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As just a small step of the miraculous actions of our Heavenly Father who Created all matter, before He returns to earth again He is going to raise up Elijah for a very important task.

You can read all about Elijah in lesson #19 - "Elijah Must Come Back."

Elijah was a prophet and preacher for Heavenly Father in his day who at the end of his life, Yahweh took up in a whirlwind, but He will be raised and used again to re-

#### Why the name Yahweh?

It was the name He gave to Moses to use with the Jews to confirm Moses represented His Words For Life.

Say this to the people of Israel: <u>Yahweh</u>, the Heavenly Father of your ancestors the Heavenly Father of Abraham, the Heavenly Father of Isaac, and the Heavenly Father of Jacob — has sent me to you. <u>This is my eternal name</u>, my name to remember for all generations. Exodus 3:15

#### Why the title Heavenly Father?

The term "god" is used by far too many religions to try and represent who He really is, our Heavenly Father!

If <u>I am your father and master</u>, where are the honor and respect I deserve? Malachi 1:6



Heavenly Father - The Title Of The Creator Of The Universe! Yahweh - The Eternal Name Of The Creator Of The Universe!

concile family members just before the day of reckoning when our Heavenly Father returns to earth.

His Word Lam sending you the prophet Elijah before the great and dreadful day of Yahweh arrives. His preaching will <u>turn</u> the hearts of fathers to their children, and the hearts of children to their fathers. Yahweh of Heaven's Armies says, "The day of judgment is coming, burning like a furnace. On that day the arrogant and the wicked will be burned up like straw. They will be consumed roots, branches, and all. Malachi 4:5,1

I categorize this miraculous event as a last ditch attempt to bring families together in unity before He lays out His wrath and if you know anything about our Heavenly Father, you'll know He has always concentrated on the relationship of families, not the relationship of religions which He never created to begin with.

The night before He pulled His nation out of Egypt for example, his instructions targeted individual families, not congregational religious groups, none of which any of the 4300 on earth today even existed.

**His Word** Yahweh will pass through the land to strike down the Egyptians. But when he sees the blood on the top and sides of the doorframe, Yahweh <u>will</u> <u>pass over your home.</u> He <u>will not</u> <u>permit his death angel to enter</u> <u>your house</u> and strike you down.

#### Exodus 12:23

Many of us have been subjected to the "go to church" syndrome in our formulating years, sometimes used as a cop out for disciplines that parents should always use to get our attention.

Our Heavenly Father laid out a different method for disobedience for our parents to use, and it had nothing to do with religion, but everything to do with love.

His Word Those who spare the rod of discipline hate their children. Those who love their children care enough to discipline them. Proverbs 13:2

So there you go. If discipline is necessary beyond just the attempt of verbal direction, use the rod to get your

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kids' attention and a reason as to why they may not want to do it again, not religion.

Applied to His nation, some of those types of actions by our Father Himself have left welts of remembrance for sure.

As history has progressed we find these Creator-made disciplines not only used less, but in some societies now (at their own decisions) it has become nearly illegal to use the method of discipline laid out by our Heavenly Father and as a result undisciplined children are running their own lives leaving fathers shaking their heads as children do just about anything they want expounding and expanding on the conditions of life they are born in to.

Parents don't have a chance. Families are separated and jails are loaded with disobedient humans as the result.

Everything they think or **His Word** imagine is bent toward evil from childhood. Genesis 8:21

Heavenly Father saw this coming and if you study closely the reactions He took in disciplines of His own chosen people (Hebrews), you'll note He was tough on one hand, yet lovingly forgiving on the other.

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The restoration of friendly relations will be a final event we'll see on earth, or that will take place on earth before He returns with wrath at His side.

Elijah will be the tool that He will use to bring families together before He "purifies" the world for His return. And. that purification is just like a furnace hot enough to purify gold.

His Word L will bring that group through the fire and make them pure. I will refine them like silver and purify them like gold. They will call on my name, and I will answer them. I will say, 'These are my people,' and they will say, 'Yahweh is our Heavenly Father.' Zechariah 13:9

Just as He protected the family unit when He rescued them from Egypt, it is apparent an attempt through a miraculous appearance of Elijah, He will once again attempt to bring the family unit together just before His day of wrath.

