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## **HIS NAME**

And Elohim said moreover unto Moses,... Yahweh Elohim of your fathers... hath sent me unto you: this is my name for ever, and this is my memorial unto all generations. Exodus 3:15

Sing unto Elohim, sing praises to his name: extol him that rideth upon the heavens by his name YAH, and rejoice before him. Psalm 68:4

Thou shalt not take the name of Yahweh thy Elohim in vain; for Yahweh will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain. Exodus 20:7

Isn't it time to stop taking his name in vain? (The Word of Yahweh)

Isn't it time to stop misusing his name? (Thompson Chain-Reference Bible NIV)

Isn't it time to stop bringing his name to nought? (Holy Name Bible)

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#### **EDITORIAL**

#### JUDGEMENT

Judgement is coming, all will be there, each one receiving justly his due (taken from a Passover song, but appropriate nonetheless). Romans 3:22-24 – Even the righteousness of Yahweh which is by faith of Yahshua the Messiah unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference: For all have sinned, and come short of the excellence of Elohim; Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in the Messiah Yahshua.

This nation and the world have been bombarded through the news media, etc., regarding numerous stressful situations, natural and man-made occurrences and catastrophes, civil and criminal acts and on and on and on. It has been reported that the U.S.A. has more persons incarcerated than any other developed nation. Television has way too many shows dealing with criminal acts, etc., which should not even be viewed. We all have been dealing with the "pandemic" for over a year now; with the mandated wearing of masks, the 6 feet spacing between individuals, lockdowns, quarantines, virtual schooling and more.

Most of us as believers use the Scriptures as a guide for our lives. The Ten Commandments (Exodus 20) plus many others are basic Bible principles that are followed to the best of our abilities. However, there are those who are trying to take control of our lives and the lives of our families, not only trying but have taken control to some extent. Isaiah 59:14 – And judgement is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter. It is and has been our responsibility to teach right from wrong and good from bad or evil. Parents must teach their children, not other establishments or entities. Proverbs 22:6 – Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 14:12 and 16:25 – There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death. So, it can't be our way, it must be Yahweh's Way, and Yahshua's Way. John 14:6 – Yahshua saith unto him, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. How does mankind laden with sin make a change in their lives? What does a person have to do to change the verdict of death? Can we hire a lawyer to plead our case on Judgement day in a heavenly court? Psalm 49:1, 2 and 7 – Hear this, all ye people; give ear, all ye inhabitants of the world: Both low and high, rich and poor, together. ... None of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to Elohim a ransom for him. Psalm 119:7 – I will praise thee with uprightness of heart, when I shall have learned thy righteous judgements.

Now we know that offences will come and that forgiveness must also have its part. Matthew 18:7 and Luke 17:1 – Woe unto the world because of offences! For it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh! Luke 6:37 – Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven:

Regarding Judgement – Hebrews 9:27, And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the Judgement. More on Judgement – John 7:24, Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous Judgement. Isaiah 26:9 - ... for when thy judgements are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness. Psalm 9:7 – But Yahweh shall endure for ever: he hath prepared his throne for judgement. Psalm 96:10 – Say among the heathen that Yahweh reigneth: the world also shall be established that it shall not be

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

A few definitions of the word Judgement taken from the American Dictionary of The English Language (Noah Webster 1828).

- 8. In Scripture, the spirit of wisdom and prudence, enabling a person to discern right and wrong, good and evil. Psalm 72:1 Give the king thy judgements, O [Elohim].
- 10. The spiritual government of the world. John 5 The Father hath committed all judgement to the Son.
- 18. The final trial of the human race, when [Yahweh] will decide the fate of every individual, and award sentence according to justice. Ecclesiastes 12:14 For [Elohim] shall bring every work into judgement, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

Some Scriptures regarding self-judging – looking into our own lives. Two instances each year; before Passover (Leviticus 23:5), Let a man examine himself (1 Corinthians 11:28); and before Day of Atonement (to cover, purge, or make reconciliation), the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the 7<sup>th</sup> month, ye shall afflict your souls – Leviticus 23:32. 2 Corinthians 13:5 – Examine yourselves, whether ye be in The Faith; prove your own selves.

Our human nature wants us to think our judgement day is far off in the future. In reality, it can be the next time we awaken from sleep, which can be a sobering thought. Our example in the Scriptures is in John 11, the account of Yahshua raising Lazarus, who Yahshua at first said he was asleep (but then said he was dead).

