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Correspondence Course Lesson 14 YAHWEH's Judicial Order

One of the most important subjects in Scripture and probably one of the most misunderstood is the subject of Yahweh's judicial order. At creation, in the Garden of Eden, Yahweh had a divine order to absolutely, every part of His creation. Judicial order is simply defined, "as the order to every facet of our life, which was pre-ordained by YAHWEH to be correct, at creation."

Was there judicial order to the week of creation?

- <u>Gen 1:4</u> And Elohim saw the light that it was good, and Elohim separated between the light and darkness.
- <u>Gen 1:5</u> And Elohim called the light, Day. And He called the darkness, Night. And there was evening, and there was morning, day one.
- <u>Gen 1</u>:11 And Elohim said, Let the earth sprout tender sprouts, the herb seeding seed, the fruit tree producing fruit according to its kind, whichever seed is in it on the earth. And it was so.
- <u>Gen 1:12</u> And the earth bore tender sprouts, the herb seeding seed according to its kind, and the fruit tree producing fruit according to its kind, whichever seed is in it. And Elohim saw that it was good.
- Gen 1:13 And there was evening, and there was morning, day three.
- <u>Gen 1:16</u> And Elohim made the two great light sources the great light to rule the day, and the small light and the stars to rule the night.
- Gen 1:19 And there was evening, and there was morning, day four.
- <u>Gen 1:22</u> And Elohim blessed them, saying, Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas; and let the birds multiply in the earth.
- Gen 1:23 And there was evening, and there was morning, the fifth day.

<u>COMMENT:</u> When you look at the creation week account, you clearly see Yahweh's judicial order at work. Each piece of the creation account needed the thing that was created the next day to survive. On day three Yahweh created plants bearing fruit and seeds and on day four He created the sun, moon and stars (and the pattern of the sun and moon cycle), which plants need for photosynthesis (absorbing carbon dioxide and releasing oxygen) in order to grow and survive. Then on day 5 and 6, He created the fauna (insects, birds and animals) to cross pollinate these plants, and then the human beings that would need the food from these plants to survive. Therefore, everything was done in judicial order and indeed the Genesis account is chronological, precise and accurate.

Was Yahweh's judicial order perfect at creation?

- <u>Gen 1:31</u> And Elohim saw everything that He had made and behold, it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning the sixth day.
- <u>COMMENT:</u> Everything in the Garden of Eden was perfect and fully within Yahweh's judicial order. It was only when Adam and Eve decided that they were going to change the judicial order of Yahweh, and live according to self-rule, instead of the perfect judicial order under rule of Yahweh, that sin and death entered.

Is there judicial order to how we are to worship Yahweh?

<u>Deut 12:29</u> When YAHWEH your Elohim shall cut off the nations from before you, where you are going in to possess them, and you shall possess them, and shall live in their land,

- <u>Deut 12:30</u> take heed to yourself that you not be snared to follow them after they have been destroyed before you; <u>and that you not inquire after their gods, saying, How did these nations serve their Elohim? And I shall do so, even I.</u>
- <u>Deut 12:31</u> <u>You shall not do so to Yahweh your Elohim;</u> for everything hateful to Yahweh, which He detests, they have done to their gods. For they have even burned their sons and their daughters in the fire to their gods.
- <u>Deut 12:32</u> All the things that I command you, take heed to do them and you shall not add to it, nor take away from it.

<u>COMMENT:</u> Most religions today have a manmade ceremonial worship system to their Elohim that is not from Scripture. Christmas, Easter, Sunday worship, all come from pagan worship of a false god, and yet most will blindly follow the crowd and say that Elohim knows their heart. We can clearly see that this is the problem; that their heart is not set to follow Yahweh's commandments and His judicial order, but the traditions of men.

<u>Jer 17:9</u> The heart is deceitful above all things, and it is incurable; who can know it? <u>Jer 17:10</u> I, YAHWEH, search the heart, I try the reins, even to give to each man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his doings.

<u>Mar 7:6</u> And answering, He said to them, Well did Isaiah prophesy concerning you, hypocrites; as it has been written: "This people honors Me with the lips, but their heart is far away from Me;

Mar 7:7 and in vain they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men."

Does Yahweh give us instructions within His judicial order on how and what days we are to worship Him?

Lev 23:1 And YAHWEH spoke to Moses, saying,

<u>Lev 23:2</u> Speak to the sons of Israel, and you shall say to them, The set feasts of YAHWEH which you shall proclaim as holy gatherings, shall be these: These are My appointed feasts:

<u>Lev 23:3</u> Work is to be done six days, and on the seventh day shall be a Sabbath of rest, a holy gathering; you shall do no work; it is a Sabbath to YAHWEH in all your dwellings.

