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YAHSHUA

... Behold the Lamb of Elohim, which taketh away the sin of the world. John 1:29

... For even the Messiah our Passover is sacrificed for us: 1 Corinthians 5:7

Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others; For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: So the Messiah was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation. Hebrews 9:25-28

Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, ... But with the precious blood of the Messiah, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, 1 Peter 1:18-20

Contending for The Faith which was once for all delivered to the saints. Jude 3

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Editorial

MORE THOUGHTS ON THE JUDGMENT

Arise, O Yahweh, ... and awake for me to the judgment that thou hast commanded. Psalm 7:6.

Seek Yahweh and his strength, seek his face continually. Remember his marvelous works that he hath done, his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth; O ye seed of Israel his servant, ye children of Jacob, his chosen ones. He is Yahweh our Elohim; his judgments are in all the earth. Be ye mindful always of his covenant; the word which he commanded to a thousand generations; Even of the covenant which he made with Abraham, and of his oath unto Isaac; 1 Chronicles 16:11-16.

King David wrote – Yahweh shall judge the people: judge me, O Yahweh, according to my righteousness, and according to mine integrity that is in me. Psalm 7:8.

The world is being prepared for Yahweh to judge the nations. The news media reports continue to bear witness that Yahweh is trying to awake the inhabitants of this world with reports of disasters (tsunamis, hurricanes, earthquakes), political unrest in Egypt, Libya, Bahrain, Tunisia, the Middle East and elsewhere. These upheavals are causing the rising price of oil in the west and in Europe. The escalating oil prices will hurt many countries that are close to financial bankruptcy and will also affect the countries of the free world.

Since our worldly leaders have been pushing the countries to be globally connected, there is a much greater effect on all with the rising cost of food, loss of jobs and income, and continuing inflation. These conditions bring unrest and people who would normally be compliant and complacent are joining with others to riot against their leaders in nations abroad and even against leaders (governors for example) in the United States.

Some readers think all these occurrences are coming to pass so the man of sin will rise up and take control, solve these problems, and bring peace to the nations. This would be a sure sign that judgment is close at hand.

Let's look at a few passages in the Scriptures regarding judgment. Job 21:30 says: That the wicked is reserved to the day of destruction? They shall be brought forth to the day of wrath. Job 14:17 – My transgression is sealed up in a bag, and thou sewest up mine iniquity.

Psalm 50:3-6 – Our Elohim shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him. He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people. Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice. And the heavens shall declare his righteousness: for Elohim is judge himself.

Psalm 96:13 – ... for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.

Psalm 122:3-6 – Jerusalem is builded as a city that is compact together: There the tribes go up, the tribes of Yah, unto the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the name of Yahweh. For there are set thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.

Proverbs 29:25-26 – The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in Yahweh shall be safe. Many seek the ruler's favour; but every man's judgment cometh from Yahweh.

Jeremiah 17:7 – Blessed is the man that trusteth in Yahweh, and whose hope Yahweh is.

Ecclesiastes 11:9 – Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these things Elohim will bring thee into judgment.

Ezekiel 18 – The whole chapter is good to review, please read it all again. Verse 30 speaks of judgment – Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the Sovereign Yahweh. Repent, and turn yourselves from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin.

Yahshua is speaking to the scribes and Pharisees in Matthew 12:31-37. Verse 31: Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Spirit shall not be forgiven unto men. ... Verses 36-37: But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

Can we deny ourselves some of the worldly pleasures for the goal of the heavenly city New Jerusalem? Matthew 16:24-27 – Then said Yahshua unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his stake, and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it. For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? For the Son of man shall come in the majesty of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear Elohim, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For Elohim shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil. Eccles. 12:13-14.

Remember Chapter 20 of Revelation, the scriptures regarding the judgment and the resurrection. Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power ... And I saw a great white throne ... And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before the throne ... and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

In closing, take comfort in the words in 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17 – But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Yahshua died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Yahshua will Elohim bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of Yahweh, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Master shall not prevent them which are asleep.

For the Master himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of Yahweh: and the dead in the Messiah shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Master in the air: and so shall we ever be with Yahweh.

Samuel A. Graham

Looking Forward

The world with its sacred seasons and holidays is careful to observe them from year to year, not only in memoriam of events they commemorate, but also as an inspiration to the living that a lesson may be taught from the past.

ORDAINED FROM AGES PAST

As the saints enter another Sacred Year, with the observance of the sacred feasts and days that Yahweh has ordained from ages past, we hope to look into their meaning today for us, and thus get a portion of their treasure for those of us who wish to obey in the least jot or tittle of the law which governs our obedience.

Three annual special feasts were appointed unto Israel, and with them seven annual Sabbaths, in addition to the weekly Sabbath day. At each of these all men of Israel, with the strangers dwelling in their midst who wished to worship the Elohim of Israel, were commanded to be present annually, and to take part in the worship.

