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Holy Days 2022

Passover – April 16, 2022 (Observed at Sunset the Evening Before)

Unleavened Bread – April 16-22, 2022

Pentecost – June 5, 2022

Trumpets - September 26, 2022

Atonement – October 5, 2022

Tabernacles – October 10-16, 2022

Last Great Day – October 17, 2022

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The way to:

Advance the Kingdom of God

Advance the true values of the Kingdom of God

Express pure devotion to Christ

Eat from the Tree of Life

Genuinely love God

“Follow none but the LORD your God, and revere none but Him; observe His commandments alone, and heed only His orders; worship none but Him, and hold fast to Him” (Moses, the man of God, his last sermon; Deuteronomy 13:5, *Tanakh*, a new translation of the Holy Scriptures according to the traditional Hebrew text).

Please forgive me if I am tempted to shout this (in my exceedingly loud voice) but, as a certain “proper” little man born in the 19th century used to say, “People are not getting it”!

The Feasts of Israel and the Church

by Avram Yehoshua (Flagstaff, Arizona)

The use of many of the Feasts of Israel in Acts and First Corinthians, and them as *time markers*, reveals that the Apostles continued to celebrate them all their lives. The Church teaches that the Feasts were 'done away with' at the crucifixion, and therefore, Christians don't keep them, but NT Scripture clearly reveals otherwise:

1. Acts 2:1 30 AD—The Feast of Weeks (Hebrew: *Shavu'ot*—Pentecost; Ex. 34:22; Dt. 16:9-10)
2. Acts 12:3 44 AD—The Feast of Unleavened Bread (Ex. 12:8, 15f.; 23:15; 34:18; Lev. 23:6f)
3. Acts 12:4 44 AD—Passover (Ex. 12:11, 27; Lev. 23:5f.; Num. 9:5; 28:16; Dt. 16:1; Mt. 26:1f.)
4. Acts 18:21 49 AD—This coming Feast (obviously a Feast of Israel; found in the KJV/NKJV)
5. Acts 20:6 57 AD—The Feast of Unleavened Bread
6. Acts 20:16 57 AD—The Feast of Weeks (*Shavu'ot*—Pentecost)
7. Acts 27:9 60 AD—The Day of Atonement ("The Fast," as Luke calls it; Lev. 16:1-34; 23:26-32)

- Passover is mentioned once in Acts (Acts 12:4).
- The Feast of Unleavened Bread is mentioned twice in Acts (Acts 12:3; 20:6).
- The Feast of Weeks (*Shavu'ot*—Pentecost) is mentioned twice (Acts 2:1; 20:16).
- The Day of Atonement (The Fast) is mentioned once (Acts 27:9).
- An unspecified Feast of Israel is mentioned once (Acts 18:21; both KJV and NKJV).

The Feasts of Israel in First Corinthians

The Apostle Paul speaks of two Feasts of Israel in First Corinthians, and he uses the last one as a time marker:

8. 1st Cor. 5:8 53 AD—The Feast (Passover/the Feast of Unleavened Bread)
9. 1st Cor. 16:8 53 AD—The Feast of Weeks (*Shavu'ot*—Pentecost)

The Feasts of Israel in Acts and First Corinthians

Below are the Feasts of Israel in Acts and First Corinthians, in the Gregorian months they're celebrated in, and the number of times these 'feasts that were done away with' are found in the Book of Acts and First Corinthians:

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| 1. April | Passover | Twice | Acts 12:4; 1st Cor. 5:6-8 |
| 2. April | The Feast of Unleavened Bread | Three times | Acts 12:3; 20:6; 1st Cor. 5:6-8 |
| 3. June | The Feast of Weeks—Pentecost | Three times | Acts 2:1; 20:16; 1st Cor. 16:8 |
| 4. Oct. | The Day of Atonement—The Fast | Once | Acts 27:9 |
| 5. ??? | An unspecified Feast of Israel | Once | Acts 18:21 |

