

THE NEW COVENANT SIMPLIFIED

FAITH
ALONE!

WELL FAITH
WITHOUT
WORKS
IS DEAD

THOSE WHO
HAVE EARS
TO HEAR,
LET THEM
HEAR

ONLY IF
GOD ELECTED
YOU TO
BELIEVE!

THERE'S NO
EVIDENCE
FOR JESUS
OUTSIDE
OF THE
GOSPELS



IS THIS YOU?

All I wanted was the truth, I didn't care where it led. If I found all religions to be 100% fairytales after in-depth examination I would simply side with the mainstream scientific consensus of evolution. If I found serious evidence for any religion I would potentially reconsider. For example, if we had copies of ancient writings prophesying or being theologically consistent with the coming of Muhammad I'd consider Islam. If I found the claims and teachings of the New Testament along with the Quran completely incompatible with the Tanakh (what many refer to as the "Old Testament") I'd consider orthodox or karaite Judaism.

Christianity is the largest world religion with Islam growing rapidly in 2nd but both faiths are built on the Jewish scriptures. So in my attempt to truly understand the views of each major religion outside of evolution, it made sense to me to begin by examining what the orthodox Jews had to say about Christianity & Islam first before vice versa. But there was an unexpected problem I kept running into that bothered me. I was infuriated that none of the big names in orthodox Judaism, Islam, or even atheism could give a clear step-by-step answer as to what exactly happened if Yeshua (Jesus) didn't bodily rise from the dead. Despite billions of people on this planet and many being very academically brilliant; I still could not find even one person able to explain to me step-by-step how Christianity "actually" began.

Yes people argued about miracles, gospel authorship, and bible contradictions etc but I just wanted to get to the point! I knew that if I could disprove the resurrection nothing else mattered. So this book answers with the only possible alternative while also laying out all of the sources & prophecies every nonbeliever must read before completely writing off the resurrection as most people never read both sides. But to me this still wasn't enough.

In this book I also wanted to demonstrate all of the serious problems with every other major religion or worldview. Obviously it would be unrealistic to think one book could ever cover every single religion in detail so I'll get to the point by only sharing what is truly irreconcilable to popular beliefs. But there was a second major problem I ran into in my search for truth.

Even if I wanted to believe Yeshua (Jesus) bodily rose from the dead, Christianity is so clearly filled with religious hypocrites that don't even practice what they preach and thousands of different denominations that don't agree with each other. So how am I supposed to know who truly follows after "Christus" correctly? I utterly despised having to choose from the thousands of different denominations because again I just wanted to get to the point! Regardless of resurrection or not, I was determined to find out "if Yeshua (Jesus) and his apostles were on earth again right now (as 99% of scholars from all views agree they at least existed), which Christian denomination today would they say is most accurate to their faith? "I wrote this book so that every person can just skip to the only possible answer.

The reality is that most people are too afraid of offending their current denomination, too afraid of offending their family, and too afraid of their ministry or college not bringing in enough money to examine their views but I could truly care less about money (why this pdf is free). Again, all I wanted was the truth.

So if you are one of the few who also seeks the truth, wherever it leads; the answer to all of your questions is found in the New Covenant. Because once you understand the New Covenant, the scriptures being “full of contradictions”, and the need for thousands of denominations/religions beautifully disappear.

I also want to make one point very clear before you read this book. And that is just because something is written in a book does not make it true. This is just me carefully, methodically, and from a place of love for your soul stating my case for the New Covenant. I highly encourage you to still read and listen to other opposing views. If anyone differs from anything I've written, I openly invite you to attempt to rebut my case by creating your own book “islam simplified”, “Judaism simplified”, or “atheism simplified” etc. In my opinion, letting the world compare your work against mine is what will lead to the healthiest discussions and give readers the easiest way to examine all viewpoints. One final note before The New Covenant Simplified; this is a very fact heavy book but I have purposely sprinkled in some action throughout the whole book to keep it from becoming dry. So be on the lookout for it as it will come up when you least expect it!

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“What must I do to be saved? What is sin?”

*“For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life,
and those who find it are few.” Matthew 7:14 ESV*

*“Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you,
will seek to enter and will not be able.” Luke 13:24 ESV*

*“Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot
be my disciple. For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does
not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to
complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is
not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, saying, 'This
man began to build and was not able to finish.'”*

Luke 14:27-30 ESV

His wife told him “ever since your dream, it has caused nothing but strife and division in our marriage! It is not from God! You are ruining the gospel!”

He then responded “I’m ruining that Christ died for our sins, was buried, and rose again on the third day?”

His wife replied “I know so many great people of God, why would he choose to give this revelation to you? I have the Holy Spirit too! How come none of these other faithful people came to your view?”

Then he remembered how the house of God treated Joseph for his dream, how they shut down John the Baptist, and Stephen so he decided to just respectfully agree-to-disagree as it is written in Ecclesiastes 1:9 (Judaica Press Tanach) “What has been is what will be, and what has been done is what will be done, and there is nothing new under the sun.”

He then told his wife, “it was necessary that the word of יהוה be spoken to you first but since you and the church thrust this aside and judge yourselves unworthy of this revelation, I am turning to the unbelievers. And when the unbelievers read this they will begin rejoicing and glorify the word of יהוה, and as many that are appointed to eternal life will believe. And the word of יהוה will spread throughout the whole world.

The word of יהוה which came to this bond-servant in a dream, to the lost sheep who have been predestined by our heavenly father to receive this book before the end of the 6th day.

I have not come to proclaim any new revelation as there is none after the apostle John. I am merely organizing almost 2000 years of scattered revelation from יהוה. Many have already undertaken to compile it but it seemed good to me (as a former skeptic who only cares about the facts and what the bible says alone without man-made traditions), to also write an orderly account for every non believer and those currently struggling with their faith so you may have certainty concerning what יהוה has sent. But beware of evil men in high positions of scholarship who maliciously distort what he's revealed. They use Greek, Hebrew, and linguistic mind games against you in an attempt to distort how these texts plainly read but woe to those who take away the key of knowledge and hinder those who were entering.

Many of you like myself have also been hurt by false prophets in the church and as a result, have stopped seeking יהוה, but know that he has never stopped seeking you, nor has their evil escaped from his eyes. There are also those he never sent who prophesied Trump winning 2020 but instead of repenting from their idolatry they continue prophesying falsehood in יהוה's name every election. Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of יהוה.

They say continually to those who despise the word of יהוה,
“Don’t worry the great awakening is coming!”; and when their
false prophecies don’t come to pass they say, “We don’t need to
repent. We continue to stand on what God told us. No disaster
shall come upon us. “ But do not be dismayed, as Yeshua (Jesus)
forewarned you when he was physically on earth that many
false prophets would arise” *And many false prophets will rise up
and mislead many people.*” Matthew 24:11 NASB2020

Many of you are also angry at יהוה. You feel he has not provided
any evidence for the resurrection outside of the gospels but since
the creation of the world, his invisible attributes and divine
nature have clearly been perceived and understood, so all people
are without excuse. Yet you people say **“The way of God is not
just”** when it is your own way that is not just.

**“There are thousands of religions! What makes Christianity
different from any other belief? These Christians are so
arrogant for believing Jesus is the only way to be saved!”**

**“Comic books are just as much proof that Spider-Man existed
as the gospels are that Jesus existed. “**

**“Evolution is a fact! Evolution is a fact accepted by every major
college institution whereas believing that Jesus rose from the
dead requires 100% blind faith!”**

You utter what you do not understand as I once did. Things too wonderful for you, which you do not know but now will see. Then those who are called will therefore despise themselves and repent as I have.

The plans יהוה has for you are for prosperity not disaster, to give you a future and a hope. יהוה your God, creator of heaven and earth, who declares the end from the beginning lacks nothing and is under no obligation to prove anything to you. The opposite is true, but I as his servant am interceding for you.

I have earnestly prayed for wisdom from יהוה to lead you back to the ancient paths, where the good way is, so those who are called may walk in it and thus, find the resting place for their souls.

“JUST SHOW ME THE EVIDENCE!”

(THE EVIDENCE PROLOGUE)

I want you to imagine a World War 2 Nazi soldier going house to house dragging Jews away to concentration camps. What would you say the odds are of him leaving his position as a Nazi to join the same faith of the Jews he's either placed in concentration camps or ordered executed? Almost near impossible, right?

Let's pretend one day this same Nazi soldier claimed the God of Israel supernaturally appeared to him. Imagine this experience moved him so much he converted, started building congregations, and was so sure the God of Israel appeared to him that he was willing to die for his faith and was beheaded for it. Would be a crazy story right? Well this is the exact equivalent of what happened to Paul of Tarsus with the first Jews who believed Yeshua (Jesus) rose from the dead.

"For you have heard of my former way of life in Judaism, how I used to persecute the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it;" Galatians 1:13 NASB2020

"and last of all, as to one untimely born, **He** (*speaking of Yeshua/Jesus*) **appeared to me also.** For I am the least of the apostles, and not fit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God." 1 Corinthians 15:8-9 NASB2020

The reason Paul's writings are important are because they give us a fairly unbiased glimpse into early Christianity shortly after the crucifixion but before the gospels were written.

Yeshua (Jesus/Christus) & His Crucifixion Outside Of The Gospels

Josephus the 1st century Jewish historian mentions Yeshua (Jesus) in passing when recording the execution of his brother James: "... he assembled the sanhedrin of judges, and brought before them the brother of Jesus, who was called Christ, whose name was James ..." - Josephus, Antiquities Book 20: chapter 9

Paul's visit to Jerusalem 3 years after his conversion also confirms this same James to be Yeshua's (Jesus') brother:

"Then three years later I went up to Jerusalem to become acquainted with Cephas, and stayed with him for fifteen days. But I did not see another one of the apostles except James, the Lord's brother." Galatians 1:18-19 NASB2020

Paul spending time with both Peter & James the brother of Yeshua (Jesus) makes him a credible 2nd hand source to the Philippians on the crucifixion "... Christ Jesus ... being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death: death on a cross." Philippians 2:5-8 NASB2020

An anonymous letter before 70 AD reads "looking only at Jesus, the originator and perfecter of the faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross..." Hebrews 12:2 NASB2020

Lucian, a Greek Satirist mocking Christians wrote “they still worship, the man who was crucified in Palestine because he introduced this new cult into the world... The poor wretches have convinced themselves, first and foremost, that they are going to be immortal and live for all time...” - Lucian of Samosata : THE PASSING OF PEREGRINUS

Tacitus, the Roman historian who was alive during the reign of Nero, also confirms that Christ (Christus in greek) was executed under Pontius Pilate. “Consequently, to get rid of the report, Nero fastened the guilt and inflicted the most exquisite tortures on a class hated for their abominations, called Christians by the populace. Christus, from whom the name had its origin, suffered the extreme penalty during the reign of Tiberius at the hands of one of our procurators, Pontius Pilatus, and a most mischievous superstition, thus checked for the moment, again broke out not only in Judaea, the first source of the evil, but even in Rome, where all things hideous and shameful from every part of the world find their centre and become popular. Accordingly, an arrest was first made of all who pleaded guilty; then, upon their information, an immense multitude was convicted, not so much of the crime of firing the city, as of hatred against mankind. Mockery of every sort was added to their deaths. Covered with the skins of beasts, they were torn by dogs and perished, or were nailed to crosses, or were doomed to the flames and burnt, to serve as a nightly illumination...” - The Annals of Tacitus

Therefore reject anyone who attempts to deceive you that Paul or Peter only viewed Yeshua (Jesus) as a celestial space deity like the gnostics and not someone who actually suffered on earth for your sins, as it is written:

“Reject a divisive person after a first and second warning, knowing that such a person has deviated from what is right and is sinning, being self-condemned.” Titus 3:10-11 NASB2020

Because the texts are clear: “For you, brothers and sisters, became imitators of the churches of God in Christ Jesus that are in Judea, for you also endured the same sufferings at the hands of your own countrymen, even as they did **from the Jews, who both killed the Lord Jesus and the prophets, and drove us out.** They are not pleasing to God, but hostile to all people,” 1 Thessalonians 2:14-15 NASB2020

“Paul, a bond-servant of **Christ Jesus**, called as an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which He promised beforehand through His prophets in the holy Scriptures, concerning His Son, **who was born of a descendant of David according to the flesh**,” Romans 1:1-3 NASB2020

The anonymous letter written before 70AD “**In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears... For it is evident that our Lord descended from Judah**” Hebrews 5:7, 7:14 ESV

“You foolish Galatians, who has bewitched you, **before whose eyes Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified?”**

Galatians 3:1 NASB2020

“But when the fullness of the time came, God sent His Son, **born of a woman, born under the Law.”** Galatians 4:4 NASB2020

(Not direct eyewitness or early enough to be 100% historically reliable but still noteworthy) Yeshua's (Jesus') was called a sorcerer outside of the gospels in Jewish, Muslim, & Pagan traditions:

“On the eve of the Passover Jesus was hanged. For forty days before the execution took place, a herald went forth and cried, 'He is going forth to be stoned **because he has practiced sorcery and enticed Israel to apostasy.**' - Baraita Bab. Sanhedrin 43a

“And remember, **Jesus, the son of Mary. ... **But when he came to them with Clear Signs, they said, “this is evident sorcery!”****
- Surah 61:6 (The Quran)

“It was by means of sorcery that He was able to accomplish the wonders which He performed ” - Celsus Quoted By Origen

The apostles obviously taught and passed on their teachings to others so I encourage you to also read their students writings “Polycarp also was not only instructed by apostles, and conversed with many who had seen Christ**”* **Irenaeus Against Heresies 3.4**

Burial Outside Of The Gospels

Paul recorded before any gospel was written “For I handed down to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that **He was buried**, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,” 1 Corinthians 15:3-4 NASB2020

“you have sent chosen and ordained men throughout all the world to proclaim that a godless and lawless heresy had sprung from one Jesus, a Galilaean deceiver, whom we crucified, but his disciples stole him by night from **the tomb, where he was laid when unfastened from the cross**, and now deceive men by asserting that he has risen from the dead and ascended to heaven.” - **Justin Martyr** debating Rabbi Trypho’s claims

“...This is He whom His disciples secretly stole away, that it might be said He had risen again... ” Tertullian Quoting Jewish Opposition - **THE SHOWS, OR DE SPECTACULIS**

You may have wondered why Rome would let anyone crucified receive a burial instead of being left on the cross as a public example not to mess with their empire (the typical roman practice **outside of Judea**) but **יהוה, was the one who purposely set the command in the Torah beforehand which required anyone hung on a pole to be buried the same day.**

“But you shall not leave his body on the pole overnight. Rather, you shall bury him on that [same] day, for a hanging [human corpse] is a blasphemy of God, and you shall not defile your land, which the Lord, your God, is giving you as an inheritance.” Deuteronomy 21:23 (Judaica Press Tanach)

“this Man, **delivered over by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God**, you nailed to a cross by the hands of godless men and put Him to death. But God raised Him from the dead, putting an end to the agony of death, since it was impossible for Him to be held in its power.” Acts 2:23-24
NASB2020 - Speech from Peter (Cephas) recorded by Luke

Roman governor Pontious Pilate did not care for Jewish sensitivities but allowed legal customs to continue only for the sole purpose of keeping the peace and avoiding uprising. תנ"ך has preserved a prime example of an incident that took place **in Judea under Pontius Pilate** a few years before the crucifixion.

“ [The Jews] appealed to Pilate to redress the infringement of their traditions caused by the shields and not to disturb the customs which **throughout all the preceding ages had been safeguarded without disturbance by kings and by emperors.** ”

Philo: Legatio ad Gaium 300

“Tiberius is not desirous that any of our laws or customs shall be destroyed.” Philo: Legatio ad Gaium 303-305

Do not forget that Yeshua (Jesus) was also crucified on Passover.

"Clean out the old leaven so that you may be a new lump, just as you are in fact unleavened. **For Christ our Passover also has been sacrificed.**" 1 Corinthians 5:7 NASB2020

"On the eve of the Passover Jesus was hanged. For forty days before the execution took place, a herald went forth and cried, 'He is going forth to be stoned because he has practiced sorcery and enticed Israel to apostasy.'" - Baraitha Bab. Sanhedrin 43a

"I have known **cases** (*) when **on the eve of a holiday of this kind, people who have been crucified have been taken down and their bodies delivered to their kinsfolk, because it was thought well to give them burial and allow them the ordinary rites.**" (Philo Flaccus 83) (* *beyond just the emperor's birthday*)

Leaving any person on a cross directly outside of Jerusalem during Passover would have been difficult without major uproar. To think the same Jews who would have rather died than let Pilate keep shields up because it violated the Torah would have had no reaction to bodies being left on crosses during Passover; especially when Jews from all around the world are all present at the same trying to enjoy the festival with their families would be odd. If Pilate removed shields to keep the peace on a normal day he could have definitely allowed burials during Passover when Jews from all around the world were present.

“ In my opinion, the notion that Jesus was unburied or buried in disgrace is based on a misunderstanding of the archaeological evidence and of Jewish law... I believe that the Gospel accounts of Jesus’ burial are largely consistent with the archeological evidence...the Gospel accounts describing Jesus’ removal from the cross and burial are consistent with archaeological evidence and with Jewish law” (Jodi Magness “Jesus’ Tomb–What Did It Look Like?” in H. Shanks (ed.), *Where Christianity Was Born* (Washington, D.C.: BAS, 2006), 220-21, 24).

It was only 40 years later when many Jews including women & children starved to death fighting the Romans in order to defend the temple. That is a major zeal to uphold their faith. The burial of Yeshua (Jesus) would not have been for respect but rather to uphold the Torah and maintain a peaceful Passover.

Many skeptics claim the original apostles were probably sincere but didn’t believe Yeshua (Jesus) resurrected bodily. They believe that claim only began in the gospels. But the reason that doesn’t work is because Yeshua (Jesus) was called the firstfruits (1st Corinthians 15:23) of the future bodily resurrection (Isaiah 26:19) by his Jewish Apostles. That is an explicit proclamation of a bodily resurrection before the gospels were even written.

“But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, **who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body.** by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.” Philippians 3:20-21 ESV

Most modern skeptics take the position “**well even if the apostles believed in a bodily resurrection, Yeshua (Jesus) was not buried in a tomb. 1st Corinthians 15 is in reference to being buried in a mass grave after being left on the cross to rot. “**

But there is absolutely nothing glorious about a body being left in a ditch. Even if we assume he was thrown in a mass grave, why didn't the gospel writers just write Yeshua (Jesus) rose from a mass grave? If that's what the apostles meant by “buried” in 1st Corinthians 15, wouldn't it have been easier to continue the tradition of the apostles (with so called “40 years of strong oral tradition”) rather than changing it? **“Well they were obviously trying to make the resurrection more believable.”** You're telling me authors who wrote about walking on water, feeding 5000 people with 5 loaves & 2 fish, and being supernaturally transfigured while talking to Moses & Elijah were trying hard to sound believable? You don't even need a tomb to have Yeshua(Jesus) eat with his disciples or show Thomas his nail marks. Wouldn't it have been more impressive to write he rose from a mass grave of dead bodies rather than creating a possibility the body was moved? But most importantly, **where is just any evidence from any ancient source that states** “Christus wasn't buried in a tomb. These Christians have made this up to further push their superstition! ”? **There isn't any. in fact we have the exact opposite.** Instead, יהוה has allowed a crucifixion victim named Yehohanan to be discovered in a Jerusalem tomb and identified by archeologists to show there were crucifixion victims that received a burial just as Yeshua (Jesus) could have.

Resurrection Outside Of The Gospels

The apostle Paul (who we know was a later convert) wrote to an already established congregation in Corinth before any gospels were written and nearly only 25 years after the crucifixion:

“For I handed down to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. After that He appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom remain until now, but some have fallen asleep; then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles; and last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared to me also.” 1 Corinthians 15:3-8 NASB2020

Once again, Paul is an extremely early & credible eyewitness to the resurrection testimony of the apostle Peter (Cephas) & James the brother of Yeshua (Jesus), **within 3-7 years of the crucifixion** (*Paul doesn't tell us the exact year he converted):

“Then three years later I went up to Jerusalem to become acquainted with Cephas, and stayed with him for fifteen days. But I did not see another one of the apostles except **James, the Lord's brother.**” Galatians 1:18-19 NASB2020 (*Even though this letter is around 20 years after the crucifixion, the memory recorded is recalling a previous visit to Jerusalem)

Paul is also an eyewitness to John's resurrection testimony before the gospels were written: "and recognizing the grace that had been given to me, **James and Cephas and John, who were reputed to be pillars, gave to me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship,** so that we might go to the Gentiles, and they to the circumcised. They only asked us to remember the poor – the very thing I also was eager to do." Galatians 2:9-10 NASB2020

The anonymous letter written before 70AD reads "Now may the God of peace, **who brought up from the dead** the great Shepherd of the sheep through the blood of the eternal covenant, that is, **Jesus our Lord.**" Hebrews 13:20 NASB2020

After Yeshua (Jesus) rose from death, he revealed to Paul (who was not present the night of the betrayal) the communion (Lord's supper) ritual so that he could teach others along with correct other believers how to properly memorialize him. **Paul once again wrote about this before any gospels were written** and nearly only 25 years after the crucifixion:

"For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you, **that the Lord Jesus, on the night when He was betrayed,** took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, *"This is My body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me."* In the same way He also took the cup after supper, saying, *"This cup is the new covenant in My blood; do this, as often as you drink it in remembrance of Me."*" 1 Corinthians 11:23-25 NASB2020

The Cost Of Proclaiming Resurrection

Paul - beheaded during the reign of Nero.

Peter (Cephas) - crucified during the reign of Nero.

James "the Just" (Yeshua's/Jesus' brother) - executed by stoning.

James (brother of John) - slain by sword under Herod Agrippa.

The Early Assembly/Church influenced by the Apostles: (64 AD)
"Mockery of every sort was added to their deaths. Covered with the skins of beasts, they were torn by dogs and perished, or were nailed to crosses, or were doomed to the flames and burnt, to serve as a nightly illumination..." - **The Annals of Tacitus**

(112 AD) "... I interrogated these as to whether they were Christians; those who confessed I interrogated a second and a third time, threatening them with punishment; those who persisted I ordered executed." - **Pliny the Younger**

"In the nineteenth year of the reign of Diocletian (303 AD) royal edicts were published everywhere, commanding that the churches be leveled to the ground and the Scriptures be destroyed by fire" - **Eusebius Of Ecclesiastical History VIII.2**

*(*Therefore, conspiracy from the apostles or Roman invention from the empire is unlikely)*

Sources For Martyrdom

“That Peter is struck, that Stephen is overwhelmed by stones, that James is slain as is a victim at the altar, that Paul is beheaded has been written in their own blood. And if a heretic wishes his confidence to rest upon a public record, the archives of the empire will speak, as would the stones of Jerusalem. We read the lives of the Caesars: At Rome Nero was the first who stained with blood the rising faith. Then is Peter girt by another, when he is made fast to the cross. Then does Paul obtain a birth suited to Roman citizenship, when in Rome he springs to life again ennobled by martyrdom.” TERTULLIAN SCORPIACE 15

1Clem 5:1-5 “But, to pass from the examples of ancient days, let us come to those champions who lived nearest to our time. Let us set before us the noble examples which belong to our generation. By reason of jealousy and envy the greatest and most righteous pillars of the Church were persecuted, and contended even unto death. Let us set before our eyes the good Apostles. There was Peter who by reason of unrighteous jealousy endured not one but many labors, and thus having borne his testimony went to his appointed place of glory. By reason of jealousy and strife Paul by his example pointed out the prize of patient endurance. After that he had been seven times in bonds, had been driven into exile, had been stoned, had preached in the East and in the West, he won the noble renown which was the reward of his faith,” (*)FIRST CLEMENT TO THE CORINTHIANS

“Albinus was but upon the road; so he assembled the sanhedrin of judges, and brought before them the brother of Jesus, who was called Christ, whose name was James, and some others, [or, some of his companions]; and when he had formed an accusation against them as breakers of the law, he delivered them to be stoned” - **Josephus, Antiquities Book 20: chapter 9**

“Herod the King stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the Church. And he killed James the brother of John with the sword. And concerning this James, Clement in the seventh book of his Hypotyposes, relates a story which is worthy of mention; telling it as he received it from those who had lived before him. “**Eusebius Ecclesiastical History Book 2 Chapter 9:1-2**

“But Polycarp also was not only instructed by apostles, and conversed with many who had seen Christ, but was also, by apostles in Asia, appointed bishop of the Church in Smyrna, whom I also saw in my early youth, for he tarried [on earth] a very long time, and, when a very old man, gloriously and most nobly suffering martyrdom, departed this life, having always taught the things which he had learned from the apostles, and which the Church has handed down, and which alone are true.” **Irenaeus Against Heresies 3.4** (**Irenaeus was a disciple of Polycarp and Polycarp was a direct disciple of the apostle John according to Tertullian “...the church of Smyrna, which records that Polycarp was placed therein by John; as also the church of Rome, which makes (*)Clement to have been ordained in like manner by Peter.”*)
TERTULLIAN - THE PRESCRIPTION AGAINST HERETICS

**“But If God Were Really Going To Do
Something This Grand, This
Important, That My Entire Eternal
Salvation Depended On Me Believing**

...

**Why Would He Come So
Unexpectedly? Why Would He Not
Warn The World Somehow That He
Was Coming Beforehand?”**

He Did.

The Messenger John The Baptist

Outside Of The Gospels

It was written many centuries before John The Baptist was born in Isaiah 40:3-5 & Malachi 3:1 that an angel (which means messenger as מַלְאָךְ mal 'ā kî is translated both ways) was supposed to come and clear a way before God and that **God would afterwards come to his temple.**

“A voice calls, "In the desert, **clear the way of the Lord,** straighten out in the wilderness, a highway for our God." ... **And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,** and all flesh together shall see that the mouth of the Lord spoke. Isaiah 40:3,5 (Judaica Press Tanach)

“Behold I send My angel, and **he will clear a way before Me.** **And suddenly, the Lord Whom you seek will come to His Temple.** And behold! The angel of the covenant, whom you desire, is coming, says the Lord of Hosts. Now who can abide the day of his coming, and who will stand, when he appears, for it is like fire that refines and like fullers' soap. And he shall sit refining and purifying silver, and he shall purify the children of Levi. And he shall purge them as gold and as silver, and they shall be offering up an offering to the Lord with righteousness.” Malachi 3:1 (Judaica Press Tanach)

Then came John the Baptist preaching a cleansing and purifying baptism of repentance as described by the 1st century Jewish historian Josephus for God. Josephus also records that he was beheaded for the influence he was gaining.

“For Herod had killed this good man, who had commanded the Jews to exercise virtue, righteousness towards one another and piety towards God. For only thus, in John's opinion, would **the baptism he administered be acceptable to God**, namely, if they used it to obtain not pardon for some sins but rather **the cleansing of their bodies, inasmuch as it was taken for granted that their souls had already been purified by justice.**” **Now many people came in crowds to him, for they were greatly moved by his words. Herod, who feared that the great influence John had over the masses might put them into his power and enable him to raise a rebellion (for they seemed ready to do anything he should advise), thought it best to put him to death.** In this way, he might prevent any mischief John might cause, and not bring himself into difficulties by sparing a man who might make him repent of it when it would be too late.” - Flavius Josephus, Antiquities of the Jews 18.116-118

יְהוָה Foretold The Crucifixion

“Behold My servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and he shall be very high... Despised and rejected by men, (Psalm 118:22) a man of pains and accustomed to illness, and as one who hides his face from us, despised and we held him of no account. Indeed, he bore our illnesses, and our pains-he carried them, yet we accounted him as plagued, smitten by God and oppressed. But he was pained because of our transgressions, crushed because of our iniquities; the chastisement of our welfare was upon him, and (*)with his wound we were healed.

