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# The Remnant's Walk



Matt. 7:20-"Then surely from their fruits you shall know them"

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# Personal

#### by Don Esposito

Greetings Brethren,

And shalom in the wonderful name of Yahshua Messiah. As I write this personal in the summer of 2021, we as the people of Yahweh are truly in the valley of decision. For the last one- and one-half years the world has been in a real stupor. People have been in fear of the Covid 19 virus, and many restrictions and rules have been put into place to affect and change the lives of almost everyone on the planet.

But now, with the Covid shots that have been being given over the last 6 months or so, people are starting to think that things will be going back to "normal". This is their heart's desire.

But what is normal to most in this world?

Gay marriage, abortion, people choosing and changing their natural gender that they were born with, and every kind of foul and evil pleasure-seeking desire that people want at any given whim. This is what is normal to most in this world and what they desire to get back; the freedom to live a life of rebellion to the living Elohim of the universe.

And yet to the people of Yahweh who will not take the unclean, immoral, experimental shot that in most cases is made from aborted fetal tissue, and animal serum, and has killed and maimed hundreds of thousands of people worldwide, we are not looking to go back to the normal that the world craves.

To the people of Yahweh Covid 19 has been a great wakeup call, not to quarantine ourselves from other believers in the body of Messiah, but to quarantine ourselves from the wicked, unrighteous world around us.

The Israelites had to live in the immoral world of the Egyptians around them, just as we in this Laodicean era have had to live in the corrupt, pleasure seeking world of commercial Babylon. But, just as at the appointed time Yahweh came to free the Israelites from the oppressive world around them, at the appointed time, soon, Yahweh will take His people to the wilderness and hide them as He comes to earth to punish the world for the great wickedness that they have done

Isa 26:20 Come, My people, go in your rooms and shut your doors behind you. Hide for a little moment, until the fury passes.

**Isa 26:21** For, behold, YAHWEH comes out of His place to visit his iniquity on those dwelling on the earth. The earth shall also reveal her blood, and shall no more cover over her slain ones.

To the true remnant of Yahshua, we are not looking to go back to the old normal that we should have been trying to come out of since our baptism, but we are looking ahead to the Kingdom of Yahweh, and the only road to the Kingdom is through the wilderness.

May Yahweh give each one of you eyes to see, to be able to leave this wicked society of Satan behind, and to put on robes of righteousness for our Master Yahshua's return.

B'Shem Yahshua, Elder Don

## Be Fruitful and Multiply

By Don Esposito



Have you ever thought about the fact that out of every single thing that was created in this universe that Yahweh only explains about that creation in one little chapter? He could have written a whole book just on Creation, but He didn't. So that would tell us that every single word is important in the Creation account, and must be looked at and scrutinized to know the true meaning of man's purpose on this earth. Let's take a look at the Creation account and see what Yahweh's intention was with the man that He created.

Gen 1:26 And Elohim said, let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the heavens, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over all the creepers creeping on the earth.

<u>27</u> And Elohim created the man in His own image; in the image of Elohim He created him. He created them male and female.

Did you notice that Yahweh said to Yahshua, let us make man in our image, according to our likeness? However, when He created them, it only says that He created them in His image, not His likeness. Why is this?

Because being created in His image simply means being created and looking as the Yahweh family looks. In Revelation 1 we see that Yahshua has a head with hair, He has eyes and feet and hands just as we do who were made in His image.

However, to be made according to His likeness, this is speaking of His character, and this is not something that can be given by instantaneous fiat. Character is something that has to be learned and taught through experience. Only Adam was to be made in Yahweh's image and likeness, and this is

where Adam was to come in to teach that likeness to the rest of humanity.

Adam was created and told in Genesis 1:28 "to be fruitful and multiply and fill the land". If you look up these words, you will find out that they literally mean, "to bear fruit and multiply and accomplish to fill the land." This is another extremely important pattern of Yahweh. The physical land of Israel is somehow connected to just about every covenant in Scripture.

At Creation, Yahweh set aside the land of Eden as the training ground for His first servant and priest, Adam. However, He also intended that after Adam would learn His character through His Torah, which was in principle through the Ten Commandments at Creation, and the very part of Yahweh's character, that Adam would go back outside of Eden and bring the good news message of His Torah and salvation to the rest of His creation. When Yahweh told him to bear fruit and multiply, He was not merely speaking of Adam and Eve's own pro-creation, as Eve was not even formed yet, but was primarily speaking of Adam bringing those others of His creation who were outside of Eden into covenant relationship with Him. Then, ultimately, Eden would expand and cover all the earth, as the other humans would enter Yahweh's covenant.

<u>Isa 11:9</u> They shall not do evil, nor destroy in all My holy mountain. For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of Yahweh, as the waters cover the sea.

Remember, Yahweh works in patterns and does not change. We also see this very pattern that started with Adam to be also with us as believers today. We are created in the world outside of Eden as Adam was, and then Yahweh calls us to His truth (back to Eden). Then we are to go back to the world and bear fruit by sharing our salvation with others.

The same pattern was with Moses. He was born in Egypt (world), and then was called out to the wilderness at 40 years (sanctified), and

then called back to Egypt to rescue the rest of Israel.

Let us look at Genesis 2:15 and see what Yahweh had Adam doing in the Garden of Eden.

# <u>Gen 2:15</u> And Yahweh Elohim took the man and put him into the Garden of Eden, to work it and to keep it.

The word to "work" literally means to serve or be a servant of and one of its meanings is actually to even worship. The word "to keep" in Hebrew is "Shamar" and literally means to guard and protect, and is the word that is used in Exodus 31:16 for how we are to guard and protect the Sabbath day. It is also the word used in Genesis 26:5 when Yahweh is telling us why Abraham was blessed to enter covenant with Him, because Abraham guarded and protected His Torah.

Therefore, what we see is that from the Garden of Eden there was a priesthood that was established, not to do sacrifice but to worship and bear fruit for Eden to expand. The word in Hebrew for sacrifice literally means to "draw closer to through relationship", not killing an animal. Only after Adam and Eve chose the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil (which I believe was to have free will) and sinned against Yahweh did Yahshua as the eternal Melchizedek High Priest have to kill an animal to clothe them, and set a temporary precedent for the killing of animals to cover sin. This was set only until the time of reformation when He would come and pay for all sin through His blood and remove the penalty for mankind.

However, the pattern has stayed the same since the Garden of Eden. Yahweh sanctified Adam to be called into Eden, away from society, just as we as believers are to be sanctified away from the world today. Adam was then to learn the Torah from Yahshua Himself, to bring Yahweh's commandments to the rest of society and to bear fruit to Yahweh and multiply and expand Eden to cover all the earth.

<u>1 John 2:15</u> Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him,

16 because all that which is in the world: the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

# Gen 3:6 And the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and the tree was desirable to make one wise.

How striking the parallel is between Eve's sin in Eden by not keeping herself sanctified and John's warning to believers today. Let's look at another striking parallel from Yahshua's instruction to Adam to bear fruit in Genesis 1, 2, and 3 and Yahshua's command to His true disciples today.

<u>Gen 3:17</u> And He said to the man, Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree about which I commanded you, saying, You shall not eat *from* it, **the ground** *shall be* **cursed because of you**; you shall eat of it in sorrow all the days of your life.

<u>18</u> And it shall bring forth thorns and thistles for you, and you shall eat the plant of the field.

<u>19</u> By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread until your return to the ground. For you have been taken out of it; for you *are* dust, and to dust you shall return

After Adam sinned, he was told that now he will not have good fertile soil any longer for his job of producing fruit for Yahweh's Kingdom, but the fruit would have to be born through thorns and thistles. Look at the parallel that Yahshua told us for today.

Mk 4:3 Listen! Behold, the sower went out to sow. 7 And another fell into the thorn-bushes, and the thorn-bushes grew up and choked it; and it did not yield fruit.

9 And He said to them, The one having ears to hear, let him hear. 11 And He said to them, To you it has been given to know the mystery of the kingdom of Yahweh. But to these, those outside, all things are being given in parables, 12 that seeing they may see and not perceive; and hearing they may hear, and not understand, lest they should be converted, and the sins be forgiven to them.

- 13 And He said to them, Do you not know this parable? And how will you know all parables?
  - 14 The sower **sows the Word**.
- 15 And these are those by the wayside where the Word is sown. And when they hear, Satan comes at once and takes away the Word having been sown in their hearts.
- 16 And likewise, these are the ones having been sown on the rocky places, who, when they hear the Word, *they* immediately receive it with joy,
- <u>17</u> And they have no roots in themselves, rather are of a short time and when affliction happens, or persecutions because of the word, they are quickly offended.
- 18 And those which were sown into a thorny place are they who hear the word,
- 19 And the cares of the world and the deception of riches and the rest of the other lusts enter in and choke the word and it becomes without fruit.
- <u>20</u> And these are those being sown on the good ground, who hear and welcome the Word and bring forth fruit, one thirty, and one sixty, and one a hundredfold.

This is an extremely telling parable that Yahshua is equating directly back to Eden. First let us look at the parallel scripture in Luke 8:11 and see what this parable is really speaking of.