The Feasts of Israel are mentioned **9 times** in the Book of Acts and First Corinthians. The use of these **9 Feasts of Israel** by Luke and Paul, specifically as *time markers*, meaning that they reveal *when* an event happened or would happen, should cause us to realize that these 'Feasts of the Jews' were obviously still being celebrated by all Christians in the days of the Apostles, as both Luke and Paul are writing to Gentiles. The Church teaches that the Feasts of Israel were done away with at the cross, but the Book of Acts and First Corinthians clearly refute that false teaching. Acts is the *only divinely inspired history of the Church* for its first **34 years** after the resurrection. *It reveals that the Feasts weren't changed by the Jesus nor His Apostles.* On the contrary, Acts reveals that all Christians were celebrating the 'Jewish' Feasts. If not, Luke a Gentile, wouldn't have used them as *time markers* because no Gentile Christian would have known *when* the event that Luke spoke of happened.

The same holds true for the Apostle Paul who wrote First Corinthians in 53 AD, 23 years after the resurrection and 11 years before

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Luke wrote Acts. Paul speaks of Passover/the Feast of Unleavened Bread and exhorts his Gentile Corinthians to 'keep the Feast.' (1st Cor. 5:6-8) He also tells them that he was going to stay in Ephesus until Pentecost (1st Cor. 16:8). Some Christians might say, 'Sure Paul would use Pentecost because it's a holy day of Christianity,' but Pentecost goes back to Mt. Sinai (as 'the Feast of Weeks' in Hebrew; Ex. 34:22; Num. 28:26; Dt. 16:10, 16), and it was on the first Pentecost at Mt. Sinai that *God spoke* the Ten Commandments to all Israel. Both God's Word and God's Spirit were given to Israel on the same day—the Jewish Feast of Weeks.

Neither Luke nor Paul ever speak of Easter (Note 1) or Christmas, which are *not found anywhere* in the New Testament. The Roman Catholic Church brought those pagan feasts in after all the Apostles were dead, and Rome *nullified* God's holy Feasts, not Jesus. Easter and Xmas have nothing to do with Jesus. If God wanted us to celebrate them they would have been **written** in the New Testament. When Xmas came into the Catholic Church (about 350 AD), even the Catholic priests fought against it because they knew how pagan it was, but most Christians today don't realize there is no *scriptural* defense for Easter or Xmas.

On the other hand, the *resurrection* of Yeshua (Jesus) is pictured in First Fruits (aka First Sheaf), which is celebrated on the Sunday of the seven day Feast of Unleavened Bread. God made provision for Christians to observe the death *and* resurrection of His Son in Passover—the Feast of Unleavened Bread and First Sheaf. God gave the Feasts to Israel at Mt. Sinai *with His Son in mind*. He didn't forget to give Christians a day to celebrate His Son's death (Passover/the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread), and His resurrection (note 2) (the Sunday of First Fruits within the seven day Passover/Feast of Unleavened Bread), and our glorious transformation into the Image of Yeshua (the seven day Feast of Unleavened Bread), with the eating of *unleavened bread* every day of the Feast, which pictures Christians becoming like Yeshua (Lev. 23:4f.; 1st Cor. 5:6-8; cf. 2nd Cor. 3:18).

Also, God's 7th day Sabbath is mentioned **11 times** after the resurrection (note 3). Sunday is mentioned twice (1st Cor. 16:2), and one time it's not Sunday at all, but actually Saturday night (Acts 20:7; note 4). **Not once** does the New Testament say that Sunday replaced the 7th day Sabbath, nor that the Church was meeting on Sunday *instead* of the Sabbath—something we would expect if the Sabbath, which Israel had kept for **1,400 years**, had been replaced by Sunday. Sunday, Easter and Xmas are not biblical holy days, but pagan days of the Roman Catholic Church.

