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1Co 14:26 How is it then, brethren? when ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. Let all things be done unto edifying.

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"If a political party does not have its foundation in the determination to advance a cause that is right and that is moral, then it is not a political party; it is merely a conspiracy to seize power." – Dwight Eisenhower

"The lie in the Soul is a true lie." --Benjamin Jowett (1817-1893)

This life's five windows of the soul Distorts the Heavens from pole to pole And leads you to believe a lie When you see with, not thro' the eye. --William Blake (1757-1827)

To lapse in fulness Is sorer than to lie for need, and falsehood Is worse in kings than beggars. --Wm. Shakespeare (1564-1616)

DISCLAIMER: Can't say I've never told a lie. Didn't call it a "talking point" though.

Shakespeare wrote:

"The web of our life is a mingled *yarn*, good and ill together: our virtues would be proud if our faults whipped them not . . . Dare to be true: nothing can need a lie; a fault, which needs it most, grows two thereby."

"The people never give up their liberties but under some delusion... Kings will be tyrants from policy, when subjects are rebels from principle." – Edmund Burke (1729-97)

I was just given a book, "YOU SAID WHAT? Lies and propaganda throughout history" by Bill Fawcett (Harper, 2007), and he says:

"The lie was the keynote deception for one of the darkest past of European history. I am not sure what so many Germans' believing it says about them or the world over half a century ago. What do we believe that is just as wrong today?"

Burke said:

"Among a people generally corrupt, liberty cannot long exist . . . Tyrants seldom [lack] pretexts... Falsehood has a perennial spring."

"The lie that flatters I abhor the most . . . Stamps God's own name upon a lie just made, to turn a penny." – William Cowper (1731-1800)

"An ambassador is an honest man sent to lie abroad." – Sir Henry Wotton (1568-1639)

That a lie which is all a lie may be met and fought with outright, But a lie which is part a truth is a harder matter to fight. --Tennyson (1809-1892)

CONCLUSION: **"Whosoever loveth and maketh a lie won't be in God's Kingdom."** – Revelation

Unlike George Washington, we've all told them, but I never *loved* one. In the mouth of two or three witnesses ("bear not false witness"), a few words more from the Scriptures:

"They have set up kings, but not by Me."

"When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice."

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"Woe unto that nation whose king is a boy . . . Women and babes shall rule over them."

"For so is the will of God that you may put to silence the foolishness of ignorant men, not using your liberty as a cloak for malice, but as bond-servants of God."

Burke said, "Religious persecution may shield itself under the guise of a mistaken and over-zealous piety," but to rephrase the imperative above, written by Peter to the scattered Tribes in Asia Minor:

"Use your Freedoms to put to silence the ignorance of foolish people."

P.S. "A few honest men are better than numbers." – Oliver Cromwell (1599-1658)

God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform; He plants His footsteps in the sea, And rides upon the storm...

And Satan trembles when he sees The weakest saint upon his knees. --Wm. Cowper

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Here are excerpts from a book written by a Christian evangelist and planter of many 'underground' "house churches" in China. So many miracles happened that there isn't room enough to tell all of them. I highly recommend this book; you won't be able to put it down.

In "**The Heavenly Man**", Brother Yun tells about how when he was 16 and his father was terminally ill, God encouraged his mother and healed their father after the family kneeled around his bedside and begged Jesus to heal him. The entire family (including six children) became Christians from that moment.

His mother had heard of Christ from the Norwegian missionary Marie Monsen but had forgotten her faith while Christianity was suppressed. Many Christian missionaries would only tell people that all they had to do was accept Jesus, but Marie told them they were personally responsible for getting rid of sin and doing everything Jesus said. She said repentance is the starting line of the Christian race.

All Overview: It's estimated that around 50,000 foreigners, including both Protestants and Catholics, served in China between 1809 and 1949, according to historian Kathleen Lodwick. Foreign missionaries...were expelled from China by the Communist government by 1953. This expulsion occurred after the communist revolution and the establishment of the People's Republic of China.

Brother Yun wanted to hear more words of Jesus, but his mother said they were all gone, because the authorities had burned all the Bibles. However, she heard of an old pastor in another village who had buried a Bible many years before.

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They walked there and Yun asked to see it, but the old man, who had been severely tortured for his faith, was afraid to trust anyone, so he said that Yun should pray for his own Bible. Yun did so for an entire month but didn't receive one. He walked back alone, begging to see the Bible, but this time the old man told him to fast as well as pray. For 100 days Yun only ate one cup of rice daily and cried to God every day for a Bible. The last morning, he received a vision that a man with a cart would bring him a loaf of bread. (An old man later said that he had a dream to send a Bible to a boy in a certain house in a certain village, but he resisted for several months).

AI overview: In his dream, Brother Yun received bread from a red bag, which then transformed into a Bible. He was hungry and asked [a man and his] two servants if they had bread. They gave him bread from a red bag, and as soon as he ate it, it turned into a Bible. After waking up, he searched his house for the red bag, believing God had answered his prayer.

Finding no Bible, he cried to God in despair, but just then there was a knock at the door. When he called, “Are you bringing me bread?” Just like in the dream, they replied, “I have a bread feast for you.” He opened the door and they handed him a red bag and left quickly. When he opened the bag, it was a Bible. He immediately gave thanks to God on his knees, and every day he read it, memorizing a chapter daily, and keeping it on his chest while he slept. He learned about the gift of the Holy Spirit, and prayed, “Dear God, I need You to live inside me and give me power like the people in the Bible.” Soon after that, worship songs began coming into his mind, and he wrote them down and taught them to other Christians.

One morning while praying he received the thought to travel to the South and West and be Christ's witness, so that day he said goodbye to his family and started walking west. Along the way while approaching a bridge he met an old man, Brother Yang, who asked him where he was going. When Yun explained his calling to go south and west, the man said, “The people in my town of Gao have been praying for months for God to send someone who knows His word to teach us.”

Brother Yun became an evangelist at a young age, walking miles to nearby villages to share the Gospel. People brought sick relatives for prayer, and God answered and healed them all. The word of God spread like wildfire across the province and eventually across China, as many house churches and leaders were raised up. All Christians in China consider it a mark of honor to be imprisoned for Christ, even though in the early years almost all pastors were tortured to death for refusing to deny Christ or betray fellow Christians. Prison is less severe now than it was previously, with most sentences not exceeding three years, but all imprisoned Christians share the Gospel while in prison, and upon their release immediately resume evangelizing. Many Christians have been imprisoned several times.

AI Overview: "Brother Yun was imprisoned a total of three times during his 23 years of ministry in China. He spent a total of seven years in prison. His third imprisonment was a particularly harsh experience, including beatings and torture. He ultimately escaped from a maximum-security prison during his third imprisonment and later left China to seek asylum in Germany."

While in prison, Yun encouraged countless other prisoners, despite the inhumane conditions. He would offer to give massages to sick or even violent, suicidal prisoners, and used the opportunity to share the Gospel with them and pray for them. Every one of them was healed.

AI Overview: "Brother Yun reportedly fasted for 74 days without food or water while imprisoned in Nanyang. He believed he was instructed by the Lord to do so until he could see his family. While in prison, he meditated on the Scriptures he had memorized. This fast is recounted in his autobiography, "The Heavenly Man".

Brother Yun's escape from prison was just as miraculous as when Peter and Silas escaped from prison, and in much the same way, with doors opened at exactly the right time and guards not noticing him. The guards had broken both his legs, but at the right moment God healed him so he was able to walk.

The first time he was arrested and interrogated, he received the nickname "The Heavenly Man" because he would not reveal where he was from, except from "Gospel Village." Speaking loudly to warn other Christians away, he said he would not become a Judas. Despite extreme torture and pressure from others, he never denied Christ or betrayed any fellow believers. Instead, he preached the Gospel during his entire time in prison and formed strong bonds with other believers.

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AI Overview: "When Brother Yun was asked where he was from, he would often say he was from the Heavenly Man. He also stated that his home was with his Father in Heaven, as he was constantly longing to be in the presence of God. He would further clarify that his "home" was not a physical place on Earth, but rather a spiritual state of being, referring to his relationship with God."

Brother Yun's wife Deling was a devoted Christian. When Yun was imprisoned and the authorities demanded that she divorce him, she refused. Later their son Isaac Liu was miraculously saved from a state-imposed abortion by being two months early, the night before the scheduled 'procedure'. He was four years old when he met his father for the first time.

Sorry I can't remember which book this is from [not sure if this happened to Isaac Liu and his sister] but there was a story about two children who had nothing to eat because their Christian parents were both in prison, but God miraculously provided just enough rice in the pot each day for them to eat, and neighbors, although poor, also gave them a few vegetables now and then. The daily miracle of rice occurred until the day their mother was released from prison and returned home. This was like **I Kings 17:14-16**, when God provided just enough in the bin of flour and the jar of oil for the widow of Zarephath until He sent rain on the earth.

From logos.com - excerpts from "Son of the Underground": "Isaac met his father for the first time at the age of four. With Brother Yun constantly on the run, and his mother working to feed the family, Isaac's grandmother cared for him. One day his mother was also arrested. Isaac and his sister were swiftly taken by local Christians to another town, where they registered at a school under false names. The family finally managed to flee to Burma, then to Thailand, and ultimately to Germany.