<u>Lev 23:4</u> These are appointed times of YAHWEH, holy gatherings which you shall proclaim in their appointed seasons:

<u>Lev 23:5</u> In the first month, on the fourteenth of the month, between the evenings is the Passover to YAHWEH.

<u>Lev 23:6</u> And on the fifteenth day of this month is the Feast of Unleavened to YAHWEH; you shall eat unleavened things seven days.

<u>Lev 23:7</u> On the first day you shall have a holy gathering; you shall do no laborious work;

<u>COMMENT:</u> Yahweh, being completely perfect and the only true Elohim of the universe, could never allow false pagan worship to be directed toward Him and accepted, even if the worshipper had no idea that the things he was doing were pagan. It would be going against His judicial order of worship. Remember Yahweh does not want us to worship Him because He is prideful, but because when we worship Him for the true great being that He is, and we lower our own self-worth to the position that it should be, then we are in the right frame of mind to truly be a humble servant to Yahweh and others.

In ancient Israel were you able to bring your sacrifice for the Holy Days anywhere, or did Yahweh set even judicial order to the place that Israel were to come at feast time, to worship before Him.

Deut 12:4 You shall not do so to YAHWEH your Elohim.

<u>Deut 12:5</u> But you shall seek to the place which YAHWEH your Elohim shall choose out of all your tribes (Jerusalem); for you shall seek His dwelling, to put His name there. And you

- shall go there.
- <u>Deut 12:6</u> And you shall bring your burnt offerings there, and your sacrifices, and your tithes, and the heave offering of your hand, and your vows, and your freewill offering, and the firstlings of your herd and of your flock.
- <u>Deut 12:7</u> And you shall eat there before YAHWEH your Elohim, and shall rejoice in all that you put your hand to, you and your households, with which YAHWEH your Elohim has blessed you.
- <u>Deut 12:8</u> You shall not do according to all that we are doing here today, each doing all that is right in his own eyes.
- <u>Deut 16:16</u> Three times in a year shall all your males appear before YAHWEH your Elohim in the place which He shall choose (Jerusalem): In the Feast of Unleavened Bread, and in the Feast of Weeks and in the Feast of Tabernacles. And they shall not appear before YAHWEH empty,
- 1st Ki 14:21a And Rehoboam the son of Solomon reigned in Judah. Rehoboam was forty one years old when he began to reign. And he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city which Yahweh chose out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there.
- <u>COMMENT:</u> Clearly, we see that Yahweh even set judicial order in the very place (Jerusalem) that one was supposed to come and worship Him. He also outlined in Leviticus the 23rd chapter, exactly how His covenant people were to worship and serve Him. It also clearly stated that it was not acceptable before Yahweh for one to worship his own way outside of Yahweh's judicial order (*Deuteronomy12:8*).

Was their judicial order to the priesthood, or could anyone serve as priest and perform any type of service as they saw fit?

- <u>Deut 21:5</u> And the priests, <u>the sons of Levi, shall come near (for YAHWEH your Elohim has chosen them to minister to Him</u>, and to bless in the name of YAHWEH) and by their mouth shall every controversy and every stroke be tried.
- <u>Lev 10:1</u> And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer and put fire in them; and they put incense on it and brought profane fire before YAHWEH, which He had not commanded them.
- <u>Lev 10:2</u> And fire went out from before YAHWEH and consumed them; and they died before YAHWEH.
- <u>Lev 10:3</u> And Moses said to Aaron, It is that which YAHWEH has spoken, saying, <u>I will be</u> treated holy by those drawing near to Me; and I will be honored before all the people. And Aaron was silent.
- <u>Lev 16:1</u> And YAHWEH spoke to Moses after the death of the two sons of Aaron, as they drew near before YAHWEH, and they died.
- <u>Lev 16:2</u> And YAHWEH said to Moses, Speak to your brother Aaron, and he shall not come in at all times to the sanctuary within the veil, to the front of the mercy-seat.
- <u>Lev 16:3</u> With this Aaron shall come into the sanctuary: with a bull, a son of the herd, for a sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering.
- <u>Lev 16:4</u> He shall put on a holy linen coat, and linen underpants shall be on his flesh, and he shall gird himself with a linen girdle, and he shall wrap himself in a linen miter; they are holy garments. And he shall bathe his flesh with water and shall put them on.
- <u>COMMENT:</u> Once again, we clearly see that there was judicial order to the priesthood and service to Yahweh. Yahweh chose Levi after the golden calf incident, to represent all twelve tribes in the sanctuary worship to Him. It would have been death if a member from the tribe of Simeon, or Gad, or any other tribe tried to even so

much as enter the Sanctuary. Yahweh's judicial order was that only the tribe of Levi was to be the priests to Yahweh in the sanctuary worship.