We all went astray like sheep, we have turned, each one on his way, and the Lord accepted his prayers for the iniquity of all of us. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he would not open his mouth; (*)like a lamb to the slaughter he would be brought, and like a ewe that is mute before her shearers, and he would not open his mouth. From imprisonment and from judgment he is taken, and his generation who shall tell? For he was cut off from the land of the living; because of the transgression of my people... And he gave his grave to the wicked, and to the wealthy with his kinds of death, because (*)he committed no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. And the Lord wished to crush him,

*(*It is impossible for this to be about Israel as they are not guiltless of violence/deceit according to Isaiah 59:3. Nor a righteous remnant as their wounds do not bring anyone healing)*

He made him ill; if (*)**his soul makes itself restitution.** (Hebrew):

His soul is made **a guilt offering.**

נַפְשׁוֹ (nap̄-šōw) תַּשִּׁימוֹ (tā śîm) אֲשָׁמָה ('ā šām)

*(*Not just any lamb can be restitution / a guilt offering “ And on the eighth day, he shall take two **unblemished [male] lambs,** **one unblemished ewe lamb** in its [first] year, three tenths [of an ephah] of fine flour mixed with [olive] oil as a meal offering, and one log of [olive] oil... And the kohen shall **take one [male] lamb and bring it as a guilt offering,** along with the log of oil, and wave them as a waving before the Lord. **He shall slaughter the lamb in the place where one slaughters the sin offering and the burnt offering, in a holy place. For regarding the kohen[’s service], the guilt offering is like the sin offering. It is a holy of holies.**” Leviticus 14:10,12-13 (Judaica Press Tanach) ...*

he shall see children, he shall prolong his days, and God's purpose shall prosper in his hand. From the toil of his soul he would see, he would be satisfied; with his knowledge **My servant** (connect Zechariah 3:8-9) would vindicate the just for many, and their **iniquities** he would bear. Therefore, I will allot him a portion in public, and with the strong he shall share plunder, because he poured out his soul to death, and with transgressors he was counted; and he bore the sin of many, and interceded for the transgressors.” Isaiah 52:13, 53:3-12 (Judaica Press Tanach) *(*This servant is like a lamb without blemish, violence, or deceit; who the Lord wished to crush yet his days are prolonged. If Yeshua/Jesus isn't the servant, then no one is.)*

“ I gave my back to smiters and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair; I did not hide my face from embarrassments and spitting.” Isaiah 50:6 (Judaica Press Tanach)

“All those who see me mock me. They insult me with their lips. They shake their heads, saying, “He trusts in יהוה. Let him deliver him. Let him rescue him, since he delights in him “ ... “I am poured out like water. All my bones are out of joint. My heart is like wax; it is melted within me. My strength is dried up like a potsherd. My tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth. You have brought me into the dust of death. For dogs have surrounded me. A company of evildoers have enclosed me. They have pierced (*) my hands and feet. I can count all of my bones. They look and stare at me. They divide my garments among them. They cast lots for my clothing. “ Psalm 22:7-8,14-18 from Dead Sea Scroll Nahal Hever Psalms

*(*This is the correct reading even though the Masoretic Text later reads “like a lion” as opposed to “they have pierced”. Non believing Jewish scribes later changed it because they did not like it foretelling the crucifixion. There is a one letter difference but יהוה has allowed this much earlier scroll to be discovered so that you would know the authentic reading of this Psalm truly is “they have pierced (or dug) my hands and feet”. “They have pierced” also predates the crucifixion in the Greek Septuagint translation of this Psalm. In the end, even if “like a lion” was the correct reading, a lion biting through someone’s hands and feet is an extremely accurate analogy to crucifixion.)*

"God tested Abraham, and He said to him, "Abraham," and he said, "Here I am." And He said, "Please take your son, your only one, whom you love." Genesis 22:1-2 Judaica Press Tanach ("*For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son*" John 3:16 ESV)

"...and he took his two young men with him and Isaac his son; and he split wood for a burnt offering, and he arose and went to the place of which God had told him. " Genesis 22:3 Judaica Press Tanach ("*And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left.*" Mark 15:27 ESV)

" Isaac spoke to Abraham his father, and he said, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." And he said, "Here are the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" And Abraham said, "God will provide for Himself the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And they both went together... And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and he saw, and lo! (*)there was a ram. [and] after [that] it was caught in a tree by its horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. Genesis 22:7-8, 13 Judaica Press Tanach (*Notice that a RAM was provided. But Abraham said that God would provide himself a LAMB. This meant that there was still a lamb yet to be provided as an offering in this same place Isaac was going to be sacrificed. "He shall slaughter the lamb in the place where one slaughters the sin offering and the burnt offering, in a holy place. For regarding the kohen[']s service], the guilt offering is like the sin offering. It is a holy of holies."Leviticus 17:13 Judaica Press Tanach)

יְהוָה Foretold The Burial

"And it came to pass, when **Adonizedek** (*which in Hebrew means Lord/Master of righteousness*), **king of Jerusalem**, heard that Joshua had taken Ai, and had completely destroyed it; as he had done to Jericho and her king, so had he done to Ai and her king; and that the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Israel, and were among them" Joshua 10:1 (Judaica Press Tanach)

"And afterward Joshua **smote them, and slew them, and hanged them on five poles; and they were hanging upon the poles until the evening.** And it was at the time of the setting of the sun, that Joshua commanded, and **they took them down off the poles, and cast them into the cave wherein they had been hidden, and laid great stones on the mouth of the cave** until this very day. "Joshua 10:26-27 (Judaica Press Tanach)

(*"And above His head they put up the charge against Him which read, **"THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS."**..."*Now **when it was evening**, a rich man from Arimathea came, named Joseph, who himself had also become a disciple of Jesus... And Joseph **took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had cut out in the rock; and he rolled a large stone against the entrance of the tomb** and went away."Matthew 27:37,57, 59-60 NASB2020)

יְהוָה Foretold The Resurrection

** "Three days and three nights" is a Hebrew idiom for any period of 3 days (reference 1st Samuel 30:12-13 & Ester 4:16, 5:1)*

"And the Lord appointed a huge fish to swallow up Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish for three days and three nights. And Jonah prayed to the Lord his God, from the belly of the fish. And he said: I called out from my distress to the Lord, and He answered me; from the belly of the grave I cried out, You heard my voice ... And the Lord said to the fish, and it spewed Jonah onto the dry land." Jonah 2:1-3, 11 (Judaica Press Tanach)

"For You shall not forsake my soul to the grave; You shall not allow Your pious one to see the pit." Psalm 16:10 (Judaica Press Tanach) (**A different context than Jonah but still a Messianic foreshadow through David*)

"On the third day, Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar." "And they came to the place of which God had spoken to him, and Abraham built the altar there and arranged the wood, and he bound Isaac his son and placed him on the altar upon the wood." Genesis 22:4&9 Judaica Press Tanach

("They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear," Acts 10:39-40
ESV

*"By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." **He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back.**"*

Hebrews 11:17-19 ESV

*"So it is written, that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and that **repentance for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.**" Luke 24:46-47 NASB2020)*

יְהוָה Foretold Communion **(The Lord's Supper)**

*(*Melchizedek's name and title can be translated as king of righteousness & king of peace)*

*"And **Malchizedek the king of Salem brought out bread and wine, and he was a priest to the Most High God.**" Genesis 14:18
(Judaica Press Tanach)*

יְהוֹשֻׁעַ Foretold A High Priest Named Joshua (Yeshua in Aramaic) Would Also Sit & Rule On The Throne

"And you shall take silver and gold, and you shall make crowns, and place [them] upon the head of Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the High Priest. And you shall speak to him, saying, "So said the Lord of Hosts, saying: Behold a man whose name is the Shoot, who will spring up out of his place and build the Temple of the Lord. And he shall build the Temple of the Lord, and he shall bear glory. And he shall sit and rule on his throne, and the priest shall be on his throne. And a counsel of peace shall be between them [both]." Zechariah 6:11-13 (Judaica Press Tanach)

("No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him." Revelation 22:3 ESV)

יְהוָה Foretold That He Would Be Rejected & Come In Human Form

“ This is the Lord's gate; the righteous will enter therein. I shall thank You because You answered me, and You were my salvation (*Yeshua*). **The stone that the builders rejected became a cornerstone.** This was from the Lord; it is wondrous in our eyes.” Psalm 118:20-23 Judaica Press Tanach

“ Therefore, so has the Lord God said: "**Behold, I have laid as a foundation a stone** (*connect Zechariah 3:8-9*) **in Zion , a fortress stone, a costly cornerstone, a foundation well founded; the believer shall not hasten.** “ Isaiah 28:16 Judaica Press Tanach

“ My wrath is kindled against the shepherds, and I will visit upon the goats, for the Lord of Hosts has remembered His flock, **the house of Judah, and He has made it as His majestic horse in battle. Out of them** (*physical lineage of the House of Judah*) **shall come the cornerstone...** “ Zechariah 10:3-4 Judaica Press Tanach

“ Behold I send My angel, and he will clear a way before Me. **And suddenly, the Lord Whom you seek will come to His Temple...**“ Malachi 3:1 Judaica Press Tanach

“ And the Lord shall go forth and wage war with those nations, like the day he waged war on the day of the battle. **And on that day(*)His feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives,** which is before Jerusalem from the east. And the Mount of Olives shall split in the midst thereof-toward the east and toward the west-a very great valley. And half the mountain shall move to the north, and half of it to the south. And you shall flee to the valley of the mountains, for the valley of the mountains shall reach Azal. And you shall flee as you fled because of the earthquake, in the days of Uzziah the King of Judah. **And the Lord, my God, shall come: all holy ones with you... And the Lord shall become King over all the earth; on that day shall the Lord be one, and His name one.**” Zechariah 14:3-5 & 9 Judaica Press Tanach (**If you’re going to over spiritualize this by saying it’s not literal and claim all the nations of the earth will simply worship יהוה, “on that day” you’re going to contradict Daniel 7:13-14,27, Psalm 8:4-6, & Psalm 45:6*)

“ Your throne, O judge (יהוה לְעֹלָם the Hebrew says O God/ ’ě lō -hîm), [will exist] forever and ever; the scepter of equity is the scepter of your kingdom. You loved righteousness and you hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, anointed you with oil of joy from among your peers.” Psalm 45-6-7 Judaica Press Tanach

“ Therefore, the Lord, of His own, shall give you a sign; behold, the young woman is with child, and **she shall bear a son, and she shall call his name Immanuel** (*which means God with us*).” Isaiah 7:14 Judaica Press Tanach (**This was a prophecy that had an immediate foreshadow but a future fulfillment*)

יְהוָה Foretold A New Covenant Was Coming For The Forgiveness Of Sins

“ Behold, days are coming, says the Lord, and I will form a covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah, a new covenant. Not like the covenant that I formed with their forefathers on the day I took them by the hand to take them out of the land of Egypt, that they broke My covenant, although I was a lord over them, says the Lord. For this is the covenant that I will form with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will place My law in their midst and I will inscribe it upon their hearts, and I will be their God and they shall be My people. And no longer shall one teach his neighbor or [shall] one [teach] his brother, saying, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know Me from their smallest to their greatest, says the Lord, for I will forgive their iniquity and their sin I will no longer remember.” Jeremiah 31:30-33 (Judaica Press Tanach)

(*“This cup, which is poured out for you, is the new covenant in My blood.” “for this is My blood of the covenant, which is being poured out for many for forgiveness of sins.” Luke 22:20, Matthew 26:28*
NASB2020)

יְהוָה Foretold That He Would Pour Out His Spirit

“And I will put **My spirit** within you and bring it about that you will walk in My statutes and you will keep My ordinances and do [them]. “ Ezekiel 36:27 (Judaica Press Tanach)

“And it shall come to pass afterwards that I will pour out **My spirit** upon all flesh, **and your sons and daughters shall prophesy**; your elders shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions. “ Joel 2:28 (Joel 3:1 Judaica Press Tanach)

*(“But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come.” John 16:13
NASB2020*

**This is how we know Yeshua (Jesus) was talking about the Holy Spirit and not talking about Muhammad in John chapter 16. To say he was talking about Muhammad requires you to either break the previous prophecies or believe with complete blind faith that the Gospel of John originally mentioned Muhammad but was somehow later corrupted. But why believe Yeshua (Jesus) originally prophesied about Muhammad when there is not a single ancient manuscript on the entire planet or prophecy for that matter that includes Muhammad?)*

(Divine Protection - Story Break)

There was an older man named Dan who despised the servant of יהוה because of the favor that he walked in for someone less than half his age. This hatred began the day he started hearing the servant speaking to other coworkers about turning away from the darkness of this world to the coming Kingdom of God through Christ. So when the servant would quietly load his truck, Dan along with others would constantly revile and utter all kinds of evil against him falsely as it is written *“For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed.”* John 3:20 ESV During breaks when Dan would see the servant praying alone or reading the scriptures to himself from the bible app it infuriated Dan even more and overtime his hatred towards the servant of יהוה continued growing.

One night while Dan was scheming in his heart how he could potentially harm the servant, he noticed a package for an ink printer that was leaking. So Dan quickly threw the package against the corner of a box in front of the servant when he wasn't looking in an attempt to explode the ink all over him. When the ink exploded it landed directly in front of the servant, behind him, to his left, and to his right, but not a single drop spilled on the servant. Instead, the ink landed on Dan's clothes despite him throwing the package from outside of the truck. And the servant praised יהוה for supernaturally protecting him but Dan would still not repent of the works of his hands.



What Would Need To Be True If The Resurrection Never Took Place

The Isaiah 40:3 & Malachi 3:1 scriptures stating that a messenger was supposed to come and clear a way before יהוה was just a nice coincidence the gospels writers took advantage of since John The Baptist started preaching right before Yeshua (Jesus). Yeshua (Jesus) was just a normal Jew preaching an apocalyptic message that the Kingdom of God was at hand as some before him already had. During his few years in ministry, he started creating a lot of enemies by pushing his personal interpretations of scripture over the local Pharisees & Scribes.

The reason he was able to gain disciples and such a following was because a poor carpenter from Nazareth being able to go toe-to-toe with the religious leaders over biblical interpretations when many Jews couldn't even read or write at a high level was an anomaly, thus making him appear divine when in reality, he was just a very gifted speaker and magician. The stress of the Roman Empire harshly ruling over Israel combined with the hundreds of years since the last prophet meant the Jewish people were eager for something to believe in. When in public with the disciples, he never claimed to be the Messiah or divine but he did claim it privately. The Jewish expectation of that time was that the Messiah was going to be a conquering military leader that would overthrow the Romans so Israel could be on top.

But after years of high hopes crushed, one of his disciples Judas Iscariot felt like he was a fraud who let him down because his emphasis on “loving your neighbor” was not accomplishing anything he expected the Messiah to do. He along with many others just wanted to overthrow Rome. So when he found out the alleged miracles were just actors and tricks, he betrayed him by telling the Jewish authorities who already didn’t like him. These things led to his arrest and he was put on trial. When confronted about his sorcery and claiming he was the son of man and King of the Jews, he knew his reputation would forever be ruined if he were to confess he had simply lied about everything.

So to avoid execution he tried to appear mentally unstable by claiming if they were to kill him, he was just going to rise in 3 days anyway and return with the clouds of heaven (from Daniel 7:13 & secretly hoping they’d let him go for looking crazy). Many of his fans from his time in ministry witnessed him saying this. So instead of humbling himself, he died an excruciatingly painful death with his pride for refusing to let go of the fact he was not the son of man/king of the Jews. He cried out to God asking why he had forsaken him in hopes he would intervene but he didn’t. Thus he was crucified under Pontius Pilate because no one other than Caesar was allowed to call themselves king. He was then taken to be buried by Joseph of Arimathea as the Torah commanded. Nobody questioned whether Joseph would do anything with the body because he was a secret disciple, whereas the other disciples were heartbroken and taken by complete surprise when their leader was crucified.

While Joseph was in the tomb wrapping Yeshua (Jesus) in the shroud linen cloth, he had an idea. He thought maybe it was at least worth trying to revive him. So he left the shroud linen cloth, rolled the stone back, and took Yeshua's (Jesus') body out of town in an attempt to find medical treatment. He did this not thinking anything would come from it. Matthew 27:62-64 (ESV) states it wasn't until the next day when the Roman guards remembered to go guard the tomb. "**The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation**, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said, 'Sir, we remember how that impostor said, while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise.' Therefore order the tomb to be made secure until the third day, lest his disciples go and steal him away and tell the people, 'He has risen from the dead,' and the last fraud will be worse than the first.'"

So the next day while the Roman guards were placed in front of the tomb, the lack of sleep and stress from the crucifixion caught up to the disciples' mental health. Peter was also feeling very guilty for publicly denying Yeshua (Jesus) 2 nights earlier. So while grieving Yeshua's (Jesus') death they all started to dream Saturday night of Yeshua (Jesus) coming out of the tomb and appearing to them alive. These vivid dreams included talking and eating with him. Hundreds of people who saw his crucifixion had similar dreams because it was fresh in their mind that he said he was going to come back from death in 3 days. Because of the love they had for Yeshua (Jesus) they subconsciously wanted to believe his ministry wasn't over.

So with all of these grief dreams coincidentally at the same time, the disciples the next morning thought maybe Yeshua (Jesus) was somehow still alive communicating with them. So they started publicly proclaiming Yeshua (Jesus) rose from the dead.

When the Romans heard this, the guards went into the tomb thinking they were going to bring out the body to end the nonsense but were left speechless when they saw that the body wasn't there anymore. So the Romans immediately thought the disciples must have moved the body the night before and that's why they were so confident to claim he had bodily risen from death. When hundreds of other people claimed Yeshua (Jesus) appeared to them they figured it was just superstition ignited from his apocalyptic message of the kingdom being at hand.

Mary Magdalene, came to visit the tomb later that Sunday morning because she remembered what Yeshua (Jesus) said about rising in 3 days since she witnessed the crucifixion. When she saw the stone rolled back and the tomb empty she immediately became afraid and said nothing to anyone on her way back to the disciples. When she reported to them that the tomb was empty they saw it as confirmation the dreams weren't just dreams and Yeshua (Jesus) really did appear to them. So the Christian movement started growing fast as Mary and the other disciples started by first telling the people who were already fans of Yeshua (Jesus). When Joseph of Arimathea couldn't revive Yeshua (Jesus) he buried him out of town but when he returned to all the commotion in Jerusalem he said nothing out of fear.

Sometime after, Paul the Pharisee came persecuting the first believers, but as they were dying, some of them told Paul that Yeshua (Jesus) taught them a message focused on love towards God and love towards their neighbors as themselves. So Paul started to feel bad and secretly doubted if he was doing the right thing by executing peaceful followers. The guilt was so bad he also had a mental breakdown/daydream hallucination on the road to Damascus he confused with seeing Yeshua (Jesus) talking to him. So he figured the Christians must have been right all along and that he really was alive. So to redeem the guilt he was already feeling for persecuting peaceful Christians, he joined the movement. When this happened the story started spreading even faster. What started out as grief dreams and hallucinations caused a lot of major persecution to the early Christians that the original disciples never expected.

This is why when Paul goes to visit the assembly/church in Jerusalem, not one of the original apostles is there except Peter (Cephas) and Yeshua's (Jesus') brother James "I went up to Jerusalem to become acquainted with Cephas, and stayed with him for fifteen days. But I did not see another one of the apostles except James, the Lord's brother." Galatians 1:18-19 NASB2020 During the 15 days, Peter, who was now too stuck in this movement to quit, was reaffirmed by Paul that maybe Yeshua (Jesus) really had resurrected. Paul's hallucination re-energized Peter, James, & the rest of the disciples to continue because they saw it as potential confirmation that Yeshua (Jesus) was alive.

Therefore Peter continued insisting to James and Paul about continuing to share the gospel message with others. This resulted in Paul continuing to share it with everyone else and thus James the brother of John was martyred under Herod Agrippa. Because the Passover was fresh in Peter's mind, the night of the betrayal he dreamt that Yeshua (Jesus) told him the bread and wine was symbolic of his death. So this trip to Jerusalem is when Peter taught Paul all the Christian teachings, such as the gospel creed and Communion (Lord's Supper) ritual.

Since Paul was sincere about believing Yeshua (Jesus) was still alive but not being taken as seriously because he wasn't one of the original apostles, Paul stretched Peter's dream by claiming it as his own by stating that he got revelation from Yeshua's (Jesus') risen self about the communion ritual and the night he was betrayed to authenticate himself as an apostle when really he just learned everything from Peter.

"For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, *"This is My body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me."* In the same way He also took the cup after supper, saying, *"This cup is the new covenant in My blood; do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."*" 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

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Paul, raised as a Pharisee already knew the scriptures so when proclaiming the gospel message“ ...that **Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried.** (Joshua 10) **and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures**” 1 Corinthians 15:3-4 NASB2020 he just got extremely lucky there were already so many scriptures that sounded exactly like Yeshua (Jesus):

“He will revive us from the two days, **on the third day He will set us up, and we will live before Him.**” Hosea 6:2 Judaica Press Tanach (**This has multiple prophetic meanings*)

“what is man that You should remember him, and **the son of man** that You should be mindful of him? Yet **You have made him slightly less than the angels, and You have crowned him with glory and majesty. You give him dominion over the work of Your hands; You have placed everything beneath his feet.** Psalms 8: 5-7 (Judaica Press Tanach)

King David later speaking of the same person “**The Lord said to my Lord, “Sit on my right until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet.”** A rod of your power the Lord will send out from Sion. And exercise dominion in the midst of your enemies!” **The Lord swore and will not change his mind. “You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchisedek.”** Psalms 110:1-2, 4 NETS Greek Septuagint (*The Hebrew vowel placement of Adonai vs Adoni came hundreds of years after Yeshua and are not original*)

Melchizedek's name and title can be translated as king of righteousness & king of peace, and he likewise gave bread and wine to Abraham. So Paul got lucky Peter dreamt of the last supper meal to make the perfect "priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek" connection "And **Malchizedek the king of Salem brought out bread and wine, and he was a priest to the Most High God.**" Genesis 14:18 (Judaica Press Tanach)

Paul got extremely lucky that the scriptures prophesied the Messiah would somehow come both humbly on a donkey and with the clouds of heaven. "Be exceedingly happy, O daughter of Zion; Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem. Behold! **Your king shall come to you. He is just and victorious; humble, and riding a donkey...**" Zechariah 9:9 (Judaica Press Tanach)

Those 2 things cannot both be true but lucky for Paul since he thought Yeshua (Jesus) resurrected, that meant he could teach he will just later supernaturally return with the clouds of heaven. "I saw in the visions of the night, and **behold with the clouds of the heaven, one like a man(*) was coming,** and he came up to the Ancient of Days and was brought before Him. And He gave him **dominion and glory and a kingdom, and all peoples, nations, and tongues shall serve him; his dominion is an eternal dominion, which will not be removed, and his kingdom is one which will not be destroyed.**" Daniel 7:13-14
Judaica Press Tanach (*Psalm 8:6 & Zechariah 14:5 & 9 shows it's not just high holy ones coming but also a son of man as King/מלך)

Paul also got lucky that the prophet Isaiah wrote how the Messiah needed to be a physical descendant of Jesse while also being able to smite the earth with the rod of his mouth. "And a shoot shall spring forth from the stem of Jesse, and a twig shall sprout from his roots. And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, a spirit of wisdom and understanding, a spirit of counsel and heroism, a spirit of knowledge and fear of the Lord. And he shall be animated by the fear of the Lord, and neither with the sight of his eyes shall he judge, nor with the hearing of his ears shall he chastise. And he shall judge the poor justly, and he shall chastise with equity the humble of the earth, and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth and with the breath of his lips he shall put the wicked to death." Isaiah 11:1-4 (Judaica Press Tanach)

Those 2 things cannot both be true but lucky for Paul since he thought Yeshua (Jesus) resurrected, he could just teach others that Yeshua (Jesus) will just supernaturally return to later smite the earth with the rod of his mouth. He also got lucky that this same Messiah described as ruling the nations with a rod (Genesis 49:10 יְכָרְט שֶׁ הֶבֶל) is decreed the Lord's begotten son.

"I will tell of the decree: The Lord said to me, "You are My son; this day have I begotten you. Request of Me, and I will make nations your inheritance, and the ends of the earth your possession. You shall break them with an iron rod...." Psalm 2:7-9 (Judaica Press Tanach)(*Psalm 45:6-7 calls this same person on the throne with the יְכָרְט Elohim/God while also anointed by God!*)

The reason Mark's gospel ends awkwardly is because Peter was secretly embarrassed no one actually witnessed Yeshua (Jesus) coming out of the tomb so he wasn't sure how to end it and made up the excuse an angel dressed in a white robe must have been involved but later gospels expounded on it from dreams.

"Mark, having become the interpreter of Peter, wrote down accurately whatsoever he remembered... Matthew put together the oracles [of the Lord] in the Hebrew language, and each one interpreted them as best he could." -Papias in Eusebius Ecclesiastical History Book 3 Chapter 39.15-16

"Matthew also issued a written Gospel among the Hebrews in their own dialect, while Peter and Paul were preaching at Rome, and laying the foundations of the Church. After their departure, **Mark, the disciple and interpreter of Peter, did also hand down to us in writing what had been preached by Peter.** Luke also, the companion of Paul, recorded in a book the Gospel preached by him. Afterwards, John, the disciple of the Lord, who also had leaned upon His breast, did himself publish a Gospel during his residence at Ephesus in Asia." Irenaeus Against Heresies 3.1

"Mark, the follower of Peter, while Peter publicly preached the Gospel at Rome before some of Caesar's equites, and adduced many testimonies to Christ, in order that thereby they might be able to commit to memory what was spoken, of **what was spoken by Peter wrote entirely what is called the Gospel according to Mark.** " - Clement Of Alexandria

In Summary

In order to believe that Yeshua Hamashiach (Jesus, Christ) didn't bodily rise from the dead, you'd have to believe:

- John the Baptist's entire ministry and beheading were for nothing and the scriptures about a messenger coming to prepare a way before יהוה was just a coincidence.
- Yeshua (Jesus) was a con artist or sorcerer who could have easily avoided a slow execution, yet went through it anyway for nothing and his ministry was meaningless.
- Paul, who was a direct enemy of the faith and a highly educated Roman citizen, converted over a mere hallucination when Christianity was still tiny and completely despised.
- All of the resurrection testimonies listed in 1 Corinthians 15 from the twelve disciples, to more than five hundred people at one time, and to James were all just dreams.
- When Paul preached the gospel creed that "Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures," he just got extremely lucky that there were already so many scriptures that sounded exactly like Yeshua (Jesus).

- Paul lied about getting revelation from Yeshua (Jesus) about the communion (lord's supper) and the night of betrayal yet was willing to get beheaded spreading a lie.
- James (the brother of John) was martyred over a dream
- Peter instead of just going back to normal Jewish life, very quickly dreamt up new Christian doctrines such as the gospel creed and bread + wine communion (the lord's supper) and was willing to be crucified regardless
- James the brother of Yeshua (Jesus) was stoned over a dream
- Matthew, Mark, Luke, & John knew if they wrote Yeshua's (Jesus) teachings/stories verbatim there was a risk they'd get lost in history. So they wrote the gospels + the book of Acts with supernatural embellishments
- The body of Yeshua (Jesus) was somehow moved.

This does not prove the resurrection as you are called to walk by faith not by sight. But יהוה has purposely set the stage so all are left with only 2 options to believe in. Either Yeshua (Jesus) bodily rose from the dead or someone moved his body and the apostles along with every early believer that suffered martyrdom all did so because of grief hallucinations & dreams. By יהוה's grace nearly 2000 years of nonsense speculation is over.

Moses wrote over a millennium before the crucifixion that blood atones for your soul “For the soul of the flesh is in the blood, and **I have therefore given it to you [to be placed] upon the altar, to atone for your souls. For it is the blood that atones for the soul.**” Leviticus 17:11 (Judaica Press Tanach)

יהוה also told Moses to write Yeshua (Jesus) was coming: “I will set up a prophet for them from **among their brothers like you(*)**, and I will put My words into his mouth, and he will speak to them all that I command him. And it will be, that whoever does not hearken to My words that he speaks in My name, I will exact [it] of him.” Deuteronomy 18:18-19 (Judaica Press Tanach) (**Therefore this prophet must be an Israelite who does miracles according to 32:10. Not an Arabian or American.*)

I just want to pause to thank all the non-believers who have taken the time to read thus far. I greatly appreciate it and hope you’ve at least learned something new as most never read the other side. My goal with this prologue was to end some hostility on both sides. Christians can acknowledge it's entirely possible for the body to have been moved the night of the crucifixion and non-believers can also stop pretending Christianity requires 100% blind faith to the gospels. To those who still don’t believe, you are free to close this book. There’s nothing more for you to explore as Yeshua (Jesus) himself said : “**If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be persuaded even if someone rises from the dead.**” Luke 16:31 NASB2020

(Baptism Of The Spirit - Story Break)

In the year 2021, in the 6th month, on the 27th day of the 6 month this servant was among a congregation of believers listening to a visitor preaching. The guest Pastor asked the crowd "do you want the gifts of the spirit flowing through your life?... In a moment we are going to have an opportunity for you to receive personal prayer and we are going to have people up here to pray for you and lay hands on you... God's looking for an empty vessel and a hungry heart. And when you come in that hunger and in that emptiness and you just simply say "Lord fill me with the Holy Spirit" he is going to do that. And I just want everybody to know and put seatbelts on so that you understand what you're getting yourselves into. #1 When you are filled with the Holy Spirit you are going to become bolder... The Holy Spirit is with you but he doesn't want just to be quiet inside of you. He wants to make some noise..." The servant along with others came forward and hands were laid on everyone.

And suddenly the Holy Spirit came and he filled the entire building they were gathering in and everyone in the room began to speak in tongues. After 10 minutes the servant could physically feel as if something had just entered his stomach. One of the elders walked up to the servant and put his hand on his stomach saying "it's right there! You just have to release it." And the servant became afraid because he did not know what this meant or how he knew about the stomach pain.

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“What must I do to be saved? What is sin?”

Before God decided to destroy all life on earth with a flood, the only safe place was the inside of Noah’s ark.

Hundreds of years later, the only safe place was being in covenant with God but the only way to know what was written on the tablets of the Covenant, you had to look inside of an ark.

Thousands of years later, those in the New Covenant have what was once physically inside of the ark now supernaturally written on the tablets of their hearts. Is your heart spiritually seated in the heavenly ark of the New Covenant?

“Just as it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the days of the Son of Man. They were eating and drinking and marrying and being given in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all.”

Luke 17:26-27 ESV

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CHAPTER 1: THE NEW COVENANT OVERVIEW

THE NEW COVENANT OVERVIEW

Seeking to intellectually understand the New Covenant will never be sufficient. The New Covenant is a spiritual marriage agreement that can only be mediated by Yeshua (Jesus) and actively binding when walking by the spirit, not through human intellect, willpower, or good works. Your heart is deceitful above all things so do not ever let it deceive you into thinking **"I don't need to repent and believe. God knows I'm a good person!"** as it is written: "There is no righteous person, not even one; There is no one who understands, There is no one who seeks out God; They have all turned aside, together they have become corrupt; There is no one who does good, There is not even one." "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God," Romans 3:10-12, 23 NASB2020

Anyone who has sinned even once is automatically disqualified from the kingdom of God as it is written "For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it." James 2:10 ESV

But those who repent (meaning make the decision **in their heart** to turn from/crucify the works of their flesh) and believe in the deity & resurrection of Yeshua (Jesus) join the New Covenant and have their sins atoned for by his blood. Those in Covenant with יהוה also receive forgiveness and have no prior sins remembered "for I will forgive their iniquity and their sin I will no longer remember." Jeremiah 31:33 (Judaica Press Tanach)

The New Covenant is a spiritual marriage agreement between Yeshua (Jesus) & his bride (his assembly/church of believers), and those who remain in covenant with him will soon partake in the marriage supper of the lamb (Revelation 19:9). In his marriage, you stay faithful by not seeking other gods (which are actually demons), not being your own god, or disobeying him as your husband. I am making it known to you as his servant that he wishes to be with you forever because his desire is for all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

The lake of fire was only meant for the devil & his angels. People that refuse to love the truth and so be saved voluntarily join them by placing their allegiance with them over Yeshua (Jesus).

“Then He will also say to those on His left, ‘Depart from Me, you accursed people, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels.’” Matthew 25:41 NASB2020

But he has made it clear through his prophets “I take no pleasure in the death of anyone who dies,” declares the Lord God.

“Therefore, repent and live!” Ezekiel 18:32 NASB2020

If יהוה has granted you the ability to understand this now, repent and be baptized. And as a result of your faith he will send you the promised Holy Spirit, healing, wisdom, guidance, prayer, peace, and intercession as your high priest now. Why do you wait? Rise and be baptized, wash away your sins calling on his name and he will clothe you with power to not only bless others but to also walk in dominion over sin now.

The Holy Spirit Is The Power Of The New Covenant

Throughout the entire Tanakh (what many commonly refer to as the “Old Testament”) the people of Israel no matter how hard they tried just could never walk in victory over depression, heartbreak, anger, and disobedience etc. They also could never operate in the supernatural gifts of the Spirit. Only a very select few such as prophets, kings, and various people יהוה chose to pour his spirit on were able to do so by his grace. This was to teach us how helpless we really are as sinners without יהוה.

Moses complained to יהוה that the people of Israel were too much of a burden for him to lead in the wilderness but look at יהוה's response to him. “And I will come down and talk with you there. And **I will take some of the Spirit that is on you and put it on them, and they shall bear the burden of the people with you, so that you may not bear it yourself alone.** Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. **And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied.** But they did not continue doing it. And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, "My Lord Moses, stop them." But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, that the Lord would put his Spirit on them!"”Numbers 11:17, 25, 28-29 ESV

But in the New Covenant, it's not just prophets like Moses who have access to the Holy Spirit and spiritual gifts. In the New Covenant, יהוה is openly pouring out his spirit to dwell inside every single person who repents (meaning make the decision **in your heart** to turn from/ crucify the works of the flesh) and be baptized in the name of Yeshua Hamashiach (Jesus Christ).

