learn</u> the spiritual wisdom of HIS Ancient Path, and teaching is the key word. Teaching, not browbeating preaching, or hi-brow lecturing, but *teaching* was crucial in Yahshua's ministry. He did not take an opinion poll and then tell the people what was popular. He taught the ways of His FATHER's Kingdom - like it or not! His Kingdom message was captivating and inspirational. He taught the higher force of the spirit is to take the place of the earthly forces of the flesh. He knows that the people will come to *understanding* of the higher spiritual order when the truths of the Scriptures are taught properly.

He was the teacher of teachers, and He trained His twelve Disciples to go forth and teach. When people came to hear Him they filled the hillsides, and Yahshua did not stand above the audience and speak down to them. In one of His most electrifying discourses, His famous "Sermon on the Mount," He stood at the bottom of the hill (beneath them), and spoke up to the audience with force and clarity. That famous discourse recorded in Matthew ch.5-7, has been called by some Biblical scholars "the Constitution of the Kingdom of GOD."

The Pharisees were experts at using a lot of words to say very little. But Yahshua taught His Kingdom lessons in simple terms: Love and kindness, replaces hate and bitterness, and the intents of the heart will be judged (Heb.4:12), not your 'holidays' and rituals. He taught that our FATHER is love, and that our FATHER is also infinite intelligence; therefore, *developing YHWH's everlasting spiritual wisdom, HIS perpetual Way of Life, is the perfect blending of intelligence and love.* His Gospel was practical, and perfectly expresses YHWH's simple and inescapable perpetual Code of Life. For those who would follow, He promised: "His yoke is light and His burden is easy.

"Your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God" - 1Corinthians 2:5

REMEMBER: On this day, YHWH is teaching humanity be to <u>critical thinkers</u>. Question your spiritual teachers and leaders! Wisdom is based on the foundation of the Bible as opposed to mans spontaneous logic which is built on sand and will not stand the test of time - test everything, and consider carefully what you accept as everlasting spiritual truth – lest it leads you into damnation (Mark 4:24; Acts 17:11).

~ Test Your Teachers ~

"Teach no other doctrine, nor give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which cause disputes rather than godly edification which is in faith. Now the purpose of the commandment is love from a pure heart, from a good conscience, and from sincere faith,

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from which some, having strayed, have turned aside to idle talk."

- 1 Timothy 1:3-6

TEST YOUR TEACHERS! This year there were some Christian Doomsday campers traveling the country preaching the Apocalypse...on May 21, 2011. I'm sorry these might be very nice people but they know nothing of YHWH's Holy Days and timetable – as a matter of fact you will not be able to figure out prophecy until you learn of YHWH's Holy days. In the spirit of testing your teachers allow me to share some Bible passages that are at the root of my ministry, I welcome your comments.

YHWH calls us to unity not uniformity, we are all as different as snowflakes and people shape their own destinies. The judgment of the heart is the rule of thumb for the general populace (Heb.4:12), but the true Bride is held to a different standard (Mat.25:1-13).

The faithful will be judged by what they did with the individual gifts given to them, and how they used these gifts as ambassadors in service for the Kingdom (2Cor.5:20).

Some are ashamed that they have not done more, they were not given any rewards, yet they are still called to Heaven to serve (1Jno.2:28).

For good works and avoiding sin, rewards and crowns are given to the Bride:

- [1] Ministers and teachers crown, 1Peter 5:1-4; James 3:1.
- [2] Watching for the signs crown, 2Timothy 4:8.
- [3] Running the race faithfully crown, 1Corinthians 9:24-27; James 1:12.
- [4] Winning friends crown, 1Thessalonians 2:19.
- [5] Martyrs crown, Revelation 2:10.
- [6] Special gift to those who overcome false teachings, Revelation 2:17.

"He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes I will give some of the hidden manna to eat. And I will give him a white stone, and on the stone a new name written which no one knows except him who receives it."

- Revelation 2:17

A special gift to those who overcome false teaching proves that not everyone who is called by Yahshua will be called because they keep a perfect theology. There will not be one human being who will not be surprised when they discover there is more to the theology then they understood from their earthly education. The Bible says it is important that the Believers should earnestly contend for the true doctrine (Jud.3), because if someone has faith and believes in something, they will want to do the best they can with it. This reward is given to those that when they discover a new Biblical truth, set their old belief aside and adopt the new found truth. I call my ministry "White Stone Communications" because this special gift is the focus of my book and website.

The name of my book and website is "Homeworship 101" because I seek to spiritually empower the individual and because the bible savs...

"Let them first learn--to show piety at home,"

- 1 Timothy 5:4.

C.H.Spurgeon (1838-1892) a famous Protestant preacher said:

"New Testament believers did not think that religion was meant only for Sundays, and for what men now-a-days call 'the House of God'. Does God need such a house?

He who made the heavens and the earth, does he dwell in temples made with hands? What crass ignorance is this!

No house beneath the sky is more holy than the place where a Christian lives, and eats, and drinks, and sleeps, and praises the Lord in all that he does. There is no worship more heavenly than that which is presented by holy families, devoted to his fear.

To sacrifice 'home worship' to 'public worship' is a most evil course of action. Morning and evening devotion in a cottage is infinitely more pleasing in the sight of God than all the cathedral pomp which delights the carnal eye and ear.

Every truly Christian household is a church, and as such it is competent for the discharge of any function of divine worship, whatever it may be.

Are we not all priests? Why do we need to call in others to make devotion a performance? Let every man be a priest in his own house.

Are you not all kings if you love the Lord? Then make your houses palaces of joy and temples of holiness. One reason why the early church had such a blessing was because her members had such homes."

REMEMBER: On this day, YHWH is teaching humanity to be critical thinkers. Question your teachers and leaders! Wisdom is based on the foundation of the Bible, as opposed to spontaneous logic, which is built on sand and will not stand the test of time - test everything! The first step in discovering Biblical truth is to be like the Bereans.

"... they received the word with all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily <u>to find out</u> whether these things were so." - Acts 17:11

Here are some Bible quotes that guide my work...

"Why do you call me Lord, Lord and do not do the things which I say?" – Luke 6:46

"...Why do you also transgress the commandment of GOD by your tradition?" - Matthew 15:3

Jesus did not keep Easter or Christmas He kept His FATHER's Holy Days and tells us to follow His example...

"I have given you an example to follow..." - John 13:15

"Do not go beyond that which is written..."

- 1 Corinthian 4:6

Some closing thoughts...

"Be diligent to present yourself approved to God,

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a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

- 2 Timothy 2:15

"Watch your life and doctrine closely."

- 1 Timothy 4:16

"I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth."

- 3 John 4

Enjoy the journey of learning...

>Ego religion: <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/wp_ego_religion.htm</u>

>Thinking Persons religion: http://www.homeworship101.com/NL_2005_01.htm

>The Ancient Path of YHWH: http://www.homeworship101.com/NL_2008_01.htm

>Covenant Theology: http://www.homeworship101.com/NL_2006_02.htm

Spring Season of Holy Days – On the 14th day... Passover

These are the feasts of YHWH, Holy convocations which you shall proclaim at their appointed times. On the fourteenth day of the first month at twilight is YHWH's Passover. - Leviticus 23:4-5

On the 14th day of Abib/Nisan, of the 1st month, at dusk or twilight, begins the Biblically correct Passover, *"the night to be much observed"* (Exo.12:42). The Sabbath is the first official Holy Day, and YHWH's Passover is HIS second most important Holy Day. Passover is mentioned 48 times in the Hebrew Bible and 28 times in the New Testament. The Passover observance is so important that it is the only Holy Day listed with a provision for observing it exactly one month later if you miss it the first time (Num.9:10-11). Passover is the oldest, continuously observed religious holiday on the planet. There are Biblical hints that Passover extends all the way back to the first family when Abel made an offering of firstlings of his flock of sheep (Gen.4:3-7). Today's official Passover observance is a 3,500-year-old tradition that began in the time of Moses. The home Worship instructions for Passover are in Exodus ch.12-13.

In the Roman time of Yahshua, Jerusalem was a very busy place during the Holy Days, as it swelled to nearly five times its normal population of 125,000. The Jews were joined by many people, from many nations, some had journeyed great distances. The miles are long and hard in the desert, but they came, both Jew and gentile, from many lands to gather in Jerusalem to show their respect to the CREATOR at the Jerusalem Temple.

~ The Pre-Opera Lecture ~

Before the curtain rises, a little background. Lets go back in time to the time of the Angels. Our story picks up in the ancient times when Lucifer, one of YHWH's Archangels. Lucifer was responsible for running this part of the galaxy, over time he became so filled with pride and vanity, he thought himself to be as knowledgeable and powerful as YHWH. Lucifer became envious of YHWH's position and sought to overthrow HIM. Lucifer planned an interstellar governmental coup d'etat. He convinced a third of the angels to follow him in a sinful rebellion

against the Government/Kingdom of YHWH (Eze.28:12-17; Luk.10:18; Jud.6). With Lucifer's ambitious plans begins the titanic spiritual war of the Heavenly Powers for the control of the universe, including this part of the galaxy.

Lucifer's plan was to invade YHWH's Heaven, capture YHWH's Great White Throne Room (the seat of power for the entire universe) and remove YHWH from the Throne of the Universe. He would then rule the whole universe including all the interstellar societies. The Prophet Isaiah calls Lucifer the "Son of the Morning" and describes this event in 14:12-14 *"How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations! For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation on the farthest sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High."*

YHWH's loyal angels defeated the rebellious angels, but they were not destroyed. In the court of the Heavenly beings, Lucifer was called to appear and give account of his actions. Court is held in the Great White Throne Room and is the most miraculous and wondrous place in the entire universe. The greatest angels of wisdom and knowledge who oversee the clockwork of the universe are the Archangels. Troops of angels who guard the Throne are called the Cherubim and the Seraphim. YHWH is not a dictator and HE does not use HIS authority as a club, but HIS word is final; and for HIS council HE is surrounded by "four and twenty elders" all dressed in white (Rev.4:2-11; Book of Enoch, from the Lost Books of the Bible).

The Power of Light emanating from the Throne seems brighter than the sun and creates a rainbow around it. The voice of YHWH is like the thunder of the heavens and any mortal witness to such a spectacle would naturally become afraid and tremble with great terror. But Lucifer is no mortal and he has been here many times before in his long career of service to the Kingdom.

An eerie silence falls over the Throne Room as all are attentive to the proceedings, we can only imagine the presentation Lucifer made in his own defense (I would not attempt to describe what was said, in my current state of ignorance my feeble human version would only offend him - and I am cautious not to do that). His argument must have been brilliant and compelling, after all, he did convince a third of the angels to follow him and now he explains his point of view for all in the Kingdom to hear.

The Bible does not state that the angels ever repented after their rebellion. Possibly, once changed to evil characters, they cannot be changed back. Listening to the proceedings YHWH is not swayed, HE knows Lucifer's approach to a different form of government will not work. But, there must have been some discussion by the Council of the Elders to allow Lucifer a limited time and limited area to test-market his program.

YHWH agrees and sets the ground rules, HE renamed Lucifer "Satan," pronounced Saw-tawn, which means *adversary* (Strong's Hebrew Dictionary #7854), and removes his bright and glorious nature. YHWH then ordains that Satan and his fallen dark angels still have *limited powers* and *limited access* to the heavenlies. Satan cannot create life of any kind or foretell the future; he can only twist YHWH's creation into something dark and sinful. The Bible teaches their characteristics are based on: self-centeredness, vanity, pride, lust, hate, greed, envy, vengeance, violence, destruction, and rebel against any form of Divine authority.

YHWH created humanity beginning with Adam and Eve, and most know the story. From their righteous son Abel, in spite of all the temptations by Satan, his was the righteous family linage always remained faithful to YHWH. His generational linage led to Noah, and on to Abraham.

Through Abraham the Israelites were born and they became the first nation to remain faithful to YHWH. In time the Israelites became slaves to Egypt and suffered a very hash life for hundreds of years. This was also a test by YHWH to find out if they would remain loyal to HIM in spite of the hardships, and they did. In spite of the great hardships of slavery they did not lose faith and they continuously prayed for deliverance (Gen.ch.49-50). There prayers reached YHWH's Throne Room and HE rose up Moses to deliver them from their cruel bondage. It wasn't easy to break their evil chains of bondage and YHWH preformed a series of miracles to convince Pharaoh

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the Egyptian leader to release them. The curtain rises on the last most horrifying miracle YHWH had to perform. YHWH instructed the Israelites to apply some blood of a lamb on their doorpost to protect them from the death angels that will kill all the first-born sons of Egypt that night.

~ The Curtin Rise, Act 1 - Scene 1 ~

The Angel of Death Passes Over...

Thus says the Lord: '...all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sits on his throne, even to the firstborn of the female servant who is behind the handmill..., Then there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as was not like it before,

- Exodus 11:4-6

The curtain rises with one of the most horrifying and tragic events in ancient history. Screams can be heard throughout the city as the first-born sons of Egypt were dying by some type of supernatural cause. The Israelites were huddled together in their dwellings and praying. We all know the story, the Israelites survived their long night of death, and to keep this newsletter short I'm thinking most have seen Cecil B. deMille's classic movie epic "The Ten Commandments" which brought to life the Bible's best-known story about the man called Moses. In 1445 B.C.E. with YHWH's help he delivered Israel from evil bondage as described in Exodus ch.1-18. It wasn't easy to break the binding chains of evil and it took many great and dramatic miracles to deliver and protect the Israelites from the powerful Egyptians.

On this first, very public, Passover night, YHWH freed HIS people from the evil bondage in Egypt, HE showed the Faithful that the pagan rulers and their evil world have no future. Surviving the Passover night means one has been found 'justified and redeemed' (Exo.ch.12-13; Rom.5:12-18). Redeemed means that something has been bought back from the marketplace. Justification and sanctification mean that someone has been judged and found not guilty, and set apart for YHWH's special plans. In other words, humanities sins are washed away in the sea of forgetfulness, and that is a good thing for the spiritual bank account. Sanctification means set apart from all the others – the pagan world. The faithful are set apart, your position before YHWH now changes - for the better!

~The Curtin Closes~

~ The Curtin Rises, Act 1 - Scene 2 ~

YHWH's Sacrificial Lamb...

"The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." - Matthew 20:28

The Temple picture of the sacrificial lamb speaks volumes for those who can see. In ancient times they did not understand the BIG picture of what the sacrificial lamb meant, but today we are blessed to fully understand this very important spiritual lesson that prophetically points to the suffering messiah who will be YHWH's sacrificial

lamb to redeem humanity from the Curse of Sin. The redeeming Messiah was the first prophecy given to Adam and Eve to give them hope (Gen.3:15), and now about 1400 years later, for those who can see, this is the first prophecy shown to all humanity in YHWH's Passover.

In His final week on earth Yahshua was deliberately arranging His activities around the events associated with the selection, testing and death of the Passover lamb. The Essenes, and the Disciples knew the spiritual symbolism of the coming Holy Days - they were getting a bad feeling. Yahshua even warned them two days before that He was to be crucified - they were not happy (Mat.26:2). They knew the writings of the Prophets all too well, they had heard Isaiah's prophecy of the suffering Messiah (ch.53) many times: "... He is despised and rejected by men..., He was wounded..., He was bruised..., He opened not His mouth..., He was led as a lamb to slaughter..., He was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgressions of My people He was stricken..., His grave with the wicked...," - they were worried.

The evening beginning the 14th day YHWH's Passover (commonly called the Last Supper), was observed by Yahshua and the Apostles. In an effort to save space I will take it for granted that almost everyone has seen the movie classic King of Kings or something similar. It was late that evening, and after sharing His last Passover meal with His Disciples, Yahshua was praying in the Garden of Gethsemane. There by the kiss of death, He was betrayed by Judas, His own Disciple, (he committed suicide a short time later Act.1:15-26). During the night and into the early morning Yahshua had a trial, was found guilty, was promptly tortured, and then crucified. While Yahshua was hanging on the cross, not too far away at the Temple, the Jews were killing their Passover lambs. (In error, mainstream Judaism keeps Passover on the fifteenth night.) They killed about 300,000 lambs for a normal Passover and they started early. It went on all day and it was not a pretty sight. At exactly the same time, Yahshua, the Lamb of YHWH, was slowly dying from His crucifixion - the spiritual symmetry could not have been more perfect, but sadly mainstream Judaism did not recognize it. Here one can plainly see the tragedy of missing YHWH's appointed time. For those who can see, the spiritually symmetry of YHWH's Opera could not have been more perfect – and there is not a dry eye in the house.

"As the Father has loved Me--so have I loved you!"

- John 15:9

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On the 15th day..., Days of Unleavened Bread

And Fristfruits (Resurrection Sunday)

"...on the fifteenth day of the same month is the Feast of Unleavened Bread to YHWH; seven days you must eat unleavened bread." - Leviticus 23:6

The Days of Unleavened Bread begin on the 15th day of the 1st month and is observed for seven days, with the first and last days a Holy convocation, verses 6-8. Death has passed - we are alive! We are justified in the eyes of GOD! Now we must purge out the leaven of sin and rejoice over the wonderful New Year ahead!