Why was Yahweh so careful about this? Why were these feasts to be kept? What did it all mean? Did Yahweh merely crave praise and worship from His creatures? Or, were blessings hidden in these feasts that the worshippers would receive when obedient? Yahweh forbid that we should think of Him as being anything but desirous of the welfare and blessing of His creatures, and with this in mind, may we proceed to the examination of the sacred seasons, called “Feasts of Yahweh.”

PASSOVER

Passover, the fourteenth day of the first sacred month, was a commemoration of the deliverance of the firstborn males among Israel in Egypt. On this night the climax of the persecutions of the Egyptians against Israel came, and the glorious deliverance of the firstborn among Israel. It is not only a commemoration of Egypt’s persecution, but also a memorial of the deliverance of the firstborn through obedience.

YAHSHUA OUR PASSOVER – LAMB SLAIN FROM FOUNDATION OF THE WORLD

Let us look deeper, however, and find a wealth in the Passover memorial. Prophetically Passover day, and Passover memorial, pointed unto the true Lamb – “slain from the foundation of the world” (Rev. 13:8), slain in type in every death, whether of goat or lamb or bullock. It was in Egypt that the great Passover memorial began; and at the Passover at Calvary, in fulfillment of the prophetic picture painted upon the minds of the worshippers for the centuries past, the Savior of the world became, and was clearly seen to be by the true worshippers, the true Passover Lamb, and of Him Paul states this fact, “Messiah our Paschal Lamb is sacrificed; therefore, let us keep the feast.” (1 Corinthians 5:7-8).

PASSOVER FROM DEATH TO ETERNAL LIFE – REDEEMED

Passover pointed forward to Messiah’s death; but, far more wonderful it pointed also to His deliverance as the “firstborn of every creature.” Not only does Passover commemorate for us the death of “Messiah our Paschal Lamb,” but it also is a memorial of the deliverance of every one of us (as the firstborn, born-again creatures) from the death common to the world, and the guarantee of resurrection from that death, through

the merits of His death, just as the firstborn of Israel were delivered from the death angel, through the sacrifice of the Passover Lamb.

“THIS DO FOR A REMEMBRANCE OF ME”

So, to us who enter fully into Passover, the message is forceful. Not only do we look back to the deliverance of the firstborn sons in Egypt, and the death of the firstborn of the persecutors; but we today, by being in Messiah, enjoy the blessings that came to us through Passover, even more so than fleshly Israel enjoyed the benefits of the Egyptian Passover. But what of the future? As the Master said unto His followers, “This do for a remembrance of me.” And Paul states, “As often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do show the Master’s death – till He come.” (1 Cor. 11:23-26).

PASSOVER PROPHETICALLY POINTED FORWARD TO CALVARY

Just as Passover memorial throughout past ages prophetically pointed forward to Calvary, to the supreme sacrifice, and the deliverance of the firstborn in the Anointed; so, today, as we from year to year observe the Passover, not with the old sacrifices, but with the greater Lamb, of which the bread and fruit of the vine are memorials, we look forward to a greater deliverance than that of Egypt, - even to the resurrection of the dead, who come forth in the first resurrection, and over which the second death hath no power, because the blood of the great Paschal Lamb has been applied, and with it has come a guarantee of life far greater than that of the firstborn in Egypt. “Messiah our Paschal Lamb, has been sacrificed for us; therefore (for that reason) let us keep the feast.” Hallelu-Yah.

UNLEAVENED BREAD

The Feast of Unleavened Bread followed the Passover (Leviticus 23:5-6), reads, “In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is Yahweh’s Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the month is the feast of unleavened bread.” The first and the last days are Sabbath days.

The Feast of Unleavened Bread commemorates the flight from Egypt, and the deliverance of the entire company of the children of Israel from Egyptian bondage. Their flight from bondage, and toward the Promised Land, began on the fifteenth – following the Passover. Numbers 33:3 records, “And they departed from Rameses in the first month; on the fifteenth day of the first month; on the morrow after the Passover the children of Israel went out with an high hand in the sight of all the Egyptians.”

Because Israel had no time for preparation of the dainties of life, and no time to wait for the rising of the dough, they ate bread unleavened during their flight from Egypt. To Israel this feast was given as a memorial of their flight from Egypt, and of it Yahweh said Israel shall teach its meaning unto their children, saying, “And thou shalt show thy son in that day, saying, This is done because of that which Yahweh did unto me when I came forth out of Egypt. And it shall be for a sign unto thee upon thine hand, and for a memorial between thine eyes, that Yahweh’s law may be in thy mouth: for with a strong hand hath Yahweh brought thee out of Egypt. Thou shalt therefore keep this ordinance in his season from year to year.” (Exodus 13:8-10).