Yahweh works in patterns and does not change (*Malachi 3:6*). Yet, today there is so much confusion amongst believers, and so many who refuse to follow judicial order, and the leadership that Yahweh has set up in the body of Messiah. So many today deny that there is ordination and elders in the body of Messiah.

This is no different than someone in ancient times, from one of the other tribes of Israel, saying that he had just the same right as Levi to enter the sanctuary of Yahweh. We are living in the times that the Bible calls the last days. This is called in Scripture the most evil time that man will ever know (*Matthew 24:21-22*).

2nd Tim 3:1 But know this, that in the last days disastrous times will be upon us.
 2nd Tim 3:2 For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, braggarts, arrogant, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, wicked,
 2nd Tim 3:3 without natural feeling, addicted to lust, slanderers, without self-control, savage, haters of good,
 2nd Tim 3:4 traitors, hasty, boasters, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of Elohim,

<u>Judges 21:25</u> In those days there was no king in Israel. Each man did that which was right in his own eyes.

We are living in these very days. The Bible also calls many end time believers Laodiceans. People who are lukewarm and don't have their whole heart into the work of Yahweh. The word Laodicean means ruled by the people. You will notice that most third world countries totally understand the idea of judicial order and proper leadership in the body, as without it you will always have chaos. It is mostly in the western society with the false concept of freedom and democracy that you will see these self-willed people who want no form of judicial order or headship in their lives. Many will also deceive themselves that they are some kind of special person or even a prophet and that they need no judicial order, but it is only them and Yahweh. These types of people will merely cause division and need to be avoided.

Was there judicial order to the making of Yahweh's sanctuary or did Moses merely build the place together however, he saw fit?

Heb 8:5 who serve the pattern of and shadow of heavenly things, even as Moses was divinely warned, being about to make the tabernacle: For He says, "See that you make all things according to the pattern being shown to you in the mount." (Exodus 25:40)

Clearly, we see that there was judicial order to the making of the sanctuary. Not only was Moses, who was a master builder from Egypt, told exactly how to make the sanctuary, down to the last cubit, but the Scripture says, "He was divinely warned about it."

How about the leadership in ancient Israel? Was there judicial order to picking the leadership or was it that anyone who desired to be a leader could simply appoint himself over the other Israelites?

- 1st Sam 9:27 They were going down to the edge of the city, and Samuel said to Saul, Say to the young man that he should pass on before us and cross over. And you stand still at this time, and I will cause you to hear the Word of Elohim.
- <u>1st Sam 10:1</u> And Samuel took the flask of oil and poured on his head, and kissed him, and said, Is it not because Yahweh has anointed you for a leader over His inheritance?
- 1st Sam 16:1 And YAHWEH said to Samuel, Until when will you mourn for Saul, for I have rejected him from reigning over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have seen a king for Me among his sons.

- <u>1st Sam 16:7</u> And YAHWEH said to Samuel, Do not look on his appearance, nor to the height of his stature, for I have rejected him. For man does not see what He sees. For man looks for the eyes, but YAHWEH looks for the heart.
- <u>1st Sam 16:12</u> And he sent and brought him in. And he was ruddy, with beautiful eyes and good form. And YAHWEH said, Rise up, anoint him, for this is he.
- 1st Sam 16:13 And Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of YAHWEH came upon David from that day and onward. And Samuel rose up and went to Ramah.

<u>COMMENT:</u> Within the realm of Yahweh's judicial order, there is no concept of democracy. Democracy, which is ruled by the people, not by Elohim, will always fail, as most people in almost every age do not follow the Torah of Yahweh, nor have His Spirit to make proper judgment for rulings. This was the crux of the sin in the Garden of Eden; people making their own choices apart from Elohim and His law (Torah), or 100% full faith in Yahweh, whether we understand a situation or not.

Did you also notice that appointing or ordaining a leader had to do with anointing and pouring oil over his head? You will also notice that not anyone could anoint the king with oil, but it had to be someone who had the authority from Yahweh to put the oil on the king's head and anoint him. Did a leader or elder also have hands laid on him for his ordination and for imparting the Holy Spirit?

<u>Deut 34:9</u> And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. And the sons of Israel listened to him and did as YAHWEH commanded Moses.

Do we also see this pattern with ordaining elders in the New Testament?

