

Remnants Walk

The one claiming to rest in Him, ought to walk, himself, even as He walked. (1 John 2:5)



Who can find a woman of virtue? F'or her value is far above jewels. S'trength and dignity are her clothing, and she shall rejoice at the day to come. Charm may be deceitful, and beauty vain, but a woman who fears YAHWEH, she shall be praised.

Proverbs 31:10, 25, 30



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We encourage all those who consider themselves to be true believers to ask: "which congregation do I belong to? The true faith our Savior Yahshua the Messiah set down in the year 30 CE, or the false doctrine, drenched in paganism and sun worship, as set down by Constantine in 325 CE?" The two are vastly different and we cannot serve two masters. (Matthew 6:24)

One was a Hebrew Congregation with a Hebrew Savior that was completely Torah observant. The other was and still is a counterfeit, lawless church, sealed by the decrees of Constantine and implemented for the sole purpose of deceiving and enslaving mankind. (Revelation 12:9)

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May this free gift bring you closer to our Father Yahweh through His son, our savior and soon returning king, Yahshua the Messiah. In His wonderful name. Shalom...

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Personal

by Don Esposito

Greetings Brethren, and Shalom in the wonderful names of Yahweh and Yahshua; the name above all names.

Throughout the history of mankind there have been several pivotal hinges of change that have transformed not only the world of that day, but also the future of the world to come.

One such turning point was the rebellion and sin of Adam and Eve. This was a major occurrence, as the world went from the perfect environment of Eden that Yahweh had created (Gen 1:31), to a world of chaos and rebellion. Literally, the DNA of Adam and Eve changed after their treason to Yahweh in following the serpent in the garden, and their physical bodies started to decay and die as Yahweh had said.

Another turning point was the flood of Noah, as where before the flood there was a canopy of water above the earth, and a canopy of water below the earth, which caused a higher atmospheric pressure, a more stable temperature worldwide, and a longer lifespan. After the flood, all this changed, including everyone on the earth dying, except for Noah and his wife, and his three sons and their wives.

Then, throughout history there have been other turning points that have changed the way mankind lives, such as most modern times the industrial revolution and the invention of the automobile, in which now humans would go from an agrarian society as it was for about 5,900 years to an industrial one, where people would now work away from their homes for the first time in human history. The consequences of that movement are still being felt today, and is what started the breakdown of the family unit and the exploitation of human nature by Satan the devil for the last 140 years or so.

The 1800's saw the United States of America become the world leader in this industrial revolution and survive to become the lone superpower of the 20th century. It is hard to imagine, but by 1950, America produced between ½ to ¾ of almost all the resources of the earth, including steel, copper, nickel, etc. And when it came to gold, America possessed about 3 times the amount of gold than all the other countries on earth combined. America was also the moral leader of the 1800's with religion, family values, and a culture of love your neighbor as yourself that permeated for the most, post 1800's through the industrial expansion in the USA leading into the 20th century.

However, as these end times have progressed with the creation of both the Beast Power United Nations in 1945 and the end time nation of Israel being created in 1948, America's wealth became their downfall and the morals and values that were part of the Philadelphia congregation in the 1700's and 1800's now turned to the immorality and selfish ambitions of end time Babylon.

The 1950's became worse then the 40's with the creation of rock and roll and teen-age rebellion becoming rampant. Although most parents and grandparents still went to church each week, the younger generation started to become more independent, and in the 1960's both the movement of drug addiction, and women's lib was an extension of the rebellion that was being planted in the late 1950's.

With Satan now being able to use people's corrupted human nature to get them to selfishly only think about being independent and wanting free choice to do what they pleased, the social justice movement was also started by the global elite, whose plan was all along to corrode any moral fiber left in the USA.

Young men wanted to go to school instead of going to war, and a large anti-government movement was established in the 1960's and 1970's with women now being brainwashed that being a mother, and a wife, and homemaker was somehow distasteful, and incomplete in this New World Order that was forming.

Satan was quite clever in using human beings prideful human nature against them, as he masqueraded this movement of rebellion in clouds of equality and using words such as social justice, and being progressive, when in reality it was simply allowing people to aspire to the worst of their human nature of greed, covetousness, and vanity.

Of course, the results are atrocious. In 1972 the United States Supreme Court ruled that for a woman to kill her own child, the fruit of her womb, was now no longer called murder, but was called a personal choice for her to do with her body as she pleased.

How outrageous! Instead of outlawing fornication that became rampant in this new immoral, selfish, rebellious society, they actually outlawed the natural process of birth that Yahweh created in the Garden of Eden. Instead of trying to sway young girls back to the glorious calling that they have as a mother, wife, and home maker, they degraded it as something that was outdated and even bordered on racism against women as a whole.

And now we are at another turning point with the electronic revolution that is turning out to be the last nail in the coffin of a world that has turned totally immoral, self-centred, and rebellious against the Creator, Yahweh, and the eternal laws that He placed for mankind's good in His eternal Torah.

Mankind has actually now gotten to a point that evolution, a creation without a creator, is universally taught in most schools worldwide. We are at a point that women are being used as pawns in Satan's great con game on humans to make them feel the victims of a brutal, man ruled society that must end NOW!