FREEDOM FROM THE BONDAGE OF THE WORLD

Like Israel in Egypt, mankind was in bondage to Satan before Messiah became our Passover upon Calvary. Since then, in this season, the days of unleavened bread, we

have been fleeing from the bondage of the world, toward the Promised Land. While the world may live on its dainties and pleasures, the child of deliverance cannot partake of the table of devils and of the Savior at the same time. Ours is a life of denial, while under the leadership of a greater than Moses, toward the Promised Land – the New Heaven and the New Earth. A fitting symbol of our life of denial of the things of the world, and a memorial of our haste in flight, and our deliverance, is the feast of unleavened bread.

And Paul makes its wealth of meaning for us so clear. Since we are now in the days of unleavened bread, in our flight from Pharaoh Satan and his hordes, and since yesterday our Passover was sacrificed, today our diet is not as heretofore, but one truly represented by the unleavened bread. Paul says, “Let us keep the festival: - and How? Not with “old leaven” for that is not a suitable type to commemorate our bread. But keep the feast with the unleavened principles of sincerity and truth, truly represented by the body of our Savior and Deliverer, who said, “This (unleavened bread) is my body (free from leaven, sin and malice) broken for you.” And again, “Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you: ... “This is that bread which came down from heaven ... He that eateth of this bread shall live forever.” (1 Corinthians 11:26; John 6:53-58).

And for tomorrow? Not only do we look back to the beginning of man’s deliverance from bondage yesterday at Calvary, but must realize our journey today, as we subsist upon His broken body, the true bread unleavened. But tomorrow, as the days of unleavened bread end, and our flight brings us through the Red Sea, and we see the enemy of our soul destroyed, and we are safe, then shall we recall that Moses and the children of Israel sang that great song of deliverance, known as the song of Moses (Exodus 15), and we shall join in that great antitypical song of “Moses the servant of Elohim, and the song of the Lamb” (Rev. 15:3). Hallelu-Yah.

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YAHWEH & YAHSHUA Are They One and the Same Being?

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- Rev. 1:1 - The revelation which Yahweh **gave to himself**. No. No. Yahweh did not give the revelation to himself, but to his Son Yahshua the Messiah.
- Rev. 3:21 - Overcomers will sit with me (Yahshua) in **my throne**, as I overcame and sit with my Father in **his throne**. Two thrones are spoken of: the Father’s throne, and the Son’s throne.
- Rev. 21:22 - No temple was there, for Yahweh the Almighty **AND** the Lamb are the Temple in the new Jerusalem (also Vs. 23).
- Rev. 22:1 - The river of life flows from the throne of Yahweh **AND** of the Lamb.
- Rev. 22:3 - No more curse will be there for the throne of Yahweh **AND** of the Lamb will be in the City.

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YAHWEH & YAHSHUA

Are They One and the Same Being?

There are many reasons why we cannot, we must not, accept the view that Yahweh and Yahshua are one and the same being, usually called the “Oneness Doctrine.” One of the most obvious reasons this cannot be true is as follows:

Many Scriptures indicate Yahshua had a heavenly Father, known as Yahweh. These and many other Scriptures indicate the heavenly Father had a Son, known as Yahshua. If they were (are) one and the same being, then Yahshua did not really have a heavenly Father at all. There is no Father in heaven. If there is no Father in heaven, then there is also no Son, as there must of necessity be a Father, or else there cannot be a Son. So – if those two are one and the same being, then there is neither a heavenly Father nor a Son of the heavenly Father. If this is true, much of Yahshua’s talk was only a farce in which there was no truth at all. The reason being, he so often referred to his Father, **who did not exist**, if he himself was (is) Yahweh.

Paul spoke of some unwise people who “... exchanged the glory of the immortal Yahweh for images ...” (Rom. 1:22-23). We fall into a similar situation if we seek to exchange the “Ever Existing One” (Yahweh the Father) for a “non-existent one.”

People love to make a mystery out of the plainest, the simplest Scriptures. This is a mistake. It is generally true in Scriptures, just as in detective work, that the simplest and most obvious answer is usually the correct one. When Yahshua said he had a heavenly Father, we should believe this to be actually true – as factual history. When Scriptures tell us Yahshua was “declared to be the **Son of Yahweh** by his resurrection from the dead” (Rom. 1:4), we should believe this as well. We must not make myths of the message of the Scriptures. The true religion is reasonable, sensible, and therefore “according to the Scriptures.” We must not mutilate the Scriptures or their meaning. Halleluyah!