- <u>Acts 6:1</u> But in those days, the disciples having multiplied, a murmuring of the Hellenists toward the Hebrews occurred, because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution.
- Acts 6:3 Examine therefore my brothers and pick seven men among you that have a good witness and who are full of the Spirit of YAHWEH and wisdom, and we will set them over this issue.
- Acts 6:5 And the saying was pleasing before all the multitude. And they chose out Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch,
- <u>Acts 6:6</u> each of whom they made stand before the apostles. <u>And having prayed, they laid hands upon them.</u>
- Acts 13:2 And while they were doing service to Elohim and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, So then separate both Barnabas and Shaul to Me, for the work to which I have called them. Acts 13:3 Then, having fasted and prayed, and placing hands on them, they let them go.
- <u>Tit 1:4</u> to Titus, a true son according to our common faith: Grace, mercy, peace from YAHWEH the Father and our Master Yahshua Messiah our Savior.
- <u>Tit 1:5</u> For this cause I left you in Crete, that you might set in order the things lacking and ordain elders in every city, as I ordered you:
- <u>1st Tim 4:14</u> Do not neglect the gift in you, which was given to you through prophecy, <u>with laying on of the hands of the Elderhood.</u>

Was there also qualifications for an elder or could anyone fulfill this important role and simply claim himself to be an elder in the congregation?

1st Tim 3:1 Faithful is the Word: If anyone desires the office of an Elder, he desires a good work.

- 1st Tim 3:2 He who becomes an Elder must be blameless, the husband of one wife, alert mentally, sensible, of good behavior, hospitable, and able to teach;
- 1st Tim 3:3 not a drunkard, or one whose hand is quick to strike, but humble, not contentious, not loving money;
- 1st Tim 3:4 ruling his own house well, having children in subjection with all purity.
- <u>1st Tim 3:5</u> But if anyone does not know how to rule his own house, how will he care for a Congregation of Elohim?
- <u>1st Tim 3:6</u> He should not be a new disciple, lest being puffed up he may fall into the condemnation of the devil.
- <u>1st Tim 3:7</u> But he must also have a good witness from those outside, that he not fall into reproach and into a snare of the devil.

<u>COMMENT:</u> It is very clear from Scripture that there is judicial order to the elderhood in the body of Messiah. Someone must be living and adhere to a very strict code of conduct in his life to be considered an elder in Yahweh's Congregation. He also cannot be a novice and must be trained before ordination.

In addition, and of most importance, this is not a position that one chooses for himself, but it is one that Yahweh chooses for him, by inspiration, through the judicial order of His Elderhood, in His Congregation. Then, the elders would lay hands on the new elder and anoint with oil, for his new given job position.

Elders are not ordained to be served, but to serve (*Matthew 20:25-26*). Ordination should never be done through nepotism (*1st Timothy 5:21-22*), but should merely be an outward expression of a job that someone is already performing. Moreover, it is clear from Yahweh's judicial order in the family structure that only men should be ordained elders and not the women in the congregation (*1st Timothy 2:11-14*).

- 1Ti 2:11 Let a woman learn in silence, in all subjection.
- <u>1Ti 2:12 And I do not allow a woman to debate publicly nor to usurp the authority of a man, but to be in silence.</u>
- 1Ti 2:13 For Adam was formed first, then Eve.
- <u>1Ti 2:14</u> And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived has come to be in transgression;

Is there judicial order to baptism and the laying on of hands for the imparting of the Holy Spirit, or can any congregational member lay hands on a new person to be baptized and receive the Holy Spirit?

- <u>Acts 19:1</u> And it happened, in the time Apollos was in Corinth, Paul was passing through the higher parts to come to Ephesus. And finding some disciples,
- <u>Acts 19:2</u> he said to them, Believing, did you receive the Holy Spirit? And they said to him, We did not even hear whether the Holy Spirit is.
- Acts 19:3 And he said to them, Then to what were you baptized? And they said, To the baptism of John.
- Acts 19:4 And Paul said, John indeed baptized with a baptism of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe into the One coming after him, that is, into the Messiah, Yahshua.
- Acts 19:5 And hearing, they were baptized into the name of the Master Yahshua.
- Acts 19:6 And Paul laying hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke in different languages and prophesied.
- Acts 8:12 But when they believed Philip preaching the good news, the things concerning the kingdom of YAHWEH, and in the name of Yahshua Messiah, they were baptized, both men and women.
- Acts 8:13 And Simon himself also believed, and being baptized was continuing steadfastly with Philip. And seeing miracles and mighty works happening, he was amazed.

 Acts 8:14 And the apostles in Jerusalem hearing that Samaria had received the Word of

- Elohim, they sent Simon Peter and John to them,
- Acts 8:15 who going down prayed concerning them so that they may receive the Holy Spirit.
- Acts 8:16 For it was not upon any one of them yet, but they were only being baptized in the name of the Master Yahshua.
- Acts 8:17 Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.
- Acts 8:18 But when Simon Magus saw that the Holy Spirit is given through the laying on of the hands of the apostles, he offered them money,
- Acts 8:19 saying, Give to me also this authority that to whomever I may lay on the hands he may receive the Holy Spirit.
- <u>Acts 8:20</u> But Peter said to him, May your silver be with you into destruction, because you thought to obtain the gift of Elohim through money.