The symbolism of bread was very important to our CREATOR, in the Tabernacle/Temple it was to be displayed at all times (Exo.25:30). Yahshuas' life continued this symbolism. He was born in Bethlehem, in Hebrew it is called Beth Lechem, meaning *House of Bread*. He continually used the image of bread and growing grain in His teachings.

In one of His most famous miracles, the feeding of the 5,000, Yahshua literally showed that He is the "bread of life," and he who "eats the bread of life will live forever" (Jno.6:47-51). When He died, He was wrapped in white linen and buried in the earth, and managed to do it on this very Holy Day of Unleavened Bread. And finally, He rose, He was "brought forth from the earth."

The term Holy convocation has added some confusion to this Holy Day season because, technically speaking, Passover is not a Holy convocation, it is the "night to be much observed" (Exo.12:42). Except for the nighttime, it is okay to work on the Passover day. The Bible says the *fifteenth* day is a Holy convocation. For some reason the ancient rabbis have ignored Lev.23:5 and merged their Passover observance into the first Days of Unleavened Bread. They made it one seven day holiday period called the Feast of Passover, with all Jews performing a Seder on the first night, and some on the first two nights, beginning on the *fifteenth* day of the month.

\sim The Curtin Rises, Act 2 - Scene 1 \sim

Eat the Unleavened Bread of Humility...

"Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread. On the first day you shall remove leaven from your houses." -Exodus 12:15

The history of the Days of Unleavened Bread is as long as Passover. The first day represents the time when the Israelites were finally freed from the terrible bondage of Pharaoh and embarked on their long trek out of Egypt to YHWH's promised land. In the Bible, this age of Egypt is associated with leaven, sin, and a terrible life of bondage. HIS people were to be separate from Egypt and the world system they represented.

This was a day of great joy and surprise; the message is one's life can change in the wink of an eye. The beginning of the exodus began in surprise. After the horrific Passover night the Hebrew people were finally freed. The very next morning the word was given, you are free! Pack your things together and get, while the gettin' is good! The bread was made in "haste," there was no time to let it sit and rise. This type of bread is called unleavened bread or flat bread, and it was the main stay of life during the exodus. The example of the exodus

represents that the Hebrews will put off "that old life," including the philosophies and ways of sinful Egypt, and "live as separate righteous people unto YHWH."

The seventh day, which is the last day of this Holy period, the people crossed the Red Sea to finally be free from the terrors of Egypt. After passing through the Red Sea, they completed their exodus. They were now separated and their sins washed away. They were baptized by the waters of the Red Sea, and now ready to receive the knowledge of the Kingdom.

The exodus is also symbolic of leaving this puffed up, phony material world behind, and start a new beginning of walking a GODLY path in ones new life. YHWH is not only interested in your freedom, but also in your spiritual condition. YHWH is not just showing HIS plan of redemption for HIS creation, HE is showing us how the individual must live in order to join HIS eternal Kingdom. HE is not a gotcha kind of GOD trying to keep you out of Heaven; He cares about what you are going to be. HE wants to teach you to transform your sinful condition, to be baptized and reborn into a new GODLY *understanding*.

Bread is ancient in its GODLY symbolism and is esteemed by all cultures. Everything done with it, from the sowing of seeds, to the baking of it, was done in reverence to GOD. Bread was called the staff and stay of life (Isa.3:1). It was universal, all classes of people, rich or poor, in all parts of the ancient world, understood the necessity of the bread of life.

The purpose of bread is to give life to the eater. This is the theme behind the spiritual lessons of bread, to give new life to the spiritual body. Just after the exodus, Moses and the people had their years of "wandering in the wilderness." During that time YHWH sent the people bread from Heaven (Exo.16:4-5). It energized, enlightened, and encouraged the people. It was called "the bread of the mighty," or "the angel's food," more commonly know today as manna from Heaven.

Some time later when Yahshua came and said, "... *I am the bread of life..., which cometh down from Heaven...*" (Jno.6:47-51), His followers instantly knew the spiritual symbolism behind His statement.

\sim The Curtin Rises, Act 2 - Scene 2 \sim

The Suffering Messiah Is Put To Rest...

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved." - John 3:16-17

- John 3:10-17

The tragic drama continues as Yahshua - the "Bread of Life," who was born in Bethlehem, which in Hebrew means "The House of Bread" - was wrapped in linen cloth was laid in a tomb just before this High Holy Day of Unleavened Bread began.

The curious prophetic words of John the Baptist when he first greeted Yahshua are about to be realized: *"Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world"* John 1:29. True to the symbolism of a sacrificial lamb, which makes no noise when being led to slaughter, Yahshua, the innocent victim, gave no defense at his trial. The ruling establishment raised public opinion against Him, and the Romans crucified Him around 9:00 a.m. the following morning for crimes against the Roman state.

Crucifixion along the roadside, was a torturous slow-death, it normally took up to three days to die in such a manner. It was specifically designed this way to terrorize an occupied population. All the victims' friends would pass by during the days' routine and witness the slow and painful death.

Many theologians still debate if the cross Yahshua was nailed to was really a cross, a T shape, or just a straight stake. The Romans probably used all three styles, but for Yahshua who was the "King of the Jews," He received the deluxe treatment. The cross style was needed for the plaque over His head and it was the heaviest for Him to carry.

Amazingly, Yahshua died around 3:00 P.M. later that Passover day (Mar.15:33-37), and that was odd. He was on the cross for about six hours. Most men would have lived at least for a day or two on the cross. To hasten death, the Roman soldiers would break their legs so their sagging bodies would eventually restrict their airway, causing the victim to suffocate. The soldiers broke the legs of the other two thieves crucified with Yahshua, but when they came to Him, they saw that He was already dead. As would happen many times, by not breaking His legs, a gentile - who could care less about the Jews - unknowingly fulfilled Hebrew prophecy (Joh.19:31-36; Ps.34:20). Yahshua was placed in a tomb before sundown (Luk.23:54-55).

Just claiming to be a peaceful messiah did not always guarantee a death sentence, the Judean hills were full of messiahs. Yet a hastily convened illegal court - a spectacle that has yet to be equaled, gave this innocent Prophet a torturous death penalty. Make no mistake; they (the religious rulers) killed Him because they were afraid of Him! Sadly, many people misunderstood the Messiah's simple Kingdom lessons. Generally, the people did not understand why He allowed Himself to be arrested, tried and crucified on a cursed cross. When that happened, most of the people lost faith in Him as the promised Messiah, because His Kingdom did not overthrow Rome and did not restore Israel. Unfortunately, because of this, most rejected their promised "suffering Messiah."

After His death Yahshua descended to Hades, for three days, to minister to the lost souls in the discomfort side of Hades (Act.2:27; 1Pet.3:19). He told them of the hope of salvation at the Great White Judgment and how it is best to survive the discomfort of their confinement.

Then He went and told the comfort side of Hades, "... come it is time for you to inherit the Kingdom prepared from the foundation of the world ...," Matthew 25:31-34. He then took the *comfort side* - the saved souls of the Old Testament times - of Hades, to the third Heaven, (Eph.4:8-10; 2Cor.12:2).

"God is not the God of the dead, but of the living."

- Matthew 22:32

~The Curtin Closes~

~ The Holy Day Preparations - Personal Sanctification ~

"When pride comes, then comes shame; but with the humble is wisdom." - Proverbs 11:2

These Holy Days teach us to approach YHWH and Yahshua with humility. They teach us to be humble and temper our lofty pride and to curb our desire to be important. YHWH teaches us this through HIS Bible and home worship. The spiritual lessons of this Holy Day, cautions us not to indulge in triumphalism, dogmatism, or overconfidence, but be humble. Participating in the Holy Days means one is about to receive the Wisdom of YHWH's Kingdom and that Divine Wisdom cannot be misused, so these first Holy Days begin with a warning lesson about the sin of pride which was played out for all the world to see long ago in ancient Egypt between

Moses and Pharaoh. The Divine message is: Be humble, and temper your lofty pride or you will wind up in ruin like Pharaoh (Exo.ch.13-15).

"Everyone who exalts himself shall be humbled and he who humbles himself will be exalted." - Luke 18:14

The physical preparations for the spiritual lessons began on the 10th day when we were required to test the theology we follow, or test our method of achieving eternal life. The preparations for the next Holy Days of Passover and Unleavened Bread, is that we should clean out our dwellings of all leavening products. The spiritual lesson is that we should expel from our characters anything that puffs us up, and throw out any dark doctrines you might have picked up. The physical lesson is to clean the place in which you live. I know for some people the thought of spring-cleaning sends shivers up their spines. But there is a reason for it; good health responds well to the spiritual exercises of housecleaning with loved ones. YHWH is teaching us is that HE knows that some people may be less then meticulous in their personal habits, so HE wants to teach all humanity that being neat, orderly, and learn that living in a clean house has health benefits for the physical body.

"That such widespread misunderstanding should exist about the word (sanctification) and its meaning, is a spiritual disaster. If there is one New Testament term more than another which calls for rescue it is that precious, expressive word, Sanctification." - Sidlow Baxter.

The first moral lesson of the Holy season is showing humanity that pride is the worst sin of all, and must be brought under control before any spiritual learning can begin. Or you will never understand the mysteries YHWH reveals in the Spiritual Opera of HIS Holy Days. The faithful are justified and sanctified through the Passover blood but they must learn how to remain that way. The Bible has many verses that teach humility because people cannot learn how to remain justified and sanctified if one is too prideful to heed YHWH's teachings. To remind humanity of this, the preparation for these first Holy Days means removing all food leavening products from your house and diet. And while we are cleaning out our houses of puffed up foods, symbolically, we must make the effort to remove the leaven of prideful sin from our hearts because the body is the temple of the Holy Spirit (1Cor.5:7-8); and we should also clean out the bad doctrines we follow because they will lead us astray (Heb 13:9).

"Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth" -1 Corinthians 5:7-8

This passage clearly shows that Paul is teaching the Faithful that "keeping the Feasts" is not just for the Jews but also for the new Christians. Many people believe the sunshines through their bellybuttons - it is the center of the universe syndrome. The Apostle Paul was admonishing the congregation to perform a personal spiritual housecleaning, to humble ourselves, to purge out false teachings and redirect our spiritual path in the footsteps of our Messiah's living example (1Pet.2:21). Some of the things to "put off" during the spiritual house cleaning are the sinful nature, "the works of the flesh," a list is found in Galatians ch.5. Abstaining from eating leavened products depicts the ongoing personal responsibility of every Believer to abstain from sin; this process is called "personal sanctification."

Preparing for this eight-day, Holy festival was normally completed before Passover. In the Bible leavening is symbolic of the sin of pride. Proud, vain, boastful, big ego, are the opposites of "walking humbly with your GOD." All the people would understand the simple analogy of leavening - puffed up bread - is symbolic of puffed up people. This is a "biggie" message from our CREATOR. First at Passover, HE dazzles us with miracles while learning to fear spiritual death, and now we will spend seven days of our daily life in a spiritual *"walk in the newness of life"* (Rom.6:4). Tempering our personalities, through focusing on this ungodly characteristic of pride in humanity.

The leaven (sin) must be cleansed from our dwellings (and hearts). To physically commemorate the Seven Days of Unleavened Bread, all food items (except animal food for livestock and pets) containing leavening products were put out of the house and not eaten during these Holy Days. Leavening is yeast, baking soda and baking powder, which are used in bread, cookies, cakes, etc. It takes some planning and preparation, the house must be cleaned, almost sterilized, of every crumb of bread or anything that has leavening in it - every speck of sin must be purged – and don't forget to check your coat pockets.

Removing sin from the house is a tough job. Everything is cleaned and scrubbed; it gives new meaning to the term spring-cleaning. The historical lesson is taken from 2Kings 23:19-22 where King Josiah raged through Israel like a tornado cleaning out the pagan altars from the land, even YHWH was impressed with his Passover preparation. This is serious deep cleaning; leavening must be removed from every hiding place, from every corner of the house, from the back of the cabinets, to behind the refrigerator, under the sofa, etc.

It may take a couple of days to thoroughly clean sin out of the house and it is a family affair. The husband does the heavy lifting, and the young children who are just learning ask, "why are we throwing out all the good stuff to eat?" The spiritual lesson begins for the children as a game of hide-and-seek. Search and find the little crumb of sin, catch it and throw it into the fire, then watch sin burn up (as it will be in the future judgment time).

~ The Health Benefit ~

This is spring cleaning for the spirit and the soul. It would be easy to dismiss all this housecleaning and say it is the purity of the heart that counts, but our CREATOR knows keeping your clothes and living quarters clean will help in promoting vigorous health. It is interesting to note that during the Black Death plague of Europe 's middle ages, the rabbis passed the word to get the dwellings of the Jewish Faithful Passover clean (Lev.ch.13-15). The Jews listened and cleaned out their slums. Their mortality rates were only 5-10% of the population compared to Europeans much higher numbers. Do you think the Christians opened up their Bibles and learned? Fahgeddaboutit! Do you think they would ask the Jews what they did? Fahgeddaboutit! They figured the Jews were in league with the devil and promptly began to kill them. It only took about 3,500 years for the rebellious humans to learn the Biblical lessons of cleanliness and sanitation. It is a great example of how "governments will always do the right thing - after they have exhausted all other possibilities."

I would even suggest taking your spring-cleaning one step further. Knowing that the body is the temple of the Holy Spirit (1Cor.6:19), then during this time of eating unleavened foods, eat a little lighter, drink some cleansing teas, and maybe do a colon cleansing to restore your body's health. When I began researching herbal healing I discovered that in the days before modern medicines and fast foods, people would eat light at the beginning of spring and drink some cleansing teas. When I mentioned this to some of my friends and relatives, they mentioned that they remembered when they were young their grandparents would always do something like this in the early springtime. I commented, what has changed in the human body in modern times? Nothing! What was good for the body back then is still good for today. There is a saying that death begins in the colon, and seeing today's high incidence of colon cancer I would suggest that we all get busy cleaning out our physical temples along with our dwelling places.

On the first Sunday after Passover... The Day of Firstfruits -**Resurrection Sunday**

And YHWH spoke to Moses, saying,

"Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: When you come into the land which I give to you, and reap its harvest, then you shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest to the priest. He shall wave the sheaf before the Lord, to be accepted on your behalf; on the day after the Sabbath the priest shall wave it.

- Leviticus 23:9-11

On the first Sunday after Passover, is the Biblical Holy Day called Firstfruits, the Christians call it Resurrection Sunday, or Easter. The Temple symbolism is of a farmer giving a thanksgiving offering from the small early harvest (Lev.23:9-14).

"GOD so loved the world that HE gave HIS only begotten Son, that whoever believe in Him might be saved."

- John 3:16

Let's recap, we all know eradicating sin and demons from our bodies, our communities, and our world is not an easy process; it can cause great pain, and sometimes-terrible death and destruction. The above guote states that GOD "gave" HIS Son, Yahshsua/Jesus, to cancel the curse of sin. The "giving" part was not an easy thing for YHWH to do, because HE knew the cost, and after-the-fact so did the world. The Prophet Isaiah foretold the cost about 700 years before Yahshuas' birth.

> "...He is despised and rejected by men..., He was wounded...., He was bruised . . , He opened not His mouth..., He was led as a lamb to slaughter..., He was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgressions of My people He was stricken ..., His grave with the wicked ...,"

- Isaiah ch.53

Yahshua was well aware of what was before Him, and the evening before He was put to death His prayer reveals His moment of doubt, "O FATHER, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me..." Matthew 26:38. YHWH is not a dictator, HE doesn't bend the rules to suit HIM, He lives by HIS own laws - the Messiah must fulfill his mission. Yahshua fulfilled His mission because He loved <u>His Bride</u> (His followers), and the world. To keep this newsletter short, the classic movie "King of Kings" or the more current "Passion of Christ" fills in the details. The closing scene showing Christ being crucified misses an important detail. While Christ was slowly dying from His crucifixion, a few hundred yards away the Jews were killing their lambs for their Passover meal. As usual, the religionists had their eyes wide shut, but for those who can see, the spiritual symmetry could not have been more perfect or more heart breaking.

~ The Curtin Rises, Act 3 - Scene 1 ~

The Suffering Messiah Has Risen...

"Now after the Sabbath, as the first day of the week began to dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat on it. His countenance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. And the guards shook for fear of him, and became like dead men.



But the angel answered and said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead, and indeed He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him. Behold, I have told you."

So they went out quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to bring His disciples word." - Matthew 28: 5-8

Three days after His death, as we all know, Yahshua was resurrected, on Saturday evening just after dusk, not Sunday morning (think Hebrew calendar, not Roman calendar), and made an appearance in YHWH's Great White Throne Room. There was a great parade of triumph for Yahshua. The arrival of the long awaited Messiah was truly one of those magic moments in the Kingdom. All the angels of Heaven, all the living creatures, and all the elders came out to see Him (Rev.5:11-12).