- John 3:16 - For Yahweh so loved the world that he gave his Son.
- John 3:17 - Yahweh sent his Son into the world. Did Yahweh send himself?
- John 5:37 - You have not heard nor seen the Father, but they had seen the Son (two different persons).
- John 5:37 - There are **TWO witnesses** – (1) Father and (2) Son.
- John 5:43 - Yahshua came in the Father’s name, but they did not receive Him.
- John 8:18 - There are **TWO** witnesses; the Father and the Son.
- John 8:19 - You know neither **me NOR my Father** (two persons).
- John 10:29 - The Father is greater than all (others).
- John 12:28 - Yahshua said, “Father, glorify thy name.” A voice answered. Was it Yahshua answering himself?
- John 14:1 - You believe in Yahweh, believe **ALSO** in me.
- John 14:25 - My words are not mine, but **his** who sent me.
- John 14:28 - My **FATHER** is **greater than I**.
- John 15:1 - I am the vine. My **FATHER** is the vine dresser.
- John 15:9 - The Father loved me, so I have loved you (disciples).
- John 15:10 - If you love me you will keep my commandments just as I have kept my Father’s commandments.
- John 15:24 - They hated **BOTH** me **AND** my Father.
- John 16:3 - You have not known the Father **nor** me.
- John 16:28 - I **CAME** down from the Father and **GO** to the Father.

- John 16:32 - I am not **alone**, for the Father is with me.
- John 17:1 - Yahshua prayed to the Father. Did he pray to himself?
- John 17:3 - **ETERNAL LIFE** is knowing **you**, the **ONLY TRUE EL**, AND Yahshua the Messiah whom you sent. (Do we want eternal life?)
- John 17:4 - I glorified **you** on earth, and finished the work **you** gave **me** to do.
- John 17:5 - Now Father, glorify me.
- John 17:11 - Father, keep my disciples, that **they may be ONE AS WE ARE ONE**.
Comment: Yahshua and his Father were “one” just as the 12 Apostles were to be “one;” that is, “one in purpose and doctrine.”
- John 17:18 - As **YOU** sent **ME**, so I send them into the world.
- John 17:21 - That they may **all be one in US**; you and I.
- John 17:22 - That the Apostles may be **one as WE are ONE**. Were the 12 Apostles only one person, rather than 12 persons? Just as the Apostles were 12 individual persons, but with one goal, so the heavenly Father and his Son were two individual persons with one goal.
- Romans 1:4 - “And declared to be the **Son of Yahweh**, ... by his resurrection from the dead: ...”
- Gal. 1:1 - Yahweh (the **Father**) raised from the dead Yahshua (the **Son**). Yahshua was subject to death, but his Father was not subject to death.
- Eph. 6:23 - Peace to all from **Yahweh the Father AND** from **Yahshua**. Two separate and distinct persons are referred to.
- Phil. 1:2 - Grace from Yahweh our **Father AND** from Yahshua the **Messiah**. Two separate and distinct parties are mentioned here.
- Col. 1:1 - Paul an Apostle of Yahshua the Messiah by the will of Yahweh (two).
- 1 Thes. 1:1 - Peace from Yahweh the Father **AND** the Savior Yahshua.
- 2 Thes. 1:2 - Grace and peace from Yahweh the Father **AND** from Yahshua the Messiah (two persons).
- 1 Tim. 1:1 - Paul, an **Apostle of Yahshua** by **command of Yahweh AND** Yahshua the Messiah (two persons).
- 1 Tim. 1:2 - Grace, mercy and peace from Yahweh the **Father, AND** from Yahshua the Messiah.
- 2 Tim. 1:2 - Grace and peace from Yahweh the **Father AND** from Yahshua, our Savior.
- Titus 1:1 - Paul, a servant of Yahweh, **AND** an Apostle of Yahshua.
- Philemon 3 - Grace to you, and peace (1) from Yahweh our Father **AND** (2) from Yahshua the Messiah.
- Heb. 1:1-2 - Yahweh in time past spoke to the prophets, but in these last days has spoken to us by his **Son**.
- James 1:1 - James, a servant of (1) Yahweh, and (2) Yahshua.
- 1 Peter 1:3 - Blessed be the El and **Father of** our Savior, Yahshua.
- 2 Peter 1:2 - Grace to you through the knowledge of Yahweh, **AND** of Yahshua the Messiah (two parties).
- 1 John 1:3 - Our fellowship is with the Father, **AND** with his Son Yahshua.
- 1 John 2:1 - If any one sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Yahshua the Messiah.
- 2 John 9 - Whoever abides in the doctrine of the Messiah has **BOTH** the Father **AND** the Son.
- Jude 4 - Some deny the **only** Yahweh, **AND** our Savior Yahshua the Messiah (two persons, Father and Son).

The Cross Is Not Holy, Beware of It

The cross: World Encyclopedia: Greek cross: 4 arms + thus of equal length. This is the cross of St. George, and stands for England.