Roman Catholic church history confirms that **all Christians** kept Passover and the 7th day Sabbath for at least **90 years** after the resurrection—until Pope Sixtus arbitrarily changed it (note 5). In 120 AD Sixtus threw out the Sabbath (Ex. 20:8-11), the Feasts of Israel (Lev. 23) and Mosaic Law, and brought in Sunday, Easter, anti-Mosaic Law theology and anti-Semitism. Scripture reveals that he didn't have *authority* from God to do that. You can choose to follow Jesus, or you can continue to follow the teachings of the Pope/s (Dan. 7:25; 1st Jn. 2:6). Sunday, Easter, Xmas, and the eating of bacon, hame, catfish and shrimp are not of Jesus, but of Rome. If you want to talk about this and find out more and our Lord's Ways, email me at **AvramYeh@Gmail.com**

Endnotes:

1. Every English Bible rightly has *Passover* for Acts 12:4 except the King James Version. The Greek word is πάσχα (*Paska*; Passover). The KJV has *Easter*. The KJV is wrong and is also wrong at Heb. 4:9, where it only has *rest* instead of **Sabbath rest**. Hebrews was written 37 years after the resurrection, yet the author speaks of Sabbath, not Sunday rest.
2. For more on this see *First Sheaf* at <http://seedofabraham.net/First-Sheaf.pdf>. Also, there is a Feast of Israel that commemorates the birth *and* return of Jesus. It's not the Feast of Tabernacles, but *The Feast of Trumpets*. Read about it and why 'the Rapture' isn't biblical at <http://seedofabraham.net/The-Feast-of-Trumpets.pdf>.
3. Acts 1:12; 13:14, 27, 42, 44; 15:21; 16:13; 17:2; 18:4; Col. 2:16, and Heb. 4:9 (where the KJV and NKJV **fail** to correctly translate the Greek word *Sabbatismos* in Heb. 4:9, but every other Bible has *Sabbath rest*—not just 'rest').
4. Sunday is seen only **once** in the entire New Testament after the resurrection (1st Cor. 16:2), and it wasn't a day 'for church.' Paul wrote that **each individual was to set aside** some money he had made on Sunday, the first day of the work week, for the poor believers in Jerusalem. He'd collect it when he came to Corinth (1st Cor. 16:1-3; cf. 2nd Cor. 9:1f.).
5. The Roman Catholic Church is **not a Christian church** because its teaching on salvation and Mary are heretical, along with most of its other doctrines. The Pope and Catholicism are an abomination to God (Dan. 7:25; Rev. 17:5, 9; 18:4; see *What's Wrong with the Catholic Church?* at <http://seedofabraham.net/Whats-Wrong-with-the-Catholic-Church.pdf>, and Alexander Hislop's Christian classic, *The Two Babylons* at <http://seedofabraham.net/The-Two-Babylons.pdf>). For more understanding about the Feasts and Sabbaths in Acts, see *The Feasts of Israel as Time Markers after the Resurrection* at <http://seedofabraham.net/The-Feasts-of-Israel-as-Time-Markers.pdf>. Also, read Samuele Bacchiocchi's Christian classic, *From Sabbath to Sunday* at <http://seedofabraham.net/From-Sabbath-to-Sunday.pdf>. Find out when and why the Roman Catholic Church threw out God's Sabbath, Feasts, and laws. It's shameful.

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(charts extracted from *What is the 'Better Resurrection' in the Letter to the Hebrews?* By C White)

Holy Feast Day/Book of Revelation Parallels

Chapter	Prophecy/Event	Holy Feast Day
1	Introduction – Christ the Lamb of God	Passover
2-3	Seven Churches – sin in spiritual Israel and examining the self	Seven Days of Unleavened Bread
4-5	Christ the Lamb, Redeemer, worthy to open the scroll	Sheaf of the Firstfruits during the DUB
6 – 8:6	Seven Seals of the Scroll	Pentecost
7:4,9; 14:4	Two Wave Loaves and Two Multitudes – Israel and the Gentiles	Pentecost
8:7 – 11:19	Seven Trumpets	Trumpets
12	INSET	
13 – 19	Great Tribulation	Trumpets
20:1-3	Satan bound	Atonement
20:4-6	Millennial reign of the Messiah	Tabernacles
20:7-15	Judgment	Last Great Day

(The above chart is based on the information contained in David Hill's booklet on *The Correlation between the Holy Days and the Book of Revelation*)