[Note: Isaac was 12 years old and his sister age six when Deling was imprisoned. Isaac was expelled from school because his father was a Christian pastor (an 'enemy of the state') but God miraculously gave him the gift of languages and wisdom.]

Isaac's mother had prayed that God would not call her son to be an evangelist--but his father had dedicated him to God. Isaac, now in his twenties, has embraced the call to be a pastor."

Brother Yun's final imprisonment happened when he tried to leave Burma for Germany. He was sentenced to seven years in a crowded cell. A parasitic infection made him ill, so he was kept in the hospital (his symptoms always worsened just before the doctor's weekly examination). He shared the gospel with three other Chinese prisoners and encouraged the Burmese prisoners greatly, despite the language barrier. If not for the illness, he would have been sent to hard labor and likely not survived. As it was, he was released after exactly seven months and seven days. Before the flight he had had a dream warning him of the danger, but he did not take the precautions he should have, because he thought his German passport would protect him. With God's help, the German embassy in Yangon, Burma managed to keep the Chinese delegation away (they wanted to extradite him back to China for execution).

Since his escape from China, Brother Yun has spoken to many Christian churches (Protestant and Catholic). His son Isaac has traveled with him and translated his messages into German and later English when he became proficient enough.

Many thousands of other Chinese pastors, house church leaders and missionaries to other countries have also walked in faith to share the Gospel despite persecution and torture.

Although most Christians are deceived and don't understand all of the truth, God holds people accountable for what they do with what they do know. The main point is to be salt and light and share the good news of salvation with as many as will listen. When they do hear the true and complete Gospel message of salvation, very likely they will embrace the truth they didn't know before.

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The Grand Plan

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Ever wonder why this long, long trail of history?

Yahweh is a Great *Long-Range* Planner

Is there a Grand Plan being worked out here on Earth?

If so, what is it? How long is it?



A1000-GENERATION COVENANT PLAN: (Deut. 7:9):

Planning: "...which of you, intending to build a tower, sits not down first, and counts the cost..." (Lk. 14:28)

"Know...that Yahweh...,He is...the faithful Elohim, which Keeps Covenant and Mercy with them that Love Him and keep His commandments...to a **Thousand Generations.**"

"Be...mindful...of His Covenant:...He commanded to a **Thousand Generations.**" I Chron.16:15)

"He [Yahweh]...remembered His covenant forever, the Word...

He commanded to a **Thousand Generations.**" (Psa. 105:8) "How great are His signs... and His dominion is from Generation to Generation." (Dan. 4:3)

1st ESTIMATE OF 1000 GENERATIONS: 80,000-YEAR PLAN:

Using Biblical 50-year Jubilee periods:

About 80 years per generation:

(1). Abram's birth (dated from creation): 38J + 38 years
(Gen. 1--Gen. 11:26)

(2). David Born: 61J + 14 years (from creation)

(3). 14 generations from Abraham to David

(Matt. 1:17): one generation: 80 years (80.4 years)
(Nearest decade allowing for added 6-months in David's reign:

Josephus Bk. VII, Ch. XV, par. 2) **80 years:** "As for the days of our life, they contain seventy years, Or if due to strength eighty years..." (Psa. 90:10)

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2nd ESTIMATE OF 1000 GENERATIONS: 35,000-YEAR PLAN Evidence from Job: 35 years per Generation: (Job. 42:16).

3rd ESTIMATE OF 1000 GENERATIONS: 50,000-YEAR PLAN Apostle Peter reveals a principle of Yahweh's Timing:

"...be not ignorant of this one thing, that **One Day is with Yahweh as a Thousand years**, and **a Thousand years as One Day.**" (II Pet. 3:8)

Applying this to the 49-day Feast of Weeks plus the 50th day, each day represents a long-range plan of 1000 years.

TOTAL: 50,000 years

ARE WE IN THE FIRST 6000 YEARS?

Editor's Note:

In my opinion you should not be teaching people what the bible says because you do not even understand simple scriptures. For some reason you like to take scripture and create your own interpretation of it. This whole article is way off. The bible, God's word teaches a 6000 year plan to get to the millennium and we are really close to the 6000 years being finished.

The bible does not teach a 50,000 year plan, so this article is pure fiction made up only in the mind of the author.
Laura Lee

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'Why does God allow such things to happen?'
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"A great and strong wind rent the mountains, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake, and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire, [but] after the fire a *still small voice.*" – *Kings 19*

"The Truth is stranger than fiction," they say. "But not as popular." People who believe in no God or a hands-off God shouldn't complain when He keeps His hands off.

I've recently talked to two elderly men who claim they don't believe in God. One of them used to – until his wife died a painful death. Paradoxically, she may be more ready to listen to God now than *he* is.

Life is real! Life is earnest!

And the grave is not its goal;

Dust thou art, to dust returnest,

Was not spoken of the soul.

– Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (1807-1882); "A Psalm of Life"

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"Father of us all, we thank you for women and men to whom bodies are more than gold, and the soul of a little child of greater value than the buildings of a city." – 19th century prayer

The prayer above opens like this: **"Father of us all, we thank thee for life, that we live *now*; and that our hands have been filled with the tasks of the present. Nor do we despise the *past*. Its errors warn us, its successes inform us, and its sacrifices inspire us.** " I'm planning to re-post annually the following column excerpts, partly from my January 1, 2005 column following the Indonesian earthquake/tsunami, and partly from the March 2011 one, after the Japan tsunami.

"If there is no God, what makes the next Kleenex pop out?" – anon.

"If God allows such things to happen, He must be cruel." – anon.

"non sequitur, n; (Latin) 'it does not follow'" – Webster

The Japanese earthquake/tsunami ought to remind us once again that we have bigger threats than theoretical "climate change" in the sky! I recently mentioned that we may be living in the time described by the Bible as **"the time of the Great Hatred" (Hosea).**

" . . . For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there shall be famines and pestilences and earthquakes in diverse places . . . And then shall many be *offended*, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another." – Matthew

Atheists, agnostics, and doubting Thomases do not "feed" on the Word (instead they focus on talking points, catchphrases, and non-sequiturs, conclusions or inferences which do not follow from the premises. Atheists always ask, "If there's a God, why does He allow such things to happen?" and don't wait for an answer. Turning the question into its unstated premise, it is essentially: "If there *were* a God, he/it wouldn't allow such things to happen" (another faulty premise leading to many non-sequiturs). In conclusion, two main points;

- A) If these bad things never happened, God would be a liar, and He always tells the truth. He has a long-range Plan; a thousand years with us is like one day to God. The things He allows and the things He causes are two different things; the trick is in figuring out the difference. Some things He will allow in order to save millions, although hundreds may temporarily lose their lives (the Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away).
- B) At times such as this one, we need to get "back to the basics" with a child-like Faith. Someone sent me a cartoon showing a little boy in prayer, and he says to God, "Things are going pretty well here in school and everything. **Is there anything You need?" And, believe it or not, the Word says that there are some things that He *needs!*"**

"I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before Me for the land [as Moses did] – that I should not destroy it." – Ezekiel

AMERICA STILL HAS A LONG WAY TO GO TO GET RIGHT WITH GOD.

P.S. Here's a most timely and fitting quotation from the late Senator Frank Carlson of Kansas:

"God and the world need men who will stand in the gap. ...men who are not for sale; men who are honest, sound from center to circumference, true to the heart's core; men with consciences as steady as the needle to the pole; men who will stand for the right if the heavens totter and the earth reels; men who can tell the truth and look the world right in the eye . . . "

- quoted by Zig Ziglar ("Wanted A Man – A Man Who Will Stand")] By the way, Donald Trump says he's no savior, but he is trying to stand in the gap in the hedge.

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PPS:

FOR ANYONE GRIEVING

My Shepherd is the God of Love, and He's your Shepherd too.
Are you apart from one you love?
No warmth, no ease, no butterflies, no trees?
Methought I heard One calling "Child."
And I replied "Adonai, el Shaddai,
Sweet Spirit comfort me, O God above."
And He replied, "I move in mysterious ways, My wonders to perform;
I plant my footprints on the beach, and ride upon the storm,
So focus on Me, not your enemies."
And I replied, on bended knees, "The God of Love my Shepherd is."

Those are the combined words of Herrick, Herbert, Hood, and Cowper (paraphrased). Please pass them on to anyone you know who needs them. Thanks much!

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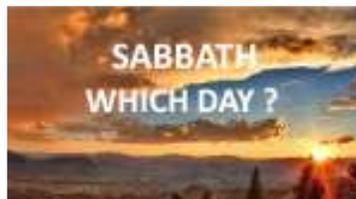
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7th Day vs. 1st Day

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"...bear no burden on the Sabbath...neither do any work, but hallow the Sabbath day..." (Jer. 17:21-22)



THE FINAL SCORE SABBATH:

Old Testament.....74 times
New Testament.....60 times

SEVENTH DAY SABBATH:

Old Testament.....13
New Testament.....3

IN THE SYNAGOGUE ON THE SABBATH

Old Testament.....0
New Testament....6

FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK MENTIONED

Old Testament.....0

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New Testament....7

1ST DAY OF THE WEEK Referred to as a SABBATH

Old Testament.....0

New Testament.....0

FINAL SCORE: A NO-HITTER

7th DAY SABBATH....13

1st DAY OF THE WEEK SABBATH....0

NEW TESTAMENT:

"...and, as his custom was, he [Yahshua] went into the synagogue on the Sabbath, ...for to read." (Lk. 4:16).

