## THE VIRGIN BIRTH – WHY IT WAS NECESSARY

In this paper we will be using the Hebrew names of the people in Scriptures. Also listed is their English equivalent. YashaYah (Isaiah), YaramYah, (Jeremiah), Yahazqal (Ezekiel), ZakarYah (Zachariah), Dawid (David), HazaqYah (Hezekiah), Yahudah (Judah), Yasharal (Israel)

"A truth's initial commotion is directly proportional to how deeply the lie was believed... When a well-packaged web of lies has been sold gradually to the masses over generations, the truth will seem preposterous and its' speaker a raving lunatic." Dresden James.

This quote is true to the core and rest assured I am not a raving lunatic. My only desire is to present a clearer perspective to the text, along with historical information that will allow us to embrace more truth. In this paper we will look at why the powers that be have promoted the doctrine of the virgin birth. For the past sixteen hundred years (since the New Testament was canonized), this well packaged doctrine has gone worldwide and taken deep roots in the hearts of many. We will explore the history of this belief and why it is still prevalent today.

First, we will deal with why this belief is still with us today. The Bible is the most read book ever printed, and most people believe that the Bible is the infallible word of the Creator. It is unfortunate that many of us take whatever we have been taught in the "Christian Church of Rome" without question. The translators have fraudulently pulled scriptures from the Old Testament to support a virgin birth and many preachers, even those who have been through the seminaries, have allowed this doctrine to continue to this day. These schools of learning have studied a text that was put in print and promoted by the Roman Catholic Church. The Bible has been read over and over again by those seeking the Creator without them realizing that truth mixed with error has caused a very deep deception. Only the Most High Yah through His Spirit and our love for truth will overcome this well-packaged web of lies.

One of the most popular scripture preachers use to promote the virgin birth is in YashaYah chapter seven. I had to read this chapter over a half a dozen times to get a proper understanding on what is being said. King Ahaz, the king of Yahudah was faced with an invasion from King Pekah of the northern kingdom of Israel, and King Rezin of Aram. This invasion caused Ahaz great fear, and rightly so. Reason being, he had forsaken Yahuah and His ways and judgement was coming from Ahaz's enemies. Due to his sins, Ahaz would rather ask the King of Assyria for help rather than Yahuah. The plan of the enemy was to dethrone Ahaz and set up a puppet king, the son of Tabeel, over Yahudah. However, for Dawid's sake Yahuah was not going to let that happen. Dawid's throne would continue.

"And Yahuah said to Yashayah (Isaiah), Go out now to meet Aḥaz, you and She'ar-Yashuḇ your son, at the end of the channel of the upper pool, on the highway of the Launderer's

Field, and say to him, take heed and be calm; do not fear or be fainthearted... " (YashaYah 7:3-4)

Yahuah asked YashaYah to take his son She'ar-Yashub as a sign to Ahaz. YashaYah son's name *She'ar-Yashub* name means "a remnant shall return". Even though some of the cities had been taken captive, a remnant would return. YashaYah's other son in chapter eight verse three was also given as a sign to the nation. This son's name is Maher-Shalal-Hash-Baz and his name means "hasten to the plunder, swift to the prey".

"And Yahuah said to me, 'Take a large tablet, and write on it with a man's pen concerning Maher-Shalal-Hash-Baz. And let Me take reliable witnesses to record, UriYah the priest and ZekarYahu son of YeberekYahu.' And I went to the prophetess, and she conceived and bore a son. And Yahuah said to me, 'Call his name Maher-Shalal-Hash-Baz; for before the child knows to cry 'My father' and 'My mother,' the riches of Dammeseq and the spoil of Shomeron is taken away before the sovereign of Ashshur.'" (YashaYah 8:1-4)

Yashayah's sons were prophetic signs for what was happening in the nation. Yahuah was going to do the same thing for king Ahaz.

