

**“THE LAWS OF YAH
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ONE MESSIAH!
ONE PEOPLE!
ONE TORAH!**

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“Preface for The Laws of YAH Are Not Done Away With” Has Christianity Missed the Mark?

The pages of this book contain honey for the soul, which lead us to the feet of the Messiah! **Proverbs 24:13,14** “**My son, eat honey, for it is good. Yes, the honey from the comb is sweet to your taste. Know that wisdom is thus for your soul! If you find it, then there will be a future (latter end), and your hope will not be cut off!”**

YaH only has one law for His people! There isn’t one law for the Jews and one law for the Christians. This is contrary to Scripture, **Numbers 15:15** “**As for the assembly(Israel), there shall be one statute for you and for the alien (gentiles) who sojourns with you, a perpetual statute throughout your generations (a commandment forever); as you are, so shall the alien (grafted in gentile) be before YaHUAH.**” Torah doesn’t need to conform to Christianity; no rather, Christianity needs to conform to Torah.

Colossians 2:8 “**See to it that no one take you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Messiah.”**

Has Christianity taken you captive according to the traditions of men that are rooted in Paganism? I know I was held captive by it! We are not to partake of the cup of demons and the cup of YaH, I Corinthians 10:21.

I Corinthians 10:21

“21 Ye cannot drink the cup of YaHUAH, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of YaHUAHs table, and of the table of devils.”

We are not to learn the way pagans worship and incorporate that into our worship Deuteronomy 12:29-31.

Deuteronomy 12:29-31

“29 When YaHUAH thy Elohim shall cut off the nations from before thee, whither thou goest to possess them, and thou succeedest them, and

dweltest in their land;

30 Take heed to thyself that thou be not snared by following them, after that they be destroyed from before thee; and that thou inquire not after their gods, saying, How did these nations serve their gods? even so will I do likewise.

31 Thou shalt not do so unto YaHUAH Eloheynu: for every abomination to YaHUAH, which He hateth, have they done unto their gods; for even their sons and their daughters they have burnt in the fire to their gods.
32 What thing soever I command you, observe to do it: thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it.”

But Christianity does just this by celebrating holidays like Christmas, Easter, Thanksgiving, and Halloween. Instead of keeping these idolatrous traditions we should be keeping YaHs Appointed Times as He mentions in **Leviticus 23, Numbers 28 and 29, Genesis 8, and the dead sea scrolls** which He calls permanent statutes or commandments forever; and there are illustrations of these Appointed Times (Holidays) being kept in the millennial reign.

Zechariah 14:16-21 “**16 And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.**

17 And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.

18 And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that have no rain; there shall be the plague, wherewith will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

19 This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all nations that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

20 In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses, holiness unto ; and the pots in YaHUAHs house shall be like the bowls before the altar.

21 Yea, every pot in Jerusalem and in Judah shall be holiness unto of hosts: and all they that sacrifice shall come and take of them, and seethe therein: and in that day there shall be no more the Canaanite in the

house of of hosts.”

Why won't the church wake up and smell the coffee? Not only will we not be keeping Christmas, New Year's Day during the winter, Easter, Thanksgiving, Halloween in Eternity or during the millennial reign but those who keep them now might not be in heaven cause it's gross idolatry! I hope not, besides what do I know- I hope the Fathers grace is greater than any of us could imagine. The Saving grace I see is that love covers a multitude of sins, and the Father knows the heart, and our sincerity must count for something, even if we are sincerely wrong. Those who have knowledge will be held accountable to a higher level than those who do not know. I know Christmas probably doesn't mean paganism to you, but to YaH it must mean that because they are not His and we don't keep His or most people don't- most churches don't even teach His Holidays that we should be keeping. There is no Church and Israel, there is only Israel. You are either Israel, or grafted into Israel, or you are not. And most Churches in Christianity promote lawlessness and I would hate for Messiah to say this to anyone I know; **Matthew 7:23 “And then I will declare to them, I never knew you, depart from me, you who practice lawlessness!”** You are either grafted in or you are not (Romans 11:17-21).

Romans 11:17-21

17 And if some of the branches be broken off, **and thou, being a wild olive tree, were grafted in among them**, and with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree;

18 Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, **remember that it is not you who supports the root, but the root supports you.**

19 Thou wilt say then, The branches were broken off, that I might be grafted in.

20 Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith. **Be not high minded, but fear:**

21 For if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not thee.

There is one Congregation, one people and they have one law that is not done

away with Psalm 119:160 “**The sum of Thy Word is Truth, and every one of Thy righteous ordinances is everlasting.**” And it applies to all that are grafted into Israel.

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Chapter 1

“The Laws of YaH Are Not done Away With!”

Has Christianity Missed the Mark?

Romans 3:31 "Do we make void the Law through Faith?

YaH forbid: yea we establish the Law!"

This book is written specifically for Christians! The teachings presented here are to persuade you of a truth that has been hidden from you! **The truth is YaHs Law Is Not Done Away With!** YaHUsa is the law. In the beginning was the word, that word is YaHUsa, that word is His law! **Psalm 119:142 “Thy Law is Truth!”** He is the way, the law and the life! **Heb 1:9 “He hates lawlessness!”** The devil has deceived people with this doctrine of lawlessness far too long! The devil is the lawless one! It's time for us to get back to our Hebrew Roots where we will discover the ways of Yah that He intends for us to walk in. I hope you will take the time to examine these teachings and see if they be true or not! Embarking on this journey will truly change your life and make you a new creation in YaHUsa as the Word speaks of. My challenge to you is to not only hear, but to do what the Word of YaH says to do; lest you deceive yourself! **Peter warns us that many will take Paul’s writings and misinterpret them for lawlessness!**

II Peter 3:14-18 “14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

15 And account that the long suffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;

16 As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.

17 Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of lawlessness, fall from your own steadfastness.

18 But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior

YaHUsa ha Mashiach. To Him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.”

The Spirit of YaH (Ruach ha Kodesh) will never lead you contrary to the Law of YaH. If you are being led into lawlessness, then you have what I call led poisoning! You need to get away from that spirit for it is not of YaH! **II**

Corinthians 11:15,16 “The devil disguises himself as an angel of light, his servants also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness; whose end will be according to their deeds.” By your fruit you will be judged! You either produce the good fruit of obedience to YaHs instructions, or the bad fruit of lawlessness! If your New Testament (Brit Chadasha) interpretation is contrary to the Old Testament, or to keeping the law; then your interpretation is wrong!

YaHUsa never changed or altered the law of YaH! If YaHUsa altered the law (Torah) then He would be guilty of sin and thus eliminating Himself from being the Messiah of YaH for all mankind- **according to Deuteronomy 4:2 & 12:32 No one is too add to Torah or take away from it!**

II Peter 3:16,17 "As also in all Pauls letter, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which the untaught and unstable distort, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction. You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, be on your guard lest, being carried away by the error of lawless men, you fall from your own steadfastness."

Peter gives us an amazing warning about Pauls writings! Peter explains to us that many people will take Pauls writings and misinterpret them for lawlessness! It is my opinion that this tragedy Peter is speaking of is exactly what is going on in the religious world today in mainstream Christianity. Pastors and teachers take some hard to understand verses written by Paul and use them to say the law is done away with- it's the common theme of Christianity today! In my experience with my Pastor Joe Salcido of Centro Vida (Life Center) in El Paso Texas; I once told my Pastor that the Father was prodding me to stop eating pork. He responded to me that I was not under the law and that I should read the book of Galatians (one of Pauls most hard

to understand letters in my opinion). I decided to stop eating Pork for a year as a fast unto YaH. It wasn't until a few years later though that I realized that the law wasn't done away with and that it is actually a sin to eat unclean animals such as pork. **As I John 3:4 clearly defines sin as breaking YaHs law!**

Ephesians 2:20 "...you are now native of YaHs household. Having been built upon the foundation of **the apostles and prophets, YaHUsa ha Mashiach** Himself being the corner stones".

The foundation on which Christians should stand is YaHUsa, the apostles, and the prophets. Moses was a great prophet and he gave us the Law from the Father! **The Law is part of the foundation on which we should be standing and keeping!** We get the word law from a Hebrew word Torah. Torah means the instructions of the Father; or the word picture is an arrow pointing in the right direction. The law is simply the instructions of the Father that He has graciously given to us, in order that we will know how to please Him!

Galatians 3:15,17 "...even though it is only a man's covenant, yet when it has been ratified, no one sets it aside or adds conditions to it...What I am saying is this: the Law, which came four hundred and thirty years later, does not invalidate a covenant previously ratified by YaH, so as to nullify the promise."

There is a corollary truth to be gleaned from this passage: **no new covenant nullifies an old covenant previously made.** One covenant builds on top of the other, the new covenant doesn't make null and void the Law- otherwise it must be okay to eat pork, murder, not keep the Sabbath, lie, ect. It is not ok to do these things, we must stop treating the Word of YaH like a buffet by picking and choosing what we will keep and not keep! **The very covenant we are all standing on is the covenant that YaH made with Abraham; this covenant was made before the Torah was given to the people during Pentecost (Shavuot) at Mt. Sinai. If a new covenant makes null and void an old covenant then the law made null and void the covenant YaH made**

with Abraham which came 430 years before the Law- in other words- we are all screwed! But this isn't the case! Thank YaH! No new covenant makes null and void a previous covenant- so that means the law is still in effect in the new covenant! If you take time to read about the new covenant in Hebrews 8:7-13 or Jeremiah 31:31-34 – one thing that should stand out to you is the fact that the law is mentioned in it! The law is still present in the new covenant- even written upon our hearts it says- which makes me wonder if we have fully entered into the new covenant simply because I don't think YaH has written His law upon my heart yet- I think I am still having to write His law upon my heart. I have to take the time to seek His instruction and learn it and keep it- I get the impression that in the new covenant He writes it upon my heart and I don't have to seek it out and write it upon my heart. Of course, this is my opinion, I could be wrong! I also have need to be taught by other people and in the new covenant it says they shall not teach again.

Matthew 7:21-23 "Not everyone who says to Me, Adonai, Adonai, will enter the kingdom of heaven; but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven! Many will say to Me on that day, Adonai, Adonai, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out many demons, and in Your name perform many miracles? And then I will declare to them, I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!!!

To me this is one of the most terrifying verses in all of the Bible! YaHUsa is talking about a people who look the part. They perform miracles, prophesy and cast out demons! Yet YaHUsa never knew them. He couldn't identify with them! They are non-sabbath keeping, pork eating, non-appointed time keeping; tassleless people. They are a people who live like pagans and keep pagan holidays such as Christmas, New Years, Easter, Valentines day, Halloween, Thanksgiving. They try to worship YaH the way the pagans worship false gods and are in direct violation of the Torah. **They don't look like YaHUsa at all!** Deuteronomy 12:30-31 "Beware that you are not ensnared to follow them, after they are destroyed before you, and that you do not inquire after their gods, saying, 'How do these nations serve their gods, that I

also may do likewise?" "You shall not behave thus toward YaHUah your Elohim, for every abominable act which YaH hates they have done for their gods; for they even burn their sons and daughters in the fire to their gods".

Matthew 5:17-19 "Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets: I did not come to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass away from the Law, until all is accomplished. Whoever then annuls one of the least of these commandments, and so teaches others, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever keeps and teaches (Torah) he shall be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven."

So YaHUsa clearly states that the law is still in place as long as heaven and earth are still here! look around you, are heaven and earth still here? Of course they are! **I consider this the great commission- to keep and teach Torah!** Our goal here is to teach people that Torah isn't done away with, and to disciple them so they may walk correctly as YaHUsa walked!

I John 2:3-6 "And by this we know that we have come to know Him, if we keep His commandments. The one who says I have come to know Him and does not keep His commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him; but whoever keeps His word , in him the love of YaH has truly been perfected. By this we know that we are in Him: the one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked."

YaHUsa kept Torah, and we should walk they way He walked; we should keep Torah! If we don't and we say we have come to know Him, then we lie and the truth (Torah) isn't in us! YaHUsa never broke the law, if He did then He couldn't be the Messiah (**I John 3:4 ...sin is breaking the Law!**)! YaHUsa never changed the law, if He did then He couldn't be the Messiah (**Deuteronomy 4:2 ...do not add to or take away from this Law**). Some may interpret YaHUsa has having changed Torah, or breaking Torah; but their interpretation is simply wrong! YaHUsa is the Messiah, and we are

saved by grace through faith, but we can't use faith as a license to break the law.

Galatians 6:1 “Shall we continue to sin (break YaHs Law) that grace may increase? No, may it never be!”

We can't use our freedom in Messiah as a license to break the law!

I John 3:4 "Sin is breaking the Law!!!!"

Deuteronomy 12:32 "Whatever I command you, you shall be careful to do; you shall not add to nor take away from it!"

Galatians 6:1,2 "What shall we say then? Are we to continue to (break the Law) so that grace might increase? No! May it never be! How shall we who died to breaking the Law still continue to break the law?"

Hebrew 10:26 "For if we go on breaking the law willfully after receiving knowledge of the truth (Law), there no longer remains a sacrifice for breaking the law."

YaHUsa did not alter, change, or break the Law of YaH! If He did then that would be sin and he couldn't be the Messiah! But He is the Messiah!

If we make a practice out of breaking the Law, after receiving knowledge that the Law is not done away with, then the blood of YaHUsa no longer covers us! So maybe it's better for you not to gain this knowledge? However, Leviticus 5:19 tells us that we will be held accountable for our sin (breaking the law) even though we were unaware! Sounds scary doesn't it?

I want the reader to know that I wasn't taught this truth by man, the Father slowly brought me into it by prodding me to read Leviticus 23 and study these Jewish Feasts. Of course, I have been taught and have gleaned and learned many things from people in this Hebrew Roots Movement; but in the beginning it was the Father leading me into it; otherwise I probably would have rejected the truth. I grew up in the Baptist church, I repented to YaH and believed on YaHUsa as my Savior when I was eight. My dad is a

Baptist minister for over 50 years. I have graduated from a non-accredited seminary school for 3 years, Paso Del Norte Institute. I have been indoctrinated in Christianity all my life. I have only begun to keep Torah since 2009. I believe with all my heart that the Christian church is in error in their thinking that the law is done away with; and it breaks my heart. I implore you by the grace of YaH to search these things out! I hope my teachings, website, books, and you tube channel will help you. I fear for the salvation of Christians, no matter how sincere they are in their heart. Scripture points to the lawless being unsaved over and over and over again. The devil is the lawless one, let's not be like him! Let's not treat the Father's Word like a buffet by picking and choosing what we keep and don't keep! Lets Keep Torah! Christianity keeps tithing and that's not in the ten commandments. They don't keep the Sabbath, yet that is in the ten commandments. It doesn't make sense! **I now keep Sabbath, New Months, Passover, Unleavened Bread, First Fruits, Pentecost, Feast of Trumpets, Day of Atonement, Feast of Tabernacles - as commanded by the Father in Leviticus 23; He calls them permanent statutes or commandments forever. I am a former gentile grafted into Israel! I wear tassels as commanded in Numbers 15. I don't eat unclean animals as commanded in Leviticus 11.** It's different from Christianity who keep their own traditions rather than the commandments of YaH. It makes me peculiar and causes persecution just like the Word says. I don't keep traditions of men that are rooted in pagan origins, I just try to keep the commandments of YaH, all I want is to please the Father! I am truly a new creation in YaHusha! The more knowledge I gain, the more I realize that I don't know anything. May YaH draw you near and help you to walk in His ways!

Psalm 119:142"..."Thy Law is Truth"

To be honest with you, if I was to put up every verse, I've come across in the Scriptures that shows that the Law isn't done away with it would probably take me a lifetime. There is evidence of the law not being done away within every single book of the bible, if you know what to look for! Watch out for words like "unrighteousness", "iniquity", "wickedness"; they are all Strong's **G93** which is a synonym of Strong's **G458** which means **LAWLESSNESS!!!**

Chapter 2

“YAHS Laws are Not Done Away With Part II”

Has Christianity Missed the Mark?

I’m going to continue with the theme of the Laws of YaH not being done away with. This is a very large topic in scripture. We could look at the **controversial epistles** that are hard to understand and might make one think that the laws of YaH are done away with. Or we could focus on the **scriptures that show us that the Laws of YaH are still in effect**, which could take a lifetime of study, because the big contextual picture of scripture in both the New Testament as well as the Old Testament is that the Laws of YaH are not done away with.

My hope is that this will cause those who think they are not under the law to realize that the laws of YaH are still in full effect, all of them.

So they will begin to keep the Feasts of YaH, which are commandments forever in Leviticus 23.

So they will begin to not eat unclean animals which YaH commanded in Leviticus 11.

So they will begin to wear blue tassels as YaH commanded in Numbers 15.

So they will stop participating in traditions of men that are rooted in paganism such as Christmas and Easter as YaH commands all throughout Scripture! What a peculiar people we would be indeed if we kept the commandments of YaH. Our goal here is to be participants in the life YaH intended for His people through His Son YaHUsha.

I often hear people say that there is a distinction between the moral law, and the ceremonial law. Or that there is a distinction between the Law of Messiah, the Law of YaH, and the Law of Moses. There is no distinction between these in the Bible they are all Torah, for all people, for all time which comes from the Creator!

For those who think the ten commandments are the moral law, let me ask you this! Is it immoral to not keep the Sabbath? Did you know YaH never changed the Sabbath from the seventh day to the first day? Did you know there are instructions in the bible on what to do and not to do on the Sabbath?

Torah is where we get the word law from. Torah simply means the instructions of the Father. So if you truly want to please YaH, then you should study the instructions He has given you on how to do so! Most of which can be found in the first five books of the bible called the Pentateuch or Torah! For this is where we see YaH tell Moses to speak to the children of Israel and tell them My instructions!

There is evidence in Scripture that a lot more Laws of YaH were given to Moses at Mount Sinai than just ten commandments.

Exodus 21:1

1 And these are the judgments which thou shalt set before them.

“And these” is a continuation of what proceeded it! In other words there is no distinction between the ten commandments given in Exodus twenty and the commandments to follow!

Rabbinical tradition teaches that there are 613 commandments, and there are always 613 seeds in a pomegranate. I doubt that either one of these are true, but one thing is true; there are more than ten!

Leviticus 25:1-5

1 And YaHUAH spake unto Moses in mount Sinai, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land which I give you, then shall the land keep a sabbath unto YaHUAH.

3 Six years thou shalt sow thy field, and six years thou shalt prune thy vineyard, and gather in the fruit thereof;

4 But in the seventh year shall be a sabbath of rest unto the land, a sabbath for YaHUAH: thou shalt neither sow thy field, nor prune thy vineyard.

5 That which groweth of its own accord of thy harvest thou shalt not reap,

neither gather the grapes of thy vine undressed: for it is a year of rest unto the land.”

This instruction on the Shmeta or the Sabbath for the Land was given at Mount Sinai along with the rest of the commandments! Just because you don’t see it until now, doesn’t mean that it wasn’t there the whole time!

Exodus 34 Moses goes back up on the Mount Sinai to replace the tablets he broke, so he gets another forty days with YaH! Moses had eighty days with YaH on the Mountain; I can imagine that much more than ten commandments were given during those durations!

YaH tells Moses in verse eleven to be sure to observe what I am commanding you this day! He goes on to talk about not making covenant with inhabitants of the land, not getting involved in idolatry and doing these pagan traditions of men; He talks about the Feast of Unleavened Bread, Feast of Shavuot, and Feast of Sukkot. It says in verse twenty-eight that He wrote the ten commandments on the tablets, but as you can see there was much more than just ten commandments involved here.

Moses comes down the mountain in chapter thirty-five and the first thing he does is expound on the fourth commandment, the Sabbath, on what not to do and what to do concerning the Sabbath!

The Church likes to pick and choose which commandments of YaH they will keep and not keep for example: they keep tithing which is a biblical principle but not found in the ten commandments. Even the famous love your neighbor as yourself is not found in the ten commandments! Do you know where it is?

They hopefully keep the laws on homosexuality! Not found in the ten commandments, but obviously homosexuality is an abomination to YaH! So are they keeping the laws of Moses here?

They keep the laws on beastiality! Beastiality isn’t mentioned in the New Testament at all nor, is it one of the ten commandments; but Christians will

claim that this is a moral law! Well actually it's just part of all the instructions that YaH gave to man. So the church is picking and choosing what commandments of YaH they will keep and which ones they will not keep! This is actually against YaHs instructions; He says in Deuteronomy 4:2 not to add or take away from His Law.

The fourth of the ten commandments is to remember the Sabbath, actually it says the seventh day is a Sabbath you shall not work. So who gave the power to the church to change the Sabbath from the 7th day to the 1st day of the week? Yah gave no such instructions. So how immoral is it to not keep the Sabbath? Very immoral, it is at the heart of all creation; for YaH rested Himself on the seventh day! Besides there is more instruction about what to do and not to do on Shabbat in the bible! For example you are not to work, so if nobody is working how can you go out to eat? A favorite tradition amongst Christians! The only saving grace is that Sunday isn't the Sabbath, but what are you doing on Shabbat that you shouldn't be doing? Or what are you not doing on Shabbat that you should be doing? Did you know Shabbat is a commanded assembly? It's okay to gather on the first day of the week, but the commandment from YaH is to assemble together on the seventh day! So are we going to keep traditions of men or commandments of Yah?

Colossians 2:8

“8 Beware lest any man deceive you through philosophy and vain deceit, according to the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Messiah.”

Paul makes it very clear not to be deceived by the traditions of men that are contrary to YaH. That would basically be all the holidays of man we keep, or kept as gentiles separate from the truth of YaH!

The danger I see in the church not keeping all the commandments of YaH is that they fall into this category of lawlessness; and being lawless really categorizes them as lost, without salvation, under condemnation, not grafted into Israel.

Matthew 7:22

“23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: **depart from me, ye that work iniquity (lawlessness).**”

Hebrews 10:26-28

“26 For if we sin (break the law) willfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth (the Law), there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,

27 But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.

28 He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses”.

One of the most common responses I get from Christians is that we are not under the law! Well lets take a look at Romans six and see what it says about being under the law.

“15 What then? shall we sin (break the law), because **we are not under the law**, but under grace? YaH forbid.”

Even though Paul says **we are not under the law**, he makes it clear this is not a license to break the law. We are in no position to be lawless. I will say that **we are not under the laws of the rabbis** who are guilty of adding to the commandments of YaH and **we are not under the laws of the church** who are guilty of taking away from the commandments of YaH! But the Laws of YaH are still in effect, until He tells us other wise! Imagine if the law of gravity suddenly stopped being in effect; that would bring about some bad changes. The Creator not only created the laws of physics for the entire universe, but He also created laws for us to keep and bear witness too, thus pleasing Him! We are created in His image, we should be able to say, “if you have seen me, then you have seen the Father”; instead the image we bear is of the god of this world and his holidays.

II Corinthians 4:3,4

“3 But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost:

4 In whom **the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not**, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Messiah, who is the image of YaH, should shine unto them.”

That the light, the image of YaH, should not dawn upon them! I know you are a believer as am I; so don't be blinded by the lawlessness of Christianity. It's as bad as Catholicism! Maybe even worse, because it's so deceitful. There is a way which seems right to a man but leads to death. I sure hope Christianity doesn't lead many to death. At least Catholicisms idolatry is pretty easy to see, for us. Okay so we don't pray to Mary or Venerate her. Christianity doesn't baptize children, nor pray to saints which are dead people. But Christianity does partake in holidays and traditions of men that are rooted in paganism. Idolatry is idolatry no matter how you slice it! The pagan roots of Christmas, Easter, Valentines Day, New Years, Halloween, and Thanksgiving are very easily found out. If one desires to please the Creator, you must seek the truth. No matter how much you say, “it doesn't mean that to me”, it still is idolatry in the Creators eyes. He knows their origins. Mixing truth with lies doesn't allow you to worship in truth; only in spirit. I don't think He accepts mixed worship. We must add knowledge to our faith in order to learn how to worship in spirit and truth! Paganism is lawlessness. Lawless fruit is bad fruit, judge your fruit.

Matthew 5:17-19

“17 Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill.

18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, not one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

19 Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.”

In my view this is the Great Commission! To keep and teach Torah! He makes it plain as day that the law isn't done away with in any way as He said, “I didn't come to destroy the law or the prophets.” He is speaking

of the TaNaK. An acronym for what we call the Old Testament. Torah (law), Nevim (prophets), Ketuvim (writings). He even takes it a step further and declares nothing will pass away from the law until all is fulfilled. I don't know when everything will be fulfilled but as for now...

Hebrews 2:8

“8 Thou hast put all things in subjection under His feet. For in that He put all in subjection under Him, He left nothing that is not put under Him. But now we see not yet all things put under him.”

We have yet to see all things fulfilled. I don't think we have even fully entered the New Covenant as described in Jeremiah 31. For it says we would have no need to be taught for we will all know! For now I still need to be taught; albeit most my learning comes from the knowledge of dead people left behind in their books!

Jeremiah 31:31-34

“31 Behold, the days come, saith YaHUAH, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:

32 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith YaHUAH:
33 But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith YaHUAH, **I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts;** and will be their Elohim, and they shall be my people.

34 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, Know YaHUAH: for they shall all know Me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith YaHUAH: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

Did you notice that the covenant is with Israel? There is no covenant with the church, the church is not the bride. Israel is the bride. The covenant is and always has been with Israel. We are grafted into Israel. There is no law for the church and a law for Israel. There is one law for all. There is a

people who reject the Kingdom of YaH, but His law still applies to them; it's like the law of physics. No matter where you go His laws sustain the Universe and man physically and spiritually. You are either a child of obedience or a child of disobedience. And there will be consequences for disobedience and reward for obedience. For lawlessness that you were unaware of, being sincere but sincerely wrong, I would refer to Leviticus 5:19. We know He judges the intentions of the heart. But we sure do perish for a lack of knowledge of His Torah.

“17 And if a soul sin, and commit any of these things which are forbidden to be done by the commandments of YaHUAH; though he was unaware, still he is guilty, and shall bear his iniquity.

18 And he shall bring a ram without blemish out of the flock, with thy estimation, for a trespass offering, unto the priest: and the priest shall make an atonement for him concerning his ignorance wherein he erred and did not know it, and it shall be forgiven him”.

To have all your works engulfed in lawlessness and watch them burn in the fire of testing will be disappointing; but at least there is hope of salvation. The priest (YaHUsa) can make atonement for you! But we will reap what we sow. You cannot get good fruit that will remain from lawless doctrine.

Something that always ate me up is the lie. So I came up with a saying. If you catch them with a lie, you have to keep feeding them lies to get them to stay! This was my argument against pagan holidays. If you pitch a lie as salvation; people cling to the lie like it's saving them. The lie creates a path that seems right to a man but leads to death.

I Peter 1:25

“But the Word of YaHUAH abides forever. And this is the Word that was preached to you!”

The Greek meaning of Word is Rhema. Rhema means an utterance, command, instruction, or speech. Sounds much like Torah to me! Torah abides forever! The Messiah and his disciples make it so clear that the Torah

isn't done away with, and yet we have Paul who writes in such a confusing manner about topics we don't even recognize. Paul writes about circumcision in a way that simply makes the law look done away with when misinterpreted by the masses. Paul speaks of food being sacrificed to idols and we think he is saying it's okay to eat unclean animals just bless it and it's good, when unclean animals was never on the plate (the topic)! I can see why the disciples and pharisees took issue with Paul.

Revelation 22:18,19

“18 For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, YaH shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:

19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, YaH shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the kadosh city, and from the things which are written in this book.”

This is only speaking of the book of Revelation, but the Word of YaH is the Word of YaH. It's a harsh warning not to add to or take away from the Words of YaH. One could loose their salvation over it, so it seems, if your part is taken out of the book of life and the kadosh city.

Deuteronomy 4:4-6

2 Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of YaHUAH your Elohim which I command you.

3 Your eyes have seen what YaHUAH did because of Baal peor: for all the men that followed Baal peor, YaHUAH your Elohim hath destroyed them from among you.

4 But ye that did cleave unto YaHUAH your Elohim are alive every one of you this day.

5 Behold, I have taught you statutes and judgments, even as YaHUAH my Elohim commanded me, that ye should do so in the land whither ye go to possess it.

6 Keep therefore and do them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the nations, which shall hear all these

statutes, and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.”

His law is still in full effect and we are not to add to it nor take away from it. We can't treat it like a buffet by picking and choosing what we want.

Deuteronomy 12:29

“28 Observe and hear all these words which I command thee, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee for ever, when thou doest that which is good and right in the sight of YaHUAH thy Elohim.

29 When YaHUAH thy Elohim shall cut off the nations from before thee, whither thou goest to possess them, and thou succeedest them, and dwellest in their land;

30 Take heed to thyself that thou be not snared by following them, after that they be destroyed from before thee; and that thou inquire not after their gods, saying, How did these nations serve their gods? Even so will I do likewise.

31 Thou shalt not do so unto YaHUAH thy Elohim: for every abomination to YaHUAH, which He hateth, have they done unto their gods; for even their sons and their daughters they have burnt in the fire to their gods.

32 What thing soever I command you, observe to do it: thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it.”

Seems like a stern warning against idolatry and paganism by taking on the traditions of men that are contrary to the commandments of YaH. Traditions of men have been mixed with some truth and lots of lies. They conceal hidden idolatry and camouflaged paganism.

Another response I get from Christians is that the Law is for the Jews and they don't apply to us. We are grafted into Israel are we not?

Romans 11:11-27

“11 I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? YaH forbid: but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy.

12 Now if the fall of them be the riches of the world, and the diminishing of them the riches of the Gentiles; how much more their fullness?

13 For I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch as I am the apostle of the Gentiles, I magnify mine office:

14 If by any means I may provoke to emulation them which are my flesh, and might save some of them.

15 For if the casting away of them be the reconciling of the world, what shall the receiving of them be, but life from the dead?

16 For if the first fruit be holy, the lump is also holy: and if the root be holy, so are the branches.

17 And if some of the branches be broken off, and thou, being a wild olive tree, were grafted in among them, and with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree;

18 Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root thee.

19 Thou wilt say then, The branches were broken off, that I might be grafted in.

20 Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith. Be not high minded, but fear:

21 For if YaH spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not thee.

22 Behold therefore the goodness and severity of YaH: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, if thou continue in His goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.

23 And they also, if they abide not still in unbelief, shall be grafted in: for God is able to graft them in again.

24 For if thou were cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and were grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree: how much more shall these, which be the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree?

25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles be come in.

26 And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Zion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

27 For this is My covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins.”

As Gentile believers, who simply repent towards YaH. We are grafted into Israel. As such, we should be going to the synagogue every Sabbath and learning Torah. Instead we gather on Sundays and teach people the Torah is done away with, just say this pray to accept Jesus in your heart and you can have your best life now. There is no repentance. There is no learning of Torah to walk in His ways. Salvation is the same today as it was with Adam. We need to repent towards YaH! Charles H. Spurgeon, a cigar smoker and the prince of preachers said, “If you fail to use the Law, you will fill the church with false converts!”

Numbers 15:14-16

“14 And if a stranger sojourn with you, or whosoever be among you in your generations, and will offer an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto YaHUAH; as ye do, so he shall do.

15 One ordinance shall be both for you of the congregation, and also for the stranger that sojourneth with you, an ordinance for ever in your generations: as ye are, so shall the stranger be before the LORD.

16 One law and one manner shall be for you, and for the stranger that sojourneth with you.”

I think it's safe to say that as a gentile grafted into Israel, we are strangers who join themselves to Israel!

Numbers 15:37-41

“37 And YaHUAH spake unto Moses, saying,

38 Speak unto the children of Israel, and bid them that they make them fringes in the borders of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the fringe of the borders a ribband of blue:

39 And it shall be unto you for a fringe, that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of YaHUAH, and do them; and that ye seek not after your own heart and your own eyes, after which ye use to go a whoring:

40 That ye may remember, and do all my commandments, and be holy unto your Elohim.

41 I am YaHUAH your Elohim which brought you out of the land of Egypt, to

be your Elohim: I am YaHUAH your Elohim.”

I thought I would slip this verse in to say it would be very easy to identify who is a believer if we all wore four cords of blue on our garments! According to verse forty this is one way to be holy unto YaHUAH!

Exodus 12:48,49

48 And when a stranger shall sojourn with thee, and will keep the Passover to YaHUAH, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the land: for no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof.

49 One law shall be to him that is homeborn, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you.

One law for Israel and the one adopted or grafted in. Only the circumcised are allowed to partake in the Passover. I will not celebrate Passover with those who celebrate pagan traditions of men, they are idolaters, albeit unknown to most of them.

Ephesian 2:19,20

19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of YaH;

20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, YaHUsa ha Mashiach Himself being the chief corner stone.”

We are no longer sojourners, no longer aliens. Sounds like you don't have your green card anymore, but you have become a naturalized citizen. Fellow citizens in fact means native. So it is no different for us now as it was back in Abrahams day or Adams day. Salvation comes through repentance towards YaH! The foundation we are all standing on is YaHUsa, the apostles and the prophets. YaHUsa encompasses so much, He is the Word, He is the Law, He is Torah, He is the Aleph Bet, He is the Aleph Tav, He is the beginning with no end, He is YaH in the flesh! He grafts us in and adopts us as His own.

Romans 8:15

15 “...you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, 'Abba! Father!'”

We are the adopted children of YaH, grafted into Israel. As a result we should look and act like Israel. Unfortunatley, when Israel sees Christianity, they see paganism and idolatry. They are right! In my opinion this has been part of the reason for their blindness to the Messiah. They think Jesus is a pagan deity and by the way we live like the pagans do, I can understand why. Have you ever wondered why Christians and pagans celebrate the same holidays? Oh yes, Christmas is celebrated by the whole world is it not? Do not be conformed to this world! Easter (the goddess of fertility) also celebrated by the whole world! The list goes on trust me. Imagine adopting a child, bringing the child home, and the child decides he will make his own rules and disregard your rules of the house! This is what we do in Christianity, we disregard so much of the law and mix in paganism with some truth. We make a Jew loose all Jewish identity which is bound up in Torah, and get them to convert to pagan holidays and follow what seems to be a pagan deity in the eyes of the Jews. It should be the opposite! We should be looking like Jews! We should stop celebrating our pagan holidays and start keeping YaHs Holidays! We should be going to the synagogues on the Sabbath and learning Torah as was James conclusion in Acts 15:21. Instead we are head first into idolatry and don't even know it! We do not look like we are adopted, or grafted into Israel. We look like we want Israel to be grafted into us. The bride is not going to be idolatrous. Christianity has not replaced the bride, they are an extension of Roman Catholicism and by that they are an extension of Babylon. I'm only judging according to their lawless fruit. Judge for yourselves, is the fruit lawless, lies, pagan, idolatrous, or is it truth. Repent towards YaH! Keep His Law! YaHUsa said, “If you love Me, obey Me, keep the commandments of YaH!”

I John 2:1-7

3 “And by this we know that we have come to know Him, if we keep His commandments.

4 The one who says, 'I have come to know Him,' and doesn't keep His

commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.”

We are supposed to produce good fruit that remains. It would appear that the fruit needs to be obedience to His Law! Lawless fruit will be burned up in the fire at the judgment.

I John 3:4 & 7,8

“4 Everyone who practices sin also practices lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.

7...LET NO ONE DECEIVE YOU! The one who practices righteousness (keeping the commandments of YaH) is righteous...

8 ...the one who practices sin (lawlessness) is of the devil...”

John makes it very clear unlike Paul. John draw a line in the sand and calls out Torah disobedience. There is according to John a righteousness that comes from keeping the commandments of YaH. There are two kinds of righteousness, the one that comes from keeping the commandments of YaH is at best filthy dirty rags; however, this will be the works that either get burned up in the fire or you get rewarded for! The other righteousness comes from the Messiah imputing His righteousness to you when you repent towards YaH. Repent towards YaH means you stop living like a rebellious, lawless, pagan and start living the way YaH commands us too! It requires cleaning both the inside and outside of this vessel. The outside cleaning should be a result of the inside change!

II Peter 3:14-17

“14... be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless, 15 and regard the patience of our Adonai to be salvation; just as also our beloved brother Paul...wrote to you...

16 as also in all his letters, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which the untaught and unstable distort, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction.

17 You therefore, beloved, knowing this before hand, be on your guard lest, being carried away by the error of unprincipled (lawless) men, you fall

from your own steadfastness.”

What a warning! The Christian Church desperately needs to hear! Be careful with Pauls writings! Many will misinterpret them for lawlessness! The very state of the Christianity today, lawless. If your New Testament interpretation is contrary to the Old Testament, then your interpretation is wrong! We learn this truth in Galatians 3:16,17 where Paul says one covenant builds on top of another. A new covenant doesn't make null and void a previous covenant. They build on top of one another.

I want to challenge and encourage people to read the Bible from the view of **the Laws of YaH are not done away with, and He has one Law for all people. He doesn't not have one standard for the Jew and one standard for the gentile. There is neither Jew nor Greek, for all are one in Messiah. That is those who repent towards YaH, will all be one!** I hope that YaH will remove the veil from our eyes and the deceit the devil has duped us with, so we can see that we need to keep all the commandments of YaH because He has done away with none of them and He changes not! The Scriptures will make much more sense when you understand that YaHs law has not changed! He is the same yesterday, today and forever; HalleluYaH!

Chapter 3

“More Than Ten Commandments?”

We are going to look at the giving of the ten commandments and piece together all the accounts of the giving of the ten commandments to see if there was actually more given than just ten words and who were they given too!

Deuteronomy 5

1 And Moses called all Israel, and said unto them, **Hear, O Israel, the statutes and judgments which I speak in your ears this day, that ye may learn them, and keep, and do them.**

2 YaHUAH made a covenant with us in Horeb.

3 YaHUAH made not this covenant with our fathers, but with us, even us, who are all of us here alive this day.

4 YaHUAH talked with you face to face in the mount out of the midst of the fire,

5 (I stood between YaHUAH and you at that time, to show you the word of YaHUAH: for ye were afraid by reason of the fire, and went not up into the mount;) saying,

6 I am YaHUAH, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

7 Thou shalt have none other gods before me.

8 Thou shalt not make thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the waters beneath the earth:

9 Thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I YaHUAH am a jealous Mighty One, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me,

10 And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my

commandments.

