

Bible Recommendations (Feb-18-2024 Edited Mar-24-2024)

Following are two Bible Versions that are accurate and faithful in translating the sacred Hebrew names revealed by the living **Elohim** (God) of Israel. His Name is **Yahweh**, and the Name of His Only Begotten Son is **Yahshua** (or **Yahushua**, or **Yeshuah**). To understand the translator's purpose and goal, it is imperative to **read the preface** of any Bible version. ***NOTE: An excellent resource on Bible Transmission and Translation is from Sean Finnegan's series on How We Got the Bible – 24 YouTube Lessons.***

1. **Restoration Study Bible** (RSB) 4th Edition, based on the King James Version (KJV). This is my first choice. Although most Bible Versions have corrected any uncovered errors, **the RSB text is not corrected**. However, **the RSB fully explains and addresses these KJV errors** in its footnotes. Published by **Yahweh's Restoration Ministry**, PO Box 463, Holts Summit, MO 65043 (www.yrm.org) Phone # **573-896-1000**. (www.restorationstudybible.com) Online RSB Access: <https://m.restorationstudybible.com/>
2. **The Scriptures** (ISR) 2009 Edition, translated and published by the **Institute for Scripture Research** (ISR), PO Box 1830, Northriding, 2162, South Africa (www.messianic.co.za). Transliterations are used for Hebrew names, but **Yahweh** and **Yashua** are printed in the original Hebrew text.

NOTE: I must mention the ISR organization has a unique and unusual belief that Yahweh (the Elohim of Israel) and Yahshua (the Only Begotten Son) are the same person. They look at the anthropomorphic picture from John 12 (and other related scriptures) as a reality; rather than a personification image used by the Spirit of Yahweh to communicate a divine truth to our human minds. John 12:37-38 (ISR) But though He had done so many signs before them, they did not believe in Him, that the word of Yeshayahu the prophet might be filled, which he spoke, "Yahweh, who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of Yahweh been revealed?" I do not agree that Yahweh and Yashua are the same person, which I believe is clearly revealed throughout the Bible. It appears the ISR does not include this unusual belief in its translation. Online ISR Access: <https://elijah.com/thescritures/>

Most translations use the Masoretic text on the ages of Genesis 11, which are doubtful, since they show Shem died 35 years after Abraham (9 generations later). In addition, the Masoretic timeline conflicts with the historical evidence. The pyramids were built AFTER Noah's flood, on top of sedimentary flood deposits. Henry B. Smith Jr. explains this error in **The Case For The Septuagint's Chronology In Genesis 5 And 11**, available thru Associates for Biblical Research (PO Box 144, Akron, PA 17501 - 717-859-3443). He suggests the Masoretic text may be corrupted – as evidenced by comparison to the Greek Septuagint, Samaritan Pentateuch, and works of Flavius Josephus. This Masoretic text bias and apparent text corruption changed the creation date by an estimated 1,584 years; placing earth's actual creation at 5554 BC.

People refer to many gods; and may follow them. Christians acknowledge there are many false gods, but only one true Mighty One – the Living **Elohim** of Israel. ***1 Corinthians***

8:5-6 (ISR) Even if there are so-called mighty ones, whether in heaven or on earth – as there are many mighty ones and many masters – for us there is one Elohim, the Father, from whom all came and for whom we live, and one Master Yahushua Messiah, through whom all came and through whom we live. The Elohim of Israel revealed Himself in the Hebrew Scriptures. **Genesis 1:1 (RSB) In the beginning Elohim created the heaven and the earth.** The word Elohim was used by Yahweh to reveal Himself as the Supreme Being Who created the heavens and the earth. He also revealed His True Name, Yahweh, at least 6,823 times. **Isaiah 42:8 (ISR) I am Yahweh, that is My Name, and My esteem I do not give to another, nor My praise to idols.** Yet translators have arbitrarily replaced the Holy name of Yahweh with LORD - ignoring Yahweh's warning from **Jeremiah 23:26-27 (ISR) The prophets of falsehood and prophets of the deceit of their own heart, who try to make My people forget My Name by their dreams which everyone relates to his neighbour, as their father forgot My Name for Ba'al [lord].** Worldly logic and human ideas come from the *Father of Lies*, Satan. Satan wants us to ignore the Third Commandment and the complete text of the other commands of Yahweh. **Exodus 3:15 (RSB) Elohim said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, Yahweh Elohim of your fathers, the Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Isaac, and the Elohim of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this is my name for ever, and this is my memorial unto all generations.** Yahweh continued revealing the mystery of His plan to judge all evil, and to bless all nations through Israel. **Genesis 12:3 (RSB) I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.**