# <u>Luk 8:11</u> And this is the parable: **The seed is** the Word of Yahweh.

Back in Eden, Yahweh said that the plants had not risen yet because there was no man to till the ground (Gen 2:5). We clearly see that the seed is the Word of Yahweh. Then, in verse 7, Yahshua is equating the curse of Adam and the thorns and thistles to the fact that he did not bear any fruit. In verse 11, He is equating to those being chosen by Him today to return to Eden, that we know the mystery of Yahweh's Kingdom as Adam was told by Him but to those "OUTSIDE" they are taught in parables,

because they don't have eyes to see. Exactly the pattern we saw in Eden that until someone could come and teach them, the people outside of Eden, although having less accountability were still without knowledge.

## Ro 10:13 For everyone, "whoever may call on the name of Yahweh will be saved."

- 14 How then may they call on One into whom they have not believed? And how may they believe One of whom they have not heard? And how may they hear without a preacher?
- 15 And how may they preach if they are not sent? Even as it has been written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news of peace, of those preaching good things."

Let us at look at verse 15, which I believe is a direct correlation going back to Adam and Eve. For although they heard the word directly from Yahweh, Satan immediately came and stole the word that was on their heart. Then, here is the clincher. In both verses 18 and 19, we can clearly show that thorns and thistles are those that are choked by deception and lusts and then produce no fruit. This is exactly how Satan deceived Eve.

This was all part of Yahweh's plan as Yahweh knew when He created Adam, that being flesh, he would not be faithful and be able to overcome without total faith and submission in Yahweh. Nevertheless, Yahweh also knew that someone had to go outside of Eden to bring His commandments and knowledge to the rest of creation. Therefore, in a way, Adam's fall gave precedent for the need for a second Adam (Yahshua) to have to come to save all of mankind.

**Ro 11:11** I say, then, did not they stumble that they should fall? Let it not be! But by their slipping away came salvation to the nations,

Yahweh used the falling away of Adam and Eve and their being cast out of Eden as an opportunity to bring His Word and name to the rest of creation; the same way as He did with the casting away of the nation of Israel in Romans 11:11. We just read in Romans 10:13 that one must call on the name of Yahweh to be saved. Now look at what Gen 4:26 states after Adam was cast out of Eden.

**Gen 4:26B** Then it *was* begun to call on the name of Yahweh.

If you look up the word "begun" in Hebrew it is "Khalal", it most likely means to profane, or to break one's word, and when we look at the flood shortly after this, it is clear that Yahweh's name and word were not accepted after Adam and Eve's sin and the curse that followed. Let us also look at the books of Matthew and John and Yahshua's command to His true followers today, to once again produce fruit for Yahweh's Kingdom.

# <u>Mat 7:16</u> From their fruits you shall know them. Do they gather grapes from thorns, or figs from thistles?

Mat 7:17 So every good tree produces good fruits, but the corrupt tree produces evil fruits.
 Mat 7:18 A good tree cannot produce evil fruits, nor a corrupt tree produce good fruits.

<u>Mat 7:19</u> Every tree not producing good fruit is cut down and is thrown into fire.

Mat 7:20 Then surely from their fruits you shall know them.

<u>Joh 15:1</u> I am the True Vine, and My Father is the Vinedresser.

- <u>2</u> Every branch in Me not bearing fruit, He takes it away; and each one bearing fruit, He prunes, so that it may bear more fruit.
- **3** You are already pruned because of the Word which I have spoken to you.
- 4 Remain in Me, and I in you. As the branch is not able to bear fruit of itself, unless it remain in the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in Me.
- <u>5</u> I am the Vine and you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, this man

## will produce plentiful fruit because without me you are not able to do anything.

- **<u>6</u>** Unless one remains in Me, he is cast out as the branch and is dried up; and they gather and throw them into a fire, and they are burned.
- <u>7</u> If you remain in Me, and My Words remain in you, whatever you desire you will ask, and it shall happen to you.
- <u>8</u> In this My Father is glorified, that you should bear much fruit; and you will be disciples to Me.
- **9** As the Father loved Me, I also loved you; continue in My love.
- <u>10</u> If you keep My commandments you will continue in My love, as I have kept My Father's commandments and continue in His love.

Clearly, we can see that nothing has changed in the order of Yahweh since the Garden of Eden. Just as Adam was to be sanctified in Eden, and then go and bear fruit to Yahweh, so we are to do the same today. The lack of bearing fruit is equated with actually being burned and losing our salvation.

Now if we look at verses 9 and 10 of John the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter, we start to see the parallel between Adam and Yahshua. Yahshua is the exact image (representation) of the Father, and has freely given up His free will to be 100% echad with Yahweh and in His will at all times.

#### <u>Col 1:15</u> who is the <u>image of the invisible</u> <u>Elohim</u>, the right of the First-born of all creation.

<u>2 Cor 4:4</u> to those in this age, whose eyes have been blinded by Elohim, because they did not believe, lest the light of the glorious good news of the Messiah, who is the image of Yahweh, should shine on them.

<u>Heb 1:2</u> in these last days He has spoken to us in the Son, whom He appointed heir of all; and by whom He made the worlds;

<u>3</u> for He is the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His being, and upholding all things by the power of His Word; having made purification of our sins through Himself, He sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high,

So now, we are starting to see from the New Testament why Yahshua had to come to earth as a physical human being because where Adam, who was created to look like Yahweh in form, he never achieved to be like Yahweh in character. Where the first Adam failed, Yahweh would have to send a seed from Him, so that the second Adam (Yahshua) would succeed.

Yahweh created mankind outside of Eden (Gen 2:7). He then took one of His creation, Adam from the earth to Eden to sanctify him and train him for his priesthood of bearing and producing fruit from the rest of His creation (Gen 3:23). Adam was told while in Eden not to eat from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil (free choice), but from the Tree of Life (100% full faith in Yahweh).

Since Adam failed, Yahweh would not just throw away all of His newly formed creation, but He willed that a seed would be born from the chosen seed of Adam (who was created in Eden) and would redeem the seed of Adam back to Yahweh, and ultimately all of mankind, as was Yahweh's intention with Adam to begin with.

We must also understand that Adam's failure was no small feat since his failure meant that no fruit would be born into Eden and it became the downfall of all humans to follow. With no hope now of humans learning the Torah and coming into Eden (the presence of Yahweh), every human would therefore, use his/her own free choice and human conscience to decide right and wrong and consequently every human would also fail in the likeness of Adam.

Ro 5:12 Even as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, so also death passed to all men, inasmuch as all sinned.

13 For sin was in the world until the Torah, but sin is not charged where there is no law; (People outside of Eden did not have the same accountability as Adam who was trained by Yahweh in Eden)

14 Yet death reigned from Adam until Moses, even over those who had not sinned after the likeness of the transgression of the Torah by Adam, who was a type of Him who was to come.

This is a real interesting scripture. How could Adam's sin pass on death to every human after him? The Catholics believe that this scripture is speaking of original sin, and that we are all born with sin since Adam sinned. This is nonsense and clearly Ezekiel 18 states that each is accountable for his/her own sin, and that the sins of the fathers or sons do not pass to one another. A generational curse may pass from one generation to another, but not the actual sin that caused it. Each human is liable for their own sin.

This scripture shows that Adam had been given the Torah by Yahweh and was told to bring it to others to make fruit and multiply Eden. But since he failed and no fruit was borne, and man was left to his own free will and human nature, each and every man in succession has also fallen after the similitude of Adam by our own free will and their rejection to 100% fully submit to Yahweh.

Clearly, at Creation there were two roads to choose from; free choice and self-rule or 100% full faith and undying loyalty and obedience to Yahweh and His Word. One was the seed of Satan, and one was the seed of Yahweh. As soon as Adam and Eve failed their position in Eden, the prophecy was immediately given about the enmity of these two seeds and the coming of the Messiah from the seed of Eve and the ultimate saving of the seed of Adam and mankind.

Gen 3:15 And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and

## her Seed; He will bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel.

This prophecy was given directly after the fall of Adam and Eve and shows that eternal life will only come through the Redeemer, the prophesied Messiah from Genesis 3:15. That is why Adam says next;

# <u>Gen 3:20</u> And the man called the name of his wife, Eve; because she became the mother of all living.

So after expulsion from the Garden of Eden, instead of immediate death, Adam and Eve knew from Yahweh's Word that a Savior would be born from her seed and He would be Yahweh the Son and Savior of the world. Moreover, even after her sin, she would be the beginning of life of the lineage of Yahshua Messiah and the mother of all living as the Messiah would be born through her who would be the Savior of all mankind.

Eve was so sure that the Messiah was to be born from her that she thought that Cain, who was her firstborn, was that prophesied Messiah.

#### <u>Gen 4:1</u> And the man knew his wife Eve. And she conceived and bore Cain, and said, I have gotten a man, Yahweh.

Almost every translation in the world incorrectly adds words that are not in Scripture to say Eve got a man "with the help of" Yahweh, but those words are not there. The problem is they do not understand that since Yahweh prophesied of a Messiah being born of Eve's seed that she thought Cain was the prophesied Messiah, and said, "I have gotten a man, Yahweh". She knew the promised Messiah would be a member of the Yahweh family and we know it was His very Son.