Paul's Epistles to the Churches are each based on a Holy Day Theme

Epistle	Holy Day	Approx. date of the Epistle	Comparison to the 7 doctrines of Heb 6:1-6
Romans	Passover and Pentecost	56-58AD	Perfection & Repentance; Laying on of Hands
ICorinthians	Passover	55AD	Perfection & Repentance
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Galatians	Days of Unleavened Bread	53AD	Faith & Baptism
Ephesians	Pentecost	61-62AD	Laying on of hands
Philippians	Pentecost	53AD	Laying on of hands
Colossians	Pentecost	53AD	Laying on of hands
IThessalonians	Trumpets	50-52AD	Resurrection
IIThessalonians	Trumpets	51-53AD	Resurrection
Hebrews	Atonement	62AD	Judgment

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Epistle	Holy Day	Approx. date of the Epistle	Comparison to the 7 doctrines of Heb 6:1-6
	Tabernacles, Last Great Day		

Holy Day Inferences in the Letter to the Hebrews

Chapter	Holy Day
Two	Tabernacles
Four	Tabernacles
Six	Final Judgement & Last Great Day
Eight	Atonement
Nine	Atonement
Ten	Atonement
Twelve	Final Judgement

The book of John is based on the Holy Days

Chapter	Holy Day Theme	Chapter	Holy Day Theme
Two	Passover and Unleavened Bread	Twelve	Passover and Unleavened Bread
Three	Passover and Unleavened Bread	Thirteen	Passover and Unleavened Bread
Four	Allusion to Pentecost	Fourteen	Passover and Unleavened Bread
Five	Tabernacle theme	Fifteen	Passover and Unleavened Bread
Six	Passover and Unleavened Bread	Sixteen	Passover and Unleavened Bread
Seven	Tabernacles theme	Seventeen	Passover and Unleavened Bread
Eight	Last Great Day theme	Eighteen	Passover and Unleavened Bread
Nine	Last Great Day theme	Nineteen	Passover and Unleavened Bread
Ten	Last Great Day theme	Twenty	Passover and Unleavened Bread
Eleven	Allusion to the Last Great Day		

(the information for the above chart was extracted from Fred Coulter's book
Harmony of the Gospels)

Your Duck is Dead

Sent by Ted & Joanne Saunders (Renton, Washington)

A woman brought a very limp duck into a veterinary surgeon. As she laid her pet on the table, the vet pulled out his stethoscope and listened to the bird's chest.

After a moment or two, the vet shook his head and sadly said, "I'm sorry, your duck, Cuddles, has passed away." The distressed woman wailed, "Are you sure?" "Yes, I am sure, your duck is dead," replied the vet.

"How can you be so sure?" she protested. "I mean you haven't done any testing on him or anything. He might just be in a coma or something."

The vet rolled his eyes, turned around and left the room. He returned a few minutes later with a black Labrador Retriever. As the duck's owner looked on in amazement, the dog stood on his hind legs, puts his front paws on the examination table and sniffed the duck from top to bottom. He then looked up at the vet with sad eyes and shook his head.

The vet patted the dog on the head and took it out of the room. A few minutes later he returned with a cat. The cat jumped on the table and delicately sniffed the bird from head to foot. The cat sat back on its haunches, shook its head, meowed softly, and strolled out of the room.

The vet looked at the woman and said, "I'm sorry, but as I said, this is most definitely, 100% certifiably, a dead duck."

The vet turned to his computer terminal, hit a few keys, and produced a bill, which he handed to the woman. The duck's owner, still in shock, took the bill. "\$150!" she cried, "\$150 just to tell me my duck is dead!" The vet shrugged, "I'm sorry. If you had just taken my word for it, the bill would have been \$20, but with the Lab Report and the Cat Scan, it is now \$150."

Articles

Does God Love All Men Equally?

by Nathaniel Burson (Big Sandy, Texas)

The churches in the world today almost UNIVERSALLY believe that God loves ALL MEN equally, showing no favoritism, AFTER ALL, they say, God is not a respecter of persons! What does your BIBLE say - the very words GOD HIMSELF inspired to be written for you?

You'll find that it says that God does NOT love all men Equally! He, Himself said so!

Psalms 11:5 The LORD trieth the righteous: but the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul HATETH

Yes, the Lord HATES the wicked! He does NOT LOVE HIM the same as a RIGHTEOUS man!

1 Peter 3:12 For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil.

He LOVES and HEARS the righteous - and HATES the wicked! Consider Daniel. Why was he LOVED by God?

