

NOTE: In my presentation I am using YHVH, the 4 Hebrew letters yod, hay, vav, hay, which I pronounce as Yahuah instead of LORD as we find in our Scriptures, which is a generic title and not a name and I am using Yahusha instead of Jesus, which is not a translation but a transliteration from a Greek mistransliteration and really has no meaning, neither in Hebrew nor in English! YHVH (Yahuah) and Yahusha are the actual original names and the true nature and character of them.





Why do some people call the **Torah the Tree Of Life?**



When we go back to the time of Moses, YHVH Himself states that His Torah is the way of "life." As all men physically die, the context is one of the Torah being "the words of eternal life". It states in Leviticus 18:4-5 (KJV), "Ye shall do my judgments, and keep mine ordinances, to walk therein: I am YHVH your Elohim (your Elohim). Ye shall therefore keep my statutes, and my judgments: which if a man do, he shall live in them: I am YHVH.""

Deuteronomy 30:6 (KJV), "And YHVH thy Elohim will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love YHVH thy Elohim with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live."

Deuteronomy 30:19 (KJV), "I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore, choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live."

The third chapter of the book of Proverbs (3:13-19), speaks of the Torah in terms of "Wisdom and **Understanding**", calling it a "Tree of Life." The Torah is this "Tree of Life" that founded the earth and established the heavens:



Proverbs 3:13-19 (KJV), "Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding.

- 14. For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.
- 15. She is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.
- 16. Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left hand riches and honor.
- 17. Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.
- 18. She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy is everyone that retaineth her.
- 19. YHVH by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens. "

A prayer recited when the Torah scrolls are placed back into the ark in a Synagogue service, is Etz Chayim "the tree of life!" "It is a tree of life to those who take hold of it, and those who support it are praiseworthy. Its ways are ways of pleasantness and all its paths are peace. Bring us back YAH to You, and we shall come, renew our days as of old."



To "follow Yahusha," as John did, is to follow Torah. The New **Testament equates** Yahusha with the Torah and the Tree of Life, mentioned in Proverbs, stating that He was behind the creation of the heavens and earth!



Colossians 1:16 state, "For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him." KJV

John further states that Yahusha is the Torah, present with YHVH and therefore "part of" YHVH. John 1:1 (KJV) – "In the beginning was the Torah (the Word), and the Torah (the Word) was with YHVH, and the Torah (the Word) was YHVH."

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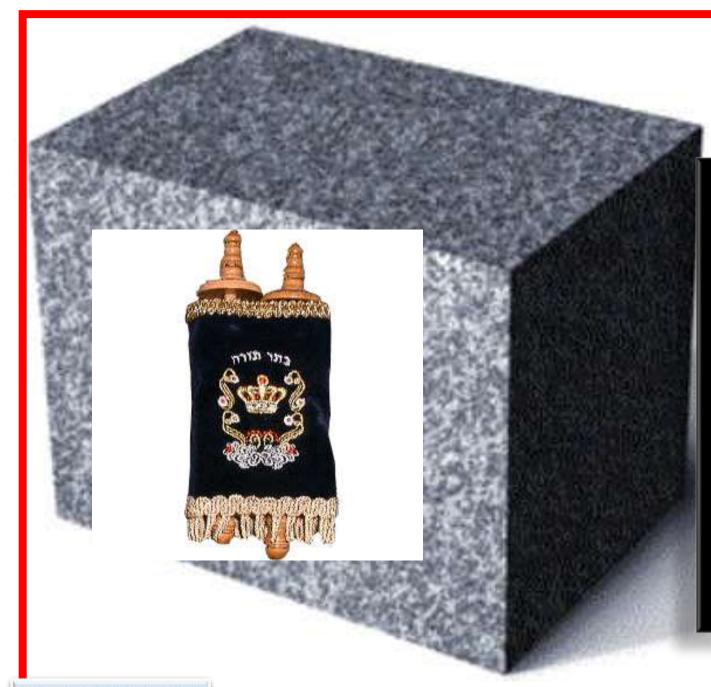


In Hebraic thinking, when one accepts the teachings of Torah, it is said to "become a person's flesh and **blood."** Therefore, to fully accept the teachings of Yahusha, is to partake of His "flesh and blood" - which is the Torah.