“Peter said to them, “Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.” Acts 2:38 NASB2020

Be set free from every past mistake, anxiety, previous abuse, night terrors, illness, disease, homosexuality, transsexuality, depression, low self esteem, or addiction etc! Go into the cleansing waters of baptism and come out empowered by the Holy Spirit to walk in newness of life. You are gifted with the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and the ability to walk in victory over sin by faith. But to fully operate in the supernatural gifts of the spirit you must have hands laid on you in prayer by other believers. The very first command after coming to faith is to be baptized in water but the laying on of hands is called being baptized in the Holy Spirit.

“When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them and they began speaking with tongues and prophesying.” Acts 19:5-6 NASB2020

Only Those Walking By The Spirit Will Be Resurrected On The Last Day

The story of Yeshua's (Jesus') resurrection has been heard around the world many times by most people. But the part almost everyone forgets or may not have even known is that Yeshua (Jesus) was just the start of what is coming for us on the last day! We will be resurrected into a supernatural body like his!

"But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words." 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 ESV

And this is not just some New Testament concept. You can have faith in this resurrection because it was prophesied beforehand.

“May Your dead live, 'My corpses shall rise; awaken and sing, you who dwell in the dust, for a dew of lights is your dew, and [to the] earth You shall cast the slackers. Go, My people, come into your chambers and close your door about you; hide for but a moment, until the wrath passes. For behold the Lord comes forth from His place to visit the iniquity of the dweller of the land upon him: and the land shall reveal its blood and it shall no longer conceal its slain ones.” Isaiah 26:19-21 (Judaica Press Tanach)

“And many who sleep in the dust of the earth will awaken-these for eternal life, and those for disgrace, for eternal abhorrence.” Daniel 12:2 (Judacia Press Tanach)

Let us then rejoice in this hope and hold fast to what is coming by enduring all the way to the end! As it is written: “let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. And **let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.**” Hebrews 10:22-25 ESV

But never take any credit for understanding and believing this because without יהוה's grace we are all helpless sinners. Without יהוה's grace everyone has a heart of stone and no eternal hope.

יהוה Decides By Grace, When To Open The Stony Hearts Of Helpless Sinners

“Peter said to them, “Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far away, as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself.” Acts 2:38-39 NASB2020

“The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned.” 1 Corinthians 2:14
ESV

“because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able to do so, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.
However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him.” Romans 8:7-9
NASB2020

“And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.” Ezekiel 36:26-27 ESV

"Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God." John 8:47 ESV

"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, **to those who believe in His name, who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of a man, but of God.**" John 1:12-13 NASB2020

"And **you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked,** following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were **by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—**" Ephesians 2:1-5 ESV

"who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace, which was granted to us in Christ Jesus from all eternity," 2 Timothy 1:9 NASB2020

"...When he arrived, he greatly helped **those who through grace had believed.**" Acts 18:27 ESV

“praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved.” Acts 2:47 NASB2020

“But that’s not fair! If only those who God extends grace to can be saved then what about all of the people he doesn't call on?”

If eternal judgment was fair no one would be saved because all have sinned and fallen short. If Yeshua (Jesus) was fair he wouldn't have come down and lived a perfectly sinless life just to get flogged, beaten, spit on, mocked, and crucified to pay for your sins so you could have eternal life. But it pleased him to do so because his prescriptive will is that of everything the Father gives him, he will lose nothing but raise it up on the last day.

You are right in saying הַיָּהוּה is not fair. He is merciful, gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Even though he has a right to, he does not deal with you according to your sins if you repent (turn from the works of the flesh) & believe.

Moreover, he does extend grace to all, just not all at once, but in his divine timing. “*And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to Myself.*” John 12:32 NASB2020 For example, in order for the crucifixion to take place the way it did, not everyone was drawn to Yeshua (Jesus) right away while he was preaching “And he said to them, “*To you has been given the secret of the kingdom of God, but for those outside everything is in parables, so that “they may indeed see but not perceive, and may indeed hear but not understand, lest they should turn and be forgiven.”*” Mark 4:11-12 ESV

As our Messiah also said “*All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.*” Matthew 11:27 ESV

Have faith. There is more at play then we can ever fully understand in this life such as divine decrees and stage setting ה' has intricately orchestrated to take place so you can fully appreciate the “happily ever after” in the end. Understand apart from ה' we do nothing good because ה' is the source of all good. All of mankind are children of wrath by nature with a deceitful heart that could never come to him on their own because of sin that entered the world and separated us from him in the garden of Eden (Genesis 3:6). Therefore, those ה' has called and given the ability to repent & believe cannot boast because they did not save themselves. This also means there is nothing you need to do to earn salvation. It is a free gift to whoever ה' chooses to extend it to and accepted by repentant (meaning making the decision in your heart to turn from/crucify the works of the flesh) faith in Yeshua (Jesus).

“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.” Ephesians 2:8-9 ESV

“So too at the present time there is a remnant, chosen by grace. But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works; otherwise grace would no longer be grace.” Romans 11:5-6 ESV

יהוה gave us a perfect example of his grace with the criminal who was crucified next to Yeshua (Jesus) when he said "...for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." And Jesus said to him, "*Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise.*" Luke 23:41-43 (ESV) This person committed crimes resulting in the death penalty but repented when יהוה opened his heart to understand who he was. He didn't have a chance to get baptized, receive communion, or become a bible scholar etc so have confidence that your salvation is by grace through faith alone. By faith he asked for the kingdom and received it.

The biggest stumbling block to your salvation is not intelligence, it's not emotional awareness, and it's most certainly not physical attributes, it's pride. Many suppress the truth by convincing themselves they are good people that do not need a savior. These people will die in their sins if they do not repent of their pride. There are also those that come to faith by יהוה's grace that wrongly become prideful as well. To those יהוה has granted repentance, never let your heart deceive you into thinking your faith or obedience to Torah came from your own willpower as this thinking will forfeit the grace given to you "You who are trying to be justified by Torah have been cut off from Messiah; you have fallen away from grace." Galatians 5:4 TLV Justification (right standing with יהוה) only comes by grace through faith.

"Do we then nullify the Torah through faithfulness? May it never be! On the contrary, we uphold the Torah." Romans 3:31
TLV You uphold the Torah **not to be saved but because if you've been saved and are in the New Covenant, יהוה has his Torah supernaturally written on your heart.** As it is written: "For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says Adonai. **I will put My Torah into their mind, and upon their hearts I will write it.** And I will be their God, and they shall be My people." Hebrews 8:10 TLV

Justification (right standing/salvation) comes before obedience (by grace through faith), not the other way around (incorrectly believing obedience earns grace). "Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit (*salvation/right standing/indwelling inside of you*) by works of the law or by hearing with faith? Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh?" Galatians 3:2-3 ESV

This is essential for every believer to understand so they uphold the Torah with a heart of faith not of prideful dead works just as our Messiah did. As it is written:

"Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. **By this we may know that we are in him: whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.**"¹

John 2:4-6 ESV

In your modern world, many are familiar with democracy. The idea that citizens vote for their choice of elected representatives and then those representatives vote on legislation. But in the kingdom, there will be no voting nor debating, as what Yeshua (Jesus) says as King of Kings & Lord of Lords will go. It is not until one fully accepts this spiritual reality and redirects all their faith in only Yeshua Hamashiach (Jesus Christ) as Lord (יהוה, no other gods, or themselves) when you are sealed as his:

“In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation – having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of the promise, who is a first installment of our inheritance, in regard to the redemption of God’s own possession, to the praise of His glory.” Ephesians 1:13-14 NASB2020

“For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake,”
Philippians 1:29 ESV

“When the Gentiles heard this, they began rejoicing and glorifying the word of the Lord; and all who had been appointed to eternal life believed.” Acts 13:48 NASB2020

“correcting his opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant them repentance leading to a knowledge of the truth,”
2 Timothy 2:25 ESV

יהוה's grace is what calls/draws/appoints/grants you the ability to understand & respond to the gospel, repentant (meaning **making the decision in your heart** to turn from/crucifying the works of the flesh) faith in Yeshua (Jesus) is when you are saved & sealed with the Holy Spirit, water baptism takes the good work started to the next level needed to continue walking in the ways prepared beforehand (water baptism is not a mere outward expression of faith), and the laying on of hands is when you are baptized in the Holy Spirit.

"What do you mean by making the decision in your heart?"

For example, it's not until a man is caught having relations with another man's wife when others typically view him as an adulterer. But in יהוה's eyes the sin of adultery was already counted even before the physical act took place. As Yeshua (Jesus) himself said ***"but I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart."*** Matthew 5:28 NASB2020 In the same way repenting does not mean you cannot be saved until you've mastered each sin like a checklist. Salvation is when you've fully decided in your heart to simply start the narrow path. Unless you are born of water and the spirit (John 3:5) you cannot enter the kingdom of God and unless you eat the flesh and drink the blood of Yeshua(Jesus) you have no life (John 6:53 referring to communion) but when you have faith that wants to get baptized and celebrate the Lord's supper it is counted to you as salvation (1 Peter 3:21) because יהוה sees your heart.

יְהוָה's ultimate heart and desire towards all of his creation is for everyone be saved and reach repentance.

"The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, **not willing for any to perish, but for all to come to repentance.**" 2 Peter 3:9 NASB2020

"The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now **he commands all people everywhere to repent,**" Acts 17:30 ESV

"For **the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all people,** instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously, and in a godly manner in the present age, looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus," Titus 2:11-13 NASB2020

He is a loving God that extends grace to everyone.

*"And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, **will draw all people to Myself.**" John 12:32 NASB2020 (Just in his timing not all at once)*

"This is good and acceptable in the sight of **God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.** For there is one God, and one mediator also between God and mankind, the Man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself as a ransom for all, **the testimony given at the proper time.**"

1 Timothy 2:3-6 NASB2020

“But if God truly draws on all people wouldn’t that imply universalism and everyone will be saved?”

No, as man has some free will. ה'ה's grace does not irresistibly force anyone to remain in the faith (monergistic salvation but synergistic endurance til the end). This is the supernatural harmony that takes place to bring about salvation:

All Fall Short Short And Are Incapable Of Saving Themselves

“for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,”

Romans 3:23 ESV

"None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one seeks for God. All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one." Romans 3:10-12
ESV

God The Father Draws/Drags Spiritually Dead Sinners To God The Son (Yeshua) By Opening Their Hearts And Granting Them The Ability To Freely Respond To The Gift Of Grace

“No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day.” John 6:44

NASB2020

“A woman named Lydia was listening; she was a seller of purple fabrics from the city of Thyatira, and a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to the things spoken by Paul.” Acts 16:14 NASB2020

You Have Free Will To Reject יהוה's Grace

"You men who are stiff-necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears are **always resisting the Holy Spirit; you are doing just as your fathers did.**" Acts 7:51 NASB2020

"And working together with Him, **we also urge you not to receive the grace of God in vain** – " 2 Corinthians 6:1 NASB2020

"But the Pharisees and the lawyers **rejected God's purpose for themselves.** not having been baptized by John." Luke 7:30
NASB2020

*"The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but **woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born.**"* Matthew 26:24 ESV

"Behold, they caused the sons of Israel, **through the counsel of Balaam,** to be unfaithful to the Lord in the matter of Peor, so that the plague took place among the congregation of the Lord!"
Numbers 31:16 NASB2020 (*Balaam was a prophet who spoke intimately with God 1-on-1 and had been filled with the spirit)

"But false prophets also appeared among the people, just as there will also be false teachers among you, who will secretly introduce destructive heresies, **even denying the Master who bought them, bringing swift destruction upon themselves.**"
2 Peter 2:1 NASB2020 (*Peter compares these to Balaam in verse 15)

You Have Free Will To Accept יהוה's Grace By Faith

"... justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, **whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith...**" Romans 3:24-25 ESV

"For **by grace you have been saved through faith.** And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast." Ephesians 2:8-9 ESV

"Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God **through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we also have obtained our introduction by faith into this grace in which we stand;** and we celebrate in hope of the glory of God." Romans 5:1-2 NASB2020

God The Son Then Saves All Sinners Who Freely Choose To Respond To God The Father's Drawing With Repentant Faith

*"**I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. I and the Father are one.**"* John 10:28-30 ESV

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:16 NASB2020

God's Spirit Convicts Your Heart As You Hear The Gospel Message, Seals You The Moment You Come To Faith While Continuously Helping You, Regenerating You To The Image Of The Son, & Interceding For You While Dwelling In You

“And He, when He comes, will convict the world regarding sin, and righteousness, and judgment:” John 16:8 NASB2020

“In Him, you also, *after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of the promise.*”

Ephesians 1:13 NASB2020

“the Helper is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him; but you know Him because He remains with you and will be in you.”

John 14:17 NASB2020

“Now in the same way the Spirit also helps our weakness; for we do not know what to pray for as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words;”

Romans 8:26 NASB2020

“He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we did in righteousness, but in accordance with His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit,” Titus 3:5 NASB2020

**God The Son Keeps Your Salvation Secure When You
Accidentally Sin By Interceding For You As Your Melchizedek
High Priest From The Right Hand Of God The Father**

"I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours."

John 17:9 ESV

"Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them." Hebrews 7:25 ESV

"Now the main point in what has been said is this: we have such a high priest, who has taken His seat at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens, a minister in the sanctuary and in the true tabernacle, which the Lord set up, not man."
Hebrews 8:1-2 NASB2020

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous, so that He will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9 NASB2020

"My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world." 1 John 2:1-2 ESV

(Abortion & The Satanic Temple Family Text Discussion - Story Break)

The servant had sisters that had believed and were baptized but fell away from their faith in college. This broke the servant's heart everyday and hoping to shed some light to them that they were spiritually on the wrong side of abortion he texted in the family chat "We live in a world where people are straight up publicly asking for help from Satan 🧛‍♂️"



His first sister replied “I think if churches don’t like that people are turning to satanists than churches should change their approach on abortion instead of creating harsh laws like what we’re seeing in Texas the church has to realize that that isn’t how we should handle women’s health and abortion altogether. They should be incentivizing vasectomies in my opinion 🙏”

The servant trying to keep the focus on turning to Satan for help texted back “Vasectomies are fine but in the end all the problems in the world are a heart issue and only Jesus and his words have the power to change someone’s heart. That’s why there’s literally hundreds of thousands of testimonies online from ex murders, rapists, drug addicts, lgbtq members, etc who have experienced the healing power of Jesus themselves and live new lives in freedom.

Churches don’t need to do anything other than rest on scripture as the final authority. Jesus has already warned us what will happen to those that add or take away his words. no human persuasion, only God’s word can spiritually convict someone to conform to his ways.

“Anyone who I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book; and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his part from the tree of life and from the holy city, which are written in this book.”Revelation 22:18-19 NASB2020 “

The servant's second sister replied " i mean this is what happens when you take away child bearing peoples rights away 🙄"

The servant's father replied "I think abortion is something we will never agreed upon. How can you look at (*the servant's baby) and say that you don't have a right to live? "

The second sister responded "it's that simple. instead of having an incredibly biased law that is trying to uphold a certain demographics religious beliefs (when the right to an abortion has already been deemed constitutional by the supreme court in Roe v Wade & we should have separation of church and state) and punish people for having rights to their bodies people are going to resort to some pretty rough circumstances within themselves instead of creating safe access. "

The servant trying to keep the conversation on the main issue texted back "My biggest point though more than anything is that you are free to believe whatever you want but you NEVERRRRRR seek the Devil for help. The devil is a big cry baby that knows his place is in the lake of fire at the end and he will bring down as many people with him as he can out of anger towards God. Never forget that the devil deceives as a fallen Angel of light. He never appears evil. Believe whatever you want but Don't ever fall for thinking the Devil is on your side. The eternal lake of fire is not worth it...

“Then He will also say to those on His left, ‘Depart from Me, you accursed people, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels;”Matthew 25:41 NASB2020“

The second sister replied “Also dad yes i don’t think we will agree on this and that’s fine. While every baby does deserve to live, I think the topic of abortion is much more complex than that. Let’s not forget that pregnancy is not an easy thing to go through and I simply believe in the idea of choice over your body. “

The servant trying to keep the focus on the heart of the issue replied “I didn’t bring this up because of abortion. I brought this up because they were straight up asking Satan for help. That was my only point. I don’t care if you’re pro choice, all I care about is that if you’re approaching a satanic temple for help it’s time to realize you’re wrong. There’s no possible way to justify that “

The first sister responded “Maybe to you. But not everyone believes in satan. The bigger crime here is the lack of separation of church and state and the influence that christianity has on politics is shameful. Whether it was slavery, segregation, LGBTQ humans, christians in politics have had a direct impact and it needs to stop!! “

The dad texted “I do believe in abortion in some extreme cases, but if you remember life starts at conception. “

The first sister responded "Life starts at first breath actually"

The second sister also responding to the dad said "To you it might. Regardless of how you see where life begins, I just think people should have the right to their body. that's all "

The first sister responded "I agree"

The second sister continued her thought "Also if texas didn't pass that law this wouldn't be happening. People wouldn't have to feel like they have to turn to things in order to have the rights that they should have. If you don't like abortions, don't have one 🙄 People should not have to face the death penalty for taking control of their body and life choices. the supreme court already decided that it's a constitutional right to have an abortion in the 70s and nothing should change that. "

The servant responding to the 1st sister "They way you summarize christianity is soooooo strange. I would never do that to Muslims, to different races, to different age groups. Christianity is following the teachings of Jesus the Christ, anything anyone else does is irrelevant. I don't group together all atheists when they make a mistake. When COVID-19 leaked out of a Wuhan Lab I don't go "Science needs to stop!"

Jesus said , "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me." John 14:6 NASB2020

If you or anyone else truly believe that they have the better way then i guess just continue living out that “better way”. If Jesus isn’t good enough for you there’s nothing more to say “

The dad texted “Abortions are banned in Texas only after the 6th week, but how can you justify people invoking Satan due to this new law? “

The first sister replying to the servant “ Its not summarizing Christianity. It’s history bro. Why is addressing the issues of Christianity seen as me targeting them? How are we gonna dismantle systems of oppression that are entangled with Christianity. I’m not saying it’s just Christianity but Christianity plays it’s part too “

The second sister replying to the dad “i’m not! i’m just saying that this is what happens when you take away safe accessible autonomy to peoples bodies. i mean it’s cause and effect. people are going to start doing some things due to the circumstances that they’ve been given. “

The servant replying to the first sister “**Until I’m brought a clear command from Jesus the Christ or his apostles teaching me to oppress others I can not grant you any historical event as “Christian”. Only false converts or false prophets purposely misleading people which Jesus warned about many times...**

“I am giving you a new commandment, that you love one another; just as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all people will know that you are My disciples: if you have love for one another.””John 13:34-35 NASB2020

The first sister replied “You’re being passive to issues that involve your faith. Whether they were Christian or not, the reality is what it is. Not only is America not a religious nation anymore and leaving the church but people are traumatized with negative experiences from the church. But yeah... if they weren’t really Christian then who cares”

The dad replied “How can you blame the faith for the sins that we made, all the sin that Pastor (*) did, was that the religion or himself? How about all the priests that did horrible things to children, who is at fault? Like (*the servant) said they were false prophets. That is not going to change my faith “

The second sister responds “didn’t you just say the other day that that guy spitting at me and my coworkers was the effect of people not having faith? cant i just say that that’s generalizing and if someone who didn’t have a religious background can argue that it shouldn’t take someone to have faith in Jesus to not act like an animal? like this can go in circles “

The servant replied "With (*the first sister's) logic if we all put on Lakers Jerseys and then go on a crime spree that somehow get added to the Lakers history. This is why once again until (*the first sister) presents a clear command from Jesus the Christ or his apostles teaching me to oppress others no historical event that she's mentioned can be considered "Christian". I love you guys and am truly not trying to be argumentative or condescending. I'm just highlighting why the problem isn't Christianity it's evil people. It's ignorant to do this very strange grouping thing you like to do "

The first sister replied "Bro it's not grouping. It's addressing an issue within the Christian community "

The servant responded "Clearly this is a spiritual issue I just need to lovingly leave for you to sort out on your own because we're reaching levels of nonsense even you know don't make any sense. I love you, will continue to pray for you, and am always here for all of you guys if you ever need anything. "

The second sister chiming in again " I think what makes things different is the structure and affect religion has had as an institution. What makes things different is that for centuries religion (Christianity) took a front seat when it came to governing bodies in societies. Missionaries from Spain enforced brutal treatments towards indigenous peoples all throughout Latin America, Protestantism took over Europe and we all know Europeans and their history towards other countries...

We have to acknowledge that while the church doesn't have a political influence on things anymore like they used to, their presence as an institution has carried on for years and years. There's a reason why there's still churches that are still up from the 1500s. We can't just ignore the history behind literal centuries of oppression from the church. It wouldn't be right, and especially since I study history pretty extensively, it would be irresponsible. "

The servant replied "I never did. I've addressed this many times. **They will get their portion in the lake of fire. Why join them?** "

The first sister texted back "Bro don't gaslight me. "You know you don't make sense right now" don't belittle me like that. I acknowledge we have different beliefs but I would never say that you. Very disappointed in you "

The second sister replied to the servant "But you have to look at it as an institution as a whole, not just not picking who and what are considered real christians and actually following God's word. Do we think all white people are racist? No. But they have privilege due to centuries of racism in institutions and they should address it because regardless, they've benefitted from the effects of it. Same thing with Christianity "

The servant responding to both "(*second sister) **unless it's taught in scripture it's not Christian. A Christian is a follower of the teachings of Jesus the Christ...**

ANYTHING OUTSIDE OF THAT IS FALSE. And (*first sister) I apologize if you felt that way. I never meant malice. I just can't continue an intelligent discussion if You keep dodging my questions that's clearly dismantle your logic “

The second sister replied “I understand and acknowledge that and we can simply disagree on how we view things. it's okay”

The servant replying to the first sister “I would respect your view if there were no double standards. If a Mexican committed a crime you would be the first to say that they don't represent all of us. I could go down a whole long history of hispanic crime in america but why would we do that to ourselves? Same goes for our faith. I will ALWAYS love and respect your different views even if I disagree. Just be consistent is all I ask “

The first sister responded “You can respect my beliefs, you could not and I wouldn't blink. The fact is I view your arguments as contradictory as well. But I respect your beliefs regardless. It is beautiful. It is sacred. We just see things different. Whether you agree with my beliefs they're still sacred. Even if you don't see it as such. Don't gaslight me again. “

The servant texted back "I have no problem nor have I ever had a problem with opposing views. I'm sure you guys have understood that and I apologize if it ever came off otherwise. At the end of the day when you put all mental, emotional, sociological, political, economical views to the side there are only 2 places people will end up.

Either the lake of fire that was only meant for the devil and his angels. Or eternal happiness in the kingdom of God where there will be no more evil people pretending to be Christian that you guys complain so much about. No more pain, injustice, disease or even death. Because I love you guys so much I only want to see my entire family with me in the kingdom. If you want to vilify me for that you will be upset with me til the day I die and that's fine. "

**יהוה By Grace Decides When To Open
The Stony Hearts Of Helpless Sinners
Continued...**

You Have Free Will To Voluntarily Leave The Faith

"If anyone does not remain in Me, he is thrown away like a branch and dries up; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned." John 15:6 NASB2020

"Quite right, they were broken off for their unbelief, but you stand by your faith. Do not be conceited, but fear; for if God did not spare the natural branches (*the physical descendants of Israel*), He will not spare you, either." Romans 11:20-21 NASB2020

"For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries. Anyone who has set aside the law of Moses dies without mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses. How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace?" Hebrews 10:26-29 ESV

**This is about believers as unbelievers nor Yeshua (Jesus) are sanctified by the blood of the New Covenant. The "no longer remains a sacrifice for sins" is not a reference to believers going back to orthodox/Pharisaic Judaism (like Hebrews chapter 6 is) but a reference to sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of truth and therefore "there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins" because you are trampling on the blood of the Son of God.*

“But how can this be if יהוה chose the elect before the foundation of the world?”

“just as **He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world**, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love He predestined us to adoption as sons and daughters through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will,” Ephesians 1:4-5 NASB2020

There are multiple types of election, not just for salvation. For example, Israel was elected. Is every single Israelite who ever lived including Judas in heaven right now? יהוה outside of time, chose **the saved elect based on foreknowledge of who would respond to his grace with loving faith towards him, in time.**

“...**who are chosen according to the foreknowledge** of God the Father, by the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to obey Jesus Christ and be sprinkled with His blood: May grace and peace be multiplied to you.” 1 Peter 1:1-2 NASB2020

“And we know that **God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God**, to those who are called according to His purpose. **For those whom He foreknew (would love God)**, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters; and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified.” Romans 8:28-30 NASB2020

Even though the chosen elect **for salvation** are who יהוה foreknew would respond to his grace with loving faith, he calls on all people, just not all in the same way or at the same time.

“But Romans 8:30 clearly says that who יהוה calls will also be justified and glorified? How can there be people not chosen for salvation if he truly calls on all people?”

Have you not read what was said to you by Yeshua (Jesus)? ***“For many are called, but few are chosen.”*** Matthew 22:14 NASB2020

“But how can man have free will if according to Ephesians 1:11 יהוה predestined who would be saved according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will? ”

“In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the **counsel (boulēn)** of his will,”
Ephesians 1:11 ESV

Because man has free will to reject יהוה’s counsel and purpose.

“But the Pharisees and the lawyers rejected God’s (boulēn) for themselves, not having been baptized by John.” Luke 7:30
NASB2020

“So do you really expect me to believe that Jesus wants everyone to be saved yet is failing to save billions of people? Is Jesus a savior that can’t save completely and autonomously?”

Who are you O man to try and measure יהוה's success? Do you have access to his blueprint for humanity? It's not that he can't save, as he could easily override the hearts of every unbeliever and fill his kingdom with worshipping robots but why would he, when he can instead spend eternity with a bride that truly loves him back? Do not worry about his ability to save. יהוה foreknew who would reject his grace and in doing so has made everything for its own purpose, even the wicked for the day of evil.

“So wait. If he already knew how each person would respond to his grace and has planned accordingly, does man really have free will or is יהוה the one in control? Which one is it?”

Regardless of any action mankind decides to take, his kingdom will come and his will will be done. The reason you cannot comprehend both being true while יהוה remains sovereign is because his ways are not our ways therefore, you could never understand them. The secret things belong to him but the things revealed belong to us so that we may follow all of his guidelines and instructions. יהוה endures with much patience those who continuously resist his calling then he judicially hardens them temporarily or permanently in preparation to later glorify himself, but he takes no pleasure in the death of the wicked.

“Has the potter no right over the clay, to make out of the same lump one vessel for honorable use and another for dishonorable use? What if God, desiring to show his wrath and to make known his power, **has endured with much patience vessels of wrath prepared for destruction**, in order to make known the riches of his glory for vessels of mercy, which he has prepared beforehand for glory –”Romans 9:21-23 ESV

Therefore, if you continue to resist his grace and spit in his face he will harden your heart to the point you cannot accept it anymore (Revelation 16:9). But if he has opened your heart and called you to understand this now, you have free will to turn from what is dishonorable, and instead become a vessel of honor.

“Now in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver but also of wood and clay, some for honorable use, some for dishonorable. **Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work.**”2 Timothy 2:20-21 ESV

“For I take no pleasure in the death of anyone who dies,” declares the Lord God. “Therefore, repent and live!”” Ezekiel 18:32 NASB2020

“Am I not able, house of Israel, to deal with you as this potter does?” declares the Lord...

Behold, like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in My hand, house of Israel. At one moment I might speak concerning a nation or concerning a kingdom to uproot it, to tear it down, or to destroy it; **if that nation against which I have spoken turns from its evil, I will relent of the disaster that I planned to bring on it.** Or at another moment I might speak concerning a nation or concerning a kingdom to build up or to plant it; **if it does evil in My sight by not obeying My voice, then I will relent of the good with which I said that I would bless it.** So now, speak to the men of Judah and against the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying, "This is what the Lord says: **"Behold, I am forming a disaster against you and devising a plan against you. Now turn back, each of you from his evil way, and correct your ways and your deeds!"** Jeremiah 18:6-11 NASB2020

"Gather together, yes, gather, O shameless nation, **before the decree takes effect** – before the day passes away like chaff – **before there comes upon you the burning anger of the Lord, before there comes upon you the day of the anger of the Lord. Seek the Lord, all you humble of the land, who do his just commands; seek righteousness; seek humility;** perhaps you may be hidden on the day of the anger of the Lord." Zephaniah 2:1-3 ESV

You can repent before the hardening decree takes effect. Yes יהוה has decrees (Acts 2:23 & 1st Peter 2:8 etc) but he does not decree every single little action. There are decrees, stage setting (Luke 13:16-17), grace, and man has **some** free will all at the same time.

(Carson the Half Hearted - Story Break)

There was a man named Carson who worked at the same warehouse as the servant of יהוה. Carson struggled severely with violent fits of rage and alcohol addiction. Because of his problems with alcohol Carson was also not legally allowed to drive a car. Many coworkers would pretend to be Carson's friend but secretly laugh at him whenever he would explode in irritable anger from alcohol withdrawals. Whenever Carson would get angry his parents would become so afraid of him they'd lock him out of their house and refuse to drive him due to previous experiences where no one could bind him or had the strength to subdue him.

One day when Carson was not able to get a ride home, he started asking if anyone would be willing to drive him home after the shift was over. One by one everyone refused to help but when Carson approached the servant of יהוה, the servant having compassion on him responded "of course man, get in!"

And from that day forward anytime Carson was not able to find a ride home from work the servant of יהוה was always happy to help him. The servant related to Carson because he personally struggled with withdrawals from a severe sexual addiction. The servant knew what it was like to be shunned over past mistakes caused by addiction, not necessarily malicious intent.

“But what about Old Testament gentiles and those who die never getting a chance to hear the gospel? “

“For by a single offering he has perfected **for all time** (past/present/future) those who are being sanctified.” Hebrews 10:14 ESV

“He is the propitiation for our sins, and **not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.**” 1 John 2:2 ESV

“For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, **who is the Savior of all people, especially of those who believe.**” 1 Timothy 4:10 ESV

“But wouldn’t that imply universalism and everyone being saved? “

No, universal access. Yeshua (Jesus) has every right to pay off all of the debt incurred from sin to whoever he wants to with his shed blood (John 10:28). He also has every right to take back his payment. As he explained with this parable:

“Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring

*him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.'
And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him
and forgave him the debt. But when that same servant went out,
he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred
denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay
what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded
with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He
refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the
debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they
were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their
master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned him
and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt
because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had
mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in
anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay
all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of
you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.'*

Matthew 18:23-35 ESV

Do not misunderstand me. Those of adult age (Numbers 32:11) who blatantly reject the gospel stand condemned. But the exact intricacies on how the blood atonement is applied to sinners by faith compared to the amount of revelation someone had access to will not be revealed until the kingdom comes. The secret things belong to יהוה, but the things revealed belong to us.

