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Greetings and shalom in the wonderful names of Yahweh and Yahshua. I am extremely happy to bring this edition of the Remnant's Walk to you, which is filled with articles about the true name of our Heavenly Father Yahweh and His Son Yahshua.

It is a real anomaly in the world today that people will simply refuse to use or even recognize the name of our heavenly Father, Yahweh. It is a spiritual blinder that is really even hard to explain.

If you met someone and introduced yourself as "Joe", would anyone argue with you that you look more like a Peter. Of course not, but when it comes to our heavenly Father, Yahweh, people simply don't want to recognize His name Yahweh, even though He clearly tells us in Scripture that this is the name that He will be known by in all generations.

Ex 3: 15 *And Elohim said to Moses again, You shall say this to the sons of Israel, **Yahweh**, the Elohe of your fathers, the Elohe of Abraham, the Elohe of Isaac, and the Elohe of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My name forever, and this is how I should be remembered from generation to generation.*

Why is this scripture so hard for people to understand? Why is it that people who claim to be commandment keepers, will vehemently fight for the fourth commandment and yet openly break the third commandment and bring the name of Yahweh to nothing.

The third commandment clearly states that you shall not take the name of Yahweh in vain. In vain means to change, falsify, or to make common. Taking the personal name of our Creator, Yahweh, and changing it to any other name or title is clearly breaking the third commandment.

In these last days, Yahweh has restored His name to His congregation as in ancient times.

Mal 3:16 *Then those fearing Yahweh spoke together, each man to his neighbor. And Yahweh gave attention and heard. And a Book of Remembrance was written before Him for those who feared Yahweh, **and for those esteeming His name.***

We are actually fulfilling prophecy when we love and proclaim the name of Yahweh around the world and uphold and esteem His name. In addition, the Philadelphian believer in Revelation the third chapter are "those who have not denied His name." Also, as we are coming ever so close to the day of Yahweh on this earth to purify it before the return of Yahshua, we must also look at the following scripture that tells who will be the ones who are sealed during this most horrific time.

Rev 14: 1 *And I saw, and behold, the Lamb standing on Mount Zion! And with Him were a hundred and forty four thousands, **with the name of His Father (Yahweh)** having been written in their foreheads.*

Clearly the ones being sealed have the name of the Father, Yahweh, written on their forehead. The mark of the beast is in the hand and forehead. The forehead or mind is where we think and the hand is where we act on those thoughts. To have the name of Yahweh written on our forehead means that we have Him in our thoughts continually. May He bless His chosen elect.

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How is the name YHWH Pronounced

By Don Esposito



Almost 7,000 times in the English translations of the original Hebrew Texts the translators take out the Sacred name of our Creator YHWH and replace it with either the word God or Lord.

The Father tells us what His personal name is for all of eternity;
Exo 3:15 And Elohim said to Moses again, You shall say this to the sons of Israel, YHWH, the Elohim of your fathers, the Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Isaac, and the Elohim of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My name forever, and this is My memorial from generation to generation.

The third commandment tells us "***You shall not take the name of YHWH your Elohim in vain.***" In vain means to *change, falsify*, or to *make common*. A child could see that taking out the personal name of **YHWH**, or in Hebrew, it is the letters **Yod, Hey, Vav, Hey**, almost 7,000 times and replacing it with a generic title of *lord* or *god* is definitely breaking the third commandment.

So our next question is how do we pronounce the name of **YHWH**? After the Babylonian captivity, the Rabbi's felt this name to be too sacred to say and started to hide the phonetic pronunciation of the name **YHWH**. The Talmud tells us that they even wrote it incorrectly so that if someone was reading the name they would not accidentally pronounce it.

What they started to do was take the vowels from *Adonai* (Hebrew word translated as Lord) and mix it with the consonants for YHWH and come up with *Jehovah*. They only used *Jehovah* so no one could pronounce the name correctly. Very easily you could see that *Jehovah* would not be the correct pronunciation of the sacred name as there is no letter "J" in Hebrew language and in Hebrew the name "Hovah" comes from Strong's Concordance # 1943 and means *ruin* or *mischief*. The name of our Heavenly Father is not ruin or mischief. Also *Jehovah* or *Yehovah* is grammatically impossible in the Hebrew language. Please refer to the many references at the end of this article.

Another wrong misconception on the pronunciation of the name of **YHWH** that has come up recently is *Yahuah*. In Hebrew a vav can be a consonant or a vowel but can not be both. So pronouncing YHWH as *Yahuah* you are using the vav first as a vowel and then by putting another vowel after it, it goes against the grammatical laws of Hebrew.

The argument for using *Yahueh* is because the name *Yahudah* (Hebrew for Judah) has the same letters as YHWH but adds a dalet. So some think to just remove the dalet,

and that is how you pronounce YHWH. This is not the way the Hebrew language works and again goes against the grammatical laws of Hebrew. In Hebrew, every word goes back to a 2 or 3 letter root, and then vowel pointed.

So although in English it may seem that **YHWH** is simply Yahudah without the dalet in Hebrew it does not even come from the same root. Check this out for yourself. In Strong's concordance Yahudah is word number 3063 and comes from the root word 3034 *Yadah, Yod, dalet, hay*, where as the name **Yahweh** is Strong's 3068 and comes from the root 1961 *hayah* or in Hebrew *hey, vav, hey*. So you can see they do not even have the same root and certainly would not apply a new rule of dropping the dalet and coming up with a new pronunciation.

Also the argument goes that since some names in Hebrew end with "Yahu", such as Eliyahoo, then Yahweh's name must start as Yahu and then add another syllable "ah" at the end. Again, anyone who is thinking this way does not really understand Hebrew and Hebrew grammar.

There are quite a few references in Scripture that refer to our Heavenly Father merely as "Yah".

Isa 12:2 Behold, El is my salvation! I will trust and not be afraid, for my strength and song is Yah Yahweh; yea, He has become my salvation.
Psa 118:14 Yah is my strength and my song

In the Aramaic Peshitta, which is the oldest New Testament writing, it has the form *MarYah* for YHWH, in its Tanach almost 7,000 times. Mar Yah simply means *Master Yah*. Yahweh is a family name consisting of Yah Yahweh the Father and Yahshua Yahweh the Son. There is absolutely no question that the Father's shortened name is Yah. Even Halleluyah, which means praise Yah uses His shortened name Yah. So nowhere in Scripture does it ever have our Heavenly Father's name in the Hebrew as Yahu.

So where does the name *Yahu* come from in certain names such as *Eliyahoo*? In Hebrew, pronouns are added into the verb conjugation and *Yahu* simply means "*He is Yah*". Just like if you were going to say *our "Elohim"* in Hebrew, instead of using the pronoun "our" with the noun, *Elohim*, you would simply say *Elohenu*, which is our *Elohim*. So having *Yahoo* at the end of a name proves nothing and certainly would not justify a *Yahuah* pronunciation, as not even all names have this ending, such as *Nehemyah*, which simply has the correct shortened name of *Yah*.

So with the *Yah* part being 100% confirmed we can also go back to the second century historian Origen and see that he clearly pronounced the second syllable as "**weh**", again dogmatically proving from History that *Yahweh* was the pronunciation in the first and second century by Jews and Christians alike. Early Christian writers, such as Clement of Alexandria in the 2nd century, had used a form like *Yahweh*, and this pronunciation of the Tetragrammaton was never really lost.

Theodoret of Cyprus (5th Century AD) said the Samaritans of his time spoke the sacred name clearly as *Yahweh*. I believe that from historical and archeological evidence, the closest that comes to pronouncing the Sacred name of **YHWH** is phonetically pronounced as **YAHWEH**.

