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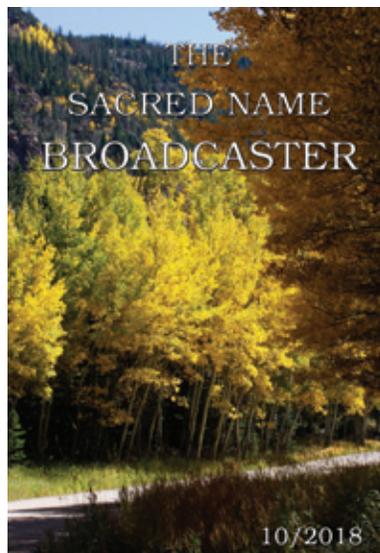
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Each year, after a chilling frost, Yahweh paints the forests with His colorful brush. Secular teaching, however, denies the existence of a Creator, attributing Yahweh's Creation to happenstance.

Yahweh's Word, however, declares that "He has made the earth by his power; he has established the world by his wisdom..." (Jeremiah 10:12a). "O Yahweh, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all: The earth is full of your riches." (Psalm 104:24).

Can we acknowledge Yahweh's creating hand in all that is around us? Yahweh, in His infinite wisdom, has given us the seasons of the year to remind us that "this too shall pass," His Kingdom is soon to be established on this earth. "For as the earth brings forth its bud, and as the garden causes the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Sovereign Yahweh will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations." (Isaiah 61:11).

Do You Keep Pagan Holidays,

OR



Yahweh's Holy Days?

by Elder Jacob O. Meyer

Throughout the summer months, most people work diligently at their vocations. Even though few may be engaged in agriculture, nevertheless, summer affords an opportunity for everyone to accomplish all kinds of tasks around our homes that have been set aside during cold weather months. Some people are

able to take a leisurely vacation during the summer months, and this absorbs their time.

The sequence of days during the summer months are interrupted by three holidays here in the United States: Memorial Day, Fourth of July, and Labor Day. Although some of these holidays result from patriotic observances, it seems as though they are scheduled to occur with

some degree of regularity, and they relieve the monotony of work days.

Following Labor Day, several months elapse until, in the fall, three holidays with religious overtones occur in consecutive months.

Let us take a closer look at them to determine if the True Worshiper should engage in worship, or the observance, of these days at that time of year.

Halloween—A Preoccupation With Death

In the fall of the year, one can not help but notice the unusually large number of discussions that were published in the news media expressing great concern regarding the trends bent toward violence and Satan worship in celebrating this fall holiday. The celebration has been presented throughout christianity as a very innocent day of fun and frolic. However, many historians trace the Halloween observance to the date associated with the Roman feast of Pomona—a female mighty one who blessed the people with fruits and seed and was honored after the time of the fall harvest.

Other commentators have traced the Halloween dating and practices to an ancient New Year festival that was celebrated by the Druids in the British Isles. At that time of year, the Druids honored their dead ancestors. It was said to have been the date

upon which the mighty one of death recalled the souls of the dead back from the bodies of the animals in which they had been condemned to inhabit the year before. He would, on that day, decide what animal form these spirits of the dead would be required to inhabit for the coming year.

A philosophy and religion professor at a local college here in Pennsylvania made the observation, *“The problem with Halloween is that no one knows a lot about it, although there has been an attempt to link it to the Druids, the Celts, the Vikings, and Nordic religion.”*

In the book, **The American Book of Days**, by G. W. Douglas, a passage is quoted as saying, *“The witches held a party on Halloween and the women who seemed like other people during the rest of the year, but had sold their souls to the devil, would put a stick in their beds anointed with the fat of murdered babies. This stick would change itself into their likeness and they could fly up a chimney on a broom stick attended by black cats.”* Undoubtedly, the reference to the murdered babies harks back to human sacrifice.

Why do children today dress up in masks with hatchets sticking in their heads? Why do they dress in garbs of death? Why

is there a demonic, Satanist atmosphere attached to the celebration of the day? These customs and their recent trends originated somewhere.

The Druids (a priestly religious order of the Celts) undoubtedly had something to do with originating the modern-day observance of Halloween. Since they specified their new year to begin on November 1, they proclaimed an end-of-the-year festival of Samhain—the mighty one of death. Huge bonfires were lit (undoubtedly in honor of the worship of the sun), horses and, sometimes, humans were sacrificed, and everyone was on the lookout for evil spirits and ghosts.

When the Roman Catholic Church began expanding, their priests found converts who intended to retain the Celtic celebration of Samhain. If they tried to squash the pagan customs, the Catholic missionary priests believed, people would rebel against the new religion. If they handed out notices of excommunication, the church would lose many of their new members. Consequently, the Roman Catholic priesthood decided to allow the pagans to retain their customs, but to also Christianize the festival (and other obviously pagan practices) as a religious holiday. This is how the Roman Catholic



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Ch-rch assimilated customs that were derived from a pagan origin.

To retain All Souls Day, the ch-rch fathers specified November 1 as All Hallows Day. The night before was celebrated as All Hallow Even, or All Hallowe'en (Halloween).

We have already mentioned the bonfires which were obviously lit in celebration of sun worship. As the cool fall weather deepened and the sun receded further south, the pagan people needed something to remind themselves of the warm summer sun; therefore, they lit bonfires. Bonfires then took on a sacred significance to remind them of the sun.

However, there is more to this English term *bonfires* than meets the eye. *Bonfire* has a highly unusual meaning (from the **Webster's New World Dictionary**, Second College Edition): "*bonfire n. [ME. banefyre, lit. bone fire; later, funeral pyre] a large fire built out-of-doors.*" How astounding!

Isn't it amazing how this connection is made between death and bonfire in the etymology of the term? Obviously, the bone fire was used to immolate people who had died and is obviously reminiscent of ancient human sacrifices, or of death generally.

The Celts believed that the spirits of the dead ones would

come back and demand food during the Samhain festival. If they didn't get it, they would cast an evil spell on all those who refused to give them anything. This would undoubtedly be the origin of trick-or-treat.

The Irish apparently brought the jack-o-lanterns from Europe. They had a legend, in which one particular Jack—who was refused admission to both heaven and hell—ended up roaming the earth with his lantern. A jack-o'-lantern was made from a hollowed out turnip with a live coal inside. The coal was said to have been supplied by the Devil himself. Other vegetables used for lanterns were rutabagas and finally pumpkins. Today we find that jack-o'-lanterns are carved out of pumpkins but are still reminiscent of the Jack who was condemned by Satan to wander the earth. Can the True Worshiper engage in such obvious paganism? Obviously not!

American Thanksgiving Celebration

During the early weeks of November throughout the United States, preparations are being made for what has become known as "T-Day," or "Turkey Day." The concept of thanking an Almighty Being for the blessings

we have so generously received from Him is far from the minds of the average individual. Usually, the people only look forward to having a day or two off work and to indulging in a sumptuous feast featuring roast turkey.

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After planting and harvesting an abundant crop, the Pilgrim colony of Plymouth, Massachusetts, wished to give thanks to the Almighty for sparing them, since so many of the colonists had died that first winter. Thereupon, Governor William Bradford declared a day of feasting to commemorate their thanksgiving. The first thanksgiving feast is reliably reported to have been held from October 3 to 6, 1621. A later record in the annals of the Plymouth colony lists 20 additional thanksgiving festivals held over the next 50 years. However, the early October dat-

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ing is certainly much more in agreement with the date of the scriptural Feast of Tabernacles.