And yet, the results of this deception in the USA has been an almost 60% divorce rate, and now for the first time in that nation more than 50% of people simply cohabitate without even bothering to marry. Women and men are told that even their natural born gender is not actually natural at all, but they can choose whether to be a boy or a girl as early as age 5 or 6. The family, and the marriage institution created by Yahweh in the Garden of Eden is daily being redefined and tarnished until they can completely eradicate the Biblical model.

And yet in these most wicked end times there still is hope. Yahweh has a plan of restoration that He is working. He is working within His congregation to restore not only the marriage covenant of Eden, but the entire family structure that is simply a model for how relationships will be when Yahshua returns and His Kingdom is set up in Jerusalem, and then, all over the earth.

Yahweh is also restoring the wonderful role of women in the family unit. Women were created not as a competition to men, but as a helpmate to them in Yahweh's wonderful plan of salvation.

<u>Gen 2:20</u> And the man called names to all the cattle, and to the birds of the heavens, and to every animal of the field. **But for a man, no helper suited to him was found.**

<u>Gen 2:21</u> And YAHWEH Elohim caused a deep sleep to fall on the man, and he slept. And He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh underneath.

<u>Gen 2:22</u> And YAHWEH Elohim formed the rib which He had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man.

<u>Gen 2:23</u> And the man said, This now at last is bone from my bones, and flesh from my flesh; For this shall be called Woman, because out of man this has been taken.

In Satan's society of competition and greed the family unit is portrayed as a battleground of dominance, instead of a home of cooperation, unity, and love. A husband and a wife need to be unified in purpose, goal, and love, so that they can also teach the Biblical morals to their children that Yahweh requires.

Yahshua's congregation must take back and reclaim the wholesome family unit that has been lost in this technological, last generation. Husbands need to love their wives, and wives need to honor and follow their husbands lead according to Yahweh's judicial order.

Yahweh set an order at creation where the man has headship over His wife and family, and all must be practiced with true Elohim guided love of family, greater than love of self.

<u>Gen 2:24</u> Therefore, a man shall leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave to his wife and they shall become one (echad, unified) flesh.

Eph 5:21 Submit yourself one to another in the love of the Messiah.

Eph 5:22 Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands, as to our Master,

Eph 5:23 because a husband is head of the wife, as also Messiah is Head of the Congregation, and He is the Savior of the body.

Eph 5:24 But even as the Congregation is subject to Messiah, so also the wives to their own husbands in everything.

<u>**Eph 5:25**</u> Husbands, love your wives, even as Messiah also loved the Congregation and gave Himself up on its behalf,

Eph 5:32 This is a great mystery, but I speak as to Messiah and His Congregation.

What a wonderful opportunity that we have to be called by Yahweh to participate in the restoration of the family unit from Eden. What a great blessing it is for Yahweh to open up our minds to understand that the family roles of mother and father and children have actually been created by Him to teach us Kingdom relationships, and even the very relationship that Yahweh the Father has with Yahshua His Son.

In this upside-down world men are still the initiators and leaders, even though their roles have also been perverted to a degree. But our women are constantly being browbeaten and persuaded against motherhood, and being homemakers. We must, as believers, all work together and support each other in the Elohim guided roles that He has given.

And the key to all of this, as with everything, is to understand and follow Yahweh's judicial order. We must, as men and women, be happy and content in the Biblical role that Yahweh has placed us in, and we must embrace and cherish that role as we work on restoring family values, and bringing back family roles to a world that is void of them.

And we must, most of all, be consistent with always practicing these values for our children who are young and have not been corrupted by Satan's wicked society yet. We must instill in them, just as the Amish do, the joy and contentment in fulfilling the Biblical roles of husbands and wives.

This has to be a part of our very being, and has to be practiced in every avenue of our lives. It is only if there are contradictions and compromises in our lives, in these avenues, that our children will grow up with doubt and confusion. May we embrace such a calling and may we forever bless Yahweh for calling each of us out of the sick world of Satan and into His marvelous light of the Biblical family unit.



The "Average, Everyday Housewife" NO Higher Calling! Reprint By Ron Kelly

Will positions in Yahweh's Kingdom be based on the jobs individuals hold in this life? How do we qualify for rulership in the world tomorrow?

Should we assume the top leadership positions in Yahweh's Kingdom will be occupied only by those who were men in this human life? Will women be eternally relegated to the lowest, least important jobs? No! In the Bible, men and women all have the same opportunity. All who overcome will be given eternal life and the positions for which they qualify as they overcome. (Rev. 2:26).

I received a letter from a young homemaker. She summarized the problem many American women face when they choose to stay home and be housewives. She wrote: "For a good while, I have wanted to write someone who would write an article about women's role. Why? Because of my particular situation. I am married, 28 years old, no children as yet, and have attended Elohim's congregation since I was 12. The problem? I am continually asked if I work. When I reply that no, I don't, a look of incredulity almost always spreads across the person's face, and then comes that inevitable question, 'What on earth do you do all day?'"

Some people apparently think that homemakers just sit around all day watching soap operas, never bothering to get dressed or to get their hair out of curlers. What about it? This life is a training ground for ruling with Yahshua. Can an "average, everyday housewife" qualify for rulership over five cities, 10 cities or an entire nation in Yahweh's Kingdom? (Luke 19:11-27) Does any woman have cause to be ashamed if she is "just a housewife"?

