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# **PASSOVER**

Exodus 12:11 - ... and ye shall eat it in haste: it is Yahweh's Passover.

Leviticus 23:5 – In the fourteenth day of the first month between the evenings is Yahweh's Passover.

Numbers 9:4-5 – And Moses spake unto the children of Israel, that they should keep the Passover. And they kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the first month between the evenings in the wilderness of Sinai:

Numbers 28:16 – And in the fourteenth day of the first month is the Passover of Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 16:1 – Observe the month of Abib, and keep the Passover unto Yahweh thy Elohim:

Joshua 5:10 – And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the month at even in the plains of Jericho.

John 2:13 and 23 – And the Jew's Passover was at hand, and Yahshua went up to Jerusalem. Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover, in the feast day, many believed in his name, when they saw the miracles which he did.

1 Corinthians 5:7-8 – Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even the Messiah our Passover is sacrificed for us: Therefore let us keep the feast ...

Hebrews 11:28 - Through faith he (Moses) kept the Passover ...

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# **Editorial**

# JUDGMENT IS COMING

"Are you ready, are you ready, are you ready for the judgment day?" Words in a song most of us are familiar with. The stanza implies that all creation needs to prepare for a Judgment Day. Are these words backed up in the scriptures? Yes, please read the following. Ecclesiastes 3:17 – I said in mine heart, Elohim shall judge the righteous and the wicked: for there is a time there for every purpose and for every work.

Yahweh will judge his people. Deuteronomy 32:36 – For Yahweh shall judge his people, and repent himself for his servants ... Psalm 50:4 – He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people. Psalm 135:14 – For Yahweh will judge his people, and he will repent himself concerning his servants. Hebrews 10:30 – For we know him that hath said, Vengeance belongeth unto me, I will recompense. And again, Yahweh shall judge his people.

Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of Yahweh, because he cometh to judge the earth, 1 Chronicles 16:33. 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, Psalm 96:13. Before Yahweh; for he cometh to judge the earth: with righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity, Psalm 98:9.

Malachi 3:2-6 – But who may abide the day of his coming? And who shall stand when he appeareth? For he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap: And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver (Yahshua was betrayed for 30 pieces of silver): and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto Yahweh an offering in righteousness (rightness, justice, virtue, prosperity – Strong's #6666). Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto Yahweh, as in the days of old, and as in former years. And I will come near to you to judgment: and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger from his right, and fear not me, saith Yahweh of hosts. For I am Yahweh, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed. Yahweh gave the commandments to Israel (Jacob), to his twelve sons, their children and their children's children; laying out rules to live by through his prophets and his apostles.

King David said in Psalm 119 verse 6 – Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all thy commandments. Verse 32 – I will run the way of the commandments, when thou shalt enlarge my heart. Verse 47 – And I will delight myself in thy commandments, which I have loved. Verse 60, I made haste, and delayed not to keep thy commandments.

King Solomon in Proverb 19:16 said, He that keepeth the commandment keepeth his own soul; but he that despiseth his ways shall die. Proverb 3:1-2, says, My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments: For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee. And in Verses 5 and 6, Trust in Yahweh with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

King Solomon continues on in Ecclesiastes 3 verse 1 – To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven. Verses 16 and 17 – And moreover

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I saw under the sun the place of judgment, that wickedness was there; and the place of righteousness, that iniquity was there. I said in mine heart, Elohim shall judge the righteous and the wicked: for there is a time there for every purpose and for every work. Chapter 8 verse 1 – Who is as the wise man? and who knoweth the interpretation of a thing? a man's wisdom maketh his face to shine, and the boldness of his face shall be changed. Verse 5 – Whoso keepeth the commandment shall feel no evil thing: and a wise man's heart discerneth both time and judgment.

Yahshua's role in judgment — John 5:20-27: For the Father loveth the Son, and showeth him all things that himself doeth: and he will show him greater works than these, that ye may marvel. For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and maketh them alive; even so the Son maketh alive whom he will. For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son: That all men should honor the Son, even as they honor the Father. He that honoreth not the Son honoreth not the Father which hath sent him. Verily, Verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of Elohim: and they that hear shall live. For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself; And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man. Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

The above passage leads us to believe there is an ongoing judgment after we die, and the judgment is written down in the Lamb's book of Life. In Revelation 20:4-7: And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Yahshua, and for the word of Elohim, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with the Messiah a thousand years. But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of Elohim and of the Messiah, and shall reign with him a thousand years. And when the thousand years are expired, ... Verse 12 – And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before the throne; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. This is the great white throne judgment that is mentioned in verse 11.

The population of this earth will be judged by Yahweh's word that he has preserved throughout the ages. We all need to take heed of the time we are living in, with the recent massive earthquakes in Haiti and Chile and the resulting tsunamis (also, the 9.1 earthquake of Sumatra which triggered a tsunami that killed 226,000); which are signs prophesied in Matthew 24:7 and Luke 21:11.

Are you ready for your judgment day? Are we ready? Ecclesiastes 12:13 - Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear Elohim, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.