In 1789, the Congress of the United States recommended that a universal Thanksgiving Day be established. President George Washington appointed Thursday, November 26, as the national American Thanksgiving Day. After a while, it was moved forward to the third Thursday of the month of November.

Many authors, however, recognized the relationship between the biblical Feast of Tabernacles and the American Thanksgiving Day. They cannot, however, justify the discrepancy between the dates that are observed.

As a matter of fact, the Canadian Thanksgiving Day is observed the second Monday of October—a time which more accurately corresponds with the

Feast of Tabernacles held in the seventh-scriptural month. But, if so close, why not celebrate a Thanksgiving Day during the time that Yahweh designates a time of thanksgiving?

How did November come to be chosen as the date for the thanksgiving feast here in America? Could it possibly have come out of the Bible? Actually the Bible shows that King Jeroboam of the 10-tribed, northern House of Israel originally designated the day: ***“And Jeroboam ordained a feast in the eighth month, on the fifteenth day of the month, like the feast that is in Judah, and he went up to the altar; so he did in Beth-el, sacrificing to the calves that he had made: and he placed in Beth-el the priests of the high places that he had made. And he went up to the***

altar which he had made in Beth-el on the fifteenth day in the eighth month, even in the month which he had devised of his own heart: and he ordained a feast for the children of Israel, and went up to the altar, to burn incense.” (1 Kings 12:32-33).

The 15th day of the eighth scriptural month in many years falls near or on the date of the American Thanksgiving Day! Amazing, don't you think? Yet, here is proof that the American Thanksgiving Day is designated to circumvent the Law of Yahweh.

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or early October. It is surprising, however, how sometimes the American Thanksgiving Day does indeed fall within the week of the Feast of Tabernacles as it would be observed in the eighth month of the time which Jeroboam specified.

Should the True Worshiper then celebrate a day so closely related to a change in Yahweh's Laws? Please read Daniel 7:25-26. Will you continue to support a change in Yahweh's Laws by observing a day that is not scriptural? Perhaps you will some day regret your actions when you stand before the judgment seat of the Messiah.

The Chr-stmas and New Year Celebration

As the month of December draws to a close, perhaps the most popular holiday of the year occurs. Usually people today will acknowledge that they will work 364 days each year, but, on Chr-stmas day, they will not work. Why should this day be so holy in the minds of people who rarely, if ever, concern themselves with any religion?

Most people will tell you that they are celebrating the birthday of the Messiah by keeping December 25. As a matter of fact, from the first chapter of Luke, we can systematically trace the progression of events from the annunciation by the angel to Zachariah concerning the birth of his son, John (who became the Baptizer), to the annunciation to the virgin Miriam (not Mary—which would be Maria), of the birth of her son, Yahshua the Messiah, in Bethlehem. However, most people do not concern themselves with understanding the meaning of the words they are reading nor of finding their antecedents in the Old

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Testament Hebrew Scriptures. Consequently, they do not understand that the term—course of Abiyah—served to designate a certain period of time.

Specifying December 25 as the birth of the Messiah did not occur until about 225 years after His birth. A Roman historian, Julius Sextus Africanus, in the year 221 suggested that the birth of the Messiah occurred on December 25.

December 25, or the winter solstice, had been a pagan holiday that harks all the way back to ancient Babylon. Nimrod was executed for idolatry by his great-uncle Shem. Nimrod's wife, Semiramis, thereafter bore a child who she claimed was Nimrod reincarnated. She called his name Tammuz. She depicted his birth as the reincarnation of Nimrod, a tree who had been cut down. From a dead tree stump

sprang up a new little sprout of a tree. Consequently, we have the origin of tree worship by putting up and decorating Chr-stmas trees at that season of year, which ultimately depicts Nimrod's rebirth.

The Romans observed their feasts—Saturnalia, Brumalia, and Bacchanalia—at virtually this same time of year during which the world today observes Chr-stmas. Many of the customs related to these pagan observances are, today, attached to the Chr-stmas celebration. Things like the boar's-head festival, having pork on Xmas day for the Chr-stmas feast, drinking huge amounts of alcoholic beverages, closing the schools, courts, government offices, and businesses generally, along with the setting up of a tree, were all part of the ancient pagan Roman observance. In fact, the Roman feasts were actually given the name—Paganalia (pagan feasts). How about that?

The Roman Catholic Church had a proclivity for sanctifying, or Christianizing, paganism. From a substitution of the names of idols for the name of the True and living Elohim, Yahweh, and the Name of His Son, Yahshua the Messiah, to incorporating holidays previously observed by pagan people, the Roman Catholic priesthood has been instrumental in not converting the people of the world to the worship of the Bible. Rather, they proof text idolatrous doctrines and practices from pages of the Scripture and of approving them for Messianic worship. Protestantism has followed their mother.

Again, building a fire comprises a central theme of this worldly holiday. The modern-day burning of the yule log, the



burning of the greens, candle lighting, and other fire ceremonies, take us back again to human sacrifices, and the death of the old year, with the bonfire (bone fire) to mark its funeral pyre.

On January 1, the world celebrates a new year. But Yahweh's new year is scheduled for celebration in the month of Abib, which falls around the end of March, or the beginning of April. Nevertheless, the Xmas-New Year celebration makes a convenient eight-day celebration to substitute for Yahweh's Feast of Tabernacles. Yahweh has commanded us to observe His holy days, and He has given us a calendar in the heavens which we must follow to set His holy days as He wishes them to be

kept. Yahweh's new year does not begin in the middle of winter, but the new year of this worldly system begins then, because that was the time when the sun had noticeably begun its northward journey after going far to the south.

Did you know that our calendar today preserves the number of the months which is according to the biblical calendar? September, October, November, December mean seven, eight, nine, and ten in Latin, but today they are the ninth, tenth, eleventh, and twelfth months of our common calendar which follows a solar calendar.

Yahweh's new year begins in the spring with the new growing season. He wanted us to remember the agricultural season in

Israel, which constitutes the outline for His plan of salvation.

Yahweh's Feasts or Pagan Holidays

In a recent religious publication, the author of an article titled, "**Symbols of Chr-stmas,**" sought to attach each individual who read it to an emotional remembrance of the Chr-stmas celebration. He began his article by quoting Exodus 13:14, which relates to Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread. This passage has nothing whatsoever to do with Chr-stmas! This is how Chr-stianity misquotes and misapplies the Sacred Scriptures constantly.

Furthermore, the author tries to prove text the acceptability of the Chr-stmas tree when he explains, "*For example, we could put up the Chr-stmas tree because its that time of year, or we could point out that some 400 years ago a LEGEND holds that Martin Luther in Germany saw a lofty pine against a night sky with stars shining through the trees. That night a glittering tree blazing with stars simulated by bright candles was Luther's gift to his loved ones and to the world. He is credited with cutting the first yule tree and covering it with lights. In addition, the trees are always evergreens, symbolizing the life which is ours in [Yahshua the Messiah]-a life of union with him into everlasting life. The tree has a strong trunk, and so must the Chr-stian life be strong at the center where [the Messiah] himself dwells, rooted and grounded in love.*"

There is no scriptural passage one could quote to substantiate putting up a Chr-stmas tree to commemorate December 25. Rather, evidently, the author did not know Jeremiah 10:1-4.