Revelation 20:11 – And I saw a great white throne ... (the judgement day called the White Throne Judgement). Many things must come to pass before this, the seven last plagues, etc. Are we ready, Are we ready for the Judgement Day?

#### Samuel A. Graham

[Pastor Samuel and Connie Graham fully realize the importance of being ready for the Judgement Day. In order to be ready, we must forgive and be forgiven. Any thoughts, sins or shortcomings we have or have had, we humbly ask Yahweh and Yahshua to forgive us and we ask for forgiveness from any and all individuals involved for anything we may have said or done over these many years in His Service. We in turn, forgive any and all. Luke 6:37 - ... forgive and ye shall be forgiven.]

#### Proverbs 22:6

Train up a child in <u>the way</u> he should go: and When he is old, he will not depart from it.

#### John 14:6

YAHSHUA saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: No man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

If we do not teach our children to follow YAHSHUA, the world will teach them not to.

Russell F. Medina

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#### THE TRUE CHURCH IS A SMALL FLOCK

The true Church is a small flock, according to the Bible. Are you surprised? Many churches, especially the larger ones, claimed ties to Christianity. Is the size of the church a real proof that it is the true Church? Or could a small group or a collection of relatively small groups actually be the continuation of the true Church from the time of Yahshua Messiah's ministry on earth? Today, we're going to share with you the real truth about this topic. As always, we will let the Bible interpret itself as we ask the Holy Spirit to give us the wisdom to discuss this subject matter. May you have the eyes to see and the ears to hear for this true and faithful heavenly message.

In the 21st century, would Savior Yahshua's true Church be scorned by the world or be a major player highly involved in the world's selfish, materialistic, rebellious, and turmoil state of life? Yahshua and His apostles taught that the true Church would be small. He said, "Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom" (Luke 12:32). "Isaiah also cries out concerning Israel: Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, the remnant will be saved. For He will finish the work and cut it short in righteousness, because Yahweh will make a short work upon the earth" (Romans 9:27, 28). "Even so then, at this present time there is a remnant according to the election of grace" (Romans 11:5).

Yahshua the Messiah specifically taught that only a few would find the way to eternal life in this age as most would go the broad way that leads to destruction (Matthew 7:13, 14; 20:16) He also taught that many would seek to enter, but not find it (Luke 13:24). If a very small body of believers could be the true and most faithful Church, does it not make sense that Yahweh Elohim is mainly working through relatively few during the present Church age? Most professing "Christians", disciples apparently doubt that fact.

As prophesied, many have overlooked how Elohim works: "So he answered and said to me: This is the word of Yahweh to Zerubbabel: Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit, says Yahweh of hosts. Who are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you shall become a plain! And he shall bring forth the capstone with shouts of "Grace, grace to it! Moreover the word of Yahweh came to me saying: "The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this temple; his hands shall also finish it. Then you will know that Yahweh of hosts has sent Me to you" (Zechariah 4:6-9). "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day" (John 6:44) and "despised the day of small things" (Zechariah 4:10).

Messiah Yahshua warned that "tares" (weeds) would be planted among the brethren by the enemy (Matthew 13:37-40). Yahshua taught that the unfaithful would practice "lawlessness" (Matthew 13:41), but later be eliminated (Matthew 13:42). Notice something else that Yahshua taught: Not everyone who says to Me, Master, Master, shall enter the Kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. Many will say to Me in that day, Master, Master, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name? And then I will declare to them, I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!" (Matthew 7:21-23).

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Yes, the true Church upholds Yahweh's law (1 John 5:1-3). It teaches that Elohim set in motion laws, that if obeyed, would bring humanity much good, including abundant well-being and a productive full life. Yes, the true Church of Elohim proclaims that Yahweh's law is not done away, but has been "exalted" and made "honorable" (Isaiah 42:21) and expanded by Savior Yahshua. Yes, the true Church of Yahweh teaches what the Bible teaches: "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path" (Psalms 119:105). "My tongue shall speak of Your word, for all Your Commandments are righteous" (Psalms 119: 172).