I love it when a plan comes together. - YHWH

They were cheering Yahshua as He entered the Throne Room, *"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain... To receive power and riches and wisdom. And strength and honor and glory and blessing,"* Revelation 5:12. He was making His way through all the well-wishers when suddenly a hush fell over the Throne Room, as all eyes turned to the Throne. YHWH the FATHER was standing up to make a pronouncement, HIS voice thunders through the Kingdom, as HE announces to all in the Universe, that HE now gives Yahshua His reward for faithful service, a highly exalted position in the Kingdom.

"To stand before men on behalf of God is one thing. To stand before God on behalf of men is something entirely different."

- Leonard Ravenhill

Yahshua kneels, and YHWH bestows a triple anointing: Yahshua is a Prophet (Deu.18:18), He is the High Priest of Melchizedek (Heb.ch.7-8), and He is King (Ps.45:6-8). YHWH now gives Him a Name above any other, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come. YHWH hath put all things under His feet, and made it known that every knee should bend, of those in Heaven, and those of the Earth, and of those under the Earth, and that every tongue should confess that Yahshua is the Messiah, to the glory of YHWH the FATHER (Phi.2:9-11; Eph.1:22-23).

Yahshua rises, and YHWH hands Him the keys to death and Hades (Rev.1:18). Yahshua then takes His seat, at the right hand of YHWH (Mat.26:64). As the trumpets mark the event, praise and cheer erupts from the Throne Room, on this day of Firstfruits, it was one of those most-excellent moments in the Kingdom. All is well in the Universe!!! HalleluYAH!!!

The Immortal Spirit Body is how the Jerusalem Church will be outfitted for eternal life. After the ceremonies in the Great White Throne Room, Yahshua returned to Earth and made His first resurrected public appearance. Here the immortal spirit body was shown to the Believers while Yahshua stayed on Earth for about forty days counseling His Disciples (Mat.28:1-10; Mar.16:1-18; Luk.24:1-43; Jon.20:1-10). The Disciples gave Him a piece of a broiled fish and some honeycomb, and He took it and ate in their presence (Luk.24:42-43). In John 21:9-13, He fixed breakfast for His Disciples, yet He could walk through a door (Luk.20:26). He is able to subdue all things to Himself (Phi.3:20-21).

An immortal body is real, and occupies time and space, yet the body can pass through an object or pick up the object. Although transformed, people retain the unique characteristics and features they had in their early human life, but without any of the birth defects or deformities.

From the Believers follow great signs and wonders

category, there is also another odd story that goes with the resurrection. Writings collected in the Ante-Nicene Library (a large volume of books containing the writing of the first and second century church), describe that more then twelve thousand of the Old Testament Assembly walked through Galilee for forty days (Mat.27:52-54). Just think of it, these are dead people resurrected to life that the living people



recognized. Most Bible teachers skip over this passage because the account of this amazing supernatural event seems so bizarre.

In the opening quote, the Temple priest waving the Firstfruits sheaf before the Lord is symbolic of the spiritual reality of the Holy Day that pictures the Messiah as a harvester of souls. In the Great White Heavenly Throne Room, YHWH was presented a major victory in the Spiritual war, as Yahshua presented HIM the first righteous souls of the ancient Jerusalem Church (meaning true Believers); or souls of the true Believers of the Old Testament Church, as the Firstfruits harvest of the righteous souls of the Earth (1Cor.15:22-23). The verse says, *"Each in his own time...,"* and that means if these are the Firstfruits, then it stands to reason that there will be a second and a third, etc.

After the forty days they were taken to a holding place in YHWH's Third Heaven, and are now asleep with the righteous dead that have died since that event (2Cor.5:8). They are awaiting their immortal bodies, given when Yahshua calls them near the end of the Age of Grace.

... and the universe awaits for the revealing of the Children of YHWH from New Earth ...

~ The Curtain Closes ~

Closing comment: Isn't that a wonderful spiritual story? In this Age of Grace we are blessed to understand the Holy Day mysteries. In the theater of the Temple, for 1400 plus years the High Priest waved the sheaf, they did not fully understand, but doing the task by "faith" which does not require full understanding. The people watched the Temple ceremony but without really seeing or understanding the BIG picture, they thought of it as only a religious obligation. Today in our age we are blessed to see the BIG picture and understand all of the spiritual mysteries of these past Holy Days – it <u>armors</u> our faith.

It is important to stress this point again because many religionists miss the fact that on this day Yahshua fulfilled one of YHWH's Holy Days called the Feast of Firstfruits (Lev. 23:9-14). It is a very appropriate name because through Yahshuas' resurrection and defeat over evil, Yahshua was able to present YHWH with the Old Testament saints who were officially the Firstfruit harvest of the faithful human population of ancient times. And if there is a first, then there must be a second, and a third, etc.

Here is another point often missed by the religionists is what YHWH thinks of the status of women. Remember, women were the first at the birth, death, and resurrection of the Messiah. It is ironic that in a culture where a woman could not be a legal witness, they were good enough to be witnesses for the Kingdom as they were the first to see that the Messiah has risen.

The New Testament - as well as the Hebrew Testament - has much to say regarding strong women of faith working on YHWH's behalf. Yahshua even shocked His Disciples with His revolutionary concepts that women were equal to men in the sight of our CREATOR, and could equally receive forgiveness and grace in the future Kingdom. Yahshua was respectful to all women and early on a woman helped support His ministry. He faced the wrath of the rabbis when He healed a woman on the Sabbath, and showed His regard for her by calling her the "daughter of Abraham." Using this very controversial term meant He was raising her from a mere woman to a status equal with men who were called the sons of Abraham (Luk.13:10-16). He also taught that they have the same responsibility to learn, and grow in grace and knowledge, as men do.

It may surprise many to know that Satan is also a Bible scholar and he knows it from the original tongue. He also watched the Temple priest wave the first offering but he didn't see this coming. Needless to say, he hates Yahshua's resurrection; remember he has been trying to avoid this since he used the Romans to kill all the Jewish first-born sons when Yahshua was born. In the wars between good and evil Satan knows he lost a big one. He is angry and as we all know he hates Yahshua's followers, and he hates the symbolism of these Holy Days, and does his best to suppress them. Once the information gets out to the general public then he works hard on changing the message to divert attention from the true meaning of the Holy Day. This Holy Day is a good example, the first Protestants called this day Resurrection Sunday, but Satan really hates any talk of a resurrection so over time this day has become know as Easter.

Today, most of the religious world once again has their eyes wide shut. To call this resurrection event, which is one of the most excellent moments in the Kingdom, a moment that has been waited for since the fall of Adam & Eve, "<u>Easter</u>", and then sit down to feast on an "Easter Ham" is an insult to the Higher Powers, and it angers YHWH (Jer.7:17-20). The word Easter stems from pagan goddess Ishtar of Babylon. In ancient time, Ishtar was called the Queen of Heaven, the pagans, and ancient Israel, would hold celebrations in her honor during the springtime. It so angered YHWH that HE sent the Prophet Jeremiah to issue stern warnings to the people (Jer.44:16-23), sadly the people would not listen, and we all know what happened to Ancient Israel. The Protestant founders of America never called this day Easter, because that name comes from the Roman Catholic

Church, they originally called it Resurrection Sunday. Beware, and be aware, the warning from the Prophet Jeremiah still stands; eventually all pagan roads will lead you to the Antichrist, great pain, and horrible death. Remember, those who do not learn from history are condemned to repeat it.

"I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth."

- 3 John 4

Hoy Day of Pentecost / Shavuot

"Count fifty days to the day after the seventh Sabbath; then you shall offer a new grain offering to the Lord. You shall bring from your dwellings two wave loaves..." - Leviticus 23:16-17

The Biblically Holy Day of Pentecost, called in Hebrew, Shavuot, is on a Sunday, usually in early June (Lev.23:15-22). It is a festive atmosphere because it is the day of new revelations from YHWH! Log on http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_spring.htm

In my newsletter for the spring Holy Days I talked about the multifaceted, multidimensional aspects that YHWH is trying to teach all humanity in the Spiritual Opera of HIS annual Holy Days. This Holy Day celebrates YHWH's Universal Laws. These Laws are not laws to appease some angry god; YHWH prepared these Laws to help us, not just Jews or Christians, but a-I-I humanity.

The theme for this Holy Day:

Watch your thoughts; they become words. Watch your words; they become actions. Watch your actions; they become habits. Watch your habits; they become character. Watch your character; it becomes your destiny.

Generally I get a lot of criticism from the Christian world for going, as they say, backwards and following the "Jewish" Holy Days. So I ask them, "...don't Christians observe Pentecost?" That is a Holy Day listed in Leviticus ch.23, why are some Holy Days important and some not?" All YHWH's Holy Days are for the Hebrews and gentiles, and all the Holy Days are important, if there is any more doubt then look to the Jerusalem Temple ceremony for this day and learn. Here, on this Holy Day, lies the simple answer waved in front of you, but many do not see.

YHWH our CREATOR is *willing* to instruct us (Ps.32.8). Let us be *early* and *often* at HIS throne of grace, praying, as the Psalmist did:

"Show me Your ways, O LORD, teach me Your paths; guide me in Your truth and teach me--for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long." - Psalm 25:4-5

In the theater of the Temple, the ceremony for this Holy Day required the high priest to wave two loaves of bread over the altar as an offering to YHWH. The offering of two loaves of bread is a product of craftsmanship

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(different from a harvest or blood offering). Unlike the previous Holy Days with symbols of unleavened bread, these two loaves of bread are made with yeast - the symbol for sin. With a skilled hand each loaf begins with the best ingredients, it is then mixed, stirred, kneaded, raised, flattened, raised again, and carefully baked to perfection. If you think about it, it sounds a lot like the spiritual evolution of the Hebrews and gentiles, being guided by the hand of our CREATOR. Here on this Holy Day the Hebrews and the gentiles are spiritually represented as two loaves of bread offered to YHWH.

"A wise man [or women] will hear and increase learning,"

- Proverbs 1:5

For those who can see, and have ears to hear, this next act in YHWH's Spiritual Opera opens with more stunning miracles.

~ The Curtin Rises, Act 4 - Scene 1 ~

The Giving Of the Commandments...

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all those who do His commandments; His praise endures forever."

- Psalm 111:10

With the start of the – Biblical – New Year and Passover season, YHWH began HIS great spiritual opera with a stunning display of HIS almighty power (Exo.ch.7-11). It got the Hebrews attention and they were watching. But many miss the subtle meaning of the Passover season, which is that the faithful are sanctified, and justified. Now they have to learn how to stay that way, and on this Holy Day comes the day of new revelations on how to live righteously. Sadly, today this day generally goes unnoticed by the religious world, because living righteously is generally inconvenient to their faith.

"God has chosen you to salvation, through sanctification of the Spirit."

- 2 Thessalonians 2:13

During the spring season of Holy Days, humanity learned of YHWH's power of Passover when HE freed the Israelites from their Egyptian bondage. From that example, humanity learned not to be on the wrong side of YHWH or risk winding up like Pharaoh. YHWH's next great miracle was to open up the Red Sea to let the Hebrew's escape while holding back Pharaoh's army with a pillar of fire. When the Hebrews reached the other side the people were soaking wet – the symbolism is of course, that YHWH baptized them and separated them from the evil world of Pharaoh in a new land. What this means is during these Spring Holy Days the Faithful have been justified and sanctified. Sanctified means spiritually set aside as <u>Hebrews</u> in YHWH's Name. Justified means we are justified to continue to follow YHWH Ancient Path and learn HIS Wisdom and mysteries. Log on http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_spring.htm

"Open my eyes, that I may see wondrous things from Your law." - Psalm 119:18

For those who can see, and have ears to hear, this next act in YHWH's Spiritual Opera opens with more spectacular miracles. This Holy Day celebrates YHWH Commandments because on this day in ancient times Moses brought the <u>Torah / Pentateuch</u>, and the <u>Ten Commandments</u>, written in stone by the finger of YHWH, down from Mt. Sinai beginning YHWH's mystical union with HIS Hebrew church (Exo.ch.7-20). Click for a short 6 min video to review the highlights, its really stunning: <u>http://new.ba-</u>bamail.co.il/View.aspx?emailid=8091&memberid=732978

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Since ancient times, this was the Holy Day that celebrates the giving of YHWH's Laws. Unfortunately, many of today's believers get a little nervous feeling when talking about YHWH's Laws. But YHWH's Kingdom is based on Law and order, and our CREATOR's Laws were first introduced to humanity through the universal Covenants given to Adam and then again to Noah. It is a simple agreement, if we promise to honor YHWH the CREATOR of all, and live by HIS simple rules HE will protect us and grant us eternal life in HIS Kingdom (Col.1:5). Log on: http://www.homeworship101.com/bb-c5_sacred_covenants.htm

~ The Commandments ~

"Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city. But outside are dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie." - Revelation 22:14-15

In the time of Noah, before there was any religion there was the Rainbow Covenant, and from it Noah preached to a-I-I the generations after the flood what today is called the 7 Noahic Laws or Commandments. The following generations after the flood, Orientals, the blacks, the whites, everyone with a belly button, all learned the same 7 Commands which formed the successful building blocks for the new world communities. Later in time, YHWH chose Moses to give the 10 commands to his Hebrew church, and Yahshua endorsed them for his Messianic church. Sometimes Christians forget not everyone applies themselves to the narrower path of the higher Covenants, one must remember that most of the world lives under the Rainbow Covenant and the Noahic Laws. Log on: http://www.homeworship101.com/wp_10_commands.htm

"Great peace have those who love Your law..." - Psalm 119:165

Some people call me legalistic, but they don't get it. The Ten Commandments are still in effect, and they give us freedom. This is not a modern concept, in ancient China, Confucius sought to transmit the wisdom of the ancient sages. Opposite of the Roman ways, Confucius and his disciples distrusted written laws. He felt that a dusty statute book was too inflexible to handle the infinite variety of human experience. He chose to trust people, not laws, and taught a philosophy of personal virtue, devotion to family, and social justice, and to rely on innate human goodness as the best guarantee of a civil society. He was probably closer to the Biblical mark of the Noadic Covenant teachings, than most give him credit for. The reasoning for a moral personal and community philosophy is simple, the more moral the society, the less community laws are needed to govern or control them. In others words, our FATHER's few simple Laws give us freedom from the millions of laws in mankind's dusty statue books. America's founding fathers were wise men who knew their history and Bibles, and they also knew this Divine truth of promoting a moral community.

"You fools--when will you be wise?" - Psalm 94:8

Unfortunately, many of today's world's leaders - priests, politicians, corporate leaders, etc. - live with the <u>Hellenist/Roman</u> attitude: There is one law for the rulers, and another law for the ruled. This is not our FATHER's idea of an everlasting society. The faithful accept the Kingdom Laws because YHWH, and all HIS interstellar societies, also lives by them.

~ The Greatest Commandment – the Golden Rule ~

"Teach your children the Golden Rule and the world will thank you."

This Holy Day celebrates YHWH's Laws and at the very least, this Holy Day should be universally know as "the Golden Rule Day" because the Golden Rule sums up all of our CREATOR's Laws. Much has been written regarding the Law, but I specialize in the short version. The bottom-line Law governing all interstellar relations with angels, humans, or otherwise, is the Golden Rule. It is universal, and putting it into practice is the height of spiritual maturity. Satan has engineered many religious walls and divisions among the faithful, but a-I-I humanity has our CREATOR and the Golden Rule in common - even those who do not believe. I have listed them all on my website, with a short history, and some notable quotes. Log on: http://www.homeworship101.com/golden_rule.htm

~ The Curtin Rises, Act 4 - Scene 2 ~

The Giving of the Ruach HaKodesh / Holy Spirit...

"When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place."

- Acts 2:1

About 1500 years later, in the time of the Apostles, this day was known as the day that the Holy Spirit, (Hebrew: the Ruach HaKodesh) of YHWH, was sent by Yahshua-Jesus to the true Believers, beginning His mystical union with the Hebrew-Gentile Messianic Church (Act.ch.2). It is interesting to note that the verse says, *"they were all with one accord,"* meaning they all believed and understood the same Gospel teachings of Yahshua. Sadly, today, Yahshua's church is very fragmented.

The Ruach HaKodesh (the Holy Spirit) is a prophesied gift to the Faithful, made available by the success of the <u>suffering Messiah</u> over evil. The Holy Spirit lives within the bodies of the Believers of both men and women. It is our helper, our guiding intuition, and our strength. The day the Ruach HaKodesh was originally given was a wonderful early-summer morning. It was around 9 am. The Faithful were bright and cheerful, and of one accord. They had just heard the scriptural lesson from the Prophet Ezekiel 1:4, *"Then I looked, and behold, a whirlwind was coming out of the north, a great cloud with raging fire engulfing itself; and brightness was all around it and radiating out of its midst like the color of amber, out of the midst of the fire."*

And then, just a short while later, as they were talking among themselves, a miracle happened! "Suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them,..." Act.2:2-3. Wow! Our FATHER has impeccable timing! Read through Acts ch 2, it was a wonderful stunning miracle, and it got everybody's attention!

"God has chosen you to salvation, through sanctification of the Spirit." - 2 Thessalonians 2:13

To sanctify, is to separate and set apart for holy purposes and holy uses.