11 Thou shalt not take the name of YaHUAH in vain: for YaHUAH will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

12 Keep the sabbath day to sanctify it, as YaHUAH hath commanded thee.

13 Six days thou shalt labour, and do all thy work:

14 But the seventh day is the sabbath of YaHUAH : in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thine ox, nor thine ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; that thy manservant and thy maidservant may rest as well as thou.

15 And remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt, and that YaHUAH brought thee out thence through a mighty hand and by a stretched out arm: therefore YaHUAH commanded thee to keep the sabbath day.

16 Honour thy father and thy mother, as YaHUAH hath commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which YaHUAH giveth thee.

17 Thou shalt not kill.

18 Neither shalt thou commit adultery.

19 Neither shalt thou steal.

20 Neither shalt thou bear false witness against thy neighbour.

21 Neither shalt thou desire thy neighbour's wife, neither shalt thou covet thy neighbour's house, his field, or his manservant, or his maidservant, his ox, or his ass, or any thing that is thy neighbour's.

22 These words YaHUAH spake unto all your assembly in the mount out of the midst of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice: and he added no more. And he wrote them in two tables of stone, and delivered them unto me.

23 And it came to pass, when ye heard the voice out of the midst of the darkness, (for the mountain did burn with fire,) that ye came near unto me, even all the heads of your tribes, and your elders;

24 And ye said, Behold, YaHUAH hath showed us his glory and his greatness, and we have heard his voice out of the midst of the fire: we have seen this day that YaHUAH doth talk with man, and he liveth.

25 Now therefore why should we die? for this great fire will consume us: if we hear the voice of YaHUAH any more, then we shall die.

26 For who is there of all flesh, that hath heard the voice of the living Mighty One speaking out of the midst of the fire, as we have, and lived?

27 Go thou near, and hear all that YaHUAH shall say: and speak thou unto us all that YaHUAH shall speak unto thee; and we will hear it, and do it.

28 And YaHUAH heard the voice of your words, when ye spake unto me; and YaHUAH said unto me, I have heard the voice of the words of this people, which they have spoken unto thee: they have well said all that they have spoken.

29 O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!

30 Go say to them, Get you into your tents again.

31 But as for thee, stand thou here by me, and I will speak unto thee all the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which thou shalt teach them, that they may do them in the land which I give them to possess it.

32 Ye shall observe to do therefore as YaHUAH hath commanded you: ye shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left.

33 Ye shall walk in all the ways which YaHUAH hath commanded you, that ye may live, and that it may be well with you, and that ye may prolong your days in the land which ye shall possess.

Deuteronomy 5:22-33 It would appear as though the people hung out at Mt. Sinai long enough to hear YaH speak the 10 commandments, but got overwhelmed and wanted to hear no more; So Moses was elected to hear the

rest of YaHs instructions and relay the message.

This of course would imply that there are more than 10 commandments!

Besides if Moses was up on Mt. Sinai for forty days, you would think that was way to much time for just ten commands!

Who were the people receiving the commandments. Since most people think the Law of YaH is just for the Jew and not the Gentile, let's clarify who scripture says is receiving the Law of YaH and coming into covenant with YaH by keeping the Law.

3 YaHUAH made not this covenant with our fathers, but with us, even us, who are all of us here alive this day.

The covenant of the law which came 430 years after the covenant YaH made with Abraham, didn't make null and void the previous covenant made with Abraham. It builds on top of it! The New Covenant doesn't make null and void the Old Covenant, it builds on top of it. This Covenant is being made with those who came out of Egypt, led by Moses and Aaron.

Exodus 12:38 “And a mixed multitude also went up with them, along with flocks and herds, a very large number of livestock.”

So we see that these people receiving this covenant with the Law of YaH are actually a mixed multitude. The original people receiving this covenant are not all Abrahams descendants, they are Egyptians with them at the very least. We know Joseph married and Egyptian woman and Ephraim and Manasseh were half Egyptian. **My point is that there is one law of YaH for everyone. The Creator has no need to show partiality to anyone. We will all be held to the same standard of Torah** and we will all give an account. We may be judged differently according to our knowledge, but make no mistake we will all reap what we sow. **The laws of Physics apply to everyone, not just those who chose to observe them and understand them.**

Deuteronomy 29:1,9-21 “These are the words of the covenant, which YaHUAH commanded Moses to make with the children of Israel in the land of Moab, beside the covenant which he made with them in Horeb.”

“9 Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do.

10 Ye stand this day all of you before YaHUAH; your captains of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, with all the men of Israel,

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

12 That thou shouldest enter into covenant with YaHUAH Eloheycha, and into his oath, which the YaHUAH maketh with thee this day:

13 That He may establish thee to day for a people unto Himself, and that He may be unto thee Elohim , as He hath said unto thee, and as He hath sworn unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

14 Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath;

15 But with him that standeth here with us this day before YaHUAH Eloheycha, and also with him that is not here with us this day:

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

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

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

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

20 YaHUAH will not spare him, but then the anger of Af YaHUAH and His jealousy shall smoke against that man, and all the curses that are written in

this book shall lie upon him, and YaHUAH shall blot out his name from under heaven.

21 And YaHUAH shall separate him unto evil out of all the tribes of Israel, according to all the curses of the covenant that are written in this book of the law.”

This covenant of Torah which includes way more than just ten commandments, there is a rabbinical argument that there are six hundred and thirteen commandments and in every pomegranate there is exactly six hundred and thirteen seeds. I'm not too sure about either one of those, but there is definitely more than just ten commandments. YaHUSA said the whole law hangs on the two greatest commandments. Love your neighbor as yourself and love YaHUAH with all your heart, mind, soul, and strength.

Matthew 22:36-40 “36 Master, which is the great commandment in the law?

37 YaHUSA said unto him, **Thou shalt love Alef Tav YaHUAH Eloheycha with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.**

38 This is the first and great commandment.

39 And the second is like unto it, **Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.**

40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

Love your neighbor isn't even one of the ten commandments, it shows up in **Leviticus 19:18** “Your shall not take any vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the sons of your people, but **you shall love your neighbor as yourself; I am YaHUAH.**” Also Love YaH with all your heart isn't in the ten commandments either, it's in **Deuteronomy 6:5** “**And you shall love Alef Tav YaHUAH with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might!**” We know tithing isn't part of the ten commandments either, so is the Church treating the commandments of YaH like a buffet, by picking and choosing which ones we will keep because they say they apply to us, but the others don't apply to us only to the Jew. **Really!!! Show me in Scripture where there is one law for the Jew and one law for the Gentile. I will**

show you where there is one law for all! In verse fifteen of Deuteronomy 29 it tells us this covenant of Torah is for those who are not even with us here today. Well I wasn't there, were you? **This covenant of Torah is for us even though we were not present at it's presentation.**

Numbers 15:14-16 “14 And if a stranger sojourn with you, or whosoever be among you in your generations, and will offer an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto YaHUAH; as ye do, so he shall do.

15 One ordinance shall be both for you of the congregation, and also for the stranger that sojourneth with you, an ordinance for ever in your generations: as ye are, so shall the stranger be before YaHUAH.

16 One law and one manner shall be for you, and for the stranger that sojourneth with you.”

Numbers 9:14 “And if a stranger shall sojourn among you, and will keep the Passover unto YaHUAH; according to the ordinance of the Passover, and according to the manner thereof, so shall he do: **ye shall have one ordinance, both for the stranger, and for him that was born in the land.”**

Exodus 12:49 “**One law shall be to him that is homeborn, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you.”**

Seems to me that Scripture confirms multiple times that there is one law for all. There is not one law for the Jew and one law for the Gentile. There is one law for all! This Law contains more than just ten commandments. We need to learn Torah, keep Torah, and teach Torah. I think that is the great commission. **Matthew 5:19** “**Whoever annuls one of the least of these commandments and so teaches others shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever keep and teaches Torah will be called great in the kingdom of heaven!”**

Don't think for one minute that the law is done away with. Just look at what YaHUSA says of the law in **Matthew 5:18** “**For truly I say to you, until**

heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke of the law will pass away, until all is accomplished.”

You might say the Messiah dying accomplished all, but I disagree. I agree with the author of **Hebrews in 2:8** “Thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet. For in subjecting all things to him, He left nothing that is not subject to him, **but now we do not yet see all things subjected to him.”**

Another great verse in the New Testament showing us the Law is for us gentiles and not done away with. **II Timothy 3:17 All Scripture (this would definitely be Torah/Pentateuch, the first five books of the bible; also included would be the prophets Nevim and the writings Ketuvim, otherwise known as the Old Testament; definitely not the New Testament which was not even compiled as of yet when Paul wrote this letter to Timothy) is inspired by YaH and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; that the man of YaH may be adequate, equipped for every good work.”**

This next New Testament verse is my Keter, my crown jewel, when it comes to the New Testament showing us the Law is definitely not done away with and it applies to all men. **Romans 3:31 “Do we nullify the Law by faith? May it never be! No! On the contrary, we establish the law!”** The law has not been nullified or done away with. Paul is writing to Gentiles in this letter to Gentile Roman converts to Scripture via faith in the Messiah YaHUsa ben YaHUAH! In fact once we come to the Creator by faith, become born again, spiritually awakened, this is when our learning of Torah/Scripture begins. We should be going to the Synagogue every Sabbath and learning Scripture!

Lets look at another portion of Scripture where the ten commandments are given in **Exodus19-21**.

Exodus 19:17 “And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet

with God; and they stood at the nether part of the mount.

18 And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because YaHUAH descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly.

19 And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and Yah answered him by a voice.

20 And YaHUAH came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and YaHUAH called Moses up to the top of the mount; and Moses went up.

21 And YaHUAH said unto Moses, Go down, charge the people, lest they break through unto to gaze, and many of them perish.

22 And let the priests also, which come near to , sanctify themselves, lest YaHUAH break forth upon them.

23 And Moses said unto YaHUAH, The people cannot come up to mount Sinai: for thou charged us, saying, Set bounds about the mount, and sanctify it.

24 And YaHUAH said unto him, Away, get thee down, and thou shalt come up, thou, and Aaron with thee: but let not the priests and the people break through to come up unto , lest He break forth upon them.

25 So Moses went down unto the people, and spake unto them.”

Chapter 20

“1 And YaHUAH spake all these words, saying,

2 I am YaHUAH Elokeicha, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth:

5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I am YaHUAH Elokeicha El kana, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;

6 and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

7 Thou shalt not take the name YaHUAH Elokeicha in vain; for YaHUAH will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.

8 Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

9 Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:

10 But the seventh day is the sabbath of YaHUAH Elokeicha: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:

11 For in six days made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore YaHUAH blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

12 Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which YaHUAH Elokeicha giveth thee.

13 Thou shalt not kill.

14 Thou shalt not commit adultery.

15 Thou shalt not steal.

16 Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

17 Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.

18 **And all the people** saw the thunderings, and the lightnings, and the noise of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking: and when the people saw it, they removed, and **stood afar off**.

19 **And they said unto Moses, Speak thou with us, and we will hear: but let not YaH speak with us, lest we die.**

20 And Moses said unto the people, Fear not: for YaH is come to prove you, and that His fear may be before your faces, that ye sin not.

21 And the people stood afar off, and Moses drew near unto the thick darkness where YaH was.

22 **And YaHUAH said unto Moses, Thus thou shalt say unto the children of Israel, Ye have seen that I have talked with you from heaven.**

23 Ye shall not make with me gods of silver, neither shall ye make unto you gods of gold.

24 An altar of earth thou shalt make unto me, and shalt sacrifice thereon thy burnt offerings, and thy peace offerings, thy sheep, and thine oxen: in all places where I record my name I will come unto thee, and I will bless thee. 25 And if thou wilt make me an altar of stone, thou shalt not build it of hewn stone: for if thou lift up thy tool upon it, thou hast polluted it. 26 Neither shalt thou go up by steps unto mine altar, that thy nakedness be not discovered thereon.”

Chapter 21

“1 And these are the judgments which thou shalt set before them.”

Exodus 19:1-21 This is Shavuot (Pentecost), it’s the third month, they have counted the omer for fifty days since they left Egypt.

Exodus 20:18-26 and 21:1 Now it would again appear as though the people gathered at the Mountain to hear the ten commandments but **after hearing the 10 they wanted to hear no more. So Moses was elected to get all the instructions or commandments from YaH and then relay them to the people.**

Also in Exodus 21:1 Now these or And these is a continuation of what preceded it. There is no distinction between the instructions that followed the ten commandments and the ten commandments themselves.

I like to think of the ten commandments as the overall big picture, and the rest of the commandments are the instructions teaching you how to properly observe and attain to keeping the ten commandments.

I’ve also heard it said that you can break down all the other commandments into categories listed under the original ten.

It is also commonly taught that the ten commandments can be broken down into two categories- the first four deal with your relationship with Yah and the next six dealing with your relationship with man.

Exodus 24 This chapter seems out of chronological order to me- it seems to me like verse 12-18 should come first and then verse 9-11 and then verse 3-8; but anyway, YaH gives Moses 40 days of instructions, to give to the people.

“1 And he said unto Moses, Come up unto YaHUAH, thou, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship ye afar off.

2 And Moses alone shall come near YaHUAH: but they shall not come nigh; neither shall the people go up with him.

3 And Moses came and told the people all the words of YaHUAH, and all the judgments: and all the people answered with one voice, and said, All the words which YaHUAH hath said will we do.

4 And Moses wrote all the words of YaHUAH, and rose up early in the morning, and built an altar under the hill, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel.

5 And he sent young men of the children of Israel, which offered burnt offerings, and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen unto YaHUAH.

6 And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basins; and half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar.

7 And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that YaHUAH hath said will we do, and be obedient.

8 And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled it on the people, and said, Behold the blood of the covenant, which YaHUAH hath made with you concerning all these words.

9 Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel:

10 And they saw the Elohim of Israel: and there was under his feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in his clearness.

11 And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: also they saw God, and did eat and drink.

12 And YaHUAH said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give thee tables of stone with the law, and commandments which I have written; that thou may teach them.

13 And Moses rose up, and his minister Joshua: and Moses went up into the mount of YaH.

14 And he said unto the elders, Tarry ye here for us, until we come again unto you: and, behold, Aaron and Hur are with you: if any man have any matters to do, let him come unto them.

15 And Moses went up into the mount, and a cloud covered the mount.

16 And the glory of YaHUAH abode upon mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days: and **the seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud.**

17 And the sight of the glory of YaHUAH was like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel.

18 And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and got him up into the mount: and Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights.”

Verse 3 mentions all the words of YaHUAH, not just ten commandments but every Word of YaH!

Verse 7 Now it's being called the book of the covenant! A book, not just ten Commandments. How big of a book do you think you can write in forty days? How big of a book do you think YaH could write in forty days? How much information do you think Moses was able to record and share in a forty day period which I think he did twice. The book of the covenant is more than ten commandments.

Verse 12 The stone tablets (containing the 10 Words) and then the Law (Torah, instructions, directions), and the mitzvah (commandments, precepts, statutes, ordinances); in order that you may teach them or for their instructions.

Verse 16 YaH uses the telephone on Shabbat by calling Moses on the 7th day! “He called to Moses from the midst of the cloud!”

Exodus 34 The only other account I know of that talks of Moses getting the commandments from YaH on Mount Sinai.

Exodus 34

“1 And YaHUAH said unto Moses, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first: and **I will write upon these tables the words that were in the first tables, which thou broke.**”

“12 Take heed to thyself, lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land whither thou goest, lest it be for a snare in the midst of thee:

13 But ye shall destroy their altars, break their images, and cut down their groves:

14 For thou shalt worship no other god: for YaHUAH, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous Elohim:

15 Lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they go a whoring after their gods, and do sacrifice unto their gods, and one call thee, and thou eat of his sacrifice.”

“27 And YaHUAH said unto Moses, **Write thou these words: for after the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel.**

28 And he was there with YaHUAH forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. **And he wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the ten commandments.”**

Again we see the theme of ten commandments on the stones but then the words of the covenant, in other words the rest of the Law.

Verse 15 harlot H2181 Idolatry; physical and spiritual prostitution. This verse seems to be saying the same thing James said in Acts 15:20.

I find it intriguing here that YaH begins to mention the feasts here in this chapter but He mentions a whole slew of commandments here that are not mentioned in the ten commandments.

Verse 34 It would appear as though Moses continued to receive instructions from YaH to continue giving to the children of Israel of whom we are grafted in to.

Exodus 35

1 And Moses gathered all the congregation of the children of Israel together, and said unto them, These are the words which YaHUAH hath commanded, that ye should do them.

Interesting in chapter 35:1-3 you already see more instruction concerning the Sabbath that's not mentioned in the ten commandments but just as relevant as the ten commandments.

My hope is that this will shed some light on the Law of YaH not being limited to just ten commandments but rather in the Words of the Messiah in **Matthew 4:4 “Every Word that proceeded from the Mouth of YaH is what man should live by!”**

Chapter 4

“A Delusion of Lawlessness”

YaHs Law is His grace revealed! He gives us explicit instructions on how to please Him. If that's not grace, then I don't know what is! We didn't deserve it, but He gave it to us, in writing; on how to please Him! What an awesome Creator and Master Planner!

If you being deceived by lawlessness. This means that you are lawless and sinning against YaH. But since it is a delusion this means that you are unaware of it! You will think that you are following YaHUsa, and right with YaH. However, scripture reveals that if you don't actually keep YaHs law, even though you claim to know Him; there will come a day when He will tell you to depart from Him because you are practicing lawlessness! My hope and prayer is that this message will help you to discover that you are being led astray from YaHs commandments by false teachers and false doctrine, who are deceived themselves (at least some of them); and that you will return to YaHs commandments and Follow the religion of YaHUsa rather than a religion about YaHUsa.

2 Thessalonians Chapter 2:

Man of Lawlessness

1 Now we request you, brethren, with regard to the coming of our Adonai YaHUsa ha Mashiach and our gathering together to Him, 2 that you not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit or a message or a letter as if from us, to the effect that the day of has come. 3 Let no one in any way deceive you, for it will not come unless the apostasy comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, 4 who opposes and exalts himself above every so-called YaH or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of YaH,

displaying himself as being YaH. 5 Do you not remember that while I was still with you, I was telling you these things? **6 And you know what restrains him now, so that in his time he will be revealed.** **7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains will do so until he is taken out of the way.** **8** Then that lawless one will be revealed whom will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming; **9** that is, the one whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all power and signs and false wonders, **10 and with all the deception of lawlessness** for those who perish, **because they did not receive the love of the truth (the Law)** so as to be saved. **11** For this reason YaH will send upon them a deluding influence so that they will believe what is false, **12** in order that they all may be judged who did not believe the truth, but took pleasure in lawlessness.

Verse 3 deceived G1818 beguiled; to seduce wholly; deceive. **Vines dictionary** it speaks of the influence of breaking YaHs Law and of self-deception; and of evil men who cause divisions and of deceitful teachers.

‘Man of Sin’ lawlessness; sin, this word alone is a clue that sin is lawlessness. This is the Greek word *harmatia* which means missing the mark which is how Christian theologians define sin; I’ve just never seen anyone translate the word *harmatia* as lawlessness as my nasb does, however; it’s very accurate because **sin is lawlessness according to I John 3:4.**

Verse 8 What does YaH slay the wicked, or lawless one with? The Law (**Revelations 19:15 & Ephesians 6:17**) **Revelations 19:15** And out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should smite the nations: **Ephesians 6:17** ...the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of YaH:

The Word of YaH is YaHs Law; it is Torah! YaHUsha is the Law manifested in the flesh!

Verse 9 Deuteronomy 13:1-4 False teachers and prophets will be able to

perform signs and wonders!

Lying or false wonders. A falsehood; from to utter an untruth or **attempt to deceive by falsehood**, a lie.

Also false prophets with false doctrine to deceive the people into lawlessness will be sent, have been sent, are still being sent to test the obedience of the people. Will you be deceived by lawlessness, or will you keep the commandments of YaH! The path is narrow and few will find it; and I think of the few that find it- only a few of them will keep the commandments of YaH!

Verse 10 deception Delusion; G539 delusion; deceitfulness; deceivableness. Vines says a false impression, whether by appearance, statement or influence

Delusion of Torahlessness: This is the delusion of lawlessness people! YaH will allow false doctrine to be taught as truth, to see if you will be lawless and follow the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life; or if you will seek Him and find Him and Obey Him! WE MUST KEEP THE COMMANDMENTS OF YAH!!!

Truth= verity; Psalm 119:142 thy law is truth=verity

Why: they did not the love the Law; they did not accept or obey the law

Wickedness; kJV uses unrighteousness G93 iniquity is a synonym of 458 lawlessness.

Receive is to accept or take.

Verse 11 Deluding influence; strong delusion.

To obey a lie; to obey what is false; to obey lawlessness; What is false? The doctrine of lawlessness is false! The doctrine that tells you YaHusha said you can eat unclean animals. The doctrine that

tells you your are not under the law and don't have to keep the commandments of YaH. The doctrine that tells you the Sabbath is on Sunday, the first day of the week. The doctrine that doesn't tell you about His annual Feasts that are commandments forever. The doctrine that doesn't tell you that we are to observe the new month and follow YaHs calendar. The doctrine that never tells you that you are to wear Tassels to remind you of YaHs commandments so you can keep them. The doctrine that promotes traditions of Christmas and Easter that are of pagan origins. This is False Doctrine people, this is the Delusion of Lawlessness! Wake up, and search these things out if you really Love YaHUsa as you claim too!

Verse 12 They didn't obey the law but took pleasure in doing lawlessness.

They take pleasure in not keeping Sabbath, or the Feasts of . They take pleasure in eating unclean animals! They take pleasure in keeping traditions of men that were originated as pagan, idolatrous rituals! And they teach others to do them as well! Teaching as commandments of Yah, the traditions of men! Teaching that the law is evil, and that lawlessness is good! They suppress the truth (the Law) with lawlessness!

2 Corinthians 11:3-4 “ 3 But I am afraid that, as the serpent deceived Eve by his trickery, your minds will be led astray from sincere and pure devotion to Christ (truth/law). 4 For if one comes and preaches another Yeshua whom we have not preached, or you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted, this you tolerate very well!”

Deceived H1818 Beguiled; to seduce wholly; deceive. Vines says it speaks of the influence of breaking YaHs Law and of self-deception; and of evil men who cause divisions and of deceitful teachers **a different gospel;**

what is the gospel? Colossians 1:5 the word of truth is the gospel! What is the word of truth? Torah; YaHs law is truth! The Ruach ha Kodesh (Holy Spirit) will never lead you contrary to the Torah! If your New Testament interpretation doesn't line up with the Old Testament, then your interpretation is wrong! Neither the Spirit of YaH nor the Bible will lead you into lawlessness! The Torah is the Gospel!

2 Corinthians 11:13-15 “13 For such men are false apostles, deceitful workers, disguising themselves as apostles of Messiah. 14 No wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light. 15 Therefore it is not surprising if his servants also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness, whose end will be according to their deeds.”

Disguised as servants of righteousness, whose end shall be according to their deeds! They are disguised as servants of YaH, but by their lawless deeds you will know they are not of the light (Torah), but rather of darkness (lawlessness).

YaHUsa says in Matthew 7:20 that “By their fruit you shall know them!”

You either produce the fruit of lawlessness or lawfulness!

John or Yochannan the Immerser says in **Luke 3:7,8 To bring forth the fruits of repentance!** What is the fruit of repentance? Keeping the commandments of YaH **John 15:5-10** If we keep the commandments we will abide in the love of YaHUsa and the Father!

I John 3:23,24- “23 This is His commandment, that we believe in the name of His Son YaHUsa ha Mashiach, and love one another, just as He commanded us. 24 The one who keeps His commandments remains in Him, and He in him. We know by this that He remains in us, by the

Spirit whom He has given us.”

The fruit of repentance is believing in YaHusha and obeying YaHs commandments.

I John 2:3,4 “3 By this we know that we have come to know Him, if we keep His commandments. 4 The one who says, “I have come to know Him,” and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.”

They are deceived; if they confess to follow YaHusha, but don’t keep commandments of YaH.

Lets look at a few Scriptures concerning keeping Torah:

Matthew 5:17-19 “17 Do not presume that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish, but to fulfill. 18 For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke of a letter shall pass from the Law, until all is accomplished! 19 Therefore, whoever nullifies one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever keeps and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.”

I actually consider this the great commission! “Whoever keeps and teaches the Law will be great in the Kingdom of Heaven” It is our duty to keep and teach Torah! Notice that whoever takes away from one of these laws- like eating clean animals only (Lev.11), or wearing tassels (Num.15) or keeping the annual appointed times of YaH (Lev.23) or not keeping Shabbat on Shabbat! Keeping Shabbat on the seventh day of the week as prescribed by the Creator is a sign that you are in covenant with Him! What a grievous sin the Roman Catholic Church has done by changing the Sabbath from Saturday to Sunday (I think they may have in part fulfilled Daniel 7:25 in doing so).

Exodus 31:12-18 “12 Now spoke to Moses, saying, 13 “Now as for you, speak to the sons of Israel, saying, ‘You must keep My Sabbaths; for this is a sign between Me and you throughout your generations, so that you may know that I am who sanctifies you. 14 Therefore you are to keep the Sabbath, for it is holy to you. Everyone who profanes it must be put to death; for whoever does any work on it, that person shall be cut off from among his people. 15 For six days work may be done, but on the seventh day there is a Sabbath of complete rest, holy to ; whoever does any work on the Sabbath day must be put to death. 16 So the sons of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, to celebrate the Sabbath throughout their generations as a permanent covenant.’ 17 It is a sign between Me and the sons of Israel forever; for in six days made heaven and earth, but on the seventh day He ceased from labor, and was refreshed.”18 When He had finished speaking with him on Mount Sinai, He gave Moses the two tablets of the testimony, tablets of stone, written by the finger of YaH.”

The mixed multitude at Mount Sinai receiving these instructions about the Sabbath were not just Jews! It was a mixed multitude in Exodus 12:38! He says my Sabbaths plural because the annual appointed times have Sabbaths in them. The Sabbath is a sign of the covenant! Keeping the Sabbath is a sign that you are in covenant with YaH! The Sabbath is a permanent commandment.

Isaiah 56:1-8 Thus saith , Keep ye judgment, and do justice: for my salvation is near to come, and my righteousness to be revealed.

2 Blessed is the man that doeth this, and the son of man that layeth hold on it; that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any evil.

3 Neither let the son of the stranger, that hath joined himself to , speak, saying, hath utterly separated me from his

people: neither let the eunuch say, Behold, I am a dry tree.

4 For thus saith unto the eunuchs that keep my sabbaths, and choose the things that please me, and take hold of my covenant;

5 Even unto them will I give in mine house and within my walls a place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off.

6 Also the sons of the stranger, that join themselves to , to serve him, and to love the name of , to be his servants, every one that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant;

7 Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people.

8 Yah which gathereth the outcasts of Israel saith, Yet will I gather others to him, beside those that are gathered unto him.

The Sabbath applies to the gentile grafted into Israel (born again believer) just as much as it does to Israel!

Numbers 15:14-16 “14 And if a stranger sojourn with you, or whosoever be among you in your generations, and will offer an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto ; as ye do, so he shall do.

15 One ordinance shall be both for you of the congregation, and also for the stranger that sojourneth with you, an ordinance for ever in your generations: as ye are, so shall the stranger be before .

16 One law and one manner shall be for you, and for the stranger that sojourneth with you.”

There is one law for the Jew and the Gentile. There is only one law it is to be kept by all. There is neither Jew nor Greek nor gentile nor male or female

but all are one in Messiah! **Galatians 3:28** “**T**here is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for we are all one in Messiah.”

Romans 3:31 This is my favorite verse concerning the law not being done away with! “**D**o we then nullify the Law through faith? **M**ay it never be! **O**n the contrary, we establish the law!”

I John 3:4 “**...**sin is lawlessness” John clearly defines sin. The mark is to keep Torah. The target is to keep the law. The goal is to obey YaH! Sin is when we break YaHs instructions to us!

Romans 6:1,2 “**W**hat shall we say then? **A**re we to continue in sin (breaking YaHs Law) that grace might increase? **M**ay it never be! **H**ow shall we who died to sin (Lawlessness) still live in it?”. The law is the standard by which we should live. Once we realize there is paganism, the worship of false YaHs, in our holidays (holy days) then we should no longer partake in them. Yes I am referring to Christmas, New Years, Valentines day, Easter, Thanksgiving. Sunday worship in itself isn't what YaH requires, He requires the Sabbath on the Seventh Day not the First Day! The Catholic church changed the Sabbath from Saturday to Sunday! Are you still following this lie, or have you grown comfortable living a lie? Discernment of truth and lawlessness comes from learning and keeping Torah! It's not only a sin to keep these pagan days but it is also a sin to not keep the Creators Holidays as they are commandments and permanent as we see in Leviticus 23:14 YaHs appointed times are perpetual statutes!

Romans 6:15-19 “**W**hat then? Shall we sin (break YaHs Law) because we are not under law but under grace? **M**ay it never be! **D**o you not know that when you present yourselves to someones as slaves for obedience, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin resulting in death, or of obedience resulting in righteousness? ...and having been freed from

sin (breaking YaHs Law) , you became slaves of righteousness (keeping YaHs Law)....For just as you presented you members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness resulting in further lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness (keeping YaHs Law), resulting in sanctification.” We are slaves to whom we obey! A apple tree does not produce pears! A grape tree doesn't produce figs! A lawless person doesn't produce good fruit that will remain- instead they produce fruits of lawlessness; the works of lawlessness will be burned up in the fire! A lawful person will produce good fruit of obedience to YaHs Law! You will know them by their fruit! You are either a slave to the Law or to lawlessness. **Do not treat YaHs Law like a buffet where you pick and choose what to keep!** Keep the whole law! Yes, the Law can be summed up by the greatest of the laws- Love YaH with all your heart, mind soul and strength; and love your neighbor as yourself. Did you know loving your neighbor isn't in the ten commandments? It shows up in Leviticus 19:18; this same chapter speaks of laws surrounding fruit trees and grape vines, and seeds, tattoos, and reiterates the importance of keeping His Sabbaths (Appointed Times) and observing all His statutes and ordinances whether you are an Israelite or just a grafted in believer!!! But Christianity has taught us to pick and choose which commandments to keep and not to keep. They like to say to just keep the ten commandments, but obviously there is much more to it than that!

Romans 7:7,12,14 “What shall we say then? Is the Law sin? May it never be! On the contrary, I would not have come to know sin except through the Law; for I would not have known about coveting if the Law had not said, You shall not covet.” So then, the Law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good. For we know that the Law is spiritual...” I would not have known it was a sin to eat pork had I not read in the Torah Leviticus 11:7 “...and the pig, for though it divides the hoof, thus making a split hoof, it does not chew cud, it is unclean to you.” I can already hear you saying everything is good to eat if you pray for it and

sanctify it and receive it with gratitude (Romans 4:4). When YaH made humans, He said they were good, He never said they are good for food. Just because something is good, doesn't make it good to eat! We will delve into the food subject with it's own chapter. Is the Law sin? Don't know how many times I've been told I'm under the Law! The Law isn't sin, I am not sinning by keeping the Law; what a lie; the opposite is the truth! You are sinning by not keeping the Law! **Even the Messiah said in Matthew 5:19** “**...Whoever keeps and teaches the Law will be great in the Kingdom of Heaven.**” If you want to be the least in the Kingdom then annul the law and teach others that it is done away with. I'm not sure what the least in the Kingdom is. Is Hell in His Kingdom? If Hell is in His Kingdom then I imagine the least would reside there, but that's just my opinion. The deeper you get into the Law the greater your discernment between good and evil will be. The Law is the standard, it is holy and righteous and good and spiritual!

2 Timothy 2:5,19 “**If anyone competes as an athlete, he does not win the prize unless he competes, according to the rules, (strive lawfully- KJV) (according to Torah)...Nevertheless, the firm foundation of YaH stands, having this seal, 'YaHUAH knows those who are His' and let everyone who names the name of YaH abstain from Lawlessness”.** If you don't compete according to Torah, your works will consist of lawlessness, these lawless works will be burned up in the fire. Instead of receiving trophies and crowns you will be grateful to just get in!

Hebrews 1:9 “**Thou hast loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; therefore YaH, thy Elohim hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy companions.**” The Messiah hates lawlessness!

II Timothy 3:16 “**All Scripture is inspired by YaH and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness.**” So when this was written by Paul the Scripture he was referring to was TaNaK. An acronym for Torah, Nevim, Ketuvim. Torah we call the Pentateuch, the

first five books of the Bible received and compiled by Moses. The Neviim is the prophets and the Ketuvim is the writings like Psalms and Proverbs. So the New Testament didn't exist, only the Old Testament! The Old Testament, Yes the Law is good for teaching, reproof, correction, and training in righteousness. Learning and keeping Torah will increase your discernment between good and evil! The Christian church likes to declare some things that are evil as good and vice versa. Wine is not evil. Keeping the law is not evil. Christmas is evil. Easter (the goddess of fertility) is evil. Not keeping Shabbat is evil. Changing Shabbat from Saturday to Sunday is evil. Can anything good come out of drinking wine? Can anything good come out of Easter? Good Trees don't produce bad fruit. Bad fruit can look good on the outside but inside is rotten. These holidays that are rooted in paganism at their core, they look good on the surface cause they are clothed in camouflage! Paganism camouflaged in partial truths. Their is a way that seems right to man, but leads to death! Can anything good come out of Easter? Of course, the Father can use all things to work together for your good! But it doesn't change the facts that Easter is rooted in Paganism and is the devils imitation holiday of Passover! Passover has a ceremony in it that celebrates the death, burial, and resurrection of our Savior! It's symbolized in the ritual with the Afikomen (matza), and in First Fruits (another Holiday of YaHs), and in the Seder (order of service with the meal during Passover). Also in Unleavened Bread (another commanded Holiday of YaHs) as He is our unblemished Lamb of YaH without sin! We don't need the goddess of fertility, eggs, or bunny rabbits to celebrate the Messiahs conquering of sin and death on our behalf! We need to keep His commandments and obey Him! His Holidays are commandments, and our most of our holidays are pagan rooted and we are breaking His commandments by participating in them. I don't care what they say- **lawlessness is not pleasing the Father.** **Don't be deceived by lawlessness!** If the Father says the New Year begins with the Spring Equinox. Who are we to say no the New Year will begin for

us in the dead of winter? Yeah we know best, I don't think so!

Hebrews 10:26 “For if we go on sinning (breaking the Law) willfully after receiving the knowledge of the truth (YaHs Law), there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a certain terrifying expectation of judgment, and the fury of a fire which will consume the adversaries. Anyone who has set aside the law of Moses dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses.”

If you continue to break YaHs Law after receiving knowledge the truth (the law Psalm 119:142 Thy Law is Truth), then the blood of YaHUsa no longer covers and cleanses you. If you say the Law is done away with and continue in lawlessness after receiving knowledge that it's lawless; then, on the testimony of two or three death awaits you! Is this the second death? I tend to think so! I hope I am not called to be a witness against your stubborn, rebellious, lawlessness! I will always tend to judge others with mercy; as I need mercy when being judged. But when I judge myself, I do so with the standard of Torah. If you continue with Sunday worship after receiving knowledge of the Catholic Church changing the day from Saturday to Sunday; is there a sacrifice remaining? His people perish for a lack of knowledge. Christian leaders trade knowledge and truth for comfort and lies. Follow the Bread of Life! He kept Torah and we are to imitate Him! The Truth you know and keep will set you free. Lies (lawlessness) binds us, truth (Law) sets us free from the lies. Stop living the lie! I dare you to live the truth! The truth you know and don't keep, I think this condemns you.

I John 2:1-6 “My little children, I am writing these things to you that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, YaHUsa ha Mashiach the righteous; and He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for those of the whole world! And by this we know that we have come to know Him, if we keep His commandments. The one who says, “I have come to know Him, and does

not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoever keeps His Word, in him the love of YaH has truly been perfected. By this we know that we are in Him; the one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked”.

So clearly we need to keep the commandments of YaH and walk the way He walked! YaHUsa kept Torah and we are to walk the way He walked!

I John 3:4-10 “Everyone who practices sin also practices lawlessness; and sin is lawlessness...let no one deceive you; **the one who practices righteousness is righteous**, just as He is righteous; and **the one who practices sin is of the devil**, for the devil has sinned from the beginning...by this **the children of YaH and the children of the devil are obvious**; **anyone who does not practice righteousness is not of YaH, nor the one who does not love his brother.”**

Psalm 119:172 “...for all Thy commandments are righteousness.”

Luke 1:6 “And they were both righteous in the sight of YaH, walking blamelessly in all the commandments and requirements of YaHUaH!”

The one who practices keeping the commandments of YaH is righteous. The one who practices breaking the law is lawless.

Deceived H4106 Fraudulence, deceive, err, go astray, seduce, wander, be out of the way. **Vines**; those who are led astray, forsaking of the right path; Errors in doctrine are often the effect of relaxed morality, and relaxed morals often result in false doctrine.

There is without doubt a **Delusion of Torahlessness** running rampant in Christianity today! If you have been deceived by this **Delusion of Lawlessness**. I invite you to repent, to turn from your ways and your traditions that are contrary to YaHs commandments. And put your trust in YaHUsa, and begin keeping the commandments of YaH. **If we confess our**

transgressions of YaHs law, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our lawlessness and cleanse us from all lawlessness!

Chapter 5

“Excluded or Alienated from the Life of YaH Without Knowing it!”

Ignorance is Idolatry!