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## THE ELIJAH MESSAGE

"For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith Yahweh of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch. But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall. And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith Yahweh of hosts. Remember ye the Law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments. Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of Yahweh: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse." – Malachi 4

Surely this is a very familiar passage to everyone reading this magazine. A topic of much discussion in recent years has been who is this Elijah? And when will he come? Some believe that this passage was fulfilled in the life and ministry of John the Baptist. Yahshua suggests as much in Matthew 17:10-13. John himself, however, makes no such claim (John 1:19-21) and we can see from passages such as Matthew 11:12-14 that because John was not fully accepted by the people he was not able to fulfill the complete role of the prophet spoken of in Malachi 4. In addition, the broader context of our introductory passage certainly suggests a setting of the end times. As with other passages of scripture this prophecy of Elijah's coming will have dual fulfillment. Yes, John did come in the spirit and power of Elijah but yet; Yes, Elijah is still to come.

So who is this Elijah? Many individuals and groups have claimed to be the final fulfillment of this prophecy, especially in the last hundred years, only to be proven fraudulent. Will the two witnesses spoken of in Revelation 11 come in the spirit and power of Elijah? Let me be honest with you brethren, I DON'T KNOW! I contend that the first question in our minds should not be "who is Elijah?" but "what is his message?" Again, there are many ideas and theories. Is it the Law? Certainly the passage in Malachi seems to suggest this when it says "Remember ye the law of Moses my servant ..." Or, as I guess you're all shouting right now: Is it the Sacred Name? Undoubtedly the Name is instrumental in this passage as the name EliYah actually means "My Mighty One is Yahweh!" Yes, brethren, the Law and Yahweh's great Name are a part of this end time message. But what does the passage itself say? "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of Yahweh: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse." FAMILY RECONCILIATION – that, more than anything else will be the message of this final end time Elijah the Prophet!

Brethren, the world today (and America especially) needs a better understanding of Yahweh's Law. It needs the knowledge of Yahweh's Holy Name and the closer relationship with Him that it brings. But again, my contention is that even more than these **it desperately needs family healing and restoration**. In fact, I believe that without a healing of our families in this country the Torah Observant Lifestyle and Sacred Name Message will continue to fall on deaf ears. I'm sure we've all heard the statistics: approximately 1/2 of all marriages end in divorce, 1/3 of all births in this country are to unmarried women, 1/4 of all pregnancies end in abortion (it's actually much higher in some countries like Russia for example). Our families are in shambles and it's ripping this country and the entire western world apart at the seams!

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I firmly believe that Almighty Yahweh has given mankind two great teaching tools to help us learn of His character and what He expects from us. The first, of course, is His inspired word. The second and, I believe, equally important is our own family. How can we understand Yahweh's sacrifice in giving His only begotten Son for us if we have chosen to forego the "inconvenience" of children through habitual use of "the pill" or even abortion. How can we see Yahweh as our personal and loving Heavenly Father if we didn't grow up with a loving earthly father? How can we see Yahshua as our soon coming bridegroom when we have given up on our first love or been abandoned by the mate of our choice?

Those of us who cling to the Sacred Name and strive to keep His Law should be at the forefront in bringing this message to the world. Many of you see yourself as part of the end time EliYah message. I do as well! Let us preach the full and complete message, not just a portion. Let us walk the walk and talk the talk! Each of us should feel the responsibility to first of all: establish and maintain strong families in our own homes but also to take this message of family reconciliation to the world around us through the examples that we set and the words that we speak.

I've chosen to list four principles which I believe are grounded in scripture and have proven themselves out in my own family. These are **actions** which if applied diligently will lead to strong families. The world does not teach these things brethren! Quite the contrary, it will seek every opportunity to destroy what we as parents and grandparents have labored so hard to build.

Support Man's Leadership in the Home/Assembly (1 Cor. 11:1-10, 1 Cor. 14:34-35, 1 Tim. 2:9-15) Brethren, we live in an enlightened age don't we (I speak facetiously)? We have overcome the ignorance and backwards practices of many generations including the founding fathers of this country and finally given women equal rights with men! Our government has made it clear (since the 1920's at least) that man is no longer the head of the family unit. No, man and woman are equals in every respect as the women's liberation movement so kindly reminds us all. Is it a coincidence, brethren that the start of the disintegration of the family unit seemed to coincide with the rise of the women's liberation movement in this country? Don't get me wrong, I believe that men and women are equally precious in Almighty Yahweh's eyes albeit **created with different roles**. Every team has a captain or else confusion reigns. And that is what we have in many marriages today, brethren, CONFUSION!

Teach Men to Love/Respect Women (Gen. 2: 21-25, Eph. 5:22-28) It says in Genesis 2 that a man and his wife are to become one flesh. I am continually amazed by the awful things men of this world say of their spouses, sometimes in jest, sometimes not. In my view this is equivalent to insulting one's own self! The longer I am blessed with the companionship of my beautiful wife the more I see that man is not complete without woman. My wife compliments me in many ways, she is strong where I am weak and is in some ways closer to Almighty Yahweh and more understanding of His ways. Together we are strong in the faith!

My dad is fond of saying that the most important thing any man can do for his children is to LOVE THEIR MOTHER. I think those are wise words! May we all teach our children the meaning of true love through healthy relationships with our wives and husbands! Children cannot be told how to love! They must be shown, every day, their entire lives.