YHWH *has* separated His people, choosing them to be holy, and He sanctifies them *now* for Himself by the power, operation, and indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

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The good news is that GOD allows U-Turns! In ancient Old Testament times, the Commandments were written in hard stone and the penalty for sin is death. Now, the Ruach HaKodesh, the Holy Spirit, writes it on our warm hearts. The Ruach HaKodesh introduces humanity to the concept of "grace." which is the advanced trait of mercy. The Gospel lesson of Grace is: Don't judge and condemn too quickly. If some has a change of heart, and wants to change their ways, we should learn to forgive and show mercy, and help them back on the righteous path.

"Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows!"

- John 16:33

This Holy Day also marks the beginning of the Age of Grace, meaning an age to promote and learn the advanced trait of mercy. Now this is an age of forgiveness, and for learning to become a better person, and a better community. Individuals will make mistakes (will sin) and will have learn a hard lesson for it, but in the end, if we learn our spiritual lessons well, one will be a better person for it – true to the symbolism of the YHWH's spiritual bread offered at the Temple, HIS bread (HIS Faithful) is being kneaded, shaped, and baked to perfection. Log on for more info: <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/age_of_grace.htm</u>

Also on this day, communication with the Heavenly Powers just became easier. YHWH, via the Holy Spirit, now empowers the Believer with HIS <u>Spiritual Powers-Tools</u>. In Daniel ch.10, the Archangel Gabriel wanted to visit Daniel to relay a message from YHWH, but he prevented from that task by Satan's dark angels. He had to fight the dark forces for 21 days, and only succeeded when the Archangel Michael came to help. Here we get a hint, that at times, it wasn't always easy for the righteous powers to communicate to the Faithful on earth, but now that has all changed. Prayer, baptism, blessing, anointing, laying on of hands, are all ways for the Believer to communicate with the Heavenly Powers. The Spiritual Power-Tools are important defensive tools because the Faithful is in the middle of a raging spiritual war, unfortunately most churches do not teach the laity how to use them. Satan knows, "to lead an untrained people to war is to throw them away," and he has been busy corrupting YHWH's Knowledge.

~ The Curtain Closes ~

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service." - Romans 12:1

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Our Holy Spirit is our strength and helper, but help us in doing what? The answer is to help us live GODLY life. If you listen to your guiding intuition and learn to live a righteous life your Holy Sprit will grow. If you ignore it and live by being hardhearted, malicious, and taking advantage of your fellow man, then your Holy Spirit will wither and die – then come <u>Judgment Day</u> you will have no sprit to revive for eternal life and then you will only have eternal death.

We have one CREATOR with one vision! Some will argue that YHWH's Law has been suspended in this Age of Grace, but it's a no-brainer, our FATHER's Kingdom is based on law and order. Even the angels live by the Law. It's the rabbinic laws (the man designed laws) that Yahshua criticized, but regarding His FATHER's Laws He clearly stated, He didn't come to break the Law (Mat.5:17). If anything, He raised the stakes - evil thoughts now constitute sin. The Gospel message is: Don't even think about it! (Mat.5:8). A letter from the second century puts living under YHWH's Law beautifully, log on: <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/wp_early_christians.htm</u>

A major point often missed by the controlling religionists that is not often explained is the symbolism of Acts ch.2. In the chapter, the Holy Spirit came directly to the faithful, it wasn't first sent to the Apostles and then

distributed by them, the Holy Spirit was sent directly from Heaven to the Faithful. Based on this example, the Protestant Reformation leaders believed the GOD directly empowers the people and became one of the main tenets to break the yoke of the Roman Catholics version of Nicolaitanism (Rev.2:6). The doctrine of Nicolaitanism has its roots in paganism where you paid a priest to send your prayers to the gods. It always puts a priest, (a pope, a rabbi, or some mere mortal), between you and GOD – and YHWH/GOD hates that because it leads to corruption, Yahshua also chastised many rabbis of His time for having the same Nicolaitan attitude (Mat.23:1-23). The doctrine of <u>"Spiritual Covering"</u> preached by some Protestants churches is much the same. The pitch is, once you join their church then you are spiritually covered by the priest or elders on down to the members, supposedly protecting the person from evil – oy vey, the mishegoss of religion, this has nothing to do about the Bible but everything about control.

~ Holy Living ~

"You Go Your Way, I'll go YHWH!"

The Bible clearly states:

"You ought to live holy and godly lives." - 2 Peter 3:11

"But now you must also put away all the following: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and filthy language." - Colossians 3:8

"Be an example to all believers in what you teach, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity." - 1 Timothy 4:12

The best answer to today's loss of civility is, "you go your way, I'll go YHWH" (just like Noah and Abraham did). Scriptures call the faithful to YHWH, "priests," and we should learn to live Holy lives (Rom.12:1; Eph.1:4; Tit.1:8; 1Pet.2:9; Rev.1:6, 20:6, and many more), but what does that mean? What we generally call a holy man, paying someone, oops I mean, donating money to someone, to stay in a sanctuary separate from the community so that that person may remain holy, and then seek that person out for ones spiritual needs, is mostly a pagan custom – it is not YHWH's idea of HIS priesthood.

"He who walks with wise men shall be wise; but a companion of fools shall be destroyed!" - Proverbs 13:20

Take heed of the *company* you keep! Beware of *unnecessary familiarity* with the ungodly.

YHWH wants all HIS faithful to live Holy lives on a day-to-day basis while interacting with the community in our work, and play - to live honestly, to work honestly, etc, with one caveat, beware and be aware of evil. The Book of Judges is a good example, YHWH called people from the community both men and women to rise up and preach YHWH's truths to the community when they drifted off the Path. The Apostle Peter tells "...but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy," 1Peter1:16. It is easy enough to understand, and easy enough to read it in Scriptures – but there is still much debate on the topic. Generally people would rather make an icon and worship it instead of living YHWH's Holy life. Oy vey, the mishegoss of religion. See link: Concept of Holiness,

http://www.barna.org/FlexPage.aspx?Page=BarnaUpdate&BarnaUpdateID=219

"Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy; meditate on these things." - Phil 4:8

It will be a long summer growing season under this Age of Grace – stay on the righteous path. The faithful are always longing for the coming of the Messiah to usher in the Kingdom of peace, but this is a unique Age because the Faithful believe without seeing YHWH or Yahshua, and it remains open to collect as many Believers as possible. "The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is long suffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance," 2Pet.3:9.

~ Closing Comment ~

In recent years when it comes to answering tough Biblical questions the answer was "What Would Jesus Do" (WWJD)? Well today the question is, when it comes to religious Holy Days, What DID Jesus Do? Many forget that those who believe in Christ follow a Hebrew Messiah and He kept His FATHER's ordained Holy Days listed in Leviticus ch.23. As a matter of fact Yahshua/Jesus not only observed the Holy Days, He fulfilled them! He was crucified on Passover (the Last Supper), He was buried on the Days of Unleavened Bread, He was resurrected of the Day of Firstfruit (Resurrection Sunday/Easter), and today on Pentecost He sent the promised Ruach HaKodesh, the Holy Spirit. Chances are that when He returns as the conquering Messiah, He will fulfill the fall season of Holy Days. So the question remains, if we follow Christ then why are we following the Popes holidays instead of Christ's example?

> "For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will also be ashamed of him when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels"

- Mark 8:38

Enjoy the journey of learning...

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7th New Moon and the Fall Season of Holy Days

"...The feasts of the LORD, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, <u>these are My feasts</u>." - Leviticus 23:1

"These are the feasts of the LORD, holy convocations which you shall <u>proclaim at their appointed times</u>." - vs.4.

The fall season of YHWH's Holy Days will soon begin. The above verse clearly states that these are YHWH's Holy Days not just Jewish Holidays, and that we are to proclaim them at the "appointed times". YHWH shows us the appointed times by the moon's first sighting of light after the new moon comes out of its dark phase, technically called the waxing crescent moon. Some call it the fingernail moon. It is first visible as a very thin crescent shape, with its two points facing up and left. It does not hang around all night; it comes up quick at sundown and then disappears after a short while. The 7th new moon signals the start of the Holy Day season and marks the date of the first Holy Day of the fall season called the Day of Trumpets. I estimate the dates post on my website because we need to watch for confirmation then we can set the dates for the other Holy Days of the 7th month. Preprinted calendars are figured mathematically and sometimes can be wrong. Consequently the people will miss their Sacred "appointed time" with their CREATOR. Some would say, "…what's the big deal, so I am a day or two off…" but the "appointed time" is important to YHWH and that makes it important to me. Do we follow <u>man's</u> 'holidays,' or YHWH's "Holy Convocations" at <u>HIS</u> "appointed times?" Yahshua illustrates the concept in His parable of the Ten Virgins (Mat.25:1-13).

All glory goes to our CREATOR.

(Luke 2:14; John 10:25, 14:12-15)

The new moon is rich in our CREATOR's spiritual symbolism. The new moon day, the 1st day of the month, is mentioned 80 times in the Bible. The 14th and 15th days are mentioned 19 and 13 times, and the 21st day is also important. In the Bible YHWH visited with HIS Prophets on these days. Unfortunately most of the Faithful haven't got a clue. I often wonder: Is it the laity who does not want to learn, or the priests who do not want to teach? As the Faithful know, YHWH establishes, and HIS Messiah fulfills. When Yahshua/Jesus returns He will fulfill these Holy Days, then all the world will worship YHWH on HIS true Holy Days (Isa.66:23; Ezk.46:6-11) – not just the Jews. (For more info see "How to be a New Moon Spotter" the end of this article.)

"Learn from Me--for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." - Yahshua, Matthew 11:29

Many Christians are just learning about, and starting to celebrate, the Biblical Holy Days, and there are many excellent reasons to do so. In this year's newsletters I have been teaching the basics of YHWH's Holy Days and highlighting the major world-changing events as one big 8-act stage play in the greatest Spiritual Opera of all time.

There are higher spiritual mysteries but there are no secrets. YHWH's annual Holy Days are ancient spiritual keys to a timeless treasure trove of our CREATOR's Wisdom. YHWH is trying to help us, and in HIS infinite wisdom HE designed the Holy Days to have many in-depth and multilevel meanings, all with perfect symmetry leading to one place - HIS Kingdom. They have historical lessons - which we should honor by their remembrance. They teach current day character building lessons - which we should learn. They teach us health lessons for the mind and body to improve our daily lives. They are a *"shadow of things to come"* as they picture a

prophetic, Messianic message of hope. They are future prophecies of human catastrophes with many on a planetary scale (Col.2:16-17) - which we all should watch for.

"If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him." - James 1:5

Mostly, religious faith has evolved into spectator event, where the clergy perform and the laymen

observe. Sunday service is nothing but a religious production, and the church buildings with their bigger is better design have more of a country club mentality then mirroring the early church. Jew or Christian, the similarities run the same, the Faithful have forgotten that YHWH's Holy Days in Leviticus ch.23 are not just religious obligations; they are a treasure trove of our CREATOR's Wisdom. Through the spiritual opera of the Holy Days HE is trying to help us understand HIS plan for humanity and HE wants us to actively participate.

Respect is what we owe, Love is what we give.

YHWH's Holy Convocations are hands on! They are designed to encourage the individual Believer to actively participate and in-turn it gives us a place in HIS Universe. It is a time to put the daily drone of our material pursuits aside, and take a day to honor, learn, and pay respect unto our CREATOR. We show love and respect for our Heavenly FATHER, through study, thanksgiving, songs of praise and dance, and joyous feasting with friends and family. This in turn will strengthen your mind, body and spirit.

The Believers are commanded to grow in knowledge and grace (2Pet.3:18), to be a living sacrifice..., transformed by the renewing of your mind... (Rom.12:1-2). The Holy Days are a personal, spirit-training, series of Heavenly lessons, with subtle instructions that picture a greater spiritual truth. They repeat every year, lest we forget, *to teach understanding*, to all - men, women and children - that our CREATOR is still in control of the Heavenly Powers of the Universe and HIS Covenants will be fulfilled.

YHWH's Holy Days address the mind, body, and spirit, by *disposing of your demons* through reflection and afflicting your soul, to have a change of heart and repent. *They connect us* to a Heavenly timetable - signs to watch - and *they give us hope* for the future, and a place in YHWH's universe. They put us spiritually in control and encourage us to: *live-learn-and grow - HONORABLY*!

Just as any skilled professional is required to take additional training or annual refresher courses, these Holy Days are the **annual spiritual refresher courses designed by our CREATOR**, for all of HIS Believers to practice their spiritual training and maintain a high level of performance - lest we forget and lose our way.

YHWH is not a burden but a blessing, and the concern is not for mandatory ritualism, but *understanding* the truth for which it stands, and this understanding greatly enhances our faith. For the Faithful, the Holy Days are a joyous time because they symbolize YHWH's Covenants being fulfilled. All the Holy Days together picture YHWH's grand majestic design of the unfolding spiritual events, affecting all humanity - that is why it is meaningful to pass on HIS teachings to others (Heb.9:10; Rom.7:6). The early Christians were Believers, and therefore already saved. The observance is not done for salvation - but of *love and respect* for our CREATOR and we celebrate HIS Covenant with us (1Jno.5:3). For more info see links below.

YHWH's Faithful, especially the Messianic Faithful, are admonished to watch. To watch for YHWH's Heavenly signs (Luk21:36), and watching for the sign of the 7th New Moon is a very important spiritual sign. Some believe that this is the day the Messiah will return for His <u>Bride</u>, but I believe they are mistaken. The snatching away of the Bride is a surprise, and as we all know, no one but the FATHER knows when the Bridegroom will return for His Bride (Mat.24:36; 1Ths.4:13-18). Because of the suffering humankind must endure during the Tribulation era, YHWH give us solid hints as to when the <u>Conquering Messiah</u> will return, and HIS Two

Prophets will be relaying the same message (Rev.12:6). The Bride should be aware of this because she will be returning with Him (Rev.2:26-27, 3:21).

"Keep the traditions just as I delivered them to you."

- 1 Corinthian 11:2

We do not observe the Holy Day season as a requirement of salvation. First and foremost, we observe them because Yahshua and the Apostles did. We observe them, for those who can see, because they teach humanity about our CREATOR's Kingdom. In the spring season Holy Days newsletters I covered some of multi-faceted meanings of YHWH's annual Holy Days, and they also had prophetic meaning until they were fulfilled in the life of Yahshua, now the fall Feasts are loaded with prophetic spiritual symbolism, which we await for their fulfillment. This next series of Holy Days celebrate prophecy, as they are loaded with dual prophetic meaning beginning with the conquering Messiah and leading to our final reward from YHWH. The dual prophetic meanings draw our attention to the soon to be fulfilled prophecies of the conquering Messiah and His promised future Millennium Kingdom (Rev.20:1-6). And when the Millennium rule is finished the prophecies show us YHWH's final Judgment Day and our final reward as we enter our promised eternal life in New Jerusalem (Rev.20:11-15; ch 21-22).

FYI: one will never fully understand prophecy until you learn about YHWH's Holy Days. Log on: <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_fall.htm</u>

Here is a simple outline of the theme of the fall Holy Days:

On the 1st day of the 7th new moon, righteousness finally conquers evil. On the 10th day of the 7th month, Divine Judgment Day. On the 15th day of the 7th month, the promise of eternal life is fulfilled.

Many still refuse to allow Bible facts to get in the way of their traditions.

Please understand, these are NOT Jewish holidays. These are YHWH's universal <u>Hebrew</u> Holy Days, teaching universal spiritual lessons. The Ancient Israelites were almost always at war with their neighbors and they developed a kind of circle the wagons mentality. As a result they took these Holy Days hostage – so to speak, and covered them with Jewish tradition, which covered their original meaning. Then what happens is that ritual of the tradition becomes more important then the spiritual lessons our CREATOR was trying to teach the world. This was the root cause of many of the Gospel controversies (Mar.7:8).

For example, the first day of this season is called the Day of Trumpets, Yom Teru'ah, or the Day of the LORD, Joel 1:15, 3:14. Jewish religion calls it Rosh Ha Shanah, which means the head of the New Year. The trouble is the Torah/Biblical New Year starts in the spring (Exo.12.2), not in the fall, on the **7**th **month**. In the time of ancient Israel, many of their pagan neighbors had their new year's celebrations in the fall, so the ancient Israelites played the get-along game and called this Holy Day of the 7th month, their New Years Day, "a day of new beginnings," and the tradition continues today. This is ancient political correctness because this dark-ruled world does not like any talk of the coming Messiah so the original meaning of the Day of Elohim has been hidden and mostly forgotten. It will be "a day of new beginnings" when the Messiah arrives, but unfortunately you will not hear the Jews even whisper behind closed doors, anything of a coming Messiah on this day. After Christ, as the Christian church drifted west it developed its own holidays and traditions. In Christianity, as it so is in Judaism, there are many inconsistencies between what the Bible teaches, and what is actually taught and practiced – Satan has been busy (Gal.1:8; Col.2:18; 2Cor.11:14).