"...and...on the Sabbath day he [Yahshua] entered...the synagogue, and taught." (Mk. 1:21)

"And he [Yahshua] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath." (Lk. 13:10)

"And he [Paul] reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks." (Acts 18:4)

THE OLD TESTAMENT LAW:

"And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass, than one tittle of the Law to fail." (Lk. 16:17)

"Think not that I am come to destroy [abolish] the Law, or the Prophets: I am not come to destroy [abolish], but to fulfil." (Matt. 5:17)

("fulfil" is Gr. "pleroo" meaning "to perform" [Thayer, p.518]; Same word is used in Matt. 3:15: "...it becomes us to fulfil [ppleroo] all righteousness...")

THE SABBATH: WHAT OTHERS SAY Cardinal Gibbons:

"You may read the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, and you will not find a single line authorizing the sanctification of Sunday. The Scriptures enforce the religious observance of Saturday, a day which we never sanctify."["*The Faith of Our Fathers*";-1892 ed., p. 111] "The Catholic Church...by...her divine mission, changed the day from Saturday to Sunday." ["*Catholic Mirror*"; Cardinal Gibbons]

Alexander Campbell (founder of the "Disciples of Christ"):

"'But,' say some, 'it was changed from the seventh to the first day.' Where? When? and by whom?...No; it was never changed, nor could it be..." ("*The Christian Baptist*", Feb. 1824, vol. 1, no. 7)

Methodist Episcopal:

"The Sabbath instituted in the beginning, and confirmed by Moses and the prophets, has never been abrogated..."

["*Bishop's Pastoral*"; Methodist Episcopal]

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"Act of God" And Original Sin – Most Eat the Forbidden Fruit?

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Jesus Christ said: "Only God is good." what is the "good" message from God to the living when "Act of God" great natural disasters occur bringing, destruction, and death to young and old? To those who are conscious of God: Instead of Devil-Media conscious and have the "Beginning of Wisdom" that is the fear of God. The answer is **given by Jesus Christ in Luke 13:1-5** "Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. Christ answered, do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? Or those 18 who died when the tower of Siloam fell on them. I tell you no. But Unless you - Repent - you too will all perish."

Fox News Today: July 9, 2025, 110 dead and 161 missing in the 4th of July flood in Texas. Jesus Christ used "tragedy" two thousand years ago, to proclaim "salvation" from sin and death begins with repentance. The same "Act of God" "tragedy" message from Jesus Christ on "independence day weekend 2025 in Texas to you Americans "repent" or you also will "perish" individually and as a free nation. Proverbs 14:32 NIV "When calamity comes the wicked are brought down, but - **even in death the righteous have a refuge.**" At death, the, innocence of children, no one can take from them.

Numbers 27:16 "God of the spirits of all mankind. The unique "spirits" of young and old who died in the fourth of July flood in Texas are with God their bodies will be resurrected. John 5:28-29 "A time is coming when all who are in their graves will hear his voice and come out. Those who have done good will rise to Live and those who have done evil will rise to be condemned." And the innocence of children will speak for them.

Some will ask, If God is good, why does God allow evil? **That question is Judging God, instead of "fearing God, and assuming yourself more righteous than God.** Jesus Christ said, **Matthew 19:17** "only God is good." **God said, "Love your neighbor as yourself."** If someone hates and kills their neighbor, they are guilty, Not God.

Life not subject to Death. If you are at home in this world, and do Not have a desire for life that is Not subject to death. The Devil has deceived you to accept death as your final destiny. God will use: Evil and good men, "tragedy" and war to discipline and - Test nations.

Eating the forbidden fruit, is believing the Devil instead of God. **The Devil is speaking: Genesis 3:3-4 (do not believe God believe me instead, dictate "good and evil" for yourself and "You will Not surely die."** Lawmakers, Judges, believe the Devil and dictate "evil is really good and must be honored." If not, you "discriminate" against evil and that against the law! Honoring what God decreed evil, by law, is State Devil-Worship - Leviticus 20:13.

The Crucifixion of the Son of God demonstrates to mankind, that God - paid our Debt of Sin. Christ Jesus Crucified is salvation from sin and death. If God's word is not the anchor of your conscious Devil-Media will be your conscious.

Why did Jesus Christ say to believers "Do not resist evil, if someone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other." That believers may consider: Regardless of how much you suffer - God is punishing you less than their sins deserve. Suffering patiently, and being persecuted when innocent, without accusing God is sharing in the fellowship of Christ's suffering. God tests hearts and minds. Jeremiah 17:9-10 - The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the Lord search the heart and - try the reins - to give every man according to his conduct, as his deeds deserve. Hearts all over the world are being tested - weighed by God.

"Act of God" Tragedy tests all hearts. Proverb 24:17 - Do not gloat when your enemy falls, do not let your heart rejoice. "Twice Dead." Many Muslims condemned themselves to hell. They rejoiced on October 7, 2023, when about 12 hundred Jews men, women, and children were tortured, murdered, and raped repeatedly. Muslims in Europe and many non-Muslim Americans, demonstrated in support of those bloody Muslim Zombies. They are **"twice dead"** "second death"

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judgment of both body and spirit condemned to hell, has reached the place of judgment before Judgment Day. **1 Timothy 5:24 - NIV** “*The sins of some are obvious, reaching the place of Judgment ahead of them.*”

Editor’s Note:

Only those called by God today are being judged. Evil people for the most part have never heard or understood the Law of God. All people not being called today will get a chance in the future to know and understand the Law of God and then they will be judged based on what they do with that knowledge. Some people may reject it at that time and end up in the Lake of Fire. Laura Lee

When personal tragedy falls on a believer or the loss of a son or daughter. God is testing you. Carry that burden without accusing God. John 5:24 “Whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has Eternal Life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to Life.”

Praise God. Jesus Christ Crucified: is the Light that shines today and beyond the grave. “Only God is good.”

KING of The World: Republicans, Democrats Stop:
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Playing king of the world. And making the war between Ukraine and Russia America’s war. **President Trump, this is what you should do regarding the war in Ukraine.** Stop sending Ukraine weapons and money and make this statement publicly: **Europe, Ukraine, and Russia negotiate terms of peace without America. Or continue the war and fight to the bloody end.**

Negotiate terms of peace without any promises of money, weapons, “deals” or threats from America. Or promises from America to “rebuild Ukraine.” If Ukraine is to finally to be rebuilt the money to do so must come from Europe, Ukraine, and Russia not America. Russian victory would save America Billions. If Russia controls Ukraine - Russia rebuilds Ukraine. If Europe, Ukraine, and Russia comes to terms to peace they rebuild Ukraine without America’s taxpayers’ money.

President Trump Divorce America from Nato. Realize Europe is not your friend, or “free” America’s friend. If Democrats won the election in November 2024 and controlled congress you would have been arrested by the **international criminal court.** Kamala Harris and democrats would have handed you over to the UK ICC. Donald you and Elon Musk both arrested and charged for violating Europe’s “NON Offence Law.” For allowing free speech on Truth Social” and X. England Parliament and Ukraine both would have supported your arrest. Elon Musk business are being fined billions by the UK for allowing free speech.

President Trump, make Europe pay additional - tariff penalties – for violating “freedom of speech” to pander for Muslim votes and Devil-Media praise.

If I lived in England and called a man who calls himself “transgender” a homosexual, fraud pretending to be a women. I would be charged with violating England’s “Non Offence Law” for “misgendering” a homosexual pervert who “misgenders” himself.

And if I called Muhammad a false prophet, and said Jesus Christ is the only way to God - John 14:6 - not Muhammad. I would be in violation of England’s “Non Offence Law” arrested and charged. But all are free to “offend” Christians, Jews and anyone who believes Jesus Christ.

God have mercy on President Trump, Elon Musk, and America. “Our Father in heaven” shine a little truth on America, Europe, and the world. Parliament in the UK is like democrats in the USA - call deception truth, darkness light and delusions reality.

And rebuke the democratic party in America. The Democratic party is a criminal political mob and - enemy of America

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that serves the party Not America. They hate the “God Fearing Men” God used as America’s founders. America, God must be honored as the founder above men.

Honor God as America’s founder and the Son of God’s atonement for sin on Mount Rushmore. **With a Giant Cross constructed on Mount Rushmore high above the carved images of the founders. Not to worship, but as a “witness” that “God is sovereign over America and all nations.** God gives war and peace, and rebukes men who proclaim peace “when there is no peace.”

The King given the mind of an animal, why? Daniel 4:17 “That the living may know the Most High is sovereign over the kingdoms of men and gives them to anyone he wishes and sets over them the lowliest of men.”

Christ Jesus Crucified paid our debt of sin and is the great light that shines today and beyond the grave. Jesus Christ is “King of The World” Matthew 28:18.

President Trump, America has enough problems, stop playing “king of the world. America’s greatest enemy is the democratic party, not Russia or China. God is a “jealous God” and decrees “you shall have no other king “beside me” Exodus 20:3. FORWARD TO PRESIDENT TRUMP.