The Savior of mankind Yahshua said, "Yahweh is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth" (John 4:24). Yet, Roman Catholics and many other religions endorse the use of various idols and icons that they venerate. The Ten Commandments (Exodus 20:4-6) and the apostle John (1 John 5:21) warned against that! The apostle Paul warned that Satan the devil's ministers would deceptively appear to transform themselves into "ministers of righteousness" (2 Corinthians 11:14, 15). Biblical history shows that those who did so had success in deceiving many!

In closing, yes, the true Church is a small flock that obeys Yahweh's Ten Commandments! It is a small group of people who follow Yahshua Messiah's faith and that of His Father Yahweh's law (Ten Commandments of the Bible). We hope you're blessed upon reading this true and faithful heavenly message. May Elohim protect and keep those who are not hearers only, but also doers, obedient of His word (Bible). We humbly pray these things to Yahweh in the name of Messiah Yahshua, our Master, Savior, and King, amen. Love be with you all. Halleluyah, Shalom.

Dick L. Sweet

#### A TRUE FOLLOWER

What does it mean to be a true follower of Yahshua? Yahweh sent His Son, our Brother, to take away the curse the adversary placed on us, by the cleansing of our sin. No one can come to the Father except through Yahshua His Son. Yahshua is "the Way, the Truth, and the Life." [John 14:6]

We were given instructions of which "road" to take. There are two roads, the wide and the narrow, but only one which leads to the Father. The wide road may be beautiful with all the delights your heart may seem to desire, but the farther you go this road has bumps and sorrow and pain; and at the end comes to a dead end. The narrow road when taken may not be paved, has holes, and may not have beautiful scenery; you may believe you took the wrong road, but at times there are glimmers of hope and beauty. You know this is the right road because as you continue on, the road becomes beautiful, trees, grass, sky and all you can see is beauty. [Matthew 7:13, 14]

Then when you arrive, it becomes more beautiful than you can imagine because you have "arrived" and you see the face of Yahshua in all His glory and high esteem: the Brightness of Heaven (the Kingdom) which no eye can see unless he takes the Narrow Road. [Colossians 1:12-14]

#### Douglas Panetta

[But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which Elohim hath prepared for them that love him.

1 Corinthians 2:9]

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#### RIGHTEOUSNESS WHICH IS BY FAITH

<u>Hebrews 11:1, 2</u> - "Now faith is being sure of what we hope for, and certain of what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for."

<u>Faith is</u> - being patient. For with patience, when we are wronged or slighted, we witness our trust and belief that Yahweh sees these injustices, will not allow us to be tested above what we are able to bear, and will in His own good time and perfect plan right all wrongs.

<u>Faith is</u> - being kind. With kindness we treat others as we wish ourselves to be treated. We do this expecting no immediate reward. Rather, our earnest expectation rests in the hope from Him whom we cannot see, the rewarder of all good things. Being kind is to treat all, particularly those who view us as their enemies, with dignity and respect. In this way we demonstrate our faith that this heavenly attitude ultimately results in receiving the promised salvation. By being kind we live as Yahshua, who when reviled, reviled not again.

<u>Faith is not</u> - being envious, boastful, or easily angered. Why? Because faith is the belief that there is a Supreme Being, Yahweh. It is He who loved us, mere mortals, enough to send His only beloved Son. By this we cannot envy, because we realize our unfulfilled desires are accomplishing a greater long-term good, for He cares about us and knows what is in our best interests. We do not boast since we believe that all good and perfect gifts come from Heaven above, not originating with us.

We are not easily angered, for we avow and freely confess by our self-control when things don't go our way that we understand Yahweh to have a greater, more important plan than our own. It is He who allows things to not go the way we thought they should. We must remember that when all is said and done, whether good or evil, Yahweh and Yahshua will be glorified (magnified) and vindicated.

<u>Faith is not</u> - being a recorder of wrongs, for we believe that Yahweh from His vantage point sees all. If we have truly been wronged for doing good, we believe He has seen, and in His time will right the wrong. By committing these responsibilities to our invisible Father and our elder Brother, we glorify (magnify) them both and entrust to their care the decision of righteous judgment.

This frees us from all malice, bitterness and impure thoughts toward others. When wronged, we should rejoice. If the wrong is in the form of retribution or unjust punishment, we should joyfully endure, gladly suffering for manifesting Yahshua's attitude in our actions.

We know Yahweh does see all and His Spirit of remembrance will call all deeds into account on the Day of Judgment, whether good or evil.