<u>Demand that Children Obey their Parents</u> (Exo. 20:12, Col. 3:18-21) The fifth commandment is often spoken of as the first one with a promise. We are told that "our days will be long upon the land" if we will only honor our father and mother. There is

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also a curse implicit here as well brethren. If we choose not to love and respect our parents our days will most certainly be few and filled with trouble. The world is doing everything it can to undermine the authority of the parent in their home, most especially through electronic media (TV, Movies and Music). I strongly suggest that all you parents out there follow my advice and throw your TVs out! Do not let Bart Simpson, Caillou and the like destroy your child's love and admiration for you and the things you hold dear.

Unfortunately, children do not understand this concept until they are no longer children. I try to reason with my children and get them to understand why certain things are wrong and why they must occasionally be punished. This only gets me so far. Quite often it just boils down to "Daddy Said So!" and a swat on the behind. I firmly believe that if we spare the rod we will spoil the child (Prov. 13:24, 22:15). Almighty Yahweh is firm in correcting us; we must be firm (and loving) in correcting our children.

Care for Our Extended Family (Ruth, 1 Tim. 5:1-8) These verses in Timothy are strong words brethren! V8 says: "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel." Wow! Failing to provide for one's family is equivalent to denying the faith! I believe that as with many scriptures there is a physical and a spiritual application to this passage. You men out there, not only must you provide food, shelter and clothing but also spiritual instruction and righteous correction to those placed in your charge. Looking at the context of this passage in 1 Timothy, it's pretty clear that Paul is not just talking about sons/daughters/wives but also elderly parents, aunts, uncles, etc... Unfortunately, this is another area where the Government has stepped in to destroy the paths of old and traditions of yesteryear. The modern welfare state has done away with the need for multigenerational families to live together. No longer is it common for children to learn at the feet of their grandparents. Cultural and spiritual heritage is no longer passed from generation to generation; we have television for that now! This should not be the case in families of faith. Regardless of minor doctrinal differences we should encourage our children to learn from our relatives, close and distant. They need to know that many of their ancestors have learned from the Scriptures and sought to apply its lessons to their

Brethren, continually applying and reinforcing these four principles in our homes will keep our families strong. And the world will take notice! We will be shining examples in our communities, our schools, the work place and yes even our places of worship.

Brethren, as a father of four let me be the first to tell you that the odds are stacked against us. I often feel overwhelmed when thinking of the mass of forces arrayed against me in my struggle to keep my family together. "Not by might, nor by power, but **by my spirit**, saith Yahweh of hosts." Zechariah 4:6

Returning to our opening passage let's read the closing lines once again: "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of Yahweh: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse." That curse has already begun brethren. This country and indeed, the entire world, have become consumed with violence. It seems like every day I hear about fathers and mothers doing horrific things to themselves and their loved ones. Families are the glue that holds any society together; they are the bricks and mortar that build strong assemblies. May Yahweh bless us all as we strive to take Elijah's Message to this sick and dying world. HALLELUYAH!

# **Elijahs Wanted**

Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of Yahweh: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to their children and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse. – Malachi 4:5-6.

Malachi plainly tells us that in the last days Yahweh will send us Elijah to warn us of the coming of the dreadful day of Yahweh and turn the hearts of the people unto righteousness so that they should not be smitten by the curse. The Jews asked the Savior when this would occur. He told them that He was the promised Messiah. They asked, How can this be? Was not the Messiah to be preceded by the coming of the prophet Elijah? The Savior answered, Yes, the Messiah was to be preceded by Elijah, but Elijah had come and preached repentance, and they had killed him: "This He spake of John the Baptist." – See Matthew 17:10-13.

In verse thirteen we are told that the apostles recognized John the Baptist as the Elijah who was to come, for the Savior had said that not the original personal Elijah was to precede him, but one possessing the same spiritual power.

The Jews, in the days of Yahshua the Messiah, were looking for the personal Elijah, and they did not recognize the Elijah who fulfilled the prophecy. Today, we are confronted with the same condition. The preachers and teachers of the present day are teaching the return of a personal Elijah, and the people as a whole are believing and looking for the miraculous resurrected Elijah the Tishbite, and, like the people of the Savior's day, they will not recognize the person, or persons, sent in the spirit and power and service of Elijah. They will reject and refuse to listen to them, even doing them violence, so that it behooves us to examine the evidence and the identification marks, so that we may be able to identify those sent to fulfill the Elijah work, that is, to warn the people of impending judgments and to restore righteousness through the everlasting evangel. This study is dedicated to the purpose of identifying the modern Elijah, or rather, the Elijah movement.

When the Ten Tribes of Israel separated from Rehoboam and established themselves into an independent government in Samaria, under the leadership of Jeroboam, the latter, fearing that Israel would return to the House of David if they continued to go to Jerusalem to worship Yahweh, thought to perpetuate his reign over them by establishing a religion of his own and enforced it by decree. He ordered the casting of two golden calves, and proclaimed, "Behold thy deities, O Israel, which brought thee out of land of Egypt." And he set the one in Bethel, and the other he put in Dan. This thing became a sin; for the people went to worship before the one, even unto Dan (1 Kings 12:28-30).

This continued until the reign of Omri. When Omri died, Ahab his son succeeded him, and intensified Israel's apostasy, as we read in the Scripture: "And Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of Yahweh above all that were before him, and it came to pass, as if it had been a light thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, that he took to wife Jezebel, (the virgin of Baal) the daughter of Eth-Baal (the Man of Baal), king of the Zidonians, and went and served Baal (the L-rd) and worshiped him. And he reared up an altar for Baal in the house of Baal which he had built in Samaria. And Ahab made a grove (a shrine) and Ahab did more to provoke Yahweh the Elohim of

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Israel to anger than all the kings of Israel that were before him. (1 Kings 16:30-33). Thus Baal worship was introduced in Israel.