We want to talk about the **Restoration of** YHVH's Torah **Historically and** Individually!

Over the past couple of decades, a new phenomenon has taken place -- the development of Messianic Judaism. Rather than identifying themselves as Christians with Jewish nationality, Jews began to fully retain their "Jewishness," both culturally and religiously. These believers distanced themselves from the "Christian" and "Jesus" labels, calling themselves Jews who followed Yahusha. There was now a clear "choice" for Jews who wanted to follow the Messiah of the "New Testament" - either Jesus and Christianity or Yahusha and Judaism.

On the other hand -- many Non-Jews began to be attracted to this new view of the faith, calling themselves "Messianic believers" or "Messianics." Rather than considering themselves as "Christians," these Non-Jews, to one degree or another, viewed themselves as coming into the faith of Israel. They want to return to "Torah observance." This development has launched a great debate -- what is the role of the Torah in the life of the believer? Is Torah important, a salvation issue?



The Torah has now once again become "a Stumbling **Block**" for followers of the Messiah, some saying it really isn't that important, some saying it is for Jewish believers but not for Non-Jews, and others say it is for both Jews and Non-Jews!

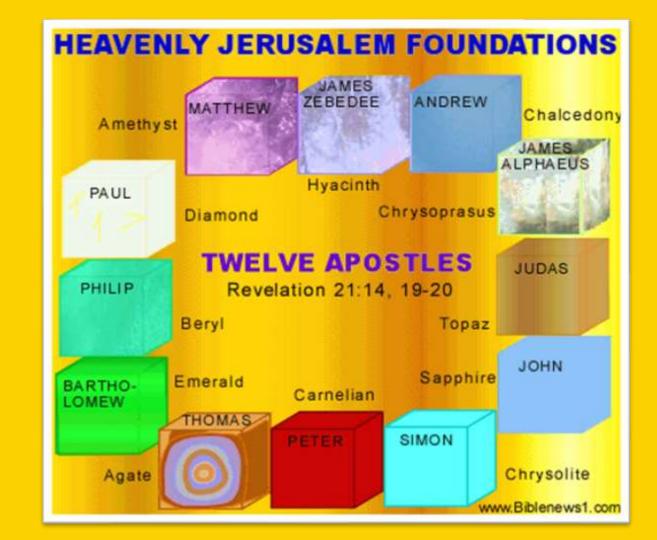


So, we are witnessing a global resurgence of "Torah-observant **Messianic Judaism**" and the decades of "change" that led up to it, mirrors what is going on in the lives of individuals around the world today -- including Non-Jewish believers. Many of these believers are first attracted by the fact that

"Christianity has Jewish roots," and begin to read their "Old Testaments" with a new desire to find out "what they have been missing."

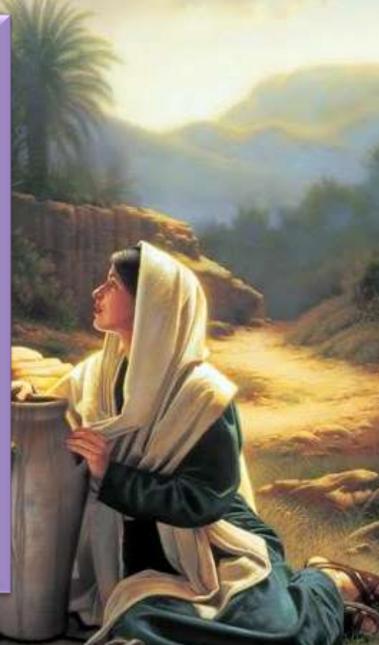
Some progress to a point where they realize that we are serving a "Jewish" or "Hebrew" messiah, who doesn't have a Greek, but a "Hebrew" name called "Yahusha"! They realize that all the disciples, the prophets and even Paul were Hebrews or Jews! What a revelation! What an eye opener!

They realize that it states in Revelation 21, 14 that "the wall of New Jerusalem had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb" were engraved! These are all Jews! What a surprise!