Proof of a Sivan 6 Pentecost
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The Law and Pentecost

The instruction in the law on when to keep Pentecost is as follows:

[Lev 23:9](#) And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, [Lev 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: [Lev 23:11](#) And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: **on the morrow after the sabbath** the priest shall wave it.

And in:

[Deu 16:9](#) Seven weeks shalt thou number unto thee: **begin to number the seven weeks from *such time as thou beginnest to put the sickle to the corn.*** [Deu 16:10](#) And thou shalt keep the feast of weeks unto the LORD thy God with a tribute of a freewill offering of thine hand, which thou shalt give *unto the LORD thy God,* according as the LORD thy God hath blessed thee:

In Leviticus it says to wave the sheaf on the morrow after the sabbath and in Deuteronomy it just simply says to number the seven weeks starting when you put the sickle to the corn. Both scriptures are saying the same thing. We are to start the count from the time the sickle is put to the corn.

The Corn

I remember many times in the past when people would argue that the corn mentioned in Joshua 5:11 was actually the old corn of the land. In other words it was what the people left in the land when the Israelites drove them out.

In the old King James Bible it uses the word corn which is a mistranslation in Deuteronomy 16:9. It should say “standing grain”. And many bibles including the New King James bible has now replaced “corn” with “standing grain”.

What is standing grain. It can be barley or wheat, both are harvested in Israel, barley around the time of Passover and wheat generally at the time of Pentecost.

When the Israelites drove the people from the new land there could have been many kinds of grain in their granaries that were left, but Joshua 5:10-12 is not just talking about the old grain, it is also talking about the new grain which they

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harvested from the fields that first year..

Jos 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. **Jos 5:11** And they did eat of the old corn of the land on the morrow after the passover, unleavened cakes, and parched *corn* in the selfsame day. **Jos 5:12** And the manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corn of the land; neither had the children of Israel manna any more; **but they did eat of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.**

From Jamieson-Fausset-Brown:

Joshua 5:11-12

And they did eat of the old corn of the land — found in storehouses of the inhabitants who had fled into Jericho.

parched corn — new grain (see on [Lev_23:10](#)), probably lying in the fields. Roasted - a simple and primitive preparation, much liked in the East. This abundance of food led to the discontinuance of the manna; and the fact of its then ceasing, viewed in connection with its seasonable appearance in the barren wilderness, is a striking proof of its miraculous origin.

So this shows that the Israelites did what God said to do in the law. They harvested their first crop in the new land and waved it on the day after the Sabbath (Passover) as they were commanded and then they were allowed to eat what they had harvested.

Lev 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: **Lev 23:11** And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: **on the morrow after the sabbath** the priest shall wave it.

The count to Pentecost was to start on the day after the Sabbath and the Sabbath that God meant was the Passover. The wave sheaf offering and the count to Pentecost was always started on the day after the Passover Sabbath or on Nisan 16, every year.

Christ our Passover Lamb?

Many people especially those who keep an early 14 Passover do not believe that the Passover was a holy day let alone a Sabbath. Common sense which many do not possess now days would tell you that Christ was not going to be crucified on the wrong day. Christ was our Passover Lamb.

1Pe 1:19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: **1Pe 1:20** Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you, **1Pe 1:21** Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God.

Christ was crucified on the right day at the right time and the bible is pretty clear as to what day and time that was. Christ was crucified on the 14th of Nisan at 3:00 PM which is between the two evenings. The two evenings are 12:00 Noon when the sun starts to go down and about 6:00 PM at that time of the year when the sun sets. Amazing how 3:00 PM fell right between those two times, thus between the two evenings.

Common sense would also tell you that you cannot eat something such as a Passover lamb before it is sacrificed. So, since the Passover lambs were sacrificed at the same time Christ was crucified, when do you believe those lambs were eaten? Before they died or after they died? Use common sense and think about that.

Christ died so we could live, and most people don't have enough common sense to understand what a monumental day this was and treat Passover like any other day of the week. They stop eating leavened bread for a couple of hours and call it Passover and go right back to eating leavened bread until the next night.

Which Sabbath do you start the count from?

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According to Joshua 5:10 the wave sheaf was done on the morrow after the Sabbath which was Passover. However, most people throw that scripture away or ignore it because it does not meet the standards of their own human narrative of the Sabbath which they feel has to be a weekly Sabbath. They use the following scripture to prove that it is a weekly sabbath and not an annual sabbath:

Lev 23:11 And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: **on the morrow after the sabbath** the priest shall wave it.

From Strong's:
H7676

שָׁבָת

shabbâth
shab-bawth'

Intensive from **H7673**; *intermission*, that is, (specifically) the *Sabbath*: - **(+ every) sabbath**.

Strong's H7676 which is used in Lev. 23:11 includes every sabbath and not just the weekly sabbath as many are teaching.

From the Internet:

Here's a look at how Strong's H7676, "shabbat", relates to the annual holy days in the Bible, based on the provided search results:

1. Meaning of H7676 (Shabbat):

- Strong's H7676, "shabbat," is an intensive form of the root word meaning "to cease, desist, rest".
- It specifically refers to the Sabbath, a day of cessation and rest.
- While often associated with the weekly seventh-day Sabbath, the term "shabbat" (H7676) also encompasses other holy days or periods of rest prescribed by God, according to Strong's Lexicon and usage in Scripture.

2. Connecting Shabbat (H7676) to Annual Holy Days:

- Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur): Leviticus 16:31 and 23:32 specifically refer to the Day of Atonement as a "Sabbath of complete rest" (šabbath šabbāthôn), using the word "shabbat" (H7676) along with a related word for solemn rest (H7677 - shabbathon). This explicitly links an annual holy day to the concept of Shabbat.
- Feasts of Unleavened Bread and Tabernacles: The first and last days of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, and the first and eighth days of the Feast of Tabernacles, are also designated as "Sabbaths" or days of "complete rest" (šabbath šabbāthôn) in Scripture, according to [Bible Hub](#).
- Other Annual Feasts: The Feast of Trumpets (Rosh Hashanah) is another annual festival considered a "Sabbath observance" or "special holiday" using the related term shabbathon (H7677). While not directly using H7676, it highlights that annual feasts were understood as days of rest similar to the Sabbath.

3. Important Distinction:

- It's important to note the distinction between the weekly Sabbath and these annual holy days, even if both are associated with "shabbat" or "sabbath rest".
- The weekly Sabbath is a recurring seventh-day observance, while the annual feasts occur at specific times throughout the year.
- However, both signify days of rest and special observance before God.

In summary:

Based on the provided Strong's and biblical information, while H7676 primarily refers to the weekly Sabbath, certain annual holy days like the Day of Atonement and the first and last days of the Feasts of Unleavened Bread and Tabernacles are explicitly referred to as Sabbaths, underscoring their significance as days of rest and solemn observance. These demonstrate that the concept of "shabbat" or sacred rest extends beyond the weekly cycle to include annual holy days.

Is Passover a Holy Day?

According to scripture Passover is an annual Sabbath.

Exo 12:6 And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the

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congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening. [Exo 12:7](#) And they shall take of the blood, and strike *it* on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it. [Exo 12:8](#) And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; *and* with bitter *herbs* they shall eat it. [Exo 12:9](#) Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast *with* fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof. [Exo 12:10](#) And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire. [Exo 12:11](#) And thus shall ye eat it; *with* your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it *is* the LORD'S passover. [Exo 12:12](#) For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I *am* the LORD. [Exo 12:13](#) And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye *are*: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy *you*, when I smite the land of Egypt. [Exo 12:14](#) And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a **feast** to the LORD throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a **feast by an ordinance** for ever. [Exo 12:15](#) Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel.

Exodus 12:6-15 is specifically talking about Passover. Please note the time order. You keep the lamb until the fourteenth of Nisan and you kill it in the evening (between the two evenings). Next you roast it with fire and then you eat it. While they ate this meal they were ready to leave but they had to wait for the death angel to pass over before they could leave.

It says in Exodus 12:14 that Passover is a memorial (annual) and a **feast** to be kept for ever. In other words Passover is a Holy Day which starts the Feast of Unleavened Bread. Passover was always the meal that started the days of Unleavened Bread but instead many of you go to a place with many people and wash feet and eat the bread and drink the wine and then you all go home and eat a sandwich with leavened bread as a snack before bed on the early fourteenth. It destroys the whole concept of Christ's sacrifice so we might live.

Right here in Leviticus 23:4-8 it tells you that Passover is a Feast of the Lord and a holy convocation and most of you reading this ignore what it actually says.

[Lev 23:4](#) **These are the feasts of the LORD, even holy convocations**, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons. [Lev 23:5](#) In the fourteenth *day* of the first month at even (**at even here means as the 14th turns into the 15th of Nisan, or the end of the 14th and not the beginning of the 14th.**) *is* the LORD'S passover. [Lev 23:6](#) And on the fifteenth day of the same month *is* the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread. [Lev 23:7](#) In the first day ye shall have an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein. [Lev 23:8](#) But ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD seven days: in the seventh day *is* an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work *therein*.

Passover and the Days of Unleavened Bread are the same Holy Day week of seven days just like Eze. 45:21 says:

[Eze 45:21](#) In the first *month*, in the fourteenth day of the month, ye shall have the passover, a feast of seven days; unleavened bread shall be eaten.