Elijah, a man of faith and conviction, lived in Israel at that time. He was in communion with Yahweh, and Yahweh gave him a commission. It was not an easy task that Yahweh had given him. But because Elijah was a man of courage and conviction, he did not ask to be excused. His was the responsibility of rebuking the king, as well as the people, for apostasy, and to pronounce the sentence of punishment. "As Yahweh the Elohim of Israel liveth, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, but according to my word."

He then, in obedience to the commandment of Yahweh, turned eastward and hid himself by the brook Cherith, near the Jordan River, where some nomad Arabs supplied him with bread and flesh every morning and evening, and he drank water from the brook. (I know that some of you will want to correct me on this, saying that it was the ravens that fed Elijah, but the Hebrew word for raven is "Arab" the very same word that is used in describing a person of Arabian nationality. It is also a word used for Arabia. The King James translators, wanting to bring some magic into the story, translated it raven. But let me emphasize this fact: It was more of a miracle for the Arabs to feed Elijah than it would have been for the bird we call the raven to do so. The Arabs hated an Israelite bitterly, and would rather have killed him than feed him. It was a miracle for Yahweh to have so touched the hearts of the Arabs as to feed his servant Elijah.)

Elijah stayed in this hiding place until the drought dried up the brook; then he received his marching orders from Yahweh. He was told to go to Zarephath near the city of Zidon, where Yahweh had touched the heart of a widow outside the confines of Israel. She would give him food and lodging for the duration of the drought which was to last three and one-half years. (See Luke 4:25-26).

Elijah was not inactive during this time of hiding from the authorities who were seeking to kill him. Both Jezebel, representing the church of that day, and the King, representing the government, were after him. During this time Elijah was preaching under cover, but his services were only to those who were worthy. He was also performing miracles. There was a famine in the land – for the word of Yahweh as well as for bread and water. What a preview for the last days. (See Revelation 11:3-8). After three and one-half years of this suppressed witnessing, Elijah was commanded to come out of hiding and show himself to Ahab and to challenge both the church and state to a showdown. (1 Kings 18:1). So Elijah went forth to meet Ahab.

"And it came to pass, when Ahab saw Elijah, that Ahab said unto him, Art thou he that troubleth Israel? And he answered, I have not troubled Israel; but thou, and thy father's house, in that ye have forsaken the commandments of Yahweh and thou hast followed after Baalim (L-rds): Now, therefore send, and gather to me all Israel unto mount Carmel, and the prophets (preachers) of Baal four hundred and fifty, and prophets of the groves (shrines) four hundred which eat at Jezebel's table. So Ahab sent unto all the children of Israel and gathered the prophets together unto Mount Carmel. And Elijah came unto the people and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? If Yahweh be Elohim, follow Him; and if Baal, then follow him. And the people answered not a word." (1 Kings 18:17-21).

In reading the verses quoted above, we notice that the people answered not a word. They did not seem very enthusiastic about it. In fact, they did not even understand what it was all about. They had been taught that when they were worshiping Baal or Adonay 1-3, 2010 Page Nine

(Chaldean, of the English word L-rd), they were worshiping the Creator of heaven and earth, the Mighty One of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the Holy One of Israel who had brought their forefathers from Egypt. They did not know that it made any difference by what name they called Him. They did not know that by not calling Him by His original name they had actually separated themselves from the worship of the True Creator and Everlasting Father. It came as a shock to them to hear from Elijah that there was a marked difference between Baal, Adonay, which the apostate church of Israel had substituted in the place of the true Elohim of Israel, and the sacred name, Yahweh, the name by which the Creator had revealed himself.

What a picture we have before us -a whole nation indifferent to their true religious standing; a corrupt clergy following the line of least resistance (state religion), playing politics; and the challenge of one man with convictions and the courage to stand out and oppose the false systems of worship.

The contest was on; Elijah said to the multitude, "I, even I only, remain as a prophet of Yahweh; but the prophets of Baal are four hundred and fifty men." (1 Kings 18:22). Elijah brought the fight to the enemy. Having made the rules of the debate, he told the prophets of Baal to sacrifice their bullock, and let their Baal send the fire to consume it.

The prophets of Baal, having carefully made their preparations for their sacrifice, began to pray that Baal would send the fire. Their cries of "Baal, send the fire," brought no response. They leaped up and down upon the altar; still no response. Elijah taunted them, made mockery of their devotions until they went to the extreme of cutting themselves and letting their blood run on the sacrifice to show their sincere devotion to their deity, but Baal answered them not. Finally they were exhausted and gave up in despair.

All Israelites knew that the name of their Elohim, the Holy One of Israel, was Yahweh, but they had been taught by their prophets and preachers that there was only one Elohim, and it did not make any difference what name they called Him, as long as they were religious and observed the golden rule. In fact they had been taught that they should not use the true name, because it was supposed to be unpronounceable. All nations, these teachers said, believed in one deity, The Creator of heaven and earth, and as all nations spoke different languages, they reasoned that they all called him by a different name. Therefore, they should use the name that was most popular.