In 1898 A.H. Sayce transliterated 3 cuneiform tablets dating back to the time of Hamurrabi that clearly said "**Yahweh is Elohim**". (see *Haley's bible handbook pg. 62*)

Also, in the Lachish letters that have been found in 1938 and date back to the 6th century B.C., and are the oldest Hebrew writing with the sacred name on record, again clearly prove that the sacred name was pronounced **Yahweh**. What is also very interesting about the Lachish letters is not only the fact that they are written in ancient Paleo-Hebrew, but that they are also vowel pointed, something that is very rare for a document that ancient, and the vowel pointing clearly shows the pronunciation of YHWH as **YAHWEH**.

After this, the Masoretes worked to reproduce the original text of the Hebrew Bible from about the 6th to the 10th century A.D., and replaced the vowels of the name YHWH with the vowel signs of the Hebrew words Adonai, or Elohim. Thus, *the artificial name Jehovah* (YeHoWaH) (emphasis ours, ed.) came into being. Although Christian scholars after the Renaissance and Reformation periods used the term Jehovah for YHWH, in the 19th and 20th century's, biblical scholars again began to use the true form Yahweh.

Also, Josephus stated that the pronunciation of **YHWH** is phonetically spoken like 4 vowels. *EE AHH OOOH AAA*. (EE + AHH = Yah,) (OOH + AAA = weh.) So when you phonetically pronounce the 4 letters together they sound like **Yahweh**.

According to the Rabbi's who purposely write the name incorrectly so not to be accidentally spoken, they would only say the name once a year on the day of atonement and this only by the High Priest who would go into the Temple, but later it was sanctioned by the Rabbi's that the name could be said by all Jews but again only once a year and this only at sunset at the ending of Atonement. Out of curiosity, I went to the Wailing Wall where this is done as Atonement was ending and I clearly heard the pronunciation of **YHWH** as **Yahweh** over and over for about 5 minutes.

Some have mistakenly tried to connect the name of Yahweh to the false god Jupiter because Jupiter was also called IOUE which can phonetically be pronounced Yahweh. It should be noted that ancient pagans had many gods and were not shy in accepting any new concept of deity as a god. This is one of the reasons that the Romans persecuted the Jews so heavily, because only the nation of Israel had a concept of a single deity. They were looked at as poor and weak because they only worshiped one deity. This is why the goddess *Istar* is also called *Semeramis* and *Diana* and *Athena* or *Aphrodite*. Now, none of these names phonetically sound alike and none are transliterations of the other name. It was just the common practice of pagan cultures to accept any new god and call him or her by the name of one of their old gods.

So, could pagan cultures when they saw the power of **Yahweh**, have used His name and called Him also by the name of their other pagan deities? Logic and history tells us yes, they did. Does that change the name of **Yahweh**? Logic and history and archeology tell us emphatically, **NO!** The way we know that our creator's name is phonetically pronounced Yahweh is by the fact that Israel only had one deity and every credible scholar and every historical, and biblical, and archeological evidence distinctly points to the pronunciation of the only true deity, the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob as **YAHWEH**.

I will close this article with the following references that dogmatically show the Creator's name to be Yahweh. On the other hand I have yet to ever find any biblical, archaeological, or historical proof that would back up either a *Jehovah* or *Yahuah* pronunciation.

Webster's Collegiate Dictionary:

"Jehovah — False reading of the Hebrew **YAHWEH.**"
(*"Jehovah," Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary, 1973 ed.*)

Encyclopedia Americana:

"Jehovah — erroneous form of the name of the God of Israel."
(*Encyclopedia Americana, vol. 16., 1972 ed.*)

Encyclopedia Britannica:

"The Masoretes who from the 6th to the 10th century worked to reproduce the original text of the Hebrew Bible replaced the vowels of the name YHWH with the vowel signs of Adonai or Elohim. Thus the artificial name Jehovah came into being."
(*"Yahweh," The New Encyclopedia Britannica, vol. 12, 1993 ed.*)

The Jewish Encyclopedia:

"Jehovah — a mispronunciation of the Hebrew YaHWeH the name of God. The pronunciation of Jehovah is grammatically impossible."
(*"Jehovah," The Jewish Encyclopedia, vol. 7, 1904 ed.*)

The New Jewish Encyclopedia:

"It is clear that the word Jehovah is an artificial composite."
(*"Jehovah," The New Jewish Encyclopedia, 1962 ed.*)

The Encyclopedia Judaica:

According to the *Encyclopedia Judaica*, p. 680, vol. 7, "the true pronunciation of the tetragrammaton, YHWH, was never lost. The name was pronounced **Yahweh**. It was regularly pronounced this way at least until 586 B.C., as is clear from the Lachish Letters written shortly before this date."

Encyclopedia Judaica, pg. 680, The Macmillan Co., New York, 1971.

"The true pronunciation of the name YHWH was never lost. Several early Greek writers of the Christian Church testify that the name was pronounced '**Yahweh.**' "

Isa 42:8 I am YAHWEH; that is My name; and I will not give My glory to another, nor My praise to engraved images.

Clearly His name is Yahweh, let us exult His name together, HalleluYAH!

The Name of the Creator

Fact 1: His Name is Yahweh

The personal Name of our Creator, Yahweh, is called the *Divine Name* and the *Tetragrammaton*, or four-letter word because it has four letters in Hebrew. Most Jewish people won't say Yahweh. Instead, they say *HASHEM*—a Hebrew word that means “The Name”, or they say Adonai—the Hebrew word for Lord. Yahweh is also called the *Ineffable Name*, or the unspeakable Name, but Yahweh's Name is not unspeakable!

Fact 2: Yahweh's Name Has Been Edited Out of Most Bible Translations

Yahweh's Name doesn't appear even one time in the text of the three most popular English Bible translations on the market today. The *King James Bible*, the *New American Standard Bible*, and the *New International Version* substitute the titles “LORD” and “GOD” with all the letters capitalized where the name “Yahweh” actually belongs. Jewish religious leaders introduced this tradition in the mid-2nd century B.C., and it has continued since that time. This man-made tradition, which achieved near-universal acceptance in 1611 A.D. when the *King James Bible* editors failed to include the name “Yahweh” in their inaugural edition, is wrong and dangerous for two reasons. First, it nullifies Yahweh's explicit command to tell the world that we have only One El—Yahweh. Second, according to the Bible, Yahweh is the only name in which we have salvation. Stated another way, there is no other name by which we are saved!

Bible scholar and author Charles Ryrie said the name “Yahweh” appears exactly 6,823 times in the Old Testament. Since the New Testament is loaded with direct quotes and paraphrased passages from the Old Testament that contain Yahweh's name, it's an undeniable fact that the name “Yahweh” should appear all over the New Testament as well. Even so, most Christians have never seen Yahweh's name in print and very few of them have ever heard a preacher declare it from the pulpit. This is a serious problem that demands attention! Deut 4:2 and Rev 22:18 both state that anyone that even takes away one word from Scripture will be under a curse and not only one word but 6,823 times it is being done and not just any word, but the actual most important word in the world, the very being of our Creator who clearly says by the name Yahweh He will be known to ALL generations.

Fact 3: Yahweh Commanded Us to Tell People Who He is by Name

Yahweh means “I AM”, and “I AM” is one of His names. In Exodus 3:13-15, Yahweh told Moses, “I AM WHO I AM; thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, ‘I AM has sent me to you.’” Then He added this command:

“Say to the Israelites, ‘Yahweh, the Elohim of your fathers—the Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Isaac, and the Elohim of Jacob—has sent me to you.’ This (Yahweh) is My name forever, the name by which I am to be remembered from generation to generation.”

“Forever” means *without end* so it's obvious that Yahweh never intended for us to substitute “LORD” and “GOD” for His name. Since Yahweh instructed Moses to tell the children of Israel to remember Him by the name Yahweh “*from generation to generation*”, it's also perfectly clear that He wants everyone

1. to *know* His Name,

2. to *call on* Him by name, and
3. to *tell* people about Him by name.