Da 9:23 (The Angel Gabriel speaking) ... I am come to shew thee; for thou art greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision.

Now read the REASON God loved HIM, HEARD his prayer, and ANSWERED IT!

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Ezekiel 14:20-21 Or if I send a pestilence into that land, and pour out my fury upon it in blood, to cut off from it man and beast: Though Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither son nor daughter; they shall but deliver their own souls by their righteousness.

The Righteousness of these three men was what God said would DELIVER them! It was the RIGHTEOUSNESS, the WORKS of Daniel that made God LOVE HIM!

Psalms 146:8 the LORD loveth the righteous!

But, they say, that was all Old Testament stuff. That doesn't apply to us today. Jesus changed all that!

Acts 10:34 Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: 35 But in every nation he that FEARETH him, and WORKETH RIGHTEOUSNESS, is accepted with him.

The Apostle Peter certainly would have known if righteousness, if WORKS had been done away, and yet he was INSPIRED BY GOD to say "He that WORKS RIGHTEOUSNESS is ACCEPTED with Him, or BY HIM!"

James 2:20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

If you claim to have FAITH in Christ, but don't have the WORKS he COMMANDED, your faith in him a FALSE, DECIEVED faith, and it is DEAD!

James 2:19 Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.

Just "believing" God exists, or believing something ABOUT Him, isn't enough. Satan believes God exists, and that Christ died for our sins, but that will not save him, will it?

James 2:18 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.

How can YOU tell a MAN OF GOD from a follower of the DEVIL? Again, your Bible holds the answer! The children of God have WORKS!

1 John 3:10 In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.

If someone tells you that WORKS are not important, then scripture says that man is FOLLOWING THE DEVIL!

1 John 2:4 He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

The "Apostle of Love", John, says that without righteousness, without KEEPING the commandments, without WORKS, YOU are not of God! And if you're not of God, if you are a wicked, or Unrighteous person, God HATES YOU!

If you have taken this to heart, if you want to CHANGE, and want God to LOVE you as he so desperately WANTS to be able to do, YOUR BIBLE tells you HOW! No man knows the way, but YOU can SEE for YOURSELF WHAT GOD says!

James 4:8 Draw nigh to God, and He WILL draw nigh to you! CLEANSE your hands, ye sinners; and PURIFY your hearts, ye double minded.

Ezekiel 18:21 But IF the wicked will TURN FROM ALL HIS SINS that he hath committed, and KEEP ALL my statutes, and DO that which is lawful and right, he SHALL SURELY LIVE, he shall not die. 22 All his

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transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him: IN HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS that he hath done he shall live.

HOW do you get God to LOVE YOU above other men? Get God to HEAR when you cry unto him? You've just read in your own Bible that it is through WORKS!

Roles of Father, Son and Holy Spirit

by Ray Daly (Lincoln, North Dakota)

Mat. 28:19. "Go you therefore and teach all nations. BAPTIZING them in the NAME of the Father, and [the NAME of] the Son, and [the NAME of] the Holy Spirit!"

Obviously, I applied the word "Name" in brackets, when referring to the latter two. Simply, because most of mainstream Christianity believes that that is the main "topic" of the above. The names of the "three" beings in the God head. It seems that, even though they believe the three mentioned are three individuals, they NEVER tell us what said names are.

While the Father's name is given in Old Testament Scriptures, it is seldom used in basic Scriptural teachings. This is True of both Sabbath and Sunday teachings. I will come to his name as the article continues.

In a sense, the same is True of the Son of the Father. Whom all know of as being Jesus, the son of Mary. Few know of his name as it is recorded in Hebrew writings. I will come to this also.

This leaves the "third party". The Holy Spirit. And, lo and behold, the religionists cannot give a name to said Holy Spirit, because there is no name given in Scripture. The Father? Yes. Actually, two names. The Son? Yes. And he is also known by other names. But the fact that Scripture shows that the Holy Spirit is NOT A THIRD PERSON. It is not a personage at all. Which will be shown as the Study continues.