"...I am God, and there is none like Me. Declaring the end from the beginning. And from ancient times things that are not yet done..." - Isaiah 46:9-10

Prophecy is YHWH's way of telling you HE is in charge. Think about it, YHWH, our CREATOR, established the spring Holy Days of Passover, the days of Unleavened Bread, the Day of Firsfruits, and Pentecost – and HIS Messiah, Yahshua, fulfilled all the Messianic prophecies exactly to YHWH's new moon calendar. What makes you think Yahshua will not fulfill the prophecies of fall season of Holy Days when YHWH deems it so?

The Messiah, sent by our FATHER, has two missions: The <u>rejected-suffering Messiah</u> to cancel the debt of sin; and the <u>conquering / ruling Messiah</u> to cancel the evil chaos that rules this world (Isa.53:3-6, 9:6-7). It is an interesting coincidence that Yahshua, exactly fulfilled the mission of the suffering Messiah in the <u>early-spring</u> <u>season of Biblical Holy Days</u> (Lev.23:4-22). He was crucified on Passover, buried on the Days of Unleavened Bread, and rose on the Day of Firstfruits. On the Day of Pentecost, He fulfilled another <u>Covenant promise</u> by giving us the Holy Spirit (Act.ch.2).

This year, with the movie 2012, there has been much attention to end-of-the-world prophecy. Then there were the members of the Family Radio network run by the group's leader, 89-year-old Harold Camping, who have given up jobs, families, all their possessions, and spent millions of dollars on a final mission to proclaim the apocalypse on May 21, 2011. They call themselves 'ambassadors', and the church members point to baffling biblical codes to demonstrate their reasoning. They believe those in Jesus will be carried into heaven, while the rest of humanity will endure 153 days of 'death and horror' before the world ends on October 21. Despite his current prediction, Camping has already predicted the world would end before - on September 4 1994. That, he says, the mistake was a misreading of the biblical codes used to decipher the exact date of the 'rapture.' This year when nothing happened he says he made another mistake in his mathematics and now says it is Oct 21, 2011. What is even worse is that Harold Camping predictions were broadcast on short-wave radio, hundreds of Hmong Christians heard him and sadly are said to have been gunned down and murdered by security forces in Vietnam after the group had came out of their secret house churches and gathered in public near a mountain to await the rapture and return of Jesus Christ. Oy vey, this has been the problem with prophesy preachers all through time. They really do not understand what they are talking about and it makes the study of prophecy look bad, and worse yet, along the way gets many people killed – Satan has been busy.

The fall Holy Days will be starting soon and they draw our attention to prophecy. Over the summer I have updated my "Tribulation Prophecies and YHWH's Holy Days" article and published it as a pdf. document available as a free download. I have added some information on the Canaanite Festivals, which have many similarities to YHWH's Holy Days and predate the Torah, and how I believe Satan will use to them pervert YHWH's Holy Days. If you have the time to read it I would be interested on your thoughts about it.

Here is the link to the download:

http://www.homeworship101.com/PDF%20Downloads/Tribulation%20Prophicies%20&%20Holy%20Days.pdf

On the 1st Day of the 7th Month - The Day of Trumpets

Proclaim • Pray • Praise

He who has an ear, let him hear...

When you see the sign the 7th new moon rise it will begin the <u>early-fall season of the</u> <u>Biblical Holy Days</u> (Lev.23:23-36). The day is announced with the shrill sound of the shofar or trumpet. The last Holy Day was in June, and since then it has been a long season of day-to-day routines. Now the startling blasts of the shofar are humanities spiritual wake-up call.



I have attached the .wav file which is the traditional shofar tune played on this day, join us as we step back to the ancient times and play a tune that is <u>still</u> a sweet sound to YHWH – and will be in the future.

It has been a long summer and long intermission in YHWH's Spiritual Opera since the last Hoy Day of Pentecost. The spiritual parable to this long growing season is compared to the long growing season of the Age of Grace - the time between the appearances of the <u>suffering</u> and <u>conquering</u> Messiahs. In this age the true Believers are unique because we believe without seeing (John 20:29). Think about it, from the time of the Angels to Adam and Eve the creation immediately knew their CREATOR after they were created. When this world came into sin, it caused a separation between the CREATOR and the Creation. YHWH is now at a distance, and the true test of the Faithful is that they believe without seeing, thus making this time period very important because YHWH needs as many true believers as possible. It's a big universe out there, and YHWH has plans for our future.

The world is already into the fourth act of a spiritual opera that, in my humble opinion, is headed toward its inevitable conclusion. During this long growing season of this Age of Grace the Faithful are to be learning the spiritual mysteries of YHWH and growing to be the better person YHWH wants us to be, HIS knowledge renews our spirits and transforms us. Unfortunately Satan hates YHWH's true knowledge and does what he can to suppress it. History shows a long bloody trail of those Faithful souls who teach, study, and promote pure Biblical teachings (see Foxe's Book of the Myters for more info), now before the advent of the conquering Messiah the bloodshed will intensify because Satan knows his time is growing shorter.

Satan has a plan and if he cannot get the world to worship him as god, then he is thinking scorched earth policy. Scriptures have many warnings of this most horrible time in humanities future, which is the last 3 1/2 years of the seven-year Tribulation era just before the advent of the return of the Messiah. It is called: The time of Jacob's Trouble, Jer.30:7. The Prophet Daniel 12:1 says this time, *"Such as never was since there was a nation..."* And Yahshua already warned humanity in Matthew 24:21, *"For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be."*

During the summer of the Antichrist's third year of reign it would seem that his scorched earth policy is about to be fulfilled. The planet is having an environmental meltdown (Rev.16:3-11, 17-21; Mat.24:22, 29) and society is in financial and spiritual disarray. The world's armies are staging for the final showdown in Jerusalem (Joel 3:1-2; Rev.11:18, 19:19). The Antichrist is sitting in the Temple in Jerusalem playing god. The Jews know that they have made a mistake, and are fleeing persecution. No nation in the west is able to stand against him, but there is one army that makes the Antichrist nervous, they are the Kings of the East (Dan.11:44). The Far Eastern nations, Japan, China, India, etc., have seen enough, and the combined armies of Kings of the East, march to Jerusalem to make war with the Antichrist, beginning the third attack on Israel (Rev.16:12-16). Satan and his dark minions have done their work well, if this war begins they will destroy the earth, humanity, and everything on it.

For a more detailed study on the tribulation prophecies and how Satan will pervert them for his own agenda see my new mini-study in a downloadable pdf format: http://www.homeworship101.com/PDF%20Downloads/Tribulation%20Prophicies%20&%20Holy%20Days.pdf

> "...one of the elders said to me, Do not weep. Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed..." - Revelation 5:5

The Dual Prophecies of Trumpets

Sometime in the future, almost tomorrow.

~ The Curtin Rises, Act 5 - Scene 1 ~

The Conquering Messiah...

"The early-fall season of Holy Days will begin with that great and terrible... "...day of the LORD..."

- Joel 1:15

"In that day the Lord will defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the one who is feeble among them in that day will be like David, and the house of David will be like God, like the angel of the Lord before them. And in that day I will set about to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem." - Zechariah 12:8-9

In the end times two prophets will appear (Rev.11:1-14), and if you heard them say, "*the Messiah will appear on the 7th new moon, at the 3rd hour,*" would you know what they are talking about? Most know that the Messiah will make His long awaited worldwide appearance at the end of the <u>Tribulation period</u>. It will be a horrible time for the earth and humanity, and those who know Biblical prophecy will be counting the days (Rev.12:6). Today we are not yet at the end of the tribulation era, but for those who can see, we watch for the signs and learn their higher spiritual lessons.

The 1st day of the 7th month is called the <u>Day of Trumpets</u> (Hebrew: Yom Teru'ah – Day of Shouting), blow the shofar or the trumpet! It is the time to celebrate the prophecies of the future Kingdom, and it is humanities spiritual wake up call to the unfolding spiritual events!

Today some say, "The messiah never came, but will someday appear!" Some others say, "The Messiah came, and will come again!"

It seems the one thing that all Believers in our CREATOR can agree on is: THAT THE MESSIAH IS COMING!!!

"Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood,

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and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses."

- Revelation 19:1-14

The Jews, Christians, Muslims, and many religions look for the coming Redeemer who will conquer evil and usher in a kingdom of peace and justice. Unfortunately the worlds' armies, gathered to fight each other in Jerusalem, will look at the Messiah as a common enemy, and unite their armies against Him (Rev.19:19).

When the Messiah's Heavenly Army descends to Earth, we can only speculate as to what they will be thinking at that moment. They will probably say that He is an extraterrestrial who is coming to conquer the planet. There have been many battles fought in history called Armageddon. After approximately 6,000 years of spiritual warfare, this is the real one, the decisive battle between good and evil. Although this day is really called the Day of the Lord in the Bible (Joel 1:15), it is commonly known as the Battle of Armageddon and it will make all the other battles seem pale in comparison.

Unless the Messiah comes to Earth and intervenes in the affairs of man, no human would be saved alive (Mat.24:22). He comes to destroy the destroyers! Unfortunately, the Antichrist and his member nations will be angry with His coming, and their military forces will attempt to destroy Him in Jerusalem (Rev.11:18, 19:19). [See <u>Tribulation Prophecies</u>.]

"These will wage war against the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, because He is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those who are with Him are the called and chosen and faithful." - Revelation 17:14

Yahshua the Messiah, will return riding a Heavenly White Horse, with His Heavenly Army to supernaturally vanquish the evil forces (Rev.19:11-21). The book of Zechariah 14:1-8, written in 520 B.C.E., describes the Messiah descending from the heavens. He will descend to Earth and set foot on the Mount of Olives, opposite the Temple Mount. Then a great earthquake will split the earth from the Dead Sea in the east through the Mount of Olives to the Mediterranean Sea in the west.

In spite of all the Heavenly warnings, the earthly armies want war. To confront the so-called alien space invaders, they will join forces and march southward into the valley of Jehoshaphat (Joel 3:1-2). Today it's called the Kindron Valley. It is a deep valley that borders Jerusalem on the East between the city and the Mount of Olives. The true Hebrew meaning of the word Jehoshaphat, is the "Judgment of the ETERNAL." Those nations armies - gathered together for their great battle - have just entered into the valley of their Divine Judgment.

"I will gather all the nations, and bring them down to the valley of Jehoshaphat. Then I will enter into judgment with them there, on behalf of My people and My inheritance, Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations; And they have divided up My land." - Joel 3:2

From the Mount of Olives Yahshua will destroy the worlds armies that have united against Him (Rev.17:14). The battle will occur in stages over the course of several days involving hundreds of millions of soldiers (Zec.12:2-11). Zechariah 14:12 gives a graphic account of the battle, "And this shall be the plague with which the LORD will strike all the people who fought against Jerusalem: Their flesh shall dissolve while they stand on their feet, Their eyes shall dissolve in their sockets, And their tongues shall dissolve in their mouths." Does this description sound

familiar? Think back to what happened in the movie "Raiders of the Lost Ark" when the Germans finally raised the lid on the Ark of the Covenant.

When the battle is over, Yahshua will call the nations of the world to Judgment.

~ The Curtain Closes~

Sometime in the future, after the thousand years are finished.

~ The Curtin Rises, Act 5 - Scene 2, ~

The Return of YHWH...

"Now when the thousand years have expired, Satan will be released from his prison and will go out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle, whose number is as the sand of the sea. They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city. And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them."

- Revelation 20:7-9

"The one thing we learn from history is that we don't learn from history."

- Leonard Ravenhill

And on this day, sometime in the future, after the thousand years are finished, the shofar's blast will announce the imminent Judgment of YHWH. Prophecy tells us that after the Millennium rule of the Messiah, Satan will be released one more time to tempt the citizens of the Millennium Kingdom. These people are blessed with 1,000 years of universal peace, prosperity, and happiness (Jer.31:12-14; Jon.10:10; 3Jon.2), yet many people of Millennium Kingdom will abandon their righteous and true historic teachings, to join the dark side – go figure.

Here we go again, just as it was before the advent of the return of the conquering Messiah, Satan will seduce a great part of humanity and turn them into martyrs of misinformation as they once again make war against righteousness. The climatic moment will be when Satan's forces once again will be staged around Jerusalem to destroy it and its defenders. At that point, YHWH will return to Earth, stop the warring factions in the last great battle between good and evil (Rev.20:7-9), and begin the preparations for the final Great White Throne Judgment.

When the battle is over, YHWH will call all humanity (dead and alive) to Judgment.

~ The curtain closes~

~ Closing Comment ~

YHWH's Covenant promise that HE will send a Messiah to save humanity from the curse of sin was one of the first promises HE made to Adam and Eve. YHWH restated it again to Noah, then to Moses, and to King David, it

is a Covenant promise that YHWH has reminded us of many times in Scriptures. Make-no-mistake, Yahshua of Nazareth was the only man to fulfill to the letter over 200 Scriptural prophecies, many were predicted some 1,000 years in advance of His life. Every single prophecy of the suffering messiah was precisely fulfilled by the life of Yahshua, in a literal, common sense way, culminating in YHWH's spring season of Holy Days. Still awaiting fulfillment are over 300 <u>New Testament</u> prophecies of Yahshua's second coming as the Conquering/Redeeming Messiah ready to be played out in the fall season of Holy Days. YHWH already clearly demonstrated that HE keeps HIS Covenant promises, the only question remains, will you?

"Only fear the LORD and serve Him in truth with all your heart; for consider what great things He has done for you"

- 1 Samuel 12:24

Enjoy the journey of learning... In the spirit of Daniel 12:4, "...knowledge shall increase in the end times," for more info. on the fall season of Holy Days log on:

- > <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_fall.htm</u>
- > <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_fall_observance.htm</u>
- <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_day_observance.htm</u>
- <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/bb-c9_prophecy_trib01.htm</u>
- <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/bb-c5_sacred_covenants.htm</u>

~ Be a New Moon Spotter ~

The first order of observing the Holy Days is to know when. The sighting of the 7th new moon is important because all the other Holy Days are based on it. The Holy Day dates I quote come from reliable eyewitnesses to the first visible new moon in Jerusalem (the printed calendars are figured mathematically and may be off by a day or two too). Missing the exact dates is troublesome because it will cause you to miss your spiritual 'appointed time' with YHWH. For more on Biblical timekeeping log on to:

http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_timekeeping&calendar.htm

For the do-it-yourselfer, one can check the new moon sighting from anywhere in the Internet universe.

(1) An easy way to check the moon phase is to log on to my web page, <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/holy_days_timekeeping&calendar.htm</u>, scroll down about half way and look for the current moon phase module on the right side of the page.

(2) Or, on the bottom of my web pages in the Bible Study Tools section, click the **solar phase** link, or <u>http://www.fourmilab.ch/cgi-bin/uncgi/Earth/action?opt=-p</u>, **to see when the evening shadow falls over Jerusalem**. When it does, click the **moon phase** link, or <u>http://www.fourmilab.ch/cgi-bin/uncgi/Earth/action?opt=-m&img=Moon.evif</u>, to see the phase of the moon.

It takes about 2-4% "waxing" moon to be seen by the Faithful from the ground, and that determines the first day of YHWH's lunar month.

On the 10th Day... A Reminder to Repent – Judgment Day

YHWH clearly warns a-l-l humanity, as part of the universal Rainbow Covenant given to Noah

"... I will demand a reckoning..." – Genesis 9:5

"It is appointed for people to die once--and after that, to face judgment." - Hebrews 9:27

YHWH has ordained one annual Holy Day that teaches humanity Divine Grace and Judgment, and that day is approaching soon – probably sooner than you think. The 10th day of the 7th Biblical month, for angel and human alike, is one of the most important Holy Days of the year. It is the universal Divine Judgment Day, the fearsome Day of YHWH's reckoning (Gen.9:5-6). In English it is generally called "the <u>Day of Atonement</u>," and in Hebrew it is called *"Yom Kippur."* It is the day to repent and cleanse the spirit and soul, through a 24-hour commanded fast (Lev.23:26-32). Jewish tradition teaches that on this day, sometime in the future, the Book of Life will be sealed, and the gates of Heaven will be closed.

"For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality; that each of you should know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, not in passion of lust, like the Gentiles who do not know God; that no one should take advantage of and defraud his brother in this matter, because the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also forewarned you and testified. For God did not call us to uncleanness, but in holiness."