Character the purpose

As we discussed in the last article, Yahweh did not create women as some sort of afterthought—a last minute "Whoops! I almost forgot." The creation of women was an integral part of Yahweh's plan. Mankind was not complete with the creation of the male only (Gen 2:18). So, Yahweh made Eve, from the rib of Adam, to be his perfect companion and complete spiritual equal. To make the human family, which pictures Yahweh's Family, complete—to provide it with proper depth and to create the total environment—Yahweh established family life. Male and female. Marriage. Children. Breadwinner and homemaker. They all fit together.

But how do women qualify for rulership? Just like men. First and foremost, what each of us does most to qualify for Yahweh's Kingdom is to develop holy, righteous, Elohim like character. Character is the one thing Yahweh cannot create instantaneously, by fiat. Character transcends this physical life—physical things don't.

In this lifetime we may develop great physical skills. We might run faster, jump higher, play music or sing better than anyone else. But do these physical accomplishments mean anything in the spirit world? If an athlete develops the skill to jump 7 feet 8 inches, will he be special in the resurrection?

No. Not because he could jump high in this physical life. All spirit beings can most likely jump 7 feet 8 inches and much more with ease. Qualification to rule does not depend on how much we train ourselves in a physical way. Character is what carries over to spirit life.

An athlete may develop a lot of character in addition to physical skills through hours of hard work and self-discipline. A musician must also work and discipline himself to become proficient. Doing the best we can in any aspect of life is part of the character development process (Eccl. 9:10). And both sexes have exactly the same opportunities for character development.

The day-to-day events of life constantly provide opportunities to develop character. From our decision to get up in the morning through the decisions we make all day to our decision to retire at night, character is being developed—righteous or unrighteous, whichever is the case. In addition to the daily character-building process, no doubt a direct correlation exists between all of our life experiences and our ultimate potential to serve in Yahweh's government.

We can't just sit around and do nothing and expect that 10 cities will be laid in our laps at the return of Yahshua. We have to be prepared. But in these articles on husbands, wives and the family we are attempting to show that one kind of lifestyle or profession, or whether we are male or female, has little to do with the positions we attain in Yahweh's Kingdom.

Some might feel the president of a multimillion-dollar corporation would automatically have a greater reward in the Kingdom than a carpenter. Why? Well because of all the decisions the president has to make and his complicated daily routine. Not necessarily. That corporate president may not have come close to developing righteous character. Maybe he fought his way to the top in the competitive corporate structure and developed no righteous character at all in the process. On the other hand, the carpenter may have developed love, self-control and reverence for Yahweh through his experiences. The carpenter would be well suited to rule in the Kingdom, while the corporate executive may not even be in the first resurrection.

The housewife stereotype

Satan's society has cast the homemaker as a wet mop. She is pictured as a haggard, unattractive drudge with her hair in curlers, a broom in her hand and several screaming brats around her. On the other hand, society idolizes the chic, modern career businesswoman. Up at the crack of dawn, she dresses like a fashion model, prepares a hearty breakfast for her family and drives the kids off to school. She puts in a full day at her office, comes home to a house full of girls (she is a Girl Scout den mother) and somehow has a piping hot dinner on the table by 7. At the same time, she gives her husband all the attention and encouragement he needs, and through all this, a radiant, cheerful smile beams from her face.

Where such a modern wonder woman exists, I don't know. But we have been made to believe that this is what a woman should be. No one ever said mopping floors was fun. Cleaning the toilet bowl is not a tremendous challenge. Soaking a tubful of dirty diapers really doesn't make the day. And many a mother, wife, and homemaker, who devotes her full time to taking care of the home might wonder what a hot stove, dirty floor or unmade bed have to do with making it into Yahweh's Kingdom.

But the effective management of the home has just as much to do with learning to rule as any other job any other person could have. Running a home is in many respects like managing a corporation. Let's look at the similarities.

The executive homemaker

We think of several things when we hear the word *executive*. Somehow that word smacks of success. We think of tall buildings, suites of offices, financial wealth. We visualize such top-level managers living in exclusive suburbs and driving late-model cars larger and more expensive than the rest of us can afford. We see them in our mind's eye, making decisions, talking on the telephone, holding important meetings, going to lunch at the best restaurants.

And we are tempted to think of how well qualified they are—how much more important than we are. We probably think such a person would be more more qualified to rule 10 cities in the world tomorrow, certainly more qualified than the "common housewife." But are the jobs really that different? What are some of the things executives do?

One area is that of time scheduling. The effective executive knows how to get things done. He makes sure the business meets its deadlines. He has to deliver as promised. Executives make multiple decisions daily, and these decisions have to be the best and wisest ones possible.

Executives spend a lot of time solving problems. With all businesses, things can go wrong. Problems can arise over money, personnel equipment or a dozen other items. An executive is responsible for the morale as well as the safety and training of those employed by the company. And then, executives have to delegate. No one person can do it all.

These are only a few of the things most commonly associated with executives. But what does this have to do with housewives? Much! Read Proverbs 31:10-31! These verses describe an ideal executive manager, a person who scheduled time, made decisions, solved problems, was responsible over others and delegated work—and was very successful at it. Who was this person? A homemaker—the virtuous woman!

The writer probably knew one or more women who were setting examples such as he described. The virtuous woman made a profession of caring for her household the best way possible—she was much more than the false image society has of housewives today. "Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the gates" (verse 31). There it is. Her outstanding example was recorded for posterity in Yahweh's Word.