As also written by the prophet Jeremiah 17:7 “Blessed is the man who trusts in יהוה, and whose trust is יהוה.”

“Okay Mr Anonymous Prophet. Enough With These Scattered Bible Verses. How do you fully explain Romans Chapter 9? “

“I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit— that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. “

(Paul was in heartbreak because not all of Israel accepted Yeshua/Jesus)

“They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.” *(The nation of Israel will always be אִשְׂרָאֵל's chosen people to spread his word Genesis 12:2-3, not Arabia or America etc so not accepting Yeshua/Jesus was contrary to his will. But it was never promised that every Israelite will be saved, therefore there are multiple types of election, one for carrying the word and another for salvation.)*

“But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel” *(Not all of Israel were practicing their faith. If you're an Israelite by birth but don't live like one then rejecting Yeshua/Jesus as Messiah doesn't count because you have rejected the faith altogether already. Paul made it clear earlier in this same letter “For no one is a Jew who is merely one outwardly, nor is circumcision outward and physical. But a Jew is one inwardly, and circumcision is a matter of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the letter. His praise is not from man but from God.” Romans 2:28-29 ESV)*

“, and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." *(Neither Ishmael nor any other of Abraham's sons were promised to carry the word so they likewise do not count as Israel either as the promise is only through Isaac's descendants. The point Paul was trying to make here was that once you remove the non practicing Israelites who were not even living a faithful life before Yeshua/Jesus came along with the descendants of Abraham that weren't through Isaac then the list of true Israelites who rejected Yeshua/Jesus becomes much smaller)*

“This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring.” *(The promise was made to the descendants of Isaac and then to his son Jacob/Israel)*

“For this is what the promise said: "About this time next year I will return, and Sarah shall have a son." And not only so, but also when Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad — **in order that God's purpose of election** *(who יִהְיֶה chooses to the carry the word)* might continue, not because of works but because of him who calls” *(Once again the promise was called to Isaac and then Jacob not because of anything they've done or were going to do but because יִהְיֶה had personally chosen them to carry the word and bless all the families of the earth)*

“ — she was told, "The older will serve the younger." As it is written, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated." (*Hated is the literal translation in english but not the correct thought for thought translation. A better thought for thought translation would be "I preferred/chose Jacob over Esau."* For example: "**If anyone comes to Me and does not hate** his own father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be My disciple." Luke 14:26 NASB2020 *הִטָּהֵר* did not mean "hate" in the sense of how it is used in modern English but "preferred/chosen" Jacob to carry the word)

“What shall we say then? Is there injustice on God's part? By no means! For he says to Moses, "I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion." So then it depends not on human will or exertion, but on God, who has mercy.” (*Who *הִטָּהֵר* elects to carry his word is solely based on his sovereign choice, not anything they will do. For example, *הִטָּהֵר* foreknew how badly Jacob/Israel would continually disobey time & time again yet still chose him/them, to carry his word strictly out of grace*)

“ For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, "For this very purpose I have raised you up, that I might show my power in you, and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth." (*When Pharaoh mistreated *הִטָּהֵר*'s people he raised him up to be an example of his power so Israel could carry the word with powerful testimony to the nations*)

“So then he has mercy on whomever he wills, and he hardens whomever he wills.” (*הִטָּהֵר has mercy on his people and judicially hardens those who continuously oppose him to later glorify himself*)

“ You will say to me then, "Why does he still find fault? For who can resist his will?" (You might wonder how *ה'י* can judge someone like Pharaoh for the evil they commit when *ה'י* hardened their heart to do it but *ה'י* has every right to harden whoever he wants to later make an example out of them for his people, therefore...) But who are you, O man, to answer back to God? Will what is molded say to its molder, "Why have you made me like this?" Has the potter no right over the clay, to make out of the same lump one vessel for honorable use and another for dishonorable use? **What if God, desiring to show his wrath and to make known his power, has endured with much patience vessels of wrath** (Those who continuously oppose *ה'י*) **prepared for destruction, in order to make known the riches of his glory for vessels of mercy** (his people), **which he has prepared beforehand for glory**" (The people *ה'י* judicially hardens to prepare for vessels of wrath and later glorify himself are the type of people that were never going to repent. They had many opportunities yet kept resisting *ה'י* by first hardening their own hearts, therefore he has every right to punish them in this way)

“ — even us whom he has called, not from the Jews only but also from the Gentiles? (this concept of mercy and hardening applies to both Jews & Gentiles and Paul is about to give an old example of this)

“ As indeed he says in Hosea, "**Those who were not my people I will call 'my people,'** and her who was not beloved I will call 'beloved.'" "**And in the very place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people,' there they will be called 'sons of the living God.'**" (An example of when Israel was temporarily hardened)

“ And Isaiah cries out concerning Israel: "Though the number of the sons of Israel be as the sand of the sea, only a remnant of them will be saved, for the Lord will carry out his sentence upon the earth fully and without delay." And as Isaiah predicted, "If the Lord of hosts had not left us offspring, we would have been like Sodom and become like Gomorrah." *(As stated already and multiple times in the Tanakh, most of the Israelites were not faithful to יהוה, only a remnant remained faithful by grace. Therefore the time had come to graft the gentiles into Israel so they could take יהוה's word to the nations and provoke the unfaithful Israelites to jealousy.)*

“What shall we say, then? That Gentiles who did not pursue righteousness have attained it, that is, a righteousness that is by faith;” “but that Israel who pursued a law that would lead to righteousness did not succeed in reaching that law. Why? Because they did not pursue it by faith, but as if it were based on works. *(As stated earlier in this book, you uphold the Torah with a heart of faith not of pride, allowing all of the credit to rightfully go to the spirit of grace working within. Not all of Israel pursued the Torah by works instead of faith but those who wrongfully used the Torah in an attempt to exalt their dead works in a self righteous manner were temporarily hardened when Yeshua/Jesus came so that mercy could come to the gentiles that were willing and ready to receive it by faith)*

They have stumbled over the stumbling stone, as it is written, "Behold, **I am laying in Zion a stone of stumbling**, and a rock of offense; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."” Romans 9:31-33 ESV ...

"I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. *(you see? God's promise for Israel to carry the word has not failed because here is an Israelite bringing you his word!)*

God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. *(Would respond to his grace with loving faith and not prideful dead works)* Do you not know what the Scripture says of Elijah, how he appeals to God against Israel?" "'Lord, they have killed your prophets, they have demolished your altars, and I alone am left, and they seek my life." "But what is God's reply to him? "I *(by grace)* have kept for myself seven thousand men who have not *(by faith)* bowed the knee to Baal." So too at the present time there is a remnant, chosen by grace. But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works; otherwise grace would no longer be grace."

"What then? Israel failed to obtain what it was seeking. The elect *(speaking of those who נִיָּדָה; foreknew would respond to his grace with loving faith)* obtained it, but the rest were *(judicially)* hardened *(because they continuously were a disobedient and contrary people)* , as it is written, "**God gave them a spirit of stupor**, eyes that would not see and ears that would not hear, down to this very day." And David says, "Let their table become a snare and a trap, a stumbling block and a retribution for them; let their eyes be darkened so that they cannot see, and bend their backs forever."

So I ask, **did they stumble in order that they might fall? By no means! Rather, through their trespass salvation has come to the Gentiles, so as to make Israel jealous.**"Romans 11:1-11 ESV ...

"Lest you be wise in your own sight, I do not want you to be unaware of this mystery, brothers: **a partial (judicial) hardening has come upon Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. And in this way all Israel will be saved.** as it is written, "The Deliverer will come from Zion, he will banish ungodliness from Jacob"; "and this will be my covenant with them when I take away their sins." Romans 11:25-27 ESV

"As regards the gospel, they are enemies for your sake (*the physical Israelites that are currently being hardened temporarily*). But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. (*the physical descendants of Abraham, Isaac, & Jacob are still יִשְׂרָאֵל's chosen people called to carry his word by promise*) For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. (*a continuation of the theme that was explained in the Hosea example where in the end יִשְׂרָאֵל took Israel back even after all of their disobedience and temporary hardening to teach them a lesson*) **For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.** Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!" Romans 11:28-33 ESV

(Carson the Half Hearted - Story Break Continued)

Carson had heard the story of Jesus many times before but it was during the car rides home from work when Carson first felt the love of Jesus being demonstrated to him. Carson and the servant would often laugh together discussing some of the craziness they had to go through on a daily basis at their job. And as the spirit led, the servant began to discuss the things of God with Carson. And הָיָה opened Carson's heart to respond to the things being said to him by the servant.

After hearing everything Christ had done for the servant and how much Jesus loved Carson, Carson downloaded the bible app and was drawn to learn more. As the servant would speak Carson would strongly feel the drawing from the father onto Jesus the son but Carson was secretly very concerned about what this could mean for his life and how others would view him.

Carson was also secretly uncomfortable receiving spiritual insight from someone so much younger than him. So Carson began his research half hearted by simply trying to slowly read the scriptures on a daily basis and privately texting the servant whenever he had questions. Carson feeling conflicted texted the servant "I struggle with a massive polar opposite duality. Both vying for supremacy. It's tearing me apart honestly"

The servant responded "God sees your heart Carson and he will help guide you to where he has called you to be. I'm not a pastor nor a psychologist nor will I pretend I am but I am someone who has personally gone through all my therapists, friends, family, and even my old pastor gave up on me when it came to my addiction. My ex of 4 years left me too. No one believed in me. I was looked at as a lost cause. That's why I moved out and suffered in silence for so many years. I was tired of bothering people with my problems. All I had was Jesus to lean on and even then I struggled to keep faith id ever be healed. It's been a superrrrrrr long journey of 8 years but it's so worth it man. It's time for me to move out of my comfort zone of head knowledge and start surrendering to the spirit. I'll pray for you man and connect you with all the tools scripture has written for your situation. God won't give up on you and as one of his soldiers neither will I. You got this bro I believe in you 💪"

Carson replied " You makin me cry mf"

The servant responded " Don't cry cuz then I'll cry mf 🤡 lol. And just a heads up that you may want to watch The Chosen when you're not around other people cuz that show makes everyone cry 😂 "

Carson replied back "...too late 😏 And noted lol "

CHAPTER 2: GRACE THROUGH FAITH FULLY EXPLAINED

**“Ok But If All I Need Is Faith To Be Saved,
Why Did You Need To Write This Entire Book?”**

I was moved by the Holy Spirit to write to you because there are many blessings for obedience God's people are missing out on due to false teaching. Biblical faith is not being taught today. To have faith is to repent and to repent is to have faith. You cannot separate the two as faith is not a mere mental acknowledgement. You must turn from the world and live for Yeshua (Jesus). This book is to protect יהוה's elect from those who add or take away from his commandments as his people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. They pay attention to deceitful spirits and teachings of demons who pervert his grace into lawless sensuality in these last days as Jude foretold. So remain on the narrow path as only those who endure to the end will be saved.

In a covenant, **both parties** have clear obligations and responsibilities. Your only obligation when יהוה draws at your heart to receive his free gift of eternal life is to repent (turn away from/crucify the works of the flesh) and believe in the deity & resurrection of Yeshua (Jesus) or you will likewise perish. יהוה is inviting you to come as you are **regardless of your past** because **all of your sins (past/present/future)** were nailed to the Cross and forgotten “and He Himself brought our sins in His body up on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live for righteousness; by His wounds you were healed.” 1 Peter 2:24 NASB2020 “for I will forgive their iniquity and their sin I will no longer remember.” Jeremiah 31:33 (Judaica Press Tanach)

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.” 2 Corinthians 5:17
ESV

This is why you **CANNOT** just go back to your exact same previous life after a “sinner’s prayer”, **you must repent** (turn away from/crucify the works of the flesh).

As instructed by the apostles:

“What shall we say then? **Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it?** Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.” Romans 6:1-4 ESV

“So you also must **consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.** Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but **present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life**, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness.” Romans 6:11-13 ESV

“And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.” Galatians 5:24 ESV

(Carson the Half Hearted - Story Break Completed)

The servant of יהוה would begin picking Carson up on Sunday mornings to go with the servants family to church since Carson couldn't drive. It was after a few visits where Carson was starting to realize that he was going to have to make a choice on whether or not he was going to get baptized and fully allow the spirit to bury his current life to death so he can be raised to walk in newness of life. The servant understood this as well. At this point, Carson and the servant had vented their entire life story to each other many times and became good friends over the span of several months. Carson was also welcomed and prayed over by the local church but the time had come to make a decision on whether or not he was going to fully repent (to turn away from his current lifestyle to walk in obedience to Christ by the spirit.)

Despite all of the support Carson was receiving he texted the servant "Im drinking again and scared to death

The servant replied " What is it you're scared of?

Carspon responded "Cardiac arrest

My body

Being able to stop

How i am n what i do drunk. Im a lunatic"

The servant texted back “thus says the Lord, who created you and he who formed you: Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, and you are mine Carson”

Carson responded “Gonna make me fn cry”

The servant then said “Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and surrender yourself to a new heart and a new spirit! Why die like this? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord God; so repent, turn, and live.”

Carson texted back “ I don’t know how” “Thats honest”

The servant responded “Repent by confessing your mistakes to God and getting back to the narrow path. replace consuming liquor with consuming God's word. You can start small with a 7 day bible plan on Overcoming Addiction:”

“<https://www.bible.com/en/reading-plans/3143>

Replace the snapchats with worship music (I'll send you a track list of songs I like to start) and get baptized as a symbol to God of your old self dying in the water and your new self rising up like Christ did from the dead “

But Carson was afraid if he fully let go by getting baptized and allowing the spirit to work through him what his new life would look like and how others would view him because he knew that he would no longer be in control. What he didn't realize was that he was already not in control because he was a slave to sin.

Carson knowing the truth but being very half hearted wanted to just give himself more time to think. And the servant would teach and admonish Carson by the grace given to him.

So Carson came to the servant by night and while they were out on a walk in nature he said "I know that what you teach is from God for no one can say the things you've said unless God is with him. I'm just going to be honest. I know I'm in the wrong. The timing you came into my life and the words you spoke to me is insane. I can't even begin to explain how mind boggling it was to hear you speak to me how you did and when you did. I know I'm in the wrong but I just can't get myself to continue seeking this path anymore. I just love my sin too much. Nothing against you"

And the servant hugged Carson and prayed for him but he could not persuade him to stop living in drunkenness and to fully repent by turning his life 100% to Christ. So Carson continued to struggle with drunkenness and once the servant got home he wept for his friend. And over time Carson simply stopped responding to the servant.

CHAPTER 2: GRACE THROUGH FAITH FULLY EXPLAINED CONTINUED

Faith is complete trust in how you are commanded to love יהוה
("If you love me, you will obey my commandments." John 14:15
NET) and love your neighbor, not just a mere mental
awareness that Yeshua (Jesus) rose from the dead.

"What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead." James 2:14-17 ESV

James 2:19 (ESV) also states that "Even the demons believe – and shudder!"

And salvation by grace through faith is not a "New Testament" concept either as יהוה does not change.

“And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually... **But Noah found grace** in the eyes of the LORD.”Genesis 6:5, 8 KJV Noah was graced with warning of the coming worldwide flood yet still needed to complete his faith by building the ark; otherwise, he too would have perished.

In Exodus Chapter 12, יהוה executed judgment on Egypt but showed grace by warning Moses beforehand to tell the chosen people of Israel that those who placed the blood of the Passover lamb on the doorposts of their home would be passed over with no plague to destroy them. Imagine if Moses replied, “don’t worry Lord, we trust you’ll protect us even if we don’t, so it’s okay!” This is how you sound when you think יהוה’s commandments are not serious.

Those who complete their faith by submitting to the Holy Spirit will guard Yeshua’s (Jesus’) blood, the New Covenant Passover lamb on the doorpost of their heart and do the works prepared beforehand for them. What many fail to understand is that when you accept Yeshua (Jesus) as Lord (יהוה), you are also accepting the terms of the New Covenant (p260-262). Beware of false prophets professing that the New Covenant can’t be broken when the prophet Jeremiah (31:32 NASB2020) already spoke of how the old covenant was. “My covenant which they broke, although I was a husband to them,” declares the Lord.”

Many will try to mislead you by misquoting “we are not under law but under grace” from Romans 6:14 to falsely imply you can now live however you want as if יהוה stopped caring. While yes, those in Covenant are under grace and are set free from the law of sin and death (not the law of God), they are still misleading people by not reading the entire context of the scripture.

“So you also must **consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body** to make you obey its passions. Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. **For sin will have no dominion over you since you are not under law but under grace** *(the spirit of grace working within)*. **What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means!**”

It’s very easy to find people who mentally acknowledge Yeshua (Jesus) rose from the dead. But how many have the faith to live **spiritually set-apart (Holy) lives**? Faith to leave and stop supporting LGBTQ+ and abortions? If you aren’t willing you haven’t fully repented (James 4:4). Worship יהוה how he commands! Mixing defines Babylon. As it is written “Therefore go out from their midst, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch no unclean thing; **then I will welcome you**, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be sons and daughters to me, says the Lord Almighty.” 2 Corinthians 6:17-18 ESV

The end of the matter is this: repent or perish. Receive יהוה's grace through repentant (turn away from/crucifying the works of the flesh) faith towards Yeshua (Jesus), and the spirit will equip you to walk in victory since you will no longer be under the law (of sin and death) but under grace as also written"

"for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and **are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.** This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins." Romans 3:23-25 ESV

"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."Romans 6:23 ESV

"Ok I accept יהוה's grace, repent of my sins, and believe in my heart that Yeshua (Jesus) rose from the dead, what now? Where do I even begin?"

**CHAPTER 3: UNDERSTANDING
ACTS 15 IS KEY FOR NEW
BELIEVERS AND THE KEY FOR
DISCIPLINING NEW BELIEVERS**

Acts 15 Is The Key For New Believers

In the 15th Chapter Of Acts, a controversy arose around the question of what do we do now with all these new believers coming into the faith from various backgrounds? When are they saved and what should they do immediately after believing? The Jerusalem council gave the perfect apostolic response. The context of the controversy was not about which commands were still binding, but men incorrectly teaching how salvation works.

“Now some men coming down from Judea were teaching the brothers, **“Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved.”** Acts 15:1 TLV “But some belonging to the party of the Pharisees who had believed stood up, saying, **“It is necessary to circumcise them and to command them to keep the Torah of Moses.”**” Acts 15:5 TLV

To say something is “necessary” means it is legally binding for salvation (where the term **legalism** comes from). But this was not only incorrect but backwards because it’s by grace someone comes to faith and is saved. Not by circumcision or keeping of the Torah. There is nothing anyone can do to save themselves or needs to do after responding to יהוה’s grace with repentant faith in Yeshua (Jesus) to be saved. In the New Covenant you are not legally bound to keep the Torah. If we were then no one would be saved including myself because trying to keep the Torah 100% perfectly your entire life without ever making a mistake for salvation is placing an unrealistic burden no one can bear.

“But that’s just your interpretation!” No, the apostle Peter himself took what these Pharisees said to be about salvation as well: “Since this is the case, why are you putting God to the test by placing upon the neck of the disciples a yoke which neither our forefathers nor we have been able to bear? **But we believe that we are saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, in the same way as they also are.**” Acts 15:10-11 NASB2020

“Ok, but new believers still shouldn't be running around sinning and living lawless right? So what should they do?”

Exactly. This is why the apostles led by the spirit decided that while new believers don’t need to overwhelm themselves by trying to learn the entire bible in one day since they are already saved by grace (and can learn Moses at their own pace every Sabbath), new converts should still have a clear foundational starting point after baptism as to not offend the other believers when fellowshiping with them. And that starting point was to:

1. Abstain from anything polluted by idolatry (no more buddha statues, horoscopes, fortune tellers, inquiring the dead, witchcraft, praying to mary or other gods etc)
2. Abstain from all sexual immorality (leave the LGBTQABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ movement, pornography, & premarital sexual relations)
3. Abstain from eating the meat of what has been strangled and blood (a reference to pagan sacrifices, violence, & Leviticus 17:13 which states eat clean animals that were properly drained of its blood. Also known as Kosher).

This is the foundation for every new believer as the apostles instructed: "Therefore it is my judgment that we do not trouble and make it difficult for those who are turning to God among the Gentiles [by putting obstacles in their way], but that we write to them that they are to abstain from anything that has been contaminated by [being offered to] idols and from sexual impurity and from [eating the meat of] what has been strangled and from [the consumption of] blood. For from ancient generations [the writing of] Moses has been preached in every city, since he is read aloud in the synagogues every Sabbath."" Acts 15:19-21 AMP

"No, that's just your interpretation! The gentiles were never commanded to keep Kosher! When you say that abstaining from what has been strangled & from blood is a reference back to Leviticus 17:13 (*which states only clean animals drained of blood can be eaten*), that's just your interpretation!"

Even the non-kosher keeping Christian translators agree that to abstain from what has been strangled & blood is a reference back to Leviticus 17:13. The AMP has a note on Acts 15:20 that reads "For the OT prohibition against eating blood and the reasons for it, see Lev 17:10-14, There, in v 13, hunters are instructed to pour out the blood of an animal before eating it. Leviticus 17:13 AMP "So when any Israelite or any stranger living temporarily among them, catches any ceremonially clean animal or bird when hunting, he shall pour out its blood and cover it with earth."

**“What you are teaching is clearly a doctrine of demons
according to 1st Timothy 4:3!”**

Paul is explaining that in later times people will be advocating for abstaining from eating what יהוה has already considered food. For example if someone were to teach it was a sin to eat apples since that contradicts Genesis 1:29 or if someone were to teach it is a sin to eat kosher meat on Fridays during lent. He is not saying teachings of demons will deceive people to keep the commandments in Leviticus 11. That would make Paul contradict himself! “...the Torah is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.”Romans 7:12 TLV

But let’s pretend the modern Christian interpretation of everything under the sun now being “food” was correct, even things not laid out in scripture. How would that make a believer any different from a nonbeliever? Paul says these people will “require abstinence from **foods that God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth?**”

If everything under the sun is now food in the New Covenant, there would be no difference between how a believer and how a nonbeliever views food. “For everything created by God is good and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, **for it is made holy by the word of God and prayer.**”

This is the part everyone misses. Nothing is to be rejected if it is made holy by the word of God & prayer but unclean animals have never been considered holy by the word of God.

The NET bible translators also stand in agreement on Acts 15 by stating in their note of Acts 15:20 “sn What has been strangled. That is, to refrain from eating animals that had been killed without having the blood drained from them. According to the Mosaic law (**Lev 17:13-14**), Jews were forbidden to eat flesh with the blood still in it (note the following provision in Acts 15:20, and from blood). ““ Any man from the Israelites or from the foreigners who reside in their midst who hunts a wild animal or a bird **that may be eaten** (NET places a note on this verse to clarify what may be eaten means “tn That is, **it must be a clean animal, not an unclean animal** (cf. Lev 11). must pour out its blood and cover it with soil,” Leviticus 17:13 NET

The apostolic decree to abstain from what has been strangled and from blood being a reference to Leviticus 17:13 is also agreed upon by countless nonkosher keeping commentaries: “ πνικτοῦ] as containing the blood, – **see Leviticus 17:13**, Leviticus 17:14. “ - Greek Testament Critical Exegetical Commentary Alford

“ And from things strangled - That is, from animals or birds that were killed without shedding their blood. The reason why these were considered by the Jews unlawful to be eaten was, that thus they would be under a necessity of eating blood, which was positively forbidden by the Law. Hence, it was commanded in the Law that when any beast or fowl was taken in a snare, the blood should be poured out before it was lawful to be eaten, **Leviticus 17:13**. “ - Barnes' Notes

“ This forms the beginning of the Scriptures of the New Testament. — τῶν ἀλιογημάτων — αἵματος, from contaminations — blood) These were things which might have especially offended the partisans of Moses. **Ἀλιόγημα is properly said of unclean meats** (articles of food). ” - Bengel's Gnomon of the New Testament

“The prohibitions imposed by the council upon the Gentiles were chiefly concessions to Jewish prejudice and opinion. Abstinence from meat which had been offered in idols' temples and from things strangled and from blood was forbidden in the Mosaic law (Exodus 34:15; **Leviticus 17:10-14**). ” - Homilies of Chrysostom

“ Because in the blood was the animal's life, and it was the blood that was consecrated to make atonement. See Genesis 9:6; **Leviticus 17:10-14** ” - Vincent's Word Studies

Calvin also viewed these fellowship requirements as avoiding the unclean. But where he was theologically incorrect was believing that these fellowship requirements were only temporal to avoid offense based on misunderstandings of other verses later written by Paul (which I will address later in this book)

“For this necessity reached no farther than there was any danger lest the unity should be cut asunder. So that, to speak properly, this necessity was accidental or external; which was placed not in the thing itself, **but only in avoiding of the offense, which appeareth more plainly by abolishing of the decree. For laws**

made concerning things which are of themselves necessary must be continual. But we know that this law was foredone [150] by Paul so soon as the tumult and contention was once ended, when he teacheth that nothing is unclean, (Romans 14:14;) and when he granteth liberty to eat all manner [of] meats, yea, even such as were sacrificed to idols, (1 Corinthians 10:25). “

“Abstinence is required from the eating of that which is strangled (τοῦ πνικτοῦ), that is, of the flesh of animals killed by strangling [without shedding their blood]. Whenever “a man of the children of Israel, or of the strangers sojourning among them” (הַגֵּר הַגֵּר בְּתוֹכָם), hunted or caught any beast or fowl that might be eaten, the law (Lev. 17:13) commanded him to pour out the blood thereof, before he used it as food.” - Lange
Commentary on the Holy Scriptures

Ellicott's Commentary for English Readers holds to near identical views as Calvin “ Meat so killed, which may be eaten without defilement, is known technically as Kosher. Here the moral element falls entirely into the background, and the prohibition has simply the character of a concordat to avoid offence. St. Paul and St. Peter were alike persuaded that “there is nothing unclean of itself” (Acts 10:15; Romans 14:14). Practically, the effect of the rule would have been to compel Christians to buy their meat, poultry, &c., from a Jewish butcher or a Christian who followed the Jewish mode of killing...”

“ καὶ τοῦ πνικτοῦ] i.e. the flesh of such beasts as are killed by strangling (strangulation by snares, and the like), and from which the blood is not let out.[32] **This is based on Leviticus 17:13-14...**” - Meyer's NT Commentary

“ The decree's prohibitions still come into play today, either universally in the case of sexual practices or particularly in the case of dietary regulations – wherever Gentile Christians encounter Jewish Christians who are keeping a kosher table.

By extension these rules guide all Christians to use their freedom to abstain from practices that would offend the cultural sensitivities of another. What interethnic and intergenerational harmony the church could know if all rushed to give up their "rights" to please the others! “ - IVP NEW TESTAMENT COMMENTARY SERIES – THE COUNCIL'S LETTER (15:22-29)

“But if abstaining from what’s been strangled means eating clean animals drained of blood, why is blood mentioned?”

Because there were and still are those who purposely consume blood for demonic rituals as opposed to accidentally eating blood from meat that wasn’t slaughtered correctly. In conclusion, do not feel overwhelmed to immediately learn everything at once as you’re saved by grace through faith. After you’ve been baptized, begin your newness of life by immediately abstaining from all idolatry, sexual immorality, and eating of nonkosher meat or blood. Find an assembly where Moses is read and if they only read Paul’s letters out of context weekly, find a different one. I will deal in detail with his scriptures later as it is written:

“as he (*Paul*) does in all his letters when he speaks in them of these matters. **There are some things in them that are hard to understand, which the ignorant and unstable twist to their own destruction, as they do the other Scriptures.** You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, **take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability.**” 2 Peter 3:16-17 ESV

For those discipling new repentant believers in Yeshua (Jesus), do not overwhelm them beyond these 3 commands. The churches who refuse to follow the example set by the apostles are negatively affecting their witness to both orthodox Jews & Muslims as they both attempt to observe kosher. Believing “gentiles” are also missing an extremely powerful opportunity to repeatedly remind orthodox Jews of their Messiah and provoke them to jealousy when they routinely go into their stores to buy kosher meat. The kosher method of slaughter is also the most humane towards animals, as it is written “Whoever is righteous has regard for the life of his beast, but the mercy of the wicked is cruel.” Proverbs 12:10 ESV

Therefore repent, and do the works of Yeshua (Jesus) as the apostles did. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the Christians. The one who conquers and who keeps his works until the end, to him he will give authority over the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron, as when earthen pots are broken in pieces, even as he himself has received authority from the Father.

(Story Break - The Temptation)

One day when the servant was alone, the tempter began placing negative thoughts in his mind saying to him, "You and I both know who you really are."

But he answered "I know who I was, but it is written "I was washed, I was sanctified, I was justified in the name of the Lord Yeshua and by the Spirit of our God"

The devil answered "Oh yeah? How many times have you told yourself "this is the last time" only to fall again? We both know you're never going to change. Years and years of the same pattern for it is written "For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God"

The servant said to him "I have repented and therefore no longer practice sexual immorality but even if I were to one day fall into a weak moment, again I have a high priest who atones for me as it is written, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness"

Then the devil said "But why torture yourself like this everyday? Trying so hard to deny who you really are just to eventually stumble and confess. Later falling just to confess again. Imagine how good it would feel to just let go? No more fighting?"

The servant replied “ The desires of my flesh are not my identity. My identity is secure in Christ. The desires of my flesh are only temporary pains until he raises me up in my glorified body on the last day. No matter how many times you try to trick me into thinking it’s my identity, it’s not. You do this same brainwashing to people struggling with homosexual or trans desires but you and I both know that’s not their true identity. When that last trumpet blasts, all of these temporary desires will finally be over and you lose. Even so God knows my heart, as it is written “Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me... There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of Spirit of life has set me free from the law of sin and death... For I did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but have received the spirit of adoption as sons by whom I cry Abba Father!... And if children, then heirs-heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided I suffer with him in order that I may also be glorified with him”

And the devil replied “Well if you’re not afraid and supposedly have no fear, why are you writing this book anonymously? Is it because you know deep down that there are women in your past that would expose you for who you really are? Are you afraid that they would immediately disqualify you? How would your wife and her family feel if I put in front of them every video you’ve ever gotten off to in your lifetime? You and I both know not every one of those videos looked consensual. You’re a sick man. You should stop writing this book. You need to pay.”

The servant replied “Again It is written. “Yeshua Himself nailed all my sins in His body up on the cross... And if a wicked person turns away from all his sins that he has committed... None of the transgressions that he has committed shall be remembered against him... Has הֵןִי any pleasure in the death of the wicked, or rather that they should turn from their way and live?”