What we will see shortly is, that the word "name" ought not to be in this verse at all. For, if there is no name known, then how can we say that name is supposed to be there? What we will see is that, according to the use of names in the Hebrew language, said real "names" are often used in order to make it to fulfill a "role". An example. Aaron was the first high priest of the Old Covenant law called Moses law. Yet, long after Aaron's death, when his children had carried on, the "role" that Aaron played, is placed upon the priesthood. It is called "Aaron's priesthood", even though he no longer heads it.

As well, the above, and many examples like it, should be what the reader sees, when he or she reads Mat. 28:19. "The ROLE of the Father. The ROLE of the Son. The ROLE of the Holy Spirit". For it is evident that all three play a great part in the plan of salvation for mankind.

Before starting with what are the "roles" of the three mentioned above, let's go to the Old Testament, and look at what the original name of the Father was. Before he adopted his second name.

Gen. 17:1. "When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said. I am God Almighty...!" This was and still is the Creator's name, at the time it was given to him, after our Father's Father first "begot him". In the Hebrew, God Almighty is written "El Shadday". We see the name "LORD", but this was not in the original writings, but added by the Scribes over the centuries. Now go to Ex. 6:3, where we see the REAL FIRST time that the name LORD/YHVH is applied to El Shadday. "And I appeared to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, by the name of [El Shadday]. BUT by my [new, second] name [YHVH/LORD] was I NOT KNOWN to them!"

Now, as we go into the New Testament writings, to find out what the words of Mat. 28:19 are really telling us, let's keep in mind that, we will not find "any names given". Only "roles". As well, we will find that the main theme of said verse in identifying those roles, will be found in the word "Baptisms".

John 6:44. "No man can come to me [the Son], except the Father, who has SENT me, DRAW him". The word "draw" can best be read in New Testament teachings as "call". And the act of "calling" is exactly the "role" that the Father played, in introducing the coming of his Son to be, for a while, with mankind.

Now note what was it that "called" people in the first century to said Son. Yes, it was through John the Baptist, that the Jews of the first century, learned of the coming of the Son. And it was his BAPTISM of the total immersion of the body in water, that showed that those who heard his message, had accepted his message. Take note that, "total emersion" baptism, is simply a "CALLING" into the message. Much as all of Israel was "baptized [emerged] in the cloud", when they crossed the Eastern arm of the Red Sea, and in so doing, became "priests". Going on.

John 14:6. "Jesus said to them. I am the Way, the Truth, the Life. No man comes to the FATHER but by me!" What do these words mean? Well, if the Father had called "multitudes" to come to his Son, then it obviously means of

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those multitudes, that the Son "chose" a few to be able to "come to the Father". It does say, "Many are called, but few are chosen".

In the above two Scriptures, we have seen the "roles" of the Father and the Son. The first to call the many, and the second to choose only a few. Which then brings us to the "role" of the Holy Spirit. But before explaining that, let's just take a look at "what" the Holy Spirit really is.

John 14:23. "If a man loves me, he will keep my words. And my Father will love him. And WE will come and make our abode with him!" This "abode" can be looked at in two ways. For one, in the future, there will be a time when "New Jerusalem" will come down upon the earth. And in so doing, the Father and the Son will "make their abode in it". Secondly, it can mean that, in the time that one is "chosen", the Father and the Son can make their abode with them, by placing a part of their Spiritual selves to be with and within them. The main thing is, "Where is the Holy Spirit"? If it is a person?

John 15:26. "But when the Comforter [the Holy Spirit] is come, [which] I will SEND to you, from the Father, even the SPIRIT of Truth, which proceeds FROM the Father, [it] shall testify of me!" Don't let yourselves to continue to be deceived. The words "it, he, him, and such" that is used in these accounts, when referring to the Comforter, were put there by translators, that believed the lie of the Holy Spirit being a person. An individual. We have already seen this as being an impossibility. And there is more.

For, if the Comforter comes "FROM" the Father, and it is referring to a person, then "how many persons can the Holy Spirit be"? It is no different than if the "Father" came to live his life in any individual. Or the Son. There is only one Father, and only one Son. Thus, if there were only "one" Holy Spirit, then as mentioned, how can he be MANY individuals.