It was this kind of reasoning that brought about the condition of which the prophets complained, as in Jeremiah 23:27. "Which think to cause my people to forget my name by their dreams which they tell every man his neighbor, as their fathers have forgotten my name for Baal." And also in Jeremiah 23:13, the prophet says: "And I have seen folly in the prophets of Samaria (the ten tribes), they prophesied in Baal (in the name of the L-rd), and caused my people Israel to err."

Elijah did not reason this way. He knew otherwise. He knew that Yahweh was and still is JEALOUS of His name (Exodus 34:14, and 23:13). He also knew that the third commandment of the Decalogue, reading from the Hebrew, says: "Thou shalt not falsify (or substitute) the name of Yahweh thy Elohim; for Yahweh will not hold him guiltless who falsifies his name."

Elijah contended for this truth, that there was no other Elohim but Yahweh, and that the deities of other nations were but deified men. They were the SUN deities, who were the descendants of Ham, who became mighty men in opposition to, or in the face of, or

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before, Yahweh. And behind the names adopted for these deified men, was the old enemy of the Garden of Eden, Lucifer himself, the old devil, or the Satan [the adversary], who hid behind these different masks of names in order to divert the people from the worship of Yahweh to himself (1 Corinthians 10:19-21 and Isaiah 14:12-14).

The clergy of Israel, having miserably failed to prove their contention that Baal was the name by which the Almighty was to be called, stood by, while the lone Elijah began to prepare his case to prove that Yahweh was the only true name by which the Eternal should be addressed.

First, he gathered twelve stones, one for each of the twelve tribes of Israel, to symbolize that the One who separated Israel unto Himself, saying "Israel is thy name," would manifest himself to the people of His choice. With these stones Elijah built an altar to the name of Yahweh. Then preparing the sacrifice, he called upon Yahweh to receive it by sending down fire from heaven. Yahweh heard the petition addressed to Him in the Sacred Name, by which He had revealed himself to Abraham and his seed; and as a result, He sent the fire and consumed the sacrifice, thus vindicating His Name. Elijah was proved the true prophet, despite the fact that he was in the minority.

"El-i-jah" means El is Yah, bringing to us the conclusion that this intrepid prophet was raised up for the purpose of contending that El is Yah, and thus turning the people's hearts back to the true Elohim and His righteousness. While Israel had gone into apostasy by adopting the names of the deities of the nations, Yahweh raised up a man and called him by the name of the cause he was to proclaim, the great truth that "El is Yah," and beside Him there is no other. And no other name is given unto men whereby we must be saved but the name YAHSHUA, Yahweh is Salvation.

Elijah won the contest and the four hundred and fifty prophets of Baal were slain; but he had to go and hide himself from the wrath of Jezebel. Having gone into the wilderness of Beersheba, he complained to Yahweh of the weariness of his life. Here an angel was sent to comfort him, and make preparations for his successor and wait for his translation.

Israel of the present day as well as Israel of old, in contacts with other nations, has adopted the names of the deities of those nations, viz.: the Manito of the Indians, the Ieseus of the Greeks, the Pan Bog (the goat g-d) of the Poles, Nehusta (the snake g-d) of the Hungarians, the L-rd (Baal) of the English, Deus of the Latins, the Dio of the Italians, Dios of the Spaniards, and so on, ad infinitum. These are the names which in this very day and age, are being applied to the Holy One of Israel, the Mighty One of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, in the accepted Bibles of the Catholic and Protestant churches of these and other countries.

The great and dreadful day of Yahweh is near, with the attending apostasy. Therefore, there is now due the promised coming of Elijah to warn the people of impending judgment and turn them back to the worship of Yahweh. In the words of Jeremiah the prophet, "The harvest is passing, the summer ending, and we are not saved." – Jeremiah 8:20.

We have come to the end of the age; the time of the world's great harvest, and in the words of our Savior, Yahshua the Messiah, "the harvest is great and the laborers few." We need to pray, therefore, not only for Yahweh to send laborers into the field, but prepare us to take the field. Not only are the present laborers few, but all are so divided and so scattered, that they are ineffective. Our Savior obtained his workers from among the common people; from the fishing nets, from the farms, and from the slums. Having united them around Himself, and they in turn being united and with the mind of the

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Savior, accomplished a great work in laying the foundation for the New Covenant Assembly. While this spirit of unity prevailed, success followed; but jealousies began to creep in, and thus, competition started, ending with the Nikelaity taking over. Once again our Savior is looking for real workers for His harvest. He wants men and women who will volunteer for service in this EL-I-YAH group, not for men who consider themselves sole Elijah's, but for men who are willing to take their places in the Elijah group. Each member of this great body, whose head shall be Yahshua Himself, shall function according to the plan derived from the Scriptures alone.

Those who consider themselves as the only representatives of Elijah and do not realize that Yahweh has His seven thousand who have not bowed their knees to Baal, are hindering not only their own progress, but also, the work which an enlightened assembly ought to be doing. We all know of the great exploits of the one Elijah, how he confounded the four hundred and fifty prophets of Baal and the four hundred prophets of the groves, but do we realize what seven thousand such Elijahs could have accomplished had they been in touch with each other and cooperating with one consent? They could have confounded all the forces of evil, and would have destroyed forever the altars of Baal. Think of it, if one could chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, at that ratio what could seven thousand Elijahs have done in eliminating Baal worship from Israel?