"Look, I and the children who Yahuah has given me – for signs and wonders in Yasharal from Yahuah of host who dwells in Mound Tsiyon." (YashaYah 8:18)

"And Yahuah spoke again to Aḥaz, saying, **ask a sign for yourself** from Yahuah your Alahym; make deep the request or make it high. But Aḥaz said, I do not ask nor try Yahuah! and he said, Hear now, O house of Dawid! is it not enough that you weary men, that you weary my Alahym also? Therefore, Yahuah Himself **gives you a sign**: Look, **the virgin (the Hebrew word almah) conceives and gives birth to a son, and shall call His name Immanu'al** (Ahalym is with us). He eats curds and honey when He knows to refuse evil and choose the good, the land that you dread is to be forsaken by both her sovereigns." (Yashahyah 7:11-16)

The Hebrew word for virgin is *almah* and its meaning in the **Strong's H5958 means** a *lass* (as *veiled* or **private**); it has also been translated to the following English words: damsel, maid, and virgin in the Scriptures (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance). This sign of the maiden conceiving and bringing forth a son was to let king Ahaz know that *Alahym was with them*. This son to be born was for that time, it is not speaking of an event that will *"be fulfilled"* more than seven hundred years in the future. This is an injustice to Scripture and completely unfounded.

There has been much theological debate whether or not *virgin* used in this verse is one who had not experience sexual relationship with a man or if the *virgin* is a young married woman. There is another Hebrew word for virgin throughout the Scriptures and when it is used it is referring to a woman who has never been with a man in a sexual way. This word is *bethulah*.

Bethulah – to separate; a virgin (from her privacy); sometimes (by continuation) a bride; also (fig) a city or state... (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance, H1330)

If we were to identify the maiden, that would solve the problem. Much theological debate is out there on whether this woman is the wife of YashaYah, the wife of Ahaz, or the Virgin Mary. There are many commentators that don't believe this passage is talking about the Virgin Mary. This woman would bring forth a son as a sign to Ahaz that Yahuah their Alahym would be with them in this conflict.

"For a child is born <u>unto us</u>, a son is given <u>unto us</u>, and the rule is on his shoulder. And his name is called **wonderful** (great), counsellor (he will be able to advise and resolve issues), \*strong al (strong sovereign), father of continuity (the chief position will continue, it will not end), prince of peace (head ruler will prosper). Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever. The zeal of the Yahuah of hosts will perform this." (YashaYah 9:6-7)

\*mighty: H1368 gibbor (strong) – the same as H1397; powerful; by implication warrior, tyrant: - champion, chief X excel, giant, man, mighty (man, one) strong

**H1397 giber** – properly a valiant man or warrior; generally, a person simply

\*Al: H410 al (God - KJV) – from H352; strength; as adjective mighty; especially the Almighty (but used also of any deity):

**H352 ayil** – properly, strength; hence, anything strong; specifically, <u>a chief</u> (politically)

The translators have capitalized the adjectives in this verse to describes this son. This is to give the impression that he is more than a man. A god-man to be exact. The phrase "Mighty God" in the KJV, Hebraically, does not necessarily mean the Most High Yahuah. We must remember "God" is not the name of the Creator. Hebraically Al (God), might and strength, are adjectives that describe Yahuah's attributes. Yahuah is strong and mighty.

Who is this son that is given to Yasharal? If we know who the mother is, we will know who the son is.

Upon reading YashaYah chapters 7 through 9, multiple times, we are led to believe this woman is the wife of king Ahaz. In YashaYah 7:14 the maiden is Ahaz's young bride, AbiYah daughter of ZakarYah. This maiden would bring forth a son as a sign denoting that Alahym would be with them in this conflict. This same son's destiny and purpose is stated in chapter 9:6-7 which we just read. Ahaz son to be born was...

"So, Ahaz slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the City of Dawid. And **HazaqYah** his son reigned in his place." (2 Kings 16:20)

## HazaqYah Reigns in Yahudah

In second Kings 18:1-6 we see this son who was a strong chief politically and spiritually for the nation. This ruler fits the description of the son in YashaYah 9:6.