Not only that but they realize that the gates of New Jerusalem were named after the twelve tribes of the children of Israel. This is recorded in Ezekiel 48:31 and again in Revelation 21:12! There is not even one gate named "Christianity or Catholic, Evangelicals, Methodists, Jehovah Witnesses, Seventh-day Adventists, Mormons, Lutherans etc." What a shocker!

Then they are reminded of the words of the Master in John 4:22 when He told the Samaritan woman at the well: "Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews."



Many people come to a realization that Yahusha actually lived and promoted Torah, and there is nothing wrong with them starting to do the same. Some begin keeping the weekly Sabbath and even keeping Yahuah's yearly appointed festivals! They start doing Bible things in Bible ways starting in Genesis 1:1!

If it was good for Yahusha, it is certainly good enough for me!

The "popular idea" that Paul preached against Torah in a believer's life, is untrue. – a product of centuries of the "Church's" anti-Torah bias in translation and interpretation! They see the Torah for what it always has been – YHVH's revelation and instruction. Out of love for Elohim, and desire to know more of Him, they begin a journey to incorporate Torah into their lifestyles with the goal that it will become their lifestyle!

The people are learning That there has always Been, and remains, **One Torah for all** The people of YHVH -**Jew or Non-Jew! Because YHVH has not changed!**



The Top 10 Reasons that people, Jews and Non-Jews, should know Torah!

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1 - Yahusha, our Messiah can be found in Torah!

John 1:45 Philip found Nathanael, and said to him, "We have found him, of whom Moses in the Torah, and the Prophets, wrote: Yahusha of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." How can you know the answer if you never knew the question? They only recognized Yahusha as the Messiah because they knew the Torah. The Torah is where the hidden treasure is found! Yahusha began with Moses and so should we.

#2 Reason is: so, we can properly understand who Yahusha is!

Luke 24:27, "Beginning from Moses and from all the prophets, he explained to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself." How can we claim to know Yahusha if we know nothing of His family, His culture or His country?

3 Reason is: So, we can believe that Yahusha is the Messiah!

John 5:46,47, "For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote about me. But if you don't believe his writings, how will you believe my words?" If you throw out the Torah and claim it is irrelevant you have no validation for your belief in Yahusha. It is not a matter of Moses versus Yahusha it is belief in what Moses says proves your belief in Messiah!

4 Reason is that Torah sets your heart on fire!

Luke 24:32 They said one to another, "Weren't our hearts burning within us, while he spoke to us along the way, and while he opened the Scriptures to us?" There were no Gideon Bibles back then. All they had was the Tanakh. Elohim says His Word is like a fire. Our hearts will burn when we allow the Ruach Ha Kadesh (Holy Spirit) to reveal the truths of the Torah to us.

5 Reason is that Torah, as the beginning, is the Key to prophetic understanding!

Isaiah 46:9,10, "Remember the former things of old: for I am Elohim, and there is none else; I am YHVH, and there is none like me; declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things that are not yet done; saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure." The Bible says it is to YHVH's Glory that he conceals matters, and it is to our honor to search them out. You will never fully understand Revelations if you don't understand Genesis and the Torah.

6 Reason is, so we can know the promises to the family we are grafted in to!

Romans 9:4,5, "Who are Israelites; whose is the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the service, and the promises; of whom are the fathers, and from whom is Messiah as concerning the flesh, who is over all, Elohim, blessed forever. Amen."

There are not two trees, one Jewish and one Christian. We are grafted into <u>one</u> tree and the early "church" fathers are Abraham, Isaac and Jacob!

7 Reason is, Torah comes from the breath of YHVH and is HIS Word!

2. Timothy 3:16,17, "Every Scripture is **Elohim-breathed** and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for instruction in righteousness, that the man of Elohim may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work". Again there was no New Testament when this was written. The Torah equips us for every good work.

8 Reason is that Torah brings us liberty!

Psalm 119:43-48, "And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth; for I have hoped in your judgments. So shall I keep your law continually forever and ever. And I will walk at liberty: for I seek your precepts. I will speak of your testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed. And I will delight myself in your commandments, which I have loved. My hands also will I lift up to your commandments, which I have loved; and I will meditate in your statutes." Only when we know our boundaries do we have true liberty as well as safety for everyone.