An effective homemaker employs every one of the tools of effective management. She is developing the qualities needed to direct cities and nations in the world tomorrow, just as much as anyone else is. Frankly, when you understand the job of the homemaker—the wife and mother—you might wonder if it does not present one of the greatest opportunities for skill development.

The homemaker's job

Take time and scheduling, for example. A major manufacturer may have huge, impressive-looking charts and graphs showing corporate production schedules. How all the parts that go into a car get into the new car you order is a modern production miracle. But it only took time and scheduling.

The homemaker gets the family off to school and work, well fed and clothed, does the shopping, pays the utility bill, meets the kids when they return from school, takes Susie to the orthodontist and Jimmy to basketball practice. She has dinner ready in the evening and during her "extra time" cleans the windows, strips the wax from the kitchen floor, calls the repairman to fix the washing machine, makes an appointment for counselling about her children at school, visits ailing Mrs. Smith and drops by the post office on the way home.

Have you men reading this article ever stopped to think about how much a wife—a homemaker—has to do? Running a smooth-flowing household takes the skill of a corporate president, and then some. And that is the same skill it will take to be over several cities in Yahweh's Kingdom.

A housewife is responsible for making many decisions and solving problems. Let's say your family is struggling with inflated food costs (who isn't struggling just to keep up?). In many cases the housewife is responsible for the food budget. In order to feed the family well, she checks the sales, perhaps buying vegetables at one store, bread at another, coffee down the street, and beef somewhere else.

But she has to be an efficiency expert as well. She has to consider the cost of gasoline to get to all the stores and the time it takes to shop. Decisions have to be made. If she really is an effective executive, she will get the shopping done at the best prices and get other things done too.

Then, there is delegation. Not doing it all yourself is the name of the game. Many a harried housewife cleans up after the kids, makes all the beds, washes all the clothes. Somehow, she just never gets around to delegating these jobs to the children.

As dean of students at Ambassador College, I was often amused—even shocked a few times—when, over the years, some students would come to college not even knowing how to make a bed. Mom had always done it for them. Some students literally did not know how to operate the college's washers and dryers. And many did not know how to put in an honest, full day's work.

Not only is the mother who does it all alone making life much harder for herself, she is doing her children a great injustice. One of a parent's major responsibilities is to teach his or her children how to work.

Delegate! That means teaching the children to do the dishes, wash and iron their clothes, and make their beds. Children should learn to cook, shop, repair things and help in every part of home life. So, Mom is a teacher as well.

Let's go through a typical example. It's time for spring-cleaning in your home. The first order of business is to decide which parts of the job can be delegated. For example, your teenage son can dismantle the bed and take it out of the room. The girls can empty their own drawers, but maybe they are not big enough to put the new shelf paper in—you'll want to do that.

So, you make a schedule of who will do what jobs. Be sure you match the proper job to the proper person. Heavy lifting cannot be done by small children. Set realistic goals for them. Put the kids on a time schedule. Give them 45 minutes, for instance, to put everything from the dresser drawers into the cardboard boxes and to set aside everything they want to throw away. You can now go to another part of the house for 45 minutes and need only to check on their progress once or twice.

If you adopt such a plan to get a room clean several things will be accomplished. The room will get cleaned. The children will share in the responsibility. You will get another job done. You will have applied the tools of effective management. And you will have developed skills that will be used in ruling with Yahshua in the world tomorrow.

Appreciate the wife

The woman who decides to be a homemaker is choosing as high an occupation as it is possible to choose. No corporate executive, great financier, famous entertainer or sports personality has a greater calling or profession. It's time we all realized that.

The training of the homemaker prepares her for the Kingdom of Yahweh just as other people's jobs prepare them. Yahweh has not established an elitist system of "better" jobs and "lesser" jobs. Yahweh does not look down on the janitor, laborer, farmer or housewife, while he looks up to the doctor, lawyer or banker.

Human societies established hierarchies of respect—class systems. Some professions seem to carry greater honor—certainly they carry higher financial rewards. But no profession will carry more social status than any other in Yahweh's Kingdom. This does not mean a pseudo-communistic state will exist. Yahweh's Word is clear that some individuals will work harder and grow spiritually stronger than others in this life; those who do will qualify for greater rewards. But the development of character has little to do with what job you occupy now.

But, partially because of the modern feminist movement, the role of homemaker and housewife has been relegated to practically the bottom rung on the ladder of respect in this age. Women have been made to feel that if they are not in the battle for top executive jobs in the professions, they are not fulfilling their potential and aren't worth much.

It just isn't true! There is no higher calling for a woman than to be a homemaker—a full time wife and mother. **NO HIGHER CALLING!**

I may not win a popularity contest with the women's liberation movement, but that remains the truth. Yahweh's Word is clear about the roles of men and women. They are both made in the image of Elohim and are equal (Gen. 1:27), and in marriage each has particular responsibilities (Eph. 5:21-33). Husbands are to love your wives, as Messiah loved the Congregation (verse 25), and that includes *appreciating* them—treating them with proper respect, "as being heirs together of the grace of life" (1 Pet. 3:7).

My wife holds a college degree and taught school for two years before our marriage. I consider her an extremely capable woman. But when we married more than 20 years ago, she began to devote all her talents and efforts to being a homemaker—a wife and mother. We have had five children, two of them now in college, and it has taken her full time to fulfill her role and responsibility. She has been developing the skills to qualify her every bit for the position she will be given in Yahweh's Kingdom, if she continues to grow and overcome and is privileged to be born into the Family of Yahweh at the return of Yahshua.