<u>Faith is not</u> - proud. If we believe Yahshua to be real, how can we puff our hearts up in opposition to Him? Should we not rather be humbled by the continual realization that but for Him and the manifestation of HIS faith, we should be chained to, and forever imprisoned upon, this earth during our brief sojourn here with no future hope of a life hereafter.

<u>Faith delights in truth.</u> The Scriptures make plain, "Your Word is Truth." Of course we are to confidently confirm by our personal lifestyle that Yahshua is the Word of Yahweh come in the flesh. Our faith in Him, shown by emulating His attitude and outlook in our daily lives, demonstrates to all our delight and pleasure in accurate Truth and Knowledge.

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As you can see faith, hope and love are inextricably linked being bound tightly together into one intertwined rope of three strands. As it is written in Ecclesiastes 4:12, "Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves, and a cord of three strands is not quickly broken." The most important strand is love, but all three are vital and necessary to make that unbreakable cord binding us to the Messiah.

"But now a righteousness from Yahweh, apart from Law, has been made known, to which the Law and the prophets testify. This righteousness from Yahweh comes through faith in Yahshua the Messiah to all who believe." (Romans 3:21, 22).

These elements all work together to develop within the true worshiper the living and active character of Yahshua the Messiah. When each individual member of the Body of the Messiah elevates their personal standards to those manifested by Yahshua during His brief sojourn on this earth, shall this not be Yahweh's will being done on earth as it is in Heaven?

When there is a Body of the Messiah on earth in spiritual harmony and unity with the Messiah who is seated in Heaven, it will be time for Yahshua to return to reclaim that Body as His own.

As Paul instructs, "It is fine to be zealous, provided the purpose is good, and to be so ALWAYS and not just when I am with you. My dear children, for whom I am again in the pains of childbirth <u>until the Messiah is formed in you</u>, how I wish I could be with you now and change my tone, because I am perplexed about you!" (Galatians 7:18-20). May we all become as children before our Heavenly Father and His Son, our Savior.

Is our professed faith alive and active? Do we demonstrate to all whose lives we touch the character and attitude of our Savior Yahshua the Messiah? We, as the ancients, desire the heavenly commendation, by being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.

This faith of our fathers, joined and united in hope of these precious promises, is proven by the love of the brethren and our Creator. As it is written, "The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love."

By: Jacob C. Meyer

# PEACE BE TO THE BRETHREN, AND LOVE WITH FAITH, FROM YAHWEH THE FATHER AND THE MASTER YAHSHUA THE MESSIAH. Eph. 6:23

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#### FAITH AND RIGHTEOUSNESS

In the Song of Moses, as recorded in Deuteronomy, Chapter 32, Moses recounted all the good things that Yahweh did for his people. He explains that having been so greatly blessed for such a long time the people waxed fat, and kicked, and forsook Yahweh which made them, and lightly esteemed the Rock of their Salvation. They provoked him to anger because they became a generation of children who had no faith.

He was looking for faith as he had found in Abraham, Genesis 15:3-6, "And Abram said, behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house is mine heir. and, behold, the word of Yahweh 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. 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. And he believed Yahweh; and he counted it to him for righteousness."

Yahweh was pleased that Abram had faith, which, simply stated, meant that he believed him. Yahweh was so pleased that he wanted to give Abram credit for believing him. Yahweh gave him credit, he counted it as righteousness.

The same method of payment was made to give credit to Phinehas, Psalms 106:29-31, "Thus they provoked him to anger with their inventions: and the plague brake in upon them. Then stood up Phinehas, and executed judgment: and so the plague was stayed. And that was counted unto him for righteousness unto all generations for evermore." Phinehas had to have had faith and did believe Yahweh in order to do what he did.

In both cases (Abraham and Phinehas), Yahweh used the medium of righteousness to give them credit for their faith. Romans 4:1-5, "What shall we say then that Abraham our father, as pertaining to the flesh, hath found? For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath whereof to glory; but not before Yahweh. For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed Yahweh and it counted unto him for righteousness. Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt. But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the unrighteous, his faith is counted for righteousness."

And, to him who worketh, the reward is counted because it is earned, and glory belongs to him who earned it, because it was a debt owed to him. However, to him who worketh not, but believeth, his faith is counted for righteousness. So, if we do works and earn our own righteousness, it is paid as a debt and the glory goes to us for earning it. However, if we do no works, but believe Yahweh, then the glory goes to Yahweh and is counted to us for righteousness.