The cross for Scotland is the cross of St. Andrew thus. ×

The cross of St. Patrick for Ireland. †

On flags of some countries, there is an 8 pointed cross. Thus ☩ all little crosses.

The cross: In Encyclopedia Americana:

The ancient Egyptians used the cross in a T form (TAU). With a circle attached to the top of the T thus † to them, it was a symbol “Life to come,” circle representing eternal life. How the “TAU” became a symbol of life is unknown.

When the circle was placed beneath the cross, thus ‡ it became to represent goodness in the sense of Orthodox: For this the circle is in the form of a heart. Thus the cross standing at various angles, thus ☩ or thus ☩ unquote: This may not be drawn just right.

These were used as astronomical symbols by all ancient people. A cross having 4 equal arms thus + meant for all ancient people the 4 elements; Earth, Air, Water and Fire. Out of which all things were believed to be created, since the elements were conceived of as permanent.

It came to be believed that while all things could be changed, that nothing could be annihilated. It is likely that this idea and practice grew of making religious food, with that cross and holy water. Examples may be seen of its ancient usage by both Hindus and Buddhists in India and China, and by Persians, Assyrians and Babylonians. There are also examples of its use by ancient Druids: But few scholars attempt to suggest its exact meaning.

The same is said by the Aztec cross and the pre-Aztec use of the cross.

Although the cross was almost 3 universal religious symbols for the ancient world, it was equally almost in form, although we might not recognize it as an almost universal form of the most hideous punishments. Crucifixion was originally the impaling of a person on the upright pointed stake, the dead bodies of criminals were generally displayed on such stakes regardless of how they had been executed. In Roman times death by crucifixion meant, any death accomplished by suspending a body from a fixed gibbet by either ropes or combination of ropes and nails: The shape of the cross varied from place to place.

The legend of St. Andrews crucifixion on a cross like × was certainly represented: A then existent practice.

The Jews had no word for “cross,” so therefore referred to it as a tree. Deut. 21:22-23 forbade the body to remain on the stake overnight, Gal. 3:13.

Beware of Signing of Any Thing With the Cross

The Cross In Christianity

From the beginning of Christianity, its adherents were deeply conscious of the implication of The Savior’s crucifixion: The shame poured out on Him, had from their

point of view, been accepted by Him in their behalf, thus “**The symbol of shame became the symbol of glory for the Christian.**” It represents to them exactly how much the Creator loved them.

The first Christians were too close to the religion of Israel which forbade the use of images to allow graphic illustrations.

Note This Now

The mark of the son of man that the Christians used was actually the Greek letter × (CHI), the first letter of the **Greek word Christ**.

Note: Unquote. They were first called Christians at Antioch, Greece, see Acts 11:26. (Where they had been idol worshippers), and became converted to Messiah. Now back to the encyclopedia.

The Greek word for Christ is XPIETOE, the word is of singular importance because of its first 2 letters (XP) (CHI and RHO) are frequently used as Christian symbolism fig. 6, like this × .P. In a short time the **CHI AND RHO** became more modernized, † | × × P now and finally combined with and finally developing figure (9 † all fancied up). Early Christians TAU cross.

There are 17 different crosses pictured in the encyclopedia.

The SWASTIKA (FYLFOT) cross. Its image has been damaged through its use by the Nazis ☩. For the Buddhists it was, and is the symbol of total spiritual recognition. It has been suggested that the Swastika was originally a pictograph of the sun revolving.

The American Indians are also generally supposed to have regarded it as a symbol of the ruler of the winds and waters, scholars hesitate to find religious symbolism in every ancient use of the cross form.

The encyclopedia says there are more than 400 different forms of the cross. Several of them are in constant use. The straight one is more familiar to western Christians.

The one like an × represents different dead saints depending on the color of the cross, who they represent. Blue or white, St. Andrews: Red, St. Patrick: Black, St. Osmond: Gold, St. Alban. Some are fancy and stand up by themselves and are large. (Note the remnant people will not take the cross in any form).

Papal cross: † invented by Heralds to meet a specific need. Some crosses have completely changed their symbolism. For example, the cross of LORRAINE, once the sign of the Dreaded Holy League, has become the symbol of the liberation of France.

Some 22 Europeans use the crosses in some form of their decoration of honor.

The peace cross ☮ upside down. **Much more in the library.** Unquote. A missionary by the name of Clara Birchtoold, wrote a pamphlet by the name of “**THE SIGN OF THE CROSS**”: She died and none of her pamphlets remain. I tried to get some, but could not: She told of the order of St. Francis, years back. She was doing missionary work in South America, and came in contact with those people. She told how that every year they sacrificed one person to a cross: She said they worshipped the cross. It is a sign of the Nations. It may be forced on us: Watch and pray, they never knew who would be next. But whoever it would be, the family would find his shoes in a certain place, as was the custom.