Then look at Numbers 33:3:

[Num 33:3](#) And they departed from Rameses in the first month, on the fifteenth day of the first month; on the morrow after the passover the children of Israel went out with an high hand in the sight of all the Egyptians.

This is the whole reason they ate the Passover Meal in haste with their staff in their hand and their shoes on their feet. It was because they were going to be leaving just as soon as they got the word. Notice that they left Rameses (a city they built) where they ate the Passover meal on the 15th of Nisan.

[Gen 47:11](#) And Joseph placed his father and his brethren and gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of Rameses, as Pharaoh had commanded.

[Exo 1:11](#) Therefore they did set over them taskmasters to afflict them with their burdens. And they built for

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Pharaoh treasure cities, Pithom and Raamses.

So again, the timeline clearly shows that they ate the Passover meal and they left Rameses on the 15th of Nisan. There was no day between the Passover Meal and their leaving Raamses.

The New Testament Gospels show the same flow of events. First Christ was crucified with the Passover Lambs on the preparation day for the Passover which was Nisan 14 at 3:00 PM. The Passover meal was eaten that same night as the 14th turned into the 15th of Nisan. The meal Christ ate with His disciples the night before He died was just a meal.

Joh 19:31 The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and *that* they might be taken away.

John 19:42 There laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews' preparation *day*; for the sepulchre was nigh at hand.

The high day, sabbath spoken of here is Passover. Passover is the same day in the Old Testament as it is in the New Testament because it is written into the Law of God in Leviticus 23.

Mat 5:18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

Has all been fulfilled? Of course not. An early 14 Passover is a false doctrine, as is the doctrine of counting from a weekly sabbath to get to Pentecost.

Wave Sheaf:

Lev 23:9 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, **Lev 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: **Lev 23:11** And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: **on the morrow after the sabbath** the priest shall wave it. **Lev 23:12** And ye shall offer that day when ye wave the sheaf an he lamb without blemish of the first year for a burnt offering unto the LORD. **Lev 23:13** And the meat offering thereof *shall be* two tenth deals of fine flour mingled with oil, an offering made by fire unto the LORD *for* a sweet savour: and the drink offering thereof *shall be* of wine, the fourth *part* of an hin. **Lev 23:14** **And ye shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn, nor green ears, until the selfsame day that ye have brought an offering unto your God: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.**

Jos 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. **Jos 5:11** And they did eat of the old corn of the land **on the morrow after the passover, unleavened cakes, and parched corn in the selfsame day.**

Compare Lev. 23:14 to Jos. 5:11: In the law of God (Lev. 23) they were forbidden to eat bread, parched corn, or green ears until the selfsame day that you have completed the wave offering of the first fruits of the harvest. In Jos. 5:11 they were eating old corn, unleavened cakes and parched corn on the day after Passover (Nisan 16). They followed the law of God for their first Passover in the new land.

If you try to ignore these scriptures because they did not plant the crop that they harvested, please don't do that. Whatever was left on that land belonged to the Israelites so the crop they harvested on the land belonged to them and no where does it say they had to plant the crop in order for it to fulfill the law.

From Albert Edersheim:

The Sheaf of Firstfruits

A little later on in the evening of that same day, just as it was growing dark, a noisy throng followed delegates from the Sanhedrim outside the city and across the brook Kedron. It was a very different procession, and for a very different purpose, from the small band of mourners which, just about the same time, carried the body of the

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dead Saviour from the cross to the rock-hewn tomb wherein no man had yet been laid. While the one turned into 'the garden' (Joh_20:15), perhaps to one side, the other emerged, amidst loud demonstrations, in a field across Kedron, which had been marked out for the purpose. They were to be engaged in a service most important to them. It was probably to this circumstance that Joseph of Arimathea owed their non-interference with his request for the body of Jesus, and Nicodemus and the women, that they could go undisturbed about the last sad offices of loving mourners. The law had it, 'Ye shall bring a sheaf [literally the omer] of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest; and he shall wave the omer before Jehovah, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the Sabbath the priest shall wave it' (Lev_23:10-11). This Passover-sheaf, or rather omer, was to be accompanied by a burnt-offering of a 'he lamb, without blemish, of the first year,' with its appropriate meat- and drink-offering, and after it had been brought, but not till then, fresh barley might be used and sold in the land. Now, this Passover-sheaf was reaped in public the evening before it was offered, and it was to witness this ceremony that the crowd gathered around 'the elders,' who took care that all was done according to traditionary ordinance.

'The Morrow After the Sabbath'

The expression, 'the morrow after the Sabbath' (Lev_23:11), has sometimes been misunderstood as implying that the presentation of the so-called 'first sheaf' was to be always made on the day following the weekly Sabbath of the Passover-week. This view, adopted by the 'Boethusians' and the Sadducees in the time of Christ, and by the Karaite Jews and certain modern interpreters, rests on a misinterpretation of the word 'Sabbath' (Lev_23:24, Lev_23:32, Lev_23:39). As in analogous allusions to other feasts in the same chapter, it means not the weekly Sabbath, but the day of the festival. The testimony of Josephus (*Antiq.* iii. 10, 5, 6), or Philo (*Op.* ii. 294), and of Jewish tradition, leaves no room to doubt that in this instance we are to understand by the 'Sabbath' the 15th of Nisan, on whatever day of the week it might fall. Already, on the 14th of Nisan, the spot whence the first sheaf was to be reaped had been marked out by delegates from the Sanhedrim, by tying together in bundles, while still standing, the barley that was to be cut down. Though, for obvious reasons, it was customary to choose for this purpose the sheltered Ashes-valley across Kedron, there was no restriction on that point, provided the barley had grown in an ordinary field- course in Palestine itself- not in garden or orchard land, and that the soil had not been manured nor yet artificially watered (*Mishnah, Menach.* viii. 1, 2). *

* The field was to be ploughed in the autumn, and sowed seventy days before the Passover.

When the time for cutting the sheaf had arrived, that is, on the evening of the 15th of Nisan (even though it were a Sabbath *), just as the sun went down, three men, each with a sickle and basket, formally set to work.

* There was a controversy on this point between the Pharisees and the Sadducees. The article in Kitto's *Cycl.* erroneously names the afternoon of the 16th of Nisan as that on which the sheaf was cut. It was really done after sunset on the 15th, which was the beginning of the 16th of Nisan.

But in order clearly to bring out all that was distinctive in the ceremony, they first asked of the bystanders three times each of these questions: 'Has the sun gone down?' 'With this sickle?' 'Into this basket?' 'On this Sabbath (or first Passover-day)?', lastly, 'Shall I reap?' Having each time been answered in the affirmative, they cut down barley to the amount of one ephah, or ten omers, or three seahs, which is equal to about three pecks and three pints of our English measure. The ears were brought into the Court of the Temple, and thrashed out with canes or stalks, so as not to injure the corn; then 'parched' on a pan perforated with holes, so that each grain might be touched by the fire, and finally exposed to the wind. The corn thus prepared was ground in a barley-mill, which left the hulls whole. According to some, the flour was always successfully passed through thirteen sieves, each closer than the other. The statement of a rival authority, however, seems more rational- it was only done till the flour was sufficiently fine (*Men.* vi. 6, 7), which was ascertained by one of the 'Gizbarim' (treasurers) plunging his hands into it, the sifting process being continued so long as any of the flour adhered to the hands (*Men.* viii. 2). Though one ephah, or ten omers, of barley was cut down, only one omer of flour, or about 5 1 pints of our measure, was offered in the Temple on the second Paschal, or 16th day of Nisan. The rest of the flour might be redeemed, and used for any purpose. The omer of flour was mixed with a 'log,' or very nearly three-fourths of a pint of oil, and a handful * of frankincense put upon it, then waved before the Lord, and a handful taken out and burned on the altar.

* The term is difficult to define. The *Mishnah* (*Men.* ii. 2) says, 'He stretcheth the fingers over the flat of the hand.' I suppose, bending them inwards.

The remainder belonged to the priest. This was what is popularly, though not very correctly, called 'the presentation of the first or wave-sheaf' on the second day of the Passover-feast, of the 16th of Nisan.

The Wave Sheaf Offering does not represent Christ. The Wave Sheaf Offering represents the first fruits, the ones who

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will be in the first resurrection.

The Fulfillments of the Day of Pentecost:

Exodus 19 = The Giving of the Law.

Acts 2 = The giving of God’s Holy Spirit so we can keep the law.

And a 3rd fulfillment will be the Resurrection of the First Fruits on a future Pentecost.

Sivan 6

Pentecost is always on Sivan 6, no matter what day of the week it falls on. Many believe this can’t be possible because “Why would God have us count to the same day every year.” The answer is very simple when you understand the various fulfillments of Pentecost, particularly the 3rd fulfillment which is the resurrection of the First Fruits which will be taken to heaven for the wedding supper of the lamb. All brides looking forward to their wedding day count the days until the wedding. That is what the counting is about.