The quality that carries over to the Kingdom from this physical life is character. Yahweh will not save anyone He cannot rule. The test of character in this life is the development of faith and obedience. Any profession—laborer, executive or homemaker—has built into it the training necessary in preparation for spiritual responsibility in the world tomorrow. Then, unlimited power will be given to those who are changed to immortal beings.

Housewives train just as much in the character-developing process. Positions of rulership are not passed out based on how many dollars one controlled or how many employees over which one had authority, but rather on what kind of overcoming one does—on how well one does with what he or she has to do with.

Yahweh has, in His infinite wisdom, provided the means and opportunity in this lifetime for training and character development for all people whom He calls. It is Yahweh's desire and His will for us to be saved.

Male and female are terms that apply to this physical life. In the Kingdom we neither marry nor are given in marriage (Matt. 22:30). Resurrected from the dead and changed from mortal to immortal, we shall all serve with Yahshua, ruling with Him for a thousand years and then fulfilling our destinies for eternity.

We have by no means exhausted this subject, so important to this physical life. There is much yet to be said about husbands, wives and the family. You might be surprised at what the Bible has to say about homemaking and motherhood.

Reprint article by Robert Taylor

Words

YES!

Can Hurt Here's the

most damaging thing you can do to another person.

A youngster comes running in through the front door after a productive day at school. "Mom look what I made at school," he chirps cheerfully. In his hand he clutches a curious piece of crayon art only a parent could fully appreciate.

Mom, who had only shortly returned from a bout with the supermarket crowds, shelves another package. "Mom, look what I made for you!" Little Jimmy tugs on his mother's hem in a feeble attempt to gain her attention.

"Can't you see I'm busy?" she blurts impatiently. "Go show it to your brother!" Jimmy slowly walks away. Deflated and discouraged by his mother's anger and lack of interest, he questions his own abilities. His confidence has been shattered.

The Plight of Adults, Too

All too often children have their confidence carelessly shattered through the indifference or harshness of parents, or by the cruel chiding of peers. But this plight is not confined to children. Anyone can be the victim.

A wife, feeling frazzled and frustrated because of a lack of appreciation, questions her own abilities and competence. "Why try?" she ponders. Feelings of personal worth and value are so fragile, yet so often overlooked. In a society that is pre-occupied with self-love, the emotional needs of others are frequently ignored. Perhaps you have been stifled and stunted by the belittling remarks and actions of others, or have done the same to others!

Confidence, once it has been broken, is one of the most difficult qualities to reconstruct. Many adults live with negative self-images that were acquired during childhood. The resulting self-doubt and lack of confidence impairs success throughout life.

Confidence is characterized by an appreciation of the value and worth of a human being. Severe lack of this quality can produce depression and despondency. Suicide is a by-product of amplified self-doubt. Understanding of personal worth, whether in a child or in an adult, promotes achievement and success.

Numerous experiments have been conducted to illustrate the importance of confidence. In one such experimet, several students were randomly proclaimed, during the first day of class, to be the academic sprinters.

The instructor, in actuality, did not yet know who the bright students were. He merely praised a select few for the genius he "intuitively" knew each possessed. The same students actually became the higher achievers. Their boosted confidence, nurtured by the high expectations of the instructor, made the difference.

From a young age, children naturally begin a continuous process of evaluating themselves in light of the opinions and comments of others. These self-appraisals commonly involve physical appearance, intelligence, athletic ability, popularity and much more.

Few parents realize the impact they have on their children. A child's concept of himself is largely influenced by the way he thinks his parents view him. Because children are so impressionable, their confidence is the most easily shaped or shattered.

It Begins in the Home

The greatest damage to confidence is often inflicted in the home. Confidence can be impaired in a variety of ways: by lack of praise and encouragement, through personal shortcomings, inadequacies or failures, or by negative implications of others.

Parents can help by monitoring the level of confidence their children show about themselves. A child's comments such as "I'm stupid," "I can't do anything right," or "Nobody likes me" may be signs of a damaged respect for oneself.

How do you recognize a child who possesses a healthy sense of personal value? Such a child is not easily intimidated or frightened. He relates well to adults and those his age. Generally, he is cheerful, energetic and eager to try new things.

Physical appearance can be the greatest threat to confidence for many. In a society that wrongly places lofty value in comeliness, the child with the slightest imperfections can become emotionally handicapped. If a child appears constantly to need an unusual amount of praise and encouragement, he or she may be probing for something to lift the feelings of inadequacy.

Many parents give little or no thought to the importance of building confidence in their children. And an abysmal self-image left unremedied has serious effects. An attitude of "I can't succeed, so why try" quickly becomes a self-fulfilling prophecy.

Praise Essential

One of the greatest tools for building another's self-respect is praise. But it is first necessary to distinguish praise from flattery. Praise is earned or deserved. Flattery is given regardless of merit—it is a tool of those who believe the end justifies the means.

Praise serves best when it has a focus. "You've been helpful today" is all right. But, "You did a fine job mowing the lawn" is much better. An encouraging word of praise engenders more of the kind of activity that prompted it. This is true with all age groups. Approval and recognition from others is one of the greatest motivators known to man.

This is not to say that people should laud others incessantly, but that encouragement and sincere compliments have a very positive effect. Praise promotes a positive attitude and improvement. People, young and old, tend to live up to the expectations of others. Praise creates the desire to "keep up the good work" or to accomplish more.