Let us consider the passage now, **“Hear the word which Yahweh speaks to you, O house of Israel: Thus says Yahweh, Learn not the way of the nations, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the nations are dismayed at them. For the customs of the peoples are vanity; for one cuts a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman with the axe. They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it moves not.”**

In seeking proof for the star on top of the tree, the author of this article says, *“The tree tapers toward a point and reaches upward toward heaven, and so does the life of the Christian. The tree gives out its light, and that is the way [the Messiah] is often referred to in the Bible—the light of the world. Our tree at home has a star, and so do many others (although angels are also a popular topping for the tree).*

The star symbolizes the star of Bethlehem which guided the wise men to the babe in the manger. Chr-stmas is rich in meaningful symbols when we know the meaning.”

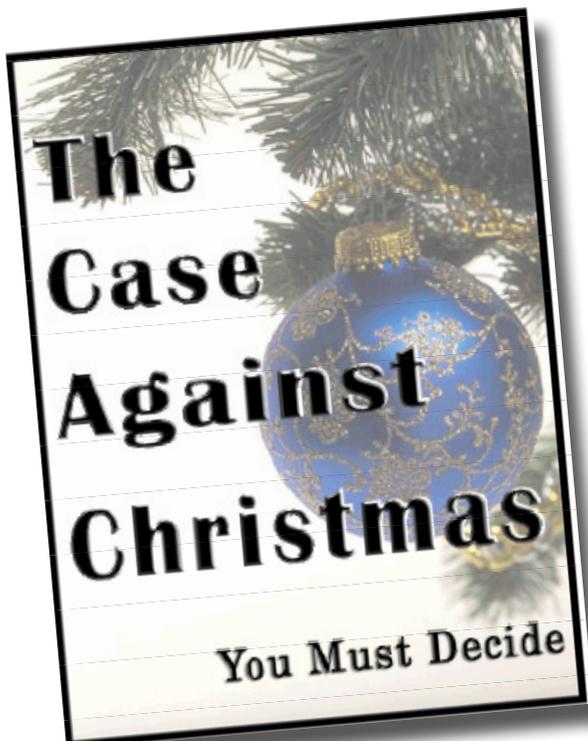
It is obvious, however, that he does not know the meaning of the symbols! The Chr-stmas tree is condemned without reservation in the Sacred Scriptures. Was it really a star, or was it an angel that led the wise men? If it was an angel that led the wise men (who were the *magoy, magi*—magicians) to Bethlehem, they pronounced doom upon the entire region, since all the children under the age of two were slaughtered when those travelers from the East did not reappear before King Herod in Jerusalem.

So common among Christian clergymen, we find thoughts and ideas such as he included in the following quote: *“But romanticism does not have to be escapism. It can be realistic if its meaning is implemented in our lives. When the ‘new branch from*

the old root’ enters into our lives and changes them, it becomes real. In that day ‘the nations will rally to him’ and it will surely be a time of well-being and peace, and it will be real. Romanticism becomes real when the message becomes a real part of our lives.”

Why do people keep pagan holidays? Because they are so romantically and emotionally ingrained within their memories, lifestyles, and the very being of the people of this world.

We would challenge each one of the readers of this magazine to write in for free articles on the subject of these fall holidays that will be offered in conjunction with this article. Write in and request your in-depth studies of Halloween, Thanksgiving Day, and Chr-stmas. Then, do as the members of the Assemblies of Yahweh have done—begin to keep Yahweh’s holy days rather than the pagan holidays of this world. SNB



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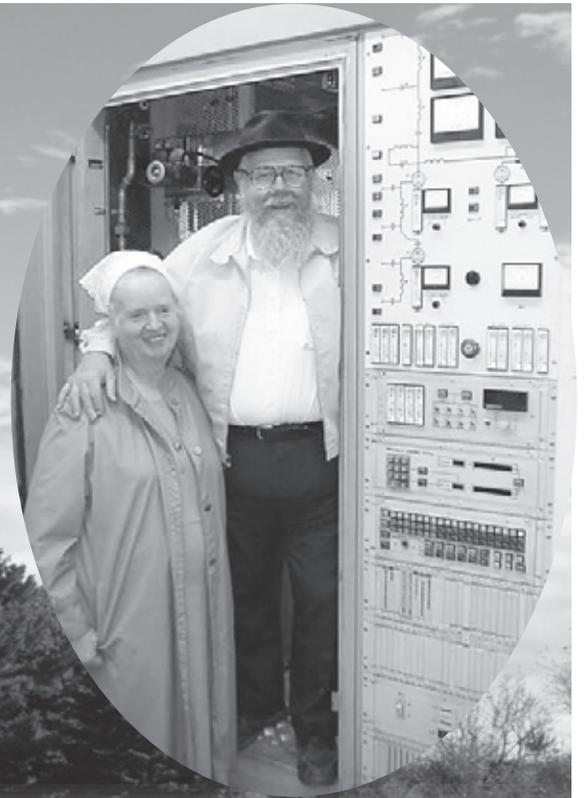
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MARCION

—*Deceptive Heretic* *Exposed!*

by *Elder Jacob O. Meyer*

It is no secret that the religion of nominal christianity today is diametrically different from that which was taught by the Apostolic Assembly.

By making an unbiased study of the teachings of the Messiah in the books of the four evangelists (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), it is obvious that the Messiah taught His followers obedience to the commandments of the Heavenly Father. For example, He informed His audience during the Sermon on the Mount that He had not come to destroy the Law, or the prophets, but to fulfill and perform their predicted messages (Matthew 5:17-20). He even made the alarming statement that unless our righteousness would exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, we could in no case enter into the Kingdom of the Heavens.

We find that upon being asked what good (necessary) thing a man would have to do to enter into the Kingdom, the startling

reply of Yahshua the Messiah has reverberated through the ages via the record of Matthew, ***“If you would enter into life, keep the commandments!”*** (Matthew 19:17).

In subsequent verses, Yahshua even enumerates commandments which we are to keep. Some misguided commentators assert that all of the other scriptural commandments were annulled, but this would be a total distortion of the facts, since Yahshua the Messiah would never be able to displace, replace, or annul any commandments which legislated our conduct in personal worship and respect for the Heavenly Father.

This is substantiated candidly in His summary of the importance of the commandments in Matthew 22:35-40. Yahshua explains in this passage that the greatest commandment is to love Yahweh our Mighty One with all of our heart, soul, and mind. Would the Son be honoring the Father, showing love for

Him, by doing away with His commandments? Hardly!

In fact, Yahshua the Messiah becomes most dogmatic when He states that the Holy Spirit of Yahweh will be sent only to those who keep the commandments. This startling revelation emerges from a study of John 14:15-27. The Apostles taught this identical message in Acts 5:32. Study these basic passages carefully, so that you will not be swayed from a life of obedience to Yahweh, which is possible only through keeping His Laws, commandments, and statutes.

The New Testament Apostles preached the same message as did Yahshua the Messiah. How could they be called His followers if they did not keep His commandments and live as He had taught them? **Paul** told the Corinthian brethren of the Assemblies of Yahweh to follow him just as far as he followed the Messiah (1 Corinthians 11:1). Paul stated absolutely that he did not make void the Law of

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PETER informed his readers that they were to uphold Yahshua the Messiah as an example, because He did not sin (break the law), neither was falsehood (guile) found in His mouth (1 Peter 2:21-25).