The idea of a Messiah coming to redeem the curse of the Promised Land of Yahweh, which was spoken to Adam, was also not foreign to the rest of creation after him. Each generation looked for and waited for this promised Messiah. In fact, Noah's father Lamech named Noah by his name, meaning "comfort", thinking that Noah

was this promised Messiah, who would redeem them from the curse of the land.

Gen 5:27 And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred and sixty nine years; and he died. 29 And he called his name Noah, saying, This one shall comfort us concerning our work and the toil of our hands because of the ground which Adonai has cursed.

Another aspect of this study is the eternal aspect of the land covenant from Scripture. That it was not only mankind that was cursed by Adam's failure, but also the very land of creation that was intended to bless them. It was the same with the Sinai covenant and it is the same today as when the Messiah, who is the very Kinsman Redeemer, will return. He will remove the curse from the land covenant and once again, as it was intended in Eden, the land will bless its people. This is why from Genesis to Revelation the blessing of the land and the fruitfulness of man's labor allegorize everything, when he is in the will of Yahweh. Just as there was one Promised Land at Creation called Eden, there is one Promised Land called Israel for the millennial reign.

<u>Joe 2:3</u> 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>Joe 2:12</u> Yet even now turn to Me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with wailing, declares Yahweh.

<u>Joe 2:13</u> Yea, tear your heart, and not your robes; and turn to Yahweh your Elohim. For He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and He pities concerning the evil.

Joe 2:14 Who knows if He will turn and have pity and leave a blessing behind Him, a food offering and a drink offering for Yahweh your Elohim?

<u>Joe 2:15</u> Blow a shofar (ram's horn) in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly.

Joe 2:16 Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, gather the elders, gather the children, and those who suck the breasts. Let the bridegroom go out of his room, and the bride out of her bridal chamber.

<u>Joe 2:17</u> Let the priests, ministers of Yahweh, weep between the porch and the altar; and let them say, Have pity on Your people, O Yahweh, and do not give Your inheritance to shame, for a proverb among those of the nations. Why should they say among the peoples, Where is their Elohim?

# <u>Joe 2:18</u> Then Yahweh will be jealous for His land and have pity on His people.

<u>Joe 2:19</u> Yea, Yahweh will answer and say to His people, Behold, I will send you grain, and wine, and oil, and you shall be satisfied with it. And I will no more make you a disgrace among the nations.

<u>Joe 2:21</u> Fear not, O land, be glad and rejoice, for Yahweh is doing great things.

Joe 2:23 Then be glad, sons of Zion, and rejoice in Yahweh your Elohim. For He has given to you the early rain according to righteousness, and He will cause the rain to come down for you, the early rain and the latter rain in the first month.

<u>Joe 2:24</u> And the floors shall be full with grain, and the wine vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

<u>Joe 2:25</u> And I will restore to you the years which the swarming locust has eaten, the locust larvae, and the stripping locust, and the cutting locust, My great army which I sent among you.

<u>Joe 2:26</u> And you shall eat fully and be satisfied; and you shall praise the name of Yahweh your Elohim, who has dealt wondrously with you. And My people shall not be ashamed forever.

<u>Joe 2:27</u> And you shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am Yahweh your Elohim, and there is no other. And My people shall not be ashamed forever.

There is a great reward waiting for those who are in faith bearing fruit for the Kingdom of Yahweh. Yahshua is the firstfruit born from the dead, and those who are called out as His disciples will also be firstfruits at His coming.

And all those who are accounted worthy to be in the first resurrection will be part of the priesthood of Yahshua (the second Adam) and part of the eternal priesthood of Melchizedek.

What a great future that Yahweh has for those who love Him and are called according to purpose (Ro 8:28).

## YAHWEH'S Eyes and Ears Are on You!

How can YAHWEH in heaven see and hear you—even know your very thoughts? Read this article about the "miracles man can perform using the physical laws and materials YAHWEH created, and gain a new realization of YAHWEH's incredible power, His knowledge of and interest in YOU!

#### Reprint Article by Hal W. Baird, Jr.

Millions of eyes worldwide were glued to television sets July 20, 1969. Millions were awestruck to actually see space traveler Neil A. Armstrong plant the first human foot on the moon, 240,000 miles away in the heavens.

As Astronaut Armstrong's feet stirred the dust of the moon's ancient pitted surface, his voice dimly penetrated the earth's atmosphere by means of an electronic "miracle." Hundreds of millions of excited earthlings then *heard* him say: "That's one small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind."

It was a profound demonstration indeed of man's ingenuity—of man's ability to travel and communicate! In less than a century mankind had progressed from the smoke-signal and horse-and-buggy age into the TV, rocket and space age.

But what of the Elohim who made these "miracles" possible? And what do man's communications and space travel have to do with whether YAHWEH sees, hears, or is interested in us?

The Apostle Paul declared, "The invisible things of Him [YAHWEH] are clearly seen and understood, in the things He created, even His eternal power and divinity so that they might be without excuse..." (Rom. 1:20). By this principle we should be able to understand that what YAHWEH has made possible for man to do, YAHWEH can obviously do much better Himself! Let's notice just how this is true.

#### **Knowledge Foreordained to Increase**

Before our TV sets that memorable day in July, we humans saw prophecy being fulfilled. Long ago YAHWEH had told Daniel, "But you, O Daniel,

shut up the words and seal this book, to the end time. Many shall travel back and forth, and knowledge shall be increased" (Dan. 12:4).

But until very recent times man has depended on slow and comparatively limited means of communications—word-of-mouth, hand, flag or smoke signals, or homing pigeons. None of these means was usable over great distances. None could reach into space.

It was not until 1835 that Samuel B. Morse's telegraph, an electrical device using wires, provided the first rapid method of moving a message long distances. He did it by the use of "code"—long and short pulses called dots and dashes.

Alexander Graham Bell's "telephone," a method of transmitting the *voice* via wires, soon followed. Then, near the turn of the century, the first means of communicating *without* wires, the "wireless" or "radio," was invented. Television closely followed. Most people will be surprised to learn that the first TV pictures were transmitted across the Atlantic Ocean from London to New York City on November 30, 1924.

By the start of World War II, radio had become a common means of communication worldwide, but television was still in its infancy. It "grew up" following the war. Now almost every American home has at least one TV set.

Then in the late 1950's, Russia's Sputnik I ushered in the "space age" which spurred the U.S. Government into an all-out effort to overtake and beat the Russians in placing the first man on the moon. Obviously, super-reliable, ultra-long-

distance radio and TV, and other sophisticated equipment would be required.

But early radios and televisions had large, cumbersome and fragile glass vacuum tubes, besides bulky resistors, condensers and a raft of wiring and other components far too heavy ever to be lifted to the moon in the early days of the space race—and most likely would not have survived the journey in working condition if they had been.

How could the innards of a TV camera be condensed into a small enough package to be transported into the heavens? And how would man be able to include the computerized guidance systems and other sophisticated equipment to enable that camera to get to its destination and return?

#### The Means to Do It!

In 1948, Bell Telephone Laboratories displayed the first "transistor" which was soon to revolutionize the electronics field and pave the way for the space age. The transistor's incredibly small size, in comparison to a vacuum tube, belied its functional capacity and reliability. It was found to be extremely trustworthy. Simultaneously, researchers developed the "printed circuit" board to connect major components and eliminate most of the bulky wiring formerly required in electronics equipment.

Still later, the final step forward was the introduction of "microminiaturization"—the integrated "chip circuit." Texas Instruments, Inc., of Dallas, Texas is so amazed at these "microminiature giants" which it builds, that it has this sign on the wall saying: "We don't believe in miracles; we rely on them."

Some of these "chips" replace dozens of transistors, yet are so tiny they could pass through the eye of an ordinary sewing needle! And all of these scientific marvels are made from materials mined from the earth, and operate by principles of physics that YAHWEH created for the physical realm of man.

How much easier it becomes to comprehend, "by the things that are made," that YAHWEH has *far better* means of long-distance communication in the *spiritual* realm!

#### Seeing Tiny Details at Great Distances

Surveyor I, carrying a TV camera, was rocketed May 30, 1966, from a point on the rotating earth

moving about 870 miles per hour, toward a spot on the moon almost a quarter of a million miles away and itself moving in space approximately 2,300 miles per hour! Surveyor I landed *within nine miles* of its planned landing spot. Stephen E. Dwornik, program scientist for Surveyor, estimates that a rifle bullet would have to hit within a fast-moving bull's-eye about 5/16 inch in diameter 250 yards away to be as accurate!

Surveyor I sent over 11,000 television pictures back to earth. Particles only 1/50 of an inch across could be seen and measured in these pictures. Can your mind grasp that? From the earth, almost a *quarter million miles* from the heavenly body called moon, *man* can actually see, measure and identify particles that tiny! And this is *not all* man can do.

#### **Using POWER at Will Over Vast Distances**

Many laws exist in the universe which man has not yet been able to *explain*, though he has been able to *use* many of them to produce good and harmful results. Man does not fully understand what electricity, or gravity, or light really is, yet he uses all three. No wonder scientists who work with these laws and forces often describe what they accomplish as "miracles."