9 Reason is that Torah reveals YHVH's heart and is what makes our lives go well!

Deuteronomy 5:29 , "O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!"

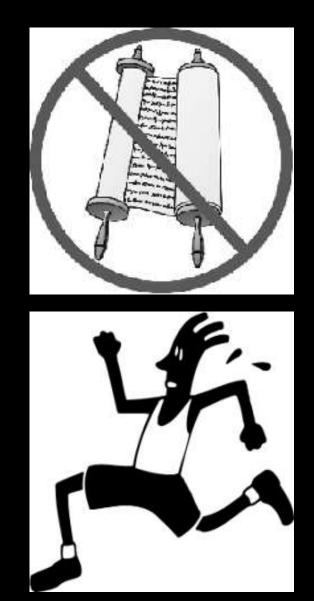
YHVH is the same yesterday, today and forever! He would never say then that Torah is good and now Torah is bad, and now Torah is good again. The Torah is YHVH's instruction. His instruction is always for our good as He loves us!

10 Reason is that Torah prevents us from being deceived and reveals false prophets!

Deuteronomy 13:1-5, "If there arise among you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and gives you a sign or a wonder, And the sign or the wonder come to pass, whereof he spoke to you, saying, Let us go after other Elohims, which you have not known, and let us serve them; You shall not listen to the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams: for YHVH your Elohim proves you, to know whether you love YHVH your Elohim with all your heart and with all your soul. ...

...You shall walk after YHVH your Elohim and fear him, and keep his commandments, and obey his voice, and you shall serve him, and join to him. And that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to death; because he has spoken to turn you away from YHVH your Elohim, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, to thrust you out of the way which YHVH your Elohim commanded you to walk in. So shall you put the evil away from the middle of you."

Any person, no matter what position he or she holds, who believes the Torah is done away with **is a false prophet**. There are many modern day "prophets" going around claiming to hear from Elohim. Just ask them if the Torah or even part of it is done away with. If they say, yes, Run for your lives!





We can see the Torah is a unique document! It is first and foremost YHVH's teaching. The word does not mean "law" it means "teaching." The root for "Torah" can be traced to the Hebrew word meaning "to shoot an arrow," or "to hit the mark." Torah is YHVH's teaching, hitting the mark of man's needs, including his need to know who He is and what His righteousness looks like.

Torah is also a covenant, a legally binding agreement between **YHVH and His** people!

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The context in Exodus 34:27 is the giving of the first written revelation, which included the Ten Commandments as well as other instructions. It states, "And YHVH aid to Moshe: 'Write down these commandments, for in accordance with these commandments I make a covenant (brit) with you and with Israel."

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The Spirit of YHVH is causing many people all over the world to rediscover His ancient words, a book of the covenant given to HIS remnant people!

The Father is using a certain way He has always used in returning those who have gone astray. This process can be broken down as follows:
1. He reveals His truth to you
2. He takes you away from the confined place you are in *(where you cannot truly serve Him)*

- 3. He replaces the error and fear of your previous way, instructing you in His Torah
- 4. He makes you acceptable to Himself

His process for achieving this can be seen in how He dealt with those coming out of Egypt with Moses:

Exodus 6, 6-7: "Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I am YHVH, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments:

7. And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you an Elohim: and ye shall know that I am YHVH your Elohim, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians."

- 1. He made them "free" through His revelation, they stopped serving Egypt even though they physically remained a bit longer in the land.
- 2. He physically **took them out of Egypt** (Egypt = "Miztrayim" = a confined place).
- 3. He redeemed them by taking them through the waters and delivering the final crushing blow to the Egyptians when the waters annihilated them (thus giving them great confidence).
- 4. He took them as His people to the Promised Land where they would be free to serve Him through His Torah!



When Israel came out of Egypt, they stopped for water **at a place called Marah**. (Exodus 15:22-27) The water there was bitter, however. YHVH instructed Moses **to take a certain tree and cast it into the water**. The water then became sweet. He immediately followed this up by giving them additional statutes and ordinances, **and saying He would test their obedience**.