And the servant drowned out the accusations by spiritually speaking life over himself, proclaiming הֵןִי's promises out loud, and worshiping until the devil left him even though he subconsciously did not feel like it because of the accusations. The servant proclaimed “I declare that sin has no dominion over me today because I am not under law but under grace”

“I declare that I am a new creation in Christ. The old has passed away and behold the new has come.”

“The devil demanded to have me but Lord I pray that you intercede for me as you did for your apostle Peter that my faith may not fail today. Your word says to resist the devil and he will flee. And that if I draw near to you, you will draw near to me. So please release supernatural protection from heaven over my flesh. Blessed are you Lord my God who equips me for spiritual warfare by providing the belt of truth, the breastplate of righteousness, the readiness of the gospel as shoes, the shield of faith for me to take up, the helmet of salvation for me to put on, and the sword of the Spirit, which is your word”

**CHAPTER 4: EVERY LIFESTYLE
THAT LEADS TO DEATH
(THE DEEDS OF THE FLESH)**

**“For if you live according to the flesh
you will die, but if by the Spirit you
put to death the deeds of the body, you
will live.” Romans 8:13 ESV**

Every Lifestyle That Lead To Death

יהוה your God, understands the difference between someone attempting to follow him but is still learning or struggling with addictions as opposed to someone with an unrepentant heart proudly living these lifestyles without a single care or confession of sin. **“There is sin that leads to death”** 1 John 5:16 ESV

Summary Of All Sins Listed in Scripture That Lead To Death:

Don't publicly deny Yeshua (Jesus) or believe he was just a mere prophet, **forgive everyone (regardless of what they did or you are saying his sacrifice was not sufficient)**, you cannot believe a group of men in New York hold the true interpretation of scripture, you cannot believe an angel came down from heaven to reveal a different gospel on golden plates, you cannot believe in more than 1 God, do not eat anything openly sacrificed to idols in front of you, do not purposely eat/drink blood, {*do not eat anything strangled, do not eat or touch anything outlined as unclean?}, abstain from all sexual sins, do not idolize, don't steal, don't be greedy, **live 100% sober** (you can drink just don't get drunk), don't spread lies, don't verbally abuse, don't scam, no witchcraft/sorcery or inquiring of the dead, no chip on shoulder, don't be envious, do not speak profanities, don't spread lies, do not be a murderer (includes abortion and storing hatred in your heart), do not perform self righteous dead works to be noticed, and **do not deny the deity of Yeshua (Jesus). Do not let anyone deceive you, those who intentionally practice any of these lifestyles will not inherit the kingdom.**

*** I personally do not want or enjoy** dietary laws being a salvation issue. The word of יהיה came to me in a dream that the dietary laws are still commanded in the New Covenant but he has not revealed to me if whether or not they are salvific (defile the flesh) so I will simply cite the scriptures that might suggest so along with the scriptures for every other lifestyle that leads to death because my heart's desire is for everyone to be saved.

"The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son. But as for the cowardly, the faithless, **the detestable**, (ἐβδελυγμένοις ebdelygmenois appears to nearly be the same word used in Leviticus 20:25 Septuagint according to Strong's 948) as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, **their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death.**" Revelation 21:7-8 ESV

"You shall therefore separate the clean beast from the unclean, and the unclean bird from the clean. You shall not make yourselves detestable (βδελύσσω bdelyssō Strong's 948) by beast or by bird or by anything with which the ground crawls, which I have set apart for you to hold unclean. You shall be holy to me, for I the Lord am holy and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be mine." Leviticus 20:25-26 ESV

“just as Sodom and Gomorrah and the cities around them, since they in the same way as these angels indulged in sexual perversion and went after strange flesh, are exhibited as an example in undergoing the punishment of eternal fire. Yet in the same way these people also, dreaming, defile (μιαίνουσιν miainousin Strong’s 3382) the flesh, reject authority, and speak abusively of angelic majesties.” Jude 1:7-8 NASB2020 (*We aren’t told what type of strange flesh they went after. It could have been unclean animals for consumption, it could have been bestiality, it could have been sexual immorality with angels or dead bodies etc but I felt led to include this just in case it was referring to unclean animals since going after strange flesh was listed separately from sexual perversion. But before you accuse me of reaching, nearly the same greek word for defile is used in reference to eating unclean in Ezekiel 4:14).

“And I said, “In no way, O Lord, God of Israel, if my soul has not been defiled (μιαίνω miainō appears to nearly be the same word used in Jude 1:8 according to Strong’s 3382); in uncleanness and from my birth until now I have not eaten a carcass or that which was killed by animals, and no day-old meat has come into my mouth. Ezekiel 4:14 NETS

“Therefore say to them, Thus says the Lord God: You eat flesh with the blood and lift up your eyes to your idols and shed blood; shall you then possess the land?”

Ezekiel 33:25 ESV

(Speaking of the second coming) “**For by fire will the Lord enter into judgment, and by his sword, with all flesh;** and those slain by the Lord shall be many. “Those who sanctify and purify themselves to go into the gardens, following one in the midst, **eating pig's flesh and the abomination and mice, shall come to an end together, declares the Lord.**” Isaiah 66:16-17 ESV

(Speaking of the same Isaiah 66 event) “This is evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be considered worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are also suffering— since indeed God considers it just to repay with affliction those who afflict you, and to grant relief to you who are afflicted as well as to us, **when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.**” 2 Thessalonians 1:5-8 ESV

(Speaking of the same event Isaiah 66 event) “**For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries.** Anyone who has set aside the law of Moses dies without mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses. How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace?” Hebrews 10:26-29 ESV

*(Still speaking of the same event as Isaiah 66) “**From His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may strike down the nations,** and He will rule them with a rod of iron; and He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty. And on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written: “KING OF KINGS, AND Lord OF LORDS.” Revelation 19:15-16 NASB2020*

*(The context of Isaiah 66/why Yeshua is slaying pig eaters) “I spread out my hands all the day to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and making offerings on bricks; who sit in tombs, and spend the night in secret places; **who eat pig's flesh, and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels; who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."** These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all the day.” Isaiah 65:2-5 ESV*

"You shall not eat **any abomination (βδέλυγμα Bdelegma Strong's 946)**,” Deuteronomy 14:3 NETS Greek Septuagint

“and nothing unclean, and no one who practices **abomination (βδέλυγμα Bdelegma Strong's 946)** and lying, shall ever come into it, but **only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.**” Revelation 21:27 NASB2020

“Outside are the dogs, the sorcerers, the sexually immoral persons, the murderers, the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices lying.” Revelation 22:15 NASB2020

(In Greek the word akathartos always means unclean and akatharsia always means uncleanness but many translations mistranslate it as impure or impurity which is why you may not have noticed how often it is mentioned in the New Testament.)

“...”Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great! She has become a dwelling place for demons, a haunt for every unclean (akathartos) spirit, a haunt for every unclean (akathartos) bird, a haunt for every unclean (akathartos) and detestable beast. Then I heard another voice from heaven saying, "Come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins, lest you share in her plagues;” Revelation 18:2, 4 ESV

“Therefore, treat the parts of your earthly body as dead to sexual immorality, uncleanness (akatharsia), passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry. For it is because of these things that the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, and in them you also once walked, when you were living in them. But now you also, rid yourselves of all of them: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene speech from your mouth.” Colossians 3:5-8 NASB2020

“Therefore, come out from their midst and be separate,” says the Lord. “And **do not touch what is unclean (akathartos); And I will welcome you.** And I will be a father to you, And you shall be sons and daughters to Me,” Says the Lord Almighty.”

“Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let’s cleanse ourselves from all defilement of flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.”² Corinthians 6:17-18, 7:1 NASB2020

As much as I want to say it’s only spiritual defilement that matters the apostle Paul is clearly stating here to cleanse ourselves from **all defilement of flesh and spirit.** And for those that want to jump to Mark 7 or Matthew 15 to say “there is absolutely nothing that outside a person that by going into him can defile him”, Jesus uses a completely different Greek word for defile that actually means common. Don’t worry we will address it in full detail next chapter as יהיה has revealed to me through the Holy Spirit the proper interpretation of those verses frequently used to refute the dietary laws for you. Moreover, the context of Paul quoting Isaiah 52:11 is teaching against idolatry but must be noted because if Daniel, Isaiah, Paul, & John are all teaching to come out of Babylon and to abstain from touching unclean things it cannot be ignored.)

“I fear that when I come again my God may humble me before you, and I may have to mourn over many of those who sinned earlier and have not repented of the **uncleaness (akatharsia)** sexual immorality, and sensuality that they have practiced.”² Corinthians 12:21 ESV

“I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to uncleaness (akatharsia) and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.” Romans 6:19 ESV

“But sexual immorality or any uncleanness (akatharsia) or greed must not even be mentioned among you, as is proper among saints; and there must be no filthiness or foolish talk, or vulgar joking, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks. For this you know with certainty, that no sexually immoral or unclean (akathartos) or greedy person, which amounts to an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. See that no one deceives you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.” Ephesians 5:3-6 NASB2020

“Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: sexual immorality, uncleaness (akatharsia), indecent behavior, idolatry, witchcraft, hostilities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.” Galatians 5:19-21 NASB2020

“For God has not called us for uncleaness (akatharsia), but in sanctification. Therefore, the one who rejects this is not rejecting man, but the God who gives His Holy Spirit to you.” 1

Thessalonians 4:7-8 NASB2020 (*The direct context of this passage is about sexual immorality not unclean animals)

“Do not be deceived; neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor those habitually drunk, nor verbal abusers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God.” 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 NASB2020

(Regarding Abortion) ““When men strive together and hit a pregnant woman, so that her children come out, but there is no harm, the one who hit her shall surely be fined, as the woman's husband shall impose on him, and he shall pay as the judges determine. But if there is harm (*to the baby*), then you shall pay life for life,” Exodus 21:22-23 ESV

“But even if we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you a gospel contrary to what we have preached to you, he is to be accursed!” Galatians 1:8 NASB2020

“... Before Me there was no God formed, And there will be none after Me. “I, only I, am the Lord, And there is no savior besides Me.” Isaiah 43:10-11 NASB2020

“And He was saying to them, “*You are from below, I am from above; you are of this world, I am not of this world. Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for unless you believe that I am, you will die in your sins.”*” John 8:23-24 NASB2020

No matter how hard you try to blatantly mistranslate the scriptures you cannot get away from the deity of Yeshua (Jesus). Believe Yeshua is I AM or you will die in your sins.

“Next he said to Thomas: “Put your finger here, and see my hands, and take your hand and stick it into my side, and stop doubting* but believe.” **In answer Thomas said to him: “My Lord and my God!”** John 20:27-28 New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures (Study Edition)

“In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Ju de’a, saying: “Repent, for the Kingdom of the heavens has drawn near.” This, in fact, is the one spoken of through Isaiah the prophet in these words: “A voice of one calling out in the wilderness: ‘**Prepare the way of Jehovah! Make his roads straight.**’” **L for my part, baptize you with water because of your repentance, but the one coming after me is stronger than I am, whose sandals I am not worthy to take off. Then Jesus came from Gal’i lee to the Jordan to John, in order to be baptized by him.**” Matthew 3:1-3, 11,13 New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures (Study Edition)

“When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic: “**Child, your sins are forgiven.**” Now some of the scribes were there, sitting and reasoning in their hearts:“**Why is this man talking this way? He is blaspheming. Who can forgive sins except one, God?**” Mark 2:5-7 New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures (Study Edition)

“ This is what Jehovah says, The King of Israel and his Repurchaser, Jehovah of armies: ‘**I am the first and I am the last. There is no God but me.**” Isaiah 44:6 New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures (Study Edition)

When I saw him, I fell as dead at his feet. And he (*Yeshua/Jesus*) laid his right hand on me and said: “Do not be afraid. **I am the First and the Last,** and the living one, and I became dead, but look! I am living forever and ever, and I have the keys of death and of the Grave. Revelation 1:17-18 New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures (Study Edition)

Then Jesus said to him: “Go away, Satan! For it is written: ‘**It is Jehovah your God you must worship, and it is to him alone you must render sacred service.**’” Matthew 4:10

“And there will no longer be any curse. **But the throne of God and of the Lamb** will be in the city, and his slaves **will offer him(*) sacred service:**” Revelation 22:3 (*) “**I and the Father are one.**” John 10:30 New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures (Study Edition)

“ ... **Is it not I, Jehovah? There is no other God but me;** A righteous God and a Savior, there is none besides me. Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth, For I am God, and there is no one else. By myself I have sworn; The word has gone out of my mouth in righteousness, And it will not return: **To me every knee will bend. Every tongue will swear loyalty**” Isaiah 45:21-23 New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures (Study Edition)

“so that in **the name of Jesus every knee should bend**—of those in heaven and those on earth and those under the ground— and **every tongue should openly acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.**” Philippians 2:10-11 New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures (Study Edition)

(“And He was saying to them, “*You are from below, I am from above; you are of this world, I am not of this world. Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; **for unless you believe that I am, you will die in your sins.**”*” John 8:23-24 NASB2020)

“When they say to you, “Consult the mediums and the spiritists who whisper and mutter,” should a people not consult their God? Should they consult the dead in behalf of the living? **To the Law and to the testimony! If they do not speak in accordance with this word, it is because they have no dawn.**” Isaiah 8:19-20 NASB2020

“There are six things that the Lord hates, Seven that are an abomination to Him: Haughty eyes, a lying tongue, And hands that shed innocent blood, A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that run rapidly to evil, A false witness who declares lies, And one who spreads strife among brothers.” Proverbs 6:16-19
NASB2020

“whoever denies Me before people, I will also deny him before My Father.” Matthew 10:33 NASB2020

*“The master of that slave felt compassion, and he released him and forgave him the debt. But that slave went out and found one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and he seized him and began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay back what you owe!’ So his fellow slave fell to the ground and began to plead with him, saying, ‘Have patience with me and I will repay you.’ But he was unwilling, and went and threw him in prison until he would pay back what was owed. So when his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were deeply grieved and came and reported to their master all that had happened. Then summoning him, his master *said to him, ‘You wicked slave, I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not also have had mercy on your fellow slave, in the same way that I had mercy on you?’* And his master, moved with anger, handed him over to the torturers until he would repay all that was owed him. *My heavenly Father will also do the same to you, if each of you does not forgive his brother from your heart.*””*
Matthew 18:23-35 NASB2020

“Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two will become one flesh." But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.” 1 Corinthians 6:15-20
ESV

“But because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself on the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, who will repay each person according to his deeds: to those who by perseverance in doing good seek glory, honor, and immortality, He will give eternal life; but to those who are self-serving and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, He will give wrath and indignation.” Romans 2:5-8 NASB2020

“A highway will be there, a roadway, And it will be called the Highway of Holiness. The unclean (akathartos in the Greek Septuagint) will not travel on it, But it will be for the one who walks that way, And fools will not wander on it... But the redeemed will walk there.” Isaiah 35:8-9 NASB2020

““And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. "And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. "And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.” Matthew 6:5-7,

16-18 ESV

““Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.””

Luke 18:10-14 ESV

***I once again want to make it 100% clear that I personally do not want or enjoy dietary laws potentially being a salvation issue.**

If it were up to me (i'm not saying this is how it is. Please don't quote me as definitively saying it's not salvific as once again יהוה has not revealed this to me so I really don't know), **it would not be salvific.** Here are some scriptures that might suggest this:

"Now food will not bring us close to God; we are neither the worse if we do not eat, nor the better if we do eat."1 Corinthians 8:8 NASB2020 (Tough to use this though because this whole chapter is about **food** sacrificed to idols not unclean animals.)

"for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit."Romans 14:17 NASB2020 (Once again tough to use this because this whole chapter is about **food** sacrificed to idols not unclean animals.)

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, and forever. Do not be misled by varied and strange teachings; **for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods,** through which those who were so occupied were not benefited." Hebrews 13:8-9 NASB2020 (Once again it's tough to use this because it's in reference to **food** ceremonially sacrificed to God on the altar and not even remotely speaking of unclean animals.)

I have so many friends and family members that I intercede for הֵיטֵב to have mercy on everyday. They refuse to give up their unclean diet despite it still being deemed as an essential New Covenant fellowship requirement according to the apostles “For it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to lay on you no greater burden than these requirements,” Acts 15:28 ESV

Heaven forbid I would be calling הֵיטֵב a liar by believing no one eating pigs flesh will be slayed by his sword when Yeshua (Jesus) returns. I personally would like to believe Isaiah 66:15-17 is only about unbelievers that completely reject Yeshua but 2 Thessalonians 1:5-8 & Hebrews 10:26 definitely imply there will be punishment for openly disobedient believers as well.

What makes this topic so difficult for me to have a definite stance on is that even if I wanted to hold the view that end time punishments don’t necessarily equate to eternal punishment, Revelation 21:7-8 clearly states that as for the detestable, their portion will be in the lake of fire. Revelation 21:27 clearly states that those who practice abominations (same greek word used as Deuteronomy 14:3 about eating unclean animals) will not be written in the lamb’s book of life. Ephesians 5:3 also states with certainty that any uncleanness even separate from sexual immorality has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ & God.

“Well if any uncleanness means you’re not saved, what about those who are made unclean from anything touched by a woman while she’s on her period according to Leviticus 15?”

The context of Leviticus 15 is summed up in verse 31 which reads "'Thus you shall keep the people of Israel separate from their uncleanness, **lest they die in their uncleanness by defiling my tabernacle that is in their midst.**"' Leviticus 15:31 ESV

These commands are not abolished but temporarily paused until the temple returns in the Millennial Kingdom. There is a much higher standard of purity and carefulness required when attempting to enter the Holy tabernacle or temple of הֵיכָל compared to day-to-day living. But there is no indication in scripture that the dietary commands were given for this reason.

For example: "And you are not to eat any blood, either of bird or animal, **in any of your dwellings.** Any person who eats any blood, that person shall also be cut off from his people."
"Leviticus 7:26-27 NASB2020

Revelation 18 also says to come out of her "my people!" This cannot be a reference to unbelievers. My brothers and sisters in Messiah I don't say any of this to scare you. I only tell you these things because my heart's desire is for everyone to be saved. You deserve to at least know what the scriptures say because Babylon is hiding it. I had 2 brothers pass away from cancer in their 20's as unbelievers with an unclean diet. As a young husband and father I am personally not going to take any chances. By the grace of הֵיכָל I have faith that it's just far better to simply obey then try to force a bad theology to avoid it when the scriptures are so clear as it's at least still commanded in the New Covenant.

“I’m not going to lie, this seems like a very big and intimidating list. I don’t know where to start”

I completely understand. Do not be intimidated or overwhelmed by this list. Once again, after being baptized simply focus on these 3 essentials. Begin with cutting off:

1. All Idolatry
2. All Sexual immorality
3. All Eating of Non Kosher Meat & Blood

Your body is a temple for the Holy Spirit and these are all areas of life that will spiritually hinder the Holy Spirit from correctly operating within you. There is a spiritual element to what you eat which is why Yeshua (Jesus) was specifically asked by unclean spirits if they could enter unclean animals because they do not have spiritual jurisdiction to freely enter what they please. Unclean spirits are only allowed in you by permission.

“And Jesus asked him, *“What is your name?”* And he said, “Legion”; because many demons had entered him. And they were begging Him not to command them to go away into the abyss. Now there was a herd of many pigs feeding there on the mountain; and the demons begged Him to permit them to enter the pigs. And He gave them permission. And the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs; and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.” Luke 8:30-33

NASB2020

“Well that was before the resurrection! Jesus being under the law probably took away the farmer’s pigs because he was currently breaking the law of Moses before the resurrection! “

Not according to our Messiah. *“**The Law and the Prophets were until John; since then the good news of the kingdom of God is preached, and everyone forces his way into it. But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for one dot of the Law to become void.**”* Luke 16:16-17 ESV

So do not hinder the work of the Spirit as it is written: “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. **Do not quench the Spirit. but test everything; hold fast what is good. Abstain from every form of evil.**” 1 Thessalonians 5:16-19, 21-22 ESV

If you follow the 3 fellowship requirements from Acts 15 you will do well, have more opportunities to evangelize, and you will be allowing the Spirit to lead you to naturally follow the rest of the commandments. As the apostles instructed:

“For it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to lay on you no greater burden than these requirements: that you abstain from what has been sacrificed to idols, and from blood, and from what has been strangled, and from sexual immorality. **If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well. Farewell.**” Acts 15:28-29 ESV

“But What Do I Do When I Mess Up?”

When you mess up, (because you will, you are imperfect) repent by confessing your sin, give thanks for the sacrifice that granted you eternal redemption, and then **turn away from the sin**. As it is written “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous, so that He will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”¹ John 1:9 NASB2020

Depending on the type of sin, make sure you apologize and make amends by financially paying back anyone you’ve wronged (if applicable). Just because you have been redeemed from eternal punishment doesn’t mean יהוה can’t temporarily punish you in loving discipline if you refuse to restore who you’ve wronged. “My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, Nor faint when you are punished by Him; For whom the Lord loves He disciplines, And He punishes every son whom He accepts.”” Hebrews 12:5-6 NASB2020

When the Holy Spirit is dwelling inside of you, and you abstain from the works of the flesh, sin will over time become less and less appealing which is why you need to lean on the spirit and cannot feed your flesh. “But I say, **walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh**. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do.”Galatians 5:16-17 ESV

“For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. **For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.**”

Romans 8:6-8 ESV

“Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to **abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul.**”

1 Peter 2:11 ESV

*“**Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.**”* Matthew 26:41

ESV

“This is all new to me. How can I tell when an inclination is from the Holy Spirit?”

The #1 way you can immediately know that something is not from the Holy Spirit is if it's leading you to sin. Sin is the breaking of the commandments of God's law (especially any sin that defiles the flesh). As it is written: “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. **And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.**” Galatians 5:22-24 ESV

**CHAPTER 5: THE DREAM THAT
TURNED EVERYONE INCLUDING
MY OWN WIFE AGAINST ME**

The Dream That Turned Everyone Including My Own Wife Against Me

The dream of this bond-servant, which he saw concerning what was good for food in the eyes of יהוה in the days before the holiday season that is celebrated around the world 2021.

Late one night, the word of יהוה came to this bond-servant in a dream. יהוה had placed scriptures from Genesis with chapter & verse numbers regarding what was “good for food” in a dream:

“The Lord God planted a garden toward the east, in Eden; and there He placed the man whom He had formed. Out of the ground the Lord God caused every tree to grow that is pleasing to the sight and good for food; the tree of life was also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.” Genesis 2:8-9 NASB2020

Immediately after waking up, the servant went to the scriptures and as his wife looked over to him to see what was happening, he told her that he needed to see if the scriptures in his dream matched what was in the word and they did perfectly (verse and chapter number included). After seeing this, the servant was very inwardly perplexed by the dream and what it could mean as he knew there was no chance he had these random verses from Genesis memorized nor was he doing any recent study on the book of Genesis.

But the servant thought to himself “Jesus clearly said there’s nothing that can enter a person that can defile him so what am I missing? Why did יהוה show me this?” So he sought יהוה in prayer, fasting, and intense study of every bible verse that dealt with food for the next 2 weeks to see if there was something יהוה was trying to reveal to him. And sure enough יהוה began to open the eyes of the servant of the proper interpretation.

“Now when the Pharisees gathered to him, with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem, they saw that some of his disciples ate with hands that were defiled (common, κοινὰς koinais), that is, unwashed.” Mark 7:1-2 ESV (Common/koinos was a term used in a man made rabbinic way that meant something originally clean like bread turning common because it may have been defiled by a gentile. They created hand washing rituals to prevent this but nowhere does the Torah command this. Therefore, koinos can never refer to something unclean otherwise the Greek word used would instead be akathartos).

This is proper context to understanding why Yeshua (Jesus) reacted the way he did “And he said to them, “*Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, "This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men."* *You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men."* And he said to them, “*You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition!"*

Mark 7:6-9 ESV

So the proper thought for thought (not word for word) translation would be “And he called the people to him again and said to them, ***Hear me, all of you, and understand: There is nothing clean outside a person that by going into him can make him common(koinōsai), but the things that come out of a person are what can make him common (koinounta).***” Mark 7:14-15

This is also fully explained in Matthew’s version of the same event. ***“These are what defile a person. But to eat with unwashed hands does not defile anyone.”***”Matthew 15:20 ESV

And the servant marveled at Yeshua’s (Jesus’) teaching as the true meaning of what was said was revealed to him. There is nothing clean that can defile you but the very evil in your heart can defile you back into an everyday/common unsaved person. If Yeshua (Jesus) would have said “there is nothing outside a person that by going into him can make him akathartos” then that would have meant there is nothing that can enter you that can make you unclean and the dietary laws would have officially ended. But that’s not what he said nor would that have made any sense as **he was eating bread while being accused of common (koinais) hands not unclean (akathartos) hands.**

When the servant went through every other verse related to food one by one in their original language he was beyond stunned by what he found. He realized that from Genesis to Revelation יהיה had actually been consistent. Everything Christians believed about dietary laws not being in the New Covenant was wrong.

The servant first noticed that when יהוה told Noah to separate the clean from the unclean animals in Genesis 7:2 he didn't teach him at that moment which animals were clean/unclean, Noah already knew but how? This is hundreds of years before Moses was even born or the law was given. Where did this distinction come from? The servant also noticed how the clean animal burnt offerings in Genesis 8:20 made a pleasing aroma to יהוה. And יהוה began to open the eyes of the servant to better understand the Melchizedek priesthood which came before the law.

But Genesis 9:3 states "Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. And as I gave you the green plants, I give you everything." But how does it read in Hebrew?

Every

כָּל (kāl-)

Noun - masculine singular construct

Strong's 3605: The whole, all, any, every

living

חַי (hay)

Noun - masculine singular

Strong's 2416: Alive, raw, fresh, strong, life

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רֶמֶשׂ (re meś)

Noun - masculine singular

Strong's 7431: A reptile, any other rapidly moving animal

will be

יִהְיֶה (yih yeh)

Verb - Qal - Imperfect - third person masculine singular

Strong's 1961: To fall out, come to pass, become, be

food for you;

לֶאֱכֹלָהּ (lə 'āk lāh)

Preposition-l | Noun - feminine singular

Strong's 402: Food, eating

And the servant was beyond stumped trying to understand this verse. He prayed and prayed for many months that יהוה reveal the meaning to him but never received a response.

רֶמֶשׂ (re meś) is nowhere to be found in Leviticus 11 so the servant knew that יהוה was not contradicting himself. The Greek Septuagint translates it as reptile but the servant knew blanketing it as all reptiles was problematic because Leviticus 11:30 clearly states certain lizards are unclean. So what is רֶמֶשׂ (re meś)?

Many translations including the Judaica Press Tanach translate the verse as "Every moving thing that lives shall be yours to eat" but the servant knew יהוה couldn't have possibly meant literally every moving thing because 1. that would make יהוה contradict himself and 2. there's a clear distinction between רֶמֶשׂ (re meś) and other kinds. Some example verses that illustrate this:

“God made the animals of the earth according to their kind, and the livestock according to their kind, and everything that crawls on the ground רֶמֶשׂ (re meś) according to its kind; and God saw that it was good.” Genesis 1:25 NASB2020

“Then the Lord said, “I will wipe out mankind whom I have created from the face of the land; mankind, and animals as well, and crawling things רֶמֶשׂ (re meś), and the birds of the sky. For I am sorry that I have made them.”” Genesis 6:7 NASB2020

“So He wiped out every living thing that was upon the face of the land, from mankind to animals, to crawling things רֶמֶשׂ (re meś), and the birds of the sky, and they were wiped out from the earth; and only Noah was left, together with those that were with him in the ark.” Genesis 7:23 NASB2020

So if רֶמֶשׂ (re meś) cannot be in the same category as livestock or wild animals or birds; what is רֶמֶשׂ (re meś)? Is it aquatic reptiles?

“There is the sea, great and broad, In which are swarms רֶמֶשׂ (re meś) without number, Animals both small and great.” Psalms 104:25 NASB2020

Is it the eggs of reptiles? Is that why הָיָה mentions it with green plants? “Every moving רֶמֶשׂ (re meś) thing that is alive shall be food for you; I have given everything to you, as I gave the green plant.” Genesis 9:3 NASB2020

Are these dinosaurs that have died out due to natural selection? This is a mystery that יהוה has not revealed to the servant. The only thing that has been revealed is the permission to eat רֶמֶס (re meś) did not include the animals of the earth, livestock, or birds therefore does not negate the commands found in Leviticus 11 to abstain from the animals and birds listed as unclean. At most you could **potentially** make the argument for all reptiles. Moving forward in יהוה's timeline the servant also noticed that eating unclean animals was later officially considered an abomination in Deuteronomy 14:3. And then he wondered, "could יהוה change his mind about something he deemed as an abomination"? Especially considering that יהוה still took the clean vs unclean distinction very seriously through his prophets.

"Her priests have done violence to my law and have profaned my holy things. They have made no distinction between the holy and the common, **neither have they taught the difference between the unclean and the clean, and they have disregarded my Sabbaths, so that I am profaned among them.**" Ezekiel 22:26
ESV

The servant was beyond confused how something mentioned so many times could suddenly not matter anymore in the New Covenant? Especially when Ezekiel 44:23 (ESV) states the distinction will still be taught in the Millennial kingdom "They shall teach my people the difference between the holy and the common, and show them how to **distinguish between the unclean and the clean.**"

So the servant went to the New Testament to see what Yeshua (Jesus) and the apostles had to say about this subject, and after careful reexamination of the New Testament scriptures the servant only found 3 instances when unclean (akathartos) animals (not hand washing rituals or food sacrificed to idols etc) were being explicitly dealt with in the New Testament.

1. When Jesus cast demons into a herd of 2000 pigs and as a result were rushed down a steep bank and drowned in the sea (Mark 5:13, Luke 8:33, Matthew 8:32)
2. When Jesus tells the apostle Peter to “*Rise, Peter; kill and eat*” in Acts 10:11-13
3. The apostle John writes in Revelation 18:2 that Babylon has become “a haunt for every unclean (akathartos) spirit, a haunt for every unclean (akathartos) bird, a haunt for every unclean (akathartos) and detestable beast.” And a voice from heaven says “come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins, lest you share in her plagues;”

In conclusion, #2 is the only New Testament scripture that could have possibly ended the dietary laws but the servant knew there were so many problems with building an entire theological view on this one text. For example:

One of the biggest problems almost everyone forgets is **this was a mixed sheet, not just unclean animals. Peter was not commanded to “rise kill and eat” an unclean animal.**

Peter could have just rose to kill and eat a clean animal but if he eats a clean animal (in his mind) it was now common/ defiled (koinos) because it had been mixed with the unclean animals and if he eats an unclean animal he's in sin, so he didn't know what to do. "and saw the heavens opened and something like a great sheet descending, being let down by its four corners upon the earth. **In it were all kinds of animals** and reptiles and birds of the air. And there came a voice to him: "***Rise, Peter; kill and eat.***" But Peter said, "By no means, Lord; **for I have never eaten anything that is common or unclean.**" Acts 10:11-14 ESV

Moreover, the apostle Peter himself doesn't even take his vision to be about dietary laws. "And he said to them, "You yourselves know how unlawful it is for a Jew to associate with or to visit anyone of another nation (and יהודה revealed to the servant that this was the same man made rabbinic oral law that Paul rebuked Peter for in Galatians 2) , but **God has shown me that I should not call any person common or unclean.**" Acts 10:28 ESV

Peter claimed that this vision was about people not food. Common (koinos) and unclean (akathartos) once again are 2 very different things. Common is something that was originally clean becoming defiled from gentile contamination. And unclean is something that is unclean from the start. For example Acts 21:28 NASB2020 reads "...he has even brought Greeks into the temple and has defiled (kekoinōken Strong's 2840 from koinos) this holy place!" The temple was a clean place being "defiled or treated as common" according to the Jews angry at Paul.

