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Just for clarification: In my studies I use the four Hebrew letters YHVH (and I pronounce it as Yahuah) instead of LORD, which is a title - not a name. I also use Yahusha instead of Jesus, which is not a translation but a transliteration from a Greek mistransliteration. The name Jesus has no meaning, in Hebrew nor in English! YHVH and Yahusha are the actual original Hebrew names that speak of our Savior's true nature and character.



Since the Scriptures have been modified, changed over the past centuries by the various translations, be it on purpose or by an oversight, I am inserting the original Hebrew names in my presentations. Wherever the name "God" appears, I inserted Elohim or YHVH, wherever "LORD" is shown, I insert YHVH, wherever the word "Jesus" is used, I use HIS proper Hebrew name "Yahusha".

All biblical references are taken from the King James Version, unless otherwise noted.





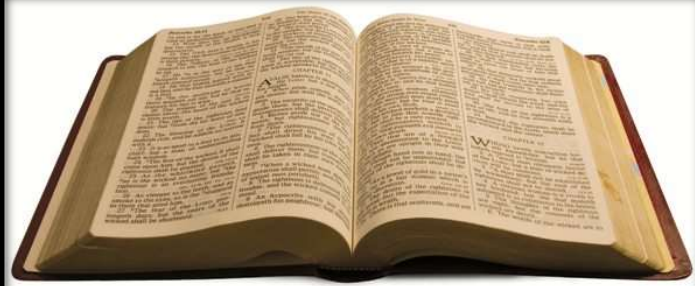
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**What does it mean to
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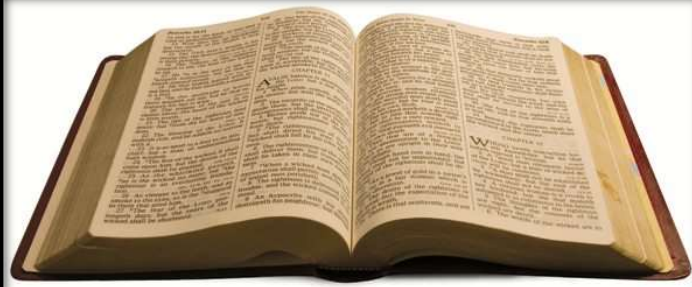
**Vain means, it has no real
significance, no value, no
importance; it is worthless:
and in this case a waste of
your time!**





In Matthew 15:3 Yahusha said to the Scribes and Pharisees at Jerusalem “**Why** do ye also transgress the commandment of Elohim by your tradition?” He continued in the verses 7-9 “Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying, 8 This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. 9 **But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.**”





Here are the words in Isaiah 29:13 **“Wherefore YHVH said, Forasmuch as this people draw near me with their mouth, and with their lips do honor me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men.”**



What made their worship worthless?

Teaching for doctrines the commandments of man, instead of a “Thus saith YHVH!”

Does that sound like a salvational issue?



The Scribes and Pharisees put great importance on their traditions, which they claim was an unwritten law, given by YHVH to Moses on Mt. Sinai, and handed down to descendants by oral communication. **And with each succeeding generation there had been rites and customs added, removed and changed.**



**The Savior calls
this kind of
worship
worthless.**



These Scribes and Pharisees were willing to do most anything to protect their man-made systems and agendas.

They would resort to treachery, hypocrisy, slander and the spreading of malicious lies in the name of Elohim, and finally, would put to death His Son before they would give up their "sacred idols.



As then, so now. The same deception is true of all the Christian Churches, denominations and groups today. **They put customs and man-made ideas above the Word of the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.** Some may deny this, but man hasn't changed, and Satan has been influencing every generation to turn from true worship to false worship. **Much of what Christianity has defined as "being biblical and following YHVH's law" rests upon the fallen, fallible and frivolous wisdom of man.**



I personally have concluded that all man-made organizations are your condemnation, if you join and are part of them. **Why?** Because one cannot be a member of any such group, and follow their formulated creeds, doctrines and religious beliefs and at the same time follow “a Thus saith the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob!” **No man can serve two masters** (Matthew 6: 24).