Said Robert Parks, Surveyor Project Manager at Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California: "The spacecraft [Surveyor] gave us an engineering miracle. Its flight and landing worked exactly as expected. On its journey and on the moon, it answered almost flawlessly more than 100,000 radio commands sent principally through our huge antenna at Goldstone, in California's Mojave Desert" (*National Geographic*, August 1968, p. 281).

Like YAHWEH, man is able to *command* and be obeyed at a distance.

Someone greater than man put the laws and forces in motion and sustains them to make this possible. If even man can see, count, and identify particles no larger than 1/50 inch in diameter a quarter million miles away, how much clearer and better can YAHWEH see over great distances. And how much easier can He accomplish things *on command* through the power of His Spirit!

#### **Hairs and Sparrows**

What does the scripture in Matthew 10:29-31 mean to you? Yahshua asked His disciples, "Are not two

sparrows sold for an assarion? Yet not one of them shall fall to the ground without Your Father [knowing]. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Then do not fear; you are better than many sparrows."

When I now realize that man has been able to use YAHWEH's laws governing electronics and communications to place a TV camera on the moon which allowed him to see, count and identify tiny particles a quarter million miles away in the heavens, I know YAHWEH has even better perception to see, count and identify each hair on your head or mine!

But what about keeping up with ever-traveling sparrows? Let's see how man keeps up with manmade objects he has rocketed into space. At the U.S Government Space Center at Ent Air Force Base in Colorado Springs, with the aid of computers, recorders and a multitude of other sophisticated electronic equipment, men are able to keep track of a satellite, or a hunk of abandoned space junk—as small as *six inches in diameter* (the size of a grapefruit) and up to 2,700 miles from earth. They can spot and keep up with every man-made object, which has been rocketed into space!

Correlating this ability with the ever-watchful eyes of the North American Air Defense Command using the latest in photographic cameras, men can photograph clearly the light reflected from a basketball-size satellite 50,000 miles away!

With all this in mind, can you more fully understand YAHWEH's ability to keep up with sparrows when they fall to the ground? Can you grasp YAHWEH's ability to keep track of *you?* "You are better than many sparrows," Yahshua declared (verse 31), "For the *eyes* of YAHWEH run to and fro in all the earth in order to be strong for those with their heart perfect toward Him" (II Chron. 16:9).

Perhaps YAHWEH's communications system is similar to the one man has developed. Let's take a glimpse at YAHWEH's communications center at His heavenly throne and compare it to the North American Air Defense Command in Cheyenne Mountain.

The Apostle John wrote: "And immediately I became in the spirit. And, behold, a throne was set in Heaven, and One sitting on the throne...And around the throne I saw twenty-four thrones, and on the thrones, I saw twenty-four elders sitting, having

been clothed in white garments. And they had golden crowns on their heads. And out of the throne come forth lightings and thunders and voices. And seven lamps of fire are burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of Elohim" (Rev. 4:2, 4, 5). This is YAHWEH's heavenly throne!

John continues: "And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts [living beings], and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb [Yahshua] as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of Elohim sent forth into all the earth" (Rev. 5:6).

Since the Lamb—Yahshua—stood in the midst and had the seven "eyes" of YAHWEH sent forth into the earth, do we not have an indication that YAHWEH the Father may use Yahshua as chief director, coordinator and controller of His heavenly communications system? Could YAHWEH's central communications system be basically comparable—as an analogy—to a supersophisticated spiritual computer supervised by 24 operators and spiritually tied in with seven spiritual Surveyors ("eyes")—"Surveyor I, Surveyor II," etc.—each one of which can instantaneously be shifted wherever the action is?

Of course, none of these spirit beings needs rocket motors, fuel, vacuum tubes, transistors, integrated circuits or other sophisticated electronic gear with their attendant malfunctions, however few they may be. Each of these beings has been perfectly designed and manufactured from pure *spirit*. Since these highly mobile units are not bound by physical laws and use spirit power, they move at speeds *infinitely faster* than light, which, we are told, travels at the "slow" speed of 186,000 miles per second.

Messages which travel via interference-free spirit rather than radio or television waves are never garbled—always crystal clear and INSTANTANEOUS! Crystal clear "eyes" delivering perfect pictures to the heavenly throne not only make it possible to "measure particles 1/50 inch across," but 3/1,000 inch hairs on human heads!

We need have no doubt YAHWEH can see, count and record any and all information about us that He may require! But what about your thoughts?

#### **Are Your Thoughts Really Private?**

In July 1965, 135 million miles from the earth, the Mariner IV spacecraft swung close to Mars so its television camera could snap close-up still photos of the red planet and relay them to earth. "These pictures were scanned and broken into 64 different shades of gray. Each shade became a number, and the numbers in sequence were transmitted to the tracking stations of NASA and the Jet Propulsion Lab.

"The signals were faint when they reached earth—only one quintillionth of one watt strength. They were amplified, taped, and fed into computers. Each sequence of 6 'zeros' and 'ones' became a piece of visual information, which was then reconverted into one of 64 shades of gray to make a picture, much like the tiny dots make up the picture on your TV screen at home" (*Reader's Digest*, October 1965).

Can your mind comprehend how little power "one quintillionth of one watt" is? Most ordinary light bulbs in your home are probably rated at 100 watts. If written in decimal form, "one quintillionth" would be .00000000000001. Yet man was able to receive, amplify and decipher the message carried by one quintillionth of a watt of power.

Is it conceivable YAHWEH could receive your thoughts in His heavenly communications center, amplify them, record them, read out and understand them by and through His Spirit?

Notice in Malachi 3:16-17 that YAHWEH definitely does record certain of man's words and thoughts: "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. And they shall be Mine, says YAHWEH of Hosts, for the day that I will make up My treasure. And I will pity them as a man has pity on his son who serves him."

YAHWEH read Job's thoughts. Job was self-righteous. YAHWEH was so interested in Job He let him go through much grief to learn to recognize and overcome that self-righteousness. Finally, Job said, "I know that You can do all, and *no purpose is withheld from You*" (Job 42:2).

#### **YAHWEH Also Broadcasts Commands**

When King Ahab and the whole nation of Israel sinned grievously, YAHWEH allowed a three- and

one-half-year drought to overtake the nation as punishment—to wake up the nation and its king. During this period, to keep His prophet Elijah alive, YAHWEH "commanded" ravens to bring food to Elijah. YAHWEH told His prophet:

"And it shall be, you shall drink of the torrent; and I shall *command* the ravens to feed you there. And he went and did according to the Word of YAHWEH; for he went and lived by the torrent Cherith that is before Jordan. And the ravens brought him bread and flesh in the morning, and bread and flesh in the evening; and he drank of the torrent" (I Kings 17:4-6).

How did YAHWEH "command" the ravens to feed Elijah? He may have done it by altering their *instinct*, which regulated their behavior patterns. Regardless of how He did it, the Scriptures show us that YAHWEH has the ability to give long-distance commands and cause them to be obeyed by His creation!

From the "miracles" of modern science and YAHWEH's Word, YOU CAN *KNOW* that a Living Being in the heavens can clearly see and hear the activities of any and all human beings on this earth!

#### **YAHWEH Uses His Power to HELP US!**

As a member of YAHWEH's Congregation, you are one of Yahshua's disciples. You have been chosen by YAHWEH. And *you* as an individual are being scrutinized by YAHWEH. Much more than the sparrows, YAHWEH, through His spiritual assistants and master spiritual communications center, watches, hears and keeps track of you, for your good.

Said Yahshua Messiah, "You have not chosen Me, but I chose you out and planted you"—why?
—"That you should go and should bear fruit" (John 15:16).

And what goal does He have in mind through that? Yahshua told His disciples: "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*" (John 6:44).

That is your destiny. That is the reason YAHWEH watches and hears you—to *help* you and *guide* you so you can qualify to one day be instantaneously changed, or resurrected, to join Yahshua Messiah and the Father in their all-powerful Family for eternity! (*Note: This article was written in 1970, how amazed would the author be today in man's technological advancements.)* 

### DANIEL NINE PROVES Yahshua Is the Messiah

In the book of Daniel is an amazing prophecy revealing precisely WHEN the Messiah was to appear—as well as exactly WHAT He was to accomplish!

#### Reprint article by William F. Dankenbring

Do you KNOW Yahshua is the Messiah? Can you PROVE it—from Bible prophecy? Fundamentalist Protestants believe Yahshua is the Messiah. But many cannot prove it! They accept these things on sheer faith.

Such a "belief"—such a "faith"—is weak, wishy-washy and utterly worthless, in YAHWEH's sight! Empty faith—DEAD faith, the kind held by most people, today—will not save a single soul! There is no need to assume that Yahshua is the Messiah. **YOU can know for sure!** 

The Old Testament is *FULL* of detailed, plain prophecies referring to the coming of "The Messiah"—or Yahshua, "The Anointed One." From Genesis to Malachi, prophecies reveal many facets of both the first and second coming of Yahshua Messiah. But no Old Testament prophecy pinpoints the **EXACT TIME** of the coming of Yahshua Messiah, and what would occur, as specifically as the book of Daniel.

Turn in your Bible to Daniel 9, and read the prophecy for yourself.