We have seen the "role" of the Father, as being the "calling" of peoples to his son. The "baptism" being total immersion of the body in water. But what of the son. If his role is to "choose" a few for the Father, and the theme of Mat. 28:19 centers on Baptisms, then what sort of "baptism" was it that shows us what the "choosing" involves?

We see this at the time of Christ's last Passover meal. And said baptism was when he took a pan of water, and went to each of the disciples, and "immersed their feet" in water. For, it was this "immersion" of the feet, that would later be one of the reasons for the future baptism of the Holy Spirit. But to understand what it really means, when Christ "washed" their feet, let's go back to the Old Testament, and see what happened, that made "priests" of the Levites. Especially, that of the high priesthood of Aaron and his sons.

Lev. 8:6. "And Moses brought Aaron and his sons and WASHED them with water!" This "washed" in Hebrew is #7364, and it means to "LAVE [put in water] the WHOLE of a PART of a thing". In this case, said "washing" was the "whole" of the body. Just as John's calling baptism was the immersing of the "whole" body. It needs to be kept in mind that, in this verse above, said "immersing" was of the whole body. For, this was before Aaron and his sons could even begin their priesthood works. Even then, said first works were limited to only those duties in the court before the Tabernacle of Meeting.

Now note the words of Ex. 40:31-32. "And Moses, and Aaron and his sons WASHED their hands and feet...Whenever they went into the tent [Holy Place] ...they WASHED." Even though Aaron and his sons (and all Levites) had been washed/baptized in water, they could only do the work of the called. That being the works of the court of the Temple. But it took the "choosing" immersion of the feet, before they could further their works within the Temple itself. In which room the "chosen" can do their duties.

In the New Testament, the "many" (all Levites) had their bodies totally immersed in water. Only the "few" had their feet totally immersed in water. But "neither the total immersion of the body, or of the feet", gave the Holy Spirit to those partaking of said baptisms. Except, with the "chosen", the Holy Spirit was to be "with them". This is what it meant when it tells us "Jesus breathed on them and said. Receive the Holy Spirit". They received it "outwardly". It was with them, but not in them.

In the outer room of the Tabernacle, the Holy Place, there was a candlestick. Now, only those disciples that had their feet washed, and the Holy Spirit placed "with them" were allowed to be of the work of the Holy Place. Which basically centered on the old covenant law of Moses. But Moses law has no Spiritual qualities. One does not have the Holy Spirit enter into them, simply by obeying Moses. There is more required before the "chosen" can enter into the inner room, the Holy of Holies. Where the Old Covenant Law of the Ten Commandments (a law of faith, as to the law of works of the outer room) was hidden away in the Ark.

Only one group of chosen disciples were allowed to enter into the Holy of Holies. That being for those that, for a while had the Holy Spirit WITH them, to have the Holy Spirit be placed WITHIN them. Meaning, the "ROLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT", is to allow entrance into the ONLY room in which there is Eternal Life promised. And, it is in that room, into which the Son of Man entered after his resurrection. The room in which is the throne (Mercy Seat), upon which he will sit. In other words, those with the Holy Spirit within them will become the "Sons of God". Those left in the Holy Place, with the Holy Spirit "with" them are still "sons of God in waiting".

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Mat. 28:19. “Three ROLES, three BAPTISMS”. Only TWO beings/persons”.

Editor’s Note: We have never heard this one before. Is it true or isn’t it true? Does anyone have the answer? Laura Lee

**A Nation That Talks the Talk,
but Refuses to Walk the Walk**
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When it comes to problems, America is a nation that naively believes it has the leisure of looking the other way and turning a blind eye to what is urgent and in need of immediate attention. This in all actuality is a monumental understatement when realizing the cold hard reality of what we’ve become as a nation and people.

Even though the very survival of the country is at stake, this is a generation either in complete denial of its true condition or is tragically viewing problems with a wait and see attitude. This non-urgent and complacent mind set is a recipe for disaster.

America is about to receive a reality check it’s not prepared for. It will be hit with Mt. Everest size events that will shock, stun and chill each and every person to the bone who is not protected by God. People who do not obey God on his terms will find themselves in a state of complete helplessness. Tragically, until events become very personal, people will seek every means possible to do whatever it takes to maintain self-made comfort zones reinforced by self-denial.