Fact 4: Yahweh is our Savior and Yahshua is also Yahweh, Yahweh is the family name of the Creator

Jeremiah 23:5-6 says plainly that the Messiah's name is Yahweh. This is a simple, verifiable fact that cannot be refuted!

In Philippians 2:9-11, the apostle Paul was referring to the name "Yahweh" when he said,

"Elohim ...bestowed on Him (Yahshua) the Name which is above every name, so that at the name of Yahshua every knee should bow, of those who are in heaven and on earth, and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Yahshua Messiah is Yahweh (the Son), to the glory of Yahweh the Father."

We know that Paul said Elohim bestowed the name "Yahweh" on Yahshua because in Philippians 2:9-11 he paraphrased Isaiah 45:21-24. This is what Yahweh told Isaiah:

"And there is no other Elohim besides Me, a righteous Elohim and a Saviour; there is none except Me. Turn to Me, and be saved, all the ends of the earth; for I am Yahweh, and there is no other. I have sworn by Myself, the Word has gone forth from My mouth in righteousness and will not turn back, that to Me every knee will bow, every tongue will swear allegiance, they will say of Me, 'Only in Yahweh are righteousness and strength.' Men will come to Him and all who were angry with Him shall be put to shame."

It's heartbreaking that most Christians don't know the name of their Elohim, especially now. We live at a time when people around the world are being told by political and religious leaders that all of us worship the same Elohim, but we call Him by different names. That's not true! All of us don't worship the same Elohim.

Satan must be the source of that lie. He has the most to gain from us not knowing Yahweh's name and not declaring it to the world, but Satan's lies can't alter the truth. There is only One Elohim, Yahweh, and the Christians are the only religion in the world who don't have a personal name for their deity.

Fact 5: We Have Salvation in Only One Name—

Joel 2:32 says, "Everyone who calls on the name of Yahweh will be delivered (or saved)." In Acts 2:21, Peter quoted Joel 2:32, and in Romans 10:13, Paul delivered Joel's and Peter's message precisely. In Acts 4:12, Peter went even further, "And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved, except Yahshua." It doesn't get any clearer than that! We have salvation in only One Name—Yah-shua, (*Yahweh's salvation*). That's what the Bible actually says again and again and again! It's a disturbing fact that most preachers have failed to deliver this message to their congregations.

Fact 6: God or Gawd was the personal name of a Babylonian deity and is only used once in Scripture in Isaiah 65:11 naming the Babylonian deity.

So why would we refer to the Almighty, set part Creator of the universe, by the personal name of the Babylonian deity. Is this truly giving honour to His name? Would we pray in the name of Baal or Vishnu, the Hindu deity? Then why would we pray to god, the name of the Babylonian deity?

When Yahweh gave His 613 Laws to Moses to teach to the children of Israel, He vowed an oath saying that those who would truly obey His voice and walk in all His ways would be a "special treasure" to Him. He also promised that He would establish these Law-abiding people as His holy people.

📖Exodus 19:5-6—

5 Now therefore, if you will truly obey My voice, by keeping My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine.

6 And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation...

📖Deuteronomy 28:9-10—

9 Yahweh will establish you as His Holy People unto Himself, as He promised you on oath, if you will keep the Torah of Yahweh your Father, and walk in all His ways.

10 Then all the people on the earth will see that you are called by the Name of Yahweh, and they will fear you.

📖I Peter 2:9—

But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people; that you would show forth the praises of Him Who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

These scriptures show that all the people of the earth will see that Yahweh's holy people (those who walk in all of Yahweh's ways) are known by the name of Yahweh. There has never been an inspired scripture written in the Torah or by the prophets telling us that Yahweh's holy people would ever be called (known) by any other name. In fact, the Prophet Joel was inspired to write a wonderful prophecy concerning everyone who calls with the name of Yahweh.

📖Joel 2:32—

And whoever will call with the name of Yahweh will be saved; for in Mount Zion in Jerusalem there will be deliverance, as Yahweh has said, among the remnant *who has escaped of those whom Yahweh calls.*

📖Acts 2:21—

And it will come to pass that whoever calls on the name of Yahweh will be saved.

📖Romans 10:13—

For Whoever calls with the name of Yahweh will be saved.

Why is it that we do not call with the name Yahweh? Do we not desire blessings? Do we not desire acceptance from our Father? Holiness? Salvation? Could it be that we've accepted traditions that our teachers have inherited from their teachers, and then taught to us as doctrine, doctrine that cannot be supported by the inspired Scriptures?

Perception or Reality?

By Don Esposito



Have you ever thought that brown eggs are healthier than white eggs? If you have, you have had a false perception. The reality is that the color of the egg has nothing to do with whether it is healthier or not, but merely depends on the type of chicken.

It is a statistical fact that most people make 90% of their decisions in life based on their perception. It is also a statistical fact that 90% of people's perceptions are not based on factual evidence or truth, but simply how their mind perceives a given situation.

I will give an example; a man opens up a door for a lady, how is this gesture perceived? It can either be perceived as an act of kindness and respect on the side of the man or it can be perceived as an insult to the lady to think that she is not capable enough to open the door for herself. It all lies in the believe system of the individual who is making the perception, and here lies the root of the problem.

Over the last 40 years and the rise of the New World Order in which all moral absolutes have been relinquished for a "just don't judge" attitude, Satan has accomplished the task of slowly changing the perception of people in the world today from the absolute unchangeable Word of Yahweh, to a secular humanism warped, perverted outlook of truth and reality.

Forty years ago it was an extremely negative stigma for a woman to have a child out of wedlock, today it is considered normal. Forty years ago it was murder to kill an unborn child, today it is a woman's right to choose what she wants to do with her body. Forty years ago it was completely unacceptable in society to openly flaunt one's homosexuality, whereas today, it is a lifestyle choice.

Satan has truly been successful at changing the perception of people to what is right and what is wrong and what is righteous and what is sin. How about you? Has Satan changed your perception from the mind of Yahweh to his distorted, perverted way of thinking? Don't answer too quickly, until you read the rest of the article.

2 Thes 2:7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already working, until He who is now the obstacle, is taken out of the way.

8 And then "the Lawless One" will be exposed, "whom" "our Master Yahshua" "will consume" "by the spirit of His mouth," and will destroy by the brightness of His presence. ***9*** His coming is due to the working of Satan in all power and miraculous signs and lying wonders,

10 and in all deceit of unrighteousness in those who will perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth in

order for them to be saved.

11 And because of this, Yahweh will send to them a working of deception, for them to believe the lie, 12 that those not believing in the truth, but who have delighted in unrighteousness all may be damned.

The above scripture is quite sobering, and is for the very time that we live in. Why has Satan been able to pervert and change the perception of so many today; even believers? Because they did not LOVE the truth! It is because of this one simple reason that they gave Satan a foothold on their minds and belief system to be able to twist and pervert their perception from the truth of Yahweh into a lie! Now let us look at where this distorted perception ultimately leads to in these end times.

2 Tim 3:1 But know this, that in the last days disastrous times will be upon us.

2 For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, braggarts, arrogant, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, wicked,

3 without natural feeling, addicted to lust, slanderers, without self-control, savage, haters of good,

4 traitors, hasty, boasters, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of Elohim,

5 having a form of righteousness, but denying the power of it; even turn away from these.

It is absolutely shocking to think that the above scripture is referring to so-called believers in the end time and not people of the world. Yet we know this scripture is correct because we are living in these days and are actually seeing it come to pass.

Just as Satan is so subtle in so many ways, he has also hoodwinked many believers by getting them to doubt the unchangeable truths of Yahweh, and then to get them to believe in lies that he has brought into the world. The key here is the doubt that he instills into their belief system, in order for him to change their perception of the truth into a lie.

Let me give you a perfect example. Most baptized covenant believers will vehemently tell you that they believe in the Ten Commandments

and that the Torah (law) of Yahweh is forever. However, because they have not been grounded into the truth and somewhere down the line have had doubt instilled from the devil, even though they passionately tell you they believe in the Sabbath, some have been hoodwinked by Satan to change the day of the Sabbath to another day.