The prophet Daniel lived during the days of Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, and on into the reign of Darius the Mede and Cyrus the Persian. "In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes" (Dan. 9:1-2), Daniel set his face to seek YAHWEH, seeking Him through prayer and fasting (verses 3-4). Daniel confessed his sins, and the sins of the people, and besought YAHWEH for His forgiveness.

While Daniel was praying, YAHWEH sent the archangel Gabriel, who told Daniel, "O Daniel, I am now come forth to give skill and understanding...therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision" (Dan. 9:21-23). What was this vision—this prophecy?

#### **Seventy Weeks Prophecy**

Beginning in verse 24, "Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy."

"Seventy weeks"—how are they to be understood? The day-for-a-year principle of Bible prophecy is understood by many students of the Bible. In Numbers 14:34 YAHWEH told the Israelites, "After the number of the DAYS in which ye searched the land, *even forty days*, each day FOR A YEAR, shall ye bear your iniquities, even *forty years*..." Thus, a day in Bible prophecy is often a YEAR BEING FULFILLED!

This same prophetic principle is found in Ezekiel 4. Prophesying about the punishment and siege of Israel, YAHWEH told Ezekiel, "It is a sign to the house of Israel. And you, lie down on your left side, and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel on it. *The number of the days* that you shall lie down on it, you shall bear their iniquity. For I have laid on you the years of their iniquity, according to the number of days: three hundred and ninety days. And you shall bear the house of Israel's iniquity. And when you complete them, even lie on your right side, the second. And you shall bear the house of Judah's iniquity forty days; a day for a year. *I have given it for you*, A DAY FOR A YEAR" (Ezek. 4:3-6).

Therefore, seventy weeks represents 70 times 7 or 490 days—that is, since days stand for prophetic YEARS, a total of 490 YEARS. What was to happen at the end of these years? Let us continue the prophecy.

#### The Decree of Artaxerxes

Daniel 9:25 explains, "Know, then, and understand that *from the issuing of the word to restore and to rebuild Jerusalem*, to Messiah the Prince, shall be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks. It shall be built again, with a plaza and a trench, even in times of affliction." What decree was this? When was it given?

In the seventh year of Artaxerxes, King of Persia, Ezra came to Jerusalem (Ezra 7:1, 7-9). With him he had a letter containing the DECREE of Artaxerxes, permitting the rebuilding and restoration of Jerusalem!

"Now this is the copy of the letter that the king Artaxerxes gave unto Ezra the priest...Artaxerxes, king of kings, unto Ezra the priest, a scribe of the law of the Elohim of heaven, perfect peace, and at such a time. *I make a decree,* that all they of the people of Israel, and of his priests and Levites, in my realm, which are minded of their own freewill to go up to Jerusalem, go with you. Forasmuch as you art sent of the king, and of his seven counselors, to inquire concerning Judah and *Jerusalem...*" (Verses 11-26.)

In this decree Ezra was given authority to take with him all the Jews wishing to return to Jerusalem and to REBUILD THE TEMPLE, the house of YAHWEH, and whatever else YAHWEH commanded.

What year was this decree given? What year was the "seventh year of Artaxerxes"?

In recent years an abundance of documents, business records, and astronomical tablets, from the time of Ezra and Nehemiah, have been translated, and help us determine when the decree of Artaxerxes was written. These records reveal that Xerxes died late in December, 465 B.C. His death could not have occurred earlier or later, because documents dated in the last month of his reign, and in the first month of his successor have been found. Thus, his son, Artaxerxes, came to the throne in December, 465 B.C.

Since the Persians reckoned the years of their kings from spring to spring, Artaxerxes' *first year* was from April, 464 B.C. to April 463 B.C. The preceding months of his reign are simply called his "accession year."

The Jews in Palestine in Ezra and Nehemiah's day, however, counted civil years from FALL to FALL. They always postdated the reigns of Gentile rulers—that is, counted from the fall *after* the first year officially began. Therefore, according to Jewish reckoning, the first "year" of the reign of Artaxerxes would have been *September*, 464 to *September*, 463 *B.C.* This information maybe corroborated in *The Chronology of Ezra 7*, as well as other thorough books on archaeology dealing with this period.

The SEVENTH YEAR of Artaxerxes, therefore, was September, 458 to September 457 B.C., according to Jewish reckoning. Ezra left Babylon and came to Jerusalem in Artaxerxes' seventh year—the year of the decree—his journey lasting five months (Ezra 7:8-9), and occurring during the first five months of the year—from Nisan in 457, corresponding to our April, to the month Ab, corresponding to our August.

Now notice! The prophecy was that FROM the year of the issuance of Artaxerxes' decree there would be "seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks"—till the appearance of the Messiah! In other words, from 457 B.C., in the fall, till Yahshua appeared on the scene, *there were to be* SIXTY-NINE PROPHETIC WEEKS—a total of 69 times 7 or 483 *years*!

To what year does this bring us?

#### The Year Yahshua Appeared

Figure it out yourself! Just 483 years after 457 B.C. brings us to exactly A.D. 27!

Halley claimed, in his *Handbook*, the date the Messiah was to appear was 26 A.D. However, there is no year zero. Therefore, in crossing from B.C. to A.D. or vice versa, a year must be added to the total to arrive at the correct date!

Notice:

483 years were to pass, beginning from 457 B.C. when the decree went forth, bringing us to 26 A.D.—however, one year must be added 1 in crossing from B.C. to A.D., bringing us to 27 A.D.—since there is no year zero.

Notice carefully—there is no year zero—simply a year 1 B.C. and a year 1 A.D. Supposedly, between these two years the birth of Yahshua occurred! This, however, is not true. The monk who gave us our present dating system made a slight miscalculation in his figures. But, notice—for example—if you want to count ten years from 5 B.C., simply by counting the number of elapsed years, you come to 6 A.D. However, if you subtract 5 B.C. from 10, the result is 5 A.D. Obviously, this is wrong, as simply counting shows. Therefore, you must ADD ONE YEAR to arrive at the correct answer when subtracting—bringing you to 6 A.D.!

Therefore, the year the Messiah was to appear was 27 A.D.! What happened in 27 A.D.?

This was the historical year when Yahshua Messiah BEGAN HIS MINISTRY! This was the very year He was baptized, tempted of Satan the Devil in the wilderness, and BEGAN to call His disciples! Bible chronology and history prove Yahshua began His ministry in 27 A.D.

In 27 A.D. the MESSIAH appeared—Yahshua Messiah!

No one else came upon the scene of Israel that year doing YAHWEH's Work.

Yahshua Messiah began His ministry PRECISELY on schedule—exactly 483 years after the decree of Artaxerxes! But that is not all. Now, notice the REST of the prophecy!

#### Messiah to be CUT OFF

Verse 26, Daniel 9, "And after sixty-two weeks, Messiah shall be CUT OFF, but not for Himself..." AFTER 483 years, then, the Messiah was to be "cut off." What does this mean?

Turn to Isaiah 53 for the answer. Prophesying about the Messiah, Isaiah declared, "Surely He has borne our sicknesses, and He carried our pain... But he was *wounded for OUR transgressions*; He was bruised for OUR iniquities..." (Isa. 53:4-5).

Further, Isaiah records, "He was taken from prison and from justice; and who shall consider His generation? For He was CUT OFF out of the land of the living; for the transgression of My people, the stroke was to Him" (Verse 8).

Yahshua, the Messiah, was "cut off"—KILLED—CRUCIFIED—not for Himself, but for *our* sins! But—*how long* "after" the sixty-nine weeks? The last part of Daniel 9:26 shows that after Yahshua's crucifixion, "And the people of a coming ruler"—that is, the Roman armies under Titus and Vespasian—"That shall come shall DESTROY THE CITY and the Sanctuary." This was fulfilled in 70 A.D. when the Roman armies besieged Jerusalem, destroyed the inhabitants, burned the temple, and razed the city to the ground! "And its end shall be with the flood, and ruins are determined, and war shall be until the end," Daniel concludes (verse 26, last part). The Romans DESOLATED the city and the surrounding area!

But—again, HOW LONG "after" the sixty-nine weeks was the Messiah to be "cut off"?

#### When Yahshua Returns!

When Yahshua Messiah returns to this earth, He will CONFIRM the covenant He made with His people. He will confirm the covenant He made with Abraham, promising that his seed would inherit the entire WORLD (see Gen. 17:4-8; 22:16-18). Abraham and his spiritual seed through Yahshua will inherit "THE WORLD" (Rom. 4:13).

When Yahshua returns, Abraham and the saints will RISE to meet Him in the air (1 Thess. 4:13-17). They will then REIGN with Him, over the nations of the earth (Rev. 2:26-27; 5:10).

And, at that time, Yahshua will make a NEW COVENANT with His people Israel, and write His laws in their hearts and upon their minds (Heb. 8:6-10). Yahshua will complete His ministry to ISRAEL, teaching them His ways. Rebels will be purged out from among His people, but the others, who repent of their sins and loathe themselves for their evil deeds, will be forgiven and will come to KNOW YAHWEH (Ezek. 20:35-38, 43-44).

#### Seventy Weeks—Soon Fulfilled

Daniel 9, the "seventy weeks prophecy," has already—for the most part—been fulfilled. History proves that Yahshua Messiah—and NONE OTHER—was the One who fulfilled the prophecies of Daniel 9:24-27. He is the Messiah! No one else appeared at the *time mentioned*, or did the *things* mentioned.