Ephesians 4:17-25

“This I say therefore and affirm together with YaHUAH that you walk no longer just as the Gentiles also walk in the futility of their mind. Being darkened in their understanding, excluded from the life of YaH, because of the ignorance that is in them. Because of the hardness of their heart; and they, having become callous, have given themselves over to sensuality for the practice of every kind of impurity with greediness. But you did not learn Messiah in this way. If indeed you have heard Him and have been taught in Him, just as truth is in YaHUsa. That in reference to your former manner of life, you lay aside the old self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit, and that you be renewed to in the spirit of your mind. And put on the new self which in the likeness of YaH has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth. Therefore, laying aside falsehood, speak truth!”

“Walking in the Spirit Becoming a New Creation in Messiah”

We would do well to remember that the Spirit is the Spirit of Truth! And we are to worship in Spirit and Truth. I think in Christianity they have the Spirit part down right- being born again, of the Spirit- your Spirit Man comes to life and begins to grow as you nurture and feed it! But I think Christianity is lacking in the truth department, sadly. They worship in spirit and lies. You might wonder what I mean. Well you cannot mix pagan traditions in with some truth and expect YaH to except it. Just keep the commandments- for the law is truth! There is no commandment to celebrate the birth of YaHUsa especially on the same day pagans celebrate the birth of Tammuz. There is no commandment to celebrate and worship the goddess of fertility; Easter. There are commandments however not to partake in idolatry or paganism. There are commandments to celebrate the Holidays of YaH, and in those

holidays there are true pictures of the birth, death, and resurrection of YaHUsa ha Mashiach. We must learn to worship in truth not lies. This is gonna take some studying to show yourself approved unto YaH. This is gonna take proper knowledge of Torah that we perish without. This is probably gonna take some unlearning of pagan traditions and holidays that we are sentimentally attached too. They make us feel warm and cuddly until we realize we are cuddling with the serpent who destroys our relationship with the Creator through the venom of lies mixed with truth. We must come to **know the truth**; the truth we know and live by applying to our lives is what sets us free from sin or breaking YaHs Law. Obedience to His Torah is the Goal. To please Him we need to love with all our hearts both the Creator and those made in His image. But we also need to grow in knowledge and finish this race stronger than what we started. We need to move from elementary principles of Torah to the greater secrets of Torah; from milk to meat! Ignorance is not bliss- ignorance is the worse form of Idolatry!

Verse 17 “Walk no longer just as the Gentiles also walk in the futility of their mind.” **We are not to walk the way the gentiles walk!** How do gentiles walk? They walk in paganism, they walk in idolatry, they walk in their ways rather than YaHs ways! They walk without keeping the commandments of YaH. The futility of their mind is their lack of understanding that they are participating in that which doesn't please the Father, in fact; He commands us not to be partake in paganism and idolatry. This word gentile really implies anyone who is not Israel or grafted into Israel. **So the corollary truth here is that we are to walk the way Israel was instructed to walk by YaH.** We are to learn the ways of YaH and keep them. We are to unlearn the ways of those who are not grafted into Israel and begin to walk in the instructions of YaH.

Deuteronomy 12:29-32 “When YaHUAH your Elohim cuts off before you the nations which you are going in to dispossess, and you dispossess them and dwell in their land, **beware that you are not ensnared to follow them**, after they are destroyed before you, and that you do not inquire after their gods saying, “How do these nations serve their gods, that I also may do likewise?”

“You shall not behave thus toward YaHUAH your Elohim, for every abominable act which YaHUAH hates they have done for their godss; for they even burn their sons and daughters in the fire to their gods. Whatever I command you , you shall be careful to do; you shall not add to nor take away from it.”

Whether you acknowledge it or not; whether you like it or not- the traditions and holidays we keep in America today in 2025 A.D. Are rooted in paganism. Whether it means that to you or not; you must stop to consider what it means to the Father. I implore you for your own well being, Christmas has pagan origins and no matter how much you mask it, it will not change how the Father feels about it. Easter bunnies and eggs have goddess of fertility written all over it. Valentines day also has paganism in it. Halloween has idolatry and pagan origins. Thanksgiving is an imitation feast of the fall feasts of YaH. We need to shrug off the false way- it leads to death! There is a path that seems right to man but leads to death! Don't follow your heart! Make your heart line up with Torah! I know we are attached sentimentally to these holidays we grew up with but they are of the world (do not be conformed to this world). We need to remove the false way of mans holidays and begin to keep YaHs holidays which will be kept for all eternity with or without you!

Burning their children in the fire was and is currently a tradition where they put their children on the lap of Moloch which was nothing more than a statue with an oven for an offering to their god Moloch. This is where the tradition of making your child sit on the lap of Santa Clause originates from! No wonder the innocent babies go kicking and screaming while the mommy and daddy take a picture- what a moment- captured in time through an image!

Sitting on Santa Clause's lap comes from the pagan tradition of parents sitting on Chemosh's or Molech's lap (another name for Baal) and telling him what they wanted for the next year; while they were offering their kids as sacrifices in the fire to Chemosh or Molech.

According to Langer's Encyclopedia of World History, (article “Santa”),

“Santa” was a common name for Nimrod throughout Asia Minor. This was also the same fire YaH who came down the chimneys of the ancient pagans and the same fire YaH to whom infants were burned and eaten in human sacrifice among those who were once YaHs people.”

Who is Nimrod? Noahs great grandson is Nimrod. Noah has Ham, Ham has Cush, and Cush has Nimrod. Semiramis and Cush have Nimrod. Well the story goes that Nimrod marries his mother Semiramis and they have a son Tammuz. Nimrod is killed by Esau according to the book of Jasher. Semiramis gets pregnant from the sun which is Nimrod incarnate. In the book of Jasher Nimrod steals the garments the Creator made for Adam and Eve and they gave him great power and authority. All paganism can be traced back to Nimrod and Semiramis They are at the root of sun YaH worship. They like to gather on Sun-day! I'm not kidding! They have many names Semiramis is also known as Ashtaroth, Dianna, Queen of heaven, Astarte, Easter, goddess of Fertility.

Keith Harris, “The Unveiling”, page 44. “Nimrod and Semiramis are one and the same in ancient Egypt under the names of Osiris and Isis, to name a few appellations. In India, Semiramis is known as Iswara and Isi, in Asia as Deoios and Cybele, and in Rome as Jupiter and Fortuna (“Venus,” and so on). In Greece, Semiramis is Ceres, the Great Mother, with the babe at her breast, or Plutus and Irene. In Thibet, in China, and Japan, she is Shing Moo, the Holy Mother bearing a child in her arms.”

How are we to walk? **I John 2:6 “The one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked.”** How did the Messiah walk? The Messiah walked according to the Torah. He kept the Law perfectly. Walk like a Torah obedient follower!

Verse 17 The futility of their mind is the idolatrous practices of their understanding- in other words idolatry is all they know. Ignorance is a form of idolatry, maybe the worse.

Verse 18 Being darkened in their understanding- they are deprived of

light in the mind, to make the mind dark, moral and spiritual darkness; so they have the spiritual understanding darkened- they don't understand how they are to walk to please the Father- **they have this delusion of Torahlessness-** they walk in lawlessness because it's all they know and understand. They think ignorance is bliss, but its idolatry. We should have a teachable spirit always and desire to learn and grow continually for all eternity. Ignorance, Ignoring the truth can have mentally dark consequences.

Verse 18 Excluded or Alienated from the life of YaH, a non participant; so in other words we are talking about someone who doesn't participate in the things of the Father but rather they participate in idolatry. For example- those who would rather keep the traditions of men like Christmas and Easter and Sunday worship (yes the catholic church changed the Sabbath from Saturday to Sunday; YaH didn't do this!) which are fully rooted in pagan origins; rather than keeping the feasts of YaH like Sabbath, Unleavened Bread, Shavuot, Sukkot, etc.

Christianity today is in a dangerous position, because they do not do the things the Father says to do, but they choose to do the things the Father tells us not to do; and thus they teach others. Rather they are like an adopted child who refuses to follow the rules of the house they are adopted into. **There is only Israel- there is one law for all- there is no such thing as the church- you are either Israel or you are not- so get grafted in!** Church comes from a Greek word *circe* meaning circus! Well that paints a clear picture of the church today doesn't it! To me it looks like the New Testament replaces the word congregation used in the Old Testament with the word church, but there is only the Congregation of Israel, and those Gentiles grafted into Israel, or you are a Gentile.

II Timothy 2:5- "If anyone competes as an athlete, he does not win the prize unless he competes according to the Law." You must run this race, walk this journey according to the Laws of YaH!

II Timothy 3:16- "All Scripture is inspired by YaH and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness."

'All Scripture' is Torah, the Psalms, the prophets, the Old Testament; the New Testament wasn't even collaborated at the time this epistle was written by Paul. The Old Testament is good for teaching, reproof, correction! If your New Testament interpretation doesn't line up with the Old Testament, then your interpretation is wrong! The New Testament isn't contrary to the Old Testament. **There is a corollary truth in Galatians 3: 15-17** "Brethren, I speak in terms of human relations; even though it is only a mans covenant, yet when it has been ratified, no one sets it aside or adds conditions to it. Now the promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed, He does not say, "And to seeds," as referring to many, but rather to one, "And to your seed," that is, Messiah. What I am saying is this: **the Law, which came four hundred and thirty years later, does not invalidate a covenant previously ratified by YaH**, so as to nullify the promise." **and the truth is that one covenant builds upon the other, a new covenant doesn't make null and void an old covenant; otherwise, the covenant we are all standing on that YaH made with Abraham would've been made null and void 430 years later when the covenant at Mount Sinai was given with the Law!** The Old Testament is the standard for training up in righteousness and discerning between good and evil. It's good for discernment between tradition and commandment! It's good for learning YaHs instructions to us on how to behave from what we eat, to what we wear, and what we should and shouldn't do. A road map to eternal life. YaHusha is the Law, the Word made flesh, literally YaH in the flesh. Just as Jacobs sons Simeon and Benjamin prophesied.

Simeon "My children, **obey Levi**, and in Judah will you be redeemed. Do not rebel against these two tribes, fro from them will arise the salvation of YaH. **For YaHUAH will raise up fro Levi as it were a Priest, and from Judah as it were a King, who is both YaH and man.** **So, He will save all the Gentiles and Israel.** Therefore, I command you these things, in order that you also may **command your children, that they may observe them throughout their generations.**" Page fifty four from the book by Ken Johnson the Ancient Testaments of the Patriarchs.

Benjamin "The words of the righteous Enoch teach that even your

descendants will practice evil...the Most High will send forth His salvation in the visitation of His only-begotten One. He will enter the front of the temple, and there will Adonai be treated with outrage, and He will be lifted up on a tree. The veil of the temple will be rent, and the Spirit of YaH will descend upon the Gentiles as fire poured forth. He will rise from the grave, and will ascend from earth into heaven. I know how lowly He will be upon the earth, and how glorious in the heaven...Work truth and righteousness to your neighbors, judge righteously, and keep the law of YaHUah and His commandments. These things I teach you instead of an inheritance. Give them also to your children for an everlasting possession; for so did Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob...Then we will also rise, each one over our tribe, worshiping the King of Heaven, who appeared upon the earth in the form of a man of humility. All those who believed on Him on the earth will rejoice with Him; and then will all men arise, some unto glory and some unto shame. YaHUaH will judge Israel first even for the wrong they did unto Him; for when He appeared as a deliverer, YaH in the flesh, they did not believe Him. Then He will judge all the Gentiles, as many as did not believe Him when He appeared on earth. He will reprove Israel among the chosen ones of the Gentiles.” Pages 140 and 141 from the book by Ken Johnson the Ancient Testaments of the Patriarchs.

I Corinthians 6:9 “..The unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of YaH...” The unrighteous are lawless. Strong's G94 this is where lawless comes from but this word seems even worse- like lawlessness that will not conform to good, will not repent. Rebellion with no hope of repentance. Not just sin, but willful disobedience, iniquity. The lawless shall not inherit heaven!

Hebrews 1:9 Of the Son He says...“Thou hast loved righteousness and hated lawlessness...” The Messiah hates lawlessness!

Ephesians 4:18 “because of the ignorance that is in them” Their perception is skewed for a lack of knowledge, or willful blindness; a refusal to study to show yourself approved unto YaH. His people perish for a lack of knowledge! Ignorance is Idolatry!

Hosea 4:6 YaHUAH says, “My people are destroyed from lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also reject you.” Willfully rejecting knowledge that YaH wants us to have is not only ignorant but idolatry for you are putting yourself before YaH.

Isaiah 45:20 “...they have no knowledge, who carry about their wooden idol...” here we clearly see no knowledge (ignorance) belongs to idolaters.

Acts 17:30 “Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, YaH is now declaring to men that all everywhere should repent.” Repent of ignorance and begin to study to show yourself approved unto YaH. We no longer live in times of ignorance, we live in a era where knowledge is at your fingertips through the World Wide Web.

Hebrews 10:26 “For if we go on sinning (breaking YaHs Law) willfully after receiving the knowledge of the truth (His Law is truth), there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins.” The one who **willfully** breaks YaHs law without a repentant heart after receiving the truth of YaHs law not being done away with; the blood of YaHUsa can no longer cover them. That's a big statement! I don't know that that is accurate. We can definitely say there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins. Once we receive knowledge of the truth, we should do away with the false way and cling to the truth. Do like David and make your prayer “Abba please remove the false way from me”. **Psalm 119:142 Thy Law is Truth!** Knowledge of YaHs Law is the truth that sets us free when we obey it!

Ephesians 4:18 “because of the hardness of their heart” **They have dulled spiritual perception**, the covering of a callus, stupidity, blindness. If you choose ignorance the Father will respect your decision but don't expect to see clearly! Rejection of knowledge, Instruction (Torah), and Truth leads the Father to reject us and our hard heart and dulled spiritual perception grows darker and darker. It's hard for Christians to get their heads around this whole paganism and idolatry in their traditions they grew up with and are emotionally attached too, so they harden their hearts against the truth and live a lie.

Ephesians 4:19 “they have given themselves over to sensuality” Lawless insolence; Insolence is insulting in speech or conduct, pride; so they proudly carry on in lawlessness declaring that they are not under the law, but everyone is under the law of YaH; He will hold everyone accountable according to His standard- the standard of Torah which He gave to us.

Christianity has made the mistake of picking and choosing which commandments of YaH they say are still in effect- having not received this authority from the Father to do so. In fact they are guilty of breaking one of the commandments of YaH by doing such- in **Deuteronomy 4:12 It plainly says not to add too or take away from the commandments of YaH.** **Christianity has missed the mark which is Torah!** Nowhere in the New Testament does the Father say, speak to the children of Israel and tell them I am doing away with some of my instructions to them. Nor does He say speak to the Gentiles and tell them there is one law for Jews and a different law for the rest of the world. There is one Messiah, one seed, one Israel, one congregation! One Word made flesh! There is only one law for all. We are either children of obedience or disobedience.

Ephesians 4:19 “they practice of ever kind of uncleanness” physically, morally, ceremonially unclean; Christianity today doesn't teach the difference between the holy and the profane; they don't teach the difference between the clean and the unclean- instead they teach about your best life now and tell you to seed into their ministry and YaH will bless you with whatever you desire. They are greedy and lawless. **Greediness is the desire to have more!** They tend to call the truth a lie; and promote lies as being truth. It's not a sin to drink or smoke, but they will say your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit therefore it's a sin to drink alcohol or smoke. I'm not saying smoking or drinking are healthy, I'm just saying there is a difference between not health and sin. Charles Spurgeon, the prince of preachers, was a well known smoker. How about your body is a temple of the Ruach HaKodesh therefore don't eat pork for YaH actually says don't eat pork, but He never says don't smoke or drink alcohol. He has Holidays (holy days) we are commanded to keep, but you won't learn about those in Christianity, you will learn about the imitation holidays and be expected to keep them like they

were commandments!

Ezekiel 22:25-31 This is a true picture of Christianity today:

“There is a conspiracy of her prophets in her midst, like a roaring lion tearing the prey they have devoured lives; they have taken treasure and precious things; they have made many widows in the midst of her. Her priest have done violence to My law and have profaned My holy things; they have made no distinction between the holy and the profane, and they have not taught the difference between the unclean and the clean; and they hide their eyes from My sabbaths, and I am profaned among them. Her princes within her are like wolves tearing the prey, by shedding blood and destroying lives in order to get dishonest gain. And her prophets have smeared whitewash for them, seeing false visions and divining lies for them, saying, 'Thus says YaHUAH Tzevauot,' when YaHUAH has not spoken.”

The Father is looking for someone to stand in the gap and build up a healthy congregation, making disciples of Torah born of the Spirit!

Vs.22- “the old self” Did the old self celebrate the holidays of man? Is the new self still partaking in holidays rooted in paganism or imitating the Feasts of YaHUAH?

Verse 23- “be renewed to in the spirit of your mind.” Romans12:2 “do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind” How does one renew the mind. Well you must study to show yourself approved unto YaH. Studying the Scriptures and aligning your mind with keeping YaHs commandments. Ask YaH to remove the false way and show you His way! **Our minds need to be renewed according to Torah**, make your path, heart, mind line up with Torah. If your interpretation of the New Testament is contrary to Torah. I suggest you follow Torah. Don't be deceived by empty philosophy and traditions of men.

Verse 24- Put on the new self after YaH or in the likeness of YaH. We are to conduct ourselves the same way YaH would conduct Himself; and our perfect example to follow is YaHusha! In righteousness (keeping the

commandments of YaH) and in holiness of truth (YaHs law).

I John 2:6 “The one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked.” We are to walk the way YaHUsa walked and He walked keeping Torah perfectly!

Lets not forget the powerful words of Peter, no rather let us take them to heart and contemplate what Peter is saying about Pauls writings which is that they are hard to understand and the unlearned will misinterpret Pauls writings for lawlessness.

II Peter 3:14-18 “Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless (keeping Torah), and regard the patience of YaH to be salvation; just as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given him, wrote to you, as also in all his letters, speaking in them of these things, in which are somethings hard to understand; which the untaught and unstable distort, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction. You therefore, beloved knowing this beforehand, be on your guard lest being carried away by the error of unprincipled (Lawless-Strong's G113) men, you fall from your own steadfastness; but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Adonai and Savior YaHUsa ha Mashiach (The Living Torah). To Him be the glory, both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.”

How well can you get to know the living Torah by Reading all that is written of Him? Much more so than by not reading! Always remain teachable! Love to read, read to learn, learn to obey, obey to please, now please the Father! It's much easier to please the Father when we know His Will and His Word, His Law is the instructions which He gives us to learn to please Him! **Peter says to grow in knowledge!** We should be eating meat but instead we still need milk, spiritually babies when we've been in relationship with Him for how long? We need to learn Torah and grow up! **You say I know the ten commandments. okay great! Did you know the second greatest commandment isn't even in the ten?** Leviticus 19:18 “You shall not take

vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the sons of you people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself; I am YaHUAH.” Yes, there are more than ten commandments that we need to learn! **Did you know His Holidays are commandments for us to keep?** Leviticus 23 clearly tells us they are commandments forever! Leviticus 23:14,21,31, and 41 all say of His Holidays that they are perpetual statutes! A perpetual statute is a commandment forever! No, they are not just Jewish feasts- they are more importantly commandments from the Father instructing us on His Holidays and I bet my education on these being kept through out all eternity, I know from the book of Jubilees that they were kept in Heaven before man even was created.

Sabbath is kept in heaven:

Jubilees 2:30 “...for that day is more kadosh and blessed than any jubilee day of the jubilees: on this we kept Sabbath in the heavens before it was made known to any flesh to keep Sabbath thereon on the earth.”

Genesis 2:2,3 “And by the seventh day Elohim completed His work which He had done; and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. Then Elohim blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which Elohim had created and made.”

Feasts were kept in Heaven before man kept them on earth:

This is before Leviticus 23 and Mount Sinai and Moses!

Jubilees 6:18 “And this whole festival (Shavuot/Pentecost) was celebrated in heaven from the day of creation till the days of Noah (26 jubilees 1309 – 1659 A.M.) and five weeks of years; and Noah and his sons observed it for seven jubilees and one week of years, till Noah's death, and from the day of Noah's death his sons did away with it until the days of Abraham, and they ate blood.”

Sukkot will be kept throughout eternity:

Jubilees 16:28-31 “And we blessed him (Abraham) forever, and all his seed after him throughout all the generations of the earth, because he celebrated this festival (Sukkot) in it's season, according to the testimony of the

heavenly tables. For this reason it is ordained on the heavenly tables concerning Israel, that they shall celebrate the feast of tabernacles seven days with joy, in the seventh month, acceptable before YaHUAH; a statute for ever throughout their generations every year. **And to this there is no limit of days; for it is ordained forever regarding Israel that they should celebrate it** and dwell in booths, and set wreaths upon their heads, and take leafy boughs, and willows from the brook. And Abraham took branches of palm trees, and the fruit of goodly trees, and every day going round the altar with the branches seven times a day in the morning, he praised and gave thanks to his Elohim for all things in joy!"

Zechariah 14:16-18 "Then it will come about than any who are left of all the nations that went against Jerusalem will go up from year to year to worship the King, YaHUAH Tzevuot, and to celebrate the Feast of Booths." okay this is the Millennial reign not quite eternity for some yet, but for those resurrected at His return into their eternal bodies- it will be eternity already for them! Yes mortal will dwell with immortal during the Millennial reign!

Ephesians 4:25-32 "Therefore, **laying aside all falsehood, speak truth,** each one of you with his neighbor for we are members of one another. Be angry, and yet do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not give the devil an opportunity. Let him who steals steal no longer, but rather let him labor, performing with his own hands what is good, in order that he may have something to share with him who has need. Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, that it may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Ruach HaKodesh of YaH by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. And be kind to one another tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as YaHUAH in YaHUsa also has forgiven you."

The holidays of man are full of falsehood and lies, trying to imitate the Creators holidays; or simply distracting you to keep you from knowing the truth! YaHs Law is the truth! The truth is not done away with! YaH's law is

not done away with! YaHs Holidays are not done away with, nor will they ever be. They are from everlasting to everlasting. Just because we don't discover them until on down the timeline of man, doesn't mean they hold any less value than the same value as them being kept in Heaven!

Colossians 2:8 “See to it that no one take you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Messiah!”

We need to walk not only keeping Torah, but being beyond reproach, we are to use our freedom to serve one another in love. We need to be standing in the gap for those who have this delusion of Torahlessness and all those are lost without the Messiah and the truth of YaHs instructions.

Chapter 6

“Controversial Scriptures Concerning Food”

In this chapter we are going to take a look at verses and passages that many people misinterpret for lawlessness. Verses that deal with the subject of food. Many people who claim to follow YaHUsa eat unclean animals- something that YaHUsa would never do and couldn't be the Messiah if He did. No where in the Bible do we see any instructions from YaH saying it's okay to eat unclean animals that I once instructed you not to eat! The only thing we have in the bible is some not so hard to understand stories that many teachers of the bible misinterpret for lawlessness and some hard to understand verses taken out of context- thus declaring it's okay to do what the Father clearly told us was not okay! I will choose to please YaH and obey YaH rather than misguided interpretations of men! I established this rule in my life when it comes to interpreting the New Testament: if your New Testament interpretation doesn't line up with the Old Testament then your interpretation is wrong! If you have no clue about the Fathers instructions on what to eat and what not to eat then you should take the time to read Leviticus 11.

2 Peter 3:15-17 many will misinterpret Pauls writings for lawlessness!

1 John 2:4-6 We are to walk the way YaHUsa walked, and He kept Torah-never eating unclean animals

I John 3:4- Sin is not keeping YaHs instructions!

2 Corinthians 6:1- 7:1 Eating unclean animals defiles the body!

Verse 14 “Do not be bound together with unbelievers, for what partnership have righteousness and lawlessness, or what fellowship has light with darkness?”

Mixing truth with lies, mixing righteousness with lawlessness just creates lies and lawlessness. We must learn to worship in truth not in lies. His Holidays

are truth and mans holidays are lies. Using a lie to worship the Father isn't what He wants.

When it comes to your body being a temple of the Ruach ha Kodesh maybe we should consider what the scriptures actually tells us – like not to consume unclean animals rather than telling people not to smoke or drink because your body is a temple of the Ruach ha Kodesh. Show me in Scripture where it says not to smoke and drink and I will be the first to line up with Scripture. But it doesn't say that does it? No, it does tell you specifically what not to eat though doesn't it! Are you going to Argue with YaH? **“Willful disobedience after receiving knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins.” Hebrews 10:26.**

In the Dead Sea Scrolls there is a book called the War Scroll. This book is the tell of the battle between the sons of darkness and the sons of light. The sons of darkness are the Pharisees and Sadducees deceiving the world with the lunar calendar. The sons of light are the Essenes living in Qumran outside of the main Jewish community and are guarding the Torah and keeping the solar calendar as prescribed by YaH through Enoch. YaHUsha having twelve disciples is thought to be the leader of the Essenes, just as there are 12 months in a year. John the Baptist (Yochannan the Immerser) is thought to be the second in charge with 30 disciples, just as there are 30 days in a month.

Verse 17- “Therefore come out from their midst and be separate says YaHUaH and do not touch what is unclean and I will welcome you.” Don't touch what is unclean!!! What is unclean? Unclean animals! What is unclean to touch? The carcass of an unclean animal!!!

We need to be able to discern the difference between the holy and the profane; between the clean and the unclean according to Torah, not some made up nonsense. When Paul speaks of the unclean he is quoting scripture for he says and YaH said “...Do not touch what is unclean...” So we must determine what is YaH referring to when He speaks of the unclean.

Leviticus 11:3,8 “Whatever divides a hoof, thus making split hoofs, and chews the cud, among the animals, that you may eat. Nevertheless, you are not to eat of these, among those which chew the cud, or among those which divide the hoof: the camel, for though it chews the cud, it does not divide the hoof, it is unclean to you. Likewise, the rock badger, for though it chew cud it does not divide the hoof, it is unclean to you; the rabbit also, for though it chew cud, it does not divide the hoof; it is unclean to you; and the pig, for though it divides the hoof, thus making a split hoof, it does not chew cud, it is unclean to you. You shall not eat of their flesh nor touch their carcasses (dead animal); they are unclean to you.”

Genesis 7:2 Noah took two of the unclean and seven of the clean animals because they didn't eat the unclean but they did eat the clean animals!

Verse 1 of Chapter 7- “Let us cleanse ourselves from all defilement of flesh and spirit!”

What can defile us in our bodies? **Eating Unclean animals will defile your flesh!** I like what one rabbi wrote in the art scrolls about eating unclean animals- he said eating unclean animals dulls your spiritual perception!

Defilement= the act produced by the body; to take what is unclean and make it common or holy

From that definition it would seem as though taking unclean animals and asking YaH to bless it to the nourishment of our bodies when He told us not to eat it not only seems to be an insult of the rebellious nature; **it defiles the body when you take what is unclean and make it common.**

Acts 10:1-35

“1 There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the Italian band,

2 A devout man, and one that feared YaH with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to YaH always.

3 He saw in a vision evidently about the ninth hour of the day an angel of YaH coming in to him, and saying unto him, Cornelius.

4 And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it, Lord? And he said unto him, Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before YaH.

5 And now send men to Joppa, and call for one Simon, whose surname is Peter:

6 He lodgeth with one Simon a tanner, whose house is by the sea side: he shall tell thee what thou oughtest to do.

7 And when the angel which spake unto Cornelius was departed, he called two of his household servants, and a devout soldier of them that waited on him continually;

8 And when he had declared all these things unto them, he sent them to Joppa. 9 On the morrow, as they went on their journey, and drew nigh unto the city, Peter went up upon the housetop to pray about the sixth hour:

10 And he became very hungry, and would have eaten: but while they made ready, he fell into a trance,

11 And saw heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending unto him, as it had been a great sheet knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth:

12 Wherein were all manner of four footed beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.

13 And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter; kill, and eat.

14 But Peter said, Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten any thing that is common or unclean.

15 And the voice spake unto him again the second time, What YaH hath cleansed, that call not thou common.

16 This was done thrice: and the vessel was received up again into heaven.

17 Now while Peter doubted in himself what this vision which he had seen should mean, behold, the men which were sent from Cornelius had made inquiry for Simon's house, and stood before the gate,

18 And called, and asked whether Simon, which was surnamed Peter, were lodged there.

19 While Peter thought on the vision, the Spirit said unto him, Behold, three men seek thee.

20 Arise therefore, and get thee down, and go with them, doubting nothing: for I have sent them.

21 Then Peter went down to the men which were sent unto him from Cornelius; and said, Behold, I am he whom ye seek: what is the cause wherefore ye are come?

22 And they said, Cornelius the centurion, a just man, and one that feareth YaH, and of good report among all the nation of the Jews, was warned from YaH by an holy angel to send for thee into his house, and to hear words of thee.

23 Then called he them in, and lodged them. And on the morrow Peter went away with them, and certain brethren from Joppa accompanied him.

24 And the morrow after they entered into Caesarea. And Cornelius waited for them, and had called together his kinsmen and near friends.

25 And as Peter was coming in, Cornelius met him, and fell down at his feet, and worshiped him.

26 But Peter took him up, saying, Stand up; I myself also am a man.

27 And as he talked with him, he went in, and found many that were come together.

28 And he said unto them, Ye know how that it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a Jew to keep company, or come unto one of another nation; but YaH hath showed me that I should not call any man common or unclean.

29 Therefore came I unto you without gainsaying, as soon as I was sent for: I ask therefore for what intent ye have sent for me?

30 And Cornelius said, Four days ago I was fasting until this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house, and, behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing,

31 And said, Cornelius, thy prayer is heard, and thine alms are had in remembrance in the sight of YaH.

32 Send therefore to Joppa, and call hither Simon, whose surname is Peter; he is lodged in the house of one Simon a tanner by the sea side: who, when he cometh, shall speak unto thee.

33 Immediately therefore I sent to thee; and thou hast well done that thou art come. Now therefore are we all here present before YaH, to hear all things that are commanded thee of YaH.”

Verse 15 What YaH has cleansed, no longer consider unholly; this wasn't a reference to food but rather to a man who obeys YaH.

Verse 28 Do not call any man unholly or unclean.

Verse 28 There was a man-made law making it unlawful for a man who is a Jew to associate with a foreigner or visit him- but this was not a commandment of YaH this was man adding to the commandments of YaH and YaH was simply tearing down that barrier!

In no way here is YaH saying it's okay to eat unclean animals- the vision was simply to teach Peter to tear down the commandment of man that was contrary to the commandments of YaH!

I imagine that If YaH were changing his instructions on clean and unclean- you would see it very black and white- like the Father saying speak to the children of Israel and tell them I'm changing my law!

Matthew 15:1-20

“1 Then came to YaHUsa scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying,

2 Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their hands when they eat bread.

3 But he answered and said unto them, Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?

4 For YaH commanded, saying, Honour thy father and mother: and, he that curseth father or mother, let him die the death.

5 But ye say, Whosoever shall say to his father or his mother, It is a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me;

6 And honour not his father or his mother, he shall be free. Thus have ye made the commandment of YaH of none effect by your tradition.

7 Ye hypocrites, well did Isaiah prophesy of you, saying,

8 This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.

9 But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.

10 And he called the multitude, and said unto them, Hear, and understand:

11 Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man.

12 Then came his disciples, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the Pharisees were offended, after they heard this saying?

13 But he answered and said, Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up.

14 Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.

15 Then answered Peter and said unto him, Declare unto us this parable.

16 And YaHUsa said, Are ye also yet without understanding?

17 Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught?

18 But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man.

19 For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:

20 These are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashed hands defileth not a man.”

Verse 2 This tradition of washing hands wasn't just simply the washing of hands but rather the ritual of saying a blessing over the ceremonial washing of hands in which the blessing declares that YaH commands them to wash their hands this way- which he does not! So the tradition they have is actually adding to the commandments of YaH!

Is it a good habit to get into to wash your hands before you eat? Of course it is! But without saying a blessing that declares that YaH commanded you to do so is not right- then you are adding to the commandments of YaH!

Verse 3 So they are transgressing the commandments of YaH by declaring that YaH commanded them to do this hand washing ceremony when He did not! The tradition they had would be okay as long as they didn't add

to the commandments of YaH in doing it! It's a great tradition to do things that cause you to give pause and thanks to YaH and bless YaH, but when you start adding to the commandments of YaH; you are in violation of Torah!

Verse 9 this is one of the dangers of Judaism! They have many traditions and some of them are okay, but some of them add to the commandments of YaH and these rabbis teach these traditions of men as though they were commandments of YaH so you must be able to distinguish the difference between tradition and commandments of YaH!

Verse 11 This is the famous verse used to defend eating unclean animals! First of all the topic is not clean verses unclean animals. That's already decided by calling it food- it's a clean animal. They would never refer to unclean animals as food! The topic is eating with dirty hands. If you eat clean animals (food) with dirty hands then you defile the food you are eating however as Messiah says, “it's not that which goes into your mouth (clean food with dirty hands) which defiles a man, but that which comes out of your mouth. That which comes out of the mouth is reference to natural words coming out of a spiritual place the heart- which reveals your spiritual condition. For as a man speaketh so is he! Messiah isn't changing the law or breaking the law or encouraging others to break the law. He is definitely making a distinctions between YaHs law and mans traditions, one is commandment and one is meant to deceive you.

Verse 20 YaHUsa wasn't saying it's okay to eat unclean animals! If He was saying that then He couldn't be the messiah! For He would be sinning in doing so; for He would be taking away from the commandments of YaH and thus be sinning and not the Messiah! **Deuteronomy 4:2 says not to add to or take away from Torah.** And the New Testament tells us that YaHUsa was without sin.

Genesis 9:3 this is actually the hardest verse I know of that is dealing with eating unclean animals! **“Every moving thing that is alive shall be food for you; I give all to you, as I gave the green plant.”**

The Father seems to be giving permission to eat every moving thing that is alive, including unclean animals!

However, this can easily be taken out of context!

For example lets think of some things that move on the earth that we shouldn't eat!

People move! Trees move in the wind! Some poisonous plants move in the wind! Vehicles move around on the earth!

The big picture of Scripture tells us not to eat unclean animals!

Genesis 8:20 There was already a distinction between clean and unclean animals. “Then Noah built an altar to YaHUAH and **took of every clean animal and of every clean bird** and offered burnt offerings on the altar.”

So the question arises, did they eat meat before Genesis 9:3 after the flood? The answer is yes they did. So why this instruction in Genesis 9:3? I can only surmise from this verse that the intent was to be vegetarian and not carnivores. Did the fall of man change this? My answer is simple, I do not know! However, I think this may be the reason because it seems to me that the first animal slain and eaten is the Lamb the Father sacrifices on behalf of Adam and Eve and gives them the skin for garments to wear.

Genesis 3:21 “**And YaHUAH Tzevuot made garments of skin** for Adam and his wife, and clothed them.”

Jasher 7:24 “**And the garments of skin which YaH made for Adam and his wife**, when they went out of the garden, were given to Cush.”

Jasher 7:30 “**And Nimrod became strong when he put on the garments..**” I think it's possible that this verse has a two-fold meaning. In esoteric mysticism there is the idea that we are actually creatures of light. The light emanates from our pineal gland which is also known as the singular eye or all

seeing eye. The garments of skin could represent our skin or flesh covering our body and the light that emanates from within, for we are light just like YaHUsa, a divine lamp within our soul that never extinguishes just like the Menorah in the Kadosh place. The garments of skin were also something others could take and wear, so we know for sure they were animal garments of skin, I assume it was a Lamb but have no evidence yet.

Jasher 1:19 “And Abel answered his brother Cain and said unto him, what is there between me and thee, that thou shalt **eat the flesh of my flock and clothe thyself with their wool.**”

Here we have evidence that they were eating meat and wearing garments made of the sheep wool.

Genesis 7:2 “You shall take with you **of every clean animal by sevens, a male and a female, and of the animals that are not clean two, a male and his female.**” There is obviously already Torah (instructions) concerning clean and unclean animals at this time! The clean animals were for sacrificing unto YaH and I would imagine eating as well since the sacrifices unto YaH are eaten by men in the Torah.

In the stones Chumash or art scrolls one of the comments is that meat was forbidden to eat by man at this time. And wasn't permitted by YaH until Genesis 9:3. I have not found any evidence in Scripture that meat was ever forbidden.

Genesis 9:3 “**Every moving thing that is alive shall be food for you; I give all to you, as I gave the green plant.**”

We know for sure that in the rest of Torah to follow these events of Genesis 9:3 that without a doubt there is instruction to not eat animals that are unclean to us. We must be diligent to search scripture out and obey YaHs instructions rather than the traditions men that are contrary to YaHs instructions to us!

So we see here in the bible that YaH has not changed His instructions on clean and unclean animals. The only thing we have going on today is people misinterpreting The New Testament for lawlessness. YaH is the El of order and when He sets up order and instructions; it changes not. He is the same yesterday, today, and forever! We are not allowed by YaH to eat unclean animals. We are commanded by YaH not to eat animals that YaH has declared unclean to us.

I Timothy 4:3-5 “Men who forbid marriage and advocate abstaining from foods, which YaH has created to be gratefully shared in by those who believe (follow) and know the truth (Torah). For everything created by YaH is good, and nothing is to be rejected, if it is received with gratitude; for it is sanctified by means of the Word of YaH and prayer.”