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YAHSHUA'S JEWELS

Contributions from Yahshua's Young People

“Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.”(1 Tim 4:12)

HOW TO COPE WITH BULLYING

“If Yah will bring you to it, he will bring you through it. Trust in Yahweh.”

“Acknowledge that the person hurt you. Tell them and pray to Yahweh and remember Psalms 27:1-5.”

“Without Yahshua you will continue to ride an emotional rollercoaster but with Yahshua you can overcome it.”

“No matter what they call you remember you are extra special to Father Yahweh and he loves you very much.”

“Yahweh's your best friend and you're never alone.”

“Ignore their lies and remember John 14:27.”

**REMEMBER TO ALWAYS TELL YOUR PARENTS
& PRAY TO YAHSHUA!!!**

☺ Young People of the Toronto Assembly, Canada

INTERESTING FACTS ON EAGLES:



“Did you know that an eagle knows when a storm is approaching long before it breaks? The eagle will fly to some high spot and wait for the winds to come. When the storm hits, it sets its wings so that the wind will pick it up and lift it above the storm. While the storm rages below, the eagle is soaring above it. The eagle does

not escape the storm. It simply uses the storm to lift it higher. It rises on the winds that bring the storm.

When the storms of life come upon us, and all of us will experience them, we can rise above them by setting our minds and our belief toward Yahweh. The storms do not have to overcome us. We can allow Yahweh's power to lift us above them. Yahweh enables us to ride the winds of the storms that bring sickness, tragedy, failure and disappointment in our lives. We can soar above the storms. Remember, it is not the burdens of life that weigh us down; it is how we handle them. The Bible says, "Those who hope in Yahweh will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles." (Isaiah 40:31)

(Source: Spice of Life, Author Unknown)

REMEMBER YAHSHUA LOVES YOU BIG TIME!!!!

We welcome contributions from Yahshua's young people. Please send your contribution be it a poem, verse or inspiration with your name (first name and last initial), and country to yahshuasjewels@yahoo.ca. Please keep in mind that not all contributions can be published.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!!

2011 CALENDAR CALCULATIONS

Military time – in Jerusalem, Israel (LST)

LST (Local Standard Time) equals GMT (Greenwich Mean Time) plus two hours

Source of Reference – Photographer’s Almanac of the Sun and Moon

“New Moon is generally not visible until at least 15 minutes after sunset.” Robert Victor

Conjunction January 4 – 09:03 GMT plus 2 hours equals 11:03 LST (a.m.)

Sunset January 4 – 16:48 (11:03 to 16:48 = moon is 5 hrs 45 min old)

Sunset January 5 – 16:49 (plus 24 hrs 1 min = moon is 29 hrs 46 min old)

Moonset January 5 – 17:59 (16:49 to 17:59 = moon is up 1 hr 10 min)

***January 6, 2011 (1/06/11) is New Moon Day**

Conjunction February 3– 02:31 GMT plus 2 hours equals 04:31 LST (a.m.)

Sunset February 3 – 17:15 (04:31 to 17:15 = moon is 12 hrs 44 min old)

Sunset February 4 – 17:16 (plus 24 hrs 1 min = moon is 36 hrs 45 min old)

Moonset February 4 – 18:39 (17:16 to 18:39 = moon is up 1 hr 23 min)

***February 5, 2011 (2/05/11) is New Moon Day**

Conjunction March 4 – 20:46 GMT plus 2 hours equals 22:46 LST (p.m.)

Sunset March 4 – 17:39 (17:39 to 22:46 – Conjunction is 5 hrs 7 min after sunset)

Sunset March 5 – 17:40 (22:46 Mar. 4 to 17:40 Mar. 5 = moon is 18 hrs 54 min old)

Moonset March 5 – 18:20 (17:40 to 18:20 = moon is up 40 minutes)

Sunset March 6 – 17:40 (plus 24 hrs = moon is 42 hrs 54 min old)

Moonset March 6 – 19:13 (17:40 to 19:13 = moon is up 1 hr 33 min)

***March 7, 2011 (3/07/11) is New Moon Day**

Conjunction April 3 – 14:32 GMT plus 2 hours equals 16:32 LST (p.m.)

Sunset April 3 – 18:00 (16:32 to 18:00 = moon is 1 hr 28 min old)

Sunset April 4 – 18:00 (plus 24 hrs = moon is 25 hrs 28 min old)

Moonset April 4 – 18:57 (18:00 to 18:57 = moon is up 57 minutes)

***April 5, 2011 (4/05/11) is New Moon Day**

Conjunction May 3 – 06:51 GMT plus 2 hours equals 08:51 LST (a.m.)