Truly, Yahshua IS the Messiah! Bible PROPHECY *proves* this fact beyond the faintest shadow of a doubt. There is no need to vaguely "assume" or "think" that Yahshua was FOR REAL. The PROOF is incontestable—irrefutable!

And soon, now, that very same Yahshua Messiah is going to RETURN to this earth and complete the fulfillment of Daniel 9—and usher in "EVERLASTING RIGHTEOUSNESS" when He returns, "to *seal up* the vision and prophecy" (verse 24).

The prophecy given in Daniel 9:24-27 is truly one of the most amazing, startling prophecies in the entire Word of YAHWEH! It gives a pinpointed, detailed explanation of the FIRST coming of Yahshua Messiah—even giving us the EXACT DATE HE WAS TO BEGIN HIS MINISTRY! It shows that He was to be "CUT OFF"—crucified for our sins—giving His life for us, thereby causing the need for other sacrifices, given as a picture of our need for forgiveness, to CEASE. Soon, now, Yahshua Messiah will RETURN to complete this amazing prophecy.

The Truth is overwhelming! How thankful we should be that YAHWEH is revealing the real meaning of Bible prophecy! How thankful, that our faith is NOT merely empty superstition or "belief," but is based on the proven and tested, SURE WORD OF YAHWEH!

Will you be ready when Yahshua returns to COMPLETE His ministry?



Ask the Amish is a section in the Remnant's Walk with reprint articles and letters from the Amish community from a publication called "Family Life", which started back in 1967. Some original authors are listed in the publication, some are not.

**In praise of singing**: A feed salesman stopped in at the Amos Yoder farm. Before leaving, the salesman started asking questions about the plain people's faith and beliefs.

"Do you use an organ or piano in your worship?

"No, we don't have any musical instruments in our congregation," Amos answered.

"Oh, I see. You just clap your hands and stomp your feet."

"No, we sing without a beat."

"Do you harmonize, singing in tenor and bass?"

"No."

"How about quartet singing?"

"No, we sing in unison of voice."

"That's interesting. I guess you just sing old gospel hymns like Amazing Grace, and The Old Rugged Cross."

"No, the songs we sing were written two or three centuries ago by people who were persecuted, imprisoned, and martyred for their faith. We sing them in slow tunes that have been handed down from generation to generation."

Historically, it has been said that the slow singing originated with the Anabaptist Christians. They would sing to their death while being martyred for their faith. In mockery, the people would dance to their singing. Because of this the Anabaptists started singing slow tunes.

Singing that worships and praises Elohim and spiritually edifies people doesn't have to be sung in four parts, harmonized, or have a musical background. When things are added to our singing, there is a danger of putting more emphasis on the voices and music rather than feeling the message and inspiration that the words contain.

Romans 12:2 tells us we are not to be conformed to this world, but to be transformed by the renewing of our minds. A lot of Christian music is more conformed to the pleasure of the world than to the sanctity of worship to Elohim. This should be applied to our whole life, which would certainly include our mode of singing. (Orva Hochstetler, 2-79)

A Waste?- "A public school teacher said a few years ago to an Amish father, "Mr. Troyer, do you realize that your son, Bennie, has an exceptional mind? He always gets straight A's without even working. You should certainly see that he goes to high school and college. It would be a shame, a terrible shame if he didn't." The Amish father shook his head. The school teacher shook his too, though for a different reason. He went home, muttering to himself, "What a terrible waste. All that talent, and all he will ever amount to is just an old-fashioned farmer, sweating in the field, tilling the soil with his hands like a common peasant, when he might be a doctor, or a dentist. Who knows maybe even an artist or a poet?"

Bennie's father thought to himself. A waste? Yes, Bennie might get on well in the world. He might well reach fame, wealth, and pleasure. But what if he lost his soul? Would that not be the greatest waste of all? (3-75)

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#### **Hired Girls-Scarred**

It was a peaceful day outside, as peaceful as the hearts of those who partook of the Lord's Supper. The ministers' words were inspiring, and a blessing to all listening ears. I kept looking at the stern expressions of these folks in our small community. A few silent tears escaped my eyes, and I felt a heavy heart.

My heart was made worse two weeks ago when I was punished at a council meeting, but it didn't start there. It didn't even start two years ago. In fact, it goes back much farther. In our family I was second in line. My parents never had a lot, but we never went to bed hungry, or wore patched clothes to church. They tried to teach me right from wrong, and I am thankful to Elohim for my Amish heritage.

I started working at an early age. My first job for non-Amish people was at the tender, vulnerable age of 13. My parents didn't realize the years of heartache I would live through by letting me have a better paying job in the world. I have an outgoing personality, which makes it easier for me to accept different people. I had little or no problem adjusting to the outside world I was working in.

For two solid years, I was gone from Monday morning until Friday evening. I had every convenience imaginable. In no time, I could control every switch, and knew how to push every button on the TV. Of course, I had evenings free, and I soon had my favorite TV shows. I could recognize a radio station by hearing the DJ's voice. I learned most of the songs and often sang along. I read newspapers and books of all kinds. I adapted to their views and ideas. **Without realizing it, I was living 2 different lives.** 

Now, I'm 28, and I realize that my many years working outside have been somewhat of an exception. I've been employed by the family of an air force pilot, a policeman, doctors, and even a professional football player, plus other more common people. I've been acquainted with just as many different religions and

attended church with most of them. I've had encouragement to go into nursing, dental assistance, secretarial, and other types of work from all well-meaning people who always told me I had too much intelligence to waste on housecleaning or babysitting.

I began joining church at 16 and was baptized at 17. I really have tried to live up to the rules and regulations of the communities that I have lived in. In spite of this, there {seemed to be many} times when I was making confessions in church for misdeeds. Now, I'm beginning to see or understand that no one is doing anything to be cruel. But, for the church to be pure, it must remove any leaven of evil.

I am the one who must change, but after all this time, it seems impossible. How can I change the inside of me to be the Amish person I should be? How can I undo and erase all the wrong influence of all those years?

I prayed to be like the girl down the road who gets up at 5:00 am and milks 7 or 8 cows, and doesn't have to be away from home day after day. I just hope more parents realize the dangers of letting their young girls go out, away from home, and under the influence of the world. Believe me, it's not worth the money.

All I can say is that it's a miracle that I am still Amish. I'm not sure I can stay in my beloved community. Elohim knows I want to stay, but after all those years in the world, my best may not be good enough. I'm at the crossroads of my life, and I don't know which way to turn. The scars will always be with me. I will suffer the effects for the rest of my life.

If my letter can help just one parent realize the danger in working outside in the world, if I can just save one girl from all the heartache I've been through, this letter will have been well worth my time. (M.B, Ohio)

**Welcome To The Club:** Every community is full of fences, high ones and low ones, tight ones and loose ones. It seems like parents and ministers are repairing or building new ones all the time. All one has to do to belong to the club is just find out what fences your local congregation and parents have put up, then crowd those fences and encourage others to do the same.

Jonas became interested in the crowd-the-fence club before he was very old. Of course, at home he didn't have many fences to crowd; his parents just let him do as he wanted and didn't build many fences. The ministers felt the influence of the radio harmful, so they put a fence around it. Finally, he broke through the fence entirely, and bought a radio of his own. It gave him ideas and taught dirty words and suggestive tunes with which to express them.

Now that he had the radio fence crossed, Jonas started crowding the fence of bad companionship. He sought out the kind of friends that could talk the language he learned on the radio. The horse and buggy fence didn't stop him long. When Jonas was 18, he rattled home one evening with a secondhand car. Now Jonas could roar through fences {break rules} at 80 miles an hour. He could go where he wanted to and he did.

He remained faithful as an active fence-crowder his whole life. Right to the last, he worked at gathering fresh members and introducing them to the club. It was too bad that he had a wreck one Sunday morning at three o'clock, when he drove out into the path of a truck on a busy highway. The police found two empty beer bottles smashed beside his crushed body.

So, now you have your invitation to join the club. But don't think you have to crowd the fence as far as Jonas to be a member. It wouldn't be good for the club if all the members cursed and drank and tore around in a car. The club needs you just as much as it needs the Jonas kind. If we all stick together, we'll all go to the same place. And Jonas will be there to greet you (Luk 16:9). "Enjoy yourself, youth. Do what your heart desires, but know that Elohim will judge you." (Eccles, 11:9) (2-69)

# What Kind of Example Are You Setting?

Reprint article by David Carley

I saw a humorous little sign once that read, "Don't feel useless— you can always serve as a bad example!" Unfortunately, this observation describes precisely the good that came out of ancient Israel's existence.

Beginning at the Red Sea, Israel failed in their first of many opportunities to build faith in YAHWEH's ability to lead them safely into the Promised Land. The thought of the threat from the Egyptian, pharaoh's army as being an opportunity to build faith in Yahweh seemingly never crossed their minds.

Yet that's exactly what that trial was for them. Rather, they looked at the approaching army on one side and at the Red Sea on the other and began to bitterly attack Moses.