A. What is a Christian? - Christians believe Yahshua (Jesus) is the promised Messiah (Christ), sent by Yahweh. **Acts 13:23 (RSB) Elohim according to His promise raised unto Israel a Savior, Yahshua.** Theologians can provide countless proofs that Yahshua is our promised Messiah. But Yahshua said He would give only one sign that He is the Messiah – the Sign of Jonah! **Matthew 12:39-40 (RSB) An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas.** **For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth** (72 hours). False Religions use 36 hours to justify their religious memorial of Good Friday and Easter; contradicting both the historical record and the very Words of Yahshua. **John 19:31 (RSB) The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the stake on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was a high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.** Yahshua was buried 4-hours after His death. Christ's burial was at 7 PM on Wednesday (Preparation Day), followed by a High Sabbath (Thursday Passover). Yahweh then raised Yahshua from the dead on Saturday (weekly Sabbath) at 7 PM. Exactly **72-hours from burial to resurrection.** See **GodsTruth.us** website (<https://godstruth.us/>) – Christianity, Item 1.2 Human Tradition - Easter timeline: 3 Days & 3 Nights. Direct Link: <https://youtu.be/EmtyYqq11Qc?t=11>

B. What is the Gospel? – Churches and theologians have different versions of the Gospel (Good News). But what is the True Gospel taught by Christ? *Mark 1:14 (RSB)* *Yahshua came into Galilee, preaching the Good News of the Kingdom of Elohim.* The Jews and disciples understood the Gospel to be restoration of the Kingdom of Yahweh on earth. As Yahshua completed His earthly ministry and was returning to His Father, the disciples asked if He would now restore the Kingdom? *Acts 1:6* *Master, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?* The disciples were just becoming aware of the Church Age; with the Spirit of Yahweh entering and empowering His followers. *Acts 1:8 (RSB)* *You shall receive power, after that the Holy Spirit is come upon you.* As the Church Age is now coming to an end, Yahshua is returning to reign on earth. *Daniel 7:14 (RSB)* *There was given Him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve Him: His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.* Yahweh's prophetic plan is shown by His Seven Feasts (Leviticus 23). These feasts are: 1-Passover, 2-Unleavened Bread, 3-First Fruits, 4-Pentecost, 5-Trumpets, 6-Day of Atonement, 7-Tabernacles. Yahshua preached the Kingdom of Yahweh. *Luke 4:43 (RSB)* *I must preach the kingdom of Yahweh to other cities also: for therefore am I sent.*

C. Taught by Yahweh's Spirit – Believers are taught directly by Yahweh's Spirit – not by the human understanding of THIS world! *1 John 2:26-27 (ISR)* *I have written this to you concerning those who lead you astray. But the anointing which you have received from Him stays in you, and you have no need that anyone should teach you. But as the same anointing does teach you concerning all, and is true, and is no falsehood, and even as it has taught you, you stay in Him.* Human theology is from the ruler of THIS world, Satan. *Colossians 2:8 (RSB)* *Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Messiah.* The Spirit of Yahweh not only dwells inside our hearts, He teaches us all things. *John 14:26 (RSB)* *The Comforter, which is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance.*

D. Human Traditions Nullify God's Word – We are blinded by Satan as he tries to keep us from the light of Yahshua's Good News. *2 Corinthians 4:4 (RSB)* *The mighty one of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious good news of Messiah, who is the image of Elohim, should shine unto them.* We are warned about following human traditions that turn our hearts away from Yahweh's truth. *Mark 7:6-8 (RSB)* *This people honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me. Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.* Yahshua warns us that following human traditions will Nullify the Word of Elohim! *Mark 7:13 (ISR)* *Nullifying the Word of Elohim through your tradition which you have handed down. And many such traditions you do.* We are to celebrate the Holy Days of Elohim, not holiday traditions from pagan religions! For example, what does a giant pink

rabbit passing out candy eggs have to do with the crucifixion of Christ? It is common knowledge that churches adapted pagan holidays and infused them with the world's traditions and religious ceremonies. An excellent resource is **Passover vs Easter** (Oct-11-2016, YRM): Yahweh Restoration Ministry at 844-899-6438: <https://yrm.org/passover-vs-easter/>.

E. Vessels of Yahshua – We turn from the desires of this world and become yielded vessels; waiting and relying on the power of Yahshua. **2 Timothy 2:21 (RSB) *If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.*** During His earthly ministry (prior to being glorified and seated at the right hand of Yahweh), Yahshua did nothing on His own. **John 5:30 (RSB) *I can of mine own self do nothing.*** After His resurrection, Christ was given all power and authority. It is in the Power of Christ alone, that a specific path and plan is revealed to each of us. **Ephesians 2:10 (RSB) *We are His workmanship, created in Messiah Yahshua unto good works, which Yahweh hath before ordained that we should walk in them.*** Our faith is reflected in being faithful (obedient to Christ). **James 2:17-18 (RSB) *Faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone. Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.*** To be a Believer implies our faith is shown by our behavior. **James 2:19-20 (RSB) *Thou believest there is one Elohim; thou doest well: the devils also believe and tremble. But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?***