The necessity of praise however does not do away with the need for timely correction. Children in particular, must learn at an early age which kinds of conduct and thoughts are undesirable. But correction and praise are opposite sides of the same coin. A child that receives adequate encouragement will be more receptive to correction when it is given.

When it comes to confidence, modern conclusions reinforce biblical wisdom established long ago: "Anxiety in the heart of a man causes depression, but a good word makes it glad." (Prov. 12:25)

Should Women Wear Pants, Does it matter? By Don Esposito

This is a question, which arises often, but what is our answer; "my heart tells me....., or the scripture says the following"? First of all, let me say that I do not believe that just because a woman is wearing pants that it is necessarily a sign of rebellion, although as we will see that is definitely where the modern custom has come from.

I believe in our western world that women wearing pants has become part of the culture and that is part of the very essence of the problem with Babylon; CULTURE! If one is honest with themselves, they must admit that the culture of Babylon is not the Elohim mandated culture that He Himself set down in the Garden of Eden. Actually, you could not get a more opposite culture from the biblical mandate than in Babylon/USA.

From women working away from their homes and sending their children to be trained in the public-school system, to having women as Pastors, prophets and leaders, one must admit the culture of Babylon is **Not** conducive to returning to the Elohim given mandate in Eden. Divorce in the west in at almost 60%, and is only not higher because many in these illicit end times are choosing to simply live together and abandon the marriage covenant completely. If you are looking at the culture of Babylon around you for how you should act, then most assuredly you will not be fulfilling the mandate of the biblical woman. Let's look at what the Apostle Peter wrote how the biblical woman ought to behave.

- 1 <u>Peter 3: 1-6</u> Likewise, wives, be submissive to your own husbands, that even if any disobey the Word, through the behavior of the wives, without a word they will be won,
- <u>2</u> observing your pure behavior in fear.
- $\underline{3}$ And adorn not yourselves with the external ornaments of curls of the hair, or the wearing of golden trinkets, or of costly garments.
- 4 but the hidden man (person) of the heart, in the incorruptible adornment of the meek and quiet spirit, which is of great value before YAHWEH.
- <u>5</u> For so once indeed the holy women who were hoping on Elohim adorned themselves, submitting themselves to their own husbands,
- <u>6</u> as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him Master; whose children you became, doing good, **and not being confused by false values.** (Gen. 18:12)

The question then arises were does it say in Torah that a woman should not wear pants. But I would also ask wear does it say in Torah that a believer should not smoke cigarettes, take drugs, or watch evil Hollywood movies? The point is that the Torah is a lamp to my feet (Ps 119:105) and it is a guide that we need to use for every aspect of our life. We need to look at Torah and see what the spirit of the Torah is saying, and make our daily living model based on the principles that the Torah clearly outlines.

<u>Deu 22:5</u> "Women are not to wear men's clothing, and men are not to wear women's clothing; YAHWEH your Elohim hates people who do such things.

Now, I believe from this scripture that we can safely conclude that a woman should not wear pants. Some may ignorantly say, 'well why is pants man's clothing?' In Yahshua's day men even wore dresses. This is not an accurate statement as a man's garment in Yahshua's day was far from a dress and very masculine looking, and I have actually studied remains of garments from archaeological research that shows clearly, men and women 's garments were very different from each other.

Now back to pants. It is very interesting that an older man was talking to me about this while being in the US, and he said to me that when He was younger, in the Baptist church every woman without fail wore dresses, but you don't see that today. Without a doubt, from as early as pants became a garment for humans, they were only worn **BY MEN, NOT WOMEN**, and when did women start to wear the pants in the family:

Starting in the 1960's when the whole women's lib movement came in and totally perverted our society and our dear poor sisters. This is a fact.

And, as a matter of fact, that is where the statement "she wears the pants in that family" came from. Wearing the pants was a sign of masculine authority. (1Tim 2:12) And women should not usurp the authority of a man.

Now, back to culture. Do you know that in most third world cultures, such as Africa, where the women's lib movement has not corroded their society, that all women still wear dresses? As a matter of fact, I was told in Kenya, that more than anything else, that if Sister Petra came to Kenya wearing pants the brethren would not even have listened to me. You see, besides being immodest, when you wear pants people can see the womanly shape of your body; wearing pants is a product of the western Babylonian society that has produced the self-existent, totally vain, self-centered, women of America and the west.

As believers, we have a great responsibility of not causing our brothers to stumble by wearing provocative, revealing, clothing that can cause lustful thoughts. We also should make sure at all times that our brothers minds can stay focused on YHWH Himself and not on our bodies. Also, remember that our bodies are the sanctuary of the Holy Spirit, and we should want to keep our look as modest as possible, without ever dressing immodest or purposely trying to show the outline of our body.

1Co 6:19 Or do you not know that **your body is a sanctuary of the Holy Spirit** in you, which you have from YAHWEH, and you are not of yourselves?

1Co 6:20 You were bought with a price; then **glorify YAHWEH in your body**, and in your spirit, which belong to YAHWEH.

We as believers are working toward restoring all truth back to this earth in preparing for Yahshua's soon coming Kingdom. Do we want to just get by or do we want to raise the bar? Do we want to teach our children about Eden or do we want to teach them old habits of Babylon?