In spite of this rebellion, YAHWEH delivered Israel. Many more opportunities to build faith, rather than doubt, came upon them in the form of more trials. But they persisted in seeing the hardships as the fulfillment of the worst of their fears. It was not until Israel refused to enter the Promised Land that YAHWEH sentenced them to wander and eventually die in the wilderness. Their lives were spent in doubt, confusion, despair and all the other bitter fruits of faithlessness.

#### For Our Admonition

The Apostle Paul said that "all these things happened unto them [Israel] for ensamples [lessons]" (I Cor. 10:11) and that the trials they suffered "did not profit them" (Heb. 4:20). Well, if their lessons did not profit them, whom did they profit? Paul answers, "And they [Israel's mistakes] are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come" (I Cor. 10:11).

The end did not come during Paul's life, as he thought it would when he wrote this. Nor has the end come yet. Yahshua revealed that the "end of time," meaning the end of Satan's rule over the earth and the establishment of YAHWEH's Kingdom, would be near when two special conditions were met simultaneously.

The first condition became a reality when the newly developed atom bomb was exploded shortly before the middle of this century. Mankind has since rapidly developed the nuclear arsenal needed to fulfill the prophecy of Yahshua Messiah that "except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved" (Matt. 24:22).

It was at this juncture that another event would be taking place to pinpoint the approaching end of the age. Yahshua described it this way, "And this Good News of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come" (verse 14).

The Worldwide Congregation of Yahweh is now doing that Work of announcing Messiah's coming rule—the second event to mark the end of this age.

The survival of mankind hinges upon the existence of a group faithful to YAHWEH. Yahshua said that unless there was an "elect [YAHWEH's Congregation] there should no flesh be saved" (Matt. 24:22) alive upon the earth.

Not only must there be an "elect" group of YAHWEH's people on earth so YAHWEH will intervene and prevent mankind from destroying himself, but that faithful "few" must be preaching the Good News of Yahshua just before "the coming of the great and dreadful day of YAHWEH." Otherwise, YAHWEH will "come and smite the earth with a curse" (Mal. 4:5-6)—or utter destruction.

The responsibility resting upon our shoulders as YAHWEH's people is staggering. Whereas Israel's failure meant the temporary physical death of a single nation, the failure of YAHWEH's Congregation now would mean the eternal death of its people and the destruction of the entire world.

To help ensure that the Congregation does not fail, YAHWEH built in ancient Israel a prototype or working model of YAHWEH's Congregation and Work today. In short, Israel's experience shows us what we must *not* do if we hope to finish the Work and complete our journey to the Kingdom of YAHWEH.

Israel, as a type of YAHWEH's Congregation today, was set free from slavery (sin) and was baptized unto Moses "in the cloud and in the sea" (I Cor. 10:2). Stephen called Israel "the Congregation in the wilderness" (Acts 7:38). They had a human leader as we do today. And, as a "congregation," Israel followed after YAHWEH (The Son, who is Yahshua Messiah) through the wilderness toward the Promised Land (I Cor. 10:4). Today, YAHWEH is once again leading a "modern Israel" through the wilderness of this world of sin toward the promised Kingdom of YAHWEH.

YAHWEH's people, though scattered around the world, are united in that journey by doing the Work of YAHWEH. The wilderness YAHWEH's Congregation collectively travels today is just as difficult as it was for the Israelites of old.

Our journey is filled with its problems, trials and attacks from enemies. But, as He did for ancient Israel, YAHWEH has chosen other men to lead us under Yahshua through these many perils.

In Israel's story lies a vital message for YAHWEH's Work today.

#### **Need for Faith**

The greatest danger we face in YAHWEH's Congregation is the same as it was to Israel. Paul exposes this danger by stating, "Let us labor [do the Work of YAHWEH] ...lest any man fall after the same example [of Israel] of unbelief" (Heb. 4:11). Paul specifically says that it was "because of unbelief" that Israel could not enter the Promised Land (Heb. 3:19).

Paul then shows Israel's warning message to YAHWEH's people: "Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left to us of entering into his rest [YAHWEH's Kingdom], any of you should seem to come short of it. For unto us was the Good News preached, as well as unto them [Israel], not being mixed with faith in them that heard it" (Heb. 4:1-2).

Faith was the missing element needed in their lives to enter the Promised Land. And faith is what we need to develop in order to succeed where they failed.

Doubt is deadly to us, for it will open the door to all the terrible attitudes and sins of ancient Israel.

Israel's warning message is simple, yet far reaching. The greatest single danger to those of us (modern-day Israel) journeying toward the promised Kingdom of YAHWEH is doubting YAHWEH! It's doubting that Yahshua can lead His Congregation through His leaders today. The movements of YAHWEH's Congregation are not being decided by a man, but by YAHWEH.

How do we grow in this thing called faith? It is simple. We just do what Israel did not. Whenever trials come upon us, we face them as opportunities to build faith, rather than as calamities to be feared.

We know that although the physical circumstances may look disastrous, we look to an invisible circumstance that can affect the outcome. YAHWEH is that invisible reality standing beside us ready to

make "all things work together for good to them that love YAHWEH, to them who are the called according to His purpose" (Rom. 8:28).

Though scattered around the world, YAHWEH's people are marching, united by the Spirit and Work of YAHWEH, toward the Kingdom of YAHWEH. This Work is a work of faith.

We see this faith demonstrated daily by our Congregation leaders to challenge all the trials that come upon the Work, but do we as individual members realize we too should be challenging our personal troubles with that same kind of faith?

Our daily troubles are opportunities to build faith. Problems intrude into all our lives. Our trials can come from almost any area of life—school, work, home or play.

We also have Satan's influence and the pull of the world to continually cope with. We have to contend with our own human nature. Unless we fearlessly approach these trials as opportunities to build faith in YAHWEH, life can become a tremendous burden.

None of us enjoy adverse circumstances in our lives, but if we can accept them as necessary in building faith, then we can at least approach our trials with a positive rather than negative attitude. Peter said "the trial of your faith" is "much more precious than...gold" (I Pet. 1:7).

Why? Because faith is the essential element we must build in order to do the Work and enter the Kingdom of YAHWEH. Without faith we would all fail.

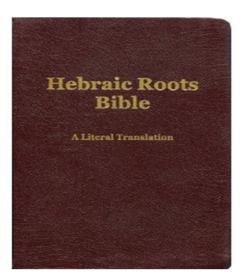
At times life seems filled with many "Red Seas," some little and some so big they look impossible for us to cross. But let us learn the beautiful truth that ancient Israel did not—that there is no "Red Sea" too big to cross with YAHWEH.

Let's view each day of our lives, with all its joys and sorrows, as just another step toward the Kingdom of YAHWEH. We should expect trials to come upon us in our journey, as they did on ancient Israel. We can learn from Israel's wrong examples and determine to refuse to face our troubles with useless doubt and fear. Rather, we can choose to challenge life with a positive attitude of faith.

When we do this, we will see our lives transformed into an exciting, happy journey. We will be able to understand how Paul was able to say, "I am exceeding joyful in all our tribulation" (II Cor. 7:4).

YAHWEH is with us each step of the way and will deliver us. Choosing to challenge life—with all its troubles—with faith will give us the pleasant fruits of hope, strength, peace and joy.

We will succeed where ancient Israel failed. And then their message will not have been delivered in vain unto us "upon whom the ends of the world are come."



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## IS THE BIBLE LIVING IN YOU?

Would you like your Bible study to be more meaningful – even one of the most thrilling aspects of your life? It can be! This article will show you how.

#### Reprint Article by Richard Rice

When you hear the terms *Bible Study* or *studying the Bible*, what comes to your mind? Is it a picture of a bespectacled scholar poring over thick, dusty, esoteric books, taking copious notes and trying to search out some dubiously significant theological discovery? Perhaps this is what the term *Bible study* means to most people. But this definition is not entirely accurate. Make no mistake, detailed and proper academic study of Yahweh's Word is important, and it's not quite like the stereotype described above. But there is a deeper, more advanced form of studying the Bible, every true believer needs to apply.

#### The Practical approach

I Thessalonians 5:21: "Prove all things, hold fast that which is good." The word "prove" actually means to test by doing. It means to try out, to put to use or experience firsthand. You test-drive a car before you buy it -- you prove the auto to see if you want to own it. Remember the biblical example of the man who had just bought five yokes of oxen, and wanted to prove them first before following Messiah (Luke 14:9)? What he meant was that he wanted to test them to see if they were strong and healthy, and capable of doing hard work. That is the approach we should take toward the Bible. Paul instructed us to prove or test the worth and value of Yahweh's Word by putting it to use in our lives. When Yahshua Messiah said man must live by every Word of Yahweh (Matt. 4:4), He had this concept in mind. Yahweh intends that we do more than just read the pages of the Bible.

This is what Yahweh's teaching should do: "And because of this we give thanks to YAHWEH without ceasing, that having received the Word of hearing from us, you welcomed it as of Elohim, not as a word of men, but as it is, truly the Word of YAHWEH, which also works in you, the ones believing. (1 Thess. 2:13). The Word of Yahweh is to 'effectually work in us!' That is, to lodge deeply within our minds, stir us into action, move us to do good works and inspire us to develop the nature of Yahweh. The real key to understanding the Bible is simply this: once you have read and studied Yahweh's Word, you must act on it. You must test it by doing and put it into practice in your life. You are to live the Bible's teachings with all your being. You can then produce and radiate the glorious fruits of Yahweh's holy character.