Once again is evident the great challenge between Baal-worshiping Israel with a Baal-worshiping ministry; against the minority of Yahweh worshipers. The superior number of the enemy should not confound us, but the separation in our ranks should make us ashamed; for, while united we may stand, divided we shall surely fall, and the work of preaching the everlasting evangel is left undone. Truly the laborers are few, not for lack of individual believers, but for lack of cooperation among them.

The day for the appearance of the evangelical Elijah is here, and Yahweh is looking for those whom He can send forth into the field already white with harvest. As in the days of Isaiah, Yahweh is looking for those who are willing and ready to go forth. Yahweh's message is still, "Whom shall I send and who will go for us?" It is expected that those who have received and believed the message will answer like Isaiah of old, when his lips were touched with the Holy Spirit, and the flame of the Sacred Name Message was burning in his heart, "Here am I, send me."

Then be sure you get the message that follows: "Go and tell this people, in hearing, you listen, but you will not understand; seeing, you see but you will not learn. For this people's hearts have grown fat, their hearing has been dulled, and their eyes blinded, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, and understand with their hearts and be converted and saved." – Isaiah 6:9-10 (Sacred Name Version).

What better or clearer description could be given of the condition of the supposed believing church today? What is harder for them to understand than the Sacred Name message with its purifying doctrine? Their teachers have immunized them against the Elijah message, hardened their hearts against the truth, and made it more difficult for them to hear and believe the truth.

May Yahweh open your hearts, not only to the truth, but also to the obligation of your part to cooperate in the spreading of this Elijah message for the closing days of this age. Closer cooperation and more constant communication among the Yahwist groups should be maintained. May Yahweh enlarge our vision is my prayer.

Reprinted from a booklet by Elder A. B. Traina (deceased)

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# **Exhortation to Patience**

Colossians 2:6-7 – As ye have therefore received the Messiah Yahshua the Master, so walk ye in Him. Rooted and built up in Him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

1 Peter 1:13-14 —Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Yahshua the Messiah. As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:

BE PATIENT – James 5:7-10 – Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Master. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Master draweth nigh. Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge standeth before the door. Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of Yahweh, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience. (Also read in Philippians 2:12-14)

PRAY ALWAYS – 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 – Rejoice evermore (rejoice always, pray constantly). Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks: (give thanks in all circumstances). ... We should all endure during trial, for it will come for our faith to be tested. (Please read James 1:12-13, Hebrews 12:5-8, Proverbs 3:11-12).

BE WATCHFUL – 1 John 4:1 – Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of Elohim: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. Matthew 7:15-21 – Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits ... Not every one that saith unto me, Sovereign, Sovereign, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. (1 John 5:10-12, Colossians 2:8, 2 John 7-10, 2 Thessalonians 2:14-17).

PREACH THE GOOD NEWS – We are being charged by Yahshua, to go into the world and preach the message of salvation to all nations. Mark 16:15 – And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the good news to every creature. Mark 13:10 – And the good news must first be published among all nations.

Matthew 10:32 – Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. 2 Peter 1:5-8 – And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance PATIENCE; and to PATIENCE reverence; And to reverence brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness love. For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Master Yahshua the Messiah. (Also please read 2 Timothy 2:14-15, Mark 8:38, Titus 3:8-11, Romans 16:17-18, 1 Timothy 6:11-16).

BE IN UNITY AMONG BRETHREN – Psalm 133:1-3 – Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments; As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there Yahweh commanded the blessing, even life for evermore.

# 2010 CALENDAR CALCULATIONS

Military time – in <u>Jerusalem, Israel</u> (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 15 – 07:11 GMT plus 2 hours equals 09:11 LST (a.m.) Sunset January 15 – 16:58 (09:11 to 16:58 = moon is 7 hrs 47 min old) Sunset January 16 – 16:59 (plus 24 hrs 1 min = moon is 31 hrs 48 min old) Moonset January 16 – 18:07 (16:59 to 18:07 = moon is up 1 hr 8 min) \*January 17, 2010 (1/17/10) is New Moon Day

Conjunction February 14-02:51 GMT plus 2 hours equals 04:51 LST (a.m.) Sunset February 14-17:25 (04:51 to 17:25= moon is 12 hrs 34 min old) Sunset February 15-17:26 (plus 24 hrs 1 min = moon is 36 hrs 35 min old) Moonset February 15-18:45 (17:26 to 18:45= moon is up 1 hr 19 min) \*February 16, 2010 (2/16/10) is New Moon Day

Conjunction March 15 – 21:01 GMT plus 2 hours equals 23:01 LST (p.m.)

Sunset March 15 – 17:47 (17:47 to 23:01 – Conjunction is 5 hrs 14 min <u>after</u> sunset)

Sunset March 16 – 17:48 (23:01 Mar. 15 to 17:48 Mar. 16 = moon is <u>18 hrs 47 min old</u>)

Moonset March 16 – 18:29 (17:48 to 18:29 = moon is up 41 minutes)

Sunset March 17 – 17:48 (plus 24 hrs = moon is 42 hrs 47 min old)

Moonset March 17 – 19:25 (17:48 to 19:25 = moon is up 1 hr 37 min)

\*March 18, 2010 (3/18/10) is New Moon Day

Conjunction April 14 – 12:29 GMT plus 2 hours equals 14:29 LST (p.m.) Sunset April 14 – 18:07 (14:29 to 18:07 = moon is 3 hrs 38 min old) Sunset April 15 – 18:08 (plus 24 hrs 1 min = moon is 27 hr 39 min old) Moonset April 15 – 19:16 (18:08 to 19:16 = moon is up 1 hr 8 min) \*April 16, 2010 (4/16/10) is New Moon Day