Yahweh through faith, but, in reality, in his ministry he established and strengthened the Law (Romans 3:31).

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John summarizes the message of Yahshua the Messiah when He says that the one who keeps the commandments is blessed and will be given the right to partake of the fruit of the tree of life, even to be able to enter into the gates of the New Jerusalem (Revelation 12:17; 14:12; 22:14).

Now we are confronted with an enigma! How can we resolve the baffling fact that the **ch-rches of nominal Chr-stianity teach a doctrine of disobedience to the commandments of the Old Testament?** Surely the teachings of nominal Chr-stianity cannot be harmonized with what the Old Testament teaches, starting from the first commandment (which legislates that we are to use a specific Name when we call upon the Almighty in our worship of Him) through the fourth commandment (which legislates on a special day each week wherein He holds court and the specific day of each week [the seventh day] on which we are to appear to offer our personal worship to Him).

Solomon, in Ecclesiastes

12:13, summarizes the central message of the entire Bible when He says, ***“Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: all has been heard: fear Elohim, and keep his commandments; for this is the whole of man.”*** Solomon could write those words only because he had learned that the Law of Yahweh would endure, stand, and remain fixed concretely for all ages, because it had been stated as such in Deuteronomy 5:29. Yahweh had directed him to read a portion of the book of Deuteronomy every day in his office as king of Israel (Deuteronomy 17:14-20). Solomon failed to live up to the prescribed biblical standards, because he was carnal. However, if we are to become kings and priests in the Kingdom of Yahweh, we should be learning these dynamic lessons now, reading in the book of Deuteronomy every day so that we will not make the same mistakes which led to the downfall of King Solomon.

The only avenue available to the naturally disobedient people, who desired to be in True Worship and yet do as they pleased, was to begin teaching a different doctrinal message. Paul pronounced a double curse upon anyone who preached a doctrine different to that which he was preaching at that time, even if it could conceivably be an angel from heaven (Galatians 1:6-12 and 2 Corinthians 11:12-15). Then he continued to inform his readers unmistakably that the mystery of iniquity (lawlessness) was already at work in his day and that this mysterious spiritual cancer would finally come to a climax just before the Savior would return. In fact, he stated plainly that the Messiah

Yahshua could not return until this degeneration took place. Read 2 Thessalonians chapter 2.

Where was that mysterious influence of lawlessness already evident during the time of Paul and becoming a widespread menace? Paul said in Romans 3:7-8, ***“But if the truth of Yahweh through my lie [Paul lying? Incredible!] increased to his glory, why am I also still judged as a sinner [a Law breaker]? And why not (as we are slanderously reported [someone was lying about Paul and saying that he was teaching doctrines which, in fact, he was not teaching], and as some affirm that we say), Let us do evil [meaning to break Yahweh’s Laws, claiming to have license to do as one pleased], that good may come? Whose condemnation is just.*** [Paul was pronouncing judgment upon them and punishment for their corrupt teachings which they are doing in the name of Paul.]” Notice carefully that Paul was directing this candid, pointed, plainspoken, and unvarnished corrective exhortation at the Assembly of Yahweh located in **ROME!**

Now our curiosity should be aroused, and this will give rise to a question. “Who in Rome could be preaching a mysterious doctrine of iniquity (lawlessness)?” This is readily answered by tracing the life history of a man named in Acts chapter 8. This man, called Simon (no less), was baptized by Deacon Philip on an evangelistic tour, and he followed Philip, marveling at the tremendous miracles and signs which were being done in Yahshua’s Name. Simon himself desired to have this kind of Holy Spirit-motivated power, but was either unwilling, or unable, to

pay the price, which demands living a perfect life of obedience to Yahweh (Acts 5:32). (He is given the title—*Magus, Magoi*—magician.)

When Peter and John came to Samaria to lay hands on the repentant and now baptized people, so that they could receive the Holy Spirit, Simon Magus offered money to the Apostles so that they would sell him a portion of this power also. Peter harshly rebuked this unrighteous, unrepentant man and told him that the reason he (Simon) could not receive this power from on high was because his heart was not right with Yahweh. Apparently, sin was still evident in Simon’s life. Peter probably read Deuteronomy 29:10-21 to this wicked man, and Simon began to beg for mercy and prayer so that none of the curses would be poured out upon him.

This particular Simon was not Yahshua’s Apostle by that name (Simon Peter, or Cepha), but a pagan magician. In Greek, the word for *magician* is *magus*. Ecclesiastical historians report his activities extensively and reveal that he followed the disciple Peter about, to engineer continual confrontations with the evangelistic Apostle, in order to undermine the message of Messiah. Simon evidently desired to be known as a Messianic figure. Simon Magus was always repulsed by the able Apostle, however.

Ultimately, Simon Magus’ travels took him to Rome, where he attempted to fly to prove that he had divine power, but he fell and broke his thigh and ankle. In another account, he had himself buried alive, predicting that he would rise again on the third day (to impersonate the Savior), but he died and remained dead

(naturally) proving that his attempted sensational theatrics did not meet with the approval of Yahweh Elohim, our Heavenly Father. Simon Magus consorted with a woman named Helena, a prostitute of Tyre, who had quite a checkered history herself.

This man, Simon Magus, apparently was able to divert many people from the Truth of the Messianic message, superimposing his own personal image over that of the Apostle Simon Peter (Cepha). He even succeeded in largely distorting the True message of the Messiah so that the perverted message began to be believed as the Truth which the Savior had taught. Apparently his counterfeit doctrine appealed to some people who followed him. To promulgate a no-Law doctrine, in opposition of biblical Truth, required no little persuasion. To accomplish this end, apparently Simon Magus enlisted the pagan Babylonian priesthood, by this time situated in Rome.

From Rome, this pseudo Apostolic message, which had been taught by Simon Magus, began to be preached around the known world as originating from “the eternal city,” the center of world government and culture at that time. How gullible people are to believe such a fabricated fiction, because your Bible designates that Jerusalem shall be called the eternal city, the place from which pure worship is to be preached (see Psalm 87, Micah 4:2 and Ezekiel 43:7). Nevertheless, the false message which was preached by this minister of Satan, Simon Magus, and Helena, his harlot consort, has been believed and taught as Bible Truth for centuries.

However, the New Testament Apostolic Assembly was still viable just after the death of the

disciples of the Messiah. These men had taught other men who were steadfastly faithful to the doctrine of the Messiah (which was obedience to the commandments of the Heavenly Father, John 7:16-19). Please read 2 Timothy 2:2.

While the false worship, which had been subtly originated by Simon Magus (who proclaimed himself to be a deity) made a broad impact, it by no means was able to obliterate the Truth of Yahweh. The reason for this is that the Apostles and their students were still preaching the Word, meaning the Old Testament Scriptures, proving the Messiah out of the Law, the Psalms, and the Prophets (Luke 24:44-48; 2 Timothy 3:14-17 and 4:2). The books which you know today as the New Testament were not in wide circulation at this time, since the Old Testament continued to be read, and, many times, the Messianic worshipers were still a sect adhering to the fringes of the Jewish synagogue worship.

Now the problem presented itself to the forces of evil seeking to divert people away from the worship of Yahweh and Yahshua the Messiah. How were they to impose their own erroneous doctrines upon a religion which was basically Hebrew in nature?