Whether that means the Christian world claiming that Sunday is now the Sabbath day, or whether it is the most recent heresy that the Sabbath changes different days of the week each month according to the New Moon, makes no difference to Satan. He is happy at whatever falsehood it is that his doubt has instilled in someone's mind.

It also will make no difference how much you can show the deceived person from Scripture that they are wrong. Because they have not the love of the truth, Yahweh has allowed Satan to deceive their perception of the truth and believe the devil's lies.

Another example is with the name of our Heavenly Father, Yahweh. Our Heavenly Father clearly tells us that this is His name forever.

Ex 3: 15 And Elohim said to Moses again, You shall say this to the sons of Israel, Yahweh, the Elohe of your fathers, the Elohe of Abraham, the Elohe of Isaac, and the Elohe of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My name forever, and this is how I should be remembered from generation to generation.

And yet people who staunchly will tell you that they believe in the commandments will erroneously call our Heavenly Father by the name of the Babylonian deity "god" and break the third commandment repeatedly. They have allowed Satan the devil to completely deceive them into thinking that it does not matter what you call the Eternal Creator of the universe and whether you call Him Yahweh (His true name according to Scripture) or "god" the actual personal name of the Babylonian deity (Is 65:11), makes no difference whatsoever. Nevertheless, they will tell you to call the Creator Allah or Baal would be wrong.

Why would the name "God", which is the personal name of the Babylonian deity, be any less wrong than calling the Creator Baal or Allah?

Simply it is their warped perception. The third commandment is very clear that we should not take the name of **YAHWEH** in vain. In vain in Hebrew means to change, falsify, or make into a common title. Changing the Creator's name Yahweh into any other false name is clearly breaking the third commandment, and it states very clearly that "he will not be held guiltless who takes the name Yahweh in vain."

How about the 7th commandment? "You shall not commit adultery". Some people will tell you they believe in this commandment, yet out of our own Savior's mouth He states "And He said to them, *Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.*" (Mk 10:11-12)

And yet how many will do exactly this. They will leave their covenant spouse and marry another, and claim it is not adultery. It is also noted that Scripture clearly states that no adulterer will be in Yahweh's Kingdom (1 Cor. 6:9). So why would someone blatantly leave their spouse and commit adultery, knowing that they risk their very eternal life? Once again, simply a wrong, warped distorted perception.

Don't think that it could not happen to you? Remember, "He who thinks he stands take heed, lest he falls (1 Cor. 10:12)." There are many baptized covenant believers out there today who believe that the gibberish false demonic chatter that they are doing is the gift of languages, when in reality they are being led by demons.

One of the biggest problems why people are being deceived and allowing Satan to change their perception to what is righteous and what is sin, is because of we are living in the Laodicean era of the congregation. The Laodicean congregation is one that is filled with lethargy. What is also quite dangerous is the fact that due to a façade of physical freedom and living in a society that has given them much money, mammon, and possessions, the Laodicean has hoodwinked himself into thinking that he has no problem.

Rev 3: 14 *And to the messenger of the congregation of Laodicea, write: These things says the Amen, the faithful and true Witness, the Head of the creation of Yahweh:*

15 *I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I would that you were cold, or hot.*

16 *So, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I am about to vomit you out of My mouth.*

17 *Because you say, I am rich, and I am made rich, and I have need of nothing, and do not know that you are miserable and a wanderer and poor and blind and naked.*

18 *I advise you to buy from Me gold having been fired by fire, that you may be rich; and white garments, that you may be clothed, and your shame and nakedness may not be revealed. And anoint your eyes with eye salve that you may see.*

19 *I, as many "as I love, I rebuke and I chasten." Be zealous, then, and repent.*

Also, notice that it was not only the excessive wealth that got the Laodicean in trouble, but his lukewarm attitude. Satan and The New World Order would like you to think that there is no black and white in this world, but merely gray. He wants you to not have any moral absolutes so that he can deceive you into changing away from Yahweh's truths into lies. It is quite ironic that the color grey does not exist in the Hebrew language, but certainly black and white and righteousness and sin does. And unfortunately, so does the Internet. A person may be willing to die for their strong belief in something, but no one would be willing to die if they had doubt. In addition, the Laodicean totally lacks faith in Yahweh and has the distorted perception that he is his own provider and has earned all of his wealth and possessions.

False perception is also the number one reason for gossip, false accusations, and the overall reason of so much contention amongst believers in the body of Messiah today.

Many times a person will not judge a situation by the truth of what is reality, but they will make their judgment based on their perception of that situation based on their own personal belief

system, which many times is contrary to the truth and also Scripture.

Many times someone will create a totally false situation solely based on false perception. *“So and so looked at me in a certain way, this one is mad at me because he/she spoke to me like this.”* These false perceptions are not only wrong and cause dissention in the body of Messiah, but if the situation is clearly not true then we are lying and bearing false witness against our neighbor. When a given situation arises with a brother or sister, we need to ask ourselves two important questions before we render a decision on the matter. Was our perception of the situation correct? And secondly, was our procedure in how we handled the situation also correct.

You may have had an argument with your spouse and were not sure why. Maybe he just came home from a hard day at work and a very important meeting and needed to write down some notes before seeing the family. Maybe when he walked in the door you immediately asked him for time for a certain matter and he asked you to wait 5 minutes, and maybe you were offended at this and thought it was a lack of love?

Your perception in this case would have been wrong and your procedure in how you handled may have been wrong if you stormed out of the room and were mad at your request not being immediately handled.

Your better response would have been to realize that your spouse loves you very much and must have a good reason if he asked you to wait 5 minutes to handle your request. You also must look into the shoes of the other person to see how they are thinking to truly have a balanced perspective in any given situation. This way you may not agree with the end result of why someone did a certain action but at least you can understand why they did it, and avoid an even bigger offense.

Also, if we are going to change and have the right perspective, then it is evident that we understand

that Yahweh’s thoughts are not our thoughts and His ways are not our ways” (Is 55:8). In order to love the truth it stands to reason that we must change when we are clearly proven wrong from Scripture.

In addition, how many times have you, maybe, personally been offended by an elder’s sermon because you did not understand the truth of what he was saying and wrongly judged him for something that he did not even preach?

How many times did you maybe even turn away from the truth of Yahweh that one of His elders was preaching simply because it did not either fit your lifestyle or your old way of thinking, and yet you could not prove what the elder said was wrong from Scripture.

Yahshua has put His elders in the true body of Messiah for the edifying of the saints and the unity of the faith (Eph. 4:11-14). Don’t you believe that you should give them the benefit of the doubt if they have proven to be true elders of Yahweh, even if you do not maybe fully understand a teaching that was given, unless it can clearly be proven to be wrong from Scripture.

Let’s not give Satan a foothold in our life. Let us leave behind the false perceptions that have caused so much grief in Yahweh’s congregation. Let us fully love the truth with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength and let us pray to Yahweh in faith, that He would continually give us the reality of His truth and not our own false perception.

How much do you love the truth and how much are you being led by pride; the answer to that question may determine where you will spend eternity. Let us all realize how much Satan’s influence has affected all of us over the last generation. Let us fervently pray to Yahweh for His truth alone to fill our hearts and minds. Let us make sure that we are basing our beliefs on the provable Word of Elohim and not on our false perception.

What's in a Name?

By Don Esposito

John 17:11 states that Yahshua said He would keep the congregations *in the name of the Father* and that is the point that I would like to prove in this article that our Heavenly Father has a name. I find it most interesting that every human is so prideful to his own personal name. If your name is Bill and someone kept calling you Fred it would be quite offensive. It would even be more than offensive but hurtful if someone that you know very well such as your pastor of 10 years suddenly forgot your name. In Hebrew every name has meaning. *Eliyahoo* (Elijah) means *Yahweh is my El*, Daniel means *Elohim is my Judge* and so on. There is not a name in Hebrew that does not have a meaning and yet we are to think that somehow the Creator of the universe, the Name above all names doesn't have a name and doesn't care what we call Him. Most people believe that you can call Yahweh Kyrios, Theos, Zeus, and even Baal and just about any other name and that it is acceptable to Him, but that is not according to Scripture.