Sunset May 3 – 18:20 (08:51 to 18:20 = moon is 9 hrs 29 min old)

Sunset May 4 – 18:21 (plus 24 hrs 1 min = moon is 33 hrs 30 min old)

Moonset May 4 – 19:38 (18:21 to 19:38 = moon is up 1 hr 17 min)

***May 5, 2011 (5/05/11) is New Moon Day**

Conjunction June 1 – 21:03 GMT plus 2 hours equals 23:03 LST (p.m.)

Sunset June 1 – 18:39 (18:39 to 23:03 – Conjunction is 4 hrs 24 min after sunset)

Sunset June 2 – 18:40 (23:03 June 1 to 18:40 June 2 = moon is 19 hrs 37 min old)

Moonset June 2 – 19:21 (18:40 to 19:21 = moon is up 41 minutes)

***June 3, 2011 (6/03/11) is New Moon Day (Borderline)**

Conjunction July 1 – 08:54 GMT plus 2 hours equals 10:54 LST (a.m.)
Sunset July 1 – 18:49 (10:54 to 18:49 = moon is 7 hrs 55 min old)
Sunset July 2 – 18:49 (plus 24 hrs = moon is 31 hrs 55 min old)
Moonset July 2 – 19:39 (18:49 to 19:39 = moon is up 50 minutes)

***July 3, 2011 (7/03/11) is New Moon Day**

Conjunction July 30 – 18:40 GMT plus 2 hours equals 20:40 LST (p.m.)
Sunset July 30 – 18:38 (18:38 to 20:40 – Conjunction is 2 hrs 2 min after sunset)
Sunset July 31 – 18:37 (20:40 July 30 to 18:37 July 31 = moon is 21 hrs 57 min old)
Moonset July 31 – 18:55 (18:37 to 18:55 = moon is up 18 min)
Sunset August 1 – 18:36 (plus 23 hrs 59 min = moon is 45 hrs 56 min old)
Moonset August 1 – 19:32 (18:36 to 19:32 = moon is up 56 minutes)

***August 2, 2011 (8/02/11) is New Moon Day**

Conjunction August 29 – 03:04 GMT plus 2 hours equals 05:04 LST (a.m.)
Sunset August 29 – 18:07 (05:04 to 18:07 = moon is 13 hrs 3 min old)
Sunset August 30 – 18:06 (plus 23 hrs 59 min = moon is 37 hrs 2 min old)
Moonset August 30 – 18:42 (18:06 to 18:42 = moon is up 36 minutes)

***August 31, 2011 (8/31/11) is New Moon Day**

Conjunction September 27 – 11:09 GMT plus 2 hours equals 13:09 LST (p.m.)
Sunset September 27 – 17:30 (13:09 to 17:30 = moon is 4 hrs 21 min old)
Sunset September 28 – 17:29 (plus 23 hrs 59 min = moon is 28 hrs 20 min old)
Moonset September 28 – 17:54 (17:29 to 17:54 = moon is up 25 minutes)
Sunset September 29 – 17:27 (plus 23 hrs 58 min = moon is 52 hrs 18 min old)
Moonset September 29 – 18:39 (17:27 to 18:39 = moon is up 1 hr 12 min)

***September 30, 2011 (9/30/11) is New Moon Day**

Conjunction October 26 – 19:56 GMT plus 2 hours equals 21:56 LST (p.m.)
Sunset October 26 – 16:56 (16:56 to 21:56 – Conjunction is 5 hrs after sunset)
Sunset October 27 – 16:55 (21:56 Oct. 26 to 16:55 Oct. 27 = moon is 18 hrs 59 min old)
Moonset October 27 – 17:15 (16:55 to 17:15 = moon is up 20 minutes)
Sunset October 28 – 16:54 (plus 23 hrs 59 min = moon is 42 hrs 58 min old)
Moonset October 28 – 18:08 (16:54 to 18:08 = moon is up 1 hr 14 min)

***October 29, 2011 (10/29/11) is New Moon Day**

Conjunction November 25 – 06:10 GMT plus 2 hours equals 08:10 LST (a.m.)
Sunset November 25 – 16:36 (08:10 to 16:36 = moon is 8 hrs 26 min old))
Sunset November 26 – 16:36 (plus 24 hrs = moon is 32 hrs 26 min old)
Moonset November 26 – 17:48 (16:36 to 17:48 = moon is up 1hr 12 min)

***November 27, 2011 (11/27/11) is New Moon Day**

Conjunction December 24 – 18:06 GMT plus 2 hours equals 20:06 LST (p.m.)
Sunset December 24 – 16:41 (16:41 to 20:06 – Conjunction is 3 hrs 25 min after sunset)
Sunset December 25 – 16:41 (20:06 Dec. 24 to 16:41 Dec. 25 = moon 20 hrs 35 min old)
Moonset December 25 – 17:36 (16:41 to 17:36 = moon is up 55 minutes)

***December 26, 2011 (12/26/11) is New Moon Day (Borderline)**

Women's Retreat in Michigan

Another year of uncountable blessings has gone by and we were blessed once again to spend time with other ladies of faith at the local 2011 Women's Retreat. It was held February 12th and 13th in Lansing, MI. The venue once again was VERY accommodating and hopefully we were as much a blessing to them as they were to us.