- 1 Thessalonians 4:3-7

The keyword in the above verse is "sanctification," and it was introduced in the beginning of the year with Passover. Sanctification means set apart from all the others. The faithful are spiritually set apart, spiritual <u>Hebrews</u>, as we walk YHWH's <u>Ancient Path</u> of Righteousness. On the Holy Day of Pentecost YHWH gave us His Laws so that we could remain sanctified. In other words, YHWH wants HIS Faithful to live Holy lives on a day-to-day basis while interacting with the community in our work, and play - to live and work honestly. The Apostle Peter tells "...but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy," 1Peter1:16. It is easy enough to understand, and easy enough to read it in Scriptures – but there is still much debate on the topic. Log on: <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/wp_early_christians.htm</u>

"Be an example to all believers in what you teach, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity." - 1 Timothy 4:12

The Holy Day of Atonement is the tollbooth on YHWH's Ancient Path. As I pointed out during the spring Holy Days newsletter, surviving Passover means humanity has been 'justified and redeemed' (Exo.ch.12-13). Redeemed means that something has been bought back from the marketplace; justification means, that someone has been judged and found not guilty. In other words, humanities sins are washed away in the sea of forgetfulness, and that is a good thing for the spiritual bank account. During the Holy Days of Unleavened Bread YHWH teaches us humility, because a prideful person will not yield to YHWH's Divine guidance, and on Pentecost HE teaches us HIS Laws and gave us HIS Holy Spirit, which is our helper so that we may learn and continue to live a Holy life. Now comes the time to evaluate how well the Faithful have learned their lessons. In

other words it is time to tally up our spiritual bank account. Justification and redemption makes our spiritual bank accounts possible, but the account does not contain money it contains the Holy Spirit. If we live a good and honest life the Holy Spirit inside us grows, if we live an evil and sinful life then our Holy Spirit withers and fades. This is the Day YHWH demands HIS toll before one can enter the Gates of Heaven (HIS Kingdom).

The Ten Days of Awe

"Come and see the works of GOD; He is awesome in His doing toward the sons of men." - Psalm 66:3

The 10 days from the Day of Trumpets to Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, are called the Days of Awe (*Yamim Nora'im*) and/or the Days of Repentance (*Yemei Tshuvah*). These Holy Days have dual-purpose prophecies and meanings. The title "Days of Awe" teach us about future prophecies of awesome events that will unfold during these days, and the title "Days of Repentance" teach us about personal repentance. Let's cover the prophetic aspects first as we rejoin YHWH's Spiritual Opera.

Sometime in the future, almost tomorrow.

~ The Curtin Rises, Act 6 - Scene 1 ~

The Conquering Messiah's Judgment...

"When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world...' Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels...'"

- Yahshua, Matthew 25:31-46

The worlds armies gathered at Jerusalem have been vanquished and in the spiritual war between good and evil there will be a thousand-year cease-fire. After the battle, Satan will be bound by Michael the Archangel, Revelation 20:1-2 "*Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years.*" The Antichrist (the Satan possessed human leader), and the false prophet were cast into the lake of fire, Gehenna the final death, these souls are dead forever (Rev.19:20.)

Yahshua will cross the Kidron Valley and enter the Temple Mount through the Eastern Gate just as He did on Palm Sunday some two thousand years ago. The prophet Ezekiel proclaimed that the promised Messiah would enter the Eastern Gate of the Temple Mount into the rebuilt Third Temple (Eze.43:1-5). The Prophet had told Israel that this Eastern Gate (it was originally called the Golden Gate because it was covered in a golden colored

bronze) would be sealed in the future, to preserve it for the entrance of the coming Messiah (Eze.44:1-2). The Earthquake will open the sealed Eastern Gate that He will walk through and enter the Tribulation (third) Temple.

After entering the Tribulation Temple, Yahshua will be anointed with the sacred oil of the anointing. Yahshua's human bloodline comes from King David so he has some "orthodox" Hebrew birthright duties to fulfill, and it begins with the anointing. This special mixture of anointing oil was first ordered to be made in Exodus 30:22-33, to be used for sanctification of religious articles and leaders. This anointing oil was lost when the second Temple was destroyed in 70 C.E., and has been lost for two almost thousand years because the special materials to remake this oil are no longer available. Miraculously, during the Dead Sea Scrolls excavation of the Copper Scroll, a flask of this anointing oil has been found. The oil, buried almost two thousand years ago, in one of the hottest spots on earth, is still fresh and usable today.

After the anointing, Yahshua as our great High Priest will then announce the "Gospel" or "Good News" that the Kingdom/Government of YHWH has arrived. He will proclaim the Great Planetary Jubilee (Lev.25:1-13), the time of restitution of all things, since the world began, meaning the cancellation of all debts, and all the prisons will be opened and everyone will be free to start over (Act.3:18-21). There will be a literal one-year rest for the planet and all it's inhabitants. He will then judge the nations of the world, before establishing His Millennium Kingdom.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God."

- Matthew 5:9

In the Garden of Gethsemane where Yahshua was betrayed, representatives of all nations will be gathered before Him. He will separate the righteous sheep nations (those who did good works to the Hebrew people, to the Christians, to the hungry, the poor, and those nations who are peacemakers), from the goat nations (the ones who cursed and oppressed His servants, and those who started violence). The goat nations will not survive, they will go away into everlasting punishment (Mat.25:31-46; Gen.12:3). As the Bible says, "...the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet that was cast into the sea and gathered some of every kind, which, when it was full, they drew to shore; and they sat down and gathered the good into vessels, but threw the bad away. So it will be at the end of the Age of Grace. The angels will come forth, separate the wicked from among the just, and cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth," Mat.13:47-50.

"That to Me every knee shall bow, Every tongue shall take an oath." - Isaiah 45:23

The lesson of the Tribulation era is clear - Satan's way leads to death. About a third of humanity will survive the terrible ordeal brought on by mans own hand. The Messiah will begin calling all the mortals on Earth to repent the utter hopelessness of the life they have chosen. The mortal citizens entering the Millennium Kingdom will be those survivors of the Great Tribulation period and the Battle of Armageddon. As they enter the next level of Humanities spiritual evolution they will receive the spiritual salvation needed to inherit all of the blessings of the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth. The first part of the Messiah's Earthly rule now begins. As stated in Revelation ch.20, six times it is written that the Messiah will rule and reign for a thousand years.

Now it will be revealed to Humanity what is meant by the term Kingdom of YHWH, ruled by Yahshua the Messiah, as the nations of humanity will culturally reset to <u>the time before 1Samuel ch.8</u>, before Israel rejected YHWH and chose and earthly king to replace HIM. As in the Book of Judges, it will be a government based on the revolutionary Protestant concept, that GOD directly empowers the people - instead of a king; and what GOD directly gives - no man can take away. The dusty statue books that control us today will be gone in a world in which the people will finally accept their responsibility of GOD given freedom...

Yahshua will now supernaturally protect humanity as he renews the planet from its near destruction.

~ The Curtain Closes~

Sometime in the future, after the thousand years are finished.

~ The Curtin Rises, Act 6 - Scene 2 ~

YHWH's Final Judgment...

"Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it,... And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works... The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead... And they were judged, each one according to their works."

- Revelation 20:11-13

The fearsome day of YHWH'S 'reckoning' is at hand! This is the big one! For angel and human alike, this is a very serious day. During these past 10 days YHWH has returned to earth and supernaturally vanquished the forces of evil gathered around Jerusalem. Now on HIS Holy Day of Atonement HE will call all humanity, both dead and alive, to judgment. The Universal Covenants given to Adam and Noah tells us the earthly mortal body dies and returns to the earth. At death the spirit of the person lives to be called at the end of this age of sin for a "reckoning" (Gen.3:19; 9:5-6). The basic human-spiritual rights in the Universal Noahic Rainbow Covenant, govern a-I-I humanity, they were also restated by Yahshua, and the Apostles, Mat.13:24-30; Act.15:29.

"The human heart is most deceitful and desperately wicked. Who really knows how bad it is? But I know! I, the Lord, search all hearts and examine secret motives. I give all people their due rewards, according to what their actions deserve." - Jeremiah 17:9-10

Known as The Great White Throne Judgment of the Rainbow Covenant, YHWH comes to Earth, and opens the Books of Life. Then HE will judge a-l-l humanity and the angels (Gen.9:5-6; Rev.20:11-15; 2Pet.2:4), and the <u>Golden Rule</u> is the standard of measure. Over the centuries there have been many opinions on what Judgment Day will be like but YHWH sees our hearts (Heb.4:12; 1Cor.4:5), and HE relayed a wonderful parable of the final Judgment in the ancient book of "The Shepherd Of Hermas." See my Judgment Day webpage: http://www.homeworship101.com/bb-c12_judgment_day.htm

Since Adam and Eve there is now death on the planet. The body dies and returns to the earth. This brings us to another one of those nagging questions of life: What happens when I die? There are those moments, those hopeless life and death situations, when no amount of money, no person or thing really matters, it is the time when one faces eternity, and at that time who are you gonna call? Ponder this for a moment, dying is bad enough, but what if something could steal your spirit. The ramifications are too scary to consider.

Polls show even though they might not know HIM very well, 96% of adults will cry out to GOD for help when all else fails. So fear not! Thankfully, YHWH gave us our spirits and HE is in charge. HE has a collection and storage system in place to care for the spirit - good or bad. At death the departed human spirit is a spiritual mold of the persons form, memory, and character that will be called to judgment sometime in the future. At the resurrection, the spirit brings into the resurrected body all the memory, knowledge and character, as well as the form and features of the person (Heb.9:27).

The western ideas of hell stems from the - not totally accurate - medieval writings of two poets, Dante's "Divine Comedy," and Milton's "Paradise Lost." The word hell in the English Bible is a mistranslation. The same English word 'hell' is used in the place of three different Hebrew and Greek words, representing three different places.

The Bible describes two holding places, one for the spirits of the deceased humans and one for angels. The spirits of the deceased humans are presently asleep, unaware of the passage of time (Ecc.9:5) in a place called Sheol in Hebrew, and Hades in Greek. This one place is divided into two sections, one side is sleeping in *Divine comfort* - the other side is not. The comfort side, has *the perks* for the righteous, and the other side is *'the no frills'* discomfort side for the unrighteous (Luk.16:19-31). I picture it like this: It is like the difference between having the best day of your life, then having your best nights sleep, ever, and in the best bed you have ever seen; vs. sleeping outside on a rock, on a hot, muggy, and buggy summer night - with no breeze, after having the worst day of your life. Upon the resurrection of Yahshua, He took the comfort / righteous side of Hades to His FATHER's Heaven for some Divine comfort. (Click for more info: Holy Day Firstfruits)

The second holding place described is for specific, extraordinary evil angels that transgressed the Laws of the Heavens, called Tartaros in 2Peter 2:4. These two locations are a holding place until trial, judgment and sentencing, (sentencing can be either to life or to death). The fates of the fallen angels are in Jude vs.6-7, *And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day; as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities around them in a similar manner to these, having given themselves over to sexual immorality and gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.*

The third hell the Bible refers to is Gehenna, the Lake of Fire, or the final punishment after trial and judgment (Mal.4:1; Rev.19:20, 20:10). This is the spiritual death, the final eternal extinguishing of the life-force, total death, not eternal torture (eternal punishment, not eternal punishing). The Bible also calls this the second death (Rev.20:14, 21:8).

Just for the record, and to avoid confusion, all those humans who did not know the Messiah, or were not chosen by the Him (see <u>Mystery of the Bride</u>), or chose not to commit themselves to the higher Theocratic Covenants, will sleep until the time of the final Great White Throne Judgment of YHWH, sometime after the earthly 1,000 year millennial rule of the Messiah. Then the spirits of a-I-I humanity will be called from their graves (in Hades) and assembled. Because they died laboring under a false education system, they will all be informed of the truthful circumstances, and readied to give account of their lives.

One has to discount the conventional Roman ideas of hell. Hades is not a place of punishment, because they were not judged yet. YHWH is not so petty as to punish someone before he comes to trial. Hades is a holding place until judgment, like a holding cell before trial.

After one has been judged, and if you are lucky enough to receive that Majestic nod to step forward, you will be asked one last question. Do you accept YHWH's 'Anointed One,' the Messiah-Christ, as the one who speaks for YHWH in this part of the Universe (Jno.5:37)? Yes or No? Is that your final answer?

YHWH will now supernaturally protect humanity as he renews the planet from the destructive Age of Sin.

~ The Curtain Closes~

The Days of Repentance

"Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is always before me." – Psalm 51:2-3

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As I mentioned above, these ten days between the two Holy Days are traditionally called the Days of Awe and the Days of Repentance. I already talked about the prophetic aspects of the Days of Awe; the Days of Repentance are directed to humanity. For us mere mortals, the Divine lesson during this time is to forgive and be forgiven. Forgive those who have wronged you, and repent of the wrongs you have caused others. Because in the end, if you cannot forgive others, then you cannot expect to be forgiven (Mat.6:12-15).

"Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you."

- Ephesians 4:31-32

For us mere mortals, the universal theme of this Holy Day is self-improvement. Evolve beyond your primitive sub-routines! Seize the moment to find "at-one-ment" with YHWH, and live again! Lose the customer is always right attitude, and the haughty spirit that knows nothing of repenting. One must approach our Covenant responsibilities with a humble spirit, because a humble spirit will learn, the haughty in spirit thinks they know it all and have no need to learn anything. This is a serious day to take responsibility for our actions, we should reflect on our life, repent for our sins, forgive and be forgiven, and find at-one-ment with YHWH and Yahshua.

Today, modern science would agree with this ancient mandate from heaven: Repentance is good for the soul! It frees you from the heavy baggage of guilt that haunts your subconscious. This is the day to make peace with loved ones and friends, then put the old issues behind you, and start your renewed spiritual life. (A good place to begin learning about personal behavior is from the Biblical Book of Proverbs.)

Believers are commanded to grow in knowledge and grace (2Pet.3:18), to be a living sacrifice..., transformed by the renewing of your mind... (Rom.12:1-2). Seeing the error of your ways is accomplished in the most intelligent and clever way, and driving the point home, is not accomplished through brow beating sermons. Our Biblical example is with King David who stole the wife of one of his captains (2Sam.12:1-13). The Prophet Nathan was directed by YHWH to show King David the error of his ways, not by going and yelling at him, but by showing him his sin in the form of a parable, which was a story of a pet lamb.

In this story the Prophet paints a picture of a rich man with much livestock, but when the rich man wanted to provide a dinner for a visitor, he stole the poor man's only lamb. The poor man loved his only lamb and treated it so well it was like a member of the family. It is a wonderful story and anyone who is a pet lover can instantly relate to the example. Coincidentally, King David was once a shepherd and he understood the poor man's pain. King David became enraged at hearing the story and said the rich man should die for what he did. Upon realizing he was the rich man, it moved King David to repent immediately (2Sam.12:1-14).

Pride is the worst sin, because pride is what caused the dark angels to rebel against YHWH. Pride prevents asking for forgiveness, and then there can be no repentance. GODLY sorrow is a much deeper sorrow than simple remorse; GODLY sorrow leads to repentance. In YHWH's Church a Believer must do as King David did, when a person understands their sin, one must repent. It is not merely a religious exercise of just going through

the motions. Repentance means a change of mind. It invokes a "revelation," of not only heartfelt sorrow for the past sins, but a total change of mind, of attitude, of direction and purpose to life. It is like tasting food that has spoiled, once you realize it, yuck, you spit it out, and think to yourself, I'll never eat that again!

Psalm 51 describes a three-step process:

[1] Accept responsibility, and acknowledge the transgression, vs.1-2.

[2] Repentance (say you are sorry), then ask forgiveness, and offer restitution to the injured party, vs.3-4.

[3] Change lifestyle to avoid that sin, vs.10-11. Once repented do not commit that sin again (Heb.10:26). Work to strengthen the spirit. Study the Bible to increase knowledge and character in faith - grace - love - gentleness - temperance - patience - modesty - forgiveness - charity - truth - cheerfulness, etc.

Serious repentance begins with serious prayer.

[1] We pray to ask YHWH for forgiveness. "The Lord is my helper!" Hebrews 13:6. YHWH and Yahshua are not looking for reasons to keep you out of Heaven they are there to help. Not sure were to start or how to repent, pray and ask for HIS Divine help and wisdom. YHWH loves to help us. It is His delight to do us good. He is pleased to see us coming to HIM for assistance, or for Grace, or for HIS Blessing.

[2] We pray to give thanks to YHWH for all our blessings. Do you sometimes feel like the world is against you? If you need some reasons to give thanks, log on to http://www.homeworship101.com/wp be thankful.htm. Then pray the thanksgiving Psalm 136.

[3] Lastly we pray to make our requests know to YHWH. It has always been believed that during the fall season of Holy Days all the spiritual decisions for the following year are made. It is also believed that YHWH releases special favors, and answers prayers during this season. "And all things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive," Matthew 21:22. "Cast your burden upon the Lord and He will sustain you; He will never allow the righteous to be shaken," Psalm 55:22.

"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

– Philippians 4:6-7

"We love the LORD, of course, but we often wonder what HE finds to love in us." - Ed Howe

The true Believer, the spiritual Hebrew, has nothing to fear on Judgment Day. There is some confusion regarding the term Judgment Day, because the same word is associated with different Biblical events, so to clear up some confusion let's review them. As I mentioned above, sometime in the future, almost tomorrow, the next big Judgment Day will be after the conquering Messiah returns to earth and judges the nations of the world. The peacemaker nations will survive and become the nations of the Messiah's Millennium Kingdom (Mat.25:31-46; Rev.19:11-21) – the haters and warmongers will not survive. The last and final Judgment will be after the Millennium rule of the Messiah when YHWH returns to earth. HE calls the evil angels from their holding cells and all humanity from their graves, and begins the final judgment of whether they will die permanently or enter into eternal life (2Pet.2:4; Rev.20:11-15). There is only one group of humans that escape these two spiritual judgments; they are the Bride of the Messiah. Sometime before the Messiah returns to earth He will call out His true believers (from the living and the dead) and translate them to the place prepared for them in heaven (John 14:2-3). Once there, every person called will spend a little private time with the Messiah, not to be judged, their sins are burnt up as wood hay and stubble (1Cor.3:11-13), but it will be their unique traits that will be examined, and determined how the candidate can best serve in the Millennium Kingdom – and beyond. Remember: The

true believer has nothing to fear on Judgment Day, they have already passed the test – so to speak.