Exo 3:15 And Elohim said to Moses again, You shall say this to the sons of Israel, **YAHWEH**, the Elohim of your fathers, the Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Isaac, and the Elohim of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My name forever, and this is My memorial from generation to generation.

The third commandment tells us "*You shall not take the name of YHWH your Elohim in vain.*" In vain means to *change, falsify, or to make common*. A child could see that taking out the personal name of **YAHWEH** or in Hebrew it is the letters **Yod, Hey, Vav, Hey**, and replacing it with a generic title of *Lord or God* is definitely breaking the third commandment.

Anyone with any common sense would agree that the original Scriptures were written in Hebrew. Deut 4:2 strictly tells us we are not to **add or take away** from the word of Scripture. Yet if you look in any interlinear bible you will see that the personal name of our Creator Yahweh has been

taken out almost 7,000 times from the original Hebrew and replaced with generic titles such as Lord or God. God is not a personal name of the Creator and I can prove it. In the preceding verse in Exo 3:13 Moses is speaking with the Creator and listen to what he says to Him.

Exo 3:13- And Moses said to God, behold I shall come to the sons of Israel and say to them, the God of your fathers has sent me to you; and they will say to me, what is His name, and what shall I say to them."

First Yahweh goes on to say that "*He is that He is*" and doesn't need to prove Himself to anyone but then tells Moses His name for all generations is Yahweh as we saw in verse 15. Clearly God or more correctly rendered Elohim in the Hebrew, was a generic title and was not His name because they asked "*which God.*" Going back to the Israelites and telling them that God appeared to him would have brought the question, "*which God?*" Clearly God is not the personal name of the Creator.

God can mean any god. Allah is god to the Muslims, Vishnu is god to the Hindus, and the Hebrew word Elohim that is being translated in most bibles as God is a generic title for deity, as where Yahweh is a personal name. I stopped using the generic title several years ago while in Israel because I was casting out a horrific demon out of a man and when I said I come in the name of Yahshua the Son of God, the demon asked me "*which god*". When I commanded in Yahweh's name the demon left.

In such a ecumenical time as which we live in, where Christian ministers pray together with Muslim clerics and where the Pope would want you to believe that we all worship the same "*god*", can't we see the need why we need to use the proper name of our Creator and not only generic titles. On the U.S. dollar it states in God we trust, but which god? Would the U.S. congress ever put on the money in Yahweh we trust, no of course not, because by saying in God we trust it can mean any god and we know our government does not

obey Yahweh, the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

There is another very important point about the name “god” that also must be brought up. As already stated, the original language of the bible was Hebrew. In Hebrew, the generic word for deity is El or Eli and in plural Elohim. The name “god” in Hebrew is only in one scripture when Yahweh is rebuking the Israelites for worshipping the false Babylonian deity. The personal name of the Babylonian deity is *God* or phonetically pronounced *Gawd*.

Isa 65:11 But you are those who forsake Yahweh, who forget My holy mountain; who array a table for Gawd (God), and who fill mixed wine for Fate.

In your English bible it may have the word troop, but look in a concordance and it is the word 1408 Gawd. Personal names are transliterated and except for phonetic changes from language to language, the name stays the same. Listen to a news broadcast in a foreign language. You will hear *dot dot dot George Bush*, in any language his name stays the same. I also find it most interesting to a world that has been blinded to the true personal family name of our Heavenly Father Yahweh: that the name of “*Satan*” is not lost or contested in any language but is very clearly pronounced in his world, and since names are transliterated isn’t it very suspect that the personal name of the Babylonian deity “God or Gawd” has been used in English for the generic title to replace the personal name of Yahweh. This is even more important in the light of the following scriptures.

Exo 23:13 And be watchful in all that I have said to you. And you shall not mention another Elohim by name; it shall not be heard from your mouth.

This scripture in the Hebrew does not mean not to read the name when you are reading scripture, but actually means praying to or making a vow by the name of a pagan deity. Also look at;

Exo 22:20 One sacrificing to another Elohim shall be destroyed, unless it is only to Yahweh.

Are you starting to see the picture? Clearly from Scripture the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob

tells us His personal name is Yahweh, and also clearly from Scripture He says He is a jealous Elohim and will not give His glory to the **names of pagan deities**. With that being the fact, are we giving homage to Yahweh when we pray to *God* or *Gawd* the name of a pagan Babylonian deity?

Let’s now list only the **facts** that we have discovered.

- 1) **The original bible was written in the Hebrew language.**
- 2) **In the original Hebrew language the personal name of our Creator Yahweh has been taken out almost 7,000 times and replaced with generic titles and pagan replacements.**
- 3) **Names are transliterated NOT translated and stay the same in any language.**
- 4) **Satan’s name is the same in every language and has never been in dispute.**
- 5) **God or Gawd was the personal name of a Babylonian deity and is only used once in Scripture in Isaiah 65:11 naming the Babylonian deity.**
- 6) **Yahweh states in the Torah that we shall not pray to the personal name of any other deity but Him, Yahweh.**
- 7) **Most people today calling themselves Christians have done away with our Heavenly Father’s Torah and also worship Him using pagan customs such as Christmas and Easter (the personal name of the nature goddess) and call Him and pray to Him by using the name of the Babylonian deity named Gawd.**
- 8) **Even many Sabbath covenant believers still pray to a deity called Gawd or God and not to Yahweh even though Scripture states this is clearly His NAME (Exo 3:15).**

I am not judging the motives of why people are praying to the name of a Babylonian deity, I am simply stating the fact that it is being done. Some new believers believe the name of Yahweh is too sacred to be pronounced, but they are getting this incorrect teaching from Rabbinical Judaism and not from Scripture. Read the Torah and the psalms; Yahweh’s name is there 7,000 times and you could not read the bible without saying His name. We are told to praise the name of Yahweh, to pray to His name and to uplift His name; you could not do any of these if you bring His name to nothing and never pronounce it when you are

reading Scripture or praying. Look how David exalted our Heavenly Father's name.

1Ch 16:8 O give thanks to Yahweh; call on His name; make known His deeds among the peoples.

1Ch 16:9 Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him; tell of all His marvellous works.

1Ch 16:10 Glory in His holy name; let the heart of those seeking Yahweh rejoice.

1Ch 16:11 Seek Yahweh and His strength, seek His face continually.

1Ch 16:23 Sing to Yahweh, all the earth, proclaim His salvation from day to day.

1Ch 16:24 Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all the peoples.

1Ch 16:25 For great is Yahweh, and greatly to be praised; and He is to be feared above all gods.

1Ch 16:26 All gods of the peoples are nothing; yea, Yahweh has made the heavens.

1Ch 16:28 Give to Yahweh, O families of the people, give to Yahweh glory and strength.

1Ch 16:29 Give to Yahweh the glory of His name; bring an offering and come before Him; worship Yahweh in the adornment of holiness.

1Ch 16:31 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; and let them say among nations, Yahweh reigns.

1Ch 16:33 Then the trees of the forest will sing out before Yahweh, for He has come to judge the earth.

1Ch 16:34 Give thanks to Yahweh, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.

1Ch 16:35 And say, O save us, Elohim of our Yahshua; and gather us, and deliver us from the nations, that we may give thanks to Your holy name, that we may glory in Your praise.

1Ch 16:36 Blessed be Yahweh, the Elohim of Israel, from everlasting even to everlasting. And all the people said, Amen, and gave praise to Yahweh.