People will take these verses and say as long as you pray for it and receive it with gratitude then it is sanctified and good to eat. Because YaH created it and it is good! While YaH did create it and declare it to be good- that doesn't mean that it's clean for you to eat! YaH said of man that it was very good- that doesn't mean we eat people! The trees and plants YaH created, YaH said it was good- but it doesn't mean it is all good to eat does it? There are trees that produce fruit that you can eat and there are trees that produce fruit that you can't eat! There are plants that are poisonous to us and plants that are medicinal to us. Just because something is good, doesn't make it good to eat! What foods were they advocating abstaining from? Was it someone saying we shouldn't eat pork, I don't think so cause Paul forms it by saying “Foods” and a Jew who keeps Kosher as Paul did, would never refer to pig or unclean animals as Food. Maybe the topic is food sacrificed to idols which is forbidden in Torah to eat, and a topic of Pauls in Corinthians. Also a concern James responded to in Acts 15:20. Pauls writings are sometimes hard to understand but I am not going to interpret them as lawlessness, which the Church has done, exactly as Peter warned. Speaking of food being sacrificed to idols. When you bake that turkey or ham to celebrate your man made holiday, does it not become food sacrificed to an idol, is not the holiday idolatrous? How does the Creator view it? We are to have no other gods! Are these holidays not giving tribute to other gods? The believer needs to

come out of the Babylonian culture of our society! No Idolaters enter the kingdom of YaH. I don't see this verse as YaH saying it's okay to eat unclean animals! I'm confident He would make it plain as day if He was changing His Law.

I do see Paul warning that their would be false doctrines and men advocating abstaining from foods! I don't advocate abstaining from food but rather from unclean animals. Remember that in Hebrew thought- they would never refer to an unclean animal as food! So obviously Paul is referring to those who would advocate abstaining from clean animals- like vegetarians or vegans. This is why I think the topic is eating food in the public place that has been sacrificed to an idol. Certain religions like Mormonism who advocate abstaining from caffeine even though they own Pepsi. Or Catholics who tell you not to eat meat at certain times during the weeping of Tammuz or Lint as they call it!

We must beware of the takanot! The man made rules that claim to be commandments of YaH!

I Timothy 4:7- “Have nothing to do with worldly fables fit only for old women. On the other hand, discipline yourself for the purpose of godliness.”

Godliness or righteousness - Paul says discipline yourself for the purpose of godliness or righteousness! We know that there is a righteousness that comes from keeping Torah according to Luke 1:6. This word godliness has to do with conduct that is pleasing to YaH.

Luke 1:6 “And they were both righteous in the sight of YaH, walking blamelessly in all the commandments and requirements of YaH.”

So we need to learn and keep Torah and please YaH by doing so! Just as James concluded in **Acts 15:21 “For Moses from ancient generations has in every city those who preach him, since he is read in the synagogues every Shabbat.”**

Verse 7 Worldly profane fables; profane is unholy; that which lacks all relationship or affinity to YaH. **Fables are that which are a simple account which attempts to explain reality; yet is unreal and fabricated, having only the appearance of truth;** no truth actually contained therein.

People teaching and preaching that YaHs Laws are Done away with and that we are not under the law; thus we have a license to break YaHs law and still have salvation; This is a profane Fable!!! Sounds good though! Even has the appearance of some truth in it, but in the end it is a profane Fable!

YaHs law is not done away with. YaH has never instructed us that it is okay to eat unclean animals! According to the bible eating unclean animals is sin!

I Corinthians 8:1-4 “Now concerning things sacrificed to idols, we know that we all have knowledge, knowledge makes arrogant, but love edifies. If anyone supposes that he know anything, he has not yet known as he ought to know; but if anyone loves YaH, he is known by Him. **Therefore concerning the eating of things sacrificed to idols,** we know that there is no such thing as an idol in the world, and that there is no god but one.”

Paul is talking about food (clean animals) that is sacrificed to idols and then being eaten by believers. **Paul is not talking about unclean animals being eaten.**

This is one of the four rules mentioned in Acts 15:20 by James, **food contaminated by idols.** Idolatry is unacceptable. You can not partake in idolatry and the worship of YaH, nor can you try to worship YaH the way the heathen worship false gods and expect YaH to accept it. For what fellowship have the lawful with the lawless?

Today there is a product is called Halal. It's a product produced for Islamic Muslims who eat meat sacrificed to idols or specifically to Muhammad. Yes you can get it right here in America!

I Corinthians 8:5-9 “some, being accustomed to the idol until now, eat

food as if it were sacrificed to an idol, their conscience being weak is defiled. But food will not commend us to YaH; we are neither the worse if we do not eat, nor the better if we do eat.” Paul seems to be saying it’s okay to eat meat sacrificed to idols because there is no such thing as an idol, but he will clarify this as wrong in 1 Corinthians 10:21.

People like to take verse 8&9 and say you can eat any unclean animal you want, now granted Pauls writings are hard to understand, but there is no black and white instruction here that YaH is changing His laws on clean and unclean- the only thing you can do to justify eating unclean animals is take Pauls writings and bend them to your will; take Pauls writings and twist them to say it’s okay to eat unclean animals. Besides Paul is talking about Food which is in itself a reference to clean animals, because he would never refer to an unclean animal as food. We must bend our will to YaHs instructions, do not bend YaHs instructions to your will.

I Corinthians 10:14-19

14 Wherefore, my dearly beloved, **flee from idolatry.**

15 I speak as to wise men; judge ye what I say.

16 The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Messiah? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Messiah?

17 **For we being many are one bread, and one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread.**

18 Behold Israel after the flesh: are not they which eat of the sacrifices partakers of the altar?

19 What say I then? That the idol is any thing, or that which is offered in sacrifice to idols is any thing?

20 But I say, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils.

21 Ye cannot drink the cup of , and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of 's table, and of the table of devils.

22 Do we provoke to jealousy? are we stronger than He?

23 All things are lawful for me, but all things are not expedient: all things are

lawful for me, but all things edify not.

24 Let no man seek his own, but every man an others wealth.

25 Whatsoever is sold in the shambles, that eat, asking no question for conscience sake:

26 For the earth is 's, and the fullness thereof.

27 If any of them that believe not bid you to a feast, and ye be disposed to go; whatsoever is set before you, eat, asking no question for conscience sake.

28 But if any man say unto you, This is offered in sacrifice unto idols, eat not for his sake that showed it, and for conscience sake: for the earth is 's, and the fullness thereof:

29 Conscience, I say, not thine own, but of the other: for why is my liberty judged of another man's conscience?

30 For if I by grace be a partaker, why am I evil spoken of for that for which I give thanks?

31 Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

I Corinthians 10:14-31 Again the same subject, food sacrificed to idols being eaten by believers which is idolatry.

I Corinthians 10:21 Paul clarifies that it is wrong to partake of both! If you partake of pagan holidays don't partake of YaHs. If you partake of YaHs Holidays then don't partake of the devils!

Verse 24,25 Same conclusion as in chapter eight, you are neither better nor worse if you do or don't eat. Put the other persons conscious first.

Verse 30,31 Same conclusion as in Timothy; receive it with gratitude knowing it is sanctified by YaH and prayer!

But Paul is talking about Food (Clean Animals)! And He is not changing YaHs law about clean and unclean animals. He is dealing with an internal issue in the assembly of Corinth about eating clean animals sacrificed to idols!

Romans 14

“1 Him that is weak in the faith receive ye, but not to doubtful disputations.

2 For one believeth that he may eat all things: another, who is weak, eateth herbs.

3 Let not him that eateth despise him that eateth not; and let not him which eateth not judge him that eateth: for YaH hath received him.

4 Who art thou that judgest another man's servant? to his own master he standeth or falleth. Yea, he shall be holden up: for YaH is able to make him stand.

5 One man esteemeth one day above another: another esteemeth every day alike. Let every man be fully persuaded in his own mind.

6 He that regardeth the day, regardeth it unto ; and he that regardeth not the day, to he doth not regard it. He that eateth, eateth to , for he giveth YaH thanks; and he that eateth not, to he eateth not, and giveth YaH thanks.

7 For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself.

8 For whether we live, we live unto ; and whether we die, we die unto : whether we live therefore, or die, we are 's.

9 For to this end Messiah both died, and rose, and revived, that he might be Lord both of the dead and living.

10 But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Messiah.

11 For it is written, As I live, saith , every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to YaH.

12 So then every one of us shall give account of himself to YaH.

13 Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumbling block or an occasion to fall in his brother's way.

14 I know, and am persuaded by YaHusha, that there is nothing unclean of itself: but to him that esteemeth any thing to be unclean, to him it is unclean.

15 But if thy brother be grieved with thy meat, now walkest thou not charitably. Destroy not him with thy meat, for whom Messiah died.

16 Let not then your good be evil spoken of:

17 For the kingdom of YaH is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and

peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

18 For he that in these things serveth Messiah is acceptable to YaH, and approved of men.

19 Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another.

20 For meat destroy not the work of YaH. All things indeed are pure; but it is evil for that man who eateth with offense.

21 It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor any thing whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak.

22 Hast thou faith? have it to thyself before YaH. Happy is he that condemneth not himself in that thing which he alloweth.

23 And he that doubteth is damned if he eat, because he eateth not of faith: for whatsoever is not of faith is sin.”

The Context seems to me to be the same as I Corinthians 8&10 “Food Sacrificed to Idols” Although it doesn't specifically say that here; I think that is the topic.

Whenever Paul refers to “Food” He is referring to clean animals; a Hebrew minded man would never refer to an unclean animal as food!

Paul seems to lean toward the idea of eating meat sacrificed to idols as being okay, if you are doing it without knowledge of whether or not the meat you are eating in the market place has indeed been sacrificed to an idol. Pauls says that there is really no such thing as an idol because there is only one true Elohim (I Corinthians 8:4). Therefore if there is no such thing as an idol then meat sacrificed to idols is nothing. But I am not for sure that Paul is saying it's okay to eat meat sacrificed to an idol as long as you don't know whether it was sacrificed to an idol or not. In I Corinthians 10:20-21 Paul seems to clear the air and say you cannot eat things sacrificed to idols or you become a sharer with demons.

Not eating meat sacrificed to idols is one of the four rules that James gives to the gentiles being grafted into Israel in **Acts 15:20**. “But that we write unto them, that they **abstain from pollutions of idols (things contaminated by idols/food sacrificed to idols)**, and from fornication (Cult

prostitution/spiritual adultery/idolatry+harlotry), and from things strangled (Animals sacrificed/broken necks), and from blood (of course drinking the blood/the life is in the blood).” This is one of the issues YaHUsa has with some of the congregations in **Revelation 2:14** “But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumbling block before the children of Israel, **to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication (spiritual adultery/ idolatry).**” Also in **Revelation 2:20** “Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and **to seduce my servants to commit fornication (idolatry), and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.**”

If Paul is saying it's okay- then that's Pauls take- but I don't follow Paul – I follow YaHUsa and I think it isn't okay, however if you do it without knowledge that would be different from doing it with knowledge. We will be held accountable for what we know and don't know, but I think there will be more leniency with things we didn't know about.

We must remember Peters admonition to us about Pauls writings: They are difficult to understand and many will misinterpret them as lawlessness! **II Peter 3:14-17**

I work off this principle: if my New Testament interpretation doesn't line up with the Old Testament then my interpretation is wrong.

Romans 14:2 may eat all things (this doesn't change YaHs law) he is probably talking about all things clean. Interesting that he mentions one eating herbs almost as if the topic could be **men advocating abstaining from meat.**

I Timothy 4:3-5 “3 Forbidding to marry, and **commanding to abstain from meats**, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth.

4 For every creature of YaH is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving:

5 For it is sanctified by the word of YaH and prayer.”

Again Paul is talking about food (clean animals); this doesn't change YaHs law.

This reference to eating veggies and abstaining from meat is one of the reasons I think the topic is meat sacrificed to idols.

Verse 5 I don't think Paul is addressing YaHs instructions on clean and unclean animals nor is he addressing the Sabbath or Appointed Times of YaH but rather He is addressing the Greek Roman culture days, false gods, and sacrifices of food to them.

Verse 6-8 Paul speaks in a confusing manner.

Verse 13 Interesting advice by Paul, and I would say be very careful in the harshness with which you judge others for as Matthew 7 says “In the same way that you judge – so shall you be judged”. However there are plenty of scriptures that teach us to judge using righteous judgment. **John 7:24; Luke 12:57; 1 Corinthians 5:12.**

However we should do our best not to cause others to stumble.

Verse 14 Paul is right in that “in and of itself an animal is clean to itself” in other words a pig is clean to another pig. However in Leviticus 11:4 says, “it is unclean to you” note it doesn't say it is unclean unto itself, no it is unclean to you though!

Verse 21 Again I think the topic is meat sacrificed to idols; why else would Paul say it isn't good to eat meat? He must be talking about meat sacrificed to idols.

I would say that Paul is hard to understand, but I don't think Paul actually changes YaHs instructions to us and if he does, well I know that YaH changes not (Malachi 3:6) for He is the same yesterday today and forever (Hebrews 13:8)! And I don't follow man, I follow YaH. If YaH were to truly change His laws; I think you would see some thing like this: Speak to the children of Israel and tell them I am changing my laws on.....but we don't see that anywhere, all we see is hard to understand stuff that is easily misinterpreted into lawlessness! And lawlessness is sin, I John 3:4.

It's important for us to keep Torah to the best of our knowledge and understanding. It's important for us to learn Torah, for in doing so we are learning how to please YaH. And it's important for us to Keep Torah, Guard Torah, Do Torah, Shma Torah, Hear and Do YaHs instructions; for in doing so we are pleasing YaH!

Chapter 7

“Idolatry Forbidden”

In the last chapter I concluded that Paul was not in fact talking about eating unclean animals, but rather Paul was talking about eating meat that had been sacrificed to an idol; otherwise, known today as halal in the Muslim world. I would even contend that when you cook that Turkey for your imitation holiday of YaHs Appointed Times, or for that holiday rooted in pagan origins you are cooking and eating food that is being sacrificed unto an idol. I think **Pauls conclusion** was that you should not eat meat sacrificed to idols, which would mean that you wouldn't be seen in the idolatrous temple eating and drinking. But I also think **Pauls conclusion** on meat sold in the market place, was that if you didn't know that it was leftover meat from an idolatrous sacrifice; then it was okay to buy and eat it. But if you did know that it was leftover meat from an idolatrous sacrifice then you should abstain from it. Unfortunately the Church likes to take these passages of Pauls and use them to say it's okay to eat unclean animals! While Eating unclean animals was **never even the topic** of discussion in Pauls epistles in my opinion.

Torah- The idea of not eating meat that had been sacrificed to an idol comes from Torah. Although to me it doesn't appear to be a direct commandment but rather an indirect commandment; or a conclusion you could come to from the actual commandment; or a commandment that is implied.

Leviticus 17:7 “And they shall no more offer their sacrifices unto devils, after whom they have gone a whoring. This shall be a statute for ever unto them throughout their generations.” So if you are not sacrificing your animal or food to the goat demons; **then obviously you wouldn't be eating meat**

sacrificed to an idol!

Exodus 34:15,16 “Lest you make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land and they play the harlot with their gods, and sacrifice to their gods, and someone invite you to eat of his sacrifices and you take some home to your sons and cause them to play the harlot.”

Numbers 25:1-3 “1 And Israel abode in Shittim, and the people began to commit whoredom with the daughters of Moab.

2 And they called the people unto the sacrifices of their gods: and the people did eat, and bowed down to their gods.

3 And Israel joined himself unto Baal peor: and the anger of the YaHUAH was kindled against Israel. The people ate the sacrifice and bowed down to the idols, thus joining themselves to this false deity Baal of Peor.”

Clearly the sacrifices are eaten, the sacrifices really just seem like backyard barbecues in my opinion.

Exodus 20:1-6 “1 And Elohim spake all these words, saying,

2 I am the YaHUAH thy Elohim, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth:

5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I YaHUAH thy Elohim am a jealous Elohim, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; 6 And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.”

By sacrificing to them and eating the sacrifice I think you would be doing service to these false gods or serving them. Thus I would conclude

that you should not eat meat sacrificed to idols.

As we continue in the New Testament we will see some better verses directly stating not to eat meat sacrificed to idols.

Acts 15:19-21 “19 Wherefore my sentence is, that we trouble not them, which from among the Gentiles are turned to YaH:

20 But that we write unto them, that they **abstain from pollutions of idols, and from fornication, and from things strangled, and from blood.**

21 For Moses of old time hath in every city them that preach him, being read in the synagogues every sabbath day.”

The church has used a **miss-interpretation** of Acts 15:20 for the purpose of **saying, “We don’t have to keep the law”**. A further study of this verse will reveal the opposite of this view and as we use hermeneutics (letting scripture interpret scripture) we will see that “Not keeping the Law” doesn’t line up with Scripture.

The Church has **incorrectly translated the word 'fornication'**. Thus making this verse to look like the four rules are for eating food at the table of fellowship. But these rules are not for the table of fellowship. Rather they are red flags, boundaries of Torah that should not be crossed.

The word used here is fornication in the Greek it is porneia Strong's G4202 and it means **idolatry + harlotry**. Basically it is dealing with Idolatry or cult prostitution or religious prostitution not adultery or fornication, but rather religious adultery or paganism which still exists in the Church today in the form of man made holidays like Christmas and Easter for example.

It means harlotry with idols or false gods.

Exodus 34:10-17 “10 And he said, Behold, I make a covenant: before all thy people I will do marvels, such as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation: and all the people among which thou art shall see the work of :

for it is a terrible thing that I will do with thee.

11 Observe thou that which I command thee this day: behold, I drive out before thee the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite.

12 Take heed to thyself, lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land whither thou goest, lest it be for a snare in the midst of thee:

13 But ye shall destroy their altars, break their images, and cut down their groves:

14 For thou shalt worship no other god: for , whose name is Jealous, is a jealous Elohim:

15 Lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they go a whoring after their gods, and do sacrifice unto their gods, and one call thee, and thou eat of his sacrifice;

16 And thou take of their daughters unto thy sons, and their daughters go a whoring after their gods, and make thy sons go a whoring after their gods.

17 Thou shalt make thee no molten gods.”

Physical and spiritual prostitution, and eating the sacrifice would be things contaminated by idols. We see YaH giving explicit instruction to not play the harlot with false gods, or to go whoring after their false gods; this is idolatry or spiritual adultery.

Harlot G2181 Physical and Spiritual Prostitution. The spiritual part being partaking in this sacrificial ritual to a false god, and the physical part would be engaging in sex with the cult prostitutes. This is basically the same word used in the Greek translated as fornication which is really physical and spiritual adultery or harlotry and idolatry.

In verse 15 we see at least 2 rules that James is issuing in the book of Acts. I think that ‘Play the harlot’ would include the strangling of the sacrifice and the drinking of the blood of the sacrifice. The word **harlot** itself

has to do with the same Greek word fornication which is physical and spiritual prostitution. **Eating the sacrifice would be things contaminated by idols.**

Leviticus 17:10-14 “10 And whatsoever man there be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, that eateth any manner of blood; I will even set my face against that soul that eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his people.

11 For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and **I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls:** for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.

12 Therefore I said unto the children of Israel, **No soul of you shall eat blood**, neither shall any stranger that sojourneth among you eat blood.

13 And whatsoever man there be of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, which hunteth and catcheth any beast or fowl that may be eaten; he shall even pour out the blood thereof, and cover it with dust.

14 For it is the life of all flesh; the blood of it is for the life thereof: therefore I said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh: for the life of all flesh is the blood thereof: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off.”

Don't eat the blood! I don't think this is referring to eating a steak that is medium well, but rather to drinking of the blood – a ritual performed still today by Satanists and back in the times of Messiah as a normal ritual possibly mocking the blood of YaHUsa as the third cup in the Passover Seder. This could be seen as a Satanic counterpart to the partaking of Messiah's Blood.

Deuteronomy 4:5-9 “5 Behold, I have taught you statutes and judgments, even as YaHUAH my Elohay commanded me, that ye should do so in the land whither ye go to possess it.

6 Keep therefore and do them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the nations, which shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.

7 For what nation is there so great, who hath YaH so nigh unto them, as YaH is in all things that we call upon Him for?

8 And what nation is there so great, that hath statutes and judgments so righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day?

9 Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach them thy sons, and thy sons' sons."

Deuteronomy 5:1-10 "1 And Moses called all Israel, and said unto them, Hear, O Israel, the statutes and judgments which I speak in your ears this day, that ye may learn them, and keep, and do them.

2 YaHUAH our Elohim made a covenant with us in Horeb.

3 YaH made not this covenant with our fathers, but with us, even us, who are all of us here alive this day.

4 YaH talked with you face to face in the mount out of the midst of the fire,

5 (I stood between Adonai and you at that time, to show you the word of YaH: for ye were afraid by reason of the fire, and went not up into the mount;) saying,

6 I am the YaHUAH Eloheycha, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

7 Thou shalt have none other elohim before me.

8 Thou shalt not make thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the waters beneath the earth:

9 Thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I the YaHUAH Eloheycha am a jealous Elohim, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me,

10 And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments.”

Things strangled has nothing to do with Jewish dietary regulations or table fellowship. It was a prohibition against participating in an idolatrous pagan ceremony that strangled birds and/or animals.

So we see the Israelites receiving instruction not to play the harlot, nor to eat of sacrifices to false gods, or to eat or drink the blood.

Before we can enter the promise of YaHUsa, just like before the Israelites entered the promised land; we must understand that we can only serve one El and there is no other besides Him alone!

The four rules are the filter, and the first rules, the pagan Gentile convert needed to be aware of. The rest of the 'rules' of Moses followed as they grew in YaHUsa, and went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day to learn of 'Moses' (Acts 15:21). The idea was to give these gentile converts boundaries so they wouldn't be partaking in gross idolatry which is just as prevalent today with out man made holidays! And that was just the beginning, as they would go to the Synagogue every Sabbath to continue learning Torah so they could cling to it and grow in knowledge of Yahs instructions!

Why these four rules first? Because of Gentile propensity to add gods to the gods they already had, and to continue in their sacrificial-sexual idolatry (in honor of the false gods and goddesses).

The four rules weren't made so the Gentile believer could fellowship with the Jewish believer, as important as that is, but so the Gentile could understand that partaking in Idolatry is Forbidden. These rules are just as important today as they were back then! Christianity is full of what I call camouflaged paganism. Catholicism is more obvious with actual statues of

saints, praying to saints, and giving veneration to Mary. We need to have good enough spiritual discernment to identify the paganism in our holidays.

The Gentile needed to know the boundaries of the Covenant he had entered into. He had to realize what was permissible for him and what wasn't. The four rules of James are an inherent 'whole.' **They are a package or a unit on sacrificial sexual idolatry; paganism.** This pagan practice had to stop immediately, if Gentile faith in YaHusha; now grafted into Israel and no longer a gentile but an Israelite or Hebrew child of YaH was to be **recognized as genuine.** We are either grafted into Israel or we are not. As a born again Gentile believer filled with the Ruach ha Kodesh; the whole goal is to be grafted into Israel.

The second rule is commonly translated as sexual immorality or fornication but there's overwhelming evidence to support the understanding that cult prostitution is specifically what James meant.

Translating it as sexual immorality is very unfortunate because it not only hides the meaning of the second rule, but helps to distort the proper interpretation of what the verse means.

Rule one forbids the Gentile from eating the meat of the pagan sacrifice (at the sacrifice).

Rule two prohibits cult prostitution after the eating of the sacrifice.

Rule three, strangled, speaks of a pagan sacrifice where the neck was strangled. This is dealing with a sacrifice to a pagan YaH which involved the strangling of the animal. This must have been a popular ritual of the day for James to include it.

And rule four forbids the drinking of the fresh raw blood from the pagan sacrifice which could be seen as the Satanic counterpart to the drinking of the cup of wine symbolic of Messiah's Blood from the Third Cup of

Passover.'

The four rules specifically deal with sacrificial sexual idolatry, something every Gentile in the ancient world fully understood, and many practiced. These rules had nothing to do with table fellowship. They were designed to filter out gross idolatry. That would be very offensive to YaH and cost the newly converted Gentile to Israel his life; his eternal life.

One might think in terms of Christianity today; that anyone coming to YaHUsa wouldn't imagine they could worship YaHUsa and Zeus too, but Gentiles in the days of the Apostles believed they could have as many gods as they wanted.

We cannot partake in paganism, idolatry and the cup of the YaH! So when it comes to the pagan idolatrous practices of today such as are embodied in Christmas, New Years Day, Easter, Valentines Day, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Sunday worship changing the Sabbath day YaH established, or any other pagan practice mixed with the worship of YaH; we cannot partake in these things. Partaking knowingly in paganism, idolatry can cost you dearly. Let us do as James concluded in Acts 15:21 We must go to the Synagogue or assembly on Shabbat and learn the Law of Moses and keep it; because it is from the law that we learn what pleases YaH and how to be a set apart people!

II Corinthians 6:14-16 “14 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion hath light with darkness?

15 And what concord hath Messiah with Belial? Or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

16 And what agreement hath the temple of YaH with idols?...”

Galatians 5:19-21 “19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

20 **Idolatry**, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revelings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that **they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of YaH.**”

I Corinthians 10:7,14 “7 **Neither be ye idolaters**, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. 14 Wherefore, my dearly beloved, **flee from idolatry.**”

I Corinthians 5:11 “11 But now I have written unto you **not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a** fornicator, or covetous, or an **idolater**, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; **with such an one no not to eat.**”

Revelation 21:8 “8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and **idolaters**, and all liars, **shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone:** which is the second death.”

Chapter 8

“My Take on the Law”

Romans 7:7 - "I would not have come to know sin except through the Law" for I would not have known that eating pork was a sin if the Law had not said, "You shall not eat pig, for it is unclean to you."

Paul actually used coveting here, but I'm using pork which is part of YaHs law. Who are we to divide the Law of YaH to our pleasing? Deuteronomy 4:2 says not to add too or take away from YaHs commandments, and there are more than ten plus tithing. Or should we throw out tithing since it isn't part of the ten? I don't understand the arrogance of picking and choosing which laws to keep, like it's a buffet. There is one Law for all! One Messiah for all! One unified people for the Kingdom! YaH doesn't show partiality to any man. He shows favor to those who love and obey Him. He gives to each according to their capacity. Yes He blesses those who bless Abraham. Yes as gentiles we can be grafted into Israel. **We should not behave like the adopted child who shows up and says none of the rules apply to me unless I say so.** Torah much like physics applies to every one, set in place by the Creator! It's really magnificent! There is neither Jew nor Greek; **for we are all one in Messiah! We are a mixed multitude that love Him; and He has one law for us all!**

Galatians 3:28 “There is neither Jew nor Greek...for you are all one in Messiah YaHusha!”

Romans 8:15 “...you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, **Abba! Father!”**

Ephesians 1:5 “He predestined us to adoption as sons through YaHusha Ha Mashiach to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will.”

Exodus 12:38 “And a mixed multitude also went up with them...”

Numbers 9:16 “There is to be one law and one ordinance for you and for the alien who sojourns with you.”

Romans 3:31"“Do we nullify the Law by Faith? No, on the contrary! We establish the law!"

Romans 6:1,2 “What shall we say then? Are we to continue in lawlessness that grace might increase? May it never be! How shall we who died to sin still live in it?"

We are not to continue in lawlessness. We are suppose to die to lawlessness, and live for the law!

Romans 6:14 "Lawlessness shall not be master over you, for you are not under law, but under grace. 15 What then? Shall we break YaHs law because we are not under law but under grace? No! May it never be!"

Don't allow lawlessness to be our master! Even though we are under grace and not under the law; we still need to keep the law!

Romans 6:16 “...you are a slave to the one you obey, either lawlessness resulting in death, or the law resulting in righteousness.”

You are either a slave to lawlessness resulting in death, or you are a slave to the law resulting in life!

I John 3:4 “Sin is breaking YaHs law.”

Even the New Testament clearly speaks of the law not being done away with, and of sin being defined as breaking YaHs law. We can even find in the passage from Jeremiah 31 the New Covenant being clearly defined as having the Law written upon our hearts!

Jeremiah 31:31,33 “...I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah...I will put My law within them and on their

heart I will write it..."

I Corinthians 7:19 "...what really matters is keeping the commandments of YaH!"

Paul may be hard to understand sometimes and sometimes outright confusing! But sometimes he is clear as day when it comes to keeping the law, which we know he did himself, probably better than any of us do.

If we only honor the ten commandments and throw out the rest of YaHs commandments, then we need to realize that there is a lot of commandments in the New Testament that are not in the ten commandments! Mark10:19 YaHUsa said, "Do not defraud" that's Leviticus 19:13 or Love your neighbor that's Leviticus 19:18 or homosexuality that's Leviticus 18:22 or tithing... the list goes on and on, if we do this then we are guilty of taking away from the Word of YaH, and YaH warns us not to do this in Deuteronomy 4:2.

So tell me, do you think Christianity is promoting lawlessness when they say it's okay not to keep YaHs appointed times (Leviticus 23 calls His Holidays commandments forever); or not to keep the Sabbath (which is the 7th day of the week Saturday, not the first day of the week Sunday); or that it's okay to eat pork and shrimp (Leviticus 11 says don't eat pork or shrimp). Are they promoting lawlessness when they cut down the Christmas tree and bring it into the house to decorate it? Jeremiah ten specifically tells us not to do this age old custom of Christmas! **I think anyone who does such things and so teaches others is promoting lawlessness according to the Scriptures.** Instead of teaching the difference between the holy and the profane; they claim the profane is holy and have forgotten that which is holy.

I Peter 1:25 "The Word of YaH abides forever." Word means utterance, command, instruction, speech. Torah which is where the word law comes from means instructions or the teachings of the Father on how to please Him and be holy and clean.

If Paul changed YaHs law then why are we following Paul? Paul didn't

change YaHs Laws, neither did YaHUsa. Their writings have been misinterpreted as though they did change His law. I go by this rule of thumb, **if my New Testament interpretation is contrary to the Old Testament then my interpretation is wrong!**

Ephesians 2:20 “And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, YaHUsa ha Mashiach Himself being the chief corner stone.”

The foundation is the prophets whom gave the law and if you take away the foundation the whole building falls.

Galatians 3:15-18 “15 Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto.

16 Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.

17 And this I say, that **the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.**

18 For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise.”

One covenant builds on top of another, a new covenant doesn't nullify a previous covenant of YaH otherwise there would be no covenant with Abraham for us to be grafted into, for the Law would have voided that out since it came afterwards!

Hebrews 10:26,28 “If we go on willfully breaking YaHs law after receiving the knowledge of the truth (the law is truth), there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins 28 Anyone who has set aside the Law of Moses dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses.”

Once we come to knowledge of the Torah we are held to a higher level of accountability. Boy I sure would hate to have to be a witness against somebody who willfully sets aside YaHs laws.

I John 2:4-7 "The one who says I have come to know Him and does not keep His commandments is a liar and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps His word in him the love of YaH has truly been perfected. By this we know that we are in Him: **the one who says he abides in Him should himself to walk the same manner as He walked....**the old commandment is the word.

I want to walk the way YaHUsa did. He kept the whole Law. And He even said in Matthew 5:17-19 That He didn't come to abolish the law...who ever annuls and teaches others to annul the law will be least...whoever keeps and teaches others to keep the Law will be great in the Kingdom of Heaven.- So we are simply fulfilling the great commission of Matthew 5:19; when we keep and teach the Law just as YaHUsa did! YaHUsa kept Torah perfectly, we should strive to walk in lawfulness.

As I search the scriptures it becomes more and more evident that the Law is in no way done away with. And as a believer in YaHUsa ha Mashiach I want to obey Him and keep His commandments and I don't have the authority to say these apply today, but those don't. So I must by all means do my best to keep the whole law. Am I saved by that? No, but it's the process of sanctification according to Romans six and the rest of Scripture. And there is a righteousness that comes from keeping the commandments.

Psalm 19:7 "The Law of is perfect in converting the soul."

Psalm 119:142 "Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, And Thy Law is Truth!" That would make YaHUsa the Law since He said He is the way the truth and the life; and the law is the truth! In the beginning was the Word (that's YaHUsa, and that's the Law); if we walk in willful blatant disobedience to the Law I think we will be in for a surprise when we are relying on YaHUsa to ignore that; for He is the Law.

Psalm 119:172 Thy commandments are righteousness.

I John 3:7 Don't be deceived, the one who practices righteousness (the law) is righteous just as He is righteous. The one who practices sin

(breaking YaHs Law) is of the devil.

So when they speak of good fruit that last, and being able to know them by their fruit; because men are like trees! If the fruit is lawless works they will be burned up in the fire. If the fruit is good and lawful it should make it through the fire and be rewarded. I need grace, I need the blood of Yahusha, I need His righteousness imputed to me. But I'll not use that as a license to break Yahs law (Romans 6:1). I must practice righteousness (the law), will I fail? Yes, but I'll not use that as an excuse to willfully sin (break Yahs law). I will stumble, I need more grace. My desire is to please the Father and not to break His heart with my attitude, actions, or speech. And this is achieved by walking in obedience and having a repented, humble heart. My prayer for years was like Davids cry in Psalm 119:29.

I Corinthians 3:13 “Each mans work will become evident! For the day will show it, because it is to be revealed with fire; and the fire itself will test the quality of each mans work. If any mans work which he has built upon it remains, he shall receive a reward. If any mans work is burned up, he shall suffer loss; but he himself shall be saved, yet so as through fire!”

Psalm 119:29 “Remove the false way from me, and graciously grant me Thy law.”

As you can see, the prayer worked, because the false way I was living and thinking it was the truth; well it's been exposed! Now I am trying to warn people of the way which seems right to a man (mans pagan traditions) but leads to death! And this light shed on these pagan traditions came from keeping the law, at least in my case! I love Psalm 119; David speaks of His love for the Law and it touches the heart. **Psalm 119:130 “The unfolding of Thy words gives light; It gives understanding to the simple.”** More light please! I can tell you the way is so narrow that few find it and even fewer walk it. Truth is like gold hidden under muddy waters; seek it while it may be found. **Quote by Jason Bright in Light of the Intellect by Abraham Abulafia page 30 “In the end of days, there will be a yearning for divine**

wisdom, but because of the breaches in the spiritual barriers, the true knowledge will be hard to find. This reflects the dual nature of spiritual knowledge: it is both a source of illumination and a potential source of confusion; depending on how it is approached and understood.”

Chapter 9

“Are you Defiled?”

Did the Apostle Paul change YaHs laws? If so, which ones? Did he change the Sabbath from Saturday to Sunday, or did he change the laws on clean and unclean animals we eat, did he change the commanded appointed times of YaH like Sabbath, Sukkot, Yom Teruah, Passover? Did Paul really change YaHs laws? If he did, then I challenge you as to why are you following Paul? But I assure you that Paul didn't change YaHs laws, in fact he kept them; and he told gentiles to keep them. **The only change that has happened is that mainstream Christianity interprets Paul's Epistles as though he did change YaHs law! Now that is false interpretation.** We need to get back to observe, interpret, and apply. You need to search the Scriptures for yourself; don't take my word for it; or somebody else's word for it; take YaHs Word for it! Be like the Bereans in **Acts 17 as they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily, to see whether these things were so.** A good rule of thumb to go by is if your New Testament interpretation doesn't line up with the Old Testament, then your interpretation is no good. Why? Because the Old Testament is the foundation **Ephesians 2:20**; if you remove the foundation of Christianity then it will collapse!

II Corinthians 6:14-7:1

“14 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: **for what fellowship hath righteousness with lawlessness?** and what communion hath light with darkness?

15 And what concord hath Messiah with Belial? Or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

16 And what agreement hath the temple of YaH with idols? For ye are the temple of the living Elohim; as YaH hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their Elohim, and they shall be my people.

17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith YaHUAH, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,

18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters,

saith YaHUAH El Shaddai.”

Verse 14 Is Paul promoting lawlessness? Is Paul saying let's just keep these ten commandments plus tithing?

People are so scared of being put under the law. But just because you are under grace, doesn't mean you have a license to sin. Sin is breaking the law. So being under grace doesn't set you free from the law.

John 8:32 “You shall know the truth (law), and the truth (law) shall make you free.” Keeping the law sets you free from sin. Breaking the law puts you in bondage to sin. **Psalm 119:142 “Thy Law is truth!”**

You need to respond to YaHs grace, just like Abraham did. That response requires you learning YaHs ways and keeping them! You don't get adopted to live like a heathen. You get adopted in order to adopt YaHs ways. It's our job to learn YaHs ways and how we are supposed to be holy and clean Jeremiah 12:16,17.

Jeremiah 12:16,17.

“14 Thus saith YaHUAH against all mine evil neighbors, that touch the inheritance which I have caused my people Israel to inherit; Behold, I will pluck them out of their land, and pluck out the house of Judah from among them.

15 And it shall come to pass, after that I have plucked them out I will return, and have compassion on them, and will bring them again, every man to his heritage, and every man to his land.

16 And it shall come to pass, if they will diligently learn the ways of my people, to swear by my name, YaHUAH liveth; as they taught my people to swear by Baal; **then shall they be built in the midst of my people.**

17 But if they will not obey, I will utterly pluck up and destroy that nation, saith YaHUAH.”

YaH loves so much He accepts us just as we are, but He loves us too much to leaves us that way; in fact because of His love for us, we should love Him too much to stay in our own ways! Respond to His grace by your faith and

works. You say what works; I say the works of the law; **Acts 15:20,21** a slow process of sanctification, they will go to the Synagogue on Shabbat and they will learn the Torah.

II Corinthians 7:1

“1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness (defilement) of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of YaH.”

Paul is promoting the law and to not even touch that which is unclean. Paul is telling us to cleanse ourselves from all defilement inside and outside and to be holy!

Defilement Filthiness; the act of defilement produced by the body (adultery, fornication, eating unclean animals, getting drunk); to make common; to stain as with another color; moral defilement; defilement of the conscience or mind; defilement by the effects of an evil tongue; the vices of the ungodly which contaminate a person in his intercourse with the world.

Perfecting Holiness This is a process of sanctification, and it's slow. YaH loves us so much He accepts us just as we are, but He loves us too much to leave us that way. We need to learn His instruction and keep it; and remove from our lives the things that are sinful and defile us. But you don't learn this overnight; it takes time; you have to unlearn unholy behavior and learn holy behavior. This is a process of sanctification. YaH cleansing you and teaching you His ways so you can keep them and be holy.