These persistent Messianic Worshipers, who were using the Old Testament as a basis for their worship, would never yield to the erroneous doctrines of Simon Magus as long as they adhered tenaciously to that ancient book. The obvious answer is this: remove the Old Testament from Messianic worship, and one can impose any doctrine which one cares to assimilate, because the anchors which held True Believers to the firm, established

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Enter Marcion

This man began his work as early as the year 110-120 Common Era, according to some historians. Marcion may have been a disciple, or student, of Simon Magus, or of his consort Helena, or their immediate followers. His subsequent actions support this conclusion completely. His personal theory, which he sought to impose upon the True Worship, was that the Old Testament had been done away with (annulled) when the Savior died and was no longer applicable to the Messianic religion. "Now True Worship had entered a new concept, a new Covenant," he said, subsequent to the death of the Messiah! "The

Messianic worship is a **New Testament** religion. Use only the New Testament to preach the New Testament religion and even edit that volume to limit it to the Apostles and the Epistles (notably the writings of Luke and Paul). Make the True New Testament Worship really **NEW!**"

These diabolically inspired ideas were set forth by Marcion and his followers. In order to bolster their case, they even supplied the world with the first canon of the books which they desired to see in the New Testament, made up of writings which had been gathered over the years. Historical records indicate that a book of Pauline Epistles had been assembled soon after the death of Paul. It began with the book of Ephesians to keynote the work. Marcion rearranged this book of Epistles and began the new "Marcion-Inspired Canon" with **Galatians**.

Marcion's life was one of varied facades. He was said to have been the son of a bishop, but early associated himself with the Stoic philosophy. As he inquired into the True Worship, he was unable to eliminate from his mind all of his previous erroneous teachings. He finally did affiliate with the Messianic Assembly, but the historian Epiphanius stated that he was soon disfellowshipped (possibly by his own father, who was a bishop) for seducing a young girl.

His trade was boat pilot, and the course of his employment finally brought him to Rome where he sought to be elected bishop. Upon his rejection, he began to formulate a calculated plan to attack and undermine his opponents—the True Messianic Worshipers. He began to teach doctrines which were not

compatible with the doctrines espoused by Messianic Worship. *“The fundamental point of his heresy was a supposed irreconcilable opposition between the Old Testament Creator and the (Mighty One) of the Christians or, in other words, between the two religious systems, the Law and the Gospel.”* See article, “Marcion,” **McClintock and Strong’s Cyclopedia**. More evidence on Marcion can be obtained by reading references to him in the noted scholarly work—**The Ante-Nicean Fathers**, an anthology of historical writings from before the Council of Nicea, 325 C.E. This leads us to believe that he was the first Apologist.

In order to make the Bible conform to his distorted views, he finally had to do away with the entire Old and New Testaments, with the exception of the book of Luke (although rejecting 25 percent of that evangel, including the first four chapters) and several of the epistles. How about that! If you don’t like the scriptural doctrines, compose your own Bible!! That’s exactly what Marcion did! In fact, he was so bold as to attempt to re-write the entire book of Luke. See the article, “Marcion and the New Testament,” **Jewish Quarterly Review**, January 1944. Marcion was also the first teacher who allowed women ministers, permitting them even to baptize converts of their own sex.

Marcion did succeed in drawing quite a number of disciples after him and proceeded to form a new “ch-rch” to teach his theories. Finally, near the end of his life, there was an effort made to have an ecumenical movement and bring these estranged believers back into the fold, but Marcion died before such a reunion was achieved.

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His followers continued to thrive until the 6th century as a separate organization. What do you suppose happened to them after that time? One can only surmise that the True Worship of the Messiah had become so corrupted by that time that there was no longer any necessity for this diminishing dissident group to remain outside its confines. By this time, many of those who called themselves Messianic believers had fallen away to the point of following the Marcion doctrine.

In order to hold Marcion at bay, or defeat him at his own game, the leaders of the Messianic religion, at that time, formed their own canon of the New Testament to place a canon inside the traditions of the early Messianic religion. See article “Marcion” in the **Jewish Quar-**

terly Review, January 1944. It is now quite apparent from our research that the New Testament was written originally in Aramaic, for the most part. In fact, Dr. Solomon Zeitlin has stated in the article that possibly many portions of the New Testament were written in Aramaic on the margins of scrolls of the Old Testament. Read the article “Aramaic Gospels in the Synagogue,” **Jewish Quarterly Review**, April 1942.

Let us now allow our minds to brainstorm in a scholarly manner. The conclusion which we must reach is that if an avowed heretic, such as Marcion, rejected vast portions of the Bible and accepted only a minute segment of the Sacred Scriptures, then, in order to restore the true Faith of the early Apostolic Messianic worshipers and harmonize the Bible, we must accept the sacred written Word completely, seeking only to cleanse the Bible from errors in translation. Both Old and New Testaments can be perfectly harmonized, and they are totally applicable to our search for eternal salvation, although at certain times in history isolated portions have been used out of context to prove false doctrines. By obeying what we read in the Bible, it can be proven to be the Word of Yahweh. When we do, in fact, harmonize both Old and New Testaments, a different doctrine will emerge which will not agree with the doctrines of nominal Christianity (Amos 3:3). Our choice, then, as faithful people, is to elect to follow the teachings of the Bible rather than the traditions and doctrines of men (Matthew 15:8-9).

When the author was a small boy and attended ch-rches of

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The Sacred Name Broadcast

RADIO MESSAGE

by Elder Jacob O. Meyer

The Worldly Holidays

Some years ago, this minister of the Assemblies of Yahweh, with a radio broadcast on a small station here in the East, prepared a tape-recorded message to be used during the week just prior to Xmas, wherein he explained the origin of the customs associated with the celebration. As was his custom, he monitored the station to hear the broadcast and to determine how it was presented. Instead of his sermon, a program of recorded music was presented over the air without any explanation. He immediately drove to the station offices to inquire about the reason for the obvious oversight. Upon making his inquiry with the station manager concerning the reason why his sermon was deleted, the reply was, "We can't play a tape like that during the Chr-stmas season. We have a great many merchants advertising, and we might lose some of them if they heard that

message." With this opinionated decision, this prejudiced station manager censored Bible Truth and refused to allow it to reach the public who needed to learn the origins of the customs which they observe so avidly at the Chr-stmas season.

Such a situation could hardly develop today, since the Federal Communications Commission (F.C.C.) currently has rather strict rules in force relative to freedom of speech. This incident is true, and it actually happened in a small town near my home.

If you are a steady listener to **The Sacred Name Broadcast**, you will remember Jeremiah chapter 10, wherein Almighty Yahweh, our Heavenly Father, in no uncertain terms condemns the use of an ornamented tree which has been cut out of the forest and fastened down within, or near, our homes. You should examine these customs carefully for yourself and learn where they originated. Usually at every

major holiday season, you will notice an article, perhaps published in the Sunday paper, explaining just where the seasonal customs of the various holidays originated and what they represent. However, this is about all the good it does, as the readers of the articles fulfill the prophecy of Isaiah 29:10 and Romans 11:8, which reads, "**Yahweh gave them spirit of stupor, eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear, to this very day.**"

Perhaps you are just as guilty as I was of reading some of these explanatory articles and, then, going right ahead and doing them anyway. Even after knowing that they are repulsive to our Heavenly Father and unacceptable in His pure worship, we simply followed the crowd! Today, I wonder how I could have been so blind and ignorant.