Nothing but Talk, Talk, and more Talk

Leaders in Washington, the mainstream media, and the American people overall, suffer from a moral disease called the gift of gab. The individual and nationwide approach that there is all the time in the world to reason, gripe, groan, moan and complain is a delusional and pervasive deeply engrained way of how problems are viewed. Day after day, what can only be described as mindless blibber blabber is recklessly stated. We are a nation living on borrowed time. Because we refuse to face cold hard reality, it will be our downfall.

Why Such a Tragic Condition?

The moral crisis of being desensitized is a dangerous and deadly condition. Because the nation’s leaders, the mainstream media, and the American people refuse to see what is happening, it has resulted in a carefree and reckless lifestyle that has turned America into a play nation. Because there are not immediate consequences for our irresponsible and reprehensible behavior, the lack of accountability has turned into license to think and do whatever we want as a people. God, however, is completely aware of our individual and national condition, and he will bring judgment upon the country when he finally says ENOUGH IS ENOUGH! Galatians 6:7- “Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man (or nation) sows, that shall he also reap (there will be consequences).” America’s attitude towards God will result in a punishment beyond what anyone can imagine. Matthew 24:21- “For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.” What is coming is beyond comprehension, and in the modern vernacular, absolutely mind blowing!

Throughout the Bible there are warnings for being disobedient to God, yet it is rejected and under constant attack. Why? Because it is completely contrary to what America is doing. The Bible is the mind of God in print. It is in households across the country, yet completely neglected as an individual and national guide. It explains thoroughly what is coming upon the American, British descended peoples, and the Jewish people.

God is not a liberal when it comes to how people are to live. He does not change when it comes to conservative standards, and a moral code of conduct. Malachi 3:6- “For I am the Lord, I change not...” Hebrews 12:8- “Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever.” As much as people in not only society, but in churches around the country, want to believe the Ten Commandments have been done away with, the Bible refutes such a false belief. I John 3:4- “Whosoever commits sin, transgresses also the law (the Ten Commandments): for sin is the transgression of the law.”

Until America wakes up, repents to God for its blatant disobedience to him, problems are guaranteed to grow, and eventually become full blown nightmares.

Simply put, God doesn't want a people who are simply talkers, but who will walk in accordance with what he says. The time is coming when the Kingdom of God is established, and people will be taught to walk in harmony with him. Isaiah 30:21- “And your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, “This is the way, walk you in it, when you turn to the right hand and when you turn to the left.”

America’s Founding Documents Declared “Harmful” By Our Own Government

by Eddie Hyatt (Tulsa, Oklahoma)

In a stunning capitulation to the Marxist crusade to transform America, the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has determined that America's founding documents may be "harmful or difficult" for some users.

They have, therefore, posted a “Harmful Language Alert” above their online catalog, which includes the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution, and other documents related to our founding.

With statues of George Washington and Thomas Jefferson being toppled, the 1619 narrative being taught in public schools, and now this official warning of potential “harm” in reading America’s founding documents, it is obvious that the Leftist agenda to demonize and destroy America’s heritage is at full throttle.

Marxists know that if they have any hope of transforming America into a socialist state, they must destroy America’s past. George Orwell said, “Whoever controls the past, controls the future.”

Karl Marx himself said, “People without a heritage are easily persuaded,” and Marxists in America have pulled out all the stops to destroy what Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. called America’s “sacred heritage.”

King was very aware of America’s flawed history, but he was also aware that there was something sacred and special about America’s founding and her founding documents. In his “I Have a Dream” speech, he boldly called on America, not to dispense with her founding documents, but to live up to them.

Indeed, he considered these words of the Declaration of Independence, which he often quoted, to be a standard toward which all should strive.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness.

This outrageous act of the NARA is another wake-up call to all freedom-loving Americans to let your voices be heard. It is no time for silence. Here are 3 suggestions:

Begin now to join thousands of others in praying for another Great Awakening to roll across this land like a mighty tsunami wave.

Familiarize yourself with America’s true history that is rooted in faith and freedom.

Don't be silenced. Boldly speak the truth in love.

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