Clearly David knew and used the name of Yahweh. If you do a study on the name of Yahweh and I encourage all to do so, you will find that only Yahweh is the personal family name of our Heavenly Father and is used almost 7,000 times in

the Old Testament alone, by far almost 70 percent of every reference made to our Creator is with His personal family name Yahweh. The next most used name is Elohim that is again not a personal name but a title, and the rest of the names used El Shadai (*Almighty El*), Adonai, healer, deliverer, Omnipotent one, etc are fine attributes of our Father but are titles and not personal names. They are only used a handful of times except for Adonai which is used about 408 times, compared to our Father being called Yahweh 7,000 times. Of course a name means more than just the letters that it is printed with. It means the character and authority of the one who has the name but let's be honest it also means the letters that make up the name so we know exactly who we are talking about. In a day where the world council of churches in conjunction with the Catholic church and the ecumenical movement is trying to say that the god of the Muslims is the same god of the Hebrews, I will continue to honour my Heavenly Father by not only using titles to show His greatness, but giving glory to the personal name of the only one, **Yahweh**, who deserves that greatness.

Eph 3:14-15 For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Master Yahshua Messiah, of whom every family in Heaven and on earth is named,

This article is not meant to judge those who may out of ignorance have never known the true name of our Heavenly Father, but rather to enlighten all those of the truth to the wonderful blessing of being able to call on the name of Yahweh and reap the blessings that Scripture tell us are to those who call on His name.

Mal 3:16 Then those fearing Yahweh spoke together, each man to his neighbour. And Yahweh gave attention and heard. And a Book of Remembrance was written before Him for those who feared Yahweh, and for those esteeming His name.

Baruch H'Shem, Blessed be His name. Please request for a free tape called *What's in a name, and The third Commandment?*

Are You Guilty Of Blasphemy? (Reprint)

Blasphemy is a most dangerous sin... Yet many who would not think of blaspheming may be at this precise moment committing this great sin! Blasphemy is not just swearing or taking Yahweh's name in vain. There are many forms of blasphemy, and some of these ways of blasphemy bring dire consequences. Don't be ignorant. Study this article and be sure you stop every form of blasphemy now!

Definition

Notice this bible proof that blasphemy and swearing or cursing is not the same thing. In Lev. 24:10-16, we find the account of the Israelite women's son who strode through the camp and got into a fight with one of the men of Israel. And in the fight, the son of the Israelite women, whose father was an Egyptian, blasphemed the name of Yahweh, and "cursed". Notice that he did two things. He blasphemed AND cursed. For this terrible sin he was put to death. And this is the word that came from Yahweh: "*Whosoever curses his Elohim shall bear his sin. And he that blasphemes the name of Yahweh, he shall surely be put to death, and all the congregation shall certainly stone him: as well the stranger, as he that is born in the land, when he blasphemes the name of Yahweh, shall be put to death*" (15-16).

Again, in this law it is made clear that cursing and blaspheming are two separate offenses. Notice too, that blasphemy is an offense punishable by death. Webster's dictionary defines blasphemy as "*indignity offered to Yahweh in words, writings, or say in signs.*" "Blasphemy applies strictly to any intentional utterance defying or offering indignity to the Supreme Being." "*Impious or irreverent speech,*" is also blasphemy. It also includes swearing and profanity.

However, the bible definition covers much more territory than Webster's. And the real truth as to the spirit of the law is going to surprise you. The Hebrew word translated "*blasphemy*" in Lev 24, means to violently poke holes through, to jab at or to perforate.

The Elohim inspired prophecy written by the apostle Paul of these last days reveals the fact that blasphemy would abound. "*But know this, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men*

shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy" (2 Tim 3:1-2).

Yes, our world today is filled with blasphemers. This very country which writes on its currency, "*In God we trust*" is filled with blasphemers. Notice the prophesied condition that would exist now.

"Now therefore, what have I here, says Yahweh, that MY people are taken away for nothing? They that rule over them make them to howl, says Yahweh, and My name continually everyday is blasphemed (Is. 52:5). How many millions of times each day do you think Elohim's name is taken in vain, used in gutter filth, cursed as a means of venting anger?

Yahweh says through Ezekiel, "*And you shall know that I am Yahweh, and that I have heard all thy blasphemies which you have spoken against the mountains of Israel saying, they are laid desolate, they are given us to consume. Thus with your mouth you have boasted against Me, and have multiplied your words against Me. I have heard them*" (Ez 35:12-13). This was a prophecy against Mount Sinai, but Yahweh is the same in His dealing with nations and He has also heard the great blasphemies spoken against Him in this nation.

Of this land today Yahweh says, "*For the land is full of adulterers, for because of swearing the land mourns*" (Jer. 23:10). Even the very land mourns underneath the mountain of sin caused by swearing. In the next verse Yahweh tells us that even the prophet and priest are profane in this land. Yes, even many of them swear. Swearing even occurs over TV, in churches, in the so called high society of "nice people". And even some in Yahweh's congregation today are swearing and do not realize it. And remember that swearing is a form of blasphemy!

Brethren, it is time many of you knew that such words as "*darn*" and "*darn it*", and various combinations of these words are actually swearword derivatives of the word "damn." They are the more "polite" forms of swearing! And even believers use these words in their speech. We need desperately to eradicate these words

from our conversations and stop this form of blasphemy!

It is easy for us to swear or blaspheme. Why? Why is it not as easy to praise Yahweh and bless His holy name? The reason is human nature. Yahweh has put in human nature the downward pulls of sin. And one of these pulls is blasphemy. Yahshua said, *“For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders,..(and) blasphemy...”* (Mk 7:21-22). It is part of human nature, then, to blaspheme, but, it is a part that must be overcome. Paul says, *“But now ye also put off all these anger wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth”* Col 3:8.

Examples of blasphemy

When Hezekiah was king of Judah, Sennacherib planned to invade and conquer the nation of Judah. He boasted against Judah: *“Let not Hezekiah deceive you: for he shall not be able to deliver you. Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in Yahweh, saying, Yahweh will surely deliver us: this city shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.Beware lest Hezekiah persuade you, saying, Yahweh will deliver us. Hath any of the gods of the nations delivered their land out of my hand, that Yahweh should deliver Jerusalem out of my hand?”* (Is. 36:14-16, 18, 20).

Here the king of Assyria challenged Yahweh. He tried to bring Yahweh down to the level of an idol, to that of physical things. He spoke out intentionally defying Yahweh and His power to deliver Judah and Jerusalem. Yahweh called it blasphemy.

“And Isaiah said unto them, thus shall you say unto your master, thus says Yahweh, be not afraid of the words that you have heard, where the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed Me.” (Is. 37: 6)

Again in verse 10 of this same chapter the king of Assyria blasphemed Yahweh. He accused Yahweh of trying to deceive His people. Yahweh labels this accusation blaspheming, verse 23. Do men or nations get away with blasphemy against the Most High Elohim? Yahweh said He would defend Jerusalem and He accepted the challenge given by the king of Assyria. Who won? Notice, *“Then the Messenger of Yahweh went forth, and smote in the camp of the Assyrians a hundred and fourscore and five*

thousand: and when they arose early in the morning, behold, they were all dead corpses” (verses 36).

Notice that this was blasphemy but that the king of Assyria never did curse Yahweh’s name. But he did show irreverence and indignity to Yahweh and His power.

Other forms of blasphemy

Here are other misdeeds that Yahweh labels blasphemy in His Word. Let us look at them and let each analyze himself in the light of Yahweh’s Word. Think over your own actions as of late and see if you are blaspheming.