F. Obedience is Elohim's Love Language - Elohim wants obedience from us, not sacrifice: **1 Samuel 15:22-23 (RSB) *Hath Yahweh as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of Yahweh? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry.*** Because thou hast rejected the word of Yahweh, He hath also rejected thee. Rebellion is equated to witchcraft (using demonic power, occult objects, or drugs) to control others. Stubbornness is equated to idolatry (to worship our own image of a false god). In today's world, witchcraft and idolatry seem obscure, irrelevant, and unrelated to the Bible or Christ. Yet Satan uses his curse of evil to deceive us with witchcraft (demonic and controlling influences from the evil one); and deceptions of idolatry (avoiding personal repentance) as we follow our own distorted image of God. King Saul justified his motive and reason to disobey. **1 Samuel 15:24 (REV) *I have transgressed the commandment of Yahweh and your words because I was afraid of the people and obeyed their voice.*** King Saul feared man more than Yahweh. **Proverbs 1:7 (REV) *The fear of Yahweh is the beginning of knowledge, fools show contempt for wisdom and sound teaching.*** We are warned that apart from Yahshua our Messiah, we can do nothing. **John 15:5 (RSB) *I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without Me ye can do nothing.*** It is by the Blood of our Messiah and Power from the Holy Spirit of Yahweh, that we are able to become obedient vessels; to be used for our Savior's purpose. **Matthew 7:21-23**

(RSB) Not everyone that saith unto Me, Master, Master, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of My Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Master, Master, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from Me, ye that work iniquity [disobedience].

Yahweh’s Love Language is **obedience NOT beliefs**. ***1 John 5:3 (RSB) For this is the love of Elohim, that we keep His commandments: and His commandments are not grievous.*** How tragic to be seduced into a belief system and practices that ignore obeying the Word of Elohim! ***1 Timothy 4:1 (RSB) In the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils.*** Pagan ideas have filtered into Bible translations, creating religious traditions that violate Elohim’s Word of Truth. *“Christianity conquered Paganism, but Paganism corrupted Christianity.”* Today, few Christians read the full Bible (easily done in 60 hours). Yet, we are fed by Elohim’s Word of Truth to grow our spirit. ***Matthew 4:4 (RSB) Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of Yahweh.*** Human religious beliefs are from the world’s ideas. Below is a comparison of religion’s first four Commandments, with the Truth from the Word of Elohim:

Religious Version	Word of Elohim’s Truth (taken from the RSB)
1. You shall have no other gods before me.	1. I am Yahweh thy Elohim, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt [<i>Darkness</i>], out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other mighty ones before me.
2. You shall not make idols.	2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I Yahweh thy Elohim am a jealous El, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.
3. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.	3. Thou shalt not take the name of Yahweh thy Elohim in vain; for Yahweh will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain [<i>Disregard, Treat as for No Purpose, or Ignore</i>]. <i>See Leviticus 22:32 for Elohim’s command to not blaspheme or profane His name – Yahweh.</i>
4. Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.	4. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of Yahweh thy Elohim: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days Yahweh made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore Yahweh blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

In the Third Commandment, ***in vain*** has been misinterpreted and ignored. Anyone can discover for themselves, that ***in vain*** (used 63 times in the KJV) means to treat something as *insignificant, worthless, ignored, or useless*. Abraham Lincoln in his Gettysburg Address, stated, “...***these dead shall not have died in vain***...”, meaning ignored, or their death was useless. The third commandment tells us to treat with reverence and not ignore the Elohim of Israel’s Name – **Yahweh!** Elohim’s command to not blaspheme, or profane His name is **found separately**; in ***Leviticus 22:32 (ISR) Do not profane My set-apart Name, and I shall be set-apart among the children of Yisra’el***. Yahweh’s command to not blaspheme His name is further explained and described in ***Leviticus 24:16 (ISR) He who blasphemes the Name of Yahweh shall certainly be put to death***.

G. Belonging to Yahshua – Our relationship to our creator, Yahweh, is restored through His Only Begotten Son, Yahshua. ***John 14:6 (RSB) Yahshua saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me***. We access our new life in Yahshua through humble repentance; symbolized by our water baptism. ***Mark 1:8 (RSB) I indeed have baptized you with water: but He shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit***. When we live our new life in obedient surrender to Yahshua, the Spirit of Yahweh gives us a second baptism of the spirit, which is accompanied by speaking in tongues, and manifested by nine divine gifts and signs of supernatural power. ***1 Corinthians 12:7-12 (ISR) And to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for profiting, for to one is given a word of wisdom through the Spirit, and to another a word of knowledge according to the same Spirit, and to another belief by the same Spirit, and to another gifts of healing by the same Spirit, and to another operations of powers, and to another prophecy, and to another discerning of spirits, and to another kinds of tongues, and to another interpretation of tongues. But one and the same Spirit works all these, distributing to each one individually as He intends. For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is the Messiah***. We were designed to be vessels according to Yahweh’s plan and purpose. Believers who belong to Christ, have crucified the flesh. ***Galatians 5:24 (NET) Now those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires***. Satan works to deceive and corrupt the beliefs of well intentioned, but disobedient, Believers. ***2 Timothy 4:3-4 (RSB) 4:3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables***.

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