I think Paul is saying don't make common and clean that which is unclean! Don't defile yourself with unclean animals; or animals sacrificed to idols, or idolatry, or false doctrine; false interpretations; or with your tongue; or morally, consciously, mentally. Instead have the mind of Messiah and walk like Messiah walked; did YaHusha keep the commandments? Didn't YaHusha say if you love me, then you'll keep the commandments?

What is Clean and What is Holy? We know that we are supposed to be holy, Yes! But do we know how to be holy? Be holy in your thoughts; taking them captive unto obedience to Messiah. Have the same mind or attitude that YaHUsa had. Did you know there is explicit instruction from YaH on things that are holy and unholy or profane; and the clean and the unclean?

Leviticus 11:44-47

44 For I am the LORD your God: ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy; for I am holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

45 For I am the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: ye shall therefore be holy, for I am holy.

46 This is the law of the beasts, and of the fowl, and of every living creature that moveth in the waters, and of every creature that creepeth upon the earth:

47 To make a difference between the unclean and the clean, and between the beast that may be eaten and the beast that may not be eaten.

So Scripture is saying don't defile yourself with certain animals. There are clean animals meant to be eaten; and there are unclean animals not meant to be eaten by humans. This is the law on clean and unclean animals. This means the Father cares about what you eat and you can be physically and spiritually defiled and unclean because of what you eat. We can be sanctified and set apart by what we choose not to eat.

Leviticus 20:7,8,25,26

7 Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye holy: for I am YaHUAH your Elohim. 8 **And ye shall keep my statutes, and do them: I am YaHUAH which sanctify you.** 25 Ye shall therefore put difference between clean beasts and unclean, and between unclean fowls and clean: and **ye shall not make your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or by any manner of living thing that creepeth on the ground, which I have separated from you as unclean.**

26 And ye shall be holy unto me: for I YaHUAH am holy, and have severed you from other people, that ye should be mine.

He sanctifies us, when we sanctify ourselves by keeping His commandments. And once again clean and unclean having to do with edible and non-edible animals.

Leviticus 23 A permanent statute is a commandment forever!

Ezekiel 22:26

“26 Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they showed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them.”

Psalm 119:172 “Let my tongue sing of Thy word, for all Thy commandments are righteousness.”

To be holy is to act and think different from the un-regenerated man. YaHUsa isn't a religion. He is the beginning of change in your life to go from the unclean and profane to learn how to live, act and think as holy and clean according to YaHs instruction. YaHUsa is the beginning of learning to love; learning instruction, and being filled with the power of YaH in order to conquer sin and evil.

Matthew 5:17-19

17 Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill.

18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

19 Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

The Messiah didn't come to destroy the law or the prophets! Heaven and earth are still here so **not one piece of the law has been done away with!** I

consider verse nineteen to be **the great commission: “Whoever shall keep and teach the law shall be great in the Kingdom.”**

John 14:15,21

15 If ye love Me, keep My commandments. 21 He that hath My commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me: and he that loveth Me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest Myself to him.

Think about this for a second: Did YaHUsa change YaHs law? No He didn't, He did summarize them though by grouping them together take the ten commandments for example; the first four deal with YaH and the last six deal with man; YaHUsa summarized them by saying Love YaH first with all that is in you, and Love your neighbor as yourself . **If we love Him the fruit should be lawful. Can you use lawless fruit to bring people into the kingdom?** That was the question I posed my former pastor about celebrating Easter! **The answer is yes! Yes you can catch people with a lie but in order to keep them you will have to keep feeding them lies!** If the Truth isn't attractive to people, then maybe we are attracting the wrong people.

How long will we walk in disobedience to His instruction and continue to tell others that we are His children? How long will YaH put up with that?

Are we defiling ourselves with sin (lawlessness)? Are we defiling ourselves with our speech, thoughts, actions, pride, lust, greed, anger, doubt, fear, unbelief. **We need to take every thought captive into obedience to Torah!** Are we defiling ourselves with unclean animals? Are we defiling ourselves by not keeping the correct Sabbath day properly? After all it's the Catholic Church who changed the Sabbath from Saturday to Sunday, not YaH! Are we defiling ourselves by not keeping YaHs Holidays? Are we defiling ourselves by keeping man made holidays that look good but are actually rooted in paganism and idolatry. Are we defiling ourselves with the unrighteous and unholiness behavior of the world? Are we watching, listening, partaking of the filth of the world; or are we coming out from amongst the unrighteous and those practicing sinful lawless habits? Are you defiling yourself with self

righteousness by thinking that you can actually keep the law and be without sin? No man can keep the law in full, but the law does teach us what is righteous and how we are to behave. The law teaches us what is clean and unclean; and what is holy and what is unholy. In fact Psalms tells us that the law is righteousness. We are not to defile ourselves with lawlessness! We are not to defile ourselves with self-righteousness either. We are all sinners, and coming to YaH requires you to recognize your sins (lawless acts) and turn from them, and live according to His instruction.

For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of YaH. He extends His love to us and says put Him first, acknowledge Him in all your ways, be honest with YaH for He knows everything anyway!

Chapter 10

“Abstain From Lawlessness”

II Timothy 2:14-26

“14 Of these things put them in remembrance, charging them before YaHUAH that they strive not about words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers.

15 Study to show thyself approved unto Eloah, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

16 But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness.

17 And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus;

18 Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some.

19 Nevertheless the foundation of YaH standeth sure, having this seal, Adonai knoweth them that are His. And, **Let every one that nameth the name of Messiah depart from iniquity (strongs #453 lawlessness).**

20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour.

21 If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.

22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on Adonai out of a pure heart.

23 But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.

24 And the servant of Adonai must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient,

25 In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if YaH peradventure will give them **repentance to the acknowledging of the truth (law);**

26 And that they may come to their senses and escape out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.”

“Cleanse Yourself from Lawlessness”

Verse 15 Being approved by YaH is what we should all be striving for, and the only way to get there is to study the Word of YaH.

Verse 16 What does worldly and empty chatter lead to? Ungodliness or lawlessness.

Verse 18 Men who have gone away from the truth

The Resurrection isn't really a big issue today. Unless you start talking about the rapture, which I won't delve into here. Although I do think the rapture lie created by John Darby in late 1800's will lead to the Apostasy, Great Falling Away! The truth I am concerned with today that mean have gone astray from is lawlessness. The truth is the law isn't done away with, neither are His Holidays or Calendar; and unfortunately the church doesn't teach the law nor the difference between the clean and unclean or profane and kadosh. As a result the discernment level in believers in America today is non existent! They have desperate need of learning the elementary principles of Torah!

When studying YaHs word we must be careful in how we handle the truth which is the Torah. We don't want to add to or take away from it. **Today there are two main issues in the church and doctrine that causes people to go away from the truth? I think these are the two main areas.**

1. We take the **traditions of man** and **mix them with the true worship** of the One, True, Living Elohim. We only know pagan traditions like Christmas and Easter and Lint. We are deceived into thinking they honor YaH when they do not! We don't even know about the Creators Calendar and Holidays that are actually commanded for believers to keep! Unrecognizable Idolatry, Camouflaged Paganism. I assure you the Father recognizes it for what it is; you need to do the same! There is a way which seems right to a man but leads to death!

2. The Law is a Buffet. Making the Torah basically irrelevant. We pick and choose what we want to keep out of the Law. It's all about grace, just say this little prayer and continue in your sins and your saved. **Lawlessness. Or worse we won't change our customs and traditions for the commandments of YaH.**

Verse 19 This is the firm foundation of YaH, “Let him who names the name of Adonai abstain from lawlessness!

Strong's G93 Not being right with YaH or Man. Wickedness, iniquity, or unrighteousness. Abstain from iniquity, wickedness, from unrighteousness. **A synonym of G458 meaning lawlessness.**

I John 5:17 “All lawlessness is sin...”

I John 3:4 Sin is Lawlessness.

Verse 20 Are you a vessel of honor or dishonor?

I've come to this conclusion: you can be used by YaH and YaH can let His anointing flow through you and you can be a vessel of dishonor.

How else does YaH use lawless people to speak to others?

So just because YaH uses you to speak to someone, don't think your self high and mighty! You could still be a vessel for dishonor. Didn't YaH use a Donkey to speak to Balaam? I'll bet the anointing was pouring off that Donkey! Remember YaH can use anything or anyone He chooses to use!

Verse 21 Cleanse your self from what things? What's he talking about here? Cleanse yourself from iniquity, unrighteousness, wickedness, lawlessness! **He is saying cleanse yourself from Lawlessness!**

And you'll be a vessel for honor; sanctified. **The law isn't a means of salvation; but it is a means of Sanctification;** since righteousness can be counted to you for keeping the commandments of YaH and faith or believing in YaHs Word! As we have clearly seen with Abraham faith preceded his circumcision. Also with John the baptist parents in Luke 1:6 “And they were

both righteous in the sight of YaH, walking blamelessly in all the commandments and requirements of Adonai.”

Sanctification is the process of getting your walk and your ways in line with YaHs Word, His Ways, His Law, His Instruction!

Sanctification in Vines Dictionary means the separation of the believer from evil things and ways. Separation from what? Separation **from traditions of men that are pagan and lawless because it's idolatry**. It cannot be transferred or imputed, it is an individual possession, built up, little by little, as the result of obedience to the Word of YaH.

What's YaHs Word? I John 2:7 “Beloved, I am not writing a new commandment to you, but an old commandment which you have had from the beginning; **the old commandment is the Word, which you have heard.**”

I Thessalonians 4:3 “**For this is the will of YaH, your sanctification; that you abstain from fornication.**” This is the same word used in Acts 15:20. Strong's G4202 fornication. This word is more than sex. This word is spiritual harlotry, idolatry. You celebrating Christmas is like you sleeping with the enemy; it makes you a spiritual whore. The word is referring to idolatry which is exactly what all the holidays of man are.

This is YaHs will. So you see the difference between Salvation; where YaHUsa imputes His righteousness to you because He paid your fine for you, and sanctification where it is the process of learning YaHs instructions and obeying it!

This is why James said in **Acts 15:21** “**Go to the synagogue on Shabbat and learn the law of Moses!**” And he was referring to the gentile believers in YaHUsa going to learn Torah, but until then at the very least abstain from Idolatry!

Unfortunately we have church leaders today passing off holidays of man as something good to be celebrated. Why do non believers, Atheists, people

who hate god celebrate Christmas and Easter? Because it's a pagan event that was mixed with some truth about the Creator and His Son. Catholicism mixed the two together and told believers to not keep Torah or Shabbat. John Foxes "Book of Martyrs" covers the history well. I refer to our man made holidays as camouflaged paganism. They are idolatrous in the eyes of the Creator. Even if they don't mean that to you, I assure you they are idolatrous in the bible. **We are commanded not to learn the way of the pagans and keep their holidays, and yet we are applauded for doing just that by the majority. Go against the majority and don't keep our Gregorian Calendar with it's pagan holidays; and actually keep the Creators Calendar with His commanded Holidays and you will find out just how narrow the path actually is! Not only do only a few find it, but I have discovered that even fewer walk in it!**

Verse 22 What is righteousness? **Psalm 119:172 "All Thy commandments are righteousness."**

Vines definition of righteousness is this: whatever has been appointed by YaH to be acknowledged and obeyed by man. Can we say the instructions of YaH!

Verse 25 We are to **correct those in opposition** with gentleness. I know how difficult it is for one to get their head around this issue of our lives are a lie and all the holidays and calendar we keep is for naught, in fact it's worse it's sin, it's lawlessness. And there are Holidays of YaH that we don't know about that are actually commandments meant for us to keep. YaH has His own calendar, and we have no knowledge of it. Yes it's a lot to swallow, but better to turn from sin than to keep living in it and claiming you are free!

Who is in opposition? Unsaved, the lawless, the Preachers of lawlessness; or Preachers and keepers of parts of the Law that appeal to them, but not actually keepers of the whole law. Can we say Christians!

Repentance in Hebrew is Teshuva and it means turn from your wicked lawless ways and turn to the truth of YaHs ways!

Verse 26 Who is they? I believe he's talking about the lawless; men who have gone astray from the truth. The devil has a will and he has held some captive to do his will. We need to pray that they come to their senses and do all we can to speak the truth in love and correct them with gentleness. Don't be arrogant, you never know when you are going to find out your wrong and living a lie!

What is dulling their senses? A lack of knowledge of the truth. The Chumash (Rabbinical commentary on Torah) says when a man eats unclean animals even his spiritual discernment is dulled! YaHs people perish for a lack of knowledge of His Torah!

II Thessalonians 2:1-12

“1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Adonai , and by **our gathering together unto him**,

2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Messiah is at hand.

3 Let no man deceive you by any means: **for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first**, and that man of sin (lawlessness) be revealed, the son of perdition;

4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called YaH, or that is worshipped; so that he as YaH sitteth in the temple of YaH, showing himself that he is YaH.

5 Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?

6 And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.

7 **For the mystery of iniquity doth already work:** only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

9 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,

10 **And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness (lawlessness) in them** that perish; **because they received not the love of the truth**, that they might be saved.

11 **And for this cause YaH shall send them strong delusion, that they**

should believe a lie:

12 That they all might be damned who believed not the truth (the law), but had pleasure in unrighteousness (lawlessness)."

Verse 7 The mystery of lawlessness! Lawlessness is already at work!

Lawlessness is the underlying plan of the devil. The devil is in the desensitizing business. It started with desensitizing people to not keeping the Sabbath, and the rest of YaHs appointed times, and eventually it will encompass the whole Law. You might be thinking to yourself no way, never. But I'll bet that's what Paul and the rest of the apostles thought about the appointed times of YaH!

Verse 10 With every deception of what? Lawlessness!

Why will they be deceived with lawlessness? Because they didn't receive the love of the truth (law)!

They loved not the Truth (Law)!

Verse 11 For this reason YaH sends a deluding influence upon them, so they might believe what is false.

So they believe a lie! Is Christmas a lie? Is Easter a Lie?

Is Lawlessness a lie? Is not keeping the Sabbath a lie? Is not keeping the Appointed Times (Holidays) of YaH a lie? Is it a lie that it's okay to eat pork and shrimp?

If it's in the bible, especially the Old Testament then you need to obey it!

Obey YaHs instructions to you! Don't obey me or my instructions, if they are different from YaHs! Obey YaH! Keep Torah! **Cleanse yourself from lawlessness!**

What is dulling their senses? A Strong Delusion, a deluding influence And that delusion is that lawlessness is okay!

Delusion leads you away from obedience, while thinking you are obedient.

Verse 12 Believe means to have enough faith in too trust and obey. **They refused to believe the Law as the Truth but rather took pleasure in wickedness or lawlessness.** They refuse to stop keeping their traditions of men full of idolatry. They refuse to acknowledge the calendar and Holidays of YaH. They reject the truth and take pleasure not only in idolatry but applaud others for doing so as well. And if you keep the commandments of YaH they shun you, while claiming to be the light, the truth, and the way. I have been rejected by family, loved ones, pastors, rabbis; labeled as a cult. All for keeping and teaching the law of YaH. The sons of darkness like to appear as sons of light, beware!

Chapter 11

“Too Keep or Not too Keep the Law”

John 8:31-34

“31 Then said YaHUsa to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;
32 And ye shall know the truth (law), and the truth (law) shall make you free.
33 They answered him, We be Abraham's seed, and were never in bondage to any man: how sayest thou, **Ye shall be made free?**
34 Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, **Whosoever committeth sin (lawlessness) is the servant of sin (lawlessness).**
35 And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth ever.
36 If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.”

Verse 31 Who is YaHUsa talking too? Believers!

He says if you abide in His Word; then your mine! **What is His Word?**

YaHs Word is His Law. YaHs Word created our existing laws of nature, like gravity, reproduction. YaH is completely full of integrity – His Word is for sure and forever. And His Word changes not! His Torah is for all mankind made in His image! We choose to either be sons of light or sons of darkness; sons of obedience or sons of disobedience!

Isaiah 40:8 “...The Word of our Elohim stands forever.”

His law is going nowhere it stands forever!

John 1:1 tells us that in the beginning was the Word...

So when YaHUsa says, **abide in My Word what is He really talking about?** Is He talking about the things He is saying, or is He talking about the Law, the Torah, the instruction of YaH given to man in the beginning. **He is literally saying “Keep Torah”.** I believe He is talking about both which are really one in the same, the Law and what He is saying. YaHUsa only reaffirmed, reinstated the Laws of YaH. YaHUsa didn't do away with the Laws and instructions of the Father because He kept them. That would be

like me saying, “**I’m going to keep the law so you don’t have too, after all my dad is the judge and He made all the laws; and if I keep them then that abolishes them!**” WHAT – that makes no sense. The law applies to all of us whether we are YaHs children or not! And YaH does not change, nor does His Son, nor does His Word/Law. And His law will be written on our heart in the new covenant according to Jeremiah 31:31. His law will go forth from Zion during the Millennial Reign!

Isaiah 2:2-4

“...it will come about that in the last days, the mountain of the house of YaHUAH will be established as the chief of the mountains...and many peoples will come and say, Come let us go up to the mountain of YaHUAH to the house of the Elohim of Yacov; **that He may teach us concerning His ways, and that we may walk in His paths. For the Law will go forth from Zion and the Word of YaHUAH from Jerusalem** and He will judge between the nations...”

Verse 31 I believe it is safe to say here that if you keep the Law, then you are His disciples! **YaHs Word is His Law!**

What is a disciple? Someone who imitates, emulates their mentor to the point where you can see the mentor in the disciple! Can people see YaHUsa in us, do they see us and see a peculiar people, the bride of Messiah. Hebrew people don’t recognize us as the bride of the Messiah; and they know better than most what the bride should look like! Our lawlessness is a big reason the Jews don’t see Yeshua as the Messiah. The Jews see us as pagan, idolatrous people and rightly so, Christianity is lawless.

Verse 32 What is knowing? Knowing isn’t just understanding or having knowledge of; it’s more intimate than that, it’s actual experience from doing it; hands on – you know it because you’ve done it- you’ve lived it. **Knowing is doing. Knowing intimately doing something. Here the Messiah means You shall know Torah and it shall set you free from lawlessness.**

What is Truth? Psalm 119:142 Thy Law is truth!

So you shall know, understand, do, keep the law and the law shall make you free! Keeping the law sets you free from breaking the law!

If I sound like a broken record with some of these verses, it's because repetition is a key ingredient in learning! I write books not only to help others with Kingdom understanding, but by writing it helps me to learn the material even better! A great read on teaching is the seven laws of the learner by Bruce Wilkinson. Bruce, even though a Christian, is one of my favorite authors.

The Messiah is not in the business in setting you free from sin to go and sin. The very thing he told the adulterous woman was to go and sin no more! No more lawlessness!!!

Hebrews 1:9 “The Messiah hates lawlessness!”

Most of us think of keeping the law as being legalistic; and the thought of being under the law has a nasty connotation to it! But this is the desensitizing work of the devil, that has been in place for nearly 2,000 years!

Keeping the law doesn't put you in bondage to sin (lawlessness), it actually sets you free from sin (lawlessness)! You shall know the truth (the law) and the truth (the law) shall set you free from lawlessness!

Had it not been for the Law I would have never known our traditions were loaded with idolatry. Come on people there is a commandment not to bring the tree into your house, set it up, decorate it! DID YOU HEAR ME? THERE IS A COMMANDMENT NOT TO BRING THE CHRISTMAS TREE INTO YOUR HOME!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Just read Jeremiah ten if you really don't believe me. And you thought Jesus being born was the reason for the season. What a lie! Be careful! You may have noticed I don't used the J word. There is a reason for my season! The etymology of the word says it means hail Zeus.

Verse 33 This group is self righteous. They are basically saying to Yeshua

that they are without sin.

Verse 34 What is sin?

I John 3:4 “Sin is Lawlessness.”

So everyone who breaks the law is a slave of sin!

What is the Law? YaHs instruction on how to be set apart, given through Moses, and there is more than just ten plus tithing people! READ IT and OBEY!

I John 3:7 “Let no one deceive you; the one who practices righteousness (the commandments of YaH) is righteous, and the one who practices sin (breaking the law) is of the devil!”

What is righteousness? **Psalm 119:172 “Thy Law is Righteousness!”**

We are **SAVED BY GRACE**; but that is the starting line not the finish line. We need to learn how to be holy and righteous and live according to YaHs ways! That instruction is found in the Law! **Acts 15:21** New believers were to go the synagogue every Shabbat and learn Torah, but in the meantime stay away from idolatry that stems from your traditions of men! Learned behavior, learn how to look like YaHs child! Did the Blood of YaHUsa set you free, so you could return to sin? Should we continue to sin (break the law); so YaHs grace might increase?

Romans 6:1 “What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace might increase? May it never be! How shall we who died to sin still live in it?”

Colossians 2:16,17

“Therefore let no one act as your judge in regard to food (clean animals) or drink or in respect to a festival or a new month or a Sabbath day.

Things which are a mere shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Messiah.”

Paul is speaking to gentiles grafted into Israel and keeping Torah and taking flak for it as I do as well! Remember when Paul says food he is speaking of clean animals. A devout Jew would never refer to pork as food, Paul would never refer to unclean animals as food!!! So he isn't saying it's ok to eat unclean animals and don't let any one judge you for it! **He is commanding them for not eating unclean animals and encouraging them to keep it up by telling them not to let anyone judge them for only eating food (clean animals). He also mentions the Holidays and Calendar of YaH! Don't let anyone judge you for keeping the Sabbath! Don't let anyone judge you for keeping the new month!** Yes four Holidays of YaH land on the beginning of the month; they all have to do with Noah and are all mentioned in Genesis! And no it's not moon, it's correctly translated as month. No where in Scripture does it ever say New Moon in the Hebrew it is always New Month! This little deceit is done to make it look like the lunar calendar is legit when it is not! They translate the word chodesh as moon, but it doesn't mean that nor did it ever! Chodesh means month. The proper Hebrew word for moon is yereach. Rosh means head. You never see rosh yereach in Scripture. You never see the moon referred to as Chodesh except in concordances and dictionaries where the lie is permeated. Do a two letter root word etymology search on both words and the proof is in the pudding. Chodesh means month and Yereach means moon. Chodesh does not mean moon, it's a lie. The Solar Calendar prescribed by YaH is the truth. Science will tell you the going out and coming in of the moon is off by ten days every year. This is why there is a thirteenth month added to the currently used Jewish lunar calendar every few years, it's absurd!

What is a shadow? An outline or blueprint, an image or picture of what is to come. You can learn a lot from a shadow! A taste of what is to come! The Shadow isn't done away with! The Substance is Messiah, He is the Law, shall we do away with Him?

It's so easy to misinterpret Paul's writings for lawlessness! I am beginning to think YaH allowed it in order to separate the sheep from the goats, to differentiate between the weeds and the wheat! There seems to be way more weeds and goats than there is wheat and sheep. But so many people are

deceived into thinking the path they are on is good when it leads to death. Because it's full of hidden idolatry and camouflaged paganism. How is it that Christians can see the idolatry in Catholicism but not in themselves? His people perish for a lack of knowledge of Torah!

There is salvation in no other name than the name of YaHusha. Is salvation different today in the new covenant than before in the old covenant? Absolutely Not! That is Paul's whole argument in His epistles; Abraham believed and it was reckoned to him as righteousness!

Romans 3:31 Do we then nullify the Law through faith? May it never be! On the contrary, we establish the Law!!!

James 2:20-26 Faith without works is dead. We are justified by faith and works. **What Works?** Keeping the Law!

“20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

21 **Was not Abraham our father justified by works**, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?

22 **Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?**

23 And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, **Abraham believed YaH, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness**: and he was called the Friend of YaH.

24 **Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.**

25 Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent them out another way?

26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so **faith without works is dead also.”**

The works of the law is what Paul is referring to. We must let our faith be mixed with knowledge of truth. If we continue in ignorance, idolatry is the end result. We must mix our faith with keeping the Law! We must learn Torah, and instead of advancing we are in need of the elementary principles

of Torah.

If you've not been keeping YaHs Word, YaHs Law and instruction to us. Then you need to repent and keep it! Learning YaHs instruction to us isn't an overnight process, the process of sanctification is a lifelong process. Start by reading His Word and obeying what you read! If it applies to you , then keep it! YaHs Word or Law 6,000 years ago through Enoch, through Moses, or 2,000 years ago through YaHUsa, or today to you, or tomorrow to the next generation, is the same Word, He is YaHUAH, the great I am, who was and is and is to come; and He changes not! We are the ones who need to change and begin looking like the Father who has so graciously adopted us!

Chapter 12

“Pagan Traditions”

It's great to realize that YaHs law isn't done away with! There is so much we miss out on not knowing about His Law; such as Sabbath, four New Months dividing the seasons, The Annual Appointed Times, Tassels, Not eating unclean animals. But there is something else the Torah teaches us! It teaches us that YaH refuses to accept idolatry and paganism in His people. This is problematic for Christianity because there are a lot of pagan traditions rooted in Christianity; just like in Catholicism. Traditions we grew up with are rooted in gross idolatry; and even though they don't mean this to us; they definitely still represent idolatry to the Father and His Son! So we learn that there are commandments we are missing out on! We learn there are things we should be doing but are not taught to do so by the Christian Church! We also learn from Torah not being done away with, that there are things we do that we shouldn't be doing. I like to call it camouflaged paganism! It targets our children! To train them up in lawlessness! I'm talking about the traditions of Christmas, Valentines day, Easter, Thanksgiving, and Halloween. Thanksgiving is an imitation of the fall feasts of YaH, created by Sara Hale. She convinced congress that we needed to imitate keeping the commandments of YaH rather than just keeping them; it's such a farce. It's time to come out of Babylon! It's time to come out of Egypt! It's time to come out of Camouflaged Paganism! It's time to come out of Christianity and enter into the truth of YaHs Law not being Done Away With!!!

Leave behind the pagan traditions rooted in Christianity via Catholicism, one world religion. They have altered YaHs laws! I don't know if it fulfills what it says in Daniel 7:25, but I know they have changed it and we have swallowed it hook line and sinker! They traded His appointed times for their own appointed times they've traded his commandments for their traditions! They've traded the Sabbath the seventh day of the week for their own Sabbath on the first day of the week. They've gotten rid of all His annual Appointed Times that He commands us to keep and they've traded them for their own appointed times of Christmas and Easter and Valentines Day and

Thanksgiving and Halloween and New Years. Deuteronomy 12:29-32 tells us not to learn the way of the pagans and not to worship the Father using that pagan way like Christmas and Easter and Thanksgiving. You know New Years isn't right either! The problem I have with new years is that it isn't the new year, if YaH says it's a new year in spring then who are we to say it's a new year in winter? I'm not trying to contradict the Father. Christianity is based upon lies that render Christians in a state of paganism that is so well camouflaged that the individual is unaware of the pagan origins rooted in their traditions of Christmas and Easter and Thanksgiving, and our entire calendar. Yes our Gregorian calendar is mostly based on paganism! I think our whole system is based of paganism traceable to Babylon and the tower of Babel with Cush, Nimrod, and Semiramis. My goal here is simply more light to properly understand and interpret Scripture. Remember this core principle, if your interpretation of the new testament doesn't line up with the old testament then your interpretation is wrong! All interpretation of New Testament (brit chadasha) must line up with the instruction given to us in the Old Testament (Tanach). If your interpretation doesn't line up with the Torah then your interpretation is wrong , Torah is right! YaHUsa is the Torah!

The law is done away with doctrine has many problems such as it's okay to murder, lie, and steal cause we are not under the law anymore! It promotes lawlessness! Besides YaHUsa is the Law, He is assuredly not done away with!

The problem with the law isn't done away with, is people think you are legalistic, or they call it legalism. They think you are trying to earn salvation. Actually though, we are not talking about earning salvation, but rather the good works or fruit produced as a result of salvation! Salvation comes by faith, but this is the starting point, not the finish line. We need to learn Torah and grow in our relationship of pleasing the Father, finishing stronger in our knowledge of Him and what He likes and who He is; than what we started with.

The Freedom we have in Messiah is not freedom to be lawless, but rather freedom to keep the law even though we stumble.

It's time for the Church to wake up and see the paganism! Not only will we not be keeping Christmas, New Year's Day during winter, Easter, Thanksgiving, Valentines Day, or Halloween in Heaven, or during the millennial reign of Messiah on Earth; But those who do keep them now probably won't be in heaven or the Millennial reign because they are traditions rooted in gross idolatry and unacceptable to the Father! I know that it doesn't mean that to you, but to the Heavenly Father it must mean that because they are not His Holidays (Holy Days). I don't know honestly. I am not here to tell people they are saved or they are not saved. I am trying to rightly divide the scriptures and understand them and apply them to my life. I am not playing church or games. I want truth, and sometimes I wonder just how attainable the truth is. I am walking by faith and few walk with me. I just can't see Abba saying you can't come in you legalistic man; you shouldn't not have kept my Appointed Times, you should have kept your pagan traditions. But I sure can see Him saying depart from me you workers of lawlessness (Mathew 7:23). We all need grace! I hope all will be saved, I desire for none to perish. Christians you need to cross over and become Hebrews! Crossover from paganism to the truth! Crossover from being a gentile to being an Israelite! Colossians 2:8 "See to it that no one take you captive through philosophy and **empty deception according to the tradition of men**, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Messiah". Make sure nobody deceives you and gets you to keep the traditions of man thus violating the commandments of YaH!

The roots of Christianity as it is known today go to Catholicism. The Protestant Church was Protesting the Catholic Church. What exactly was the protest; I don't know but I do know the Catholic Church claims the pope is YaH, and they changed the Sabbath from Saturday to Sunday. Kenneth Copeland officially ended the Catholic Protest or Protestant Church back in the early 2000's. The Catholic Church has its claws very deep into the Christian Church; so deep that modern day Christians don't even realize that their roots are Catholicism and Catholicism roots are Idolatrous. My point is simply this; Christianity today is nothing more than a spin off of the Catholic Church. What emperor Constantine set into place is still in place in the both Catholic and Christian Churches today. They have changed the

Sabbath from the 7th day to the 1st day of the week. They have done away with the Annual Appointed Times of YaH. They have declared all unclean animals as food. They have mixed in pagan worship with the worship of YaH through their traditions such as Christmas and Easter and so on. **All our holidays seem to be imitating the Appointed Times or truth mixed in with lies or with pagan elements or origins.**

New Years Day is a lie on both the Gregorian Calendar and the Jewish Calendar with Rosh Hashanna. If the Father says the New Year begins in the Spring; who are we to disagree? **Exodus 12:2 “This shall be the beginning of months for you it is to be the first month of the year to you.”**

Valentines day is of pagan origin. Valentines day comes from a pagan festival traced back to the Romans called Lupercalia. Lupercalia involved the worship of false fertility gods and sacrifices. **Easter** is an imitation of Passover Unleavened Bread, and First Fruits; it also has Pagan elements like Easter being the name of the goddess of fertility hence the rabbits and eggs. The red egg used at the White House is linked to Semiramis and Tammuz the resurrection of Nimrod. **Halloween** is of Pagan origins. Halloween was brought to us by the Irish during the potato famine in the 1920's. Halloween comes from a Celtic tradition called Samhain which involved animal and human sacrifices to evil spirits. **Thanksgiving** is Imitation Day of the Creators Fall Appointed Times created by Sarah Hale of most recent times, but also there are pagan elements borrowed from a holiday in England known as harvest home or harvest thanksgiving. Sarah Hale saw the Jews celebrating the Fall Feasts of YaH and wanted to have her own holiday. What she failed to understand is that they are not the feast of the Jews as the New Testament so Anti-Semitic puts it! They are the Feasts of YaHUaH and they are commandments not suggestions. They are not to be copied or imitated; they are simply to be kept at their appointed time! **Christmas** of course has truth mixed with lies, but mostly lies. The truth is the Messiah did come as YaH in the Flesh born from Mariam at the prophesied time. Jews altered their calendar by some 164 years to prove YaHUsa wasn't Messiah, but this leaves people also thinking there is more time than there is and His second advent will catch them off guard! There is no commandment to celebrate the birth of Messiah unless maybe the Feast of Trumpets alludes to

a day of celebration without knowing the reason of the celebration; that's not completely true cause **Jubilees 6:26** says it's "**A Day of Remembrance of when the mouths of the depths of the earth were opened to take in the flood waters.**" So now we know the reason of the celebration. I personally think Messiah was born on Feast of Trumpets but most say it was during Sukkot for He became flesh and tabernacled amongst us! **Proverbs 14:12** "**There is a way which seems right to a man, but leads to death.**" This is exactly how I view mans holidays. By the way holidays means holy days. We cannot say our holidays are holy, only YaHs Holidays are truly Kodesh. I don't even care for the word Holy, etymology says it's linked to false deity holly; deck the halls with boughs of holly; the holly tree can be linked to all sorts of false deities.

Ask yourself why do non believers celebrate Christmas? Why do non believers celebrate all the a fore mentioned holidays? These holidays are man made but we grow up with them and are sentimentally attached to them, and it's hard for us to see them as pagan or idolatry, but that's exactly what they are. We need to ask what do they mean to the Creator, this is what matters most! We can be sincere, but sincerely wrong. He is looking at the heart to discern our sincerity, but we need knowledge to get our sincerity on the right path. We perish with a lack of knowledge of the truth, we mix truth with lies and worship YaH, when He wants truth without lies; we must worship in Spirit and Truth! Stop Clinging to the Past Traditions! Stop clinging to idolatry! No idolaters enter the Kingdom of YaH! Be Born Again! If anyone be in Messiah, he is a new creation, the old calendar and holidays are past away and the Creators Calendar and Holidays are new to me! My own spin on that verse of course!

YaHs Holidays are permanent commandments, permanent statutes is used of them in Leviticus 23 multiple times! I think His Calendar and Holidays will be kept through all eternity, you mine as well get on board now! Keep His ways and remove the false ways! You will be the peculiar one! You will be on the narrow path, that few find and fewer follow! The world has no problem celebrating the man made holidays. The world doesn't like it if you go against the norm and don't celebrate them. The world doesn't even know

about the Creators Holidays or Calendar. We need discernment, may the Father remove the false way from us. The False way seems like the right way but leads to death! Non believers keep these man made holidays because they are of the world and can not discern spiritual matters. Believers need to grow up and start learning Torah. Once I discovered that the Law was not done away with, my eyes were opened to seeing all the lawlessness, paganism, and idolatry in my own life.

Romans 12:2 “Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind...” (according to the Scriptures).

Colossians 2:8 “See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to the Messiah!”

And If YaHusha were here today He would most likely say the same thing to the Churches of today that He said to the Pharisees (Prushim) of His day- “Why do you transgress the commandments of YaH for the sake of your traditions?”

Catholic means broad or wide ranging; having sympathies with all; broad minded; liberal; universal; involving all; of interest to all; pertaining to the whole Christian Church. Sounds to me like the Christian Church is a close spin off of the Catholic Church and this Church is going to be the Universal Church or the One World religious Facility! At least by definition! Many theologians have the Anti-Messiah, or the false prophet of Revelation 13 and 19, being the Pope!

There is definitely no commandment to celebrate the traditions of men. They all seem to be linked to paganism and idolatry from their origins. Yes we have mixed them with our modern society and clothed paganism with camouflage. But underneath the facade they are idolatrous practices and can not be pleasing to the Creator. The Creator has Holidays we are to keep, as commanded, and these traditions of men are not them. You may not see the paganism and idolatry in them, but if you take the time to look and repent and ask the Father to remove the false way from you; He may just give you light to see.

Chapter 13

“Come out of Babylon”

We live in a society that is completely full of traditions and customs inherited from Babylon. The Scripture instructs us to come out of Babylon lest we participate in her sins and receive of her plagues.

Daniel 2:31-45

Daniel interpreted a dream of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon. The dream was of a statue that represented the 4 kingdoms that would rule this world.

The head of the statue was Babylon, and after Babylon a second kingdom inferior to Babylon arose, and then a third kingdom which ruled over all the earth. Most scholars interpret the second kingdom as Medo-Persia, and the third kingdom as Greece.

Alexander the Great was the head of Greece and when he died the kingdom of Greece was split up by 4 different rulers; one of those rulers was Antiochus Epiphanies and that is where the story of Hanukkah comes into play as Antiochus sacked Jerusalem and sacrificed swine upon the Altar at the Temple Mount. Antiochus made it law that no one should keep Torah and if you got caught keeping Torah you would die for it.

The fourth kingdom is thought by most to be Rome, and I would agree. The Roman Catholic Church has traditions and customs that they use to try and worship YaH with that can be traced back to Babylon. Christianity is completely full of customs and traditions that come from Catholicism. Christianity at its root is really just Catholicism. All Catholics are Christians. Christianity does separate itself from Catholicism in a few instances such as baby baptism, sprinkling of holy water, praying to the dead, worshiping Mary or Mariam the Mother of YaHUsa, transubstantiation, but Christians still take communion which isn't scriptural. Passover is the commandment at the appointed time not a cracker and grape juice whenever you want too. However, this is not enough because Christianity keeps the same unholy days

as Catholicism such as Christmas and Easter, and they don't keep the Appointed Holy Days of YaH. They eat unclean animals, they don't wear tassels, and they don't keep Shabbat. Catholicism and Christianity are nothing more than Babylonian paganism in the background with YaHUsa being a new spin on old paganism.

Titus 1:12 “All Cretans are liars” Cretans! If you look up Cretin in Websters dictionary you will see that it means wretch, innocent victim, stupid, and fool. It comes from the latin christianus or christian. It also comes from a Swiss French word crestin or christian. So maybe there were some Christians back in 50 CE (Common Era) and they were known as liars!

My point is that all the customs and traditions and **holidays (another word for holy days)** that we are accustomed to in this society are nothing more than pagan traditions that worship false gods and the traditions have been around since Babylon! All that we know and have inherited and grow up with are nothing but lies, and they are programming us to disobey YaHs commandments and be intimately entwined with lawlessness ingrained into our beings.

II Corinthians 11:13-15

“13 For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Messiah.

14 And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.

15 Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works. “

The devil is very good at keeping people in the dark, and causing them to think they are in the light! Satan is very good at deceiving us so we think we are lawful, but we are really lawless!