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There are several lessons here,

1. YHVH was not "done" with Israel just because He revealed Himself to them and took them out of Egypt (though they may have had reason to believe He was, as the entire plan was not yet revealed). As soon as they get their new freedom, they immediately encounter a "problem."

2. YHVH immediately showed them that He wanted their relationship to continue and grow (through the miracle).

3. The fact that a tree was used should not be overlooked, as it is a euphemism (a polite term) for the Torah. 4. YHVH immediately gives them more of His Torah (statutes and ordinances) as their means for deepening their relationship. 5. He would then test and refine their faith/relationship to Him through their **Torah obedience.**

YHVH is consistent. He uses the same process today for bringing people, including Non-Jews, to Torah!

1. He makes you free by revealing Himself and His Messiah (often within an imperfect setting, i.e., maybe "a church")

 He leads you away from where you cannot grow in His Torah (maybe into Messianic Judaism)
 He teaches you the deeper truths of His Torah (taking on more of the Torah to learn of Him)
 He makes you acceptable to Himself

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People, particularly in Christianity, often don't get beyond the first of the four stages outlined before. They are exposed to the elementary (yet critical) teachings of Torah, such as; Yahuah Elohim is real, He loves you, He wants you to have your sins forgiven, etc.

This is all good but coming to know of the Father and Messiah is not the end of the road - it is the beginning of a lifetime journey to, a) become conformed to the Image of YHVH and, b) grow in intimacy with Him.

הבאים אחריזט בתפולא ושארי כהסיטר אתר וכלי שוא" יחד כם בעבשה בתוך היוס הוצוים להם היבסי מעצינים ומשומאלם ויוש ע. יחור בינים ההוא את ישראל באר מירים וירא שוויאר את פלירים מתנל שמתחים הירא ישראל את הירי הובילה אשר עשות והורי במעיים וייראו העם את יהוה ויאפיט כיהוה ובמישה עבד -----

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The ONLY means Yahuah has given to accomplish these two things, is His Torah, His instructions. That is why He gave it to us. Again, to understand that there is a Elohim in Heaven, called YHVH, that is real, and we can call on His name, knowing that He loves His Creation, meaning you and me and that wants us to be happy, holy and healthy in this life and to live with Him for all eternity on a new earth that he will create, **is only the beginning.**



After the forgiveness of our sins we must grow in grace, we must grow in knowledge, understanding His plan for us! All this is revealed in detail in Torah, the instructions that this loving Elohim, the Creator and sustainer has given us. It is a law of life: "if we don't grow, we will rot, we will die."



Sadly, most of those who claim faith in the "Messiah", remain stagnant after they "come to Him." They choose to stay in their "personal Egypt," in a comfortable box of ease and false security rather than let YHVH move them out of Egypt, out of the box of ease to where He wants them.



This is prevalent in most of the Christian denominations, who like to think they are very different from each other -- but share a critical **common theology**; <u>the rejection of</u> the place of the Father's Torah in the life of the believer. They are blinded to the truth of the Scripture verses they so readily quote --Scriptures that speak of, even warn of, the importance of Torah.

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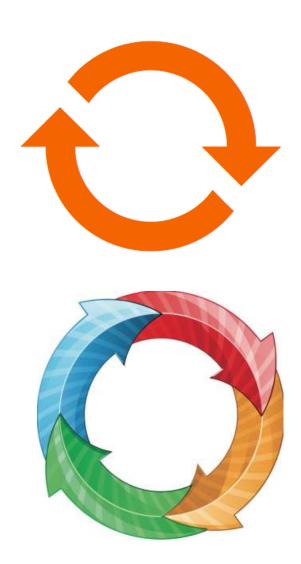


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It states in Proverbs 28:9, "He that turneth away his ear from hearing the **Torah** (instructions), even his prayer [shall be] abomination." KJV



Christianity is caught in a loop. They are blind because of the pagan worship and the pagan worship prevents them from seeing the truth of the Torah! They claim that they know it all according to Revelation 3:17 "...I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing ... "



Let me repeat it again, most people are blinded to the truth of the Scripture verses they so readily quote – Scriptures that speak of, even warn of, the importance of Torah. Rather than accepting and growing in Yahuah's Torah, they get entangled in the thorns of their denominational doctrines.