<u>COMMENT:</u> Clearly, we can see from Scripture that only ordained elders have the authority from Yahweh's judicial order to baptize and lay hands on a new member for receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit. If this was not the case, then Simon Magus, would not have been so insistent to buy this authority from the Apostles, but would have simply went and baptized people on his own, but he knew he did not have the authority from Yahweh to do so.

This point is so important because, some brethren out of ignorance have baptized new believers, when there was no ordained elder around, thinking they were doing Yahweh a service, since an elder was not present.

All this does is create confusion later for the new convert who will be in doubt whether he/she had received the Holy Spirit since a non-elder laid hands on them. We have qualified ordained elders all over the world, and if someone needs baptism to join the New Covenant, we will travel in some cases thousands of miles for this special purpose. Also, remember the elder is simply a tool of Yahweh to administer His judicial order and Spirit to the new convert, but it is Yahweh, who is transferring His Spirit.

If someone steps out of Yahweh's judicial order, such as a non-elder laying hands on someone, but he does it in ignorance, yet his heart is right, will Yahweh accept this?

- <u>1st Sam 13:5</u> And the Philistines gathered to fight with Israel, with thirty thousand chariots and six thousand horsemen, and people as the sand which is on the lip of the sea for multitude. And they came up and pitched in Michmash, east of Beth-Aven.
- <u>1st Sam 13:6</u> And the men of Israel saw that they were distressing to them, for the people were distressed. And the people hid themselves in caves, and in crevices, and in crags, and in tombs, and in cisterns.
- 1st Sam 13:7 And the Hebrews crossed over the Jordan to the land of Gad and Gilead. And Saul was still in Gilgal. And all the people followed him, trembling.
- <u>1st Sam 13:8</u> And he waited seven days, according to the set time with Samuel. But Samuel had not come to Gilgal; and the people were scattered from him.
- <u>1st Sam 13:9</u> And Saul said, Bring near to me the burnt offering and the peace offerings. And he offered up the burnt offering.
- <u>1st Sam 13:10</u> And it happened, as soon as he finished the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came. And Saul went out to meet him, and to bless him.
- 1st Sam 13:11 And Saul said, Because I saw that the people were scattering from me, and you did not come in the days set out, and the Philistines were gathering at Michmash,
- 1st Sam 13:12 then I said, Now the Philistines will come down to me to Gilgal, and I have not sweetened the face of YAHWEH; and I forced myself, and offered a burnt offering.
- 1st Sam 13:13 And Samuel said to Saul, You have acted foolishly that you have not kept the command of YAHWEH your Elohim which He commanded you. For now YAHWEH would have established your kingdom over Israel forever.
- <u>1st Sam 13:14</u> But now your kingdom shall not stand. YAHWEH has sought out for Himself a man according to His own heart, and YAHWEH has appointed him as leader over His people. <u>For you have not kept that which YAHWEH commanded you.</u>

- <u>2nd Chr 26:3</u> Uzziah was a son of sixteen years when he began to reign, and he reigned fifty two years in Jerusalem; and the name of his mother was Jecoliah of Jerusalem.
- 2nd Chr 26:4 And he did the right in the eyes of YAHWEH, according to all that his father Amaziah did.
- <u>2nd Chr 26:16</u> And when he became strong, his heart was lifted up to act corruptly; and he trespassed against YAHWEH his Elohim, <u>and went in to the sanctuary of YAHWEH to burn incense on the altar of incense.</u>
- <u>2nd Chr 26:17</u> And Azariah the priest went in after him, and eighty priests of YAHWEH with him, sons of valor;
- <u>2nd Chr 26:18</u> and they stood up against Uzziah the king, and said to him, <u>It is not for you, O</u> <u>Uzziah, to burn incense to YAHWEH, but to the priests, the sons of Aaron, who are sanctified to burn incense; go out of the sanctuary, for you have trespassed; and it is not to your honor from YAHWEH Elohim.</u>
- 2nd Chr 26:19 And Uzziah was angry, and in his hand was a censer to burn incense; and when he was angry with the priests, the leprosy rose in his forehead, before the priests, in the house of YAHWEH, beside the altar of incense.
- <u>2nd Chr 26:20</u> And Azariah the head priest and all the priests turned toward him, and behold, he was leprous in his forehead. And they hurried him from there, and he also himself hurried to leave, for YAHWEH had touched him.
- <u>2nd Chr 26:21</u> And Uzziah the king was a leper to the day of his death, and lived in a separate house as a leper, for he had been cut off from the house of YAHWEH;
- <u>2nd Sam 6:5</u> And David and all the house of Israel were dancing before YAHWEH with all instruments of fir wood, with lyres and with harps, and with tambourines, and with cornets, and with cymbals.
- 2nd Sam 6:6 And when they came to the threshing floor of Nachon, and Uzzah reached out to the ark of the Elohim, and took hold of it, for the oxen nearly upset it.
- 2nd Sam 6:7 Then the anger of YAHWEH burned against Uzzah. And the Elohim struck him there for the fault. And he died there by the ark of the Elohim.
- <u>2nd Sam 6:8</u> And it angered David because YAHWEH broke out a break against Uzzah. And one calls that place The Breaking of Uzzah to this day.
- <u>2nd Sam 6:9</u> And David feared YAHWEH on that day, and said, How shall the ark of YAHWEH come to me?