Exo 19:1 In the **third month (Sivan is the 3rd Month)**, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day (**Meaning the day matched the month, in other words in the 3rd month on the 3rd day of the 3rd month.**) came they *into* the wilderness of Sinai. **Exo 19:2** For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come *to* the desert of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped before the mount. **Exo 19:3** And Moses went up unto God, and the LORD called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel; **Exo 19:4** Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and *how* I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself. **Exo 19:5** Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth *is* mine: **Exo 19:6** And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These *are* the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel. **Exo 19:7** And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before their faces all these words which the LORD commanded him. **Exo 19:8** And all the people answered together, and said, All that the LORD hath spoken we will do. And Moses returned the words of the people unto the LORD. **Exo 19:9** And the LORD said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto thee in a thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with thee, and believe thee for ever. And Moses told the words of the people unto the LORD. **Exo 19:10** And the LORD said unto Moses, Go unto the people, and sanctify them **to day and to morrow (meaning the 4th and 5th day of Sivan)**, and let them wash their clothes, **Exo 19:11** And be ready against the **third day**: for the **third day** the LORD will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai. (**This would be the 3rd day from the 3rd day spoken of in verse 1 or in other words they were to be sanctified by the 6th of Sivan.**) **Exo 19:12** And thou shalt set bounds unto the people round about, saying, Take heed to yourselves, *that ye go not* up into the mount, or touch the border of it: whosoever toucheth the mount shall be surely put to death: **Exo 19:13** There shall not an hand touch it, but he shall surely be stoned, or shot through; whether *it be* beast or man, it shall not live: when the trumpet soundeth long, they shall come up to the mount. **Exo 19:14** And Moses went down from the mount unto the people, and sanctified the people; and they washed their clothes. **Exo 19:15** And he said unto the people, Be ready against the **third day (the 3rd day from when they arrived spoken of in verse 1 or in other words, Sivan 6.)**: come not at *your* wives. **Exo 19:16** And it came to pass on the **third day in the morning (Again talking about 3 days after they arrived as spoken of in verse 1 or Sivan 6)**, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the people that *was* in the camp trembled. **Exo 19:17** And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with God; and they stood at the nether part of the mount. **Exo 19:18** And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly. **Exo 19:19** And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice. **Exo 19:20** And the LORD came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the LORD called Moses *up* to the top of the mount; and Moses went up. **Exo 19:21** And the LORD said unto Moses, Go down, charge the people, lest they break through unto the LORD to gaze, and many of them perish. **Exo 19:22** And let the priests also, which come near to the LORD, sanctify themselves, lest the LORD break forth upon them. **Exo 19:23** And Moses said unto the LORD, The people cannot come up to mount Sinai: for thou chargedst us, saying, Set bounds about the mount, and sanctify it. **Exo 19:24** And the LORD said unto him, Away, get thee down, and thou shalt come up, thou, and Aaron with thee: but let not the priests and the people break through to come up unto the LORD, lest he break forth upon them. **Exo 19:25** So

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Moses went down unto the people, and spake unto them.

The Calendar

The only thing I want to say about the calendar here is that if you made your calendar up then it is a false calendar and you will miss the keeping of the annual Sabbaths on the correct days and in doing so you will miss the First Fruits resurrection and the wedding supper of the lamb.

The only calendar that you can find in the Bible is the Hebrew Calendar as preserved by the Pharisees, now Orthodox Jews. It does not mean that the Jewish people are sin free, all it means is that someone had to be in charge of preserving the Law of God and the Calendar. The Pharisees were in charge of this at the time of Christ and still are. Christ was born a Jew and He kept the Holy Days according to the Hebrew Calendar which was preserved by the Jews, like it or not.

I read so many articles where I see people in the Church of God who have an underlying seething hatred of the Jews and absolutely will not accept that God chose them to preserve the Law of God and the Calendar for the rest of us. Anti-Semitism is not recognized as a wonderful trait by God and will probably keep you from the first fruits resurrection.

Who Should you follow?

That question on the surface seems easy to answer, but many of you are following the wrong people in more than one way.

I get it and I understand that many of you put Herbert Armstrong on a pedestal and follow his teachings to a tee. Unfortunately he was just a man that God used at one point in time and he taught many people many good things, but he also taught error, hopefully not on purpose but more because he did not understand what the scripture was talking about. The bible is a huge book with many layers and I am not sure that at this point in time one person can possibly understand every single subject that is in scripture. Herbert Armstrong just did not understand or know everything there was to know and it is up to the students of Herbert Armstrong to study scripture for themselves to see if what he said was correct.

I think the biggest problem many people have in their study habits is that they do not stick close enough to scripture. Instead they read more secular books than they read scripture and many people have a tendency to believe the secular teachers over the ones who God inspired to write the scriptures. One gentleman in the Church of God told us many years ago that Paul lied many times in scripture. If you understand that everyone is a liar according to scripture and that God inspired scripture to be written, He is not going to inspire Paul to write lies for people to learn from. All scripture inspired by God is truth we just do not always understand what is being said.

In scripture we do have scriptures that point us in the right direction so we know what to follow and what not to follow. Christ clearly showed us who not to follow and who to partially follow in certain things.

Mat 16:6 Then Jesus said unto them, **Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.**

Mat 22:23 The same day came to him the Sadducees, which say that there is no resurrection, and asked him,

Mar 12:18 Then come unto him the Sadducees, which say there is no resurrection; and they asked him, saying,

Luk 20:27 Then came to *him* certain of the Sadducees, which deny that there is any resurrection; and they asked him,

From the above scriptures you can see that both the Sadducees and the Pharisees were full of leaven, sin, equally. One sect was no better than the other. The problem is that the Sadducees did not believe in a resurrection and without a resurrection there is no hope for any of us. Based on these scriptures I wouldn't follow either one of these sects.

Act 23:6 But when Paul perceived that the one part were Sadducees, and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council, Men *and* brethren, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee: of the hope and resurrection of the dead I am called in question. **Act 23:7** And when he had so said, there arose a dissension between the Pharisees and

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the Sadducees: and the multitude was divided. [Act 23:8](#) For the Sadducees say that there is no resurrection, neither angel, nor spirit: but the Pharisees confess both.

Things get even worse for the Sadducees here because now we find out that not only don't they believe in a resurrection, but they also don't believe in spirits, such as angels and spirits that will someday be the resurrected saints of God.

Paul however told everyone he was not only a Pharisee but the son of a Pharisee. In other words he said that because the people for the most part followed the Pharisees because the Pharisees taught the Law of God where as the Sadducees did not care much for God's law, the resurrection or spirits. The Sadducees were not a religious sect. They were people who if elected to their positions in the temple would only have been able to win if they stole the votes or paid for them as in our democrat party today. They could not win a position in the Temple on their own merits. There are studies out there that show the Sadducees bought their way into the Temple and that they were not a religious sect by any means .

[Mat 23:1](#) Then spake Jesus to the multitude, and to his disciples, [Mat 23:2](#) Saying, **The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat: [Mat 23:3](#) All therefore whatsoever they bid you observe, that observe and do; but do not ye after their works: for they say, and do not. [Mat 23:4](#) For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers.**

The above are more scriptures that many in the Church of God want to ignore because they don't like the Pharisees, but after reading the scriptures about the Sadducees, my question is why do you follow them when you see what scripture says about them.

Christ actually endorsed the Pharisees but not the Sadducees. Christ did not endorse the hypocrisy of the Pharisees, nor did he endorse all the extra laws and burdens they put on the people. The part that Christ endorsed about the Pharisees is that they sat in a seat in the Temple called Moses seat and they read the Law of God to the people. Part of the Law of God was the observance of the Annual Holy Days which the Pharisees told people to observe and do and Christ told us to follow the Pharisees in the keeping of the law of God and in the observance of the Sabbaths (weekly and annually). Then it goes beyond verse three telling us what not to follow them in. Look it up as it goes for several verses telling us what not to follow them in.

Who were the Boethusians?

Apparently some people start their count to Pentecost based on what the Boethusians did in the first century rather than what scriptures teach us. They started their count to Pentecost on the day after the weekly Sabbath.

From the Internet:

There are no known groups or individuals who identify as Boethusians today. The Boethusians were a Jewish sect that existed in the first century BCE and CE, closely associated with the [Sadducees](#). They disappeared after the destruction of the Second Temple in 70 CE. Their history and beliefs are primarily known through rabbinic literature and the writings of [Josephus](#).

Here's why they are not active today:

- **Historical Context:**
The Boethusians were a distinct group within the broader context of Second Temple Judaism. They did not survive the destruction of the Temple, which marked a significant turning point for Jewish religious and social structures.
- **Lack of Modern Adherents:**
There is no evidence of any modern religious group or movement that identifies with or claims descent from the Boethusians.
- **Association with the Sadducees:**
The Boethusians were closely aligned with the Sadducees, another Jewish sect. Many scholars believe they were essentially a branch of the Sadducees. The Sadducees also largely disappeared after the destruction of the Temple.
- **Focus on Temple Practices:**
The Boethusians, like the Sadducees, focused on the Temple rituals and practices of their time. With the Temple gone, their specific religious focus became irrelevant.

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In other words the Boethusians were Sadducees and only played church without being religious.

Conclusion:

Many in the Church of God follow the practices of the Sadducees for the Spring Holy Days and the practices of the Pharisees for the Fall Holy Days. In other words the Sadducees are the hot item in the Spring and the Pharisees are okay in the Fall. My suggestion is to study your bible so you may be worthy to qualify for the First Fruits Resurrection on the real Pentecost of Sivan 6..