The Bible and the Bible alone must be our rule of faith and doctrines. When you ask the over 41,000 different groups, churches and denominations, they all will claim that the Bible alone is their foundation. However, when you look closer and investigate their teachings this claim is not correct.



We can take nothing for granted! We can't believe everything we hear, see or read! Because, when you come to the end of the road, the end of your life, standing before the judge of all the earth, expecting to enter into HIS kingdom but instead hearing the words: **“I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity** (a nomos – ye that are without Torah, without my instructions),” Matthew 7: 23



Then it is too late to turn around!



Here Yahusha was talking to the leadership of Judaism.

Would the Messiah be possibly repeating the same words today when talking to Christianity?



When we start with the largest Christian Church we find the following teachings for example that they defend, **but are nowhere found in Scripture:**



1. Sunday Sacredness (321-364 AD)
2. Indulgences (1119 AD)
3. Veneration of Mary (715 AD)
4. Court of Inquisition (1204 AD)
5. Couple Foot washing
6. Purgatory (593 AD)
7. Celibacy of the Priests (Catholic Church) (1015 AD)
9. Monasteries
10. Nuns and Monks (348 AD)
11. The cross
12. Church Steeples



- 13. Holy water (120 AD)**
- 14. The Latin Mass (394 AD)**
- 15. Corpus Christi Day (1264 AD)**
- 16. The Dispensation (1210 AD)**
- 17. Confession (1215 AD)**
- 18. Coronation of the Pope with the triple crown (1311 AD)**
- 19. The infallibility of the Pope (1870 AD)**
- 20. The worship of images (787 AD)**
- 21. The canonization of deceased (973 AD)**
- 22. To kiss the feet of the Pope (809 AD)**



When we research some of the teachings of the other Lutheran denominations **we find some additional non-biblical teachings like:**



- 1. We are living under grace and not under law**
- 2. The Trinity doctrine**
- 3. The 3 ½ year ministry of Yahusha**
- 4. The Friday crucifixion and Sunday resurrection**
- 5. Christmas and Easter Celebration**
- 6. The biblical day begins at sunset say some**
- 7. Most claim that the biblical month starts with the New Moon**
- 8. When man dies, the soul goes to hell or heaven**
- 9. The monthly communion service instead of the yearly**

Passover



- 10. Calling on the Greek Jesus instead of the Hebrew Yahusha**
- 11. Calling the Creator LORD (Baal) instead of YHVH**
- 12. Waiting for a pre-tribulation rapture and the millennium**
- 13. Baby baptism instead of full immersion**
- 14. Sunday sacredness**
- 15. The replacement theology**