Romans 4:13 states, "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. Verse 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. Verse 20, "He staggered not at the promise of Yahweh through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to Yahweh." Did this grace apply to Abraham only?

Romans 4:23-25, "Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him; but for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised

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up Yahshua our master from the dead; who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification." Does this mean that the law is done away with?

Romans 3:28-31, "Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law. Is he the Elohim of the Jews only? Is he not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the gentiles also: Seeing it is one Elohim, which shall justify the circumcision by faith, and the uncircumcision through faith. Do we then make void the law through faith? Yahweh forbid: yea, we establish the law."

How are we saved? Titus 3:5-7, "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy [separated] Spirit; which he shed on us abundantly through Yahshua the messiah our saviour; that being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life."

Consider James 2:14-26, "What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? Can faith save him? If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, and one of you say unto them, depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit? Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone. Yea, a man may say, thou hast faith, and I have works: Shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works. Thou believest that there is one Elohim; thou doest well: The devils also believe, and tremble. But wilt thou know, 0 vain man, that faith without works is dead? Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar? Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect? And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed Elohim, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the friend of Yahweh. Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only. Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent them out another way? For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

We must have both faith and works. Galatians 5:1-6, Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Yahshua had made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage. Behold, I Paul say unto you, that if ye be circumcised, the messiah shall profit you nothing. For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, that he is a debtor to do the whole law. The Messiah is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace. For we through the spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith. For in Yahshua the Messiah neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love.

By: Elder Peter Danke (Deceased)

For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

Jas. 2:26

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#### THE DOCTRINE OF "YAHSHUA ONLY"

#### IS IT FROM YAHWEH?

There is some controversy among some of the Yahwist groups concerning this doctrine of "Yahshua Only," and this article is being written, that some who have not understood may be enlightened. The writer of this article had been deceived; and because of this deception, he taught this doctrine very strenuously for several years, until recently when a thorough investigation of the subject through the Scriptures revealed that this doctrine is false, and that it had its origin in mythology.

The "Yahshua Only" people teach that the Father is the Son, and the Son is the Father; in other words, they are **one** and the **same person**. But what does the Bible teach? Let us proceed with our study and see if the Bible teaches that they are one and the same person.

In John 7:28, 29, we read these words, "Then cried Yahshua in the temple, as He taught, saying, Ye both know me and you know whence I am: and I am not come of myself, but He that sent me is true, whom ye know not. But I know Him: for I am from Him and He hath sent Me." Dear Reader, does this text sound like a monologue? Do you think that the Saviour was speaking of Himself, when He was using such terms HE and HIM?

The Scriptures plainly teach that they who deny the separate and distinct personalities of the Father and Son are liars and deceivers. In 1 John 2:22, we read, "Who is a liar but he that denieth that Yahshua is the Messiah? He is antimessiah, that denieth the Father (Yahweh) and the Son (Yahshua)." May those who believe in this false doctrine awaken to the truth that the word of Yahweh so clearly reveals.

The deception of the "Yahshua Only" doctrine has come through giving mystical interpretation to the above passages and to passages that read likewise. It is taught that the Father is a symbol of the Spirit and that the Son is the symbol of the flesh: that the spirit outside of the flesh is Yahweh, and when the Spirit is in the body then it is the Son, one and the same person. Anyone familiar with mythology can see that such a doctrine had its origin there. We will elaborate more fully on its mythical origin a little later on.

There are some who adhere to this doctrine, some who are sincere yet deceived, and others who, though deceived will not give up this doctrine and accept the truth, even when it is proven to them. They continue to teach this doctrine though the Scriptures say, "Study to show thyself approved unto Elohim, a workman who needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." (2 Timothy 2:15). The Bible exhorts us to investigate, to study, and to ascertain if the things we are being taught, or are teaching, are in harmony with the revealed Scriptures. See Acts 17:11. And, "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word (the Scriptures) there is no light in them." Isaiah 8:20.