At some point they will willfully reject the message of anyone coming into their lives preaching that YHVH has not changed according to Malachi 3:6 and that His Torah remains for today!



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For instance, when **Yahusha** says that not one tiny part of the Torah is done away with and those who teach otherwise are wrong, **most will say He means something else!**

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Here are His words in Matthew 5:17-18 (KJV), "Think not that I am come to destroy the Torah (law), or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. 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."

What does He mean by fulfil? To abolish? To do away with? Then he would have been saying "I am not come to destroy, but to destroy"! He actually said "I am come to obey Torah, to do it!"

When Paul writes in Romans 3:31 (Contemporary English Version) "Do we destroy the Torah (Nomos – Law) by our faith? Not at all! We make it even more powerful," Christianity spiritualizes that statement away! It doesn't mean what it says! On the same topic, what do people do with the words of Paul in Romans 8:6-8 (CEV) ? "If our minds are ruled by our desires, we will die. But if our minds are ruled by the Spirit, we will have life and peace. 7. Our desires fight against Elohim, because they do not and cannot **obey YHVH's Torah** (laws). 8. If we follow our desires, we cannot please Elohim."



That statement of Paul is also being spiritualized away. They claim, it doesn't mean what it says! Let's be sure, Paul meant exactly what he said! When John in his epistle in 1. John 2, 3-4 (KJV) writes that those who say they know Elohim but don't keep His commandments are liars. Did he mean it? Here are his words:

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"And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. 4. He that saith, I know him, and keepeth <u>not</u> his commandments, is a <u>liar</u>, and the truth is not in him."

And those who will be receiving their final reward are those who kept the Father's commandments according to Revelation 14:12 "Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of YHVH, and the faith of Yahusha."

Christians are taught that this too doesn't mean Yahuah's Torah commandments, but instead these are the commandments of Yahusha!

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Christianity is telling us that the Father (YHVH) and the Son (Yahusha) play by different rules! However, Yahusha is telling us that this is not true! They do apply <u>the same rules</u>!



Here is what he says in John 10:30, "I and my Father <u>are ONE</u>!" In John 17, 8-9 Yahusha told Philipp, because he wanted to see the Father, "...he that hath seen me hath seen the Father." Should we ask the question, if a person truly has the Spirit of the Father of Abraham, Isaak and Israel would he reject the truth of HIS Torah?

Or could such a person possess <u>a counterfeit spirit</u>, one that even says at the end "Master, Master" according to Matthew 7:15-23 and does great things in His name, only to mislead himself as he or she rejected the authority of the Torah commandments und practices lawlessness (anti-Torah doctrines) ?

One author reports that his personal experience had shown him that there is indeed a spiritual conflict between Torah-based Messianic Judaism and **Christianity**. For an example, when a "mainstream Christian" is engaged in spiritual discussion with a Mormon, Jehovah Witness, Muslim, Hindu or Pagan, he will typically "keep his cool" as he speaks to the other person, even if they are antagonistic toward him.

However, should a Torah observant Messianic believer challenge this same Christian, the situation often gets very nasty, very quickly. In such situations, there are indeed spirits in conflict. What could be the difference? Can both be of YHVH? (Let's not forget that this conflict has existed since the fourth century when Nazarene Jews [those who followed Yahusha] were criticized for having more in common with Judaism [i.e. Torah] than with Christianity.)

There is a great deception forecast for the "latter days." We are warned of things such as; the "mystery of iniquity," and the error of the "Church of Laodicea," and the doctrine of the "Whore of Babylon." The three of these share a common thread -- The rejection of YHVH's Torah in the life of the believer- - replacing it with something that looks "godly" (i.e., "freedom in Christ") but is in fact a very ancient lie.