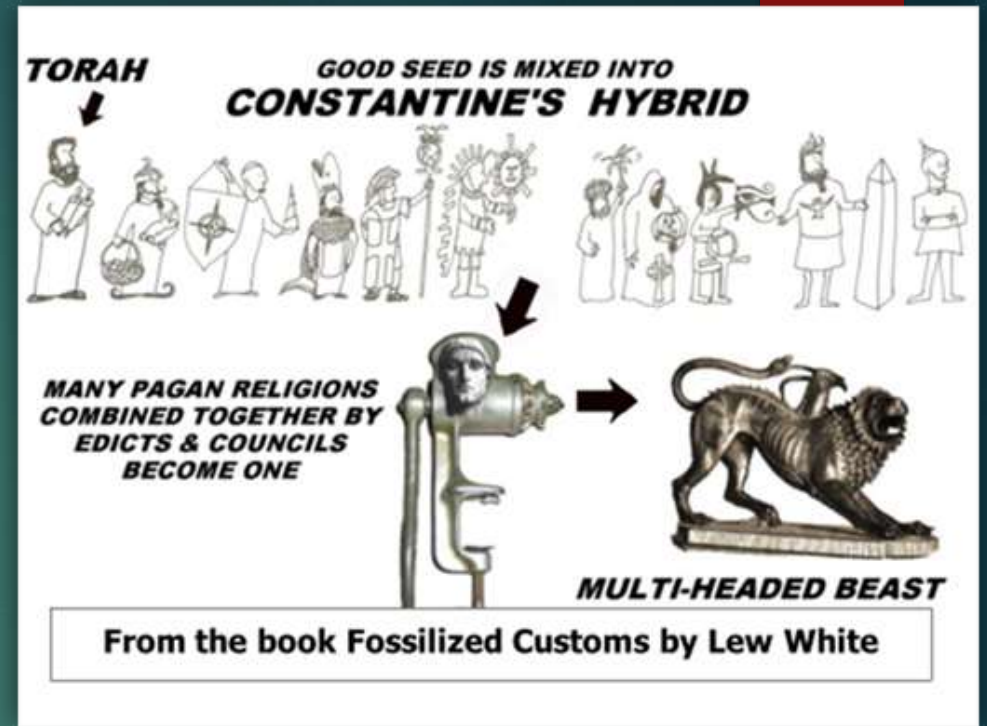
Then we could mention the various false teachings in each of the churches or denominations. Some teach about a coming Sunday Law, an investigative judgment that started in 1844, the lunar Sabbath, some teach once saved, always saved, a second probation, a temple being built during a 1000-year reign of the Messiah with animal sacrifices, the tithing system of the Levitical system in the Christian churches.



All these things cannot be proven from the Bible, but are based solely on man's ideas and their interpretation of Scripture. We could go on and on. **That is confusion or as the Bible calls it "Babylon."**



We can safely say that Christianity is not the religion that the Hebrew Messiah Yahusha started nor supports. It is a hybrid religion, a mixture of some of the teachings of Yahusha, but not the same religion that He nor the apostles taught!



The great departures from the original 1st Century Church blossomed in the second Century with the Emperor Constantine and grew in number and seriousness with each passing generation.



These are the facts, which are **not intended to offend, condemn or to judge individuals, but to be a wake-up call.** Most of us have been in the same boat. It is for our own good to find out what happened during the past 2,000 years and make a U-turn to the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and to the written instructions He gave through Moses. According to 1 Timothy 2:4 **“Elohim wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.”**

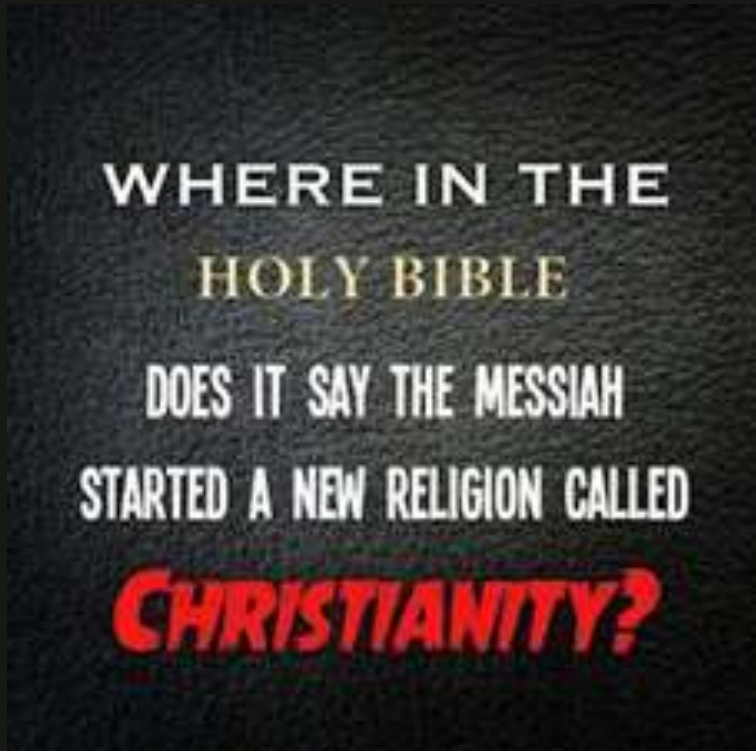


According to the words of Paul that he spoke to the people in Athens (Greece), he said: **“the times of this ignorance Elohim winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent.”** Acts 7:30