Yahweh made the natural femininity of a woman one of her greatest gifts to mankind. One of my most pleasant memories of Hayahad was each morning, as I would come to the community building, I would see the ladies gathering in their laundry from the clothes line with their long modest dresses on with their clothes buckets, walking in the grass, the slow breeze behind them, and I just smiled each time I saw this.

Yahweh made a natural beauty to a woman in the feminine style that she carries herself. The Elder in Kenya told me that Petra was the first woman that ever visited them and the sisters just loved to sit with her and talk to her because she has an old-fashioned biblical view of womanhood.

<u>Ier 6:16</u> So says Yahweh, Stand by the ways and see, and ask for the old paths, where the good way is, and walk in it; <u>and you shall find rest for your souls</u>. But they said, We will not walk in it.

I know we are not to judge by appearance, but if we are honest with ourselves, we know that first impressions mean a lot, and don't our sisters want to be a good witness by being modest and trying to be the example of our beloved Matriarch Sarah. It really is a cultural issue; do women want to portray the culture of Babylon or Eden; the choice is each sister's to decide?



I just got through having an operation on my shoulder this past September. It was the first time in my life that I was ever in a hospital for an operation, but the pain from a fall had caused me not to be able to sleep for more than 3 months.

I thought about the operating procedure quite a bit, and a lot of prayer went into the decision of whether to have the operation or not. I really had to "count the cost" literally, as we did not have medical insurance, and we also did not have the funds to pay the cost of the operation, so I totally had to rely on Yahweh.

As I sat in the hospital room waiting to be taken to the operating room, I pondered about what would happen when I was given the anesthesia and would be under sedation. The thought of being knocked out without control did not set well with me, but I thought if only I can get through the operation, everything will be fine and I will be healed and back to normal.

Then, the operation came and was over and I was laying there in the hospital bed in quite some pain, not being able to move, nauseated, and dizzy. I was feeling so bad, I thought at least the operation is over and the worst is past, and now I can simply relax and recuperate.

Then, the doctor entered the room, and told me to be ready first thing in the morning to start my physical therapy. Wow! Physical therapy I thought, I can't even stand to go to the toilet.

As the next day came, and I started the physical therapy, the reality of the situation hit me as the physical therapy was brutal, and the large muscular man who was twisting me in every direction like a pretzel had to work me hard, and even harder day by day. After the operation I had no bruises, only a swollen arm, but after one week of physical therapy, I had bruises all down my arm and shoulder, and the pain of the process was excruciating.

I also realized that my arm was not going to be back to normal anytime soon, and if I wanted to see the operation be a successful process, then I was going to have to work hard every day from this time forward with the physical therapy or my arm would refreeze again, and the whole process would have been for nothing.

Then, as I pondered about the whole process, I realized there was a great spiritual lesson to learn. The operation I had was like our baptism. I was fully focused only on the operation, thinking it was going to solve all my problems, pain free.

Many do the same thing with their baptism. They think of their baptism as an operation in the sense that Yahweh will take away not only all their sins, but all their evil thoughts, and that somehow after baptism, just as I thought after my operation, that they will be pain free, and completely healed with no further work involved.

This could not be further from the truth, as just as I have to go through a process of physical therapy every day, the believer after baptism needs spiritual physical therapy in the form of daily prayer, and Bible study, and fasting, and meditation, to make the baptism successful, just I had to do with physical therapy to make the operation successful.

And the same way that the physical therapy was more painful than the operation leaving bruises all over my arm and chest, the spiritual therapy that we do in our life also many times leaves scars from the jobs we may lose, or the family or friends that may disown us after we make the baptism, covenant, commitment to Yahweh in our lives.

The operation was simply there to remove the dysfunctional tissue caused by improper movement, just as baptism is there to remove the result of sin in our lives caused by improper actions against the will of Yahweh.

And just as I realized that the physical therapy had to be done every day and would take time, and I needed to be patient as the results of it also take time, it is the same way spiritually, that after baptism it will take time to see the desired changes and results in our life that are conducive to the Kingdom of Yahweh.

The other parallel that I saw with physical therapy and spiritual therapy, was that each day after therapy my arm would loosen some and I could see the improvement. However, the next day I would wake up and it seemed to go back to where it was the day before. And if I missed a day of therapy, it would take 3 days to recoup what I lost by missing just one day.

And I realized that physical therapy is a process that has to become part of my daily mindset if I want to have my shoulder heal. The same way Spiritual therapy also has to become a mindset, and we need to eat, sleep, and breathe, the Kingdom of Yahweh and the four mandates of prayer, study, fasting and meditation.

And just as with physical therapy, if you miss a day of spiritual therapy you will go backward and need three days to make up for the day you missed. Spiritual therapy as with physical therapy is a mindset, and it has to become part of your being, and you need to be mentally focused on growing in Yahweh's Holy Spirit each and every day of your life.

And the most positive thing is that even though it is a process, as days and weeks go by you can see improvement in your quest for health. Each week I can access the progress and how my arm is growing healthier from the week before.

Likewise, with Spiritual therapy when you are consistently working on growing in prayer and study daily, you will see the progress in your life as you assess your growth on a weekly, and monthly basis.

And although the process is not always a happy one, in both physical and spiritual therapy we know that in the end it is bearing fruit and giving us the desired outcome that we need.

<u>Heb 12:11</u> And all discipline for the present indeed does not seem to be joyous, but grievous; but afterward it gives back peaceable fruit of righteousness to the ones having been **exercised** by it.