Conjunction May 14 – 01:04 GMT plus 2 hours equals 03:04 LST (a.m.) Sunset May 14 – 18:28 (03:04 to 18:28 = moon is 15 hrs 24 min old) Moonset May 14 – 19:10 (18:28 to 19:10 = moon is up 42 min) 

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Sunset May 15 – 18:29 (plus 24 hrs 1 min = moon is 39 hrs 25 min old) 
Moonset May 15 – 20:12 (18:29 to 20:12 = moon is up 1 hr 43 min) 

\*May 16, 2010 (5/16/10) is New Moon Day

Conjunction June 12 – 11:15 GMT plus 2 hours equals 13:15 LST (p.m.) Sunset June 12 – 18:45 (13:15 to 18:45 = moon is 5 hrs 30 min old) Sunset June 13 – 18:45 (plus 24 hrs = moon is 29 hrs 30 min old) Moonset June 13 – 19:54 (18:45 to 19:54 = moon is up 1 hr 9 min) \*June 14, 2010 (6/14/10) is New Moon Day

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Conjunction July 11 – 19:40 GMT plus 2 hours equals 21:40 LST (p.m.)
Sunset July 11 - 18:47 (18:47 to 21:40 – Conjunction is 2 hrs 53 min after sunset
Sunset July 12 – 18:47 (21:40 July 11 to 18:47 July 12 = moon is 21 hrs 7 min old)
Moonset July 12 - 19:20 (18:47 to 19:20 = moon is up 33 minutes)
                 *July 13, 2010 (7/13/10) is New Moon Day (Borderline)
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Conjunction August 10 – 03:08 GMT plus 2 hours equals 05:08 LST (a.m.) Sunset August 10 - 18:28 (05:08 to 18:28 = moon is 13 hrs 20 min old) Sunset August 11 - 18:27 (plus 23 hrs 59 min = moon is 37 hrs 19 min old) Moonset August 11 - 19:11 (18:27 to 19:11 = moon is up 44 minutes)

#### \*August 12, 2010 (8/12/10) is New Moon Day

Conjunction September 8 – 10:30 GMT plus 2 hours equals 12:30 LST (p.m.) Sunset September 8 - 17.54 (12:30 to 17.54 = moon is 5 hrs 24 min old) Sunset September 9 - 17.53 (plus 23 hrs 59 min = moon is 29 hrs 23 min old) Moonset September 9 - 18:17 (17:53 to 18:17 = moon is up 24 minutes) Sunset September 10 - 17.52 (plus 23 hrs 59 min = moon is 53 hrs 22 min old) Moonset September 10 - 18:55 (17:52 to 18:55 = moon is up 1 hr 3 min) \*September 11, 2010 (9/11/10) is New Moon Day

Conjunction October 7 – 18:44 GMT plus 2 hours equals 20:44 LST (p.m.) Sunset October 7 – 17:17 (17:17 to 20:44 – Conjunction is 3 hrs 27 min after sunset) Sunset October 8 - 17:16 (20:44 Oct. 7 to 17:16 Oct. 8 = moon is 20 hrs 32 min old) Moonset October 8 - 17:26 (17:16 to 17:26 = moon is up 10 minutes) Sunset October 9 - 17:14 (plus 23 hrs 58 min = moon is 44 hrs 30 min old) Moonset October 9 - 18:09 (17:14 to 18:09 = moon is up 55 minutes) \*October 10, 2010 (10/10/10) is New Moon Day

Conjunction November 6 – 04:52 GMT plus 2 hours equals 06:52 LST (a.m.) Sunset November 6 - 16:46 (06:52 to 16:46 = moon is 9 hrs 54 min old)) Sunset November 7 - 16.45 (plus 23 hrs 59 min = moon is 33 hrs 53 min old) Moonset November 7 - 17:35 (16:45 to 17:35 = moon is up 50 minutes) \*November 8, 2010 (11/08/10) is New Moon Day

Conjunction December 5 – 17:36 GMT plus 2 hours equals 19:36 LST (p.m.) Sunset December 5 – 16:35 (16:35 to 19:36 – Conjunction is 3 hrs 1 min <u>after</u> sunset) Sunset December 6 – 16:35 (19:36 Dec. 5 to 16:35 Dec. 6 = moon is 20 hrs 59 min old) Moonset December 6 - 17:14 (16:35 to 17:14 = moon is up 39 minutes) Sunset December 7 - 16:35 (plus 24 hrs = moon is 44 hrs 59 min old) Moonset December 7 - 18:13 (16:35 to 18:13 = moon is up 1 hr 38 min) \*December 8, 2010 (12/08/10) is New Moon Day

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# **Consider This Phrase From Yahweh**

1 John 2:29 – **If you** know that he is righteous, you know that every one also that does righteousness is begotten of him.

Matthew 19:17 – ... **If you** will enter into life, keep the commandments.

Psalm 132:12 – **If your** children will keep my covenant and my testimony that I shall teach them, their children shall also sit upon your throne for evermore.