Applied to humans, why not Him as well?

After all, He too is our Father and why should we not be reconciled with the One who created just as we should with those He created. That's all you find Him doing through His prophets and messengers from Genesis to Malachi, attempts to reconcile.

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When we live with Him in everlasting life, that harmony will be a way of life forever.

His Word How wonderful and pleasant it is when brothers live together in harmony! Psalm 113:1

Religion is just a facade of reality. Disharmony and gossip are at the forefront of some of these weekly gatherings. Preach to the treetops. Until minds truly change, reconciliation is impossible.

Perhaps thats why He is calling on Elijah to reach out to fathers and sons (direct family contact) and not religions which He didn't create to begin with.

#### **Raised Up!**

Many of those whose bodies lie dead and buried will rise up, some to everlasting life and some to shame and everlasting disgrace. Daniel 12:2

**Everlasting Life -**His servants who are proven righteous beings (believe, serve and obey). Live in Israel and worship Him at Mt. Zion forever.



Shame and be unrighteous beings (do not believe, do not obey). In other nations outside

**Everlasting Pit -**Those who are proven to be evildoers and liars will never see the light of day.

Disgrace - Those who are proven to serve and do not Israel forever.

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Harmony brings with it some soothing conditions He tells us in His word, and it will be that attempt between fathers and sons (*obviously fathers and daughters too*), that will make reconciliation so important because it will bring love to the forefront of life.

His Word Harmony is as refreshing as the dew from Mount Hermon that falls on the mountains of Zion. And there Yahweh has pronounced his blessing, even life everlasting. Psalm 133:3

There you go.

Then those who **feared** Yahweh spoke with each other, and Yahweh listened to what they said. In his presence, a scroll of remembrance was written to **record the names** of



those who feared him and always thought about the honor of

his name. "<u>They will be my</u> <u>people</u>," says Yahweh of Heaven's Armies. "On the day when I act in judgment, <u>they</u> <u>will be my own special</u> <u>treasure</u>. I will spare them as a father spares an obedient child. Then <u>you will again see the</u> <u>difference</u> between the <u>righteous</u> and the <u>wicked</u>, between those who <u>serve</u> Heavenly Father and those who <u>do not</u>." Harmony *(reconciliation)* tied to everlasting life. Who can ask for anything more rewarding than that?

The action of this reconciliation is not in itself without recognition of the One who is behind it all.

Our Heavenly Father's wishes are that people who believe He is, will return to Him and not religion. None of the 4300 religions on earth can attest to using His tactics to get our attention, from baptisms to ritual rites.

His acts of reconciliation get attention:

**His Word** "I brought hunger to every city and famine to every town. <u>But still you</u> <u>would not return to me</u>, says Yahweh. "I kept the rain from falling when your crops needed it

#### Acknowledgment Of Yahweh

(Honoring and recognizing our Creator - Psalm 102)

Yahweh, hear my prayer! Listen to my plea! Don't turn away from me in my time of distress. Bend down to listen, and answer me quickly when I call to you. For my days disappear like smoke, and my bones burn like redhot coals. My heart is sick, withered like grass, and I have lost my appetite. Because of my groaning, I am reduced to skin and bones. I am like an owl in the desert, like a little owl in a far-off wilderness. I lie awake, lonely as a solitary bird on the roof. My enemies taunt me day after day. They mock and curse me. I eat ashes for food. My tears run down into my drink because of your anger and wrath. For you have picked me up and thrown me out. My life passes as swiftly as the evening shadows. I am withering away like arass.

But you, O Yahweh, will sit on your throne forever. Your fame will endure to every generation. You will arise and have mercy on Jerusalemand now is the time to pity her, now is the time you promised to help. For your people love every stone in her walls and cherish even the dust in her streets. Then the nations will tremble before Yahweh. The kings of the earth will tremble before his glory. For Yahweh will rebuild Jerusalem. He will appear in his glory. He will listen to the prayers of the destitute. He will not reject their pleas.