Everything that I am about to show here is not of my own

invention. If you care to come to visit the Assemblies of Yahweh Headquarters Offices here in Bethel, I can produce documentation to substantiate my statements. I think that it is about time for the world to come out of the darkness of superstition and ignorance and learn just where the customs that they follow have originated. Then, it is up to us to eradicate these pagan customs from our lives, so that our worship of our Father in heaven may be pure and acceptable to Him, according to His Word.

Did you know that the ancient pagans also had yule logs, Chr-stmas cookies, Chr-stmas trees, boar's-head festivals, geese for Chr-stmas dinner, the was-sailing bowl, Chr-stmas candles, mistletoe, etc., and that they were observing these customs many hundreds (even thousands) of years before our Savior and Messiah was born? If I asked you to produce the commandments from the Bible to substantiate your own observance of these customs, could you do it?

I could not, because in all of the New Testament accounts of the Savior's birth there is not one recorded instance of a Chr-stmas tree, of Santa Claus travel-

ing around, distributing gifts, holding office parties, or even eating a Chr-stmas dinner of ham or turkey.

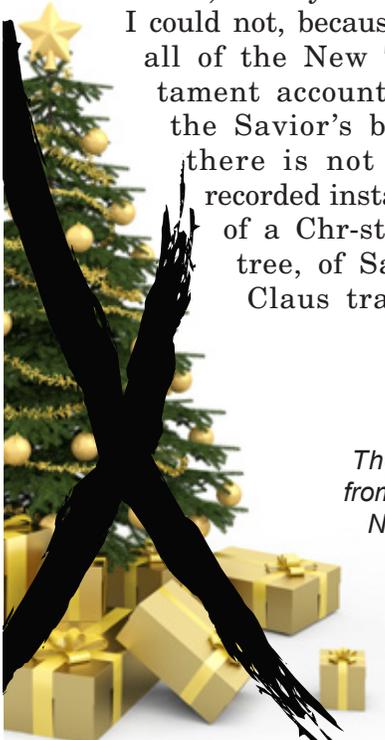
When we look at recorded history and learn that these customs were all, without exception, derived from pagan worship associated with ancient Nimrod of biblical mention in Genesis 10:8-12, it should become our endeavor to stop doing these things which are repulsive to our Heavenly Father, or we just could be denied eternal salvation.

This ancient Babylonian character, Nimrod, became the false messiah which the world is worshipping today. We find in Genesis chapter 10:8-12 the one recorded biblical reference to him. He was a rebel who was a mighty hunter of men before (in opposition to) Yahweh. He founded the empires of Babylonia and Assyria. This, then, is the reason that the religious worship of these two great world ruling empires was so closely identified with each other. Legend tells us that this man was so wicked that he married his own mother, and his wife bore a reincarnation of him after his death, giving birth to the new SON (or SUN) on December 25. He was reputed to have been so wicked that his great-uncle Shem had to execute him.

From this rebellious individual originated many of the

customs with which Christianity today worships the true Messiah. It is a documented fact that Chr-stmas, Easter, and the other holidays, which are commonly observed by Chr-stendom today, were never celebrated until 300 to 400 years after Yahshua the Messiah, the true Savior, died. Even such dedicated seekers who endeavored to restore pure religion, the early Pilgrims and Puritans who settled in New England in the New World—along with my own ancestors who settled in Pennsylvania in the early 1700s—never celebrated Chr-stmas at all. In actuality, my own family only began to make a Chr-stmas celebration during my own lifetime. It was only after I was about six or seven years old that our family had a Chr-stmas tree in our home, and I have only recently reached my three-quarters-of-a-century milestone.

If you have grandparents living today who live in a rural area and are concerned about observing pure worship, you might ask them how long it is that people have been engaging in such an avid observance of Chr-stmas. I am certain that, upon thinking it over, they would inform you that it has only been since the time when the mass advertising media emerged, which exploits the ignorance of the people, making it appear that if you do not include



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Some years ago, when I was traveling through a Midwestern city of considerable size, I was shocked to find a newspaper account of the revival of the boar's-head festival held in one of the larger and more fashionable ch-rches of that city. The article went on to describe how in England the bringing into a ch-rch of the boar's head on a large platter on Chr-stmas eve had been a common practice for hundreds of years. Now, the article continued, it had been renewed, although it had not been conducted previously in that particular ch-rch. If only these people had bothered to do a little fundamental research on the subject, they would have learned that mythology states that Adonis or Thammuz (who were sun deities) were supposed to have been killed by a

boar's tusk; consequently, a boar is sacrificed to them at their birthday (at the winter solstice). In a similar custom, the eating of a goose at the Chr-istmas Day feast is a perpetuation of the ancient pagan worship. In Egyptian hieroglyphics, the goose meant child or son, while in ancient Babylon it was a symbol of mysticism.

Would you believe that our own national Thanksgiving celebration has its roots in false doctrine? This is a fact, and you may prove it out of your own Bible. As I stated previously when teaching about the feasts of Yahweh, the thanksgiving observance which is acceptable to Almighty Yahweh is the biblical Feast of Tabernacles.

However, after the 10 northern Israelite tribes had rebelled against the rule of the dynasty established by King David, during the coronation of Rehoboam, Solomon's son, Jeroboam, a court official in King Solomon's reign, had come to Rehoboam and asked for tax relief for his nation. Jeroboam soon assumed the rulership of ten-tribal Israel. He became fearful that when the people of Israel would journey to Jerusalem to observe the scripturally commanded holy days, the priests would sway the conviction of the people so that they would revert to the rule of the Davidic dynasty and would restore the throne under the Davidic dynasty in Jerusalem. In order to block this anticipated subversion by the priests to his own rule, Jeroboam placed two calves in shrines: one in Bethel and the other in Dan. He then decreed that the feasts be observed in the eighth month, in Dan of northern Israel. This appeared to be the origin of the concept that everyone could worship

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the Almighty according to the dictates of their own conscience and wherever they pleased.

Let us read this account from 1 Kings 12:32-33. ***“And Jeroboam ordained a feast IN THE EIGHTH MONTH, on the fifteenth day of the month, LIKE THE FEAST THAT IS IN JUDAH, and he went up to the altar; so he did in Beth-el, sacrificing to the calves that he had made: and he placed in Beth-el the priests of the high places that he had made. And he went up to the altar which he had made in Beth-el ON THE FIFTEENTH DAY IN THE eighth month, even IN THE MONTH WHICH HE HAD DEVISED OF HIS OWN HEART: and he ordained a feast for the children of Israel, and went up to the altar, to burn incense.”***

Did you know that when the people of the United States began to observe the third Thursday of the month of November as Thanksgiving Day, they have often observed Jeroboam's thanksgiving, since it usually fell during the time from the 15th to the 22nd day of the eighth scriptural month?

Almighty Yahweh has set aside His time for thanksgiving, His Feast of Tabernacles! This is holy time! Men cannot change it! Even though they might ordain a set time themselves, it is unacceptable to Yahweh, the Heavenly Father. In our time, our president and the ministers of the churches regularly exhort the people to give thanks to the Heavenly Father at the national Thanksgiving Day, but most of

the people rarely do! Perhaps we should return to the thanksgiving of the Pilgrim Fathers who observed it in early October, which would approximate the time of the scripturally appointed Feast of Tabernacles.