Proverbs 2:1-5 – My son, **If you** shall receive my words, and lay up my commandments with you; so as to incline your ear to wisdom, and apply your heart to understanding; For, **if you** cry after discernment, and lift up your voice for understanding; **If you** seek her as silver, and search for her as for hid treasures; Then shall you understand the fear of Yahweh, and find the knowledge of Elohim.

Proverbs 24:10 – **If you** faint in the day of adversity, your strength is small.

Isaiah 58:13-14 -**If you** turn away your foot from the Sabbath day, from doing your pleasure on my holy day; and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of Yahweh, honorable; and shall honor him, not doing your own ways, nor finding your own pleasure, nor speaking words: Then shall you delight yourself in Yahweh; and I will make you to ride upon the high places of the earth; and feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father: for the mouth of Yahweh has spoken it.

Jeremiah 4:1-2 -**If you** will return, O Israel, says Yahweh, return unto me: and **if you** will put away your abominations out of my sight, then shall you not be removed. And you shall swear, as Yahweh lives, in truth, in judgment, and in righteousness; and the nations shall bless themselves in him, and in him shall they glory (boast).

Jeremiah 7:5-7 – For **if you** thoroughly amend your ways and your doings; **if you** thoroughly execute justice between a man and his neighbor; **If you** oppress not the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow, and shed not innocent blood in this place, neither walk after other elohim to your own hurt: Then will I cause you to dwell in this place, in the land that I gave to your fathers, from of old even for evermore.

Psalm 130:3-4 – **If you**, Yah, should mark iniquities, O Yahweh, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, that you may be feared.

There are many more in the scriptures for us to follow. Check them out.

Brother Gary Alexander

## **Exhortation to Patience**

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CONCLUSION – Romans 15:4-6 – For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through PATIENCE and comfort of the scriptures might have hope. Now the Elohim of PATIENCE and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to the Messiah Yahshua: That ye may with one mind and one mouth praise Elohim, even the Father of our Master Yahshua the Messiah.

And what I say unto you I say unto all, WATCH. (Mark 13:37)

# IN MEMORIAM

**Elizabeth A. Gatzke** (50) of 7677 Columbia Highway, Eaton Rapids, Michigan, passed away at the home of her brother in Carney, MI. She was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on October 19, 1959, the daughter of William and Janet (Zupan) Wurm. She was a former resident of II Road in Fayette, MI.

Beth was well-gifted in cooking and enjoyed hosting tea parties. She loved her duties as "grandma" and was a loving wife and help mate. She enjoyed camping and traveling; one of many high points was a month long trip to Israel in 2006 with her husband Fred.

Elizabeth A. Wurm married Fred Gatzke on December 28, 1996, in Medford, Wisconsin. Most recently she attended the Assembly of Yahweh in Eaton Rapids, MI, moving there to help work in the ministry.

Survivors include her husband Fred; her sister Sandy Kolstad of Milwaukee, WI; brothers James Hoskins of Carney, MI, and Tom Wurm of Manitowoc, WI; daughter Desirae (Rick) Infnell of Racine, WI, and grandchildren Jarrod and Sage.

A memorial service was held at the Congregational Church in Garden, MI and at the Assembly of Yahweh, Eaton Rapids, MI.

Beth was well loved by all she came to know. Beth was at perfect peace with leaving the strife and tribulations of this life to enter everlasting life in the kingdom of Yahweh with Yahshua at the resurrection of the just. She will certainly be missed by her family, friends and brethren. Proverbs 3:24 – When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet. HalleluYah!

**Elgin Henry Mund** (May 5, 1914 - January 4, 2010). My beloved left while He was asleep at 8:30 a.m. in our dwelling place in McAllen, Texas. Any gifts or donations will be used to purchase scriptures as this was his passion and our ministry for six years and it will continue. Shalom. Linda Mund

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 — 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. Therefore comfort one another with these words.

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Jan. 17 Feb. 16	FESTIVAL OF UNLEAVENED BREAD APRIL 1 through APRIL 7	April 1
Mar. 18 Apr. 16 May 16	FEAST (appointment) OF WEEKS MAY 21 See Leviticus 23:10, 11, 15, 16, 21	May 21 Sept. 11 Sept. 20 Sept. 25 Oct. 2  7 days in all – the number of completeness
June 14 July 13 (Borderline)	FEAST (appointment) OF TRUMPETS SEPTEMBER 11	
Aug. 12 Sept. 11 Oct. 10	DAY (appointment) OF ATONEMENT SEPTEMBER 20	
Nov. 8 Dec. 8	FEAST OF TABERNACLES (Booths or Huts) SEPTEMBER 25 through OCTOBER 1	
	LAST GREAT DAY OCTOBER 2	
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# **Greater Works Than These**

What does it mean, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do? (John 14:12) What are greater works? Read John 20:30-31 – And many other signs truly did Yahshua in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: But these are written, that ye might believe that Yahshua is the Messiah, the Son of Elohim; and that believing ye might have life through his name. The purpose was to reveal his uniqueness, his purpose as the Son of Yahweh.

We don't have the right to claim such a claim, yet through the power of the Holy [Kodesh] Spirit whom Yahshua sent, there were more converts after Pentecost than during Yahshua's lifetime for he never traveled outside Palestine. Through the disciples his ministry was multiplied after Yahshua departed. He expected the Assembly [the ecclesia, the called out ones] would be the instrument of himself to convert and win souls to Salvation.

Submitted by Douglas Panetta

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