YHVH **doesn't force** anyone to accept Yahusha as their Savior and receive His free gift of eternal life. **Man has a free will, He must choose his destiny.** YHVH invites people to believe Him and to accept His invitation. Yet there are plenty of folks who are not interested, and who don't believe any of this stuff, **because of their ignorance and carelessness.**





There are only two camps, two groups of people, the good and the bad, the saved and the lost, the holy and the unholy, the righteous and the unrighteous, the obedient and the disobedient, the assembly of the saints and the synagogue of Satan!



We all have been deceived in general and by false Messiahs and false prophets, especially within Christianity. Reverence to YHVH's Torah, His instructions has been subverted! Religious leaders (mostly unknowingly) are teaching for doctrines the commandments of men! They have been lied to by their forefathers and their churches and they passed these false teachings on to their congregations.



The responsibility lies mainly with the false leaders or false shepherds! The most scathing remarks that Yahusha made were made against the religious leaders of His day, those with a pretense of religion but with hearts full of every evil thing. They had ears to hear but could not hear, eyes to see but could not see. Blind leaders of the blind. Yahusha said, **"Let them alone: . . . both shall fall into the ditch"** (Matthew 15: 14). Paul, speaking of those who receive not a love for the truth that they might be saved, says YHVH will send them strong delusions, that they might believe a lie and be damned (2 Thessalonians 2: 10-12).





In Revelation 18: 4 we read about an angel coming down from Heaven, saying that Babylon is fallen and therefore gives the command **“Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.”**

The call to come out of Babylon, out of confusion, applies to Christian Churches and Denominations that may once started out pure, but have become corrupt. And when you look at the man-made doctrines I have listed, all denominations are corrupt. **Every honest hearted, serious follower of Yahusha is commanded to leave the man-made organizations and their non-biblical teachings, in order not to be partaker of their sins and not to receive their plagues.**



Let's think again of the words in Matthew 15: 9 that were quoted in the beginning of this article: **“In vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of man.”**

YHVH will not accept the doctrines, teachings and commandments of man, no matter what. The Creator calls this worthless worship.



As an example, Yahusha's followers cannot keep Christmas, because:

YHVH condemns using pagan religious practices in His worship (Deuteronomy 12: 29-31),

He condemns adding to or taking away from His commandments (Deuteronomy 12: 32),

He condemns doing anything under green trees in His worship (Deuteronomy 12: 1-4),



He condemns **the heathen use of decorated trees at a solstice**

(Jeremiah 10: 1-4), commands us to separate from and not touch pagan religion (II Corinthians 6: 14-18), He condemns **turning to the left or right from His commandments** (Deuteronomy 5: 32-33), He told the apostles to teach us **to observe only His commandments** (Matthew 28: 20),



He rejected David's worship **for a small detail and killed Uzzah** (*// Samuel 6: 1-10*), He rejected and killed Nadab and Abihu **for offering different fire** (*Leviticus 10: 1-7*), He rejected Moses from seeing Canaan **for a slight modification** (*Numbers 20: 12*), He rejected Cain's worship simply **for bringing an alternative sacrifice** (*Genesis 4: 7*),



He rejected Saul forever **for noble intentions in a modification** (I Samuel 15: 22-23), He rejected Uzziah and gave him facial leprosy **for a new idea** (II Chronicles 26: 16-21), etc.

<http://www.letgodbetrue.com/bible/holidays/christmas.php>



The Elohim of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, YHVH is a jealous Elohim, the Great I AM, the Aleph and Tav. He will not share His Glory with anyone else. Therefore, make sure you adore and worship Him only and on His terms!

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LAST!**





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