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Be Kind

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*"And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as **God** in Christ forgave you."* (Ephesians 4:32)

We are encouraged to be many things in this world: Be smart. Be observant. Be ruthless. Be empathetic. Be all you can be.

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I recently had a discussion with one of my children regarding a mantra I used when they were children, long before God called me into His church. It was “Be nice!” I leveled this instruction at the kids at all times, but especially when they were squabbling. I would tell them, “Be nice! And you know what that is!”

How did this come about? It is not entirely my point, but it will do to lay a foundation. My family started on a hippie commune called Stephen’s Farm.

Stephen Gaskin was an American counterculture hippie icon best known as the “Acid Guru” in the Haight-Ashbury district of San Francisco. In 1970, Stephen Gaskin led a caravan of sixty vehicles (most of them painted and modified hippie school buses) across the United States from San Francisco to Summertown, Tennessee. There, he bought 1,200 acres of land and started a commune called “Stephen’s Farm,” or just plain “The Farm.” Stephen’s wife, Ina May Gaskin, was a midwife. In fact, she is known as “The Mother of Authentic Midwifery,” and we were there because of Ina May. She would take in any pregnant mother and help her have a baby.

More to my point, though, Stephen Gaskin often repeated that the best thing to teach your children is, “Be nice. And they know what that means.” There were a lot of children on The Farm.

What is this cliché from Stephen Gaskin, “Be nice. And you know what that means”? Let us dissect it a little bit. Is it the right thing to tell our kids? Does it work? What does the Bible show us about it? Does a child actually know what that means? Do we?

The English word “nice” actually comes from the Latin word *nescius*, which means “ignorant,” “naïve,” or perhaps at best, “innocent.” Its meaning has morphed over 750 years from “stupid” to “timid” to “careful” to “pleasant and agreeable,” where it is today. In fact, it still has insipid overtones, weak and flavorless.

The phrase, “He’s a nice boy!” is not entirely complimentary. It is more along the lines of the Southern expression, “Bless his heart!” containing a not-so-flattering element of sarcasm. The seemingly benign advice to “be nice” falls short of a truly virtuous approach to life.

Conscience

The command to “Be nice!” is also an appeal to what should be innate. This appeal has precedent, which the apostle Paul addresses in several places in Romans. In Romans 1, he uses it in a condemnatory way. Paul writes that we have an innate ability to discern right from wrong, even without conversion, and we can be divinely condemned for failing to do so correctly.

. . . because what may be known of God is manifest in them [all men but particularly the Gentiles], for God has shown it to them. For since the creation of [the world](#) His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and [divine nature], so that they are without excuse . . .
([Romans 1:19-20](#))

These verses point us to the Creator and to the natural laws that are consistently applied to the processes of the universe. Even without the help of His Spirit, we can inherently see these rules and [see God](#) in them. Even our carnal selves know right from wrong, despite coming to it through a glass darkly. Psychologists acknowledge it and call it the conscience. Sociologists might refer to it as the collective conscience. Both are ways to describe the world without God—the atheist’s perspective.

For most people, conscience is all they have, and it is where they stop on all moral matters. Most of modern Christianity—at least the laity—builds its whole understanding on the backbone of the conscience. And so arises the saying under consideration: “Be nice. And you know what that means.”

As J.B. Phillips states in his book, *Your God Is Too Small*, “No one denies the function of conscience.” But to make conscience into a god brings into being a shallow god indeed. It has grave weaknesses. For example, it does not lead to [love](#), nor does it provide any understanding of the true God’s plan for us. It can also be very easily perverted.

We have all seen children younger than one year start to imitate their parents, other babies, and even the world around

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them. This indicates that they are already developing their worldview based on what they sense and experience in the world around them. Do we, as parents, see the burden of our responsibility? If we expect to be successful when asking a child to “be nice,” we had better already be displaying a godly example.

The world around us can falsely influence conscience. Consider this example: We have been instructed to put plastic in the recycling bin. Now, after repeated admonitions, throwing a plastic bottle or container in the trash can produce a sense of guilt. And this guilt survives even after we discover that trash of all kinds—even recyclable plastic—ends up in the same dump anyway.

In addition, children have carnal impulses from infancy. For example, small tykes will hit, lash out, and scream if not corrected. Such actions are a result of unrestrained, fleshly self-centeredness.

These behaviors occur in the natural world as well. Have you ever watched an eagle’s nest? When the brood is two or three eaglets, a pecking order always develops. The weakest eaglet will often be driven from the nest to fall hundreds of feet to die on the forest floor. Modeling a conscience on the natural world can create one that is “red in tooth and claw.”

Solomon’s Gates

The command to “be kind” has a much more nuanced meaning than “be nice” because the word “kind” is well-used and therefore well-defined in the Bible. It is used, for example, in [Ephesians 4:31-32](#):

Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

Being kind is defined as an outward-facing principle. Even for someone in the world, the meaning is clear. [Kindness](#) involves behavior, something that can be seen on the outside. In that respect, practicing kindness makes us visibly sanctified or set apart in a very unkind, selfish world. It involves the words we speak and the actions we take.

The well-known three gates of speech are attributed to the Sufi poet, Rumi: truth, necessity, and kindness. You may have heard or read of them as three questions we should ask ourselves before saying something to another:

1. Is it true?
2. Is it necessary?
3. Is it kind?

They really ought to be called “Solomon’s Gates.” King Solomon’s [wisdom](#) is featured in the books of Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and the Song of Songs, and these writings preceded Rumi by 2,200 years. For centuries, despite Jesus’ attestation that he was a real person, the world’s archaeologists considered Solomon to have been made up, a biblical fairy tale. In fact, archaeologists have used the dearth of information on him to discredit the Bible!

However, archaeologists have found massive and extensive fortifications all over the Eastern Mediterranean that show blueprint-like consistency down to the centimeter. These fortifications date to the tenth century BC—the time of King Solomon. And their gates are known by archaeologists as—you guessed it—“Solomon’s Gates.” Ironically, they each have three chambers on either side. (See Eames, Christopher, “[A Study Into King Solomon’s Four Monumental Gates](#),” *Let the Stones Speak*, November-December 2022.)

Consider three of the proverbs of Solomon:

- » On *truth*, he writes in [Proverbs 12:19](#): “The truthful lip shall be established forever, but a lying tongue is but for a moment.”
- » On *necessity*, he writes in [Ecclesiastes 5:3](#): “A dream comes through much activity, and a fool’s voice is known by his many words.”

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» On *kindness*, he writes in [Proverbs 16:24](#): “Pleasant words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the bones.”

We must pass all three of these gates before we speak. For every word we say and every action we take, a Christian should go through a mental checklist like this. It is a list so abrupt, memorable, and concise that we can apply it in the moment before we open our mouth—or not, which seems to be the case given all the unkind words and actions that people express daily. I would surmise that *all gossip* would get stuck in one or more of “Solomon’s Gates.”

Reciprocity

I recently had a discussion with my son about his childhood, and this cliché, “Be nice. And you know what that means,” came up. He said, “Of course you should be nice, but not at the expense of your own well-being.” His thinking seems to be that if someone’s demands diminish him, then he will not be as effective at helping.

The second half of his comment is troubling. [Jesus Christ](#) would give me a hearty “Wrong!” if I had made that statement. He says in [Luke 6:32-35](#) during His Sermon on the Plain:

If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive back, what credit is that to you? For even sinners lend to sinners to receive as much back. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High.

Jesus is saying that whatever we do, it should be completely without a desire for reciprocity—the expectation of getting something in return.

If we expect something in return, we are no different than the mafia. In the scene in *The Godfather* at his daughter Connie’s wedding, Amerigo Bonasera, the undertaker, has a problem of double reciprocity. Bonasera would not call himself a friend of the Don because he did not want to be associated with the mafia. But now, he suddenly needs the Don because his daughter, Maria, has been beaten by some society boys, and the cops will not help, so he asks the Don for help.

To paraphrase the Don’s response: “You shoulda been my friend, and people would have feared you. But now, you gotta call me Godfather. And you will owe me a favor someday.” Bonasera is now no more than just another common criminal paying the mafia for protection. This Godfather story contains other parallels. Had this little undertaker not denied his protector, he would have been protected even before he asked!

If we *withhold* kindness because we count the cost to ourselves and find it too dear, what does that say about our sanctification? What does that say about our pride? Are we so important and worth so much that it is not worth stopping to help someone? [Luke 6:33](#) makes it clear: When we do so, we are no different from an ordinary sinner, criminal, derelict, or godless person who at least understands reciprocity. “Give to me, for I have given to you.”

There may seem to be reciprocity in the example prayer given by Jesus Christ, when He says, “Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors” ([Matthew 6:12](#)), but it is not the same thing. God will be kind to us as we are kind to others. There is no word in the English language that represents this concept except in the biblical context. “Altruism” and “beneficence” are close, as is the modern concept of “paying it forward.”

Doing the right thing simply because it is written on our heart, and not only because God expects us to do it, is the ultimate destination. In [Daniel 3:17-18](#), Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego know what they will do whether God delivers them or not:

If that is the case, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O king. But if not, let it be known to you, O king, that we do not serve your gods, nor will we worship the gold image which you have set up.

In a similar way, godly kindness must be freely given with no expectation of repayment. Where both parties get something,

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it is just a business deal. God is not in “The Art of the Deal.”