This year there were 23 ladies that stayed the night and 4 that came just for the fellowship and sharing times. There was a presentation on being Yahweh's "gingerbread girls." Like gingerbread cookies, no two of us are exactly alike. But Yahweh made us and he made us all unique! There was a presentation on "Praying Scripture" along with a demonstration on how easy it is to pray scripture for others and ourselves. We also had a time that was specifically for prayer. There are prayers that come from the heart of a woman/sister/mother/grandmother that cannot be expressed without tears. This was a time for us to pray for those heartfelt needs and comfort and encourage one another as sisters!

There was a demonstration of facial exercises, a hand out on 7 steps of Morning Prayer, and many opportunities to get to know each other better. There was laughter, tears, rejoicing over blessings, and comforting over sorrows.

To close the event we held a "Women's Expo." So many women in the body have talents, interests, and pursuits that others do not know about. This was a time to bring those out of the background and let others know! One of the sisters has started a venture to "clothe the body" and has been buying Linen clothing to resell at really reasonable rates. There was quite a selection and I don't think anyone left without finding something to purchase for themselves or others! There was a demonstration on making laundry soap and also candles for sale.

What a wonderful women's weekend! Laughter, fellowship, and shopping! We would like to thank the Assembly for once again hosting the retreat and hope the next year is filled with many more blessings for all that we can hear about at the next retreat!

Submitted by Beth Biggs

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Say: I am strong in Yahweh, and in the power of His might. I put on the whole armor of Elohim, **in the name of Yahshua**, that I may be able to **stand against the wiles of the devil**. Because I am wearing it, **I am able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand** (the judgment). I come against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world and against spiritual wickedness in high places, in the name of Yahshua the Messiah. Ephesians 6:10-18.

I gird my loins with (put on) the **belt of truth**. “I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.” John 14:6. “And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.” John 8:32.

I put on the **breastplate of righteousness**. For he hath made him (Yahshua) sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of Yahweh in Him. 2 Corinthians 5:21. ... “putting on the breastplate of faith and love;” 1 Thessalonians 5:8. (1 John 3:7; Romans 6:22; 2 Corinthians 3:9)

I wear the **shoes of the good news of peace**. Yahshua said, I am the door of the sheepfold, John 10:1, 7. How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace ...” Isaiah 52:7.

I take the **shield of faith**. “...to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.” Ephesians 6:16. “So then Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of Yahweh.” Romans 10:17.

I put on my **helmet of hope of salvation**. “...when he shall appear, we shall be like him...And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.” 1 John 3:2-3. “...and for a helmet, the hope of salvation. For Elohim hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Master, Yahshua the Messiah, Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.” 1 Thessalonians 5:8-10.

I take the **sword of the Spirit** and my knowledge of how to use the word of Elohim against the adversary. “Study to show thyself approved unto Elohim, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.” 2 Timothy 2:15.

I **claim the promises and declare the decrees** of my Heavenly Father. Psalm 2:7. “For the word of Elohim is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.” Hebrews 4:12.

I **pray always** with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, (for self and others) and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; ... that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the good news. Ephesians 6:18-19.

“Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:” Matthew 7:7.

“I can do all things through the Messiah which strengtheneth me.” Philippians 4:13.

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New Moon Days	YAHSHUA'S MEMORIAL (Passover) APRIL 18 Celebrate APRIL 17 after sunset	Annual Convocation Days
	FESTIVAL OF UNLEAVENED BREAD APRIL 19 through APRIL 25	
Jan. 6		April 19
Feb. 5		April 25
Mar. 7	FEAST (appointment) OF WEEKS JUNE 8 See Leviticus 23:10, 11, 15, 16, 21	June 8
Apr. 5		Sept. 30
May 5		Oct. 9
June 3 (Borderline)	FEAST (appointment) OF TRUMPETS SEPTEMBER 30	Oct. 14
July 3		Oct. 21
Aug. 2	DAY (appointment) OF ATONEMENT OCTOBER 9	7 days in all – the number of completeness
Aug. 31		
Sept. 30		
Oct. 29	FEAST OF TABERNACLES (Booths or Huts) OCTOBER 14 through OCTOBER 20	
Nov. 27		
Dec. 26 (Borderline)	LAST GREAT DAY OCTOBER 21	

Begin YAHWEH's days with the sunset preceding the indicated Roman days lasting till the next sunset.

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