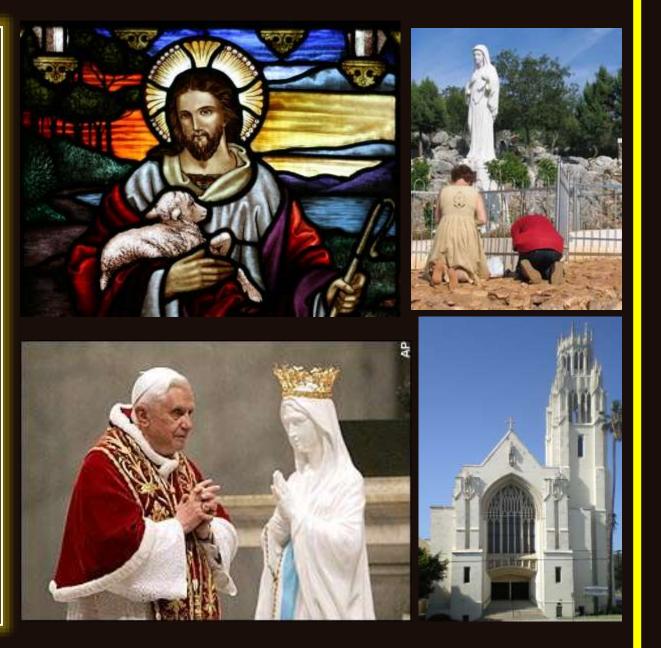
Yahusha did not Come to free us From the Torah, But from sin! In the New Testament, the most common word translated "iniquity" is #458 "anomia" which is derived from the Greek "a" (negative meaning without) and "Nomo's" (law - in Hebrew Torah) and therefore means to live in opposition to the law (Torah) of Yahuah, being lawless (without Torah or wicked) or in violation of Torah. It suggests contempt of Divine law and therefore rejection of the will of Yahuah. The Hebrew word for sin is 'âvôn' This term is used more than 200 times and is most often translated as "iniquity" [Strong's #H5771]). It carries the implication of being perverse, crooked or twisted.

The doctrine these all share <u>stems from</u> <u>haSatan, the father of all lies</u>, and can be <u>seen as far back as the Garden of Eden</u> when he challenged YHVH's Torah (*Genesis* 3). It was manifested in man with <u>Nimrod</u> <u>at Babel</u> (*Genesis 10*), someone who once was close to YHVH and could have been mighty in HIM but rejected His Torah, His



Instructions and went his own way. It is later spoken of by Zechariah (5:6-10) who depicts it as going out into the world from the plains of Shinar in Babylon. Later, it rears its head among Elohim's chosen people in the spirit of Ephraim, who rejected Torah and went into idolatry (1 Kings 12).

This is very difficult to understand and to comprehend, but in more "recent" times, this doctrine resurrected itself in the years following Yahusha, with the development of the pagan Christianity of Constantine and the Council of Nicaea – which set the tone for <u>hundreds of years of</u> anti-Semitic theology, culminating in the Church of today and its anti-Torah "Jesus." It sounds harsh, but truth is truth!



We must receive and accept the whole truth – meaning that we cannot separate the Tree of Life, the Torah -- from the Giver of Life, Yahuah. Could it be that the real anti-Messiah will actually be at the forefront of telling everyone to be on the lookout for the "anti- Christ?" Do you think haSatan is not capable of such deception? Do you think fallible human beings can't be fooled by the father of all lies? -- particularly when they reject the truth of YHVH's Torah?

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Let's assume there will indeed be a "pretribulation rapture" as some people teach -- but only those who respect Torah along with trusting Yahusha are taken up!

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Yahuah Elohim can and at times does remove those who follow His ways, prior to His coming judgment, so that they do not have to go through "tribulation." The righteous men of Noah's day were allowed to die naturally, prior to the flood killing off the earth's inhabitants.

(In the case of Enoch, he was simply removed without facing death.)

The congregation at Philadelphia (*Revelation 3:7-13*) seems to be promised that they will not go through the tribulation that is to come upon the earth as they are with the One who has the "Key of David."

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Here is the promise to the Assembly in Philadelphia in Revelation chapter 3, 7 and 10 (Jubilee Bible):



"And to the angel of the congregation [Gr. ekklesia — called out ones] in Philadelphia write; These things, saith he that is Holy and True, he who has the key of David, who opens and no one shuts and shuts, and no one opens; ...<u>Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will</u> keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the entire world, to try those that dwell upon the earth."