"And it came to be in the third year of Hoshea son of Ělah, sovereign of Yasharal, that HazaqYah son of Ahaz, sovereign of Yahudah, began to reign. He was twenty-five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned twenty-nine years in Yarushalayim. And his mother's name was AbiYah (Yah is my Father), daughter of ZakarYah. And he did what was right in the eyes of Yahuah aaccording to all that his father Dawid did. He took away the high places and broke the pillars, and cut down the Asherah, and broke in pieces the bronze serpent which Mosheh had made, for until those days the children of Yasharal burned incense to it, and called it Neḥushtan. He put his trust in Yahuah Alahym of Yasharal, and after him was none like him among all the sovereigns of Yahudah, nor who were before him, and he clung to Yahuah. He did not turn away from following Him, but guarded His commands, which Yahuah had commanded Mashah." (2 Kings 18:1-6)

What a testimony! It is interesting to note that the name HazaqYah means "strengthened of Yah," and indeed he was a strong chief.

So why would Christianity want us to believe that this scripture refers to the Virgin Mary and her son? Christianity is a modern-day Babylonian religion. It is well known that Nimrod built Babylon. According to tradition he had a wife name Semiramis and she supposedly produce a son from the rays of the sun named Tammuz. I will not attempt to validate this legend, but take it upon yourself to study the Scriptures and see if there is any connection to these two characters.

"And you, do not pray for this people, nor lift up a cry or prayer for them, nor make intercession to Me, for I do not hear you. Do you not see what they are doing in the cities of Yahudah and in the streets of Yarushalayim? The children are gathering wood, the fathers are lighting the fire, and the women are kneading their dough, to make cakes for the queen of the heavens." (YaramYah 7:16-18)

"But we shall do whatever has gone out of our own mouth, to burn incense to the **queen** of the heavens and pour out drink offerings to her, as we have done, we and our fathers, our sovereigns and our heads, in the cities of Yahudah and in the streets of Yarushalayim. And we had plenty of food, and were well-off, and saw no evil. But since we ceased burning incense to the **queen of the heavens** and pouring out drink offerings to her, we have lacked all and have been consumed by the sword and by scarcity of food."

(YaramYah 44:17-18)

"And He said to me, son of man, have you seen what the elders of the house of Yasharal are doing in the dark, each one in the room of his idols? For they say, Yahuah does not

see us, Yahuah has forsaken the land. And He said to me, you are to see still greater abominations which they are doing. And He brought me to the door of the north gate of the House of Yahuah, and I saw women sitting there, weeping for Tammuz." (Yahazaqal 8:12-14)

Yahudah was consumed by the sword because of their idolatry. They had strayed so far from Yahuah that they convinced themselves that these false gods and goddesses was answering their prayers. Who was this queen of the heavens, who was Tammuz?

The queen of heaven was the Mesopotamian goddess **Ishtar**. She was worshipped by the Assyrians and Babylonians. Also known as **Astarte (Ashtoreth)** a Canaanite goddess who was a consort of Baal. She was known throughout the nations.

"And the children of Yasharal again did evil in the eyes of Yahuah, and served the Baals and the Ashtoreths, and the mighty ones of Aram, and the mighty ones of Tsidon, and the mighty ones of Mo'ab, and the mighty ones of the children of Ammon, and the mighty ones of the Philistines – and forsook Yahuah and did not serve Him." (Judges 10:6)

The worship of Ishtar (a member of the Ashtoreths' sorority) is seen all throughout the history of humankind. The elements of the egg, the spring equinox, fertility rites, and new life is seen in our time year after year in Christian practices. Many individuals have written on this subject.

"As the fertility goddess, Ishtar was often associated with eggs, which were seen as a symbol of new life and rebirth. In ancient times, people would decorate eggs in honor of Ishtar and give them as gifts to one another during the spring equinox, which marked the beginning of the agricultural season... Over time, decorating eggs spread to other cultures and religions. In Europe, for example, people began decorating eggs during the Christian celebration of Lent, a period of fasting and repentance leading up to Easter. Eggs were seen as a symbol of the resurrection of Jesus Christ and the new life he brought to the world." Ref. - SBS Assyrians.