Now to get back to this doctrine. Many of us know that the religious world, both of the past and of the present, is steeped in mythological teachings. Brother Saul has warned us that such would ocurr. He tells us in 2 Timothy 4:3, 4, "For the time will come when they will not endure SOUND DOCTRINE, but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall Turn Away their ears from the TRUTH and shall be turned unto Fables." (Mythologies, fictitious, false, imaginary fables.)

If we investigate the mythological records of the past, we find the story of Cronus and Zeus. Cronus was the mythological father of Zeus. There came a time that the son (Zeus), in his ambition to become Supreme Ruler, became jealous of his father (Cronus), and thus

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in his jealous rage overthrew the throne of his father, and thus he (Zeus) became the One and Only. ...

The Bible story of YAHSHUA the MESSIAH is just the direct opposite of this. Yahshua came to the earth, not to overthrow the authority of His FATHER YAHWEH, but to establish it. See John 14:28; John 15:10, 15; 17:1; 20:17, 21; Hebrews 2:7 to 12, and hundreds of other similar passages which might be quoted.

Thank Yahweh for those who have taken the counsel of Yahshua, and brought from him the eyesalve (Revelation 3:18) that they may see how this doctrine and other pagan doctrines have crept into the assemblies in these later days.

Those who believe in this doctrine are confronted with many questions that cannot be answered. If there be any who read this article and who believe in this doctrine, please answer for yourself the following questions:

- 1. Was Yahshua immortal?
- 2. If Yahshua was Yahweh how could He increase in wisdom and stature and in favor with El and man (Luke 2:52) knowing that Yahweh is omniscient?
- 3. If Yahshua is Yahweh, how and why, could He be tempted, knowing that Yahweh cannot be tempted? We all know that the temptation of Yahshua was real, and that the devil really tried to overcome Yahshua.
- 4. What did Yahshua mean when He said in John 17:11,... "that they (the followers) may be one (Hebrew-Achod, unity, or united), as we are one? See also verse 22.
- 5. What does the Bible mean when it says Yahshua "poured out His soul unto death" (Isaiah 53:12)? That His soul (Yahshua's) "was not left in sheol, neither did His flesh see corruption." Acts 2:31)? ...

May you dear reader have a prayerful and quiet study of the Scriptures on this vital subject; and if you do, I sincerely believe that Yahweh will enlighten you through His word to which is truth and which is false. Yahweh bless you and keep you for Yahshua's sake. HalleluYah.

By Charles Segnello

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**Psalm 44:20, 21** – If we have forgotten the name of our Elohim [Yahweh], or stretched out our hands to a strange el; Shall not Elohim search this out: for he knoweth the secrets of the heart.

#### FIRST FRUITS

Romans 11:16 – For if the firstfruit be holy, the lump is also holy: and if the root be holy, so are the branches.

1 Corinthians 15:20-23 – But now is the Messiah risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in the Messiah shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: the Messiah the firstfruits; afterward they that are the Messiah's at his coming.

James 1:18 – Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

Revelation 14:4 – These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto Elohim and to the Lamb.

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#### The Messiah the Firstfruits

#### 1 Corinthians 15:23

And if the Messiah be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins. Then they also which are fallen asleep in the Messiah are perished. If in this life only we have hope in the Messiah, we are of all men most miserable. But now is the Messiah risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in the Messiah shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: the Messiah the Firstfruits; afterward they that are the Messiah's at His coming. 1 Corinthians 15:17-23

Yahweh instructed Israel in the following. Exodus 34:22, And thou shalt observe the feast of weeks, of the firstfruits of wheat harvest... Exodus 34:26, The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring unto the house of Yahweh thy Elohim... Leviticus 23:10, Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest. Numbers 28:26, Also in the day of the firstfruits, when ye bring a new meal offering unto Yahweh, after your weeks be out, ye shall have an holy [kodesh] convocation; ye shall do no servile work.

We can see by the preceding scriptures that Yahweh is teaching, instructing, programming Israel in that all the first of the firstfruits are Yahweh's as stated in Ezekiel 44:30, And the first of all the firstfruits of all things, and every oblation of all, of every sort of your oblations, shall be the priest's: ye shall also give unto the priest the first of your dough, that he may cause the blessing to rest in thine house.