Let this be recorded for future generations, so that a people not yet born will praise Yahweh.Tell them Yahweh looked down from his heavenly sanctuary. He looked down to earth from heaven to hear the groans of the prisoners, to release those condemned to die. And so Yahweh's fame will be celebrated in Zion, his praises in Jerusalem, when multitudes gather together and kingdoms come to worship Yahweh.

He broke my strength in midlife. cutting short my days. But I cried to him, "O my Heavenly Father, who lives forever, don't take my life while I am so young! Long ago you laid the foundation of the earth and made the heavens with your hands. They will perish, but you remain forever; they will wear out like old clothing. You will change them like a garment and discard them But you are always the same; you will live forever. The children of your people will live in security.

Their children's children will thrive in your presence.

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the most. I sent rain on one town but withheld it from another Rain fell on one field, while another field withered away. People staggered from town to town looking for water, but there was never enough. But still you would not return to me, says Yahweh. "I struck your farms and vineyards with blight and mildew. Locusts devoured all your fig and olive trees. But still you would not return to me, says Yahweh. "I sent plagues on you like the plagues I sent on Egypt long ago. I killed your young men in war and led all your horses away. The stench of death filled the air! But still you would not return to me, says Yahweh. "I destroyed some of your cities, as I destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah. Those of you who survived were like charred sticks pulled from a fire. But still you would not return to me,

says Yahweh. Amos 4:6-8

No religion on earth can attest to such physical and earth-shattering acts of reconciliation attempts than these of our Creator. This is *the* Creator of the Universe. This is *His* capability.

I fully believe just what He has told us, He will make a last ditch attempt at reconciliation at the family level using Elijah, and then, the "end of days" will be at hand.

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the great and dreadful day of Yah-

weh arrives. Malachi 4:5

Return to me our Father says.

I'm not playing games here. I'm not asking you to get "born again". I'm not asking you to pray to an idol in the desert 5 times a day. I'm not asking you to bow down to a huge (and ugly) gold statue. I'm not asking you to put your trust in multiple "gods". I'm not asking you to do any of these physical and mind-boggling rites religion requests, I'm simply asking you to return to the Creator of the Universe who orated His Words For Life from Mt. Sinai about 3300 years ago.

And, I'm letting you know that at any time, Elijah may appear to personally reach to you to make that turn.

**His Word** Time after time I sent you prophets, who told you, "Turn from your wicked ways, and start doing things right. Stop worshiping other gods so that you might live in peace here in the land I have given to you and your ancestors." But you would not listen to me or obey me. Jeremiah 35:15

Reconciliation! Don't continue to turn away *from* Him, turn *to* Him.

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Use common sense. How can 4300 "other gods" *(religion)* be a substitute for the one and only Creator of the Universe?

There's only one Creator. There's only one Savior.

There's only one who patiently waits for people to turn, but for how long, only He knows.

His Word Do you think that I like to see wicked people die? says the Sovereign Yahweh. Of course not! I want them to turn from their wicked ways and live. Ezekiel 18:23

Wickedness includes religion because religion removes the relationship, opting to be your god instead.

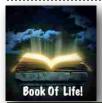
Only one thing left to do, so I encourage you to make the "Ninevite turn", repent, come to Him and be saved for everlasting life.

His Word Prepare to meet your Heavenly Father in

judgment. Amos 4:12

#### Reconcile With Him! Not Religion!

To question is to doubt, and to doubt is to disbelieve, and to disbelieve is death!



#### IS YOUR NAME WRITTEN IN THE BOOK OF LIFE?

Millions of angels ministered to him; many millions stood to attend him. Then the court began its session, and the **books were opened**. **Daniel 7:10** Then there will be a time of anguish greater than any since nations first came into existence. But at that time every one of your people whose name is **written in the book will be rescued**. **Daniel 12:1** <u>We will not add anything to this truth. Your name in the book saves your life!</u>