The Scriptures does not speak of Tammuz being the son of Semiramis and Nimrod, but there is a connection with Ishtar also known as Astarte or Ashtoreth and Tammuz. As stated above, and in the scriptures, the woman of Yahudah was baking cakes and pouring out drink offering to the queen of heaven. They stated that as long as they were doing this, "we had plenty of food, and were well-off, and saw no evil". This fertility goddess, and her association with eggs was a symbol of new life and rebirth. She was honored during the spring equinox, the beginning of the agricultural season.

Tammuz is known as an **agricultural/shepherd deity**. The women may have been weeping for him because he was dead and the earth was dead for about four to five months because of the lack of rain (May – September). On the Babylonian calendar the month of Tammuz (July) fall around this time. They wanted him to return and bless the land again. The people went through this cycle of mourning every year. He would die and return again from the underworld. I experienced this cycle every year when I was in the church. The Catholic Church trained us that at the time of the first full moon after the Spring Equinox on the venerable day of the sun, we would celebrate "new life." We would weep on Good Friday and two days later on the venerable day of the sun (Sunday), we would shout and rejoice. This was an emotional roller-coaster every year. I never did like roller-coasters, maybe road them twice in my lifetime. I am so grateful the truth allowed me to get off this emotional ride.

We can see in the Scriptures that the people of Yahuah learned the ways of the heathens, and turned to false mighty ones to supply their needs. They would pour out their offerings to them in worship and refused to listen to the prophets' call of repentance and turn back to Yahuah. Let us not do the same thing. Today, the Virgin Mary is referred to as the Queen of Heavens or the Mother of God. The fertility goddess known as the queen of heaven and Tammuz an agricultural diety, both represents new life and new birth at the time of the spring equinox. The Church has taught people to remember "the season of new life" but the Turah has commanded us to remember our deliverance from Egypt. On Yahuah's calendar, the New Year begins at the time of the spring season. It was at this time of year that Yahuah separated us not only from Egypt but from ALL the nations and commanded us to **remember this season**.

"And Yahuah spoke to Mashah and to Aharun in the land of Mitsrayim (Egypt), saying, this new moon is the beginning of new moons for you, it is the first new moon of the year for you. And you shall guard the Festival of Matzut, for on this same day I brought your divisions out of the land of Mitsrayim. And you shall guard this day throughout your generations, an everlasting law. (Shamuth (Exodus) 12:1&2, 17)

For many centuries Yasharal and the world have strayed away from the Creator's calendar and commandments. The Roman Church established laws to wipe out the knowledge of Yahuah's system of time, primarily with one day in particular – Sunday Worship. This deception has gone on long enough. The time has come for Yasharal and all the nations to remember Yahuah's orders and turn back to their Creator.

The Roman Catholic Christian Church had to cover-up who the world is truly worshipping by high-jacking portions of the Old Testament to fraudulently create a god-man born by the Virgin Mary (queen of heaven/the mother of God). This god-man is celebrated every week on the venerable day of the sun. This worship day is tied directly to Resurrection Sunday (new life Sunday) celebrated every year around the time of the spring equinox. The Virgin Mary's son's birth is also celebrated every year during the winter solstice along with all the other false mighty ones of the heathen nations. If the people were truly worshipping The Most High

Yahuah, they would remember His Sabbath every week and His festivals in every season. So, we must ask ourselves, **who is really being worshipped**?

The virgin birth was necessary so that the powers that be can make sure that Yahuah's people would continue in ignorance and idolatry by looking to the son of the Virgin Mary for their salvation instead of Yahuah. The virgin birth was also necessary so that the powers that be could continue to keep the nations of the earth under their power and control through deception. Therefore, this would keep them from knowing and serving their Creator. Once Yah's people wake up and turn back to Him the power of the wicked will be broken, and all those of the nations who love truth will see the truth and turn to Yahuah.