Yahweh's mind and ways are far above man's mind and ways. For all these thousands of years Yahweh has wanted Israel to give to Him and His priests the first of the firstfruits and the tithe of their increase. Then He would return to them a High Priest after the order of Melchisedec. Hebrews 7:16, Who is made, not after the law of a carnal commandment, but after the power of an endless life. Hebrews 7:22, By so much was Yahshua made a surety of a better testament. Verse 24, But this man, because He continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood. Verses 25 and 26, Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto Elohim by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them. For such an high priest became us, who is holy [kodesh], harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens.

The parable of the sower in Matthew 13:23 reads, But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

We can assume that Yahweh is giving to Israel His only begotten son (their High Priest) for their obedience to His commands. We know we cannot out give Yahweh, He always returns more that we give unto Him. Matthew 19:29, And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold and shall inherit everlasting life.

Those last four words "shall inherit everlasting life" are key words in the 29<sup>th</sup> verse of Matthew 19. This is our goal in the four score and ten years (plus?) we are allotted. This is the inheritance Paul speaks of in Colossians 3:24, Knowing that of the Master ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Sovereign Messiah.

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#### **KINDNESS**

- Eph 4:29-32 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. And grieve not the holy Spirit of YHWH, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamor, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as YHWH for MessiaH's sake hath forgiven you.
- **<u>Pro 3:3</u>** Let not mercy and truth forsake you; Bind them around your neck, Write them on the tablet of your heart,
- Pro 19:22 What is desired in a man is kindness, And a poor man is better than a liar.

  Eze 18:20-22 "The soul who sins shall die. The son shall not bear the guilt of the father, nor the father bear the guilt of the son. The righteousness of the righteous shall be upon himself, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon himself. "But if a wicked man turns from all his sins which he has committed, keeps all My statutes, and does what is lawful and right, he shall surely live; he shall not die. "None of the transgressions which he has committed shall be remembered against him; because of the righteousness which he has done, he shall live.
- **Zec 7:9** "Thus says the YHWH of hosts: 'Execute true justice, Show mercy and compassion everyone to his brother.
- Rom 2:1-4 Therefore you are inexcusable, O man, whoever you are who judge, for in whatever you judge another you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things. But we know that the judgment of YHWH is according to truth against those who practice such things. And do you think this, O man, you who judge those practicing such things, and doing the same, that you will escape the judgment of YHWH? Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of YHWH leads you to repentance?
- <u>Gal 5:22-26</u> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. And those *who are* MessiaH's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.
- <u>Gal 6:7-9</u> Do not be deceived, YHWH is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.
- <u>Col 3:12, 13</u> Therefore, as *the* elect of YHWH, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as MessiaH forgave you, so you also *must do*.
- <u>Tit 3:4, 5</u> But when the kindness and the love of YHWH our Savior toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit,
- <u>Heb 13:5, 6</u> Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." So we may boldly say: "YHWH is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?"

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#### PLEASE NOTE: CIVIL RIGHTS CASE

Across America, prisoners who have been awakened to Yahweh's True Worship, are actively being denied their basic Constitutional Rights. Those wishing to enter Yahweh's New Covenant, and even we who have been immersed into the Name of Yahshua, cannot even honor the Torah commands we have agreed to keep. Simple requests just to be able to fellowship and assemble for holy convocations on the 7th Day Sabbath and the Annual Feast days are habitually refused while provisions to be provided Kosher meals, have been, and continue to be denied, nationwide

"Many are the afflictions of the righteous; but Yahweh delivereth him out of them all." Psa. 34:19

Under the guidelines of the Prison Litigation Reform Act (PLRA), to even approach the courts and have a case heard, an inmate must exhaust all available remedies and resources. As an investigative journalist and baptized member of this True Body of Messiah, I have reached this final stage and done the due diligence of documenting all these infringements. Throughout three different institutions and over the course of four years, I have been able to chronicle all these patterns of corrupt infractions and compile an overwhelming amount of incriminating evidence. With this investigation complete, we are finally ready to deliver this collection of documents (dossier) into the hands of a qualified Attorney.

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Most importantly, please help us keep this matter lifted in prayer, in Yahshua's name, HalleluYAH!

"Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favor my righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let Yahweh be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of His servant." Psa. 35:27

Joe Miller

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#### **KINDNESS**

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<u>Leviticus 19:16-18</u> You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am YHWH. "You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am YHWH.