I might continue on and point out the pagan influence which has today become so prevalent throughout Christianity, because the people have turned aside from the pure worship of Almighty Yahweh, as laid down for us in the inspired Scriptures. It appears that, too often, the spirit of compromise prevails and the missionary zeal of the people attempts to meet paganism halfway. Even such early church fathers as Chrysostom and Tertullian cried out against these pagan practices which were

creeping into the early Messianic Apostolic Assembly of their time.

Today, the average person in our land is complacent and unconcerned, choosing rather to go along with the crowd than to stand alone (if necessary) for Truth as, for instance, the Prophet Daniel did. Most people even become indignant when these Truths are presented to them. They demand to know, "Who are you, that you can impeach our integrity in our worship?"

Yet, these are the unvarnished facts, and you can prove them to yourself, if you are interested in serving the Heavenly Father out of a pure heart and conscience. Why not begin your search for this Truth today? May we help you to find the narrow pathway to life eternal? ^{SNB}

MARCION — *Deceptive Heretic Exposed!*

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nominal Christianity, he carried with him a small New Testament. When the ministers preached, they rarely used portions from the Old Testament, utilizing almost exclusively the New Testament. When I began to study the Bible for myself, doing so seriously with the determined intention of finding the way to salvation which our Heavenly Father had laid down for us, I began to see that the accepted division between the Old and New Testaments did not at all exist! I was puzzled by this seeming enigma, but no answers seemed to be forthcoming to solve the riddle. It was some time ago that my attention was drawn to the mention of Marcion in histories of the early Messianic writers. Now the puzzle has been solved!

Nominal Christianity was, today, in complete agreement with the doctrine of Marcion. This is the reason for the division between the Old and New Testaments in Christianity.

The Messianic doctrine, which was promulgated around the known world by His selected Apostles, is once more, in these last days, going out widely to the world via radio, television, and printed page. Have you ever read a passage in the Bible and thought, "Why doesn't my church believe and teach that as being necessary? Why is it that we must explain away vast portions of the Bible without just confronting the issues squarely and harmonizing the Bible?"

The Assemblies of Yahweh today seeks to harmonize the Bible teachings throughout the sacred volume, and, as a conse-

quence, the doctrines which we teach are totally different from any church in nominal Christianity. By allowing the Bible to be our exclusive source of doctrine, the Assemblies of Yahweh have developed a personality all their own. We let the Bible speak to us, and we seek to obey what it instructs us to do.

The basis for the astonishing deviation from the sacred Word of Yahweh by Christianity has been exposed at last after thousands of years of error through unearthing the historical record of Marcionism.

This is only the beginning! In each issue of this magazine you see more exposés of the false doctrine being harbored in nominal religion today. Why not do some research and study on your own?

Remember, the Bible is the Word of Yahweh, and it, alone, is the exclusive source of Truth! ^{SNB}



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RADIO MESSAGE

by Elder Jacob O. Meyer

The HEART of MAN

The Sacred Scriptures has outlined for us a narrow way when we live by the Truth of the Bible. In Matthew 7:14, Yahshua our Messiah has informed us that there would be a few people who would find this narrow way which leads to life everlasting. Few people have developed the deep-rooted desire to **agonize** to enter into this narrow way, as we read the prediction made by the Messiah in Luke 13:24. The struggle that is required to enter into the Narrow Way leading to life everlasting will develop the depth of character necessary for us to enter into the eternal spiritual family of our Heavenly Father Yahweh—to attain to the resurrection from the dead.

When someone is squarely confronted by the standard set by the Scriptures, he has two alternatives. He can either humbly conform to the spiritual ideal which has been described in Yahweh's Word, or he can justify his continued miscon-

duct and lack of determination by suggesting that it is merely what is in your heart that really counts!

Do you comprehend how our Heavenly Father Yahweh really views the heart of man? He says in Jeremiah 17:9-10, ***"The heart is deceitful above all things, and it is very corrupt: who can know it? I, Yahweh, search the mind, I try the heart, even to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his doings."***

Such strong statements concerning the sordid character of the heart of man should compel us to stop and take careful account of our personal motives. If our personal conduct is condemned by the written Word of Almighty Yahweh the Heavenly Father, then we must repent and change our heart, or, conversely, perish in our sins against the Most High!

In an interchange of ideas relating to following traditions

between Yahshua our Messiah and the Pharisees, the Savior accused the legalistic Pharisees of transgressing the tradition of the elders by splitting hairs. Yahshua stood upon the convincing fact that to eat occasionally without first washing your hands would not defile, or contaminate, an inner man.

He commented to His disciples by way of explanation of Matthew 15:17-20, ***"Perceive you not, that whatever goes into the mouth passes into the belly, and is cast out into the draught? But the things which proceed out of the mouth come forth out of the heart; and they defile the man. For out of the heart come forth evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, railings: these are the things which defile the man; but to eat with unwashed hands defiles not the man."***

Have you ever observed

how some of your colleagues at work speak with similar brazen, profane, and perverted speech? In worldly circles, you constantly hear a deafening drone of profanity, blasphemy, and vituperation, pouring like a poison river from the mouths of people who hold to no high moral code of ethics. Perhaps they do not realize what they are saying or, more than likely, they do not care. I have held jobs in secular employment and heard such things as you may be hearing each day. All of the smutty stories, risqué jokes, and profane language proceed directly from the human heart, which, incidentally, is the seat of man's affections! A good heart will have a clear conscience that will not allow someone to pour forth such venom. Man loves to deceive himself into believing that to think and live by accentuating the carnal, physical nature will never be punished by our Creator. Carnal, fleshly man loves to have his mind dwell on such base subjects, because it gives him physical, sensual pleasure for a short time. **However, in the end, he faces spiritual death for all ages, which is eternal destruction from the presence of Almighty Yahweh.**

“Who shall suffer punishment, even eternal destruction from the face of Yahshua and from the glory of his might, when he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be marveled at in all them that believed (because our testimony to you was believed) in that day. To which end we also pray always for you, that our Elohim may count you worthy of your calling, and fulfill every desire of goodness and work of faith, with power.”

(2 Thessalonians 1:9-11).

How about the other sins that will seize control of the imagination of the mind and heart of carnal man, sins which are the end result of the mind concentrating on evil conduct? There are murders which Yahshua the Messiah declares can result from telling lies. ***“You are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father it is your will to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and stands not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.”*** (John 8:44). Then Yahshua says in the succeeding verse, ***“But because I say the truth, you believe me not.”*** One of the most vicious types of murder is **character assassination**, which can result from a lie that is told about someone. A person's will to live can be destroyed, and a life can be taken by another person, through bearing false witness, or lying, about another. Don't forget that bearing false witness (lying) is legislated against in the Ten Commandments! (See the ninth commandment.)

The human mind is like a computer. Among people in the data-processing industry you will hear the proverb: “Garbage in, garbage out!” If you keep putting **garbage** (immorality) into a human mind, there is absolutely no alternative but that **garbage** (indecent conduct) will come out. The heart of man can harbor much evil and sin, but that personal inner character which reveals the secret thoughts and intents of the heart cannot be hidden from public view. Such is the prediction of Messiah in Luke 12:2-3. ***“But there is nothing covered up, that shall not***

be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known. Therefore whatever you have said in the darkness shall be heard in the light; and what you have spoken in the ear in the inner chambers shall be proclaimed upon the housetops.”