Sometimes I wonder how deep the deceit goes! Has the devil managed to take on names and titles that people think are referring to YaH and in reality they are references to Satan. Is this what Satan intended when he said he

would ascend above the heights of the clouds and make himself like the Most High (Elyon)? Are we deceived into using the name Jesus and the title of Lord and God, and by doing so is the devil secretly receiving praise because these names and titles are easily linked all the way back to Babylon, Sun god worship, Nimrod aka Baal.

Daniel 7:23,25

This speaks of the fourth kingdom being one that would make alterations in times and law. This is a kingdom that will change the Torah and appointed times of YaH. This sounds to me like the kingdom we live in! The popular message of the day is that lawlessness is okay, and keeping Torah is bad. The popular traditions of today are making men's feasts into holy days, and very few people even know that YaH has His own feasts and Holy days that we are commanded to keep.

Some people are aware of Christmas and Easter being rooted in pagan origins and people use them to worship YaH thus replacing YaHs feasts with their own feasts. But it runs even deeper than that. We use a Gregorian calendar which is a Julian Calendar, set up by Roman Emperor Julius Caesar. This calendar was established in **46 BCE (Before the Common Era)**. The names of the months on this calendar are all associated with Pagan deities! Even the names of our days are all associated with Pagan deities, it's really mind boggling to learn of the deceit and lies we have inherited! I am beginning to see that this pagan process of keeping time is a type of mark on us. Originally the Gregorian calendar only had 10 months and began with March, the months January and February were added later.

Lew White "Fossilized Customs" contains this information on months. But this information can be confirmed in encyclopedias and on the internet if it's still honest.

Months:

January Named after Janus, a domestic deity who was the ruler of beginnings and protected doorways, gates, and arches.

February Named after the female idol Februa.

March Named after the war deity Mars; a time when Roman armies would march out to war; originally this was the first month on the Julian calendar

April The month of Venus also called Aprilis a short from of Aphrodite, the Greek fertility deity. This was the primary month of the Great Mother Earth, known by many names. The Earth Mother was fertilized or impregnated on a Sun-Day after the Vernal (Venus) Equinox when the length of days and nights are equal. This Sun-Day was called Easter. Nine months after the Earth Mother was impregnated at Easter, the Sun was re-born at the winter solstice, December 25th.

May Named after the fertility deity Maia.

June This is the month dedicated to Juno, an important Roman female deity. The wife and sister of Jupiter, identified with the Greeks Hera.

July This month was dedicated to Julius Caesar, the first emperor of Rome. He was honored as a deity, son of the sun.

August This word is Latin meaning venerable, magnificent, awesome. Gaius Octavius took the name “Augustus Caesar after becoming Emperor, and had his name used for this month. He did this to honor himself, as Julius had done before him.

September Originally the 7th month. This is the Latin word for the number seven; septem.

October Originally the 8th month. This is the Latin word for eighth month. Octo meaning eight. Like an Octagon having 8 sides.

November Originally the 9th month. This month was novembris from the Latin word novem meaning nine.

December Originally the 10th month. This is the Latin word decembris from the number decem, ten. We get the word decimal from the Latin also.

The 10 month calendar was based off the whole beginning point being the rebirth of the sun during December at the winter solstice. But with only 10 months in the Roman year, the seasons were appearing later and later every year, so Julius Caesar appointed an astrologer named Sosigenes to devise the needed corrections. Sosigenes added the 2 months of January and February to the years **46 BCE (before common era)**, and it was called the year of confusion. He set up the cycle of leap years, which added a day to the month of February every 4 years.

Known as the Julian Calendar originally, it is now known as the Gregorian calendar today because in 1582 Pope Gregory implemented a 10-day adjustment to the calendar by wiping out 10 days for that year. This was obeyed by the Papal States, but the rest of the western world remained on the former timetable until Benjamin Franklin brought the rest of society into line with Rome.

This calendar was already in affect when YaHUsa walked the earth! Yet we don't see YaHUsa using it, nor do we see YaHUsas Talmidim using it! The words we now use for the days of the week don't show up anywhere in the scriptures, not even in the re-newed covenant. What does show up is phrases like this: On the first day of the week, the day of preparation, before Shavuot, on the day of Shavuot, the great last day of the feast, Passover, during the feast of unleavended bread, the day before the Sabbath, on the Sabbath. We have an excellent example in the scriptures laid out for us to follow. The example the scriptures give to us on how they told time, is based upon the Moedim of YaH, and nothing else!

Acts 7:42,43

“42 Then YaH turned, and gave them up to worship the host of heaven; as it is written in the book of the prophets, O ye house of Israel, have ye offered to me slain beasts and sacrifices by the space of forty years in the wilderness?

43 Yea, ye took up the tabernacle of Moloch, and the star of your god Remphan, figures which ye made to worship them: and I will carry you away beyond Babylon."

Interesting that Israel being in the wilderness after the exodus is mentioned, and then their traditions that they kept in the wilderness are correlated to Babylon. The system of traditions and customs that they learned in Egypt were Babylonian. Much like today! The traditions we have inherited are nothing but lies that stem from a Babylonian system of idolatry.

Revelation 18:2,4

"2 And he cried out with a mighty voice saying, 'Fallen is **Babylon** the great...for all the nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her immorality...and I heard a voice from heaven saying, '**Come out of her My people...**'"

The book of Daniel teaches four nations will rule before the Messiah sets up His kingdom. Babylon being the first, then Medo-Persia, followed by Greece, and then Rome. The paganism in the Roman Catholic Church goes all the way back to Babylon. We are living in a pagan, idolatrous Babylonian system in our society. And she will be judged accordingly and we want nothing to do with it; we want to be spared when His wrath is unveiled.

Lew White's book "Fossilized Customs" contains this information on days: But this information can be confirmed in encyclopedias and on the internet if it's still honest.

Days:

Sunday- this comes from the Latin, dies Solis, the Day of the Sun. Since Babylon was established, Pagans have worshipped the Sun. The Roman Emperor Constantine gave us the term Sun-Day, which referred to Sol Invictus Mithras (the unconquerable sun, Mithras). In **321 CE (Common Era)** he decreed under the penalty of death that all people in his Empire cease to work on the Venerable Day of the Sun, to honor Mithras. This was a

Universal Edict, and is still enforced in our western culture. The Romans considered anyone who did not worship the sun to be an atheist and a traitor, since Caesar was the sun enthroned in a man.

Monday- The old english term was monan daeg, mana means moon. Mona Lisa means moon lily. We get our word month from mona. Monday was dubbed the moons day and was identified with Artemis (Diana). Artemis is depicted with the crescent moon beneath her feet, exactly as you will see Mary (Miryam) in Roman Catholic illustrations. Moon worship is still prevalent today in some groups. This reminds me of Romans 1:18-32 where they stopped giving thanks to Yah and begin to worship the creation rather than the creator. In Spanish Monday is Lunas- that's right- moon!

Tuesday- Tyr's Day or the day of Tiu. A Teutonic Druid-Celtic idol. Druids still worship the sun at Stonehenge every Summer Solstice. Try or Tiu was the Norse deity of war, considered the son of Odin (Woden). The French call this day Mardi (mar's Day), after Mars the Roman deity of war. Mardi Gras is the French name meaning fat Tuesday; still bearing the name of the Roman deity. This festival falls the day before Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Martes is the name of the false god.

Wednesday- Wodens day! A celtic, teutonic deity. The husband of Freya or Frigga. The Romans honored Mercury on this day, calling it Mercurii dies (Mercury's day). This mid-week evening was highly regarded as a night of magic- the Druids met to hold hands in a circle, chant, enchant, cast spells, and do it while surrounding a burning cross. Some think the cross is a symbol of Odin (Woden), and the celtic crux is a pagan magic symbol, the trifolium clover leaf representing Woden, Frigga, and Thor. How do you say Wednesday in Spanish- Mercillos.

One has to wonder if this is the real reason Christians meet together on Wednesday nights. Maybe the only way Christianity could win over the druids was to absorb their culture, acculturation! **Syncretism** is a federation of Cretan cities. Origin is from a synonym Cretan. It is the attempt to reconcile or combine differing beliefs in philosophy or religion by uniting

them- mixing two or more behaviors together, re-inventing the meaning “on the surface”. This is where our word sync comes from! Like when you sync your ipod to your computer! What is this idea we call syncretism? Sync means together and the dictionary defines Cretin as a fool or idiot. The French word Cretin or Idiot comes from Swiss French word Crestin or Christian. If you remember in the Brit Chadasha the Cretans were liars; **Titus 1:12.**

Thursday- The Celtic Thors day; the deity of thunder and son of Odin (Woden) and Freya. The same as Taranus, Thor was associated with thunder; the Dutch donder, or Germanic donner (one of Santa’s reindeer!). The Romans honored Jupiter on this day, which was originally IU- PITAR, meaning Jovis-father. Jove corresponds to Zeus. The altar of Zeus which is lit by a torch at every Olympic game; the altar of which is shaped like a T- Thors emblem was the hammer, secretly interpreted as the letter T, harkening back to Tammuz. In Spanish Thursday is Juevus- sounds very close to Jovis.

Friday- In old English Frigedaeg, this was Frey Day or Frigga Day. Frigga was the wife of Odin (Woden). The Fertility concept associated with this day is very ancient. The Greeks honored Aphrodite on this day, and the Romans venerated Venus (Astarte). This day was the Egyptian day of Isis, depicted with the symbol of the fish on her head. The fish symbol predates the Egyptians, coming from the Phoenician/Philistine cult of Dagon (**Judges 16:23, 1Sa.5:).** Dag is a Hebrew for fish, and Pisces is Latin for fish. It was chosen by Pagans because a female fish lays hundreds, sometimes thousands of eggs- a symbol of fertility. Frigga’s emblems were also mistletoe and the fish, hence it is seen today that Roman Catholics enculturated this into avoiding red meat on this day and replacing it with fish.

The Great Mother Magna Mater was universally represented by the fish emblem. The popular little fish that people like to put on their bumpers that has the Greek letters chi theta upsilon sigma actually spells fish, it doesn’t spell Christ or YaHUsa.

Saturday- This was the Greco-Roman Day of Saturn. Saturn was the

Romans deity of agriculture, corresponding to the Greeks deity Cronus. This day was dedicated to Saturnus, as was the big party at the end of the Roman year at the Solstice, Saturnalia. Satur-Day was also called Sater Day, and is unmistakably linked to other Greco-Roman mythology. The SATYR, a goat-legged half man with horns and pointed ears, was believed to be a drunken, lecherous demon with an abnormal sexual appetite. The 7th day and the festival of Saturnalia was modeled perfectly after the satyr profile. As you consider the wild week-ends enjoyed today by people it's clear that nothing has changed.

To most people it may seem like no big deal to use names that are associated with pagan deities. But **YaH instructs us to not allow their names to be on our lips (Exodus 23:13)**. Personally I am a little harsher on myself when it comes to titles we use of pagan origin to call upon YaH; such as god or lord. But I also am attempting to get rid of words that exist in my vocabulary that put the names of pagan deities upon my lips. I truly believe when YaHUsa returns to set up his Kingdom on this earth that He will revamp our vocabulary so that the names of pagan deities are no longer on our lips; so I'm just trying to get a head start because of my zeal for His Torah and my love for Him because of His grace and His love for me. It's not an overnight process though; that is for sure! Sanctification is a life-long process! We will be held accountable for what we know, and His people perish because of a lack of knowledge.

Exodus 23:13

“Now concerning everything I have told you, be on your guard, and do not mention the name of other gods; nor let them be heard from your mouth.”

II Corinthians 6:17 “Come out from their midst and be separate says YaHUAH and don’t touch what is unclean, and I will welcome you!”

Ezra 6:21

“21 And the children of Israel, which were come again out of captivity, and all such as had separated themselves unto them from the filthiness of

the heathen of the land, to seek YaHUAH ELOAH of Israel, did eat,
22 And kept the feast of unleavened bread seven days with joy: for YaHUAH had made them joyful, and turned the heart of the king of Assyria unto them, to strengthen their hands in the work of the house of YaH, the Elohim of Israel.”

A picture of Israel literally coming out of Babylon and being restored to YaH and beginning to Keep His Feasts again. This is what YaH wants to do with us, He wants to restore us to Himself! We must repent and keep His ways not our traditions.

Revelation 14:8 Babylon made all the nations drink of idolatry.

Revelation 16:19 Babylon the great.

Revelation 17:5 Babylon the Mother of Harlots.

Revelation 18:2 The merchants have become rich by the wealth of her luxury; sounds like the preachers of this modern era that line their pockets with the money of the people by feeding them the lie of you don’t have to keep Torah!

Revelation 18:10,11 The merchants weep because no one buys their cargo any more. No one believes the lie of lawlessness anymore!

Revelation 18:21 A great millstone drowns Babylon. YaHUsa said it’s better for a millstone to be tied around your neck and you cast into the sea than to hinder children from coming unto him.

Matthew 18:6,7

“6 But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in Me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

7 Woe unto the world because of offenses! For it must needs be that offenses come; but woe to that man by whom the offense cometh!”

Offend G4624 entrap, to trip up, cause to stumble, entice to sin, apostasy. How fitting this verse is! For there are many teachers today who teach lawlessness is okay, and that it's okay to not keep YaHs Appointed Times. Teachers today entrap us, trip us up, cause us to stumble, entice us to sin, and apostatize us by teaching us lawlessness is okay! It's not okay to eat unclean animals! It's not okay to change the Sabbath day to a different day! It's not okay to work on Shabbat! It's not okay to buy and cause others to work on Shabbat! It's not okay to keep traditions of men rooted in pagan origins and expect YaH to except that as our worship unto Him! It's not okay to not keep YaHs Appointed Times! All the deceit of Babylon is targeted at children to train them up in pagan traditions of lawlessness and hinder them from knowing the truth about keeping Torah and the name of the YaH and YaHUsa. Instead it wraps them in lies that feel good, lies we become very comfortable with; to the point that the lies are your foundation instead of Messiah; all while thinking the Messiah is your foundation.

Lose Your Life:

YaHUsa tells us that we must lose our life here on earth in order to gain eternal life in heaven! What is YaHUsa talking about when He says lose your life?

Matthew 16:25

“25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for My sake shall find it.”

Luke 9:24

“24 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for My sake, the same shall save it.”

Mark 8:35

“35 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for My sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it.”

For the gospel sake; gospel is Torah. I think this verse is the key to understanding what YaHUsa is talking about!

Colossians 1:5

“5 Because of the hope laid up for you in heaven, of which you previously heard in the word of truth, that is the gospel.”

The gospel is the ‘Word of Truth’ Psalm 119:142 tells us ‘Thy Law is truth’ the truth is Torah; the gospel is truth which is Torah.

I prefer the Hebrew word which is Besorah, Strong's H1309. Besorah means glad tiding, or the reward for good news. Besorah comes from the root word Basar, strongs H1319. Basar means to announce glad news, to be fresh or full, cheerful tidings and is translated to show forth, publish, messenger, preached. So the gospel is Torah!

YaHUsa is saying we must follow Torah (the Fathers instructions) and in doing so we will begin to shed off everything that is contrary to Torah!

Unfortunately we live in a society that is endowed with Babylonian inherited traditions and customs; therefore, one must be willing to give up the life they once knew- and learn to live they way the Father instructs us. We give up celebrating days that are traditions of men rooted in paganism; such as Christmas, New Years, Easter, Thanksgiving, Halloween, and Valentines Day. In exchange we begin to keep the Appointed Times of YaH; such as Shabbat, Rosh Chodesh (New Month), Pesach, Unleavened Bread, First Fruits, Shavuot, Yom Teruah, Yom Kippur and Sukkot, and some days of remembrance with Noah. Actually you gain much more than you lose, because you get more Holidays! Actually you gain much more because you are walking in YaHs ways rather than the ways of man! You must be willing to lose your life, in order to find eternal life with YaH and His Son YaHUsa!

It is the same for us as it was for Abraham. Abrahams father Terah was an Idolater and had idols in his house. Terah was a prince of Nimrods host, he was great in the sight of Nimrod. Abraham smashed all the idols in Terahs house before he left. Abraham went to live with Noah and Shem, to learn the instruction of YaH. This information is in the book of Jasher. The point is that we need to be like Abraham and get the idolatrous traditions we have

inherited out of our lives. Stop living the Babylonian lie!

Paul tells us not to be conformed to the ways of this world or deceived by traditions of this world, and he tells us if we are truly in Messiah our old life as we know it will change and become the life YaH intended!

Romans 12:2

“2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.”

As Christians we are conforming to the pagan Gregorian calendar and celebrating it's holidays; in doing so we are being conformed to this world. Do not be conformed to this world and participate in it's Holidays of pagan origins and mixed paganism with some truth. Worship YaH in spirit and truth; not lies! Are you transformed, or still conformed to the same old idolatrous life? I'll bet you kept these holidays before you came to Messiah with a repented heart; it's time to continue in repentance and let go of being conformed to lies. Be transformed and keep the Creators Holidays and Calendar!

Colossians 2:8

“See to it that no one take you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Messiah.”

Christmas, New Years, Valentines Day, Easter, Thanksgiving are all traditions of men are they not? Sabbath, New Year at the spring equinox a day of Remembrance involving Noah, Passover, Unleavened Bread, First Fruits barley, Pentecost, Summer Solstice a day of Remembrance involving Noah, First Fruits wine, First Fruits oil, Feast of Trumpets and also Fall Equinox and a day of remembrance involving Noah, Day of Atonement, Feast of Tabernacles, Eighth Day, Winter Solstice a day of Remembrance involving Noah. **Those are the Holidays of YaH, chances are, you never even heard of most of them. A greater chance that you have never heard**

of the Creators Calendar by which to keep His Holidays! Have you been taken captive according to the traditions of men, rather than according to YaH? Here is the thing: our Gregorian Calendar and holidays is rooted in idolatry; which obviously we are commanded by YaH not to participate in. The Creators Calendar and Holidays are commandments for all men to be kept for all time. I personally think this very calendar will be used not only in the Millennial Reign of YaHusha but for all eternity. The Creators Calendar and Holidays change not! It's the same yesterday, today, and forever! This Calendar and Holidays sound a lot like the Creator do they not?

II Corinthians 5:17

“If any man be in Messiah, he is a new creation, the old things have passed away, behold all things have become new.”

Have the old things truly passed away? Did you celebrate mans traditions before you began a relationship with YaH? Repentance towards YaH is the key to Salvation. My guess is Repentance may have not been a part of it for some of you. Repentance is often lost on Christian teachers. They focus more on just repeat after me and accept Jesus into your heart and experience your best life now. Without repentance we create false converts! Christianity also defines certains things as sin which I find no evidence for in the bible. Smoking and drinking are not defined as sin in the bible. Being drunk is not a good thing biblically, but it never defines moderate drinking as sin, it actually has a lot of positive verses about drinking. Smoking isn't mentioned in the bible at all as far as I know, other than the offferings that went up in smoke and pleased the Father. I know the famous verse used, your body is a temple of the Ruach ha Kodesh, and I agree, your body is a temple of YaH so don't put unclean animals in it because He said not too, it defiles you! The Christian Church isn't teaching the difference between clean and unclean; or profane and kadosh. And they are calling that which is good evil, and that which is evil good.

Genesis 10:10

“And the beginning of his (Nimrods) kingdom was Babylon and Erech and

Accad and Calneh, in the land of Shinar.”

Nimrods Kingdom was Babel or Babylon (**Gen.10:10**); it is said by some that he was the first man king upon the earth. **Babel was also known as Babylon it means confusion, or the Hebrew root word Balal which means to mix or mingle.** I find this name very appropriate, we have not inherited truth, we have inherited Babylon! Lies mixed with truth that lead to confusion, and deceit so that people think they are serving YaH and in reality they are serving Satan.

Genesis 10:9

Mighty Tyrant; before or against; Nimrod was a rebellious tyrant who turned his face against YaH.

Ham was Noahs son who looked upon his fathers nakedness, and Noah cursed Hams son Canaan. To look upon ones nakedness is to say that Ham slept with Noahs wife. So that brings up the question, was Canaan the son of Ham and Noahs wife? Is this is why Noah cursed Canaan? I think so!

Leviticus 20:11

“If there is a man who lies with his fathers wife, he has uncovered his fathers nakedness...”

A common theme we see in Genesis is the sins of the father being passed onto the son in the case of Abraham and Isaac with them lying about their wife being their sister.

Genesis 12:10-15

“10 And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine was grievous in the land.

11 And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that thou art a fair woman to look upon:

12 Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say, This is his wife: and they will kill me, but they will save thee

alive.

13 Say, I pray thee, thou art my sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake; and my soul shall live because of thee.

14 And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the woman that she was very fair.

15 The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house."

Genesis 26:6-10

“6 And Isaac dwelt in Gerar:

7 And the men of the place asked him of his wife; and he said, She is my sister: for he feared to say, She is my wife; lest, said he, the men of the place should kill me for Rebekah; because she was fair to look upon.

8 And it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that Abimelech king of the Philistines looked out at a window, and saw, and, behold, Isaac was sporting with Rebekah his wife.

9 And Abimelech called Isaac, and said, Behold, of a surety she is thy wife: and how saidst thou, She is my sister? And Isaac said unto him, Because I said, Lest I die for her.

10 And Abimelech said, What is this thou hast done unto us? one of the people might lightly have lien with thy wife, and thou should have brought guiltiness upon us.”

So it's possible that Ham slept with his mother, and Ham has a son named Cush. Cush means confusion! Cush marries Semiramis, and they have a son named Nimrod. When Cush dies Nimrod sleeps with his mother Semiramis- it's possible that Nimrod committed the same sin his grandfather Ham committed. When Nimrod died, Semiramis declared that he became the sun and the sun impregnated her, and she gave birth to Tammuz. Many of the pictures we see today that we are told are Mary and YaHUsa are actually Semiramis and Tammuz. This is the beginning of Sun god worship which the first day of our week is named for Sun-Day! **I am convinced that all false gods, all pagan deities can be traced back to Nimrod, Semiramis, and Tammuz.** These three have many names today, my guess is that at the tower of babel when YaH confused the languages that because of the instantaneous

different languages many began to call them different names and the confusion is still continuing on.

Some names Nimrod is known by: Sargon I, Nimus, lord, baal, bel, chemosh, moloch, merodach, remphan, Egyptian horus and osirus, India iswaris, Asia deoibus, Rome Jupiter, Greece pluto, japan china Tibet shing moo, Ahura-Mazda, Dagon, Sol, Marduk, Mithras, Krishna, Amon-Ra, Aton, Woden (Odin, Adonis), Zeus, Deus, Gott, God, Aton.

Some names of Tammuz: Thor son of Odin, Taranus, Donder, Donner, Duzu, Dumuzi, Dumuzid the Shepherd, Amaga, Ululu, Adon.

Some names Semiramis is known by: Ashteroth, Queen of Heaven, Asherah, Astarte, Eostre, Ishtar, Easter, Isis, Isi, Ceres, Cybele, Venus, Fortuna, Frey, Frigga, Maia, Gaia, Diana, Ninurta, Nana, Ostara, Austron, Aphrodite, Venus, Indrani, Devaki, Tanit, Cybele, Artemis, Athena, Earth Mother.

Chapter 14

“Pagan Origins of Christmas”

The tree represents Baals male organ; other names for it can be obelisk or pillar or the tree of Nimrod-aka Baal. Tammuz is the son of Baal. Semiramis is the wife of Nimrod and mother of Tammuz and wife of Tammuz. All false gods can be traced back to them at the tower of Babel, they have many names like Easter, and Santa clause all it takes is some research too see the truth; YaH Bless truth seekers!

1. The 8 pointed star on top of the tree represents a sunburst, Easter, goddess of fertility, Semiramis.
2. Sunburst represents the goddess of fertility and sun worship; Baal is the sun god.
3. Baal is connected to santa clause: Mithras of Persia “Birth of unconquerable sun”; Osiris, Horus, Ra of Egypt; santa clause, Attis of Rome are all names for Baal. Celebrating their birthdays is the feast of Saturnalia which last for 12 days which is where we get the 12 days of Christmas from. The Chaldeans called it Yule day; Celebrating Tammuz (aka sun god or son of Baal).
4. Odin is another name for santa clause, was a sun god to the Scandinavians which goes all the way back to Baal. He became Santa clause ‘the inspired one’. He was a tall, old man with long white beard carrying a crosier in his hand.
5. Crosier is a winged serpent at the end of a staff which Bishops and high church catholic officials carry. The crosier represents Satan. Whoever holds the serpent crosier is connected to the power behind it; the serpent himself.
6. Odin traveled around on a white horses with eight legs which is where we get the eight reindeer from of course now with nine reindeer including Rudolf, but originally it was eight.

7. In every version of “Klaus” he carries a dark helper behind him, which became known as elves. The dark helpers follow along and beat children if they weren’t good. Krampus (elves of santa) warning and punishing bad children in contrast to St. Nicholas giving good gifts to children (Wikipedia).
8. Krampus is a human and a goat. Which is an anti-type of the goats used in Holy Ceremony by YaH on the Day of Atonement which is in the bible. Azazel is a man goat YaH. Azazel is santa’s helper which are also called blackjack.
9. Jingle bells came from krampus bells. They wore bells while accompanying santa to announce themselves.
10. Odin became santa clause, and st. nick became sinterklaas.
11. Ho, Ho, Ho comes from the history of Hobgoblin. The devil would announce himself before coming on stage in plays with Ho, Ho, Ho.
12. The dutch in 1700’s immigrated to North America and brought sinter clause with them, in English dialect it was santa clause.
13. 1930’s the designer coca cola borrowed the sinter clause story and modernized it and out came santa clause.
14. 1970 Vatican council said that St. Nick never existed; they also said it came from pagan traditions and took away his saint hood.
15. So now we have the American Modernization of a demonic substance called santa clause. We lie to our kids and tell them santa exists and then one day they find out it was a lie. Then we try to tell them about YaHUAH and we wonder why they don’t believe, or trust, or obey.

16. World book encyclopedia Norse legend, the goddess hertha appeared in fire places and brought good luck to homes- (a goddess going through fire). Druids left treats of milk and cookies to appease the goddess hertha.

17. Characteristics similar between YaHusha and Santa:

- A. No beginning and no end
- A. Has eternal Spirit vs Spirit of Christmas
- B. All knowing vs. he knows if you've been good or bad
- C. Write their name in a book vs. he's making a list
- D. Hair is white as snow
- E. Loves children

Differences:

- A. YaHusha travels in Day (light) vs. Santa travels at Night (darkness).
- B. Santa wants to give you everything your flesh desires vs. YaHusha giving you what you need.
- C. Santa enters house through fire vs. YaHusha certainly doesn't enter our house through fire
- D. Mystical tree, Nimrods tree, Baals male organ vs. tree of life or the menorah; we need to separate good from evil.

19. The main symbol of Odin (santa) is the “eternal” fir tree.

20. A symbol of YHUH (YaHUAH) is the tree of life.

The Christmas tree is said to be magical because the fir tree is green all year long and decorated with fruit in some cultures symbolizing new life. Trees are worshiped by every pagan cult in the world as a major symbol of sun god worship and representing the obelisk. The star or sunburst on top of the tree is a symbol of fertility. The balls on the tree represent Baals testicles.

21. Boughs of Holly; Clippings to decorate, representing fertility or Ishitar or Easter the Ashteroth which is the goddess of fertility.
22. Mistle toe; Celtic and Teutonic people thought it had special power to heal wounds and increase fertility. It was offered to their gods to ward off evil spirits. Kissing under it had to do with the feast of Saturnalia. Having orgies under it to create fertility in Rome.
23. Yule Log burned in fireplace for 12 days. Originally dedicated in Scandinavian to fertility goddess Easter for bringing forth their savior Tammuz on December 25th. They would sacrifice animals and slaves and children in fire each night to ward off evil spirits.
24. Encyclopedia of Americana on Christmas; a pagan holiday worshiping the birth of the sun.
25. Disciples of YaHUsa didn't celebrate Christmas neither did YaHUsa. Although the pagans at that time celebrated the birth of Tammuz the sun god on December 25th. In the 5th century, they westernized it.
26. The Catholic Church celebrated old roman feast birth of sol (sun).
27. May 11, 1659 Massachusetts bay colony general court outlawed Christmas.
28. Mid 1800's some parts of America legalized Christmas; Alabama in 1836 and Louisiana and Arkansas in 1838.
29. Sitting on Santa Clause's lap-comes from the pagan tradition of parents sitting on Chemosh's lap (another name for Baal) and telling him what they wanted for the next year; while they were offering their kids as sacrifices in the fire behind Chemosh. They would engage in orgies and the children would be offered next year in the fire!

Did you know Christmas used to be illegal to celebrate in America? Yes, it's true! They were not as far removed away from the truth as we are! Spurgeon, the prince of preachers, refused to celebrate Christmas as he knew it was pagan and not biblical.

On May 11, 1659, the Massachusetts Bay Colony legislature passed a law banning any observance of Christ's mass, declaring: "For preventing disorders arising in several places within this jurisdiction, by reason of some still observing such festivals as were superstitiously kept in other countries, to the great dishonor of YaH & offense of others, it is therefore ordered ... that whosoever shall be found observing any such day as Christmas or the like, either by for-bearing of labor, feasting, or any other way, upon any such account as aforesaid, every such person so offending shall pay for every such offense five shillings, as a fine to the county." Wow, shocking!!

The Oxford English Dictionary definition of devil is old nick!

That's not what it means to me! Sorry, that doesn't matter! What does matter is what it means to YaH. I know we are emotionally attached to Christmas and it's hard to get the head around these things. Search the Scriptures please, do some research!

Jeremiah 10:1-4

**"1 Hear ye the word which YaHUAH speaketh unto you, O house of Israel:
2 Thus saith YaHUAH, Learn not the way of the heathen! Be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them.
3 For the customs of the people are vain: for one cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the ax.
4 They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not."**

Did you know that there is a commandment in the Scriptures to Not Bring A Tree Into Your HOME And Decorate it??? I sure didn't, but once I read Jeremiah ten there left no doubt in my mind that the origins

of Christmas were pagan and I was done with Christmas Trees!!!

Can't we take something meant for evil and use it for good? YaH knows my heart right? NO! Read Leviticus 18:30 and Mark 7:7,8 and Leviticus 18:30 "Do not practice any of the abominable customs which have been practiced before you". **We should worship YaH the way He asks us too, and definitely not with the traditions of men associated with paganism.**

Deuteronomy 12:3-4, 29-32

"3 And ye shall overthrow their altars, and break their pillars, and burn their groves with fire; and ye shall hew down the graven images of their gods, and **destroy the names of them out of that place.**

4 Ye shall not do so unto YaHUAH your Elohim.

29 When YaHUAH thy Elohim shall cut off the nations from before thee, whither thou goest to possess them, and thou succeedest them, and dwellest in their land;

30 Take heed to thyself that thou be not snared by following them, after that they be destroyed from before thee; and that thou inquire not after their gods, saying, How did these nations serve their gods? even so will I do likewise.

31 Thou shalt not do so unto YaHUAH thy Elohim: for every abomination to the YaHUAH, which He hateth, have they done unto their gods; for even their sons and their daughters they have burnt in the fire to their gods.

32 What thing soever I command you, observe to do it: thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it."

We've no biblical right to use things that are used to worship other gods and try to make YaH accept them.

Biblical alternatives: The Holidays of YaH mainly found in Leviticus 23.

We should get on YaHs calendar, on the Bridegrooms calendar, then we can all be on YaHs page, doing it His way. Rather than every man doing what is right in his own eyes.

I encourage you to watch a video on You Tube called “Truth or Traditions; should Christians celebrate Christmas and Easter” by Jim Staley of Passion for Truth ministries. We should be appalled at the lies we have been handed from our fathers and been handing to our children. We should be seeking truth, and walking in obedience to YaHs Word, and teaching our children YaHs truth; that is able to make us free.

Jeremiah 16:19

“19 O YaHUAH, my strength, and my fortress, and my refuge in the day of affliction, **the Gentiles** shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and **shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit.**”

Yes, unfortunately it is so true. I have inherited lies from my father. I also inherited mixed truth. I had to learn to discern the difference between the lies, the mixed truth, and the truth. Sanctification is a long process! My prayer is like David in Psalm 119, YaH please remove the false way far from me! Especially in this day of misinformation.

YaHUsa was not born on December 25th, but Tammuzz (Pagan god, son of Baal aka Nimrod) was. Pagans worship the sun god Tammuzz on December 25th long before Christians did. The holiday was originally called Natalis Invicti. If you look up the meaning of the song Noel it means Natalis Invicti! There is also the twelve days of Saturnela full of nothing but paganism, now incorporated as the twelve days of Christmas. If you put your traditions above the commandments of YaH, guess what, you wrong!

Matthew 15:3 “Why do you transgress the commandment of YaH for the sake of your tradition?”

Jeremiah 10:1-5 Don't bring a tree into your house and decorate it!

Deuteronomy 12:29-32 Don't worship YaH using the same methods pagans use to worship false gods!

Paganism in Christianity! Idolatry in Christianity! Who would have ever thought that? I know I didn't. But lets look at it in the light of the Scriptures, okay? Paganism, Easter is the goddess of fertility and can be traced all the way back to Semiramis. Semiramis is Nimrods (aka Baals) wife. Anytime you see Ashtereth in the bible it's the same as Easter!

I Kings 11:33-“They have forsaken Me, and have worshiped Ashtereth the goddess of the Sidonians...and they have not walked in My ways, doing what is right in My sight and observing My statutes and ordinances.”

We should be celebrating First Fruits not Easter! Yes YaH already has a holiday to celebrate the Resurrection of His son. Welcome to knowing the Holidays of YaH!

“We have no superstitious regard for times and seasons. Certainly we do not believe in the present ecclesiastical arrangement called Christmas: first, because we do not believe in the mass at all, but abhor it, whether it be said or sung in Latin or in English; and, secondly, because we find no Scriptural warrant whatever for observing any day as the birthday of the Savior; and, consequently, its observance is a superstition, because not of divine authority.” (Charles Spurgeon, Sermon on Dec. 24, 1871).

“When it can be proved that the observance of Christmas, Whitsuntide, and other Popish festivals was ever instituted by a divine statute, we also will attend to them, but not till then. It is as much our duty to reject the traditions of men, as to observe the ordinances of . We ask concerning every rite and rubric, "Is this a law of the Elohim of Jacob?" and if it be not clearly so, it is of no authority with us, who walk in Christian liberty.”- (from Charles Spurgeon's *Treasury of David* on Psalm 81:4.

Charles is considered to be the prince of preachers; he was an awesome preacher! If you have broken YaHs law, you need to repent (that is stop practicing sin and start obeying YaHs law). Have you ever lied, stolen, lusted, eaten pork or shrimp, not kept the Sabbath or the rest of His

Appointed Times (Leviticus 23) If so you have broken His Law and are in need of Repentance towards YaHUAH and believing on the Savior YaHUSA ha Mashiach of Nazareth. What about mixed worship like mixing Christmas with the worship of the One True Living Elohim? Confess and forsake your sin, throw out your ways & learn YaHs ways, trust and obey. Proverbs 16:25 “There is a way which seems right but leads to death.”

Deuteronomy 29:29 “The secret things belong to YaHUAH our Elohim, but the things revealed belong to us and to our sons forever, that we may observe all the words of this law.”

Chapter 15

“YaHUsa, When Was He Born?”

Luke 1:5,23,24,36 and I Chronicles 24:7-19. The priests were divided into 24 divisions and each priest would serve for a week twice each year in the temple. The division of Abijah served during the eighth lot or course, I Chronicles 24:10. The eighth course begins on the seventh Sabbath day from the first fruits offering, which is also the forty-ninth day of the counting of the omer. The following morning, the high day of the Feast of Shavuot, the course of Avijah was responsible for the Temple service. Zechariah was of the course of Abijah, Luke 1:5. This is the day Zechariah was selected to offer incense on the golden altar in the Holy Place. So the time of Zechariah the priest to serve was during mid-June to mid-July. And the time Elizabeth conceived when Zechariah returned home. And in Elizabeth’s sixth month (Luke 1:36), which would be about mid-December to mid January, Mary came to see her having just conceived herself. So Mary conceived the Messiah around mid-September to mid-October. So YaHUsa would have been born around the time of these fall feasts! Around mid-September to mid-October. From these scriptures we can calculate the time of conception for YaHUsa as well as the presumed time of birth. From the middle of December to the middle of January is the approximate time when Elizabeth was in her sixth month of pregnancy with John, and Mary would be beginning her first month of pregnancy with YaHUsa. With the gestation cycle of nine months it would be the middle September to the middle October for the birth of YaHUsa, which would correspond to the seventh scriptural Hebrew month Ethanim. YaHUsa was more than likely born sometime during these fall festivals. YaHUsa was possibly born on Yom Teruah! Popular thinking is that YaHUsa was born on Sukkot. Using John 1:14 to say the word became flesh and tabernacled amongst us. However, I think YaHUsa was born on Yom Teruah. Hence a great reason for tidings of Joy and Shouting! I also think He will return on this day to set up His millennial reign. I think there is really no way to know for sure. If YaHUsa was born in Bethlehem on Sukkot and it appears as though Joseph was at the birth in Luke 2:16; then Joseph didn’t keep the commandment to go up to Jerusalem

for Sukkot; at least not for the first day which is a commanded assembly and you are to present an offering. However Matthew 1:19 says that Joseph was a righteous man; implying that he kept the commandments of YAH, Psalm 119:172 “All thy commandments are righteousness”. So it appears as though YaHUsa wasn’t born on Sukkot! Or else Joseph was running back and forth to Jerusalem from Bethlehem to keep the Feast and be with Mary and YaHUsa, which is possible. Also if everyone is in Jerusalem for Sukkot, wouldn’t there be plenty of room at the inn in Bethlehem? Who really knows, I wasn’t there- were you? Maybe YaHUsa was born during Sukkot. I think Yom Teruah presents a better time for YaHUsa to be born. There could’ve been a lot of people in Bethlehem at this time, as they were traveling towards Jerusalem for Sukkot. It would’ve been a new moon so there would have been people gathering together for festive meals. Teruah is a great shout with your voice or blast as with a shofar! Luke 2:10 speaks of a great joy, and Luke 2:13,14 the angels appear to be giving a Teruah (praise) unto YAH. And this is the only Moedim that is given without cause for celebration. Luke 2:8 speaks of the shepherds in the field at night keeping watch over their flock. I seriously doubt the shepherds were out in the field at night on a cold December night! They probably don’t keep their sheep out in the cold at night during the winter. However, this is all speculation; but fun to seek out! But if YaHUsa was born on Yom Teruah and will return on Yom Teruah then that would make logical sense to the Feast, and as to what and why we are celebrating!