In Ezek 20:27 we read, *“Therefore, son of man, speak unto the house of Israel, and say to them, this says Yahweh Eternal, yet in this your fathers have blasphemed Me, in that they have committed a trespass against Me.”*

They blasphemed Yahweh by trespassing or sinning against Him. And this particular sin that they did was to pervert the way of worshipping Yahweh. They sacrificed to idols and established their own religions after Yahweh gave them the blessings of the land. This is happening today in the US. This people have polluted the true believers of Yahweh and have replaced His true name with the name of the Babylonian deity “God”. Part of the third commandment not to take Yahweh’s name in vain is not to change, falsify or make common. They are actually blaspheming the name of Yahweh by changing it to God.

We must be careful that we do not detract from or add to Yahweh’s Word. We must be careful that we do not participate in idolatrous worship. That is what the Israelites did and Yahweh calls it blasphemy. If you blaspheme Yahweh, you will pay for it unless you repent! Those participating in pagan holidays are having a part in the idolatrous worship condemned in Ezek 20:28, which Yahweh labels as a form of blasphemy. Even just being present at a so-called harmless Christmas dinner is a form of condoning and a type of blasphemy, since Christmas is a false pagan holiday.

Blasphemy is Hypocrisy

Another form of blasphemy brought out is in Rev. 2:9. *“I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty (but you are rich and I know the*

blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are of the synagogue of Satan.”

What is a spiritual Jew? According to Romans 2:29, it is one who has been circumcised in the heart, that he has received the Holy Spirit and is therefore a believer. There were people saying they were believers, true spiritual Jews, but who were not. Yahweh calls this blasphemy. Therefore to profess to do what is right and not to do it is blasphemy according to this principle! “Therefore he that knows to go good and does it not, it is sin to him” (Ja 4:14). How many are doing this very thing?

Are you one who by your attendance in a local congregation profess to be keeping Yahweh’s commandments and Sabbaths and yet are not doing it at all? Are you claiming to be a true believer and follower of Yahshua, yet constantly putting up with sins that you know you have, never bothering to overcome sins and weaknesses? Are you just content with the same faults day after day, yet all the time claiming to be a spiritual Jew? This is blasphemy!

Another way to blaspheme Yahweh is shown in Acts 13:44-45. “And the next Sabbath day came almost the whole city together to hear Yahweh’s Word.” Yahshua said the Word of Yahweh was truth in Jn 17:17. But notice verse 45, “But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with envy, and spoke against those things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting and blaspheming.” When they spoke against the things spoken by the apostle Paul, they did two things. They contradicted and blasphemed!

It follows then, that when we speak against the things spoken of by one of Yahweh’s elders that we are blaspheming the very Elohim we profess. When we speak against the doctrines of Yahweh’s Congregation, which are the very truths of Yahweh’s Word, we blaspheme. Brethren, some of you are guilty of this very thing. You don’t agree with a doctrine and you speak out against it. Perhaps you just cannot understand it at the time. It does not say that it is blasphemy if you don’t agree or can’t understand. But it is blasphemy to speak against the Word spoken.

When we blaspheme you border on the most dangerous sin of all. You are getting close to the cliff that will topple you into the lake of fire. If you don’t understand something spoken by an elder, then ask him about it. Pray about it. Search your own heart to make sure you are not deceiving yourselves. But above all, don’t speak against it, unless you can clearly prove from Scripture that it is wrong or you may just be committing blasphemy.

Causing Blasphemy

You may be one who is not blaspheming directly yourself. But you may be the cause of blasphemy to Yahweh and His Word by repeating a matter or supporting another who is blaspheming. If you are, then you are at least 50% guilty of this sin.

The apostle Paul condemned the Jews for this very thing. “You who boast in the law, do you dishonor Yahweh by breaking the law? For, as it is written, the name of Yahweh is blasphemed among the gentiles because of you.” (Ro 2:23-24) The Jews were responsible for causing Yahweh’s name to be blasphemed by bringing it to nothing by not allowing it to be spoken. With their bad examples and sin filled lives they caused the gentiles to blaspheme the very name of Yahweh Almighty.

Let us look at ourselves today. How is your example in front of unconverted neighbors and relatives? What kind of example did you set for the world on your way to the Feast of Tabernacles? And while you were at the feast, many of you stayed in hotels in surrounding communities. What kind of example did you set? Were you clean? Or did you leave the place dirty and filthy? Did you give back your room in better shape than you had taken it?

Many of those from whom you rented rooms knew that you were going to this festival. Some even knew the name of Yahweh’s congregation. Did you by your example cause or give occasion for these people to blaspheme the Elohim we worship? The only true Elohim? Were you impolite to the unconverted people in nearby towns or to the merchants? Did you give occasion for them to speak against Yahweh’s congregation, the very body of Yahshua? Where you happy with the feast complex and food, or did you complain and gripe against the leadership

that worked so hard to set it up for you? If you did, you have participated in the sin of blasphemy!

Notice what it cost King David, a man after Yahweh's own heart, for doing what some of us have done. After being told of his terrible sin of adultery and murder, David said, *"I have sinned against Yahweh. And Nathan said unto David, the Master also has put away thy sin, you shall not die. Howbeit, because by this deed (his sins) you have given great occasion, opportunity to speak against the believers and ways of Yahweh."* What will it take for some of us to learn the penalty of the consequences of sin?

Women Blaspheme

Here are two specific bible ways in which we can cause others to blaspheme. First, for the women in Yahweh's congregation, here are Yahweh's instructions for them.

Yahweh says *"to be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good obedient to their own husbands, that the Word of Yahweh be not blasphemed"* (Titus 2:5). If you disobey your husbands, if you are not discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good mothers, mothers and wives, you are causing Yahweh's Word to be blasphemed, indeed you are blaspheming yourself!

Through this whole article so far we have been showing the punishment that one will reap when he blasphemes. We will reap what we sow.

Women who have husbands who are not believers have a great responsibility. If you are disrespectful, sloppy, and otherwise setting a bad example, you are giving "great occasion" for your non-member husband to speak blasphemy against Yahweh's Word and congregation.

Has your husband ever said, *"Why don't you throw that bible away? And don't you ever talk to me about Yahweh/Yahshua or beliefs. I don't want any part of Yahweh if that's the way believers act."*

Actually those are words of blasphemy, said in ignorance, of course. And some husbands have even said more blasphemous things than that. Stop and think. On His great throne, Yahweh Almighty hears every word uttered. He hears the blasphemy of atheists, skeptics, etc. He has heard Kim Jon IL's blasphemy and that of all the

atheistic Communists. Yahweh is sick of it! And then, we, by our misdeeds and foolish actions, cause more blasphemy, blasphemy that would otherwise never have been spoken. What sin! Are we not guiltier in one sense than those who profess to do Yahweh's will and then cause others to blaspheme our Elohim because of our foolishness and wrong actions. This form of blasphemy must be stopped!

Blasphemy on the job?

Yahweh gives warning to most of the men of the congregation. *"Let as many servants as are under the yoke count their own masters worthy of all honor, that the name of Yahweh and His doctrine be not blasphemed"* (1 Tim 6:1). In modern day terminology, this applies to those men who work for an employer. They are to give that employer the honor due him. And part of the way to do this is to perform your work well.

Your employer will know that you belong to Yahweh's congregation. You tell him you must have the Sabbath off, Holy Days, etc. Then, if you do sloppy, half hearted work, you will give occasion for him to blaspheme. Plus, you yourself are actually blaspheming. You are professing to do Yahweh's will and are not. Yahweh says that His name and His doctrine will be blasphemed if you do not honor your employer properly. Part of His doctrine is *"whatsoever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might."* (Ecc. 9:10)

Please also remember that it is Yahweh who sets up and it is Yahweh who takes down (Dan 4:17) and when we go against leaders than we are actually blaspheming the very Elohim who ordained them to the position that they are in. *"And all the congregation of the sons of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron in the wilderness...and in the morning you shall see the glory of Yahweh, in His hearing your murmurings against Yahweh; and we, what are we that you murmur against us?"* (Ex 16:3, 7)

Leads to Unpardonable sin

Blasphemy is dangerous. And it ought to be considered so because one form of blasphemy is the unpardonable sin. Let us understand this. The case of blasphemy against the Holy Spirit is shown in Matthew 12:22-32. *"Then was brought unto Him one possessed with a demon, blind, and*

dumb: and He healed him, insomuch that the blind and dumb both spoke and saw. And all the people were amazed, and said, Is this not the son of David? But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, this fellow doth not cast out devils, but by Beelzebub the prince of the devils. And Yahshua knew their thoughts, and said unto them, every city or kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand, And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself, how shall then this kingdom stand? And if Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your children cast them out? Therefore they shall be your judges. But if I cast out devils by the spirit of Yahweh, then the Kingdom of Yahweh is come unto you.” Then Yahshua said in verse 31, “Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men.....”