<u>COMMENT:</u> If you look in all the above instances, each person did not think what they were doing was wrong, but actually that they were helping Yahweh. King Saul, felt the army was losing heart and he would sweeten the face of Yahweh for their victory and burned the sacrifice, even though clearly, only the priest was to do this, within Yahweh's judicial order.

Then, we see Uzziah entering the sanctuary, thinking he is burning incense to Yahweh, but again this was only something that a priest should do, and according to Yahweh's judicial order he should not have even have been in the sanctuary to begin with. And in Uzzah's case, he saw the Ark of the Covenant was going to fall, and innocently put out his hand to stop it, but yet again, under Yahweh's judicial order, only a priest was to touch and carry the ark, and he lost his life for it. And if the Levites would have carried the Ark of the Covenant on poles as scripture states, this situation would never have happened to begin with. There is always a reason for YHWHs perfect judicial order.

When we look at the Biblical examples it is very clear that it is a grievous sin before Yahweh and totally unacceptable to Him, when someone leaves Yahweh's judicial order, and especially when they take the special job given to a priest/elder and try to perform it on their own.

If the actions of someone, such as Uzzah above, were done with a right intention in his heart, why was it so wrong in the eyes of Yahweh?

- Num 8:14 And you shall separate the Levites from the midst of the sons of Israel, and the Levites shall become Mine.
- <u>Num 8:15</u> And afterward the Levites shall come in to serve in the tent of meeting; and you shall cleanse them, and shall wave them, a wave offering.
- Num 8:16 For they are wholly given to Me from among the sons of Israel; instead of the one who opens any womb, the first-born of all, from the sons of Israel. I have taken them to Myself.
- Num 8:17 For every first-born among the sons of Israel among man and among animal, is Mine. I set them apart for Myself in the day I smote every first-born in the land of Egypt. Num 8:18 And I take the Levites instead of every first-born among the sons of Israel.
- Num 8:19 And I have given the Levites as given to Aaron and to his sons from the midst of the sons of Israel to serve in the service of the sons of Israel in the tabernacle of the congregation, and to atone for the sons of Israel, and there shall not be a plague among the sons of Israel to the sons of Israel by coming near to the sanctuary.
- <u>Lev 10:10</u> and to make a distinction between the holy and profane, and between the unclean and the clean;
- <u>Lev 10:11</u> and to teach the sons of Israel all the statutes which YAHWEH has spoken to them by the hand of Moses.
- <u>Eph 4:11</u> And indeed He has assigned some to be apostles; and some prophets; and some evangelists; and some shepherds and teachers;
- <u>Eph 4:12</u> for the perfecting of the saints for the work of the ministry, for the building up of the body of Messiah,
- Eph 4:13 until we all may come to the unity of the faith and of the full knowledge of the Son of Elohim, to a full-grown man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Messiah,
- <u>Eph 4:14</u> so that we may no longer be children, being blown and carried about by every wind of false doctrine of men, who through their craftiness are very skillful in deceiving the people;
- Eph 4:15 but speaking the truth in love, we may grow up into Him in all things, who is the Head, the Messiah,
- <u>COMMENT:</u> We must realize that Yahweh does not think as man thinks. His ways are higher than our ways, and His thoughts are far beyond our thoughts. In the Garden of Eden, everything Yahweh created was good and perfect, including all His judicial order that He set out. This included the animal and plant kingdom, His eco system, and other natural occurrences, such as fauna and flora, etc. He made His creation perfect.

When man decided to eat of the tree that Yahweh said not to eat of, humanity took a road on his own, apart from Yahweh's ways and judicial order and the results have only been war, sickness, disasters, and death.

When we look at the above accounts, we must remember that even when our heart is right, Yahweh cannot lie and go against His own judicial order; that is why the above punishments were physically enacted as they were. It is like gravity and when people go against Yahweh's set order, automatically bad things will occur. As we see from the above Scripture in Ephesians, it was Yahshua, Himself, who set the ministry order in His congregation.