Another example of this is Hebrews 10:29 "How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned (koinon κοινόν) the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace?" Hebrews 10:29 ESV

And the servant knew the blood of the covenant was as clean as you can get it. There is not a single verse where koinos or common is ever used to describe something unclean or an unclean animal. Only something clean being treated as common or being contaminated from a gentile.

The servant first noticed that up until this point Peter had still "never" eaten anything unclean. Also if Yeshua (Jesus) would have told Peter to stop calling unclean (akathartos) what he has cleansed that would have been a completely different story but that's not what Yeshua (Jesus) said.

He told Peter "***What God has made clean, do not call common (koinou).***" Acts 10:15 ESV And the Holy Spirit led the servant to realize this is where everything connects! This was completely consistent with what Yeshua (Jesus) and the apostles taught!

Yeshua was teaching against the man made rabbinic traditions of the Pharisees, not against God's commandments or dietary laws! God the Son would never contradict God the Father! In order to understand the New Testament it is crucial for you to understand the distinction between biblical vs rabbinical law.

"I know and am persuaded in the Lord Jesus that nothing is (common, koinon) in itself, but it is (common, koinon) for anyone who thinks it (common, koinon)." Romans 14:14 ESV
(Now knowing the context has to be about the weak in the faith avoiding clean meat because they are afraid it may have been sacrificed to idols by gentiles since koinon is used instead of akathartos) "Do not, for the sake of food, destroy the work of God. Everything is indeed clean, but it is wrong for anyone to make another stumble by what he eats." Romans 14:20 ESV

"No! Romans 14 is clearly about the weak in faith only eating vegetables to avoid eating unclean meat! Only the weak in faith keep Kosher!"

It can't be because common/koinon is being used. Therefore we know it's about clean food potentially being sacrificed to idols by gentiles. If you put Romans 14 next to 1st Corinthians 8 the context becomes undeniable:

"However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died." 1 Corinthians 8:7, 10-11 ESV

You must also remember that there were no chapter and verse numbers originally when these letters were written. So Paul is continuing on this same theme of idols in chapter 10 when he says to “eat whatever is served in the meat market” or “eat whatever is set before you”. Even the non kosher keeping AMP bible translators elaborate on this point:

“On the contrary, the things which the Gentiles (pagans) sacrifice, they sacrifice to demons [in effect], and not to God; and I do not want you to become partners with demons [by eating at feasts in pagan temples]. You cannot drink [both] the Lord’s cup and the cup of demons. You cannot share in both the Lord’s table and the table of demons [thereby becoming partners with them].”1 Corinthians 10:20-21 AMP ...

“**Regarding meat offered to idols:** Eat anything that is sold in the meat market without asking any questions for the sake of your conscience, For the [whole] earth is the Lord’s, and everything that is in it. If one of the unbelievers invites you [to a meal at his home] and you want to go, eat whatever is served to you without asking questions [about its source] for the sake of your conscience. But if anyone says to you, “This meat has been offered in sacrifice to an idol,” do not eat it, out of consideration for the one who told you, and for conscience’s sake – and by conscience I mean for the sake of the other man’s, not yours. For why is my freedom [of choice] judged by another’s conscience [another’s ethics – another’s sense of right and wrong]?”1 Corinthians 10:25-29 AMP

The Alternative

Really think of the implications if what the Holy Spirit has revealed to me isn't true. Not only would there be disharmony between Yeshua (Jesus) and God the Father. But Orthodox Jews would be correct in saying both Yeshua (Jesus) and Paul are false prophets according to Deuteronomy 13 for leading God's people away from the commandment and teaching people to commit abominations: "You shall follow the Lord your God and fear Him; and you shall keep His commandments, listen to His voice, serve Him, and cling to Him. But that prophet or that dreamer of dreams shall be put to death, because he has spoken falsely against the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, to drive you from the way in which the Lord your God commanded you to walk. So you shall eliminate the evil from among you." Deuteronomy 13:4-5 NASB2020

Yeshua (Jesus) would also be rebuking others for forsaking the commandment of God while at the same teaching to forsake the dietary commandment of God. What? Are atheists correct when saying our scriptures completely contradict themselves and our entire faith is a joke? If I was a gentile could I have responded in Acts 15 "well there's absolutely nothing outside of me that can defile me so I'll continue drinking all the blood I want!" What about when Yeshua(Jesus) rebukes Pergamum for eating food sacrificed to idols? Could they respond the same? We need to stop. This really hurts our witness to orthodox Jews and atheists.

When Yeshua (Jesus) declared all foods clean (even though that particular wording is not in the original Greek) that meant you didn't have to worry about clean food somehow becoming defiled/common like the Pharisees did because you didn't do their man made hand washing ritual. Paul was also teaching the same. Don't worry about clean food becoming common because it may have been sacrificed to an idol without you knowing. **All foods clean is not the same as all things food!** And then the servant realized the meaning of his dream! **Let יהוה define what's "good for food", not society or any man-made tradition!**

"The Lord God planted a garden toward the east, in Eden; and there He placed the man whom He had formed. Out of the ground the **Lord God caused every tree to grow that is pleasing to the sight and good for food**" Genesis 2:8-9 NASB2020 (In like manner) "This is the law regarding the animal and the bird, and every living thing that moves in the waters and everything that swarms on the earth, to make a distinction between the unclean and the clean, and **between the edible creature and the creature which is not to be eaten.**" Leviticus 11:46-47 NASB2020

And the servant praised יהוה for the revelation and he repented of his unclean diet and was excited to better serve him because he trusted that יהוה would bless him for doing so. But the servant's wife did not agree with him as she was very afraid because she did not feel this dream was from יהוה. So she contacted the leaders of their church with much fear and the leaders invited the servant out to speak privately about this.

**CHAPTER 6: THE SERVANT VS THE
CHURCH- THE DIETARY LAWS
DEBATE**

The Servant vs The Church

The Dietary Laws Debate

As the meeting began the Pastors took the servant through New Testament passages in an attempt to debunk this revelation from יהוה. One by one they went through scriptural passages such as Acts 10 and Collosians 2 but they were unable to cope with the wisdom and spirit by which the servant was responding to them so they only grew in anger towards him.

Every scripture brought to the servant was respectfully dealt with in proper context and the word like a sharp sword began to cut through the man-made traditions the Pastor's had been following and this only made them even more angry with the servant. Then the head Pastor asked "All these great men and women of God have served the faith, why would God choose to give this revelation to you?" (For this servant was a young man with no seminary education or ministry experience who came to faith as an adult from a family full of nonbelievers while this Pastor came from a family of ministry.)

Then the servant full of the Holy Spirit responded "I'm sure they thought the same thing about Martin Luther but if it wasn't for him, this conversation would have taken place in a Catholic Church."

Another Pastor challenged the servant “Do you really believe we are not saved because we refuse to follow the dietary laws?”

And the servant responded “I do not have nor have ever claimed to have the authority to judge who is part of the elect and who is not. I don’t believe God punishes people for ignorance (John 15:22) but it’s entirely possible that the reason Isaiah 66:15-17 and Revelation 18:2 are end time judgements is because God would have revealed it by then that the dietary laws are still commanded. (Amos 3:7, Malachi 4:5-6)

But the Pastors wanted to trap the servant by attempting to make him clearly state salvation is not possible without the dietary laws “But do you believe that we along with your wife are not saved because we refuse to follow the dietary laws?”

But the servant full of the Holy Spirit replied “we have the story of the rich young ruler given to us for a reason. You can repent 99.9% but still lack that one thing you refuse to give up.”

And one of the pastors continued to press the question “And how did he end up?”

The servant replied “the scripture doesn’t tell us his ultimate fate but we do know that he immediately walked away sad” and when the Pastors heard this, they looked at each other unsure if they should be perceiving the servant was speaking about how they were going to leave this conversation.

One pastor responded “But in Romans Chapter 14 the apostle Paul clearly states everything is indeed clean!” The servant responded “I agree with the New Testament that all **food** is clean. But nowhere in scripture does it state that everything is food. I can go outside and take a rock, chew it up, and swallow it but that doesn’t make it food.

The pastor replied “if you consider that food then it’s food. There are people in Africa who eat clay and to them that’s food”

The servant responded “ And people in China can consider bats food, but ultimately what does the scriptures say? Can any of you show me anywhere before or after the law of Moses where a pig or any other unclean animal was ever called food?

And the Pastors took a pause as they realized this was not something they could provide.

The head Pastor replied “The gentiles ate all kinds of things and Paul rebuked Peter for not eating with them when the Jews showed up!”

The servant responded “Paul was rebuking Peter for not eating with them (*because of the man made common/koinos rule*), not for refusing to eat unclean animals. Nowhere in the scripture does it say it was about their choice of animals. “ The head Pastor replied “but it’s implied! It’s clear that’s also what Paul was rebuking Peter for”

Then the servant full of the Holy Spirit replied “It doesn’t say that, whereas we know the Pharisees held man-made rules not to associate with gentiles because it would “defile” them. This is why they refused to enter Pilate’s headquarters (John 18:28). This is the same man-made rule Jesus rebuked Peter for in Acts 10. Peter himself admits to this man made rule when he said “**you know it’s forbidden for a Jew to associate with or visit a foreigner**” but nowhere in the law of Moses is that forbidden. This is how we know it was a man-made rabbinic oral law. Over and over Israel was commanded to accept the stranger and love the stranger for they were once strangers in the land of Egypt.

Then the servant began to prophesy “Every first coming prophecy about Jesus was literal. Jesus was literally born of a virgin, literally rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, literally pierced for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities, and by his wounds we received healing. Why should I take the second coming prophecies like Isaiah 66 any differently or nonliteral when it clearly states that eating pig’s flesh and the abomination and mice, shall come to an end together declares the Lord?”

The pastors responded “we simply disagree with your interpretation”

The servant asked “Ok but are you willing to at least acknowledge that every first coming prophecy was literal?”

The head pastor responded “no we cannot”

The servant asked “Then is there any example you can give me in scripture where a first coming prophecy was not literal?”

One of the other pastor’s responded “somewhere in the Psalms.”

Then the servant replied “Psalm 22 is as literal as it gets”.

And the Pastor’s quickly changed the subject.

The head Pastor said “you clearly do not understand basic hermeneutical principles about key fundamental New Testament texts so we feel it’s best to end the conversation here. Our counsel is that you listen to your wife and you let her know that we simply disagree with your interpretation of scripture. I’m honestly afraid of your view. I’m very afraid you might say something or post something on social media that would influence the younger people like Kendra for example.

(For this was a charismatic church and this head pastor ironically was one the people who laid hands on the servant a few months earlier so that he may be baptized in the spirit. This Pastor also had ironically been preaching a long series on the Holy Spirit all year on how God still speaks in dreams/visions and prophecy is for today. He did not say this on his own accord, but being head pastor that year he unknowingly prophesied about the servant. So the head Pastor was afraid that if the servant began boldly proclaiming this dream to others in the church that they would ask the Pastors if this dream was from heaven or from man?

Because if the Pastors were to say “from heaven”, the congregation would have said “Why then did you not believe him?” but if they said “from man” they were afraid of the people for they would have held the sudden wisdom to be prophetic).

The servant replied “I have no problem with your disagreement. But if you are going to continue to feed the idea to my wife that I'm an error or that I have the incorrect interpretation of scripture then you must provide the “correct interpretation” of key verses I wanted to discuss as well.

But the Pastors were unwilling to look at any more scriptures and decided this was where the conversation was going to end.

Then יהוה provoked the servant to say “I have spread out My hands all day long to a rebellious people, Who walk in the way which is not good, following their own thoughts, A people who continually provoke Me to My face, Who eat pig's flesh, And the broth of unclean meat is in their pots. These are smoke in My nostrils, A fire that burns all the day.”

But the head Pastor and the other Pastors rejected יהוה's purpose for themselves not having been taught the revelation by the servant sent to them. When the servant relayed what had happened in the meeting at the church to his wife, his wife still took the side of the church and it broke his heart because he knew there was no chance this dream wasn't from יהוה.

Most dreams take place in a physical setting but this dream had no location or people. No colors or sound. The only thing present were the verses from Genesis 2:8-9 with exact chapter and verse numbers included. His wife told him “ever since your dream, it has caused nothing but strife and division in our marriage! It is not from God! You are ruining the gospel!” The servant responded “I’m ruining that Christ died for our sins, was buried, and rose again on the third day?”

His wife replied “I know so many great people of God, why would he choose to give this revelation to you? I have the Holy Spirit too! How come none of these other faithful people came to your view?” Then the servant remembered how the house of God treated Joseph for his dream (Genesis 37:19-20), how they shut down John the Baptist (Matthew 14:10), and Stephen (Acts 7:54-60) so he decided to just respectfully agree-to- disagree as it is written in Ecclesiastes 1:9 (Judaica Press Tanach) “What has been is what will be, and what has been done is what will be done, and there is nothing new under the sun.”

The servant then told his wife, “it was necessary that the word of יהוה be spoken to you first but since you and the church consider yourselves unworthy of this revelation, I am turning to the unbelievers. And every unbeliever reading this will rejoice and glorify יהוה and all those appointed to eternal life will believe. And the word of יהוה will spread throughout the world.

Nevertheless, many even of those taught by the Pastors believed the prophetic message delivered by the servant, but for fear of the other Christians, they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the church; for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.

**CHAPTER 7: EVERY BELIEVER IN
YESHUA IS ISRAEL**

Every Believer In Yeshua Is Israel

Please listen closely. It is not the old testament vs new testament or Israel vs the church. When the apostle Peter called you a chosen people, a royal priesthood, and holy nation (1st Peter 2:9) was a 2nd group born? Do יהוה have 2 groups of chosen people? Never believe so! Gentiles who come to faith in Yeshua (Jesus) are spiritually grafted into Israel not a separate assembly/church. יהוה has always allowed for outsiders if they were willing to be circumcised and obey the Torah.

“But if an outsider dwells with you, who would keep the Passover for Adonai, all his males must be circumcised. Then let him draw near and keep it. He will be like one who is native to the land. But no uncircumcised person may eat from it. **The same Torah applies to the native as well as the outsider who dwells among you.**” Exodus 12:48-49 TLV

But in the New Covenant everyone that's repented and baptized into Yeshua (Jesus) has been spiritually circumcised “In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead.” Colossians 2:11-12 ESV

“...circumcision is a matter of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the letter. His praise is not from man but from God” Romans 2:29ESV

“Therefore remember that previously you, the Gentiles in the flesh, who are called “Uncircumcision” by the so-called “Circumcision” which is performed in the flesh by human hands – remember that you were at that time separate from Christ, excluded from the people of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of the promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who previously were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, who made both groups into one and broke down the barrier of the dividing wall, ... So then you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God’s household.” Ephesians 2:11-14, 19 NASB2020

“You shall have the same rule for the sojourner and for the native, for I am the Lord your God.”” Leviticus 24:22 ESV

“As for the assembly, there shall be one statute for you and for the stranger who resides among you, a permanent statute throughout your generations; as you are, so shall the stranger be before the Lord.”Numbers 15:15 NASB2020

Ruth was a Gentile that joined Israel before the New Covenant. “But Ruth said, “Do not plead with me to leave you or to turn back from following you; for where you go, I will go, and where you sleep, I will sleep. Your people shall be my people, and your God, my God.”Ruth 1:16 NASB2020

How could Ruth be listed in Yeshua's (Jesus') lineage (Matthew 1:5) if she wasn't an Israelite? Every believer spiritually joins the New Covenant of Israel & Judah. "For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, abounding in riches for all who call on Him." Romans 10:12 NASB2020

"Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant: You know that **you were Gentiles**, carried away to these dumb idols, however you were led." I Corinthians 12:1-2 NKJV

"Judaizer! Stop teaching gentiles commands that were only for Israel! We are under the New Covenant now!"

Oh really? Who is the New Covenant with according to the New Testament? "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when **I will establish a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah**" Hebrews 8:8 ESV **The New Covenant is only for the house of Israel & Judah!** If you read Genesis 37:9 **the woman in Revelation 12 is Israel!** "Then he had yet another dream, and informed his brothers of it, and said, "Behold, I have had yet another dream; and behold, the sun and the moon, and eleven stars were bowing down to me.""Genesis 37:9 NASB2020 "A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars;" Revelation 12:1 NASB2020

“Then the dragon became furious with the woman and went off to make war on **the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus.**”

Revelation 12:17 ESV So if those who keep the commandments and hold to the testimony of Yeshua (Jesus) are offspring of Israel why do you divide his body into 2 groups?

Moreover, the apostle Paul explicitly states that every believer becomes the offspring of Abraham and heirs according to promise (that was made to Abraham, Isaac, then Jacob) by faith.

“for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, **through faith.** For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. **There is neither Jew nor Greek,** there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, **for you are all one in Christ Jesus.** **And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring.** **heirs according to promise.**” Galatians 3:26-29 ESV

We love to claim we are one in Christ but is this our reality? Are Jews & Gentiles worshiping side by side? Not at all, mostly. Many world leaders, Messianics and Hebrew Israelites hold to an incorrect 2 law theology making believing “gentiles” feel like second class citizens. Some of you even teach that gentiles can't be saved! **(Revelation 3:9)** If I ever see this in person I will oppose you to your face because you stand condemned and are not in step with the gospel! Are we all one in Messiah or not? If every believer in Yeshua (Jesus) is Israel then these commands apply to every Israelite including “gentile” believers forever:

“Therefore the people of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, observing the Sabbath throughout their generations, as a covenant forever.” Exodus 31:16 ESV

““This day (*Passover*) shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the Lord; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast.

Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread. On the first day you shall remove leaven out of your houses, for if anyone eats what is leavened, from the first day until the seventh day, that person shall be cut off from Israel. On the first day you shall hold a holy assembly, and on the seventh day a holy assembly. No work shall be done on those days. But what everyone needs to eat, that alone may be prepared by you. And you shall observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread, for on this very day I brought your hosts out of the land of Egypt. Therefore you shall observe this day, throughout your generations, as a statute forever.” Exodus

12:14-17 ESV

The feasts are also demonstrated in the New Testament:

“Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.” 1 Corinthians 5:7-8 ESV

““Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, When you come into the land that I give you and reap its harvest, you shall bring the sheaf of **the firstfruits** of your harvest to the priest,... And you shall eat neither bread nor grain parched or fresh until this same day, until you have brought the offering of your God: **it is a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.**” Leviticus 23:10, 14 ESV

““**You shall count seven full weeks from the day after the Sabbath,** from the day that you brought the sheaf of the wave offering. And you shall make a proclamation on the same day. You shall hold a holy convocation. You shall not do any ordinary work. **It is a statute forever in all your dwelling places throughout your generations.**” Leviticus 23:15, 21 ESV

“When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place... Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, **both Jews and proselytes,** Cretans and Arabians...” Acts 2:1,9-11 ESV

“Speak to the people of Israel, saying, **In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall observe a day of solemn rest, a memorial proclaimed with blast of trumpets, a holy convocation.** You shall not do any ordinary work, and you shall present a food offering to the Lord.”” Leviticus 23:23-25 ESV

"I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but **we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.**"

1 Corinthians 15:50-52 ESV

"And the sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow the trumpets. **The trumpets shall be to you for a perpetual statute throughout your generations.** And when you go to war in your land against the adversary who oppresses you, then you shall sound an alarm with the trumpets, that you may be remembered before the Lord your God, and you shall be saved from your enemies. **On the day of your gladness also, and at your appointed feasts** and at the beginnings of your months, you shall blow the trumpets over your burnt offerings and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings. They shall be a reminder of you before your God: I am the Lord your God."Numbers 10:8-10 ESV

"Now on the tenth day of this seventh month is **the Day of Atonement. It shall be for you a time of holy convocation,** and you shall afflict yourselves and present a food offering to the Lord. And you shall not do any work on that very day, for it is a Day of Atonement, to make atonement for you before the Lord your God. **You shall not do any work. It is a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwelling places.**"

Leviticus 23:27-28, 31 ESV

“Now much time had been lost, and navigation was dangerous, because even [the time for] the fast (Day of Atonement) was already over, so Paul began to strongly warn them,” Acts 27:9 AMP

Why are the apostles along with gentiles celebrating Pentecost (Acts 2), Passover/Unleavened Bread (1st Corinthians 5), and the Day of Atonement (Acts 27:9) after the resurrection? Because the feasts are a statute forever. “Now on the tenth day of this seventh month is the Day of Atonement. It shall be for you a time of holy convocation, and you shall afflict yourselves and present a food offering to the Lord. And you shall not do any work on that very day, for it is a Day of Atonement, to make atonement for you before the Lord your God. You shall not do any work. It is a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwelling places.” Leviticus 23:27-28, 31 ESV

If יהוה says something is a statute forever, then they are a statute forever as יהוה is not a man that he should lie.

“But Jesus fulfilled the law!”

Amen. But if the scriptures clearly teach that everything in the Torah continued in the book of Acts and more importantly continues in the Messianic Kingdom, then how accurate is your interpretation of “fulfilled”? Can it really mean brought to an end? We will go over what fulfilled truly means in detail in the next chapter.

“But Hebrews 10:1 says the law was just a shadow of the good things to come but not the reality!”

Amen.

Earth

Tabernacle in the Wilderness (Exodus 25:9; Exodus 26:1)

Ark of the Covenant (Exodus 25:10)

Cherubim upon the Ark (Exodus 25:18)

Heaven

Temple in Heaven (Revelation 7:15, 11:19, 14:15-17, 15:5-6, 15:8; 16:1, Rev. 16:17)

Ark of the Covenant (Revelation 11:19)

Cherubim in Heaven (Revelation 4:6-7)

When the kingdom of heaven comes to earth the reality will be present but just because the law is a shadow of the kingdom to come, doesn't in any way mean that it's over. Otherwise how on earth (pun intended) could you read the book of Revelation?

How can Yeshua (Jesus) rebuke the New Covenant church of Pergamum for having some that held to the teaching of Balaam if the law was now abolished or irrelevant? I think the answer is obvious, he expects us to know exactly what's been delivered to us by God, even in the law. *“And as for the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was said to you by God: 'I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'? He is not God of the dead, but of the living.”* Matthew 22:31-32 ESV

“But Hebrews 8:13 clearly states that when he said, A new covenant, he makes the first one obsolete! And what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away!”

Amen.

Sinai Covenant (Earthly Covenant)

Word for word written code written on tablets of stone

Punishment for disobeying

Curses for disobeying

Follow on your own personal strength and willpower

New Covenant (You Are Spiritually Seated In Heavenly Places)

Repent (turn from /crucify the works of the flesh)

Believe the deity & resurrection of Yeshua (Jesus) (Hebrews 9:15)

יהוה supernaturally writes the Torah on the tablets of your heart and empowers you to walk in obedience (2nd Corinthians 3:6)

What was growing old and vanishing were the previous terms of the Sinai Covenant, not the commandments or “ceremonial” ones. The fault was not with Covenant itself but with the people (Hebrews 8:6-7). **Do not forget** that God has many Covenants.

Be very careful not to lump every single covenant (Genesis 7:16, Genesis 9:11, Genesis 15:18, Exodus 24:7, Numbers: 25:10, 2nd Samuel 7:8, Ezekiel 34:25 etc) as 1 “Old Covenant” now that we have the New Covenant (Luke 22:20) That is a huge mistake that will destroy your covenant theology and why many Christians abolish the entire Tanakh. We serve a God that keeps covenant! He is extremely unhappy when we say or act otherwise.

How did ceremonial commands vanish if they'll be in the kingdom? "They shall teach my people the difference between the holy and the common, and **show them how to distinguish between the unclean and the clean**. In a dispute, they shall act as judges, and they shall judge it according to my judgments. They shall keep my laws and my statutes in all my appointed feasts, and they shall keep my Sabbaths holy." Ezekiel 44:23-24 ESV

"Thus says the Lord God: The gate of the inner court that faces east **shall be shut on the six working days, but on the Sabbath day it shall be opened, and on the day of the new moon it shall be opened**." Ezekiel 46:1 ESV

"Then everyone who survives of **all the nations that have come against Jerusalem shall go up year after year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Booths**. And if any of the families of the earth do not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, there will be no rain on them. And if the family of Egypt does not go up and present themselves, then on them there shall be no rain; there shall be the plague with which the Lord afflicts the nations that do not go up to keep the Feast of Booths." Zechariah 14:16-18 ESV

And beyond the kingdom! "'**For as the new heavens and the new earth** that I make shall remain before me, says the Lord, so shall your offspring and your name remain. **From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the Lord**.'" Isaiah 66:22-23 ESV

Therefore, if you have been spiritually circumcised let no one judge you for observing Torah. No gnostic (actual context of Colossians 2), no orthodox Jew because your foreskin isn't circumcised, no atheist, no new age spirituality, no believer from Babylon etc, and if anyone tries to tell you these belong to the Jews you tell them these are a shadow of the Kingdom to come and that the body that casts these shadows belongs to Christ:

"See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, **which are based on human tradition and the spiritual forces of the world rather than on Christ.** For **in Christ** all the fullness of the Deity dwells in bodily form. And you have been made complete in Christ, who is the head over every ruler and authority. **In Him you were also circumcised, in the putting off of your sinful nature, with the circumcision performed by Christ and not by human hands.** And having been buried with Him in baptism, you were raised with Him through your faith in the power of God, who raised Him from the dead. When you were dead in your trespasses and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our trespasses, having canceled the debt ascribed to us **in the (man made) decrees that stood against us.** (p224) He took it away, nailing it to the cross! And **having disarmed the powers and authorities.** He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. Therefore let no one judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a feast, a New Moon, or a Sabbath. **These are a shadow of the things to come, but the body that casts it belongs to Christ.**" Colossians 2:8-17 BSB

The literal word for word greek translation of Collosians 2:17 reads “which are a shadow of the things coming but the body [is] - of Christ “

But my preferred thought for thought way to translate it for theological clarity is “which are a shadow of the things coming but the body (*the casts the shadow*) [is] - of Christ “

“Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels (*early form of gnosticism*) disqualify you with speculation about what he has seen. Such a person is puffed up without basis by his unspiritual mind. He has lost connection to the head (*Christ*), from whom the whole body, supported and knit together by its joints and ligaments, grows as God causes it to grow. **If you have died with Christ** to the spiritual forces of the world (*Galatians 4:8-10*), why, as though you still belonged to the world, do you submit to its regulations: “Do not handle, do not taste, do not touch!”? These will all perish with use, because **they are based on human commands and teachings.** (*Not Torah!*) Such restrictions indeed have an appearance of wisdom, with their self-prescribed worship, their false humility, and their harsh treatment of the body; but they are of no value against the indulgence of the flesh.”Colossians 2:18-23 BSB

Therefore stay in the shadow until the full reality is revealed in the kingdom to come as it is written ““He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.”Psalm 91:1 ESV

The Alternative

Once again, really think of the implications if what the Holy Spirit has revealed to me isn't true. The Orthodox Jews would again be correct in saying Paul is a false prophet according to Deuteronomy 13 for leading God's people away from the commandment they were instructed to guard.

Or, heaven forbid we make יהוה a liar whenever he spoke about something being a statue forever. Or we continue to look like a big joke to the atheists by making יהוה schizophrenic. I know Christians who legitimately hold to the view that the Sabbath and the Holy days were done away with in the New Covenant but then come back in the Millennial Kingdom. If we're being honest with ourselves I think all of these excuses to follow the 9 commandments instead of the 10 come strictly from anti-semitism. Which also makes us look ridiculous because our savior is a Jew! We serve the God of Abraham, Isaac, & Jacob!

Yeshua (Jesus) himself said ***"You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, because salvation is from the Jews."*** John 4:22 NASB2020

Is Paul schizophrenic too? Did he tell the Corinthians to celebrate Passover (1st Corinthians 5:7) just to tell the Collosians they are over? While also knowing we will be celebrating them later in the kingdom? This nonsense makes the scriptures impossible to read and makes us a laughing stock to atheists.

“But how can this be true? If every believer is spiritually joined to Israel while also having the indwelling of the Holy Spirit why are so many Christians repulsed by the Sabbath, the Feast days, & eating Kosher?

The first thing we need to make clear is that the Sabbath and the Holy Days are not salvific because they do not defile the flesh, hence why they are not listed in the lifestyles that lead to death (i'll let the Holy Spirit guide you into whether or not the dietary laws are salvific. Once again my personal hope is they are not but I really don't know).

But it is not as though the word of God & Holy Spirit guiding believers has failed. For not all who confess Jesus as lord belong to him. As he warned about when he was on earth:

“‘Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.’” And not all born again just because they were raised in Christian homes, “but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God”.

But it's also not so simple. Lest you be wise in your own sight, I do not want you to be unaware of this mystery הַסֵּתֶר has revealed to me as we are coming closer to the end. Brothers: a partial theological hardening came upon the gentiles from Babylon after the apostles were martyred and the temple was destroyed.

יהוה has purposely chosen to set the stage in this way to later glorify Israel so it can be the light to the nations it was always intended to be when Yeshua (Jesus) our Messiah returns. As it was written by the apostle Paul “**I know that after my departure** fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them.” Acts 20:29-30 ESV

“Then many nations will go and say: “Come, let us go up to the mountain of Adonai, to the House of the God of Jacob! Then He will direct us in His ways, and we will walk in His paths.” For Torah will go forth from Zion, and the word of Adonai from Jerusalem. He will judge between many peoples and decide for mighty nations far off. They will beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning shears. Nation will not lift up sword against nation, nor will they learn war again.” Micah 4:2-3 TLV

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Again, for Israel to take its elected place as light to the nations, a partial theological hardening had to come upon the gentiles after the apostles were martyred and the temple was destroyed.