~ Character Counts ~

"...keep to the paths of righteousness. For the upright will dwell in the land, And the blameless will remain in it; But the wicked will be cut off from the earth," - Proverbs 2:20

Facing a Divine Judgment Day causes one to ponder, just exactly what is my Covenant obligation? What must I do to receive that approving nod from YHWH to enter the Gates of Heaven? GOD is love (1John 4:8), and HE wants all humanity to join HIM in HIS Kingdom, but there are conditions. YHWH does not believe in the whip of big government, HE promotes self-discipline and small government, honest commerce, and to that end, HE teaches us in HIS Scriptures to heed HIS <u>Commandments</u>, because the bad behavior called "sin" (adultery, fornication, lying, stealing, etc) will not get you into HIS Kingdom. Sin is mentioned over 640 times in the Bible, unfortunately today, our political and religious leadership does not like to talk about sin anymore – it's too divisive they say, so they talk about empty feel good topics. Let no man deceive you (1Tim.4:13), the hard reality is that sinners cannot get into Heaven – even if they are Christians (1Cor.6:9; Gal.519-21; Eph.5:3-6; Rev.21:8, 22:15), and this is the Holy Day that teaches a-I-I humanity, not just the Jews, to repent and change from your wicked ways.

"For whom the Lord loves--He chastens."

- Hebrews 12:6

The sage says that the facade of man [or woman] has three sides: What he thinks he is, what others think he is, and what he really is. To understand our place in life, we must be honest and yield ourselves to guidance of the

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higher Divine life force and seek our true face. Sometime in the future, there will be a day, you are standing in line and nervously looking up you receive a majestic nod to step forward and give account (Rev.20:12). YHWH will ask: *What part of "Thou shalt not..." didn't you understand?* Lame excuses for our mistakes, or misdeeds, won't work on this Day, our FATHER sees our hearts (Heb.4:12). This is a serious day to take responsibility for our actions, we should reflect on our life, repent for our sins, forgive and be forgiven, change our sinful ways. We are commanded to afflict our souls through a 24 hour fast (Lev.23:26-32).

"I bet you there will be people in hell saying, 'I thought there was no condemnation for those in Christ Jesus.'" - G.A. Jarquin

> Yahshua clearly warned: "... but if you want to enter into life, keep The Commandments," - Matthew 19:18

The Bible including the NT has hundreds of references regarding living a righteous Holy life, but sadly many preachers today do not touch on the subject. In Hebrew, the term for an exceptionally righteous person is *Tzaddik.* Proverbs 10:25 say that unlike the wicked who are swept away by a whirlwind, the righteous have an everlasting foundation. The Bible also warns us, "be not overly righteous," Ecclesiastes 7:16. I like using the salt analogy, the Faithful are the salt of the earth, but we shouldn't be too salty, because too much salt spoils the taste of the spiritual food we share. For the full story log on: http://www.homeworship101.com/fyi_salt_covenant.htm

Our CREATOR makes the gates of Heaven available, the Messiah opens the gates, but you walk through on your own two feet.

Thankfully, GOD deals with humanity via HIS Covenants not man's religions (Mat.22:23), and HE makes allowances for the false education humanity has been taught during their mortal lives. The Gospels lessons are centered on 'grace,' which is the advanced concept of mercy. Yahshua teaches humanity that our CREATOR is a GOD who loves and forgives all humanity, even the lowly most wretched person has value, and all should 'learn' so they may join HIM in HIS Kingdom (Mat.ch.5-7). The lessons Yahshua taught discount most Jewish oral law, but still use the lessons of the Torah and the Prophets of the Hebrew Bible as foundational guidance, and the main lessons are honor and humility, repentance and kindness.

~ The 24-Hour Commanded Fast ~

"...when you fast, do not be like the hypocrites ... and anoint your head..." - Matthew 6:16-17

Today, modern science would agree with this ancient mandate from heaven: Fasting is good for the soul! Fasting, withholding nutritional inputs is an essential component to good health. It is a vacation from digesting food, which is the most energy-demanding activity of the body, and can be a beneficial part of the healing and energizing process. One third of the body's energy supply is used during digestion. While fasting, energy normally used for digestion is redirected to the restorative processes. All year, on HIS Holy Days YHWH gives us a snap shot of what is good for us, I.E. the Temple offering of salt, bread, barley grass, unleavened bread, etc., are all good things to promote health throughout the year, and it is the same with fasting. The lost art of the practice of fasting once a week or once a month for 24 hours is a wonderful and safe lifetime habit for most people. Fasting regularly enhances one's health more than any other single activity. Even after a person reaches ideal body weight, unwanted substances that are hard for the body to eliminate enter the body through the foods we eat, the water we drink, and the air we breathe. Fasting helps to release unwanted substances, toxins, and other wastes from the fat and tissues and helps to restore and maintain vitality and strength.

Regardless of the day's activities (if you have to work or not), DO NOT brag about it, or walk around with a sad countenance to show off your fast and sacrifice. It is private affair between you and your CREATOR. Beginning a fast is also the time for the precious anointing with oil (Mat.6:16-18). Anointing yourself and loved ones is a powerful spiritual power-tool. The Apostle John writes in 1John 2:27, that anointing refers to the Divine spiritual process in which the Holy Spirit empowers a person's heart and mind with YHWH's truth and love. For more info log on to: <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/sp-t5_anointing.htm</u>.

Those who really need an anointing are easy to spot, the proud in heart, lofty in spirit, covetous in his aims, condemning others, justifying himself, unsympathetic or harsh, etc – but they are too proud to humble themselves before YHWH and Yahshua. For more info see the Book of James.

For tips on how to 'invoke' the sacred anointing, log on to <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/sp-t8_order_of_rites.htm</u>

~ Don't forget your sea salt! ~

All believers are part of the Salt Covenant with YHWH (Lev.2:13; 2Chr.13:5). In ancient times, salt was also used to seal a bond of friendship forever. Brethren at an Israelite table would seal their friendship by the sharing of salt. On this day after fasting, seal your prayers of repentance with a lick of pure sea salt to heal the spiritual rift. Modern science is confirming the benefit of YHWH's ancient rites, (real unprocessed) sea salt acts as preservative for your body. (And believers also know it preserves our spirit.) Log on to: http://www.homeworship101.com/fyi_salt_covenant.htm

\sim GOD Bless the USA! \sim

Here in America, for a country based on 'unalienable' GOD-given-rights, it should be a national day of fasting and repentance (2Chr.7:14). And the money saved on food during the fast day, should be donated to your local food bank, and then watch the blessings grow.

Our FATHER knows what is good for us. HE wants HIS Faithful to be kind and giving, not as a religious requirement, because it is good for your health. One study by the University of Michigan kept track of 400 elderly couples over a five-year span and they found that couples that gave to charity were twice as likely to outlive those who didn't! Other studies show that people who *give* more than they *receive* – no matter if it's money, clothes, or even advice – are healthier and happier!

"If you study the Bible without applying it to your daily life, then it would be better not to study it at all."

- Zac Poonen

Through Noah, YHWH told humanity to form community governments, and HE told us how to run them in the Torah. The reason is simple; learning the personal virtues of this Holy Day also benefits our community. There is a saying; *"Those who ignore history are doomed to repeat it."* Our founding fathers knew their Bibles and world history. They knew that basically there are two ways to govern a community. People will either be self-disciplined or need the whip of tyranny. If people are disciplined and honorable then they need less government to control them, if they have no moral character then they will need the whip of big government to control them. The early immigrants who settled this country were self-disciplined and self-reliant because they were a deeply religious, Bible-believing, Christian people - and they built a great country. Unfortunately for the last 50 or more years, the minions for the dark side have been hard at work removing the Bible and the founding religious values from our public squares and educational establishments. Even if they did want to remove GOD but still promote good values, then you would think that at the very least they would trumpet the <u>Golden Rule</u> – it's universal, every religion has one, and it is at the heart of spiritual maturity - their silence speaks volumes. In my humble opinion, it would appear that they silently want to ruin this great nation instead of help it.

~ In Closing... ~

Meditate, Practice, Pray...

"You must meditate and dwell upon what you read.... You must also practice and live out what you read.... You must also pray over what you read...."

- Thomas Brooks ("The Unsearchable Riches of Christ")

The Judgment Day quote from Revelation 20:13 clearly says "…judged, each one according to their works." It's a curious thing; the verse did not mention purity of the religion or theology, but your "works." This Holy Day teaches our "works" means we are to live, on a daily basis, a righteous life, with charity, and a slow to anger, forgiving heart, which in-turn, makes the Faithful, Ambassadors of the Kingdom (2Cor.5:20). The prime directive of Ambassadorship: Love your GOD, and love your neighbor. And, "… forgive them for they know not what they do …," is the motto (Luk.23:34).

To be an Ambassador of the Kingdom means you are a Friend of the Kingdom, not a servant to it. The Faithful are considered Friends because of the Divine Knowledge revealed to them (Jno.15:15). Log on for more info: http://www.homeworship101.com/sp-t7_sacred_assembly.htm

"...we do not war according to the flesh, and the weapons are not carnal..." - 2Corinthians 10:3-4

The Faithful know Satan is the target of this spiritual war not our neighbor (Eph.6:12). Satan is the god of this world and the Believers in our CREATOR are "living in their native lands - but as aliens."

The Believers are "in this world, but not of this world." The Believers are citizens of the Heavenly Kingdom of YHWH (Phi.3:20), fellow citizens with the Old Testament Saints (Eph.2:19) - under the authority of the Messiah. They follow local customs in clothing, food, and other aspects of life - but as citizens of the Heavenly Kingdom, they are only passing their days on Earth. Log on for more info: http://www.homeworship101.com/wp_early_christians.htm

"You ought to live holy and godly lives."

- 2 Peter 3:11

They are "present in the flesh" - but do not live "according to the flesh." They obey the appointed laws of the community - but go beyond that and follow the Heavenly Laws in their own lives. They are treated with

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outrageous disrespect - but behave respectfully and bless those in return. They are dishonored and their names blackened - but they gain glory through dishonor and their names are cleared in the Heavenly Book of Life.

The Faithful are given the Armor of YHWH. YHWH doesn't call the equipped; HE equips the called, with HIS armor. Ephesians 6:11 states "Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." Log on for more info: <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/sp-t6_armor.htm</u>

Knowin' is the easy part! This is not a church of potted plants. The citizens are Ambassadors of the Kingdom and represent their Government. This is not a passive role; it is a pro-active role. They live by example and share the spiritual truths that they have learned, using clear and simple language - not political style double-talk, using many words to say nothing, or spiritual, feel-good psychobabble which has no lasting benefit (Mat.5:37). We follow Yahshua, the Apostles, and the Hebrew Testament Prophets, fearless and uncompromising, but seasoned with amazing grace.

In philosophy and religion, it has been said that you will know the quality of a tree by the fruit that it bears.

The more I learn, the more I realize how little I know.

Enjoy the journey of learning...

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On the 15th Day... A Time to Rejoice \o/ - Feast of Tabernacles

"And it shall come to pass that everyone who is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Tabernacles."

– Zechariah 14:16

Humanity is entering the final acts of our CREATOR's grand spiritual opera and it begins on the 15th day of the 7th Biblical month. These last two Holy Days have such wonderful spiritual symbolism and it is a real tragedy that their meanings have been hidden or lost all these centuries – even most of the Jewish world has forgotten their true meanings. Sometime in the future, it is on these last two Holy Days when humanity will finally enjoy their Covenant rewards, and it begins on the 15th day of the 7th Biblical month. In English it is known as the Holy Days of Tabernacles, called in Hebrew, *Hag Ha-Sukkot* (Lev.23:33-44). On the 8th day of the Tabernacles Festival, is the last Holy Day called the "Last Great Day," Hebrew. *Sheimini Atzert*, (Lev.23:36). They are combined to be the most joyous time of the year. It is an 8-Day festival, a time to be merry, and give thanks. Rejoice! Dance! Be Happy! HalleluYAH! We are under our FATHER's protection and our reward is at hand!

"Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! For praise from the upright is beautiful. Praise the Lord with the harp; make melody to Him with an instrument of ten strings. Sing to Him a new song; play skillfully with a shout of joy." – Psalm 33:1-3

Generally YHWH's Holy Days are home worship events, in ancient Jerusalem the Faithful might have paid their respects at the Temple, but afterwards they continued their worship at home with family and friends. This Holy Day week is different. Here we go out into the streets and rejoice with the community. Sometime in the future, after the return of the Messiah, it will be a weeklong global block party - as the whole world will honor YHWH and Yahshua.

The Tabernacles Festival illustrates a temporary protection while permanent arrangements are made. To symbolize this, observant Jews worship in temporary structures called sukkots. It is something like a little "lean-to" built outside against a wall of the house, or in backyards or patios, and it looks a little like the nativity manger. The sukkot is decorated in a fun and festive, organic atmosphere. They are built of tree branches and palm leaves. The inside is decorated party-style, with a small table and some chairs or large pillows to relax on after dancing hard in the streets.

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord." - Colossians 3:16

Most know that sending the Messiah (the innocent lamb, who would be the redeemer to cancel the debt of sin) was one of YHWH's original Covenant promise first given to Adam and then again to Noah. Isn't it a coincidental date that on the 15th day of the 1st month (Days of Unleavened Bread), Yahshua exactly fulfilled His mission as the <u>suffering Messiah</u> when He was put to death and buried. Now here on the 15th day of the 7th month Yahshua will fulfill His role as the <u>conquering Messiah</u> when He ushers in the Millennium Kingdom of peace - YHWH keeps HIS <u>Covenant</u> promises. (It is interesting to note, the 7th unit of time is also considered Divine. The seventh day

is a Sabbath. The seventh year is a <u>Sabbath year</u>. Seven times seven years, is a Jubilee year. Is it a coincidental date that the seventh millennium is a Sabbath millennium under YHWH's Messiah, Yahshua?

~ Pre-Opera Lecture ~

"And it shall be that whichever of the families of the earth do not come up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, on them there will be no rain. If the family of Egypt will not come up and enter in, they shall have no rain; they shall receive the plague with which the LORD strikes the nations who do not come up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles. This shall be the punishment of Egypt and the punishment of all the nations that do not come up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles." - Zechariah 14:17-19

Critical thinking is a lost art. Oftentimes when I talk about the Biblical Holy Days, many people look at me a little puzzled and ask, *"aren't those the Jewish holidays, what does it have to do with us?"* It is the preprogrammed – knee jerk - response from most of the Christian world because their leadership teaches that the Old Testament is for the Jews and the New Testament is for the Christians - they couldn't be further from the truth. The above Bible verse **clearly** states that during the Millennium Kingdom of the Messiah, a-I-I the nations of the world will celebrate the Holy Days of Tabernacles – not just the Jews. (One would think, since the Bride will be the Messiah's helper during the Millennium that they would know more about it – but Satan has been busy.) As a matter of fact, this Holy Day is so important to the Messiah that if the nations do not come to Jerusalem to honor it then there will be dire consequences. What does that mean you might wonder? It doesn't mean that Yahshua will send in the military jets and bombers, the Messiah will have the power to control nature and He will simply stop the rain, and bring some very uncomfortable plaques on them. Then people will become unhappy and they will want their leadership to comply with the Messiah's requests.

Sir Isaac Newton, a great scientist and a student of prophecy stated:

"About the time of the end, a body of men will be raised up who will turn their attention to the prophesies and insist upon their literal interpretation in the midst of much clamor and opposition."

Many folks hear me and wonder, is it courage or naiveté to put myself out there and kindle what I hope will be constructive debate. My focus is intellectual honesty, not defense of tradition (Act.17:11). What I mean by that is that some traditions are good, and some are wrong and need correction. But that doesn't mean we all must march in formation like the Romans. YHWH calls HIS people to unity, not uniformity, and the Holy Days of Tabernacles are a good example. Today this example is played out by the <u>International Christian Embassy</u> <u>Jerusalem</u>. They sponsor an annual Tabernacles parade through the streets of Jerusalem in which many nations participate. To see the variety of colorful ethnic costumes, the different flags, and variety of people, is a beautiful thing to behold. The idea is, that we all celebrating the same Holy Day, but we all bring our unique cultural style and prayers to the event.