What would be the results if He allowed such people as Simon Magus, who was a deceiver and sorcerer, and a marketer of the Word to transfer His Spirit to others? Whom would these people be who he would be transferring Yahweh's Spirit to, without maybe repentance and even true faith in Yahshua? No, Yahweh will never break His own judicial order for a human, even if the intentions are honorable, as in the case of Uzzah.

That is why it is so dangerous in the times we are living in, which have unordained men taking positions in the body of Messiah, which Yahweh has not given them. They have never been ordained by a true elder of Yahweh, and had hands laid on them, yet they are baptizing people, anointing with oil, and doing other tasks that Yahweh has set out solely for His priesthood, Old and New Covenant. Many of these men are also marketing and selling Yahweh's

Word, just as Simon Magus did, and are totally outside of Yahweh's judicial order. When people follow this pattern outside of Yahweh's judicial order as we have seen from Scripture, the results will only end in chaos.

Can women be ordained Elders in the congregation and be under Biblical judicial order?

- 1st Cor 14:34 Let your women keep silent in the congregations, for they have no permission to teach, but to be in subjection, as also the Torah says.
- 1st Cor 14:35 But if they desire to learn anything, let them question their husbands at home; for it is a shame for a woman to talk in a Congregation.
- 1st Tim 2:11 Let a woman learn in silence, in all subjection.
- <u>1st Tim 2:12</u> And I do not allow a woman to debate publicly nor to usurp the authority of a man, but to be in silence.

COMMENT: When we are looking at the subject of judicial order, as we have shown, what we must do is to look for Yahweh's pattern (which does not change), and then apply it to any given situation in Scripture.

When we look at the pattern at creation, in the Garden of Eden, we see that according to Yahweh's judicial order, that the woman was to be a helpmate to the man (*Genesis 2:18*). In addition, that her work was going to be to complete the man, in which she came out of, and she was actually a part of him. Instead of having her own personal desires and goals, her desire was going to be for her husband, and within Yahweh's judicial order, he would have dominion over her.

<u>Gen 3:16</u> He said to the woman, I will greatly increase your sorrow and your conception; you shall bear sons in sorrow, <u>and your desire shall be toward your husband; and he shall rule over you.</u>

Of course, this did not mean that the woman was to be abused or degraded, as we see that judicial order is there to serve others, not abuse them. However, the woman was not to be in a position within Yahweh's judicial order in which she would be over a man in authority, or she would be usurping a position that was not given to her.

Yahweh made all human beings different, and each has their own given talents, and natural abilities (1st Corinthians 12:11). Satan's' way is that he tries to get humans to covet each other's Elohim given abilities and to want to obtain jobs and positions that Yahweh did not set apart for them, within His judicial order.

This is what leads to envy, strife, rivalries, chaos and disorder. Satan will work on human's immaturity, and tempt them through their human nature, to covet and want from others that which has not been bestowed upon them.

Yahweh's way is completely opposite. Within Yahweh's judicial order, He has given to each person, gifts that are distributed through His Holy Spirit, to compliment the gifts of others, not compete with them. The word in Genesis two for "helpmate", in Hebrew, actually means, "to need to complete", just as a hand does to a glove. The same way a coin has two sides, which are completely distinct, yet fully united, so should a husband and wife work together in unity within the marriage covenant, and the wife should complete, NOT compete with her husband.

Within Yahweh's judicial order, there is complete cooperation within the body of Messiah and each member is supposed to carry out the function that the Holy Spirit has blessed them to perform. In addition, submission within Yahweh's judicial order is always voluntary, cooperative, and reciprocal. In Yahweh's judicial order, the fact that someone may be over another individual in rank or authority, in no way means that the self-worth of the person is any more or less than anyone else, due to the job or position that the person may be presiding over.

<u>Rom 12:4</u> For even as we have many members in one body, but all members do not have the same function,

Rom 12:5 so we the many are one body in Messiah, and each one members of one another, Rom 12:6 but having different gifts according to the grace given to us, whether, according to the proportion of the faith;

<u>Rom 12:7</u> or the gift of administration in their ministry; or the one teaching, in their doctrine:

<u>Rom 12:8</u> or the one consoling, in the encouragement; the one giving, with sincerity; the one that rules with diligence; the one showing mercy, with cheerfulness.

<u>Eph 5:21</u> Submit yourself one to another in the love of the Messiah.

Some mistakenly think that judicial order only means that one minister or elder is going to control all the members of a congregation and not allow the members to participate in the functioning of the congregation.

This is actually the total opposite of Yahweh's judicial order. In Yahweh's judicial order the elder or elders are there to maintain the Biblical judicial order, such as a judge does in a courtroom. Moreover, you will notice in a courtroom that as long as judicial order is kept, the judge has very little say or input into the courtroom proceedings.