If you are harboring such sin in your heart, you may have the ability to hide it for one hour each week from the minister, or the fellow members, of your religious affiliation, but it cannot be kept hidden from your colleagues who work with you. It cannot be hidden from your family and close acquaintances. If you have adultery hidden away in some secret crevice of your heart, one day it will grow, enlarging just like leaven working and cause you much grief and heartache. If you are hiding fornication in your heart, it will come to fruition some day, so you had better look deeply into your heart and examine yourself. You need to get rid of whatever sin you are harboring!

This principle can also be applied spiritually. If you are not living all of the Truth which the Heavenly Father has revealed to you, then you are harboring **spiritual fornication**. That leaven of false doctrine will ferment and grow, until some day you will find that your entire worship is corrupted. Repent before it is too late!

To blaspheme means to speak disrespectfully of sacred things. The average individual does not wish to acknowledge that blasphemy can also include using an erroneous name for the Most High. Using the correct Name for the Almighty and the Savior will set you apart from the religious world, where few people would be able to stand by themselves. The Almighty has revealed His Name

to us, which is the exclusive Name of the spiritual family in heaven and earth. You can find this fact confirmed in Ephesians 3:14-15, ***“For this cause I bow my knees to the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.”*** Now, if we, the True Worshipers, are to be called by the Name of the Heavenly Father, we must diligently inquire and learn what that Name is. “L-rd” is not a name. It is a title, and an inferior title at best. (King would be more preferable.) We find that the beast of Revelation 13 and immoral women of Revelation 17 both carry upon their heads the NAMES OF BLASPHEMY. Some people believe that this means the names of the worldly churches that are not the religious organization which was founded by our Savior. Some commentators will not even give a hint of what this text means. However, it means that common **names of worship** of the Heavenly Father and the Messiah, which are not pleasing to them, are being used by this world’s governments and in this world’s religion. Let us briefly consider Isaiah 52:3-7. In this passage we find a prophecy of the last days at the close of this age. We read, ***“For thus says Yahweh, You were sold for nothing; and you shall be redeemed without money. For thus says the Sovereign Yahweh, My people went down at the first into Egypt to sojourn there: and the Assyrian has oppressed them without cause. Now therefore, what do I here, says Yahweh, since my people is taken away for nothing? They that rule over them howl, says Yahweh, and my name continually all the day is blasphemed. Therefore my people shall know my name:***

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therefore they shall know in that day that I am he that does speak; behold, it is I.

“How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that brings good tidings, that publishes peace, that brings good tidings of good, that publishes salvation, that says to Zion, Your Elohim reigns!”

Truly a magnificent prophecy, and it illustrates graphically the sorry state of religious affairs existing before the Messiah returns. At that time the people of Israel will finally comprehend that it was for disobedience to Almighty Yahweh that they were sent into Assyrian captivity. Had they continued to live in subjection to Almighty Yahweh and to His laws, they would never have had to pay the severe penalty for their sins which was imposed upon them by a just Almighty Heavenly Father. Friends, out of the heart proceeds the idea to just drift along with the crowd and call the Almighty by any Name that you care to call Him. Are you too weak to stand against the current of tradition promulgated by the flow of humanity? Few Daniels can be found today, but the few who do

exist are just as dedicated as the men in Gideon’s small army!

Recall how Almighty Yahweh has declared His Name. ***“I am Yahweh, that is my name; and my glory will I not give to another; neither my praise to carved images.”*** (Isaiah 42:8).

In the passage that portrays the unpardonable sin, Yahshua our Messiah refers to the thoughts of the heart. This passage is quoted from Matthew 12:34-37.

“You off-spring of vipers, how can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. The good man out of his good treasure brings forth good things: and the evil man out of his evil treasure brings forth evil things. And I say to you, that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account of it in the day of judgment. For by your words you shall be justified, and by your words you shall be condemned.”

Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks, and **you cannot hide your inner character from scrutiny in the world.** What is the answer then? Let us turn to Jacob 4:8. ***“Draw near to Yahweh, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you doubleminded.”*** Consequently, it will necessitate nothing less than a complete change of heart and life to know Almighty Yahweh intimately. Have you begun this transition? Or do you still self-righteously assert that it’s what is in the heart that counts?! The Scriptures declare that your heart is not as good as you may think it may be!

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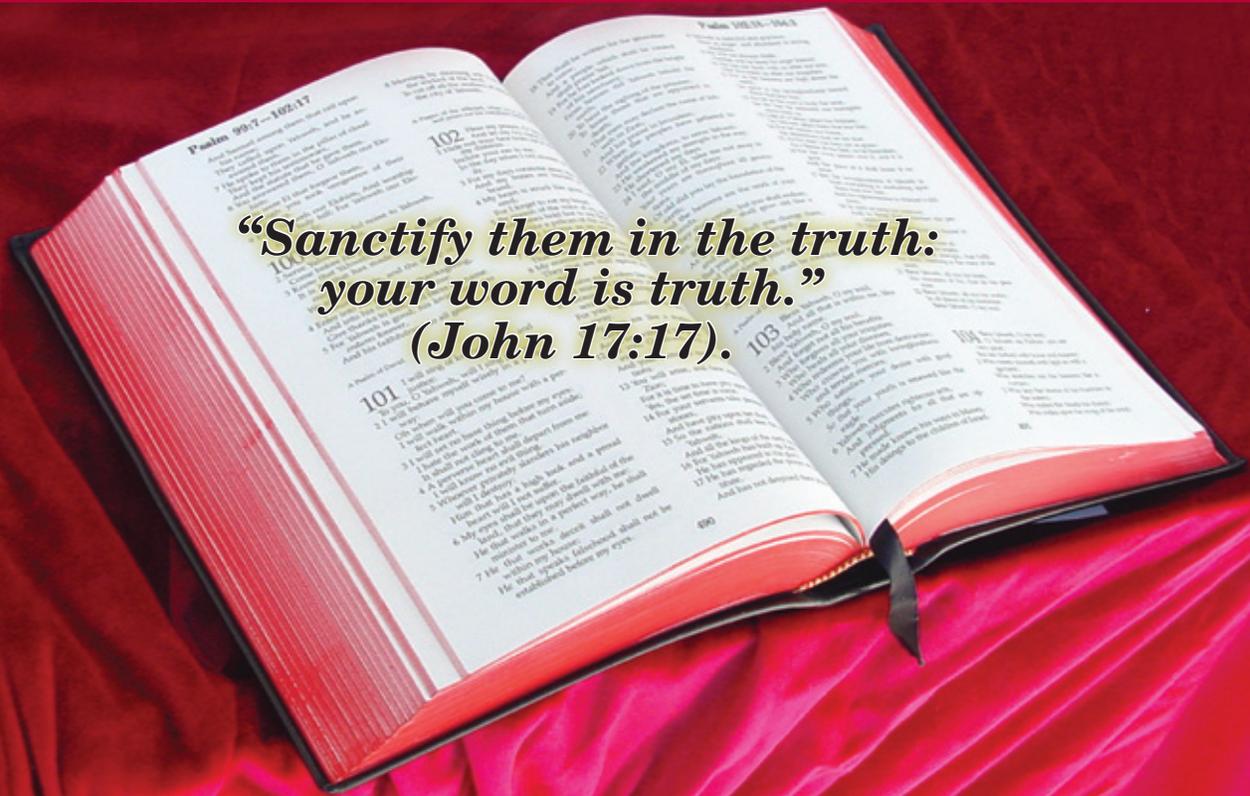
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