<u>Matthew 6:14, 15</u> For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

**Ephesians 5:1** Therefore be imitators of YHWH, as beloved children.

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# The Messiah the Firstfruits 1 Corinthians 15:23

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Yahshua was the firstfruits of them that slept in 1 Corinthians 15:23. The record in Matthew 28:6 states, He is not here: for He is risen, as He said. And then for us in James 1:18, Of His own will begat He us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures.

Brethren, let us keep our eyes on the Kingdom and put into practice verse 27 of James 1, Pure religion and undefiled before Yahweh and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

In His Service, Pastor Samuel A. Graham

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#### *YAHSHUA'S JEWELS*



#### Yahshua's Young People

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

> "For Yahweh is a sun and shield: Yahweh will give grace and glory: NO GOOD THING WILL HE WITHHOLD FROM THEM THAT WALK UPRIGHTLY." (Ps 84:11)

Why do we worry or anxious be? Yahweh has given us Yahshua who has all power in heaven and in earth.

Yahweh has promised us good things. Good things are positive and have virtue. They are BLESSINGS. Yahweh's greatest blessing to humanity is Yahshua." For Yahweh so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

So, Yahweh wants good things (BLESSINGS) for everyone. But there is a condition. No good thing will he withhold from them that walk UPRIGHTLY. Yahweh alone is perfect but he wants us to try and do what is right with Yahshua's help. The more we try along life's journey to conform to the image of Yahshua, we become like him.

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Joseph was loyal to Father Yahweh. Although he was betrayed by his brothers and sold into slavery, he still trusted Yahweh through the many years of his hardship. In the end, Yahweh blessed him and his family greatly in the land of Egypt.

Yahweh can do the same for you—just try. Even when wounded like a solider, get back up. Don't listen to Satan's lies to give up. Trust Yahweh's promises and have patience. Yahweh can do things swiftly or very slowly; but, in the end no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

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## WHAT ARE SOME OF THE BLESSINGS THAT YAHWEH WANTS TO GIVE US?

UNSCRAMBLE THE WORD	HINT
1. EACEP	Shalom
2.YOJ	Happiness
3.TROFMOC	Spelt backwards
4.DOFO	Yummy
5. HAYSHAU	Died for you
6. DOOG SDNEIRF	Opposite of bad friends
7. EETNIYTR	No more death
8. DGOO SKARM	A+
9. TIHAF	BELIEVE
10. YTIREPSORP	Rhymes with sincerity
11. VOEL	Opposite of hate
12. NFU	Rhymes with sun
13. DOOG BOJ	Spelt backwards
14. EIFL	I have the breath of

#### THOUGHT:

When Yah takes away something from us, he has something better for us. He wants to give us the best. He only wants us to keep trying and he will bless us.



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REMEMBER TO PASS IT ON TO YOUR YOUNG PEOPLE.

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Yahweh's 2021 Calendar				
New Moon Days	YAHSHUA'S MEMORIAL (Passover) MARCH 28 Celebrate MARCH 27 after sunset	Annual Convocation Days		
Jan. 15 Feb. 13 (Borderline) Mar. 15 Apr. 14 May 13 (Borderline) June 12 July 12 Aug. 10 Sept. 9 Oct. 8 Nov. 7 Dec. 6	FESTIVAL OF UNLEAVENED BREAD MARCH 29 through APRIL 4	March 29 April 4 May 18		
	FEAST (appointment) OF WEEKS MAY 18 See Leviticus 23:10, 11, 15, 16, 21	Sept. 9 Sept. 18 Sept. 23 Sept. 30		
	FEAST (appointment) OF TRUMPETS SEPTEMBER 9	7 days in all – the number of completeness		
	DAY (appointment) OF ATONEMENT SEPTEMBER 18			
	FEAST OF TABERNACLES (Booths or Huts) SEPTEMBER 23 through SEPTEMBER 29			
	LAST GREAT DAY SEPTEMBER 30			
Begin YAHWEH's days with the sunset preceding the indicated Roman days lasting till the next sunset.				

Regarding the above "borderline" dates for New Moon Days. If the new moon crescent is not sighted on these dates in Jerusalem, Israel; observe as you are led, the next or following day as New Moon Day.

Isaiah 2:1-3 – The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of Yahweh's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of Yahweh, to the house of the Elohim of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of Yahweh from Jerusalem.

Micah 4:2 – And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of Yahweh, and to the house of the Elohim of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of Yahweh from Jerusalem.

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