“But the bishops of Asia, led by Polycrates, decided to hold to the old custom handed down to them. He himself, in a letter which he addressed to Victor and (*)the church of Rome, set forth in the following words the tradition which had come down to him: We observe the exact day; neither adding, nor taking away... Among these are Philip, one of the twelve apostles, who fell asleep in Hierapolis; and his two aged virgin daughters, and another daughter, who lived in the Holy Spirit and now rests at Ephesus; and moreover, John, who was both a witness and a teacher, who reclined upon the bosom of the Lord, and, being a priest wore the sacerdotal plate. He fell asleep at Ephesus. And Polycarp in Smyrna, who was a bishop and martyr...All these observed the fourteenth day of the passover according to the Gospel, deviating in no respect, but following the rule of faith. And I also, Polycrates, the least of you all, do according to the tradition of my relatives, some of whom I have closely followed. For seven of my relatives were bishops; and I am the eighth. And my relatives always observed the day when the people put away the leaven. I, therefore brethren, who have lived sixty-five years in the Lord, and have met with the brethren throughout the world, and have gone through every Holy Scripture, am not affrighted by terrifying words. For those greater than I have said ‘We ought to obey God rather than man.’ (Acts 5:29) Eusebius Ecclesiastical History 5.24.1-7

The apostle Philip and apostle John both kept and taught others the feast of Passover/Unleavened bread on the date biblically commanded. (✱)Notice where the pressure to change came from?

Constantine said "... it appeared an unworthy thing that in the celebration of this most holy feast (*Passover*) we should follow the practice of the Jews, who have impiously defiled their hands with enormous sin, and are, therefore, deservedly afflicted with blindness of soul. ... **Let us then have nothing in common with the detestable Jewish crowd; for we have received from our Saviour a different way.**" Theodoret recorded the Emperor as saying: "It was, in the first place, declared improper to follow the custom of the Jews in the celebration of this holy festival, because, their hands having been stained with crime, the minds of these wretched men are necessarily blinded. ... Let us, then, have nothing in common with the Jews, who are our adversaries. ... avoiding all contact with that evil way. ... who, after having compassed the death of the Lord, being out of their minds, are guided not by sound reason, but by an unrestrained passion, wherever their innate madness carries them. ... a people so utterly depraved. ... Therefore, this irregularity must be corrected, in order that we may no more have any thing in common with those parricides and the murderers of our Lord. ... **no single point in common with the perjury of the Jews.**" -First Council Of Nicea

“ QUESTION: Why do we observe Sunday instead of Saturday? ANSWER: We observe Sunday instead of Saturday because the Catholic Church, in the Council of Laodicea (A.D. 336), transferred the solemnity from Saturday to Sunday.”

-PETER GEIERMANN, *The Convert's Catechism of Catholic Doctrine*, Second Edition, 1910, p. 50.

A majority of Christians share the view of ceremonial commands not being in effect anymore and therefore the dietary laws are no longer commanded. Do you know where that teaching came from?

“It firmly believes, professes and teaches that every creature of God is good and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, because according to the word of the Lord not what goes into the mouth defiles a person, and because the difference in the Mosaic law between clean and unclean foods **belongs to ceremonial practices, which have passed away** and lost their efficacy with the coming of the gospel.” - **Council of Florence** (Basel-Ferrara-Florence) 1431-1445 A.D. part eleven

Yet all day long I hear you protestants say “sola scriptura! We only follow scripture alone!” yet you do not follow scripture alone. Where is Sunday replacing the Sabbath in scripture?

“Right here in Acts 20:7 ESV “In the first day of the week, when we were gathered together to break bread, Paul talked with them, intending to depart on the next day, and he prolonged his speech until midnight.”

That’s speaking of Saturday night not Sunday (days biblically start at sunset). They broke bread everyday so by that logic is the Sabbath now everyday? “And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts,” Acts 2:46 ESV

“Well even if it’s not mentioned it obviously was in practice already because John mentions the Lord’s day in Revelation! “I was in the Spirit on the Lord’s day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet” Revelation 1:10 ESV “

Interesting. What day did Yeshua (Jesus) himself proclaim to be Lord of when he was with John and the rest of the disciples? “And he said to them, “*The Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath.*” Luke 6:5 ESV Now which interpretation is more faithful to sola scriptura? You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition. Don’t get me wrong there is no sin for gathering on Sunday but if you’re unwilling to remember the Sabbath why not just go back to Babylon entirely?

Something I must repeat about the 4th commandment is that yes Sabbath is on Saturday not Sunday but this does not mean gathering on “Resurrection Sunday” is a sin because it does not transgress the 4th commandment. **Unless something breaks an official commandment in the Torah or Yeshua’s (Jesus’) or apostle’s interpretation of the Torah then it is not sin.**

However, the Sabbath is an eternal Melchizedek command since creation “By the seventh day God completed His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it.” Genesis 2:2-3 NASB2020

If יהוה’s people only knew the blessing he would pour out if they’d cease to work, cease buying/selling (Nehemiah 10:31), and began assembling on the Sabbath (Leviticus 23:3) again. Do not work Friday sundown to Saturday sundown but enjoy the Sabbath as a weekly date night however you wish. **Do not be tied down by any man-made rabbinic rules** (the same goes for Kosher and the Holy days) "**The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath.**" (Mark 2:27 ESV)

This is also a prophetic shadow of the rest that is almost here! “But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day.” 2 Peter 3:8 NASB2020 **“So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God.”** Hebrews 4:9 ESV

Ignatius of Antioch is also not sola scriptura by the way. If you're going to use church fathers for support, why not just go back to Babylon entirely? Yes Christians as early as the late 1st century adopted Sunday worship but that does not make it apostolic. Where is Easter in the scriptures? You have a fine way of rejecting the Passover commandment from God in order to establish your egg hunt tradition. Passover is also repeated in the New Testament, as it is written "Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. **For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the festival...**" 1 Corinthians 5:7-8 ESV

Where is Christmas or Advent in the scriptures? You who received sola scriptura as delivered by the Spirit and did not keep it. But truly I tell you, something greater than the reformation is here. Repent, we as Christians look ridiculous to the atheists and orthodox Jews with our pagan practices and thousands of denominations. Stop saying sola scriptura unless you're willing to completely leave Babylon entirely.

"And he called out with a mighty voice, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great! She has become a dwelling place for demons, a haunt for every unclean spirit, a haunt for every unclean bird, a haunt for every unclean and detestable beast. Then I heard another voice from heaven saying, "Come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins, lest you share in her plagues; for her sins are heaped high as heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities." Revelation 18:2, 4-5 ESV

"I highly disagree but even if there was the slightest chance you were right about those that don't follow the law of Moses being part of Babylon. How could a loving God seriously punish the 99% of Christians for disagreeing with you? Are we all just supposed to drop everything and follow the law of Moses because your book says so? That can't be right."

Never do anything because I say so. Do it because יהוה says so. Not only does יהוה give us multiple warnings all throughout the scriptures but he loves us enough to also have Elijah warn us beforehand so everyone will be without excuse when Yeshua (Jesus) returns.

"For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the Lord of hosts. "Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and rules that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel. "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes." Malachi 4:1-5 ESV

"But how can this be if we are not under the law of Moses and are now under the law of Christ?"

CHAPTER 8: LAW OF MOSES VS LAW OF CHRIST

Law Of Moses vs Law Of Christ?

If I'm being honest with you, this topic is big enough to be multiple books because both the lawless Christians and the Torah observant talk past each other. But for the sake of new believers I will try my absolute best to simplify this topic to just the absolute essentials. There are 4 major overarching themes you must take notice of before even trying to understand the role the law plays on New Covenant believers. Otherwise I promise you, that you will either get lost, make יהוה contradict himself, or do what most people do and just never read the law. Then anytime the law gets brought up you just get angry and don't want to look at it because you don't understand it. Some of you have already experienced this. Bring up the law and people freak out. But these 4 themes will help you correctly interpret the law.

1. God works in covenants and spiritually legal language
2. The Law of Moses & Law Of Christ are the same commands. No commandment from the law was abolished or ended but there was a change that took place. In the New Covenant we now approach the Law from a Melchizedek perspective, not an Aaronic one.
3. The Melchizedek priesthood was brought back but did not replace the Aaronic one. If you're a physical descendant of Aaron all of the temple commands are still active, just temporarily paused until the temple comes back in the Millennial Kingdom
4. Many scriptures are actually against man's commands

1. God Works In Covenants (p192)

And Spiritually Legal Language

Remember the criminal on the cross who repented in his last moments? He did not have a chance to receive communion but Yeshua (Jesus) clearly told him that he was saved. So is communion not commanded anymore? What about baptism? Of course it's still commanded as it's part of the great commission! But my point is that this is exactly how we are to treat the law. Everything is still commanded and important but not legally binding for salvation. When Yeshua (Jesus) died on the cross the legal requirements of the law died with him.

Think of the law of Moses as a test and the law of Christ as the finished answer key. Those under the law of Christ are just learning from Christ's example because he brings the law to its full (fulfilled) meaning. Just like previous tests in school, none of the answers now become incorrect or irrelevant once it's passed, it's just as an adult you are no longer required to retest yourself.

This is why when God poured his spirit on the gentiles by grace, Peter responds to the challenge of the gentiles not being saved yet by saying "Now, therefore, **why are you putting God to the test** (*that was already passed*) by placing a yoke (*test*) on the neck of the disciples **that neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear?** (*pass*) But we believe that we will be saved (*pass*) through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will." Acts 15:10-11 ESV

The test (law) has already been passed by Christ but you are obviously more than welcome to look back at it for continuous learning and reference whenever you want on your own time.

"For from ancient generations Moses has had in every city those who proclaim him, for he is read every Sabbath in the synagogues." Acts 15:21 ESV

"Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith. But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster (*for justification*)."
Galatians 3:24-25 KJV

"For a married woman is bound by law to her husband while he lives, but if her husband dies she is released from the law of marriage. Accordingly, she will be called an adulteress if she lives with another man while her husband is alive. But if her husband dies, she is free from that law, and if she marries another man she is not an adulteress. Likewise, my brothers, you also have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another (*The Law Of Christ*), to him who has been raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God."Romans 7:2-4 ESV

"For Messiah is the goal of the 'Torah unto righteousness' to everyone who believes."Romiyim (Romans) 10:4 TS2009
("End of the law" is better translated as "end goal". Either way "End of the law" is in context of for salvation/righteousness)

All of the debt we have incurred from sinning against the law (past/present/future) was nailed to the cross with Christ. “and He Himself brought our sins in His body up on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live for righteousness; by His wounds you were healed.” 1 Peter 2:24 NASB2020

Therefore if you have crucified your flesh with Christ you are not under any legal obligation to obey the law. “But **if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.**” Galatians 5:18 ESV

So whether or not you do or do not obey the law has no bearing on salvation as it is written “For we hold that **one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.** Or is God the God of Jews only? Is he not the God of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also, since God is one – who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith.” Romans 3:28-30 ESV

Salvation is only by grace through faith. “For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression. **That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring – not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham,** who is the father of us all,” Romans 4:13-16 ESV

Do not let anyone ever doubt your salvation because you broke a commandment in the law or don't keep a specific one (unless it defiles the flesh). After repenting (turning away from/crucifying the works of the flesh) and believing in the deity & resurrection of Yeshua (Jesus) there is nothing else you need to do to be saved. Trying to add anything for salvation is an insult to the one who nailed all your sins (past/present/future) to the cross. As it is written: "**For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh,** but through love serve one another." Galatians 5:13 ESV

"Okay so if I walk by the Spirit and believe in the deity & resurrection of Yeshua (Jesus) why should I read the law?"

To learn from Yeshua (Jesus) how to live along with all of the blessings that come from obedience (Deuteronomy 28)! Salvation is just the very beginning of your new walk! We are called to go far beyond just the elementary doctrines. As it is written:

"for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, since he is a child. But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil. **Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, and of instruction about washings, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment.**" Hebrews 5:13-14, 6:1-2 ESV

“So are you saying none of the other commandments in the law are of any importance anymore?”

That is absolutely not what I am saying! If I were to break even the least of the commandments and encourage you to do the same I would be considered least in the kingdom of heaven according to Christ *“Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.”* Matthew 5:19 ESV

I am simply teaching that they are not required for salvation and should not be forced on anyone out of legal obligation. But I will never dissuade anyone from following any of the law. I hold the opposite view. Once you have a solid foundation you absolutely should go on to learning more. Once again **“Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, and of instruction about washings, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment.”** Hebrews 6:1-2 ESV Those of you in teaching positions should do likewise or you will be least in the kingdom.

“If someone is least in the kingdom are they still saved?”

Yes they are still saved as it is written *“Truly, I say to you, among those born of women there has arisen no one greater than John the Baptist. Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.”* Matthew 11:11 ESV But why be least?

Under the New Covenant all of your sins (past/present/future) were nailed to the cross through Christ but just because our sins are not counted (Romans 5:13) does not mean we should live lawless (James 2:12) or be clueless about what sin is. In the New Covenant the law is supernaturally written on our heart but the written code is our guide to test ourselves (for learning not for salvation or justification) on where we are at in our walk.

“... **through the law comes knowledge of sin.**” Romans 3:20 ESV

“What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it **had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. For I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, "You shall not covet."**” Romans 7:7 ESV

We do not use the law by legally holding it over anyone's head in threat of losing salvation or covenant status. And definitely not for trying to justify yourself by your own effort of keeping it (even though the only reason anyone keeps it is because of the spirit working within). As it is written “Now we know that **the law is good, if one uses it lawfully.**”¹ Timothy 1:8 ESV

The law is not abolished. All is still commanded but for our learning. As also written “**All Scripture is breathed out by God** and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.” 2 Timothy 3:16-17 ESV

2. The Law Of Moses vs Law of Christ Are The Same Commands But Different Priesthoods

Genesis 1:1 through Exodus 24:11 Was the Melchizedek Priesthood "and you shall be to me a kingdom of (*Melchizedek*) priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel.'"Exodus 19:6 ESV

The original Sinai covenant was intended for all to be priests but because of the Golden Calf, the book of the law (separate from the book of the covenant/testimony/royal law) was imposed until the promised seed (Genesis 49:10) (Galatians 3:19) (Hebrews 9:10). Christ reinstituted the Melchizedek Priesthood with himself as the high priest. "But you are a chosen race, a royal (*Melchizedek*) priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light."1 Peter 2:9 ESV

In the book of the law you were taught under the authority of the Levitical priesthood. Whereas in the Melchizedek everyone is a priest under 1 high priest (Yeshua). In the Melchizedek priesthood the spiritual leader of the household was the one responsible for teaching his family the ways of God and offering sacrifices on behalf of his family. This is why Job, Abel, & Noah etc offered up sacrifices themselves without a temple or Levites.

“They said, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, **you and your household.**” Acts 16:31 NASB2020

“Therefore I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to **present your bodies as a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.**” Romans 12:1 NASB2020

“Through Him then, let’s **continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips praising His name.** And do not neglect **doing good and sharing, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.**” Hebrews 13:15-16 NASB2020

“... like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, **to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.**” 1 Peter 2:5 ESV

“**and He made us into a kingdom, priests to His God and Father** – to Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.” Revelation 1:6 NASB2020

“Now if perfection had been attainable through the Levitical priesthood (**for under it the people received the law**) (*Exodus 24:12 - Deuteronomy 31:26*), (what further need would there have been for another priest to arise after the order of Melchizedek, rather than one named after the order of Aaron? **For when there is a change in the priesthood (authority), there is necessarily a change in the law as well.**” Hebrews 7:11-12 ESV

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away. (Revelation 21 after the kingdom) not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished.” Matthew 5:17-18 ESV

“Okay so what was fulfilled? What changed in the law?”

To fulfill the law has multiple meanings but the first and main way Christ fulfills the law is by properly demonstrating it and bringing it to its fullness. For example:

“You have heard that it was said to those of old, Law of Moses: ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment. But I say to you Law Of Christ: that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment’” Matthew 5:21-22 ESV

“You have heard that it was said, Law of Moses: ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I say to you Law Of Christ: that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart.” Matthew 5:27-28 ESV

The Law of Moses: “... you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.” Leviticus 19:18 ESV Law of Christ: *“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”* John 13:34-35 ESV

The 2nd way Christ fulfills the law is prophetically (evidence prologue). The 3rd way he fulfills the law is by satisfying the wrath of God by being the propitiation for our sins. Because he is also the propitiation for the sins of the world (1st John 2:2) we do not take it on ourselves to punish others for their sins (Romans 12:19). Those that don't repent will be dealt with in the end.

For example, the Law Of Moses says: "Whoever strikes his father or his mother shall be put to death." Exodus 21:15 ESV The Law Of Christ: "Don't strike your father or mother" (Once again the eternal atonement only applies to those walking by the spirit).

"But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was crushed for our wickedness [our sin, our injustice, our wrongdoing]; The punishment [required] for our well-being fell on Him. And by His stripes (wounds) we are healed." Isaiah 53:5 AMP

The 4th way Christ fulfills the law is by satisfying the curses for disobedience. (Once again only applies to those walking by the spirit). For example, the law of Moses says: "'Cursed is he who sleeps with his mother-in-law" Deuteronomy 27:23 NASB2020

The Law Of Christ "Don't sleep with your mother in law"
"Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us – for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree" – in order that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham would come to the Gentiles, so that we would receive the promise of the Spirit through faith." Galatians 3:13-14 NASB2020

The 5th way Christ fulfills the law is being the ultimate sacrifice and offering for sins. "For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the ashes of a heifer sprinkling those who have been defiled, sanctify for the cleansing of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? For this reason He is the mediator of a new covenant, so that, since a death has taken place for the redemption of the violations that were committed under the first covenant, those who have been called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance... "Now where there is forgiveness of these things, an offering for sin is no longer required." Hebrews 9:13-15, 10:18 NASB2020

Fulfill again does not mean abolish or bring to an end but fully demonstrate and satisfy. Just because the punishment and curses for sin were fulfilled in Christ does not mean the commandment revealing what sin is, is now abolished. Just because Christ fulfills the sacrifice and offering requirement does not mean offerings are abolished as everything will come back in the Millennial kingdom. Contrary to popular theology, not everything from the law & prophets has been fulfilled yet. When Christ said "*it is finished*" he was referring to his sacrifice for sin. During his 1st coming he did not yet control the temple and Levites. He still must teach them how to fulfill their duties before heaven & earth pass away (Revelation 21). When the temple curtain was torn (Mark 15:38) it symbolized our new direct access to the father (Hebrews 10:19-20), not the law ending.

3. The Temple Commands Are Only Paused Temporarily Until The Millennial Kingdom

Exodus 19:5-Exodus 24:11 is the book of the Covenant (Exodus 24:7). This is also known as the Royal law because Exodus 19:6 is the covenant declaration that mirrors 1 Peter 2:9 on the royal priesthood. Not to be confused with the imposed book of the law Exodus 24:12 - Deuteronomy (Deuteronomy 31:26). The original Sinai covenant was ratified by blood, had a covenant confirming meal, and was agreed upon by 2 parties whereas the book of the law and levitical priesthood was imposed (not agreed upon) after the Golden Calf incident. Do not get confused by people teaching that because we are now back under the authority of the Melchizedek Priesthood that everything after Exodus 24:12 was nailed to the cross or that the Aaronic priesthood is now over as that would make serious contradictions.

“And the Lord said to Moses, "**Phinehas the son of Eleazar, son of Aaron the priest**, has turned back my wrath from the people of Israel, in that he was jealous with my jealousy among them, so that I did not consume the people of Israel in my jealousy. Therefore say, 'Behold, I give to him my covenant of peace, and it shall be **to him and to his descendants after him the covenant of a perpetual priesthood**, because he was jealous for his God and made atonement for the people of Israel.'” Numbers 25:10-13 ESV

“For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away (Revelation 21), not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished.” Matthew 5:18 ESV

“But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for one dot of the Law to become void.” Luke 16:17 ESV

The apostles themselves also continued to participate in the temple and observed both the imposed book of the law + royal law (book of the covenant/testimony) in the New Testament.

“And when they heard about them, they began glorifying God; and they said to him, “You see, brother, how many thousands there are among the Jews of those who have believed, and they are all zealous for the Law; Therefore, do as we tell you: we have four men who have a vow upon themselves; take them along and purify yourself together with them, and pay their expenses so that they may shave their heads; and then everyone will know that there is nothing to what they have been told about you, but that you yourself also conform, keeping the Law. Then Paul took along the men, and the next day, after purifying himself together with them, he went into the temple giving notice of the completion of the days of purification, until the sacrifice was offered for each one of them.” Acts 21:20, 23-24, 26 NASB2020

But there is a major difference between trying to pass the test yourself and freely living a life from the passed answer key.

"But where is this Law of Christ taught in scripture?"

"To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law **I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law.** To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (**not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ**) that I might win those outside the law." 1 Corinthians 9:20-21 ESV

"Bear one another's burdens (*love your neighbor*), and so **fulfill the law of Christ.**" Galatians 6:2 ESV

"If you really fulfill **the royal** (*Melchizedek*) **law** according to the Scripture, "**You shall love your neighbor as yourself.**" you are doing well." James 2:8 ESV

"But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that **we serve in the new way of the Spirit and not in the old way of the written code.**"

Romans 7:6 ESV

"who has made us sufficient to be ministers of **a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit.** For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life." 2 Corinthians 3:6 ESV

"Likewise, my brothers, **you also have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another** (*the law of Christ*), to him who has been raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God." Romans 7:4 ESV

In the New Covenant Yeshua (Jesus) is much more concerned with how you radiate his love to others above all else. *"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."* John 13:34-35 ESV

Even though all of the law is important, the parts that deal with loving our neighbor (royal law) hold far more weight in יהוה's eyes. As Yeshua (Jesus) made clear *"Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you tithe mint and dill and cumin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law: justice and mercy and faithfulness. These you ought to have done, without neglecting the others. You blind guides, straining out a gnat and swallowing a camel!"* Matthew 23:23-24 ESV

And again *"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."* Matthew 25:41-46 ESV

Yeshua (Jesus) is much more focused on royal law (James 2:8). This was symbolized by the book of the Law (that was imposed because of rebellion) being put on the outside of the ark of the covenant as opposed to the inside of the ark like the royal law. **“There was nothing in the ark except the two tablets of stone that Moses put there at Horeb, where the Lord made a covenant with the people of Israel,** when they came out of the land of Egypt.” 1 Kings 8:9 ESV

“Take this **Book of the Law** and **place it beside the Ark of the covenant** of the Lord your God, so that it may remain there as a witness against you. For I know your rebellion and your stubbornness...” Deuteronomy 31:26-27 NASB2020

“For on the one hand, **a former commandment is set aside because of its weakness and uselessness (for the law made nothing perfect); but on the other hand, a better hope is introduced,** through which we draw near to God. And it was not without an oath. For those who formerly became priests were made such without an oath, but this one was made a priest with an oath by the one who said to him: "The Lord has sworn and will not change his mind, 'You are a priest forever.'" This makes Jesus the guarantor of a better covenant.” Hebrews 7:18-22 ESV

The better hope is through the Holy Spirit writing the law on our hearts from a Melchizedek perspective rather than keeping the law on our own strength. As it is written “I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts...” Hebrews 8:10 ESV

4. Many Scriptures Are Actually Against Mans Commands

It's easy to get confused as there are many examples but I'll highlight the 2 most common scriptures that are used against the law. "having canceled the certificate of debt consisting of decrees (δόγμασιν dogmasin) against us, which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

When He had disarmed the rulers and authorities, He made a public display of them, having triumphed over them through Him." Colossians 2:14-15 NASB2020

"by abolishing in His flesh the hostility, which is the Law composed of commandments expressed in ordinances (δόγμασιν dogmasin), so that in Himself He might make the two one new person, in this way establishing peace; and that He might reconcile them both in one body to God through the cross, by it having put to death the hostility." Ephesians 2:15-16 NASB2020

These are man-made commands because "δόγμασιν dogmasin" in the Septuagint (Greek Translation of the Old Testament) and New Testament always refers to public rulers or rules from human authority, not once to the law of God. Which fits perfectly with Colossians 2 (gnosticism) and Ephesians 2 (rabbinic rules hostile to believing gentiles). **Otherwise you are going to make Ephesians 2:15 and Romans 3:31 completely contradict.**

The Interceding Prayer Of The Servant

Oh יהוה, my loving and merciful God, I honestly just want to die. I'm not angry or depressed, I'm just so exhausted. I know I should be grateful for all of the grace you've given me but it's so hard when I can't even afford to take care of my family. I work 80 hours a week yet currently reside at my wife's grandparents home because I can't afford my own. All the time I have to hear about it and have it thrown in my face. I'm not lazy יהוה. I work harder than anyone I know. I have my full time career yet work a 2nd job full time overnight cleaning toilets just to get by.

The cost of living is so high that this is the only way I can afford for my wife to homeschool our kids full time while saving for a down payment on a house. But this means I never get to spend time with my kids. On top of this my household is theologically opposed to me so teaching my kids your truth is not easy. Matter of fact, everyone has been repulsed by the prophetic dream you gave me. I lost friends, I lost the church we were in for years, my kids lost friends, and my marriage has never been the same.

I've had enough, יהוה take away my life for my family is better off with the life insurance money than my income. I have been very jealous for you יהוה. For your people have forsaken your covenant, rejected the revelation you have given me to share with them, they seek to censor me and only I am left. I understand it's only by your grace people can understand these things but if you won't pour your grace please take me now.

On my side of the family almost all of my family members are either stuck in Babylon or have fallen away. יהוה I don't fit in. They claim to believe but then entertain demons by celebrating the day of the dead. Please open their hearts to understand you.

Everyday I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. They don't even realize that they are descendants of Israel, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the Torah, the worship, and the promises. To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race according to the flesh, is the Messiah who is God over all. They don't even realize that if the Babylonian spirituality was never pushed on our people we wouldn't even practice it. Why on earth are we messing with witchcraft, crystals, and idol images of Mary instead of being in covenant with the true living God?

יהוה my prayer to you is to please have mercy on them. Pour out your grace and reveal yourself to them. I know everything is in your timing and they're helpless without your grace but what is the point of all this knowledge if all it brings is great sorrow? The thought of my loved ones in the lake of fire stabs my heart everyday. יהוה please grant me a Joseph moment where I can cry together with everyone who shut down your message so they can know it was from you. I not only pray for them but that you comfort everyone reading this leaving Babylon as this walk is very lonely. But if I have to continue working like this till the last day, so be it. Let your will be done. Just please show grace to my family and upon the Israel of God, in Yeshua's name. Amen

CHAPTER 9: QUICK COMMENTARY ON THE BOOK OF GALATIANS

Quick Commentary On

The Book Of Galatians

The very first thing you'll need to know about this letter is that it was written before the Jerusalem council in Acts 15. The Jews at this time (like the Orthodox today) viewed all Pharisaic man-made rabbinic laws and interpretations of the law just as part of the law as the actual law of Moses. And before you accuse me of reaching, Peter himself said "And he said to them, "You yourselves know how unlawful it is for a Jew to associate with or to visit anyone of another nation..." Acts 10:28 ESV The writers of the gospels continue this pattern whenever they record that Yeshua (Jesus) "broke" the sabbath. Did he actually break the biblical sabbath and sin? Of course not. So let's begin:

"I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting him who called you in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel (*different from grace through repentant faith in Christ salvation*) — not that there is another one, but there are some who trouble you and want to distort the gospel of Christ. (*By trying to convince you that grace through faith is not enough and that you can't be saved until you do more*)" Galatians 1:6-7 ESV ... (*Paul qualifies himself*) "For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it. And I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the (*man-made rabbinic*) traditions of my fathers." Galatians 1:13-14 ESV

“Then after fourteen years I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, taking Titus along with me... But even Titus, who was with me, was not forced to be circumcised (*because after being justified by grace through faith he does not legally have to do anything; even including getting circumcised*), though he was a Greek. Yet because of false brothers secretly brought in – who slipped in to spy out our freedom that we have in Christ Jesus, so that they might bring us into slavery (*working for salvation/rabbinic rules*) – to them we did not yield in submission even for a moment, so that the truth of the gospel (*salvation truly by grace through faith alone*) might be preserved for you.” Galatians 2:1, 3-5 ESV

“But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned. For before certain men came from James, he was eating with the Gentiles; but when they came he drew back and separated himself, fearing the circumcision party. (*Orthodox Jews do not eat anything prepared by gentiles, not even Kosher food for fear of being made common. The Jews at this time were so extreme about it that they had washing rituals for their hands, cups, pots, vessels, and couches just in case it touched a gentile - Mark 7*) And the rest of the Jews acted hypocritically along with him, so that even Barnabas was led astray by their hypocrisy. (*Acts 10:28 & 11:3 tells you how serious these man-made laws were*) But when I saw that their conduct was not in step with the truth of the gospel (*grace through faith alone*), I said to Cephas before them all, “If you, though a Jew, live like a Gentile (*Don’t follow the rabbinic oral law yourself*) and not like a (*orthodox*) Jew, how can you force the Gentiles to live like (*orthodox*) Jews?”” Galatians 2:11-14 ESV

I'm going to give you one of my smaller reasons why I don't personally believe Peter (Cephas), Barnabas, and a bunch of Jews were eating unclean animals before other Jews from James came. Around 200 years before this was a very dark memory in their history regarding being force fed unclean animals.

"It happened also that seven brothers and their mother were arrested and were being compelled by the king, under torture with whips and cords, to partake of unlawful swine's flesh. One of them, acting as their spokesman, said, "What do you intend to ask and learn from us? For we are ready to die rather than transgress the laws of our fathers." The king fell into a rage, and gave orders that pans and caldrons be heated. These were heated immediately, and he commanded that the tongue of their spokesman be cut out and that they scalp him and cut off his hands and feet, while the rest of the brothers and the mother looked on. When he was utterly helpless, the king ordered them to take him to the fire, still breathing, and to fry him in a pan. The smoke from the pan spread widely, but the brothers and their mother encouraged one another to die nobly, saying, "The Lord God is watching over us and in truth has compassion on us, as Moses declared in his song which bore witness against the people to their faces, when he said, 'And he will have compassion on his servants.' ""2 Maccabees 7:1-6 RSV-CI

Peter, Barnabas, and the other Jews would have been far more sensitive about eating unclean animals then most realize because of this.