Notice in this statement that Yahshua said there were different manners of kinds of blasphemy just as there were different kinds of sin. All the other types of blasphemy can be forgiven. The apostle Paul was one who was forgiven of blasphemy that he had done in ignorance, see 1Tim 1:13.

“But,” Yahshua went on in verse 31 and 32, “the blasphemy against the Holy Spirit shall not be forgiven unto men. And..... Whosoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it shall not be forgiven to him, neither in this world, and neither in the world to come.”

What did the Pharisees do or say against the Holy Spirit that Yahshua should say this to them? Let us notice. In verse 23, after the people saw the miracle, *“And all the people were amazed, and said, Is not this the son of David?”* The people let the work performed by the Holy Spirit in this miracle prick their hearts. They were ready to acknowledge that Yahweh was working through His son Yahshua. And that Yahshua was not just an ordinary man but that He truly was the Messiah who was prophesied to come. They let the manifested power of the Holy Spirit convict them, and begin to bring them to repentance.

But the Pharisees, who saw the same miracle, who saw the blind and dumb man speak and see, did not allow the work of the Holy Spirit to convict them. They hardened their hearts. They

probably had a feeling that they should give Yahweh glory. They knew that what Yahshua did was an act of Yahweh that it was good and right. But instead of allowing this wonderful work to soften their hearts and bring them to repentance they hardened themselves and spoke against the miracle done by the Holy Spirit.

They said, *“This fellow doth not cast out devils, but by Beelzebub the prince of the devils (or demons).”* This was blasphemy! They called a work done by the Holy Spirit, a work done to bring repentance, they called it evil and of Satan. They spoke against the power of the Holy Spirit and blasphemed the only power that could make them repent. They therefore seared their consciences and hardened their hearts to the point they could never repent. Therefore they could never be forgiven.

Some people due to not getting their own selfish way in the congregation have left out of pride and started to attack the work of Yahweh and His ordained leadership. They try to discredit the work of Yahweh simply because their pride is hurt and may not even realize they are not lying to man, but to the Holy Spirit of Yahweh and are blaspheming.

If we get into a habit of blaspheming Yahweh, His Word, His doctrine, and His ministers by our words and misguided deeds, we are only a step away from blasphemy of the Holy Spirit. We are walking the cliff, so to speak. It is a dangerous walk, for one slip could mean our eternal end.

Let us put away all forms of blasphemy. Let us not profess righteousness and then commit sin! Let us not claim to be spiritual Jews when we are not. We also must be careful about speaking against the work of Yahweh and His established leadership. Moreover, we need to be careful of the example we set in front of others, in the home and at work.

All these things are included in the sin of blasphemy. And above all, let us never attribute work done by and through the power of Yahweh’s Holy Spirit as being the work of Satan the devil. For if we harden our hearts to this extent we shall have committed the sin of which Yahshua said,.... *“It shall not be forgiven to him, neither in this world, and neither in the world to come.”*

Prove All Things! The Name of Yahshua's Assembly

Yahshua the Messiah promised in Matt. 18:16 that He would build His Congregation and the gates of hell would not prevail against it. What was Yahshua speaking about? In English most translations render the word ecclesia as "church" but is this proper translation? The answer is no. The word church connotes a building or place of public worship, as where the Greek ecclesia or Hebrew "edah" connotes a called out group of people.

Yahshua's Congregation is not a corporate run church, set up at city hall under this world's government system of Satan, the Devil. Rather, Yahshua's Congregation is a spiritual organism that one does not join by enlisting on some church attendance roll, but rather one can only be drawn to the true Congregation of Yahweh by Yahweh Himself.

Jn 6:44 No one is able to come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him, and I will raise him up in the last day.

It is repentance of sin and the belief in Yahshua for the forgiveness of those sins that enables one to come into covenant relationship with our Heavenly Father and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, not by joining some church or group. Yahweh today as in times past, is working with different people all over the world.

Since there are thousands of denominations, all claiming to be believers, how can we know the true remnant of Yahweh's covenant people?

Rev 14:12 Here is the patience of the saints, here are the ones keeping the commandments of Yahweh, and the faith of Yahshua.

The way that we will know the true remnant of Yahweh is that they will be covenant led brethren who obey Yahweh's commandments and have the faith of Yahshua. This faith in Yahshua includes exhibiting true genuine love in our lives to others as Yahshua Himself would.

It would not be a Congregation that has changed His Sabbath to another day, or claims that His law is nailed to the stake, but a

Congregation that through His Spirit is obedient to His law.

Ro 8:4 So that the righteous demand of the law might be fulfilled in us, those not walking according to flesh, but according to spirit.

Did Yahshua tell us what name we should pronounce in the Assemblies?

Jn 17:11b Holy Father, keep them in Your name, those whom You gave to Me, that they may be one as We are .

Eph 3:14 For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Master Yahshua Messiah.

Eph 3:15 of whom the whole family in heaven and on earth is named.

Clearly Yahshua left us the example to keep our Congregations named after the family name of our Heavenly Father, Yahweh. Did the Apostle Paul follow His example?

1Cor 1:2 and to the Congregation of Yahweh which is in Corinth, those having been sanctified in Yahshua Messiah, called out saints,

Acts 20:28b in which the Holy Spirit placed you as Overseers, to shepherd the Congregation of Yahweh which He purchased through His own blood.

1 Tim 3: 5 But if anyone does not know how to rule his own house, how will he care for a Congregation of Yahweh?

Gal 1:13 For you heard my way of life when I was in Judaism, that with surpassing zeal I persecuted the Congregation of Yahweh and ravaged it.

1 Cor 11: 16 But if anyone thinks to be contentious, we do not have such a custom, nor the Congregations of Yahweh.

Just as a bride takes on the family name of her husband, upon baptism we should be taking on the family name of Yahweh in our Congregations. Twelve times in Scripture, the NT congregation has been named Assembly or Congregation of Yahweh after the name of our Heavenly Father. Since our Heavenly Father has restored His true name to us in these end times, should we not follow Scripture and keep His congregation in His Holy name.

Become an Ambassador for Israel



2 Cor 5:20- *Then on behalf of Messiah, we are ambassadors, as Yahweh is exhorting through us*

Rev 5: 20- *and made us kings and priests to our Elohim; and we shall reign on the earth.*

Apply for the Return to the land Program

Scripture clearly tells us that to be true believers we will be kings and priests of the Most High Elohim in His Kingdom and that we are now ambassadors for Yahweh's soon coming Kingdom. To this end, we will teach and train our students how to prepare for this most important job. Ambassadors are not just sent, but they must be trained for the position and country that they are going to.

We are truly focused on training our students in leadership, young and old. What a true ambassador does, and how he ought to behave. Whether you are just getting out of school and want to dedicate your life as a servant of Elohim or you are older and want to make that next step in your calling to a more complete role in serving our Heavenly Father and His children.

In royal families, children are trained from birth to prepare to someday take the throne. So many people will spend years of their life going to worldly learning institutions to learn secular skills that most will not even be used in the Kingdom age, don't you think it is worth a few months of your life to learn skills that you will take into our Heavenly Father's Kingdom?



(Math 24:32)

But learn the parable of the fig tree

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