This is the ultimate Bible study. As you apply and inculcate the Bible's teachings, you will actually experience its miraculous power and inspiration. The written Word of Yahweh will begin to live in you and through you, transforming your life into the likeness of Yahweh Himself. The Bible will have deeper meaning than it ever had before. Yahshua said that the application of His words would have this impact in our lives: "It is the Spirit that gives life. The flesh does not profit, nothing! The Words which I speak to you are spirit and are life." His Word is like food, to be eaten and converted into spiritual character (John 6:48-51).

#### Living the Word Remakes, You

When we study the Bible in the attitude of worshiping Yahweh, and then meditate on and apply its principles, we become more like Yahweh. His Spirit – His life – works in us. "Yahshua answered and said to him, If anyone loves Me, He will keep My Word, and My Father shall love him. And We will come to him and will make a dwelling place with him" (John 14:23). The apostle Paul spoke pf putting on the new man,

which is renewed in the knowledge of Yahweh, the Bible, and the believer's way of life after the image of Him that created him" (Col. 3:10).

When we actively incorporate the Bible in our lives, we are incorporating the mind and nature of Yahweh. Yahshua Messiah is the Word of Yahweh personified (John 1:1). He lived Yahweh's commandments, inspired them to be written for our good and has told us as disciples to abide in them.

By living Yahweh's Word, and allowing it to transform our lives, we actually live as Yahshua would. We put on Messiah and become like Him in thought and action. This process in reality remakes us! Paul said elsewhere that we are "changed in the same image from glory to glory even as by the Spirit of Yahweh" (II Cor. 3:18). There is simply no substitute for the experience of living like a true disciple.

"But strong meat is for those full grown, having exercised the faculties through habit, for discernment of both good and bad" (Heb 5:14).

David, a man after Yahweh's own heart, knew the secret of understanding Yahweh's Word: "The fear of YAHWEH is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding to all those who are practicing them; His praise is standing forever (Ps. 111:10). Notice that understanding follows the doing. When you practice the Word of Yahweh, you will begin to understand it. The Bible will come alive and make sense, because you will have proved to yourself that it works. I know a man who likes to tinker around and do minor repairs on his car. He's got a manual that explains the basics. It's a good book and shows just how to make certain repairs. He's learned a lot from it, but until he put it to use, he only had a superficial understanding of its theory and instructions. This need for actual experience is true in most vocations. Yah's instruction book to man, the Bible, is much the same way. We can read it, research it, analyze it, and even memorize key verses, but until we truly apply it, we will never completely grasp or understand the Bible's real value and meaning. Unless knowledge is used and acted upon, it is of no practical value.

#### How to live the Word of Yahweh

Living the Word of Yahweh and seeing its wonderful truths unfold, is one of the most exciting experiences available to human beings. Through His Word, Yahweh has revealed every factor of the powerful, invisible, spiritual laws He has set in motion to govern every facet of our lives: love, interpersonal relationships, health, finance, and success. Living Yahweh's Word brings deep, rich rewards, both physically and spiritually. Take the law of tithing as an example. A person would have trouble understanding how tithing works if he didn't put it to the test in his life. But true believers know from experience that it works. We tithe and Yahweh blesses us. As we obey Yahweh and trust Him in faith, He opens up doors of opportunity and pours out His blessings. The Bible works because Yahweh stands behind it and makes it work.

How could one ever know the truth of the promise of Proverbs 3:6 unless he took Yahweh at His Word and tried it out "In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths"? The proof of understanding comes from doing. Believers do Yahweh's will and they understand. Yahweh always follows through with His promises when we respond to His instructions.

Yahshua's instructions in Matthew 4:4 bears repeating, "But answering, He said, It has been written "Man shall not live by bread alone, but on every Word that proceeds out of the mouth of YAHWEH." Note how all-encompassing this verse is.

We are to live by every Word of Yahweh—not just by a few favorite inspirational passages. If we are to grow into the fullness of Messiah, we must never pick and choose like many Laodicean Christians in the world today. We are to heed and obey every Word that Yahweh has spoken.

By using this approach in daily Bible study, you will become more well-rounded and balanced. By

absorbing the Bibles message into the whole of your being, you will start to become perfect as Yahweh is perfect (Matt. 5:48). The apostle Paul said, "Truly, great is the divine mystery of righteousness: which was revealed in the flesh, was justified in the Spirit, was seen by cherubs, was proclaimed among nations, was believed on in the world, was taken up in glory" (1Tim 3:16-17). It is by living the whole of Scripture that we come to know Yahweh and grow in His fullness. The Bible isn't a book to be left on a shelf—it is to be internalized and made a part of your life. Your outward conduct should be a constant reflection of Yahweh's Word working in you.

#### Bring the Bible Alive

How do you apply the Bible? The following outline lists steps that can help you bring what you learn in Bible study into living reality. It's a step-by-step plan that's easy to follow and it works! I call it the Three-A-Three-R Formula, because the first three steps begin with the letter A and the last three steps begin with the letter R.

- 1. Attention: Give conscientious thought and attention to what you are reading as you dig into Yahweh's Word. Think and concentrate. Go beyond the surface—go beyond mere words. Realize that Yahweh is speaking to you personally, and that He expects you to give your utmost respect and honor to what He is saying.
- 2. Association. Associate every word and every thought you read to your personal life. Think of all the ways you can apply Yahweh's instructions to every facet of your existence, to your family, your business, your social life and the eternity of your environment.
- 3. Application. It is not enough just to associate the teachings of Yahweh's Word. You've got to live them to apply them—and experience the abundant success they were designed to produce. Yahweh's Word is living. It will bring great spiritual and physical rewards to you as you practice it.
- 4. Repetition. A one-time effort is not enough. You must keep applying Yahweh's Word over and over until it becomes your nature. Live again and again whatever precept or principle you are trying to inculcate, until it becomes an unconscious habit.
- 5. Reflection. Being human, you need to constantly consider the progress you are making. You need to go over the scriptures you have studied and ask: "Am I measuring up? Am I forgetting anything? Did I overlook something? Am I really applying the Word of Yahweh everywhere in my life as I should?" this exercise should take place at least once a day—if not several times—to ensure that you do not forget the things that you learned.
- 6. Review. Whereas reflection has to do with specific daily applications of Yahweh's Word, review deals with your general overall progress. Often you need to take a bigger view of what you are hoping to accomplish and whether you are growing. Looking back over the material you have covered as a weekly review can be extremely valuable to your growth.

In other words, are you staying on track? Is everything coming together in focus? Are the pieces falling into place? Are you starting to assemble the superstructure of character? The time to start the practical approach to Bible study is now. The apostle Jacob exhorted us to be doers of the word, not hearers only (Jac. 1:22). David said he made haste and delayed not to keep Yahweh's commandments (Ps. 119:60).

Searching out truths in commentaries and Bible helps can be helpful—these tools can round out your knowledge. But the most important way to learn about the Bible is to live what you find there, and your true depth of understanding will increase. Remember, "Study, [be diligent—actively live Yahweh's Word] to shew thyself-approved unto Yahweh, a workman unashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (II Tim. 2:15).

## **ANSWERS TO YOUR QUESTIONS**

**Q):** Romans 2:13 states that by the works of the law no flesh will be justified yet Romans 3:20 says that the doers of the law shall be justified. Is this contradicting?

**A)**: No, there is no contradiction. We know from the records of the Dead Sea Scrolls that the term "works of the law" refer to the animal sacrifices and also the physical requirements that one had to do to have their sin forgiven, such as performing a mikvah (ritual bath), etc.

Paul is stating that only the blood of Yahshua Messiah can justify us (make us right before Yahweh), not the animal sacrifices or our own restitution. However, once we are justified by the blood of the Messiah and made righteous before Yahweh by His sacrifice, not our own, we are required to STAY sanctified by keeping the Torah to the best of our abilities not to defile Messiah's sacrifice. The Torah teaches us right from wrong and is a path to life. In Hebrew the better translation of Torah would be "instruction" and not simply law. If one does not continue in obedience to the Torah after we accept the sacrifice of Messiah, then we are no longer justified by the blood of Yahshua as we would be mocking His Spirit of grace by willfully sinning.

**Heb 10:26** For if we are willfully sinning after receiving the full knowledge of the truth, there remains no more sacrifice concerning sins,

**Heb 10:27** but he is ready for the fearful judgment and "zealous fire being about to consume the adversaries." (Isa. 26:11)

**Heb 10:28** For if he, who transgressed the law of Moses, died without mercies, at the mouth of two or three witnesses; (Deut. 17:6)

**Heb 10:29** how much worse punishment do you think will be thought worthy to receive, the one trampling the Son of YAHWEH, and having counted the blood of the covenant as common in which he was sanctified, and having insulted the Spirit of grace?

**Heb 10:30** For we know Him who has said, "Vengeance belongs to Me; I will repay," says YAHWEH. And again, "YAHWEH will judge His people." (Deut. 32:35, 36)

**Heb 10:31** It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living Elohim.

So where in Ro. 3:20 it states the doers of the law will be justified, it really means will stay justified.