“We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified. *(Paul is once again reaffirming the gospel message that he already once delivered that we are only justified by grace through faith alone for both Jews & Gentiles not by any laws)* But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we too were found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? *(If our endeavor to share the gospel requires us to break these man-made laws, does this mean the gospel of Jesus Christ is leading us to sin?)* Certainly not! For if I rebuild what I tore down, **I prove myself to be a transgressor.** *(the gospel is supposed to be what breaks down the dividing wall between Jews & gentiles according to Ephesians 2:14-15, but if we’re going to rebuild this wall of separation, **that is the true sin** not the breaking of man-made laws)*

For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. *(when you come into faith in Christ you crucify the flesh and let the spirit of Christ work within you rather than you trying to obey the laws in your own strength out of legal obligation)* I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.” Galatians 2:15-21 ESV *(If we could be saved and made righteous by our own efforts of keeping all of the laws including the man made laws then Christ wouldn’t have had to die)*

"O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified. Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith? Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh? *(If the spirit of Christ is working in you, why are you acting like it's not enough and that you're still not saved yet?)*" Galatians 3:1-3 ESV

"For all who **rely** *(try to save themselves)* on works of the law are under a curse *(because they aren't actually able to follow it perfectly, therefore if you put yourself under the test there is punishment for failing the test)*; for it is written, "Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in **the Book of the Law**, and do them." Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for "The righteous shall live by faith." But the law is not of faith, rather "The one who does them shall live by them." Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree"— **so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.**" Galatians 3:10-14 ESV

(There are promises in Genesis 12, Genesis 15, Genesis 17 etc that were given to Abraham strictly by promise not from a conditional position that could be taken away if not earned. These were promises given to Abraham strictly out of grace. The point Paul is trying to make here is that if you join those promises by faith then nothing can be added to them because they are already guaranteed by oath or blood ratification.)

“To give a human example, brothers: **even with a man-made covenant, no one annuls it or adds to it once it has been ratified.** Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, "And to offsprings," referring to many, but referring to one, "And to your offspring," who is Christ. **This is what I mean: the law, which came 430 years afterward, does not annul a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to make the promise void. For if the inheritance comes by the law, it no longer comes by promise; but God gave it to Abraham by a promise.** Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions (*the golden calf incident*), until the offspring should come to whom the promise had been made (*Genesis 49:10, Hebrews 9:10*), and it was put in place through angels by an intermediary.”Galatians 3:15-19 ESV

“Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law (*test*), imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed (*answer key*). So then, the law was our guardian (*test*) until Christ came (*and passed it when we couldn't*), in order that we might be justified by faith (*in him*). But now that faith (*the answer key*) has come, we are no longer under a guardian (*test*), For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. (*If we are in Christ and he passed the test, we share that same passed status along with all the promises by faith in him since he is a child of Abraham*) There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, **for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring. heirs according to promise.**”Galatians 3:23-25, 27-29 ESV

“Formerly, when you did not know God, **you were enslaved to those that by nature are not gods.** *(speaking about the worship of other false god’s)* But now that you have come to know God, or rather to be known by God, how can you turn back again to the weak and worthless elementary principles of the world *(connect Collosians 2:20)*, whose slaves you want to be once more? “You observe days and months and seasons and years! *(Not only were there believers that were returning to rabbinical judaism but there were also believers turning back to previous pagan calendars)* I am afraid I may have labored over you in vain.” Galatians 4:8-9, 11 ESV

“For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. *(Do not legally bind yourself to other gods or the law, just grace through faith alone)* Look: I, Paul, say to you that if you accept circumcision *(for salvation)*, Christ will be of no advantage to you. I testify again to every man who accepts circumcision *(for salvation)* that he is obligated to keep the whole law. *(We know this is about salvation/justification and that Paul is not against circumcision outright because he personally led Timothy to getting circumcised in Acts 16:3.)* You are severed from Christ, you who would be **justified** by the law; you have fallen away from grace. *(If you don’t want the answer key, you will be responsible for passing the test 100% yourself.)*” Galatians 5:1-4 ESV

“For in Christ Jesus **neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love.** You were running well. Who hindered you from obeying the truth? This persuasion is not from him who calls you. A little leaven leavens the whole lump. *(Matthew 16:16)*” Galatians 5:6-9 ESV

"For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole (*royal*) law is fulfilled in one word: **"You shall love your neighbor as yourself."** But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another. But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. **But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.**" Galatians 5:13-18 ESV

(Paul is going to elaborate by explaining some examples of what the works/deeds of the flesh are) "Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as **I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. **And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.**" Galatians 5:19-24 ESV
(Chapter 6 summarizes what you already know from Acts 15 that the pressure to be circumcised and obey the law was from certain Jews incorrectly understanding salvation but not to take it seriously because even those who are circumcised do not keep the law 100% themselves.)

CHAPTER 10: NEW BELIEVERS FAQ

New Believers FAQ

"Why do you prefer to use Yeshua instead of Jesus?"

There is absolutely nothing wrong with using the name of Jesus. I witness to others in the name of Jesus to help meet people on their level. I mainly use Yeshua in my personal prayer time and it's also the name used in my congregation every Sabbath. The reason for this is because the name Jesus didn't even exist for almost 1600 years. I want to call our Messiah by the name he was called by his mother and his disciples. But more importantly because the name Yeshua literally means salvation. That creates an entirely different dynamic to many verses for example:

"She will give birth to a son; and you shall call His name Yeshua, for He will save His people from their sins." Matthew 1:21 TLV and **"There is salvation in no one else, for there is (Literally) no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved!""** Acts 4:12 TLV

Now you can go back and see the word salvation in the Old Testament and with new meaning. "he says: "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation (*Yeshua*) may reach to the end of the earth." Isaiah 49:6 ESV

“But doesn’t evolution and dinosaurs disprove the bible?”

I actually believe dinosaurs disprove evolution. In order to believe in evolution you have to agree with the mainstream scientific view that dinosaurs have been extinct for at least 65 million years but the bible clearly describes a dinosaur in the book of Job which was recorded only a few thousand years ago.

“Look at Behemoth (*the word Dinosaur was not invented until the 1800’s*), which I made along with you. He feeds on grass like an ox. See the strength of his loins and the power in the muscles of his belly. **His tail sways like a cedar;** (*this can only be a dinosaur*) the sinews of his thighs are tightly knit. His bones are tubes of bronze; his limbs are rods of iron. **He is the foremost of God’s works; only his Maker can draw the sword against him.** The hills yield him their produce, while all the beasts of the field play nearby. He lies under the lotus plants, hidden among the reeds of the marsh. The lotus plants conceal him in their shade; the willows of the brook surround him. Though the river rages, Behemoth is unafraid; he remains secure, though the Jordan surges to his mouth. **Can anyone capture him as he looks on, or pierce his nose with a snare?**” Job 40:15-24 BSB

So if Dinosaurs were still around when Job was recorded, then the entire timeline of evolution falls apart. Or if God is merely speaking to Job about a previous creation from ancient times then it would still prove God does speak to us and the bible truly is inspired because obviously no one has access to a time machine to validate what’s being described in the book of Job.

“How can I trust that what we have in our bible is an accurate copy of what was originally written?”

Give me a KJV, give me an NIV, give me an ESV, give me any complete ancient manuscript in greek, coptic, latin, etc and I'll show you where it says Yeshua was crucified, buried, rose again on the 3rd day, and that you must repent of your sins and believe in him for salvation. There is zero confusion on that. Are there some differences between the ancient manuscripts? Absolutely, but 99% of the differences are meaningless copious errors.

“Why do you prefer to use יהוה over Lord or Adonai?”

Because God wanted us to know his name. “God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel: יהוה, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' **This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.**”Exodus 3:15

It was only later when scribes covered up the name with Lord or Adonai or Hashem out of respect (it wasn't anything malicious) in order to avoid potentially using the name of God in vain. The problem though is that if it's never used then new believers have no way of knowing. But when i'm witnessing to orthodox Jews I don't use it to avoid offense but I do use it in my private bible study and prayer time with יהוה. Likewise I use the name of Jesus depending on who I'm witnessing to. **I care far more about being able to effectively communicate the gospel than being 100% technically correct on every aspect of theology unless it's on something we should completely divide on no matter what.**

“Well obviously not all believers agree on everything, so what are the areas of theology we should completely divide on?”

In my opinion, if someone's sin does not have to do with denying the deity of Christ, Polytheism, Pelagianism, the divine inspiration of scripture (as there is nothing after Revelation), salvation by anything other than grace through faith, and is not found on the lifestyles that lead to death it is not worth dividing over. As it is written “All wrongdoing is sin, but there is sin that does not lead to death.”¹ John 5:17 ESV

“Is it a sin to celebrate holidays outside of the scriptures?”

No, sin is transgression of the Torah. Yeshua (Jesus) himself was in Jerusalem during Hanukkah (John 10:22) which is technically not a biblical Holy Day. But it is sin to forget the Holy Days, it is also sin to continuously refuse to worship יהוה in the way he commands to be worshipped. It is also sin to idolize man's festivals over his. But have discernment as some holiday activities spiritually open demonic doors to you (Jeremiah 10).

“Do you really believe every person who rejects the gospel will be burning in hell for all eternity?”

Don't quote me on this as יהוה has not revealed this to me. But I personally lean towards a mixture of eternal torment and annihilation. Eternal torment for the devil, the antichrist, the false prophet, and those who take the mark of the beast; and everyone else who rejects the gospel simply being annihilated in the lake of fire after their due punishment in the second death but I could be wrong. Why find out? Repent, believe, and live!

"If everything is still commanded in the law, how do you explain the slavery commands in the bible?"

Voluntary slavery (not the forced and abusive Transatlantic form of slavery "'Whoever steals a man and sells him, and anyone found in possession of him, shall be put to death."Exodus 21:16 ESV) was the only outlet some Israelites had available to pay off debt or earn a living. Therefore, it was permitted with strict rules Exodus 21:1-9,20,26-27 put in place to protect them 3500+ years ago. But does not apply to modern W2 employment or hiring.

"What about all of the regulations around multiple wives?"

Again if something does not transgress a commandment in the Torah then it is not sin. We learn from Exodus 21:10-11 if a man takes another wife to himself, he shall not diminish her food, her clothing, or her marital rights. And if he does not do these three things for her, he is in sin and she has the right to divorce without payment of money. Am I saying everyone should be looking for this? Absolutely not! Just because things are lawful does not mean they are helpful. יהוה's original intention and preference was always for one man to be joined to one wife. (Genesis 2:24 For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become one flesh). So Polygamy (not Polygamy) is technically permitted but under very strict guidelines. However, all those involved in ministry or kingship are specifically commanded to only have one wife. "An overseer, then, must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, skillful in teaching," 1 Timothy 3:2 NASB2020

“What is your view on tithing?”

There is an argument to be made on whether or not the tithe and tenth are the same thing based on some research you can do on the way Hebrew and Greek use the words but I don't really care to get into that. We are commanded to give so I personally just always factor 10% of my income to be given away. Whether it's to a local assembly, brother/sister in need, missionaries, or someone begging on the street. In Genesis 14:18-20 Abraham the father of our faith gave a tenth to Melchizedek so I personally give 10% to Yeshua (Jesus), our New Covenant high priest after the order of Melchizedek. Whether you do or don't makes no difference on salvation though. (2nd Corinthians 9:7)

“What would you call this denomination of faith?”

Messianic but not all Messianics agree. Maybe instead of reformed theology call this simplified theology. Everything is still commanded but nothing is legally binding for salvation if you are walking by the spirit through repentant faith in Yeshua. We simply let the Torah & Yeshua define. For example, if the New Testament says to abstain from sexual immorality we don't play the game of “well Jesus never specifically mentions homosexuality so it's okay now”. No we instead turn to Leviticus 18 the chapter on sexual immorality and that's where we get our interpretation. If you want to learn what the New Testament means by blood you go to Leviticus 17. When is Sabbath? We simply follow Yeshua's example. Nothing passes from the Law or prophets until Revelation 21. We are simplifiers.

“What is your view of Paul’s writing in 1st Corinthians 11:1-16 and head coverings in general?”

Scholars and theologians have debated on how to read this passage for centuries. For example, if you take the literal interpretation, the command for women to wear head coverings is not found in the Torah and Paul’s command for men not to pray or prophesy while covering their head could potentially contradict commands in the Torah that were given to the priests such as Exodus 29:6 (ESV) which reads “And you shall set the turban on his head and put the holy crown on the turban.” And if you take a spiritual or some other nonliteral reading, you contradict church history which shows Christian women wore head coverings from the beginning till modern feminism.

So my honest opinion (not from any supernatural confirmation), is that women uncovering their hair cannot be classified as sin (since there is no command in the Torah) but that it was an apostolic tradition for a reason. A head covering serves spiritual (because of the angels) and physical protection. For example, if a man sees a woman with a covering, he immediately knows she is not alone and under the cover of a father or husband.

I also believe the dishonor Paul is referring to when a man prays or prophesies with his head covered only applies to men symbolizing homosexual submission to another man. So a kippah or priestly turban would not fall under that category. I’m very curious and would not be surprised to find out if we see physical head coverings come back in the Millennial kingdom.

“Is it true that the gospels were written by anonymous authors much later than the time of Jesus?”

I'm going to be honest with you. As someone with a naturally skeptical / facts only approach to life I can completely understand why someone could struggle believing whether or not the woman caught in adultery is historical, whether or not a donkey or serpent spoke, why no other 1st century historian records people coming out of their graves (Matthew 27:52) etc (don't misunderstand me as I 100% believe in all of these things myself).

But that being said **I've never been convinced, even in the slightest**, that the gospels were written by anonymous authors far after the time of the apostles. Maybe it's just because I'm not an expert on textual criticism (nor do I claim to be) so my opinion is not really relevant. But **I have not found any evidence for such an idea**. I have not personally seen or heard of a single manuscript attributing the gospels to a different author. We have 2nd century testimony from Papias, Irenaeus, & Clement on the authorship of the gospels (revisit evidence prologue).

Whereas we do have confusion over who wrote the book of Hebrews. Hebrews truly is anonymous. The historical evidence confirms this because there are multiple people who try attributing the book of Hebrews to different writers. I am not qualified in the slightest to speak on textual criticism but I will give you my absolute biggest reason why I 100% believe the gospels were written much earlier than scholars typically date.

The 1st line of the book of Acts reads “**In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach.**” Acts 1:1 ESV

So from this we know the gospel of Luke was already written before the book of Acts. And even atheists will agree that the gospel of Mark and Matthew came before Luke (from internal evidence) but let's get back on topic:

Putting myself in the shoes of whoever wrote the book of Acts (regardless of whether or not Yeshua/Jesus resurrected). If I'm going to attempt to write a history book on early Christianity, why would I leave out the stoning of James the brother of Yeshua (Jesus), the beheading of Paul, the crucifixion of Peter, the persecution of Nero, and the destruction of the temple? **The only possible reason is because it had not happened yet!**

The gospel of John came later but **Irenaeus** wrote “all the elders testify; those who were conversant in Asia with John, the disciple of the Lord, [affirming] that John conveyed to them that information. And he remained among them up to the times of Trajan. Some of them, moreover, saw not only John, but the other apostles also, and heard the very same account from them, and bear testimony as to the [validity of] the statement.” So it's not impossible John was still alive in the 90's AD. Therefore, since Acts is before the martyrdoms that took place in the mid 60's, we can confidently conclude that Matthew, Mark, & Luke came earlier. Sometime in the early 60's or maybe even late 50's AD.

“Has God revealed any more scriptures after the New Testament?”

Absolutely not. It is explicitly written in the last book of the New Testament “ “I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: **if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book;**” Revelation 22:18 NASB2020

This does not mean that God has been silent. The Holy Spirit and gift of prophecy still operates today but everything revealed by God after the apostle John (author of the book of Revelation) is only meant to give us greater understanding of what has already been written. If anyone claims to be of God you test them by what is already written in scripture (the 66 books of the bible).

The reason any religion claiming to be an extension of the bible has to be completely false is because it requires you to practice 100% blind faith that we’ve either lost the original revelations sent by God or that despite God being all powerful he did not have the power to preserve them. Which ironically always creates complete contradictions of their own writings.

“And now remember, my son, that God has entrusted you with these things, which are sacred, **which he has kept sacred, and also which he will keep and preserve** for a wise purpose in him, that he may show forth his power unto future generations. “ Alma 37:14 (Book Of Mormon)

“ And I did read many things unto them which were written in the books of Moses; but that I might more fully persuade them to believe in the Lord their Redeemer I did read unto them that which was written by the prophet Isaiah; for I did liken all scriptures unto us, that it might be for our profit and learning.

“ 1 Nephi 19:23 (Book Of Mormon)

Mormons believe in multiple gods yet God through Moses clearly said Deuteronomy 32:39 (ESV) “... there is no god beside me” and through Isaiah “...Before me no god was formed, nor shall there be any after me.” Isaiah 43:10 ESV So if God will always keep and preserve the scriptures (Alma 37:14), are “all scriptures” really for the profit and learning of Mormons? Or is it only the book of Mormon and the bible beforehand was somehow corrupted? The Quran shares the same exact problem.

“He has revealed to you ‘O Prophet’ the Book in truth, confirming what came before it, as He revealed the Torah and the Gospel previously, as a guide for people, and ‘also’ revealed the Standard ‘to distinguish between right and wrong’. Surely those who reject Allah’s revelations will suffer a severe torment. For Allah is Almighty, capable of punishment.” Surah 3:3-4 (The Quran)

“ Indeed, those who defy Allah and His Messenger will be debased, just like those before them. We have certainly sent down clear revelations. And the disbelievers will suffer a humiliating punishment.” Surah 58:5 (The Quran)

“ Do they desire a way other than Allah’s – knowing that all those in the heavens and the earth submit to His Will, willingly or unwillingly, and to Him they will ‘all’ be returned? Say, ‘O Prophet,’ **“We believe in Allah and what has been revealed to us and what was revealed to Abraham, Ishmael, Isaac, Jacob, and his descendants; and what was given to Moses, Jesus, and other prophets from their Lord – we make no distinction between any of them, and to Him we ‘fully’ submit.”** Surah 3:83-84 (The Quran)

“ So let the people of the Gospel judge by what Allah has revealed in it. And those who do not judge by what Allah has revealed are ‘truly’ the rebellious. “ Surah 5:47 (The Quran)

“ And **had they observed the Torah, the Gospel, and what has been revealed to them from their Lord,** they would have been overwhelmed with provisions from above and below. Some among them are upright, yet many do nothing but evil. O Messenger! **Convey everything revealed to you from your Lord.** If you do not, then you have not delivered His message. Allah will ‘certainly’ protect you from the people. Indeed, Allah does not guide the people who disbelieve. Say, ‘O Prophet,’ “O People of the Book! **You have nothing to stand on unless you observe the Torah, the Gospel, and what has been revealed to you from your Lord.**” And your Lord’s revelation to you ‘O Prophet’ will only cause many of them to increase in wickedness and disbelief. So do not grieve for the people who disbelieve. “ Surah 5:66-68 (The Quran)

So as you can see the Quran makes a very strong emphasis on both the Torah and the Gospel being divine revelations sent down by God. But the core issue comes down to the crucifixion.

“ and for boasting, “We killed the Messiah, Jesus, son of Mary, the messenger of Allah.” But **they neither killed nor crucified him – it was only made to appear so.** Even those who argue for this ‘crucifixion’ are in doubt. They have no knowledge whatsoever – only making assumptions. **They certainly did not kill him. Rather, Allah raised him up to Himself.** And Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. “ Surah 4:157-158 (The Quran)

So in conclusion, who are you going to believe? All 4 gospels’ testimony of the crucifixion, all the secular sources that affirm the crucifixion, the testimony of every apostle that actually walked with Yeshua (Jesus) on the crucifixion, the words of Yeshua (Jesus) himself prophesying his crucifixion, or... 40 arabic words “written” by some guy with no recorded supernatural miracles even in his own book hundreds of miles away and 6 centuries later? That is an inconceivable amount of blind faith! This would mean an unimaginably early corruption of the gospel when even the Quran states “The Word of your Lord has been perfected in truth and justice. **None can change His Words.**” Surah 6:115 (The Quran) “**That’s only talking about the Quran!**” Then technically I can start a new religion and when my book contradicts the Quran I can just say it originally didn’t. Or!... I can simply believe in the multiply and independently attested crucifixion of Yeshua (Jesus) for my sins and salvation.

“What is the single greatest Messianic Prophecy ?

Isaiah chapter 66. “For by fire will **the Lord enter into judgment, and by his sword, with all flesh;** and those slain by the Lord shall be many. Those who sanctify and purify themselves to go into the gardens, following one in the midst, **eating pig’s flesh and the abomination and mice, shall come to an end together, declares the Lord.** For I know their works and their thoughts, and **the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues.** And they shall come and shall see my glory,” Isaiah 66:16-18 ESV

How can יהוה punish people from all nations and tongues for eating pig’s flesh and abominations and mice if only Jews are commanded to keep kosher? There is not a single orthodox Jew on the entire planet that can explain this. But if the servant of יהוה changes from the nation of Israel to a righteous individual representing Israel from Isaiah 49 onward then Yeshua/Jesus can explain this perfectly. The nations would not be ignorant of unclean animals being an abomination because of Yeshua!

“It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; **I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation (Yeshua) may reach to the end of the earth.**” Isaiah 49:6 ESV.

How can Israel be the servant if Jews are not teaching gentiles to keep kosher? What is the #1 reason gentiles have a bible and are even aware of the dietary laws? Because of Yeshua! Therefore Yeshua has to be the servant from Isaiah 49-53 that is a light to the nations that reaches the ends of the earth before Isaiah 66.

CHAPTER 11: FINAL WORDS

Final Words

This in my opinion concludes everything you need to know about the essentials of the faith so that you have a strong foundation on salvation and the New Covenant through Yeshua. I wrote this book because my heart breaks everyday for all my unsaved friends, family, & everyone else that doesn't know Yeshua as Messiah. It hurts me so deeply knowing many I care about won't read any of this but for those who are called to receive this revelation in these last days, I prayed earnestly for prophetic wisdom from יהוה to help equip you.

I love you all so much and did everything I could in between 2 jobs and people trying to censor me to make sure this revelation got into your hands. I also want to say a special thank you to Debra for proofreading this book. And a thank you to all of my brothers/sisters in Christ such as Pastor David, Alex the missionary, Darryl, Roy, Austin, Kris and all who have either prayed over this book, given me feedback, or encouragement. Do not be steered from the blessings that come from obedience. I must warn all of you new believers not to be surprised when they persecute you, twist your words, and misrepresent you as they did me, as they did Yeshua, and as they did to all of the prophets who came before you. Especially those of the "Christian" party who prefer to worship an idol version of our savior instead of the true Sabbath observing, Feast keeping, and Kosher eating Hebrew Messiah that is coming back to slay many by the sword of his mouth for not repenting of their sins.

Rejoice for your reward will be great in heaven and do not repay evil for evil. As our Messiah warned us beforehand ***"If the world hates you, know that it has hated me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you."*** John 15:18-19 ESV

Pray for those who persecute you and remain peaceful following Yeshua's example as it is written "And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kind to everyone, able to teach, patiently enduring evil, **correcting his opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant them repentance leading to a knowledge of the truth.**" 2 Timothy 2:24-25 ESV

Do not get arrogant with the Orthodox Jews or non Torah observant believers being temporarily hardened as Yeshua (Jesus) is setting the stage to make his grand entrance to them.

"And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy, so that, when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn."
Zechariah 12:10 ESV

Remember that without his grace you would not be believing in him either and that it is not you who support the root but the Hebrew roots that support you (Romans 11:18).

Please do not view this book as scripture or hold it to the authority of scripture. Do not despise prophecy but test everything I've written (1 Thessalonians 5:20-21). While every story I wrote about my life is true, I simply wrote it in the style of scripture to show new believers the bible is still relevant today. Nothing has changed since biblical times; it just looks different. For example many have been brainwashed into thinking all of the strides the LGBTQ+ movement have made are brand new but we have already gone through this with Sodom & Gomorrah and Gibeah. Don't fall for it as it always ends in fire. In ancient times people were sacrificing their children to Molech but in modern times they sacrifice their children to abortion clinics.

In Yeshua's day certain Pharisees were more zealous for man made traditions rather than God's commandments. Today there are Christian Pharisees who will look down on you for forsaking the man made holidays for Holy Days. Or Sunday for Sabbath. There really is nothing new under the sun. Don't focus on being in the right denomination, focus on being in covenant with יהוה through repentant faith in Christ. And always be in tune with the spirit. Never forget if you are Christ's then you are no longer a gentile but spiritually become Abraham's offspring by faith.

There are also many physical descendants of Abraham that don't even know it because much of history has been erased but that's a conversation for another time as it's completely irrelevant to salvation. But I definitely have my suspicions as to why certain people go back to the ancient paths much easier than others.

To the Christians who are angry with me because they see the Sabbath, the Feasts, & eating Kosher as “obvious” old covenant commands please remember יהוה's oath, as it is written: **“The Lord has sworn and will not change his mind, “You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.””** Psalm 110:4 ESV

My fellow royal priests. Be ready to get screamed at **“we are not under the law but under grace!”** by people that either have no idea or want to have an idea what that means. The one thing you can always reply is that these things are all prophesied to be in the kingdom. So you can either obey them now or be forced to in the kingdom (Ezekiel 46:1, Zechariah 14:16-18, Ezekiel 44:23-24).

Moreover, **everything before Exodus 24:12 is not the book of the law! It is the book of the covenant (royal Melchizedek law)!** (“Then he took **the Book of the Covenant** and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the Lord has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient."”Exodus 24:7 ESV)

So even if I was incorrect about Collosians 2:14 and Ephesians 2:15 (even though that would create serious bible contradictions); the Sabbath (Genesis 2:3), the Feast Days (Genesis 19:3, Exodus 12:14), and the clean/unclean distinction (Genesis 7:2) **are all present before the law of Moses!** “because Abraham obeyed my voice and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.”Genesis 26:5 ESV How could Abraham obey commandments if Moses and the law were hundreds of years after him? The Melchizedek priesthood!

“And being made perfect, he (*Yeshua/Jesus*) became **the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.**” Hebrews 5:9-10 ESV

In case anyone pretends to write, publicly claim to be me, or make social media accounts as me, please know they're lying except for my audios and thenewcovenantsimplified.com. This is my first and last book. I'm posting anonymously because I am not worthy of being followed. Follow Yeshua instead.

I also did not want my past becoming a stumbling block. There are many other things I wanted to write but I was led to keep them between me and יהוה. To those who have walked away from God or have a rough past like me, I want you to know it doesn't matter what you've done. Our heavenly fathers arms are waiting for you open wide, as explained by Yeshua (Jesus):

“And he said, *"Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything. "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! I will*

arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants." And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate." Luke 15:13-24 ESV

I know I probably come off as someone very obsessive about the faith but I also want you to also remember “*A certain moneylender had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. When they could not pay, he cancelled the debt of both. Now which of them will love him more?*” Simon answered, "The one, I suppose, for whom he cancelled the larger debt." And he said to him, "*You have judged rightly.*" *Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little.*” Luke 7:41-43, 47 ESV

I did not grow up in faith and was dead in my sins. That is why when you’ve been forgiven as much as I have, you love Yeshua (Jesus) more than those who haven’t made many mistakes.

To those who feel insignificant, I have no formal training or degree. Because of how I process things I struggled severely in school with a 1.8 GPA and 15 on my ACT. I tried to kill myself with pills because of it but I now realize I was kept alive to write this book. I was set apart before I was born by grace, by he who was pleased to reveal these things to me, in order that I might preach the New Covenant. I still clean toilets for extra money at night but I write this to encourage you that יהוה chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise and glorify himself.

I know I probably appear obsessive at times about salvation but I challenge you to really ask yourself whether or not you truly believe in the lake of fire. If you do then you would understand why I wrote this book and will be handing it to every person I see. This is the final reformation. The final call out of Babylon before the 7th day. When you see the head of Babylon bringing fire down from heaven in an attempt to persuade you to come under his false leader, know we are very close to kingdom time! When they try to persuade you that every faith grants equal access to God, do not be deceived! Their fantasy of peace and safety are false promises they cannot deliver. Stand firm unto death til the very end that it's only by repentant faith in Yeshua anyone can be saved. And whatever you do, **do not take the mark of the beast.** There will be no second chance at salvation for those that do and there is no rapture before these events so strive to be one of the sealed 144,000 Israelites (Hebrews 2:16)! I love you all so much! But יהוה loves you more! Go on spreading that same love Yeshua has shown us to everyone you see!

CHAPTER 12: THE HAPPILY EVER AFTER

The Happily Ever After

“And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the tabernacle of God is among the people, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them, and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away.” Revelation 21:2-4 NASB2020

(This is a purely symbolic contract I was spiritually led to write to help illustrate the New Covenant to you and simplify it.)

I _____

(printed name) put all of my faith in your finished work on the cross for the forgiveness of all my sins (past/present/future) & eternal life. I crucify all the works of my flesh (p135) with you on the cross. I fully recognize that without your grace drawing me, I would not even be capable of faith because you are who opened my heart to respond. This is not my own doing as it is your gift. Likewise, after saving me, I also understand my ability to obey only comes from you writing your Torah on my heart and your spirit causing me to walk in your statutes. Thank you, Yeshua (Jesus) for saving me and remember me when you come into your kingdom as I wholeheartedly agree to your Covenant:

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What must I do to be saved?

Repent (turn from /crucify the works of the flesh, p135)

Believe in the deity & resurrection of Yeshua (Jesus)

("The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel." "Mark 1:15 ESV)

Endure till the end onto death regardless of persecution

"and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved." Matthew 10:22 ESV

What is sin?

Transgression Of The Torah

"... for by the Torah is the knowledge of sin." Romiyim

(Romans) 3:20 TS2009 (Not all man-made rabbinic or man-made Christian rules are necessarily bad but they do not define sin. Be set free from thinking they are legally binding on you anymore.)

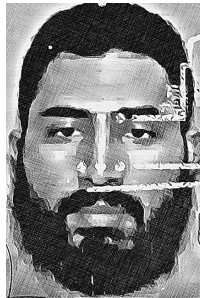
("Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked." 1 John 2:4-6 ESV "So speak and so act as those who are to be judged under the law of liberty." James 2:12 ESV)

The New Covenant Fully Agreed To By:

Signature

Rejoice in your salvation! Go fulfill the Great Commission! Tell others to repent because the kingdom is at hand! *“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to follow all that I commanded you; and behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” Matthew 28:19-20 NASB2020*

All praise goes to our heavenly father and to our Lord & Savior Yeshua Hamashiach, Jesus the Christ who sits on the throne. To him be the glory, both now, till the day that last trumpet blasts and I see you with me in the clouds, and for all eternity, Amen.



- Servant of the most high God

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“But if the wicked person turns from all his sins which he has committed and keeps all My statutes and practices justice and righteousness, he shall certainly live; he shall not die. All his offenses which he has committed will not be remembered against him; because of his righteousness which he has practiced, he will live. Do I take any pleasure in the death of the wicked,” declares the Lord God, “rather than that he would turn from his ways and live?”

Ezekiel 18:21-23

“And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. But you, Daniel, shut up the words and seal the book, until the time of the end. Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase.” I heard, but I did not understand. Then I said, “O my Lord, what shall be the outcome of these things?” He said, “Go your way, Daniel, for the words are shut up and sealed until the time of the end. Many shall purify themselves and make themselves white and be refined, but the wicked shall act wickedly. And none of the wicked shall understand, but those who are wise shall understand.”

Daniel 12:3-4, 8-10