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Studying the Psalms (especially 118 and 119), it becomes evident that those who can enter through the gate are the righteous, and their righteousness is tied directly to the Torah. Those who are part of faithful Israel (including the grafted-in gentiles – according to Romans 9-11) are included in the wedding of YHVH to Israel and the great Shabbat to follow.

"Yahuah loveth the righteous!" Psalm 146:8 WHO ARE THE RIGHTEOUS? "Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous." 1John 3:7

Psalms119:142, "Your righteousness is righteousness forever, And Your Torah is truth."

One thing is for certain according to Elohim's Torah. YHVH does NOT marry "the Christian Church." This would be a violation of His Torah, as He has promised to marry Israel (again) after putting her away for a brief while due to her spiritual adultery. The idea that YHVH marries "the Christian Church" is replacement theology, a teaching founded in the same spiritual arrogance mentioned in Revelation 3:17, to which Paul warned gentiles in Romans 9 to-11.





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Let us be reminded that Christianity is paganism, blindness! If you are a Christian, you are deceived!

Listen to what Hosea 4:6 (ASV) has to say about wanting to be priest but rejecting Torah: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the Torah (law) of thy Elohim, I also will forget thy children."

According to Hosea 4:6 remembering **Torah is important** for His people, if they want to be part of the **Redeemed**, if they want to be part of Israel!



Therefore, studying and following Torah should be the highest priority for today's professed Believers! Yahusha, (the word, the Torah) is the only and final authority for justice and truth, so therefore it is the right way to live. When the Spirit reveals the Torah to us, there is no burden of dos and don'ts or a negative "do we have to do this", but rather we find life in Torah, guidance, comfort and protection.





Matthew 6:25-26 (MKJV) "I say to you, Do not be anxious for your life, what you shall eat, or what you shall drink; nor for your body, what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? 26 Behold the birds of the air; for they sow not, nor do they reap, nor gat her into barns. <u>Yet your heavenly</u> <u>Father feeds them; are you not much better than they are</u>?"



Matthew 6:27-29 (MKJV) "Which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his stature? 28. And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow. They do not toil, nor do they spin, 29. but I say to you that even Solomon in his glory was not arrayed like one of these."



Matthew 6:30-31 (MKJV) "Therefore if YHVH so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much rather clothe you, littlefaiths? 31. Therefore do not be anxious, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, With what shall we be clothed?"



Matthew 6:32-34 (MKJV) "For the nations seek after all these things. For your heavenly Father knows that you have need of all these things. 33. But <u>seek</u> <u>first the kingdom of Elohim and His righteousness</u>; and all these things shall be added to you. 34. Therefore, do not be anxious about tomorrow; for tomorrow shall be anxious for its own things. Sufficient to the day is the evil of it." As a reminder: Yahusha and all of His disciples were Torah observant Jews! The Scriptures, which they studied, loved and quoted were the Torah, the Prophets and the Psalms! Yahusha quoted from Deuteronomy (Torah) more than from any other book in Scripture! As a child He would have memorized Torah like the other Jewish children. When asked what was the greatest commandment, he quoted from Deuteronomy 6:5 (MKJV) "And you shall love Yahuah your Elohim with all your heart and soul and with all your might."

And then he added the commandment in Leviticus 19:18 (MKJV) "but you shall love your neighbor as yourself. I am Yahuah." Indeed Yahusha did not come to abolish the Torah but to obey it (Matthew 5:17-18!) What is stopping us today to do the same?



Look at this picture, looks are deceiving! There are many false doctrines and teachings in this computer age, there are many false prophets and even Messiahs, therefore don't believe everything you see, hear or read! 99% truth and 1% error is already dangerous!





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Isaiah 8:20 (Jubilee Bible) "To the law (Torah) and to the testimony! If they do not speak according to this word, it is because there is no light in them."

The Torah is a tree of life to those who take hold of it, and those who support it are praiseworthy. Its ways are ways of pleasantness and all its paths are peace.







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