In any given congregation, there may be brethren present who have the gift of teaching, or the gift of encouragement, or maybe the gift of praise or administration. Any good leader of Yahweh will always try to encourage and to enhance all the brethren's spiritual gifts as the body comes together for services.

As a matter of fact 1st Corinthians 14:26 tells us,

<u>1st Cor 14:26</u> Therefore I say to you my brethren, when you come together, whoever among you has a psalm to sing, has a teaching, has a language, has a revelation, has an interpretation. Let all things be for building up.

So, we see from Scripture that when the body comes together, that we are actually commanded that each member use his/her particular gift that has been given to them, but within Yahweh's judicial order.

What you will see many times in the western culture, is due to self-centeredness and lack of maturity that many people do not want to perform their spiritual gifts within Yahweh's commanded structure. Many women want to sit in the seat of Moses and teach a sermon on the Sabbath, and they will harshly complain when you explain that is contrary to Yahweh's judicial order. However, these same women will also send their children to public schools and neglect the Elohim given blessing of being able to be a teacher to their children in the home (1st Timothy 2:15).

<u>Tit 2:3</u> teach the older women likewise to behave as becomes the worship of Elohim, not false accusers, not being enslaved by much wine, but to become teachers of good things, <u>Tit 2:4</u> that they might train the young women to be modest, to love their husbands, and their children,

<u>Tit 2:5</u> to be discreet, chaste, good homemakers, good, obedient to their own husbands, so that the Word of YAHWEH may not be blasphemed,

Other women will pray for a sick sister and anoint oil on their head, when clearly, as we have shown that this is a function that is set out for Yahweh's elders (*Jacob 5:14*). Whereas, these same people if they have the gift of prayer for healing, can give the same prayer for the person without anointing their head with oil, and be within Yahweh's judicial order.

Adam and Eve had a choice in the Garden of Eden; to either eat of the fruit Yahweh had ordained edible for them, or to go outside of Yahweh's judicial order and choose for themselves. They chose the latter and the world has never been the same and has been influenced by Satan and human nature ever since.

But, praise our Heavenly Father that He is restoring us back to Eden and back to His complete will under His judicial order.

Joel 2:3 a fire devours before it, and a flame burns behind it. The land is the Garden of Eden

before them and behind them is a desolate wilderness; yea, also there is no escape to them

<u>COMMENT:</u> If we are going to serve in Yahweh's Kingdom, then it is extremely important now that we learn the concept of being content in the body of Messiah where Yahshua has placed us (*Philippians 4:11*) In Yahweh's Kingdom we will all be under someone else's authority. Some of us may be ruling over five cities, and some maybe even ten cities, but every being who is blessed to be in Yahweh's Kingdom will have beings/spirits who will be in authority over them (*Luke 19:12-19*).

If we don't start to learn now how to be under judicial order, how will we ever be able to serve in Yahweh's Kingdom? Judicial order is more than simply following rules, but it is giving our heart, mind, soul, and strength to support each and every member in the body of Messiah, to the given position and talents that Yahweh has placed them with. Judicial order must be voluntary and reciprocal, and is not something forced, but is willful submission because of the fruits shown by the leader to be set at his given position by Yahweh.

Yahweh has given man dominion on this earth, and He expects us to obey the authority in the congregation and even society, which He has ordained and put into place as long as it does not conflict with His Torah. It is separatist type thinking that turned Lucifer, the angel of light, into Satan, the prince of darkness. Remember, forever is a long, long time, and Yahweh has to test all of us to make sure we will be loyal, content, and submissive to His government for all eternity.

Rom 13:1 Let every soul be subject to the higher authorities, for there is no authority except from Elohim, but the existing authorities have been ordained by YAHWEH.

Rom 13:2 So that the one resisting the civil authority has opposed the ordinance of Elohim, and the ones opposing will receive judgment to themselves.

<u>Heb 13:17</u> Listen to your spiritual leaders, and submit to them, for they watch for your souls, giving an account, that they may do this with joy, and not with grieving; for this would be unprofitable to you.

Let us seek to follow our Heavenly Father's judicial order in our personal lives, our families, and in His congregation.

1st Cor 14:40 And let all things be done decently and with proper order.

Points to Remember

- 1) Yahweh's judicial order has been set out since creation and we need to strive to be within that judicial order in order to be in His Kingdom.
- 2) Each one of us in the body of Messiah has been given gifts and talents, and each of us has a specific job and we should not covet another person's position or gift.
- 3) Only true qualified ordained elders can perform baptism and the laying on of hands for the imparting of the Holy Spirit.
- 4) A woman is not to be a teacher within Yahweh's judicial order, but should be a helper and completer to her husband, and a teacher to her children at home.

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