"When filled with holy truth the mind rests." – C.H. Spurgeon

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Spiritually, it is about time to let intellectual honesty prevail and agree that all the Holy Days listed in Leviticus ch.23 are universal; as I have outlined all year, their spiritual depth is undeniable, and they are more than just Jewish tradition – they light our Ancient "Hebrew" Path. If we watch these annual Holy Days we see their multilevel interlocking spiritual lessons pointing to YHWH's Kingdom. We acknowledge the Holy Days out of respect to our CREATOR. And sometime in the future, almost tomorrow, Yahshua will be teaching a-I-I humanity their higher spiritual lessons. Understanding the lessons will bring humanity **peace**. **Peace** of the mind, **peace** of the heart, **peace** for the growth of the spirit, **peace** in our house, **peace** in our communities, and **peace** in our nations.

The Dual Prophecies of Tabernacles

"...I am God, and there is none like Me. Declaring the end from the beginning. And from ancient times things that are not yet done..." - Isaiah 46:9-10

I often say, one cannot fully understand prophecy until one learns YHWH's Holy Days, because the Holy Days teach us prophecy and YHWH's Heavenly designed prophetic timetable affecting the entire world. If we learned our Holy Day lessons correctly, the Passover season teaches us about our CREATOR's peace and protection - if we accept it. The Feast of Pentecost, Trumpets, and Atonement, teaches us about our CREATOR's knowledge and power - we should respect it. And now the **prophetic season** of Tabernacles teaches us about our CREATOR's rest - if we want to keep it.

All of YHWH's prophetic spiritual lessons come together in this early-fall Holy Day season. The first prophetic promise YHWH made to Adam and Eve (and a-l-l humankind), was of a future Messiah, and the prophecies are fulfilled in this Holy Day season beginning on the Day of Trumpets. Many of the Faithful miss the fact that the spiritual symbolism of Yahshua/Jesus is much richer in this Holy Week then the winter Christmas season. To begin with, scholarly studies point to this time period as the actual time of Christ's birth, and a Biblical hint is given in John 1:14. In the verse, the word dwelt is derived from the Hebrew word *tabernacle*. Some Bible translations will read "...and tabernacles among us." Christ's-mass is really during this Tabernacles week!

The Tabernacles Holy Days are a time to rejoice because it teaches us about two promised Kingdom rewards – Divine protection and then entering our rewards. It is the end of the prophecies that YHWH declared from the beginning. Here during the seven days of the Tabernacles Festival and the Last Great Day, on the eighth-day, is actually a two-stage spiritual lesson. The first stage, Tabernacles, is when we are under a temporary Divine protection for a short time, while earthly preparations are being made, and the second-stage, the Last Great day, is the 8th Day is when we physically enter our reward – our new life in the Kingdom.

Sometime in the future, almost tomorrow.

~ The Curtin Rises, Act 7 - Scene 1 ~

The Conquering Messiah's Divine Protection...

"The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, The leopard shall lie down with the young goat, The calf and the young lion and the fatling together; And a little child shall lead them." - Isajah 11:6

The prophetic hope of the Messianic Faithful will finally be realized during these Days of Tabernacles. Sometime in the future, almost tomorrow, humanity will be under the protection of YHWH's Anointed One, as He renews and prepares the earth for planetary peace, protection, and rest, for 1,000 years, generally known as the Millennium Kingdom of the Messiah (Rev.20:4).

After Yahshuas' divine judgment, the bigotry, violence, and the guns of war will be silenced, as the righteousness and justice of the Messiah's Millennium Kingdom will finally be experienced in the world. In the aftermath of the Great Tribulation and the terrible Battle of Armageddon there will be an enormous need to rebuild a ravaged planet and restore it's ecosystem. When the world is in such turmoil from the past seven years of tribulation, there will be a tremendous amount of work needed to restore the basic essentials of food, water, shelter, and to psychologically reassurance to the global population. Yahshua comes to save humanity and protect them while He cleans up the mess of Satan's planetary war and scorched earth policy.

In the spring, the annual Holy Days officially began on the 15th day of the 1st month as YHWH supernaturally protected ancient Israel in their exodus out of the evil Egyptian empire and took them to the "new promised land." He saved their <u>physical</u> flesh, their body, their <u>soul</u>, and here on the 15th day of the 7th month, YHWH's Conquering Messiah will save us and keep us under His protection as He makes preparations to have humanity enter the promised land of the Millennium Kingdom.

Yahshua will change the Earth to accommodate the new civilization. He will lower the mountains, raise the valleys, bring water to the deserts and they will become fertile. The Dead Sea in Israel will be alive again and filled with a great multitude of fish (Eze.47:9). He will raise the riches from the oceans (Isa.ch.35). Even the animal kingdom will experience YHWH's original peaceful form of nature; "…The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox…" (Isa.65:25). He shall repair the waste cities (Isa.61:4), and He will straighten out the races according to their lands (Isa.27-6; Deu.32:8-9; Act.17:26).

We can only wonder how this will really play out. Yahshua will protect the survivors of the Great Tribulation but how? The miracles that YHWH and Yahshua can do will always surprise and awe us. The Bible illustrates this example in the time of Moses when YHWH through Moses freed the Hebrew people from their Egyptian bondage and protected them in the Exodus. We are assured the in some wondrous awe-inspiring way, Yahshua will protect the new Millennium world citizenship and provide their food, water, and shelters, while He prepares the Earth. What is even more exciting is to wonder about is how His <u>Bride</u> will help in the process.

~ The Curtain Closes~

Sometime in the future, after the thousand years are finished.

~ The Curtin Rises, Act 7 - Scene 2 ~

YHWH's Divine Protection...

"The world is passing away, and also its lusts; but the one who does the will of God lives forever" - 1 John 2:17

"...the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up." - 2Peter 3:10

During the days of Noah, humanity through the descendents of Cain, and under the influence of the dark angels, became so corrupt that there was no saving them. It wasn't just because of their sinful habits it was their DNA that became corrupted through incest and all sorts of sexual perversions. Satan was proud of his work to foil YHWH's plan of salvation because a genetically corrupt society could not give birth to YHWH's Messiah. Satan knew it, and so did all the intergalactic witness' of the Kingdom, but YHWH has a plan. As we all know, along with a boatload of animals, YHWH saved Noah's family because they were righteous and pure in their genetic heritage. All the witness' were surprised and awed how YHWH accomplished this feat. Now in some awe-inspiring way YHWH will protect the world's human population who survived Judgment Day while HE cleanses the earth from the Curse of Sin.

Then He who sat on the throne said, *"Behold, I make all things new,"* Rev.21:5. Sometime in the future, after the 1,000 years are finished, during these days of Tabernacles, a-I-I humanity surviving YHWH's Great White Throne Judgment, will enter into HIS supernatural protection while the earth is being cleansed from the Curse of Sin – it will be a sight to behold (Rev.21:1). In a way it will be kind of sad, to see the whole world, as the above quote says, to be renewed by a "fervent heat." No more blue earth as the oceans and all the marine and wildlife we know today will be gone, what we will wonder about is what surprises "New Earth" will have in store for us.

"Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away..." - Revelation 21:1

~ The Curtain Closes ~

The Dual Prophecies of the Last Great Day

Behold, Fireworks Jerusalem Style!

The last act in our CREATOR's grand spiritual opera begins on the 8th day of the Tabernacles festival called the Last Great Day (Lev.23:36). We will finally "...find rest for your souls" (Jer.6:16 ESV), on this Great Last Day we will see the Prophet Jeremiah as we all enter our "rest" together. This Last Great Day of the Feast is the day when humanity enters their Kingdom rewards. In ancient Jerusalem, the day was celebrated with the spectacular <u>Festival of Lights</u> emanating from the Temple - it was fireworks Jerusalem style, and a stunning sight to behold. The Holy Day pictures the 'last day' of this earthly existence under the Curse of Sin. It is a "great day" because we are beginning a new life. (For the Festival of Lights info, log on to: http://www.homeworship101.com/fyi two candles.htm ()

Sometime in the future, almost tomorrow.

~ The Curtin Rises, Act 8 - Scene 1 ~

The Messiah's Millennium Kingdom...

"...They shall beat their swords into plowshares, And their spears into pruning hooks; Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, Neither shall they learn war anymore."

- Isaiah 2:4

On this day, under the Messiah, the surviving nations will return to their lands and humanity will enter the <u>Millennium Age</u> of the Messiah (Rev.20:4). Knowing that Christ had a 3½ year ministry and was put to death on Passover, it is believed that He began His ministry with His stunning proclamation on the last day of this Holy week. The Apostle John records in 7:37, "On the last day, that great day of the feast, Yahshua stood and cried out, saying, *"If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink."* Yahshua's symbolism was loaded with meaning to the Jews who witnessed it. The tragedy today is that most in the church haven't got a clue – but soon all the world will drink of Yahshua's Divine wisdom and the result will be a thousand years of universal prosperity, and happiness (Jer.31:12-14; Jon.10:10; 3Jon.2),

A perfect and just peace will flow from Jerusalem called "the City of Peace" because the Prince of Peace will rule forever (Joe.2:28-29; Isa.2:2-4,19:23-25; Mic.4:1-3). Jerusalem, as YHWH sees it, is the city at the center of the world, and it was the capital city of Israel since the time of King David. This will be the capital of the Messiah's new world (Ps.2:6; Isa.60:5). The world's riches are His (Hag.2:8) to be displayed for the entire world in the newly built Millennium Temple in which He will dwell.

Believers are 'present in the flesh,' but do not live 'according to the flesh.' When a person acknowledges the CREATOR instead of the self, then one commits to a higher Law. In other words, Believers, even though they live under mans law, submit themselves to the higher Laws of our CREATOR. This is a form of theocracy, which means YHWH-GOD directly ruling HIS people, just as HE did starting in the time of Moses.

In the eleventh century B.C.E., about 500 years after Moses, the Israelites rejected YHWH's rule over them and asked the prophet Samuel to appoint them a human king modeled after their pagan neighbors. In <u>1Samuel ch.8</u>, YHWH gives the people one final warning as to what this type of government would do to them, and the key word

is **'take.'** This type of government will always 'take' more then it gives. Unfortunately, the people were seduced by the dark side and rejected HIS warning. This will now change.

"...the government will be on His shoulder... Of the increase of His government and peace, there will be no end..."

- Isaiah 9:6

Remember, YHWH used the prophet Daniel to interpret a prophecy outlining the superpower human governments and the coming government of YHWH. The prophecy reveals that the conquering Messiah will destroy this entire system of human governments. Then man's governments will be replaced by the Kingdom/Government of YHWH, headed by the Messiah, as King of kings ruling all the Earth (Dan.ch.2, and a corresponding vision in ch.7).

Culturally, governments of humanity will reset to the time before the ancient Israelites rejected YHWH's system as told in 1Samuel ch.8. As in the Book of Judges, it will be a government based on the revolutionary Protestant concept: That YHWH directly empowers the people instead of a king. And what YHWH directly gives, no man can take away. The dusty statue books that control us today will be gone in a world in which the people will finally accept their responsibility of GOD-given freedom.

From the Millennium Temple complex, Yahshua will rule as Judge, King, Teacher, Shepherd, and Redeemer, of the new world by a divine government - a Theocracy - the Kingdom of YHWH ruling over humans with righteousness, holiness, mercy and goodness for the benefit of all Humanity. A government has laws and so will it be in the Millennium Kingdom. Yahshua Himself stated: "Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled," Matthew 5:16-17. The original <u>Ten</u> <u>Commandments</u>, the <u>Golden Rule</u>, and <u>Laws of YHWH</u> given to Moses will still be in effect, thankfully, the penalties for transgression will not be as harsh as it was in the Old Testament times.

There are many references in Scriptures of our eventual "rewards" for keeping the faith and heeding YHWH's Commands, but did you ever stop to consider just exactly what our reward would be like? Reflect on it for a while, and if you are courageous enough to consider some outside-the-box ideas, log on to my web page "The Ruling Messiah" for a thought provoking, prophetic chronicle of life in the Messiah's Millennium Kingdom (which is also a shadow of things to come of YHWH's Kingdom), <u>http://www.homeworship101.com/bb-c11b_ruling_messiah.htm</u>.

"Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light." - Matthew 11:28-30

- Matthew 11:26-30

~ The Curtain Closes ~

Sometime in the future, after the thousand years are finished.

~ The Curtin Rises, Act 8 - Scene 2 ~

YHWH's Eternal Kingdom...

"Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him." - 1Corinthians 2:9

The Immortal Spirit Body is how the Jerusalem Church will be outfitted for eternal life. An immortal body is real, and occupies time and space, yet the body can pass through an object, or pick up the object. Although transformed, people retain the unique characteristics and features they had in their early human life, but without any of the birth defects or deformities.

A hint to what the immortal body is like was show to us by Yahshua. After His ascension on the Day of Firstfruits, He returned to earth and made His first resurrected public appearance. Here the immortal spirit body was shown to the Believers while Yahshua stayed on earth for about forty days counseling His Disciples (Mat.28:1-10; Mar.16:1-18; Luk.24:1-43; Jon.20:1-10). The Disciples gave Him a piece of a broiled fish and some honeycomb, and He took it and ate in their presence (Luk.24:42-43). In John 21:9-13, He fixed breakfast for His Disciples, yet He could walk through a door (Luk.20:26). And He is able to subdue all things to Himself (Phi.3:20-21).

"...the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away." - Revelation 21:2-4

Sometime in the future, after the Millennium rule, on this Holy Day, humanities new home, a New Jerusalem will descend to earth from the Heavens, bringing our FATHER's Kingdom back to recreated earth for eternity (Rev.ch.21-22). Our CREATOR YHWH, and our Messiah Yahshua, will finally dwell amongst the creation. We are immortal! And we are 21 again! What a Great Day it really is!!!

"Then He said to me, "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end I will give to the one who thirsts from the spring of the water of life without cost. He who overcomes will inherit these things, and I will be his God and he will be My son." - Revelation 21:6-7

~ The Curtain Closes ~

~ In Closing... ~

"How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations! For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation on the farthest sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High."

- Isaiah 14:12-14

As I outlined in the pre-opera lecture at the start of Passover Holy Days newsletter, the great galactic conflict began when Lucifer planned an interstellar governmental coup d'etat. He convinced a third of the angels to follow him in a sinful rebellion against the Government of YHWH (Eze.28:12-17; Luk.10:18; Jud.6). With Lucifer's ambitious plans begins the titanic spiritual war of the Heavenly Powers for the control of the universe, including this part of the galaxy.

Fortunately, YHWH's loyal angels defeated the rebellious angels, but they were not destroyed. In the court of the Heavenly beings, Lucifer was called to YHWH's Great White Throne Room and give account of his actions. YHWH is not a dictator and HE does not use HIS authority as a club, but HIS word is final; and for HIS council HE is surrounded by "four and twenty elders" all dressed in white (Rev.4:2-11; Book of Enoch, from the Lost Books of the Bible).

The Power of Light emanating from the Throne seems brighter than the sun and creates a rainbow around it. The voice of YHWH is like the thunder of the heavens and any mortal witness to such a spectacle would naturally become afraid and tremble with great terror. But Lucifer is no mortal and he has been here many times before in his long career of service to the Kingdom. An eerie silence falls over the Room as all are attentive to the proceedings, we can only imagine the presentation Lucifer made in his own defense (I would not attempt to describe what was said, in my current state of ignorance my feeble human version would only offend him - and I am cautious not to do that). His argument must have been brilliant and compelling, after all, he did convince a third of the angels to follow him and now he explains his point of view for all in the Kingdom to hear.

The Bible does not state that the angels ever repented after their rebellion. Possibly, once changed to evil characters, they cannot be changed back. Listening to the proceedings YHWH is not swayed, HE knows Lucifer's approach to a different form of government will not work. But, there must have been some discussion by the Council of the Elders to allow Lucifer a limited time and limited area to test-market his program.

YHWH knows some lessons have to be lived in order to be learned. YHWH could have easily shouted down Lucifer's argument and destroyed him along with his rebellious angels, but YHWH is not a dictator, and the citizens of HIS Kingdom are not a race of mute obedient robots. So YHWH agrees to a test-market for Lucifer and sets the ground rules. YHWH renamed Lucifer "Satan," pronounced Saw-tawn, which means *adversary* (<u>Strong's Hebrew Dictionary</u> #7854), and removes his bright and glorious nature. YHWH then ordains that Satan and his fallen dark angels still have *limited powers* and *limited access* to the heavenlies.

That was the beginning, the alpha, of the spiritual story, and now, thankfully, we are at the end, the omega. YHWH guided us through the lessons of the knowledge of good and evil which were clearly witnessed by all the citizens of the Kingdom, and we humans were the victims to the facts that Satan's way leads to horrible torture, suffering, death and destruction, not only for humanity, but for the animal kingdom, and for the earth as well – this is clearly not the formula for an eternal kingdom and life. We humans learned these spiritual lessons first hand, and many of us living during the Age of Grace believed in our CREATOR and Messiah without seeing them, earning us a special place in the Kingdom. YHWH has extraordinary plans for all humanity and our adventure is just beginning. HalleluYAH!!!

...and the Universe awaits for the revealing of the Children of YHWH from New Earth...

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"Grace to you and peace from El our FATHER and Yahshua the Messiah, bless you, keep you, and shine His love upon you"

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