Chapter 16

“Easter?”

“What Passover Is Not!”

Let's start off with some unlearning! We often need to unlearn old behaviors and ways in order to make room for new behaviors and ways to be learned. Just like in getting our hearts right with YaH, we often need to remove the sin and bad habits, so we can learn His ways and be filled with His Spirit. It's really quite simple, before you can fill the closet with nothing but good clothes you need to empty it of the old clothes. Before you can fill your heart and mind with the things of YaH, we first need to empty it of the things of this world. Like the traditions of man! So let's unlearn some false knowledge we've been filling our minds and our children's minds with. Let's talk about Easter and what Passover is not!

Passover is not Easter! Passover is the commanded Holiday of YaH. Easter is the devils scheme to get us sidetracked off of the Lords ancient path. The devil always imitates YaHUAH, but the real deal is always so much better! **Easter is not of Christian origin. It comes from the word Astarte which means the Chaldean goddess, or the queen of heaven, or the goddess of fertility. It can be traced all the way back to Semiramis the mother and wife of Nimrod, the son of Cush.** I think that all false gods can be traced back to the tower of Babel, they have different names in different cultures, but that is because YaH confused the languages and so twenty seven different names for one thing emerged out of that chaos (The Unveiling by Keith Harris pages 41-44)! The idol for female deity in the bible referred to as Ashtereth is one in the same as Easter (**I Kings 11:33**).

Since Ancient times pagans worshiped rabbits and eggs as symbols of fertility, sex, and new life. **Easter was instituted into Christianity in 365 A.D. by Constantine who hated Jews and wanted to replace Passover.** It's the devils scheme to try and pollute Christianity by mixing paganism, idol worship of false gods, or traditions of men with the worship of YaHUSA ha Mashiach the one true living Elohim!

In **Acts 12:4** Pascha; in the KJV Passover is mistranslated Easter according to Vines dictionary.

Chapter 17

“Galatians 1”

We are going to go through the book of Galatians and see if we can't correctly interpret some of the most daunting verses when it comes to the law. We will try to look inside the mind of Paul and see if he was really against keeping Torah; or if our interpretations have been wrong.

Before we start lets look at **2 Peter 3:14-18** and be forewarned!

14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

15 And account that the long suffering of YaHUAH is salvation; even as our beloved brother **Paul** also according to the wisdom given unto him **hath written unto you**;

16 **As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.**

17 **Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the lawless, fall from your own steadfastness.**

English Standard Version: “**take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability!**”

Galatians 1:1-5

1 Paul, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by YaHUSA ha Mashiach, and YaHUAH the Father, who raised him from the dead;)

2 And all the brethren which are with me, unto the churches of Galatia:

3 Grace be to you and peace from YaHUAH the Father, and from our Adonai YaHUSA ha Mashiach,

4 Who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of YaHUAH our Father:

5 To whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

We need to understand **who** Paul was writing to, and we need to understand **when** he was writing to them, and then we need to know **why** he was writing to them.

Acts 13:14-45

13 Now when Paul and his company loosed from Paphos, they came to Perga in Pamphylia: and John departing from them returned to Jerusalem.

14 But when they departed from Perga, they came to Antioch in Pisidia, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and sat down.

15 And **after the reading of the law and the prophets** the rulers of the synagogue sent unto them, saying, Ye men and brethren, if ye have any word of exhortation for the people, say on.

16 Then Paul stood up, and beckoning with his hand said, **Men of Israel, and ye that fear YaH**, give audience.

26 Men and brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you feareth YaH, to you is the word of this salvation sent.

38 Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins:

39 And by Him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

42 And when the Jews were gone out of the synagogue, the **Gentiles** besought that these words might be preached to them the next sabbath.

43 Now when the congregation was broken up, many of the Jews and **religious proselytes** followed Paul and Barnabas: who, speaking to them,

persuaded them to continue in the grace of YaH.

44 And the next sabbath day came almost the whole city together to hear the word of YaH.

45 But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with envy, and spake against those things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting and blaspheming.

Verse 13 Pisidian Antioch in Galatia; think of Galatia like the state and Pisidian Antioch is like the city in the state. On Pauls first missionary journey, he journey through the cities in Galatia otherwise known to us as the Galatians. Such cities included Pisidian Antioch, Lystra, Iconium, Derbe.

Verse 16 Men, Israelites, those fearing YaH.

Verse 26 Brothers, sons of Abraham's family, and fearers of YaH.

Verse 38,39 **Paul is saying that you are saved by grace and not by works of the law.** He is in no way saying the law isn't relevant. **He is saying works without faith is dead.** For example Mormons think salvation is based on works; it seems as though some Jewish folk may have had this same notion. We are saved by grace not by works, but that doesn't mean works or the law isn't important!

Verse 42,43 Gentiles or fearers of YaH, Jews, and proselytes.

Paul is talking to three different groups of people:

1. Jews – Those born Jewish as physical descendants of Jacob

2. Proselytes – Non-Jews who had made a formal conversion to Judaism, thus becoming legally Jewish. No longer regarded as Gentiles, but through rituals of circumcision and immersion and sacrifice they had taken on the religious and legal status of Israel.

3. YaH fearing Gentiles; Non-Jews who were attracted to Judaism. They worshiped in the synagogue with Jewish people and proselytes, but chose not to undergo the ritual of conversion. They didn't have legal Jewish status which meant they still were required to participate in pagan rituals required under Roman law.

Verse 44-45 The Jews didn't want to **lose their identity** as Jewish by being overwhelmed with Gentiles worshiping their Elohim without keeping the commandments.

Galatians 1:6-7

6 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Messiah unto **another gospel:**

7 Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Messiah.

What was the different gospel or the distortion of the gospel?

The different gospel was you must undergo **legal conversion** to become Jewish, otherwise they wouldn't obtain a share in the kingdom.

Acts 15:1 Without circumcision you can't be saved.

Now there were great reasons to convert to be a legal Jew:

1. Jewish status granted them legal protection under Roman law.
2. Jewish status granted them the right to intermarry with Jewish believers.
3. Jewish status eliminated social ambiguity. It exempted them from emperor worship and idolatry.

Without Jewish status, the YaH fearing Gentiles were vulnerable to arrest and prosecution for failure to participate in required civic and religious duties.

Being part of a community you cannot marry into doesn't work for long either.

The situation of YaH fearing Gentiles in early Judaism, socially speaking, was not a long-term solution. The Jews who did believe in YaHUsa saw the inclusion of Non-Jews who didn't obtain legal Jewish status as a problem.

So Paul is writing to the YaH fearing Gentiles in Galatia. He must have received word of their intention to undergo legal conversion to become Jewish. Because Paul believed that they had seriously erred, he sought to bring correction.

From Pauls perspective, the Galatian YaH fearers were looking toward conversion in order to merit YaHs favor and salvation. Paul wrote Galatians to correct that theology, and to dissuade the Galatian Gentile YaH Fearing believers from going through with their plan to become full proselytes.

According to Scholars, the book of Galatians is the oldest book in the New Testament. Paul wrote it first, even before the Gospels or any other book by any other contributor. Galatians was written about 20 years after the Resurrection of YaHUsa.

I Corinthians 7:17-20

“17 But as God hath distributed to every man, as the Lord hath called every one, so let him walk. **And so ordain I in all churches.**

18 Is any man called being circumcised? let him not become uncircumcised. Is any called in uncircumcision? Let him not be circumcised.

19 Circumcision is nothing, and uncircumcision is nothing, **but (what really matters is) the keeping of the commandments of YaH.**

20 Let every man abide in the same calling wherein he was called.”

Paul concluded that circumcision was of little importance because Abraham

was saved without circumcision.

But notice what did matter to Paul! Keeping the commandments of YaH!

Lets look at how Paul came to this conclusion of circumcision being irrelevant to salvation:

Genesis 15:1-6

“1 After these things the word of the YaHUAH came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward.

2 And Abram said, Adonai YaHUAH, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house is this Eliezer of Damascus?

3 And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house is mine heir.

4 And, behold, the word of the YaHUAH came unto him, saying, This shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir.

5 And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be.

6 And he believed in YaHUAH; and He counted it to him for righteousness.”

Notice that Abraham still did sacrifices, he still did works of the Law; even though he had salvation.

When we accept as our Savior; He imputes His righteousness to us; just like with Abraham.

Genesis 17:22-27

“22 And he left off talking with him, and YaH went up from Abraham.

23 And Abraham took Ishmael his son, and all that were born in his house,

and all that were bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's house; and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the selfsame day, as YaH had said unto him.

24 And Abraham was ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

25 And Ishmael his son was thirteen years old, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

26 In the selfsame day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his son.

27 And all the men of his house, born in the house, and bought with money of the stranger, were circumcised with him.”

Circumcision came at least 14 years later; after Abraham believed on YaH and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.

Leviticus 12:1-3

“1 And the YaHUAH spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a woman have conceived seed, and born a man child: then she shall be unclean seven days; according to the days of the separation for her infirmity shall she be unclean.

3 And in the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.”

Oh yes, more instructions on clean and unclean that apply to women. But here is the commandment for circumcision. We see that it is to be done on the eighth day. Now one could argue that Moses Kids were older than eight days when they were circumcised, or Abraham and Ishmael being ninety and thirteen when they were circumcised. It would be interesting to seek out in the dead sea scrolls or rabbinical writings whether or not the older patriarchs were circumcised, like Adam, Enoch, or Noah. **I think Paul is saying the commandment to be circumcised is on the eighth day and if you are not circumcised on the eighth day then doing it on any other day does not fulfill the commandment.** Like the Sabbath for example: you may keep the

Sabbath on Sunday and think you are fulfilling the commandment, but you are not because it's the wrong day! The day matters! If I make an appointment with you to meet you on Wednesday to buy you a new car; and you show up on Thursday. Guess what! I won't be there! You missed your window of opportunity! I think this is Paul's conclusion with circumcision.

Lets look at a few other scriptures written by Paul to gain proper perspective and interpretation:

Romans 2:12-13

“12 For as many as have sinned without law shall also perish without law: and as many as have sinned in the law shall be judged by the law; 13 (For not the hearers of the law are just before YaH, but the doers of the law shall be justified.

14 For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves: 15 Which show the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and their thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;)

16 In the day when YaH shall judge the secrets of men by YaHusha ha Mashiach according to my gospel.

17 Behold, thou art called a Jew, and restest in the law, and makest thy boast of YaH.”

Wow what a statement about the law not being done away with! All who are without the law will perish without the law! His people sure do perish for a lack of knowledge of Torah!

Who is justified before YaH? The doers of the law will be justified!

I disagree with Paul on thinking the law is written on Gentile hearts, if it is then they are mostly numb to it. I think we still have to write His Law on our

hearts ourselves. When we fully enter the New Covenant described in Jeremiah 33, then the Law will be on our hearts. Just my opinion, I could be wrong.

Romans 3:19,20

“19 Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.

20 Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: **for by the law is the knowledge of sin.”**

Of course the works of the law won’t justify you apart from faith, trust, and believe in the Messiah. We aren’t saved by works but by grace- but that doesn’t mean we do away with works or the law either. The Law does give us instruction on how to please Him, but the law also leaves us all guilty, showing us our faults so we can correct them.

Look at his conclusion in verse 31; Faith establishes the Law; Faith is the beginning of works of the law; not the end of it!

Romans 3:31

31 Do we then make void the law through faith? YaH forbid: yea, we establish the law.

Romans 4:2,3

2 For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath whereof to glory; but not before YaH.

3 For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed YaH, and it was counted unto him for righteousness.

That is the scripture Paul always uses for His argument.

Romans 4:4-16

“4 Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt.
5 But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the
ungodly, **his faith is counted for righteousness.**

6 Even as David also describeth the blessedness of the man, unto whom YaH
imputeth righteousness without works,

7 Saying, Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are
covered.

8 Blessed is the man to whom the YaHUAH will not impute sin.

**9 Cometh this blessedness then upon the circumcision only, or upon the
uncircumcision also? for we say that faith was reckoned to Abraham for
righteousness.**

10 How was it then reckoned? when he was in circumcision, or in
uncircumcision? Not in circumcision, but in uncircumcision.

11 And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the
faith which he had yet being uncircumcised: **that he might be the father of
all them that believe, though they be not circumcised; that righteousness
might be imputed unto them also:**

12 And the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision
only, but who also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham,
which he had being yet uncircumcised.

13 For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to
Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of
faith.

14 For if they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, and the
promise made of none effect:

15 Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, there is no
transgression.

16 Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise
might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that

also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all,
17 (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him
whom he believed, even YaH, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those
things which be not as though they were.”

Paul is saying that this relationship with YaH is initiated through Faith not circumcision.

Romans 6:1-7

“1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin (breaking YaHs Law), that grace may abound?

2 YaH forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin (lawlessness), live any longer therein?

3 Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into YaHusha Ha Mashiach were baptized into His death?

4 Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death: that like as Messiah was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

5 For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection:

6 Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin (lawlessness.

7 For he that is dead is freed from sin (lawlessness).”

Don’t be a slave to sin, or breaking the law. Are we to continue in sin (breaking the law) No!

Romans 6:14-16

“14 For sin (lawlessness) shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

15 What then? Shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? YaH forbid!!!

16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin (lawlessness) unto death, or of obedience (obedience to Torah) unto righteousness?"

**Shall we break the law because we are not under the law? No!
Obedience results in righteousness or sanctification or being holy.**

You are a slave to whom you obey, whether lawlessness resulting in death; or lawfulness resulting in righteousness.

I hope it isn't eternal death he speaks of. I hope there is grace for those who without knowledge are guilty of continually breaking YaHs Laws with idolatry and paganism that is camouflaged and they cannot recognize it. And those who know and yet still stumble may His grace be enough.

The problem with our righteousness is that; even our best efforts are like filthy dirty rags to Him. We need Him! Apart from Him we can do nothing. To YaH be all the Glory and Honor forever! For YaH so loved us that He allowed His only Son to die in our place and pay our penalty for breaking the Law.

Romans 7:12

"12 Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good."

The law is Holy!

Romans 7:14

"14 For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin."

The law is spiritual!

Romans 10:4

“4 For YaHUsa is the goal of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.”

YaHUsa is the goal of the law because He is the law! The end isn't a proper translation because it makes us think that the law has been terminated, and it hasn't. Conclusion, result or goal would be better rendered than end.

When YaHUsa comes, He is coming to establish the law, it's the beginning of learning YaHs instruction and keeping it; not the end of it! For out of Zion shall the law go forth and He shall rule them with a rod of iron.

Lexicon It doesn't mean as is commonly supposed, the extinction, end, termination; but rather the conclusion, result or goal. Messiah is the completion of the law.

Messiah is the full embodiment of the Law- in the beginning the Word was with YaH and the Word was YaH! YaHUsa is the law, the Word, He is the fulfillment of the Law; He is the law! He is the Law made flesh! YaH in the Flesh!

Come to Messiah YaHUsa by Faith and putting your trust in Him and Repenting, turning away from your sin (from breaking the law) doesn't give you a license to sin or break the law. No, on the contrary – it establishes the law! The law is kadosh- it teaches, instructs – the question is – are you going to keep the law and obey the instruction of the Father? More than likely you will keep step with the church which has gone astray from YaHs Law and exchanged it for feel good paganism and idolatry. This book even though written for you to help you; has always been to help me, and for YaHs Glory!

“Galatians 2”

Let me start off by saying this, the foundation of our faith in YaHUsa is the Old Testament ,the Tanach. TaNaCH is an acronym for Torah, Prophets, and the Writings. If your New Testament interpretation doesn't line up with the Old Testament; or **if your New Testament interpretation is contrary to the Old Testament; then your interpretation is wrong and you need to throw your interpretation away!**

Ephesians 2:19,20

“19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of YaH;
20 And are **built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets**, YaHUsa Ha Mashiach Himself being the chief corner stone.”

Deuteronomy 34:10

“10 And there arose not a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom YaHUAH knew face to face”

Moses was one of the greatest prophets to ever live and he was also the law-giver.

1John 3:4 “Sin is Lawlessness!”

Just to define sin again. Sin in Greek is Harmatia meaning missing the mark! How do you miss the mark? By breaking the law!

Galatians 2:1-10

“1 Then fourteen years after I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, and took Titus with me also.

2 And I went up by revelation, and communicated unto them **that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles**, but privately to them which were of

reputation, lest by any means I should run, or had run, in vain.

3 But neither Titus, who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised:

4 And that because of **false brethren** unawares brought in, who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Messiah YaHUsa, that they might bring us into bondage:

5 To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour; that the truth of the gospel might continue with you.

6 But of these who seemed to be somewhat, (whatsoever they were, it maketh no matter to me: YaH accepteth no man's person:) for they who seemed to be somewhat in conference added nothing to me:

7 But contrariwise, when they saw that **the gospel of the uncircumcision** was committed unto me, as **the gospel of the circumcision was unto Peter;**

8 (For he that wrought effectually in Peter to the apostleship of the circumcision, the same was mighty in me toward the Gentiles:)

9 And when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we should go unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision.

10 Only they would that we should **remember the poor**; the same which I also was forward to do."

Verse 2 What is the gospel that Paul preached? Works without faith was dead works. Paul taught that circumcision was unnecessary for salvation; based on the revelation that it was reckoned to Abraham as righteousness because he believed YaHs word, many years before he was circumcised. Paul taught that becoming a proselyte or obtaining legal Jewish status was unnecessary for salvation.

I think there was a disagreement on the interpretation of the law on circumcision. I can understand why and how it could divide into different

sects like we have today under the Christian banner, or in the messy Messianic Hebrew Roots Movement.

Remember you have 3 different groups of people:

1. **Jews** – Those born Jewish as physical descendants of Jacob
2. **Proselytes** – non-Jews who had made a formal conversion to Judaism, thus becoming legally Jewish. No longer regarded as Gentiles, but through rituals of circumcision and immersion and sacrifice they had taken on the religious and legal status of Israel.
3. **YaH fearing Gentiles** – Non-Jews who were attracted to Judaism. They worshiped in the synagogue with Jewish people and proselytes, but chose not to undergo the ritual of conversion. They didn't have legal Jewish status which meant they still were required to participate in pagan rituals required under Roman law.

The Jews definitely didn't want their daughters marrying some Gentile who fears YaH yet isn't circumcised. This dynamic would be troublesome to the point of division in my mind. I know I can't walk with someone keeping holidays rooted in paganism; so I would be looking for like minded people to fellowship with. Which by the way trying to find someone who goes off the Solar Calendar, doesn't keep the holidays of man, keeps the Holidays of YaH, tries to remove the false way far from them, is nothing short of a miracle in todays society.

Verse 4 Who are the false brethren? Very likely that they were the circumcised, wanting everyone who believed to get circumcised!

Verse 10 Who are the poor? Probably the groups in Jerusalem who were selling all they had and giving all they received to the ministry of the apostles.

Acts 15:1-35

“1 And certain men which came down from Judea taught the brethren, and said, Except ye be circumcised after the manner of Moses, ye cannot be saved.

2 When therefore Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and disputation with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas, and certain other of them, should go up to Jerusalem unto the apostles and elders about this question.

3 And being brought on their way by the church, they passed through Phenice and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles: and they caused great joy unto all the brethren.

4 And when they were come to Jerusalem, they were received of the church, and of the apostles and elders, and they declared all things that YaH had done with them.

5 But there rose up **certain of the sect of the Pharisees which believed, saying, That it was needful to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses.**

6 And the apostles and elders came together for to consider of this matter.

7 And when there had been much disputing, Peter rose up, and said unto them, Men and brethren, ye know how that a good while ago YaH made choice among us, that the Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe.

8 And YaH, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as He did unto us;

9 And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith.

10 Now therefore why tempt ye YaH, to put a yoke upon the neck of the disciples, which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?

11 But we believe that through the grace of YaHUsa Ha Mashiach we shall be saved, even as they.

12 Then all the multitude kept silence, and gave audience to Barnabas and

Paul, declaring what miracles and wonders YaH had wrought among the Gentiles by them.

13 And after they had held their peace, James answered, saying, Men and brethren, hearken unto me:

14 Simeon hath declared how YaH at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for His name.

15 And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written,

16 After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up:

17 That the residue of men might seek after YaH, and all the Gentiles, upon whom my name is called, saith YaHUAH who doeth all these things.

18 Known unto YaH are all His works from the beginning of the world.

19 Wherefore my sentence is, that we trouble not them, which from among the Gentiles are turned to YaH:

20 But that we write unto them, **that they abstain from pollutions of idols, and from fornication (Idolatry and Harlotry), and from things strangled, and from blood.**

21 For Moses of old time hath in every city them that preach him, being read in the synagogues every sabbath day.

22 Then pleased it the apostles and elders, with the whole church, to send chosen men of their own company to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; namely, Judas surnamed Barsabas, and Silas, chief men among the brethren:

23 And they wrote letters by them after this manner; The apostles and elders and brethren send greeting unto the brethren which are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia:

24 For as much as we have heard, that certain which went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, Ye must be circumcised, and keep the law: to whom we gave no such commandment:

25 It seemed good unto us, being assembled with one accord, to send chosen men unto you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul,

26 Men that have hazarded their lives for the name of YaHUsha ha Mashiach.

27 We have sent therefore Judas and Silas, who shall also tell you the same things by mouth.

28 For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things;

29 That ye abstain from meats offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication (Idolatry and Harlotry): from which if ye keep yourselves, ye shall do well. Fare ye well.

30 So when they were dismissed, they came to Antioch: and when they had gathered the multitude together, they delivered the epistle:

31 Which when they had read, they rejoiced for the consolation.

32 And Judas and Silas, being prophets also themselves, exhorted the brethren with many words, and confirmed them.

33 And after they had tarried there a space, they were let go in peace from the brethren unto the apostles.

34 Notwithstanding it pleased Silas to abide there still.

35 Paul also and Barnabas continued in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.”

Verse 1 The disturbing message; contrary to Pauls teaching.

Verse 5 The Pharisees who had believed seem to be the ones stirring up dissension.

Verse 7,11 Peter validates that Jew and Gentile are saved by grace.

Verse 20 James concluded that the Gentile believers should abstain from Idolatry and Paganism, from the Sacrifices, from the food sacrificed to the false deities and sold in the market place, and from the blood. **The same accusation can be brought against Christians today celebrating pagan man made holidays full of idolatry. Abstain from idolatry and paganism.**

Verse 21 James' judgment seems to be in line with Pauls thinking on circumcision ;to not push circumcision on the new converts, but to allow them time to learn the Law and in verse 21 we see they will be required to go to the Synagogue every Sabbath and learn the Law!

Verse 24 The apostles disclaimer that whoever was stirring up strife was doing it on their own initiative and not of the apostles instructions.

Verse 25 I love how they laid aside differences and came into unity and to be of one mind.

Verse 29 Again they make it clear. For beginners no more pagan customs or idolatrous holidays!

Verse 31 The Gentile fearers of YaH rejoiced because they didn't have to go through the rituals of circumcision, immersion, and sacrifice, to obtain salvation. Salvation is a free gift! Grace is YaH giving you what you don't deserve and can't afford, nor earn- it is a free gift from YaH! **Granted Salvation is different from obtaining legal Jewish status.**

Galatians 2:11-15

“11 But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed.

12 For before that certain came from James, he did eat with the Gentiles: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, **fearing them which were of the circumcision.**

13 And the other Jews dissembled likewise with him; insomuch that Barnabas also was carried away with their dissimulation.

14 But when I saw that they walked not uprightly according to the truth of the gospel, I said unto Peter before them all, If thou, being a Jew, livest after the manner of Gentiles, and not as do the Jews, why compellest thou the Gentiles to live as do the Jews?

15 We who are Jews by nature, and not sinners from among the Gentiles."

Acts 10:28,48; 11:2,3

"28 And he said unto them, **Ye know how that it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a Jew to keep company, or come unto one of another nation; but YaH hath showed me that I should not call any man common or unclean.**

48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of YaHUAH. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days. **2 And when Peter was come up to Jerusalem, they that were of the circumcision contended with him, 3 Saying, Thou wentest in to men uncircumcised, and didst eat with them."**

Eating with the Gentiles was forbidden by rabbinical tradition; not by YaH! You would think that Peter would've learned his lesson the first time!

Obviously this was an ongoing problem. People being swayed one way and another. And it is without doubt a difficult issue that some still take issue with today. Personally I think we should all keep the commandment; however, it's really not you keeping it but your parents or guardians. If you were not circumcised as a child and are compelled to be circumcised as an adult; then that is between you and YaH. Some argue for it, some argue against it. Some think gentiles shouldn't be circumcised or for that matter keep the law. I've been told from a rabbi as a gentile not to circumcise my grandchildren or they will come under the covenant of the law and can't keep it and will be doomed. I disagree and am willing to walk in unity; he disagrees and is not willing to walk in unity. So even today division still arises from the issue of circumcision or uncircumcision. One thing made clear is that it is not an issue of salvation, as was the discussion in Acts 15.

Acts 11:25,26 Antioch, I don't know if it was Syria Antioch or Pisidian Antioch but they were both in the Galatia region. First place the disciples of YaHUsa were called Christians! It is supposed by scholars (Magnus

Zetterholm & Routledge Taylor & Francis Group & Tomas Lancaster) that there was a synagogue there named ‘The Synagogue of the Christianoi’ or the Synagogue of the Christians’ or put it in our English, ‘The Synagogue of the Messianics. And that’s how the name came about.

Verse 29,30 Now we see who the poor mentioned in Galatians may have been, the brothers in Judea.

Galatians 2:16-21

“16 Knowing that **a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of YaHusha ha Mashiach**, even we have believed in YaHusha ha Mashiach, that we might be **justified by the faith of Messiah**, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

17 But if, while we seek to be justified by Messiah, **we ourselves also are found sinners**, is therefore Messiah the minister of sin? YaH forbid.

18 For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.

19 For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto YaH.

20 I am crucified with Messiah: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Messiah liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of YaH, who loved me, and gave Himself for me.

21 I do not frustrate the grace of YaH: for if righteousness come by the law, then Messiah is dead in vain.”

Verse 16 The law was never intended for our justification; it’s purpose is instruction on how to please the Father. And your keeping the Law without believing in YaHusha for your justification is absurd. Because all of your righteousness, all of your keeping of the Law isn’t good enough to erase the times you’ve broken the law! You need grace, You need YaHusha!

Put your trust in YaHusha, not in your self. But that Grace that is extended to us in YaHusha isn’t a license to sin or to break YaHs law. You still need to do your best to please Him!

Verse 17 Sinners, lawbreakers.

Verse 18 If I continue to break the law then I'm a transgressor of the law; a sinner.

Verse 19 The law is a mirror, when you hold it up and look into it, you have to recognize your sin and helplessness and your need for a Savior, your need for YaHs Grace, Your need for YaHUsa!

Verse 20 The righteous shall live by faith. Righteousness can only be imputed to you because you believe in YaHUsa. But the law is righteousness and to practice righteousness or to practice the law doesn't take away faith. Faith and the law go hand in hand.

Verse 21 Righteousness comes through YaHUsa, but the law is still righteous and holy. YaHUsa came to save the lawless from being lawless; and teach them how to keep Torah and please the Father. Paul said I don't nullify the grace of YaH, but he didn't nullify the law either.

Righteousness doesn't come by the law or by keeping the law (**Gal.2:21**). But the law itself is righteous (**Psalm119:172**). And if we are to practice righteousness (**I John 3:7**), then the law is what we are to practice and not just part of it, but all of it... Don't lie, murder, steal, put YaH first, keep the Sabbath, eat clean animals don't eat unclean animals, keep the Holidays of YaH... etc. (**I Peter 1:16**) tells us to be holy. What is holy? **The law is the path and instruction of holiness.** We are told to be holy, but we are not taught how to be holy! We don't know the difference between clean and unclean, or the holy and the profane.

“There is a death sentence for **profaning the Sabbath** by working on it (**Exodus 31:14**). Aaron's sons, Nadab and Abihu, offered **profane fire** (**Leviticus 10:1-2**). YaH declares punishment on **profane prophets and**

priests (Jeremiah 23:11-12, 15-17). Because of profaning YaHs Sabbaths, the Israelites received YaHs judgment, resulting in scattering them among the Gentiles (**Ezekiel 20:15-24; 22:6-16**). Even after being scattered, they continued to profane **His name** something that continues today (**Ezekiel 36:16-38; 39:7-8**).**”** Almost word for word quote from David Grabbe at Great Church of God in “The Holy and the Profane”.

Ezekiel 44:23

“23 And they shall teach my people the difference between the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.”

Ezekiel 22:26

“26 Her priests have violated My law, and have profaned mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they showed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from My sabbaths, and I am profaned among them.”

If the Shepherds won’t teach the sheep the difference between the holy and profane then the sheep won’t know the difference. The teachers of the Word (Rhema also means commands) will be held to a higher standard than the non teachers!

If I fulfill the law of stopping at a stop sign and you’re behind me, since I fulfilled the law of stopping aren’t you free to not keeping it and you can run right through the stop sign, right? Of course not, the police will give you a ticket for your own good and safety. The law is there for our own good and instruction and safety. Now you might think eating unclean is okay, and I might think running a stop sign is okay. But it doesn’t change the principle of YaHs law. Sin is breaking the law. If you break the law, you sin. **It’s just like with Physics, the same laws of Physics applies to us all. There is not**

one law of gravity for you and and different law for me; it's one law for all, one law for all our good!

Has YaH changed His law? YaH says in Malachi 3:6 “I am ELOAH of Israel and I change not!”

Hebrews 13:8 “YaHusha Ha Mashiach is the same yesterday, today and forever!”

If Paul changed YaHs law, then why are you following Paul? Paul didn't change YaHs law, even though the church interprets it as though he did. Paul kept Torah, He kept the Sabbath, he ate clean food (unclean animals aren't even considered food in Hebrew thought), he kept the Appointed times (the feasts) and he instructed others to keep them. **The thing Paul was against was Proselytes and Jews forcing YaH fearing believers to convert to legal Jewish status by undergoing certain rituals including circumcision.** Paul discovered in the Scriptures that Abraham had a covenant relationship with YaH by faith before circumcision ever came into play and that was the basis for his argument. But Paul never taught that the law was done away with, just that you are saved by faith and not the law, of course! I can't be saved by keeping the law, but that doesn't mean I can have salvation and not keep the law either. I must learn and grow up and mature by learning the Torah, YaHs instructions on how to please Him. This was the very conclusion of the elders in (**Acts 15:21**). Let them come to YaH by faith just as they are, for they will learn the ways of YaH (Law/Torah) and walk in it. Because works (obedience to Torah) is the proof in the pudding of your faith. YaH isn't the Father of the lawless! The good fruit we need to discern in others and ourselves is the fruit of lawfulness!

Romans 3:31 Faith establishes the law; faith does not abolish the law!

Romans 2:13

“13 For not the hearers of the law are just before God, but the **doers of the law shall be justified.”**

The opposite of Galatians 2:16 keeping the law justifies. Why does keeping the law justify? Because faith without works is dead! Works is obedience to the law! Faith without keeping YaHs Torah, His law, His instruction is not living faith. Having faith in YaHUsa and deciding you don’t need to live a life pleasing unto Him; using His grace as a license to sin isn’t going to cut it people. He wants us to be holy; and if you want to learn how to be holy you need to learn and keep all His commandments.

Romans 7:12,13

“12 Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.

13 Was then that which is good made death unto me? YaH forbid. But sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful.”

The opposite of Galatians 2:19 The Law didn’t cause death; Sin or breaking the law is what causes death!

I Corinthians 7:17-19 What is important is keeping the commandments of YaH!

“17 But as YaH hath distributed to every man, as Adonai hath called every one, so let him walk. And so ordain I in all churches.

18 Is any man called being circumcised? let him not become uncircumcised. Is any called in uncircumcision? let him not be circumcised.

19 Circumcision is nothing, and uncircumcision is nothing, but the keeping of the commandments of YaH.”

Our goal should be to put our faith and trust in YaHUsa. But we still need to practice righteousness which is the law. And we need to learn how to be

holy and clean and that instruction comes from the law or the Torah.

Paul is saying works without faith is useless. The law without faith is useless for salvation. Faith without the law is a weak faith. By Faith we establish the law. Abraham believed YaH and it was reckoned to him as righteousness; and that had nothing to do with the law. But it didn't make the law null and void either. Abraham still kept himself in right standing with YaH by his actions and repented heart; as we need to do today ourselves!

“Galatians 3”

“1 O foolish Galatians, **who hath bewitched you**, that ye should not **obey the truth**, before whose eyes YaHUsHa ha Mashiach hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?

2 This only would I learn of you, **Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?**

3 Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?

4 Have ye suffered so many things in vain? if it be yet in vain.

5 He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, doeth he it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

6 Even as Abraham believed YaH, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.

7 Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham.

8 And the scripture, foreseeing that YaH would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed.

9 So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

10 For as many as are of **the works of the law** are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.

11 But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of YaH, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.

12 And the law is not of faith; On the Contrary! But the man that doeth them shall live in them.

13 Messiah hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

14 That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through

YaHUsa ha Massiach; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.”

Verse 1 Who has bewitched you? Who are the bewitchers? They are the influencers from chapter one who have influenced these YaH fearing Gentiles that it was necessary for them to become proselytes for salvation.

Galatians 1:6,7

“6 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Messiah unto another gospel:

7 Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Messiah.”

Acts 15:1

“1 And certain men which came down from Judaea taught the brethren, and said, **Except ye be circumcised after the manner of Moses, ye cannot be saved.**”

Acts 15:5

“5 But there rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees which believed, saying, **That it was needful to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses.**”

The bewitchers are obviously either from group one or group two. Believing Jews, maybe the believing Pharisees, or proselytes who believed in YaHUsa; and **they didn't think it was fair that they had to go through rituals to obtain legal Jewish status; and these YaH fearers are grafted in Spiritually without circumcision as the sons of Abraham. I think it's safe to say that there is a difference between salvation and becoming a proselyte.**

Acts 15:10 What is the **yoke** that Peter is talking about? **The yoke is using**

the law as a means for salvation.

The law was never intended as a vehicle of salvation. The law was instruction from the Father on how to please Him, and live holy lives. But the false doctrine of that day was that salvation came from keeping the law. YaHUsa recognized this false doctrine as well.

John 5:39,40

“39 Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.

40 And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.”

Salvation comes through YaHUsa by faith- it is the grace of YaH to us a free gift. But that doesn't make null and void YaHs instruction or law on how to please Him and live a holy life.

Verse 2,3 Faith comes first for all of us. Faith first, then the law. Faith comes from hearing and hearing the Word of YaH. Faith didn't come after the law. Faith comes before the Law. Faith leads us to keep the Law. Even for our forefathers, even for Abraham faith came first before works of the law.

The issue is salvation coming by keeping the law! Salvation is a faith issue at first, but that faith leads us to keep Torah. We love because He first loved us! We obey because we love.

Did you receive the Spirit by works of the Law? Paul is saying did you gain salvation by becoming a proselyte? Did you gain salvation by circumcision? Did you gain salvation by the rituals of circumcision, immersion, and sacrifice?

Or did you gain salvation by faith in YaHUsa?

What makes you think that you can gain salvation by works of the law. What

makes you think that becoming legally Jewish through circumcision, immersion, and sacrifice is a means of salvation.

We don't get cleaned up and then come to Him. We just come as we are and He cleans us up and teaches us His ways and gives us His Torah to learn of Him and how to please Him.

Faith comes first and then knowledge of Torah and obedience.

Verse 4 What did the YaH fearing Gentiles suffer? They suffered the pressure from believing Jews and Proselytes to become a Proselyte, to undergo circumcision, immersion, and sacrifice in order to have salvation. They suffered the false doctrine of using the law as a means of salvation!

Which was the opposite of what Paul led them to with. Paul told them they could have salvation by faith in YaHUsa.

So the stigmatism that they suffered in the synagogue, the market place, socially wasn't healthy. They were ostracized by the Synagogue going people. They were suffering for their faith in YaHUsa, and persecution was coming from within the body of YaHUsa; or at least those who claimed to believe!

And now after having made a stand for so long and suffering these things, they were going to give in and become a proselyte, gaining legal Jewish status! All because of false doctrine!

We can relate to this stigmatism they suffered- If a Jew finds out you keep the law they say, "Why do you keep the law if you don't have too?" and if a Christian finds out you keep the law they say, "Who has bewitched you, why are you putting yourself under the law?"

Verse 5-9 Again we arrive at the center of Pauls theology in all his epistles.

Abraham believed YaH and it was reckoned to him as righteousness and this

was before circumcision.

So Abraham was saved by faith, not by keeping the law.

Verse 10 This scripture is huge, it has been used for antisemitism throughout the centuries. **This is where the saying comes from that if your under the law your under a curse.**

False interpretation of this scripture makes it easier for antisemitism. If the Jewish people are under a curse it makes it much easier on the conscience to try and destroy them, even in the name of YaH; after all aren't you doing YaH a favor?

As we break this verse down we will see that Paul isn't saying anything new- he is just quoting scripture.

First of all when Paul says works of the law he is referring to circumcision, immersion, and sacrifice- which is the ritual for obtaining legal Jewish status and becoming a proselyte.