Joy in Giving

When dealing with a new baby or a parent who is growing helpless, our ability to be kind is challenged. When put upon by someone in need, we tend to feel resentment, an attitude difficult to repress. But a true response in kindness comes naturally when we cease resisting and submit ourselves to God in humility. Being kind in this way is a **fruit of the Spirit** (Galatians 5:22).

There is biblical precedent in experiencing joy when giving:

» In **John 13:17** (KJV), Jesus, speaking of being a servant during the footwashing, says, “If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.”

» Then, of course, there is the example of Jesus Christ Himself who, for the joy that was set before Him, endured the cross (**Hebrews 12:2**).

We should learn to enjoy giving of ourselves, and when we do, God, too, will be pleased! Hebrews 13:16 reads, “But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.”

The command to “Be nice” came from a pagan hippie. He was a nice boy, yet not entirely wrong. But with God, there is a whole lot more to the story.

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Republicans, Democrats Stop: Playing king of the world. Making the war between Ukraine and Russia America’s war is dangerous, endless folly. **President Trump, this is what you should do regarding the war in Ukraine.** Stop sending Ukraine weapons and money and make this statement publicly: **Europe, Ukraine, and Russia negotiate terms of peace without America. Or continue the war and fight to the bloody end.**

Negotiate terms of peace without any promises of money, weapons, “deals” or threats from America. Or promises from America to “rebuild Ukraine.” If Ukraine is to finally be rebuilt the money to do so must come from Europe, Ukraine, and Russia not America. **Russian victory would save America Billions.** If Russia controls Ukraine - Russia rebuilds Ukraine. If Europe, Ukraine, and Russia come to terms of peace they rebuild Ukraine without robbing American taxpayers.

Proverbs 26:17 “Like one who seizes a dog by the ear, is a passer-by who meddles in strife not his own.”

President Trump Divorce America from Nato. Realize Europe is not your friend, or “free” America’s friend. If Democrats won the election in November 2024 and controlled congress you would have been arrested by the **international criminal court.** Kamala Harris and democrats would have handed you over to the UK ICC. Donald you and Elon Musk both arrested and charged for violating Europe’s “Non-Offence Law.” For allowing free speech on Truth Social” and X. England Parliament and Ukraine both would have supported your arrest. Elon Musk businesses

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are being fined billions by the UK for allowing free speech.

President Trump, make Europe pay additional - tariff penalties – for violating “freedom of speech” to pander for Muslim votes and Devil-Media praise. And tariff fine Brazil for not allowing free speech. Donald what will happen to you, Elon, and free speech, when democrats control the presidency and congress again? Escape to Israel, or Russia? Ukraine never, Zelenskyy, follows the Muslim dominated, ICC!

If I lived in England and called a man who calls himself “transgender” a homosexual, fraud pretending to be a woman. I would be charged with violating England’s “Non-Offence Law” for “misgendering” a homosexual pervert who “misgenders” himself.

And if I called Muhammad a false prophet, and said Jesus Christ is the only way to God - John 14:6 - not Muhammad. I would be in violation of England’s “Non-Offence Law” arrested and charged. Muslim-Madness: All must honor Muslim doctrine is law in Europe. But, Christian, Jews and anyone who believes Jesus Christ are targets of parliaments, Muslims, and sexual perverts.

The Democratic party is a criminal political mob and - enemy of America that serves the party Not America. They hate the “God Fearing Men” God used as America’s founders. America, God must be honored as the founder not men.

Honor God as America’s founder and the Son of God: ***With a Giant Cross on Mount Rushmore high above the carved images of the founders. Not to worship, but as a “witness” that “God is sovereign and merciful. No likeness of the Son of God on the cross, that would violate God’s word.***

The King given the mind of an animal, why? Daniel 4:17 “That the living may know the Most High is sovereign over the kingdoms of men and gives them to anyone he wishes and sets over them the lowliest of men.” Republicans stop calling America the “greatest” nation: Pride leads national leaders to make reckless decisions. Only God is Great.

“Democracy” is a Phantom: God sets up world leaders to - Test, Rebuke, Destroy, or Bless Nations! Joe Biden’s presidency was God’s Rebuke to LGBT depraved America and test: Are most Americans content with democratic party, deception is truth, delusions is reality and evil is a really good religion? If God’s word is not the Anchor of your conscious, Devil-Media will be your conscious.

President Trump: Honoring what God decreed evil is Devil-Worship. Children K-12 LGBT indoctrinated. Ban K-12 sex-ed that is your business not Ukraine. Doing that will shine light and truth worldwide. The Devil’s faithful in congress, parliaments, and among judges will expose themselves; justifying those who parade sin against God.

Jesus Christ is “King of The World” Matthew 28:18. In the beginning God “separated light from darkness” Genesis 1:4, today free speech, and this “good news” will do the same: The Son of God, crucified, paid our debt of sin - is the great light that shines today and beyond the grave.

America’s greatest enemy and enemy of “free speech” is the democratic party, not Russia or China. God is a “jealous God” and decrees “you shall have no other (king) “beside me” Exodus 20:3. **FORWARD TO PRESIDENT TRUMP.**

Letter

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Hi Laura, thank you so much for posting these appeals and for making introductions.

It's refreshing to meet people hungry for God's word, especially those who share it with others.

Your newsletter is refreshing also. I'm glad you are willing to volunteer your time and energy. You are definitely sharing

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the Word and helping people make connections. Your compassion for others is inspiring.

Sending out an issue every two weeks is still much more frequent than most publications. Also, I'm sure it takes a lot of your time, and once a week was too much, although it was much appreciated.

Thank you so much for always posting updates for Hands of Hope and other worthy causes. You are the only person I know of who does this regularly.

Happy Sabbath to you as always 😊

Letter

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Good morning and happy Sabbath. 😊

Thank you as always for including letters from our overseas brethren.

Kasuba Manad is from Nchelenge, about 85 km from Obed Mambwe in Kawambwa. They are both from Luapula Province, but in different districts, named after the principal cities.

Thanks to you for making introductions possible between them. They had not heard of one another, even though they are both Sabbath keepers who have been searching for the truth. They have seen that the SDAs, although sincere, have lost much of the truth, although they are the only branch of the original organization that still keeps the Sabbath. When the SDA leaders learned Ellen G White's writings were plagiarized from her own library (that was common back then), they decided to hide that fact, which caused a division within their organization. There will always be division between those who speak the truth and those who choose a lie.

Why Keep the Sabbath?

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Dear Friends and Brethren,

Most professing Christian Churches keep Sunday as their day of worship. Have you ever stopped to ask why? Where in the Bible is Sunday commanded to be kept as a weekly day of rest and worship?

If you keep the Sabbath on the day commanded by God for it to be kept, the seventh day of the week, according to the sacred calendar, the way God counts days as recorded in Scripture, has anyone ever asked you why you keep it as noted? Would you be able to give a clear explanation? In the sermon posted for today, which I have edited and re-posted, "[Why Keep the Sabbath?](#)", I discuss why the Sabbath, the real Sabbath, the Biblical Sabbath, should be kept by anyone who claims to be a Christian.

Indeed, the Sabbath was made at the time God **refashioned** the earth as a habitation for life, and made the first human beings, as recounted in the first two chapters of Genesis, and it was made not only for the Jews, none of whom existed at the time, but for man (mankind; Mark 2:27). So, from that standpoint, everyone should be keeping it.

Editor's Note:

There is no scripture in the bible that tells us the earth was “refashioned” (as in what is commonly referred to as “the gap theory”). The words used throughout scripture are “created” and “made”. The gap theory is a man-

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made theory based on two scriptures, Genesis 1:1-2 which actually say nothing about refashioning the earth. Laura Lee

This same information is covered in written form, with additional material, in an article on our website titled "**Why Christians Should Keep the Sabbath**." Even if you've already read it, it might be worthwhile to review it occasionally as a reminder.

In Christian love,
Rod Reynolds

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Why Study the Bible?

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Dear Friends and Brethren,

Of all the countless books that have been written, is there any that reliably answers the most fundamental and important questions of life? Why do we exist? What is our nature? Is there a God, and if so, what is God like? What does God expect of us? Can we know the true God? Does God love us? Is there a path that can put an end to violence, unnecessary suffering and sorrow? What happens when we die? Is there a way to eternal life, and if so, what is it?

Believe it or not, there is such a book, a book that has the answers to these questions, and other questions vital to the life of every human. That book is called the Bible. The Bible is unlike any other, and has no equal, because it is God's revelation to mankind of knowledge that can be found in no other source.

For today's message, I have edited and re-posted "**Why Study the Bible?**" In this message you're invited to consider specific reasons why you should make it a daily practice to study the Bible. Also posted on our website are several articles providing guidance in how to study the Bible effectively for maximum benefit. You can search titles at the following link: "**Search titles**."

In Christian love,
Rod Reynolds

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New American Standard Bible (Proverbs 27:17)
As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.

Holy Days 2025

Passover – April 13, 2025 (Observed at Sunset the Evening Before)

Passover/Unleavened Bread – April 13-19, 2025

Pentecost – June 2, 2025

Trumpets – September 23, 2025

Atonement – October 2, 2025

Tabernacles –October 7, 2025, to October 13, 2025

Last Great Day – October 14, 2025

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