Paul isn't referring to keeping the commandments of YaH. If Paul was referring to the commandments of YaH, he would be putting himself under a curse because Paul kept the law, and we are not too add to or take away from the law.

Besides **that theology makes no sense:** if you honor your mother and father you're under a curse; if you keep the Holidays of YaH you're under a curse; if you don't commit adultery you're under a curse! That theology doesn't work. Obedience leads to blessing not a curse!

Lets look at what scripture Paul is quoting here.

Deuteronomy 27:26

“26 Cursed be he that confirmeth not all the words of this law to do them. And all the people shall say, Amen.”

Paul is reminding people what the Torah says. In Chapter twenty eight of Deuteronomy. This verse is followed by blessings for keeping Torah and curses for breaking the Torah.

You could paraphrase Galatians 3:10 this way: “Every person with the status legally Jewish who does not keep the Torah is under a curse because that is what the Torah says.”

The English Standard Version of the bible reads like this: “For all who **rely** on the works of the law are under a curse.” It’s not a literal translation, but it’s a better thought for thought translation. **They supplied the word rely. And it is true, you can’t rely on your works of the law or your good deeds for salvation; you must rely on YaHUsa for salvation.**

The curse of the law is spelled out for us in Deuteronomy 28.

Paul isn’t saying if you keep the law you’re under a curse. The Torah portion Paul quotes says that if you break the law you’re under a curse! Obedience brings blessing.

Verse 11 When Paul says Law, he is referring to the works of the law or obtaining legal Jewish status by circumcision, immersion, and sacrifice. Paul partially quotes Habakkuk 2:4.

Habakkuk 2:4

“4 Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but **the just shall live by his faith.**”

Verse 12 Paul says the Law is not of Faith! No, On The Contrary! The Law is of Faith as we have established faith first then the law! We establish the law by faith! When Paul says Law, he is referring to the works of the law or obtaining legal Jewish status by circumcision, immersion, and sacrifice. Paul partially quotes Leviticus 18:5.

Leviticus 18:5

“5 Ye shall therefore keep my statutes, and my judgments: which **if a man do, he shall live in them: I am the YaHUAH.**”

Paul means that obtaining legal Jewish status by the works of the law or by Circumcision, Immersion, and Sacrifice is not of faith. **Paul isn't pitting faith against keeping Torah. Instead, he says that the righteous man who lives by faith is the man who does the commandments and lives by them.**

Faith and obedience or faith plus the Law.

Faith in YaHusha leads to Salvation; Salvation leads to Obedience to Torah.

Faith and Salvation come first then comes knowledge of Torah and obedience.

Maybe this is why the Jews of today find it difficult because they are putting the cart before the horse by leading with knowledge of Torah and Obedience without faith in YaHusha for salvation. Although I think it's safe to say they do put faith in YaHUAH for salvation. By using the sefirot/tree of life, the lower seven represented by YaHusha, they are accessing the Father through the son YaHusha Ben YaHUAH! Using the twenty two letters of the Hebrew alphabet and the ten Sefirot giving them thirty two paths and 231 gates to access YaHusha to get to the Father. They may call him Zer Anpin, El Shadai, El Chaim, or Yesod (Foundation) but I assure you they are all names for YaHusha, they are one and the same!

You come to salvation by faith, but you keep the law out of obedience through love and desiring to please the Father.

The word **live** in Verse 11&12 actually **means to gain eternal life.**

It's about faith and works! Being saved by grace through faith in YaHusha; justified by faith and works or keeping Torah! Torah obedience is the fruit

each believer in YaH should be producing. Lawless fruit will be burned up in the fire; as every mans work will be tested by fire and truth. The doers of Torah will be justified! The teachers of Torah are fulfilling the great commission to keep and teach the Law as prescribed by Messiah!

James 2:21-24

“21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?

22 Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?

23 And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed YaH, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of YaH.

24 Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.”

Abraham was justified by works! Faith was working with his works! As a result of the works, faith was perfected! Wow! Faith was perfected as a result of works that justify! Abraham was a believer! Righteousness was imputed to him, before Messiah ever died for anyone, just as righteousness is imputed to us; but notice Abraham follow it up with works of the law or Torah Obedience. Oh Yes, Abraham kept the Holidays of YaH, as he was a student of Noah and Shem. Shem is revealed as Melekzedek; a title meaning 'righteous king' also belonging to Abraham after Shems death. All of this information is recorded in Jasher and in Jubilees.

Verse 13 The law is not a curse! The enmity of the law is the curse. Sin or breaking the law is where the curse comes from. The curse comes from disobedience. The blessing comes from obedience.

Ephesians 2:14-16

“14 For He is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in Himself of twain one new man, so making peace;

16 And that He might reconcile both unto YaH in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby.”

The enmity, the curse is what Messiah put to death. Not the law, but the curse that comes from your breaking the law is what Messiah put to death!

YaHUsa took the punishment of our lawlessness for us, He took our sins (breaking the law) upon Himself.

I Peter 2:24

24 Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins (lawlessness), should live unto righteousness (keeping the law): by whose stripes ye were healed.

This is how He was accursed, or became a curse for us! Any one hanging on a tree is cursed! And as a result we are redeemed by the precious blood of Messiah!

I Peter 1:17-19

“17 And if ye call on the Father, who **without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work**, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear:

18 For as much as ye know that ye were not **redeemed** with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers;

19 But **with the precious blood of Messiah**, as of a lamb without blemish

and without spot.”

The price has been paid! The ransom has been satisfied! We are Redeemed!

Verse 14 Through YaHUsa, who was the seed of Abraham, Through faith in YaHUsa we too can be the seed of Abraham and receive all the blessing of Abraham and we can receive the Holy Spirit which is the a seal or earnest a down payment of the great things to come in Eternity.

Acts.2:38,39

“38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of YaHUsa ha Mashiach for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Adonai our Elohim shall call.”

Ephesians 1:13,14

“13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise,

14 Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of His glory.”

If you've not put your faith in YaHUsa as your savior from your sins, then I encourage you today to call upon the name of YaHUAH. **Repent** and be baptized and read your bible daily and obey what you read.

If you have accepted YaHUsa as your savior, but you've not been walking in obedience to His Word; then **repent** and rededicate your life to Him.

Life is so short, one day we are here with the ability to accept or reject YaHs plan of salvation. And the next day we are stepping into eternity with the

decisions we made here determining our destiny for all eternity. Repent and believe. Most seem to forget the repent part, and just claim to believe. Turn from your pagan holidays and turn to YaHs commanded Holidays!

Galatians 3:15-29

“15 Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; **Though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto.**

16 Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Messiah.

17 And this I say, that **the covenant, that was confirmed before of YaH in Messiah, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.**

18 For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise: but YaH gave it to Abraham by promise.

19 Wherefore then serveth the law? **It was added because of transgressions, until the seed should come** to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator.

20 Now a mediator is not a mediator of one, but YaH is one.

21 **Is the law then against the promises of YaH? YaH forbid:** for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law.

22 **But the scripture hath concluded all under sin,** that the promise by faith of YaHusha ha Mashiach might be given to them that believe.

23 But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed.

24 Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Messiah, that we might be justified by faith.

25 But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

26 For ye are all the children of YaH by faith in YaHusha ha Mashiach.

27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Messiah have put on Messiah.

28 **There is neither Jew nor Greek**, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: **for ye are all one in YaHusha ha Mashiach.**

29 And if ye be Messiahs, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."

Verse 15-17 I believe Paul is saying that when Yah makes a covenant it is forever; no one sets it aside, and no one adds to it.

This is actually called **a corollary truth**: Just as the Sinai covenant cannot overturn or nullify the Abrahamic covenant, neither can the New Covenant overturn or nullify the Sinai Covenant. Instead, one covenant builds on top of another; they must all work together.

Corollary is a proposition that is incidentally proved in proving another proposition. An easily drawn conclusion.

Isaiah 40:8

“8 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our Elohim shall stand for ever.”

When YaH puts something in place it's forever! His instruction is forever for all time! His Appointed Times are forever, and for everyone in covenant with Him. And if YaH decides to change something or put an end to something, you'll probably find a prophetic Word from Him on it, Because YaH likes to declare the end from the beginning. And YaH would definitely make it loud and clear that there was a change, we wouldn't be arguing or guessing about it; YaH would use a servant like Moses and say, “Speak to My sons and daughters and tell them this...”

You have the Adamic covenant, the Noahetic covenant, the Abrahamic covenant, the Mosaic covenant, the Covenant of Grace, and their will be a Millennial covenant. They all build on top of one another, none of the new ones make null and void the old ones.

Verse 16,17 The Torah came 430 years after Abraham and it doesn't make null and void the previous covenant with Abraham.

That being the case, then the covenant of grace wouldn't make null and void the Law either.

1. Promise to Abraham
2. Torah
3. Covenant of grace

The Torah doesn't make null and void the previous covenant, and YaHUsa doesn't make null and void the previous covenant of Torah. YaHUsa is a fulfillment of both covenants. YaHUsa is also a fulfillment of the Adamic covenant. YaHUsa is the fulfillment of all, as He is YaH in the flesh!

If He fulfilled the law then does that make it null and void (as mainstream Christianity says), if so then you would have to conclude that He fulfilled the promise to Abraham thus making that null and void too!

Verse 18 Inheritance or **being the seed of Abraham is based on Faith in YaHUsa, and the promise YaH made to Abraham**; just because you keep the law doesn't mean you are the seed of Abraham! **You could keep the law and be the seed of the devil!**

YaHUsa confirmed this in John 8:37-44.

John 8:37-44

“37 I know that **ye are Abraham's seed**; but ye seek to kill me, because my word hath no place in you.

38 I speak that which I have seen with my Father: and ye do that which ye have seen with your father.

39 They answered and said unto him, Abraham is our father. YaHUsah saith unto them, If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham.

40 But now ye seek to kill me, a man that hath told you the truth, which I have heard of YAH: this did not Abraham.

41 Ye do the deeds of your father. Then said they to him, We be not born of fornication; we have one Father, even YaH.

42 YaHUsa said unto them, If YaH were your Father, ye would love me: for I proceeded forth and came from YaH; neither came I of myself, but He sent me.

43 Why do ye not understand my speech? Even because ye cannot hear my word.

44 **Ye are of your father the devil**, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.”

Verse 19,20 Why the Law? It was added in order to identify wrong behavior, so we would know what pleases the Father and what doesn't please Him.

The law is really a revelation of the character of YaH! The law brings forth the knowledge of sin; and the law leaves us all guilty and held accountable before the Father. It's really simple; if you don't define your rules and expectations at home for your children, then you are creating a realm of lawlessness and chaos. Your children won't know what pleases you. The law defines what sin is; giving us knowledge of the holy and profane; and of the clean and unclean! Once we have knowledge of what sin is (lawlessness), should we continue to sin (break the law)? No!

The law was added **until** the seed should come? Does this mean that the law is done away with because YaHUsa the seed has come? Did YaHUsa cancel out the Law with His death? No, we already saw that He canceled out

the enmity or curse for disobedience to the law; He paid the penalty or fine and satisfied the law!

Verse 21,22- The law isn't a vehicle for eternal life or salvation; it never was nor will it ever be. The law is intended for instruction on how to please Yah and it's still in effect. The law gives us instruction on how to produce good lawful works, fruit that will remain and is good!

How can you please YaH without the law? If you murder, covet, commit adultery, commit bestiality, bear false witness, hate, lust, eat unclean animals, don't honor your parents, don't keep the appointed times of YaH. Can you please YaH?

Can you please YaH by breaking the law? No! Hebrews 1:9 tells us He hates lawlessness!

We are not saved by keeping the law either though! It's just the proof in the pudding! It's the good fruit produced by us because we love Him and want to obey Him! We are saved by repentance towards YaH (which leads to keeping the law), and believing in His Word YaHusha (YaH in the flesh) through faith, but we are justified by faith and keeping the law.

Otherwise faith and grace are a license to sin and break the law!

The Scripture has shut up all men under sin; the law simply teaches us the difference between right and wrong, and unfortunately **it leaves us all guilty** because we all sin.

Faith in YaHusha, or faith of YaHusha really should be **Faithfulness of YaHusha**. It's not so much our faith as it is His faithfulness!

Verse 23-25 The law commonly referred to here as a **tutor or a schoolmaster** is actually incorrect.

The word in the Greek is **Paidagogos** or **Pedagogue**, and better translated as

a Child-Conductor.

The **Child-Conductor** originally referred to the slave who conducted the children from home to the school.

So the **Child-Conductor** wasn't a teacher, school-master, or tutor, but a supervisor responsible for the moral and physical well-being of the children.

The **Child-Conductor** was ensuring the Childs safety and good behavior on the way to school and back; like a bodyguard and counselor.

In verse 23 some versions say in custody under the law, or held captive by the law. The **Child-Conductor** was the Childs guardian, not his jailer. The King James says shut up which is accurate. Shut up, kept in, enclosed are all good translations.

The word should be understood as speaking about how a **Child Conductor** kept a child inside for his school lessons.

There is **a parable by Thomas Lancaster** to illustrate what Paul is saying:

“To what may the Torah be compared? It can be compared to a Child-Conductor who escorted a child to the schoolteacher, but once the child was under the care of the school teacher, the Child-Conductor relinquished his care over the child. So, too, the Torah escorted the Jewish people to the Messiah, but once the people entered the care of the Messiah, the Torah relinquishes them to Him.”

Just as the Child Conductor brings the child to the teacher. So the Torah brings us to Messiah. But the Torah is not the teacher; neither is it the means to earn salvation.

Paul didn't mean that the Torah is done away with or canceled. He meant that we should not look to Torah or Legal Jewish Status as a means of earning salvation. But good fruit would be keeping Torah.

Verse 26-29 There is neither Jew nor Greek, because in the Creators eyes we are all one and will be judged accordingly. YaH shows partiality to no man!

Do you ever wonder **why there are no distinctly different Jews in Christianity?** It's because we don't allow them to be different. We want them to look the same as us, and thus eliminating the Jewishness of Christianity.

I believe that this is diabolic and intentional. Where Hitler failed to eliminate the Jew, Theology and Christianity (inter-marriage and religious attrition) are taking over where he left off!

I believe that the only way to reverse this momentum at this point is to go to the opposite extreme. Gentiles who believe in Messiah are going to have to start looking like Jews. Most Jews don't even keep Torah now a days; and when they find out you keep Torah – that will provoke them to jealousy and bring them to the Messiah. Thus returning Jewishness (the law) to Christianity.

When **James judged** in Acts 15:21 to let the gentile believers go to the Synagogue every Shabbat and learn the Law of Moses; it was to bring them under the instruction of YaH and let them **slowly transition** into becoming who YaH wanted them to be so they could do what YaH wanted them to do.

But instead the opposite has happened. We don't go to the synagogue, we don't teach or keep the Law (the instruction of YaH).

We've gone astray and look like Gentiles who worship a Elohim not of the Bible, but one we made up. The two major Christian Holidays are Easter which commemorates the worship of the goddess of fertility (hence the rabbit and eggs). And Christmas which commemorates the worship of the sun god Tammuz, the offspring of Nimrod and Semiramis. Now in some of our minds we might say that's not what Christmas or Easter represent to me, but

that is what is at root of the establishment of those holidays. Sometimes the truth sucks.

Remember that we are to change our ways to become His ways. YaH doesn't need to change. We are the ones who need to change. I challenge you to stand before the Throne of YaH and ask Him to show you the ancient paths, ask Him to teach you truth and expose false doctrine, ask Him to lead you in His way that is everlasting, wonderful and truthful. May the Elohim of Shalom be with us all.

“Galatians 4”

Galatians 4:1-10

“1 Now I say, That the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all;

2 But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father.

3 Even so we, when we were children, were **in bondage under the elements of the world:**

4 But when the fullness of the time was come, YaH sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

5 **To redeem them that were under the law**, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

6 And because ye are sons, YaH hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.

7 Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of YaH through Messiah.

8 Howbeit then, when ye knew not YaH, **ye did service unto them which by nature are no gods.**

9 But now, after that ye have known YaH, or rather are known of YaH, **how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements, where unto ye desire again to be in bondage?**

10 Ye observe days, and months, and times, and years.”

Common interpretations in mainstream Christianity of this passage; say that we are not to keep the Sabbath, or the New Month, or the Holidays of YaH. But I believe that that is a misconception, and a bad interpretation; which isn't consistent with the rest of scripture. **In fact you should clearly see Paul is talking about pagan gods and holidays that they formerly partook in and now they are returning to paganism and idolatry.**

Most of **these interpretations come from taking the elemental things as**

referring to Torah.

If this were true it would mean that Paul considered the Torah weak and worthless which we know he didn't. In Romans 7:12 Paul calls the Law holy, righteous, good, and spiritual.

Paul would also be saying that the law brings bondage, which is contrary to Scripture. The law when kept brings freedom from lawlessness.

Verse 3,9 elemental things is referring to Paganism, idol worship; not Torah!

Verse 5 Not redeeming us from the law; just redeeming us from the enmity or the curse of the law. Redeeming us from the condemnation of the law. Redeeming us from sin!

This is the verse that people take the term “Messiah redeemed us from the law”. But that's not true; He did redeem us, but not from keeping the law. He redeemed us from our lawlessness!

He didn't come to redeem us from keeping the law, but to redeem us from the curse of breaking the law! **He didn't come to call the righteous to the law but the lawless to keep the law!**

Besides here in this verse Paul is talking to those ‘under the law’ which means Jews and Proselytes. Yes, Messiah came to redeem them too!

Verse 6-11 Paul is talking to Gentile fearers of YaH!

Verse 8 Slaves to those which by nature are no gods. With Scripture interpreting Scripture we see that Paul is not talking about the Torah, nor is he talking about Sabbath, nor New Months, nor the Holidays of YaH. In Verses 3,8, and 10 Paul is talking about paganism, idol worship, false gods!

Verse 10 Paul is referring to the Roman Cult, Pagan holidays; not YaHs Holidays!

Galatians 4:11-20

“11 **I am afraid** of you, lest I have bestowed upon you labour in vain.

12 Brethren, I beseech you, be as I am; for I am as ye are: ye have not injured me at all.

13 Ye know how through infirmity of the flesh I preached the gospel unto you at the first.

14 And my temptation which was in my flesh ye despised not, nor rejected; but received me as an angel of YaH, even as YaHUsa ha Mashiach.

15 Where is then the blessedness ye spake of? For I bear you record, that, if it had been possible, ye would have plucked out your own eyes, and have given them to me.

16 Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?

17 They zealously affect you, but not well; yea, they would exclude you, that ye might affect them.

18 But it is good to be zealously affected always in a good thing, and not only when I am present with you.

19 My little children, of whom I travail in birth again **until** Messiah be formed in you,

20 I desire to be present with you now, and to change my voice; for I stand in doubt of you.”

Verse 11 Paul fears that the Gentile YaH fearers are backslicing back into pagan rituals, pagan holidays on the Roman calendar.

Verse 12 Pauls loyalty to the Gentile YaH fearers cost him his prestige and status within the Jewish community; So also loyalty to YaHUsa was costing the YaH fearers social status in the Roman Gentile world.

This isn’t Paul being a hypocrite and keeping Torah when with Jews, and not keeping Torah when with Gentiles. Although, I’m sure he bent as far as he could to have a platform of common ground to talk to Gentiles, Jews,

Proselytes, or whoever he was talking too. I'm sure Paul didn't stick to the oral Torah, or man made traditions by the elders of the Jews; where it came in conflict with saving souls.

Verse 15 Have you ever experienced coming to Messiah and He cleanses you, heals you and removes your burdens, and you just feel so relieved? And then all the sudden somebody comes to rain on your parade!

Maybe they're dogmatic about the names of YaH. Or maybe they try to push traditions of man on you and even tell you they are commanded of YaH.

They are like joy killers, and they rob you of your joy. Maybe they even rob you of some well taught principles in the Word of YaH that will bring forth fruit and results in your life of blessing and triumph.

This is what Paul is talking about here to the Gentile YaH fearers who have been influenced by the proselytes or believing Jews.

Verse 17 Look at how these kind of people work. They cut you off from other people so you have no where to go except to them. This is how cults get started, beware of such people.

Proverbs 15:22,23

“22 Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counselors they are established.

23 A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word spoken in due season, how good is it!”

I encourage you to have many counselors in the things of YaH, but don't ever put your eyes on the man- keep your eyes and ears and hearts fixed on the one who is your Savior!

Verse 19 We see the word **until** again like in verse 19 of Chapter 3. Maybe this until will help us understand the other until.

Does this **until** mean that Pauls work past, present, and future is done away with once Messiah is formed in them? Absolutely not!

The Word until represents a goal, but in no way does it do away with anything!

Galatians 4:21-31

“21 Tell me, ye that desire to be **under the law**, do ye not hear the law?

22 For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bond maid, the other by a free woman.

23 But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the free woman was by promise.

24 Which things are an allegory: **for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage**, which is Agar.

25 For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children.

26 But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.

27 For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband.

28 Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the **children of promise**.

29 But as then **he that was born after the flesh persecuted him that was born after the Spirit**, even so it is now.

30 Nevertheless what saith the scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son: for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the free woman.

31 So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free.”

Pauls analogy here is used for Replacement theology. Some churches use this very passage to prove that the church has replaced Israel; the Christian has replaced the Jew.

A simple correction and that interpretation falls apart.

Paul isn't even talking about Jews here. Paul is speaking of **two covenants**; not the old and new as we think of testaments. But the covenant at **Mt. Sinai** and the covenant with **Abraham**. **The covenant with Abraham having two sets of children, one born of the flesh Ishmael, and one born of the promise Isaac.**

Paul is talking to **two groups of Gentiles** here. **Proselytes and YaH fearing Gentiles.**

Paul is likening the Proselytes to Ishmael, Hagar and Mt. Sinai.

Paul is likening the YaH fearing Gentiles to Isaac, Sarah, and New Jerusalem above.

Verse 21 Under law could be reference to being a Proselyte.

Verse 23 Flesh could be a Proselyte or YaH fearing Gentiles.

Verse 24 Allegory symbolic; not literal.

Two covenants: Sinai and Abrahamic or Flesh and Promise.

Verse 24,25 Dealing with Proselytes.

Verse 26-28 Dealing with YaH fearing Gentiles.

Verse 29 Ishmael persecuted, mocked, made fun of Isaac.

The book of Jasher tells us that Ishmael had one up on Isaac. Ishmael held over Isaacs head the fact that Ishmael was circumcised when he was 13 (an adult) and had the opportunity to protest the procedure, and as a result he was loved more by his father. Isaac was circumcised when he was 8 days old and had no choice in the matter.

Those 'born according to the flesh' are Gentile believers in Galatia who, like

Ishmael, went through circumcision as adults and became legally Jewish.

Like Ishmael taunting Isaac, the proselytes taunted the YaH fearers and encouraged them to convert to legal Jewish status.

Paul is likening the Proselytes to Ishmael, being born of the flesh.

Paul is likening the YaH fearing Gentiles to Isaac, being born of the promise.

Remember that the heart of the issue for the letter to Galatians was the proselytes or believing Jews trying to persuade or influence the YaH fearing Gentiles to undergo legal Jewish Conversion in order to be saved.

And Paul was adamantly against that theology, and rightfully so. For salvation comes by grace and not by legal Jewish status; less we likewise also perish.

“Galatians 5”

“1 Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Messiah hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.

2 Behold, I Paul say unto you, that if ye be circumcised, Messiah shall profit you nothing.

3 For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, that he is a debtor to do the whole law.

4 Messiah is become of no effect unto you, **whosoever of you are justified by the law**; ye are fallen from grace.

5 For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith.

6 For in YaHUsa ha Mashiach neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but **faith which worketh by love**.

7 Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth?

8 This persuasion cometh not of him that calleth you.

9 A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump. 10 I have confidence in you through Adonai , that ye will be none otherwise minded: but he that troubleth you shall bear his judgment, whosoever he be.

11 And I, brethren, **if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution?** Then is the offense of the cross ceased.

12 I would they were even cut off which trouble you.

13 For, brethren, **ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh**, but by love serve one another.

14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

15 But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.

16 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

18 But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of YaH.

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

24 And they that are Messiahs have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

26 Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.”

In verse 1 and 2 Paul is talking about two different things.

Paul is talking to the YaH fearing Gentiles, not to Jews. So the yoke cannot be the law.

Verse 1 Yoke is referring to paganism, worship of false deities in Roman cult system.

The liberty we have in Messiah, is being free from sin; free from lawlessness and now free to keep Torah! We do not have liberty to break the law- this is absurd. As Paul says in Romans 6 shall we sin that grace may increase? No, Messiah does not set us free from sin to continue in lawlessness.

Verse 2 Circumcision is referring to taking up legal Jewish status.

So we see Paul is warning the YaH fearing Gentiles of two things. Falling back again into paganism and taking up legal Jewish status by becoming a proselyte; hence, using the law as a means of salvation.

Verse 3 Paul is warning YaH fearing Gentiles that if they convert to legal Jewish Status; that circumcision is just the beginning. They would be

accountable to every thing in the Torah.

We should notice from Pauls writings that he implies that the Proselytes are taking up legal Jewish Status, but not actually keeping the rest of Torah.

I actually had an encounter with a Rabbi who believed in Yeshua. He also took this position Paul takes when it came to having my grandson circumcised on the eighth day; until he found out my grandsons grandmother is a Jew, then he was okay with it. This is where I disagree. There is one law for all the people. There is not one law for the Jew and one law for the gentile; this is absurd. There is not one law of physics for the Jew and a different law of physics for the Gentile. The law of circumcision is for every believer seeking to obey the commandments of YaHUAH. I guarantee you there were men in Abrahams tribe that were not Jewish and yet were they not all circumcised? Yes, they were!

Genesis 17:9-14

“9 And Eloah said unto Abraham, Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations.

10 This is my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee; **Every man child among you shall be circumcised.**

11 And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you.

12 And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which is not of thy seed.

13 He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant.

14 And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath broken

my covenant.”

Genesis 17:23-27

“23 And Abraham took Ishmael his son, and all that were born in his house, and all that were bought with his money, **every male among the men of Abraham's house**; and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the selfsame day, as Eloah had said unto him.

24 And Abraham was ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

25 And Ishmael his son was thirteen years old, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

26 In the selfsame day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his son.

27 **And all the men of his house, born in the house, and bought with money of the stranger, were circumcised with him.”**

All the men of his house, including the stranger or foreigner bought with money were circumcised. **Yes the Gentiles in Abrahams house were circumcised!** So this is also my stance, circumcision is for all believers seeking to keep the commandments of YaH. It is a sign of the covenant between us and YaH. However, being circumcised as an adult doesn't quite meet the commanded requirement to have your child circumcised on the eighth day. So my opinion is that one should do as one is compelled to do. If you are an uncircumcised adult and decide not too get circumcised or to get circumcised is between you and YaH. There are examples of circumcision after the eighth day so that's where I stand. Abraham, Ishmael, and also Moses sons.

Exodus 4:24-26

“24 And it came to pass by the way in the inn, that the YaHUAH met him, and sought to kill him.

25 Then Zipporah took a sharp stone, and cut off the foreskin of her sons, and

cast it at his feet, and said, Surely a bloody husband art thou to me.

26 So he let him go: then she said, A bloody husband thou art, because of the circumcision."

Verse 4 If you are seeking salvation by the law then you are not putting your faith in YaHUsa and thus eliminating your salvation.

Salvation comes by grace through faith. We are justified by faith and works. Not just by the law. We need faith mixed with the law. It takes both not just one or the other.

Keeping the Law is just walking in obedience to YaHs Word. Walking in obedience to YaHs Word without having a relationship with YaHUsa; means you are putting your trust in yourself and your ability to be obedient in order to earn salvation.

For those of us who apply ourselves to keep Torah. Recognize that keeping Torah doesn't save you. The law isn't a means of salvation. I keep Torah by faith. I have salvation not by Torah, but by Faith in YaHUsa, and by His Faithfullness and by YaHs Grace.

Verse 5,6 Neither Jew, nor Proselyte, or Gentile is relevant status in salvation. The relevant thing for salvation is Faith working through love. Reward will be based upon your good works or keeping Torah, but all lawless works will be burned in the fire when tested.

Faith in YaHUsa is the starting point for salvation.

We love because YaH first loved us.

We all come to repentance because of YaHs kindness toward us.

What is the key ingredient we see working with faith? LOVE!

Paul is saying in verse 5 that even the Jews have to put their faith in YaHUsa for His righteousness.

Verse 7-12 It would appear here that the influencers with the different gospel that were putting a lot of pressure on the Gentile YaH fearers were primarily the Proselytes. But that isn't to say that the believing Pharisees or Jews weren't leading it.

The different gospel according to Acts 15:1 was that the Law was a means of salvation. Without being circumcised you couldn't be saved. The Gentile YaH fearers were being forced to take on legal Jewish Status as a means of salvation.

Verse 11 Did Paul advocate circumcision at one point when preaching the gospel? It would appear so! Maybe when he first started out as a believer in YaHUsa, he held to the same opinion as the rest.

The real issue here is **Gentile inclusion**; the stumbling block of the cross isn't Faith in YaHUsa. **The stumbling block is Gentile inclusion without converting to Legal Jewish Status through circumcision, immersion, and sacrifice.**

In other words, it would appear as though the gospel message was only for Jewish people only. After all they were the chosen people.

Paul was persecuted not for the message of salvation through the faithfulness of YaHUsa, but he was persecuted for including non-Jews into the equation.

Verse 12 As Paul appears to conclude his argument for salvation for everyone through YaHUsa's faithfulness; without taking up circumcision or legal Jewish status. He seems irritated and finally tells the influencers where to get off. He says then just go circumcise yourselves, but leave these Gentile YaH fearers alone!

Verse 13 This looks like Romans 6:1 "Don't use grace as a license to sin"

Freedom from circumcision or Legal Jewish Status isn't freedom from

the entire Torah.

Paul isn't dismissing the rest of Torah by just saying all you have to do is love one another. He is saying the whole point of Torah is to teach us to love one another!

YaHUsa taught that all the commandments of YaH could be summed up by Love YaH with all that is in you, and love your neighbor as yourself.

Verse 14 Paul sums up the Torah in it's relationship to man by saying Love your neighbor as yourself.

Verse 16 Paul says 'walk by the Spirit' I think this is Pauls way of saying Love YaH with all that is in you".

If your desire is to please YaH then you will be led to keep Torah, because that is YaHs instruction to us on how to please Him.

The Hebrew word halachah (halaic) means to walk. The rabbis used the term to refer to the legal way to 'walk' out the commandments of the Torah.

Paul is saying the one who walks according to the Spirit will walk in YaHs statutes and obey His rules.

Verse 17 Paul is pitting the flesh against the Spirit

Even YaHUsa said, "The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak" Mark 14:38

Paul isn't pitting the Spirit against Torah!

Verse 18 The meaning seems obvious. If you are a Christian, you don't need to keep the Torah. But this doesn't line up with the rest of scripture.

YaHUsaH said, "He didn't abolish the Law"! Paul said in Corinthians, "What is really important is keeping the commandments of YaH." In Romans 6:15 we have Paul saying, "Shall we sin because we are not under the law? No! May it Never be!" Pauls writings are hard to understand sometimes and confusing

other times; so be sure to take Peters warning to heart and do not misinterpret Pauls writtings for lawlessness!

If you obey YaHs desires for your life and for your behavior, you are not ‘under the law’. Paul doesn’t mean ‘You’re not under the authority of YaHs commandments.’

Paul isn’t saying that Jewish people and proselytes cannot be Spirit led either.

So what does He mean here?

I think Paul is pitting salvation by faith YaHUsa against, Salvation by Legal Jewish status. He is summarizing His letter.

Believing in the faithfulness of YaHUsa is salvation, which is the indwelling of the Spirit of YaH. But that doesn’t mean you have to go ‘under the law’ converting to legal Jewish status through circumcision, immersion, and sacrifice.

Being led by the Holy Spirit means that a Gentile YaH fearer has obligation to keep Torah, despite the fact that he is not ‘under the law’ (forced to convert to Legal Jewish Status).

Verse 23 Against such things there is no law? Is Paul promoting Lawlessness? No!

The Law doesn’t prohibit good deeds. In other words, The Law is for good works, not against good works.

Romans 13:3 says, “Rulers are not a cause of fear for good behavior, but for evil”

The Law isn’t against good behavior, but the Law is against evil behavior.

Verse 25 If we live by faith in YaHUsa, then let us walk by faith in YaHUsa.

So how should we walk? In a manner worthy of the calling? What is a worthy walk? Well to learn that you have to read and keep Torah.

Remember the Hebrew word halachah (halaic) means to walk. The rabbis used the term to refer to the legal way to ‘walk’ out the commandments of the Torah.

It’s like Paul is saying, If we have faith in YaHUsa then let us walk out the commandments of Torah.

Verse 26 No comparing! Comparing leads to jealousy, and jealousy leads to envy.

Paul is referring to the proselytes challenging, mocking the gentile YaH fearers, like Ishmael with Isaac.

Galatians 6

“1 Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

2 Bear ye one anothers burdens, and so fulfill the law of Messiah.

3 For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself.

4 But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.

5 For every man shall bear his own burden.

6 Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things.

7 Be not deceived; YaH is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

10 As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

11 Ye see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand.

12 As many as desire to make a fair show in the flesh, **they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution** for the cross of Christ.

13 For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh.

14 But YaH forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of Adonai YaHUsa ha Mashiach, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

15 For in YaHUsa neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature.

16 And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of YaH.

17 From henceforth let no man trouble me: for I bear in my body the marks of Adonai YaHUsa.

18 Brethren, the grace of our Adonai YaHUsa ha Mashiach be with your spirit. Amen.”

Verse 1 This is done with gentleness and I don’t think this referring to pointing out peoples personal sins and shortcomings that everyone has all the time, because our personalities are flawed.

Verse 2 To love one another, and to love YaH with all your heart, mind, soul and strength is too completely fulfill the Law of YaH. We’d probably be better off just trying to accomplish one thing at a time in the Torah, rather than all of it at once! People don’t realize when they say, “I just try to fulfill the law by loving others”; that love encompasses the whole law. We’d be better off studying Torah and keeping the things that apply to us; rather than keeping the whole.

My point is that we don’t really understand the full implications of this word love! It’s not just being nice to people you like in church.

Law of Messiah? Did Paul change Torah of Moses to the new Torah of Messiah? No, he is just summarizing the whole of the law which is Love.

Verse 4 No comparing. It's not good to build upon another mans work. Let each man be accountable for his own work.

Verse 6 Notice it doesn’t say bad things or bad news.

Verse 7 Don’t deceive yourself Proverbs says, “As a man thinketh in his heart so is he”.

Your heart is ground, and you sow into it. If you put garbage in you’ll

get garbage out; if you put good things in it, then you'll get good things out of it.

Verse 9 A key principle in sowing and reaping the good things of YaH; is don't grow weary. When you grow weary and speak death into a situation you were speaking life into by faith; you cancel out your faith!

Verse 10 Do good especially to those who are in the Faithfulness of YaHUsa.

Verse 11 Did Paul have a condition with his eyes, after YaH blinded him on the road to Damascus? Maybe this is why he says in Galatians 4:15 “You would have plucked your eyes and given them to me if possible.” When he was sick.

Verse 12 Remember, the persecution and the offense of the cross; for the Jews and Proselytes wasn't YaHUsa, it was the inclusion of the Gentiles without compelling them to become Proselytes, but letting them remain as they were, uncircumcised!

Verse 13 Paul is referring to the Proselytes only going through the motions of Circumcision, Immersion, and Sacrifice in order to obtain Legal Jewish Status. But they didn't keep the rest of Torah. **They were guilty of learning tradition by rote, but having their hearts far removed from a real relationship with YaH which will bring change to an individual; the change is that they will love others**, not become a member of a social club and look down their noses at others not in the club!

Verse 15 Paul says a new creation is important! Being a new creation to me means you leave behind the old customs and traditions of this world you were conformed to and begin to keep YaHs law which will make you not conformed to this world and hence a new creation by keeping YaHs Holidays and Calendar rather than this worlds which looks good but leads to death. If

any man be in Messiah he is a new creation old things have past away behold all things become new. Keeping Shabbat on Saturday, wearing blue tassels, keeping His Holidays on His Timeline. What a priceless change that has taken hold of me! Now this I can lay my life down for!

This is why the key ingredient in your relationship with YaH and others is Love.

This is why the whole law can be summed up in Love!

The closer you get to YaH, the more you love. Because YaH is love and He wants to rub off on you! And that my friends is the change that we all need and that we all are looking for whether we realize it or not! The ability to love what we perceive as the unlovable is a change in heart and attitude only the Creator can pull off! A desire to be with the broken hearted rather than with the prideful and arrogant, only the Creator can bring forth the desire and ability to create change in our attitude and perception.

Remember President Obamas powerful slogan when he ran for office, “Change you can count on!”

It’s about change, but not change you can count on, **it’s about “Change that YaH can count on!”**

We need to repent for the lack of love in our lives. You want to be like YaHUsa, then love people the way YaHUsa loved. Look through the eyes of YaH when you look at people and you’ll be looking through the eyes of love!

Verse 16 Those who walk by this rule peace and mercy upon them!

There is a lot of power in love and kindness. YaHs Law has led me to repentance, so also His kindness has led me to repentance.

Deuteronomy 29:10-15

“10 Ye stand this day all of you before YaHUAH your Elohim; your captains of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, with all the men of Israel,

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

12 That thou shouldest enter into covenant with YaHUAH your Elohim, and into His oath, which YaHUAH your Elohim maketh with thee this day:

13 That He may establish thee today for a people unto himself, and that He may be unto thee a Elohim, as He hath said unto thee, and as He hath sworn unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

14 Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath;

15 But with him that standeth here with us this day before YaHUAH our Elohim, and also with him that is not here with us this day”.

Also with him that is not here today is referring to the people in the future, it's referring to us! May YaH help us to find the narrow path He created for us to walk on!

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