A Women's True Covering

By Don Esposito

Should a woman according to scripture have a spiritual covering? The answer is an astounding Yes.

<u>Num 30:3-8</u> And when a woman vows a vow to YAHWEH, and has bound a bond in the house of her father in her youth,

<u>4</u> and her father has heard her vow, and her bond with which she has bound her soul, and her father has remained silent as to her, then all her vows shall stand; and every bond with which she has bound her soul shall stand.

5 But if her father has prohibited her in the day he heard, none of her vows and her bond with which she has bound her soul shall stand. And YAHWEH will forgive her because her father prohibited her.
6 And if she belongs to a husband, and her vows are on her, or a rash utterance on her lips with which she has bound her soul,

<u>7</u> and her husband has heard, and in the day he heard he has remained silent as to her, then her vows shall stand, and her bond with which she has bound her soul shall stand.

<u>8</u> And if in the day her husband hears, he prohibits her, then he has broken her vow which is on her, and the rash utterance of her lips with which she has bound her soul. And YAHWEH will forgive her.

We live in a culture that has changed dramatically over the last 30 to 40 years in a way that the world has never seen since the creation of Adam and Eve. It is now looked down upon women to be mothers, and homemakers, and keepers at home, as something that is boring and lazy. Women no longer prepare from a young age to become a Biblical wife, but they want their own careers, and to do their own thing in life.

Where this has led to is disastrous results, as not only is the divorce rate in the USA more than 50%, but this has also led to the act of women killing their own babies through abortion on a daily basis. Women say they want to do what they please with their own bodies, and if they have fornication and don't want a child at that time, then they should be able to kill the fruit of their womb.

Clearly, the above scripture in Numbers 30 shows that a woman was meant to always have a covering over her; first her father from birth, and then, her husband to guide and protect her. This was not a punishment, but a blessing, as scripture states, we will be justified by our words, or condemned by our words, and making rash vows is a major part of that as Yahweh expects us to keep our word once it comes out of our mouth.

Ecc 5:2-6 Do not be hasty with your mouth, and do not let your heart hurry to bring forth a word before The Elohim. For The Elohim is in Heaven, and you are on earth; on account of this, let your words be few. 3 For the dream comes through the greatness of the task; and the voice of the fool is known by the many words. 4 When you vow a vow to Elohim, do not wait to fulfill it. For He has no pleasure in fools. Fulfill that which you have vowed.

<u>5</u> It is better that you should not vow, than that you should vow and not fulfill it.

<u>6</u> Do not allow your mouth to cause your flesh to sin; do not say before the Messenger of YAHWEH, that it was an error. Why should The Elohim be angry over your voice, and destroy the work of your hands?

<u>Mat 12:36-37</u> But I say to you, that every vain word, whatever men may speak, they shall give an account of it in Judgment Day. For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.

Wow, that is quite frightening, and should make us really think about the words we say, as the above scripture shows we cannot take them back once they come out of our mouths!Except if you are a woman!

That's right, according to the scriptures in Numbers 30:3-8 a father or a husband of a woman can annul her rash vow that comes out of her mouth. What a blessing that a woman has in this regard. But why would Yahweh allow men to annul the vows of the woman, but not the woman to annul the vow of a man?

Because women are made to think primarily from the left side of the brain and are more emotional, more indecisive, and generally have less discernment than their male counterpart. This is not a criticism on women as they are also generally more creative, more merciful, and more detail oriented than men are.

It is a simple fact though, that women are made the way they are so that they will need a man's discernment and wisdom in their lives. If a woman was made with the same discernment, decisiveness, and wisdom of a man, they would be able to be totally independent of men in society, and it would destroy the fabric of the family structure that Yahweh created. A woman was meant, as a blessing from Yahweh, to always have a spiritual covering in their life, and when that covering is missing, the results could be disastrous. Let's look at the following example.

Gen 34:1 And Dinah, the daughter of Leah, whom she bore to Jacob, went out to see the daughters of the land. 2 And Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, the prince of the land, saw her, and took her, and lay with her, and humbled her. 5 And Jacob heard that he had defiled his daughter Dinah. And his sons were with his livestock in the field. And Jacob kept silent until they had come.

This is a classic story where Dinah should have never gone out in a new land to explore and seek new friends without a male counterpart to watch over and protect her. Crimes of this nature are rampant in the society we have today because women simply don't think they need male headship, and many times the results will destroy a woman for the rest of her life.

Women were made to be helpmates to their husbands, and the husband and wife should work together in harmony in the family structure, and even a home business, but the male should always be there to protect his spouse and daughter.

And I believe the greatest example of headship over a woman comes right from the very first couple in human history Adam and Eve.

Gen 3:1-5, 6 And the serpent was cunning above every beast of the field which YAHWEH Elohim had made. And he said to the woman, Is it so that Elohim has said, You shall not eat from any tree of the garden?

2 And the woman said to the serpent, of the fruit of the trees of the garden, We may eat, 3 but of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden, Elohim has said, You shall not eat of it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die. 4 And the serpent said to the woman, surely, you shall not die,

<u>Gen 3:6</u> 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. And she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.

Now, the first question we could ask is "why on earth is Eve having a conversation with Satan without allowing her husband to handle the situation?" This is a question that could be asked by thousands of women in society today who boldly go about with no headship whatsoever, and continually getting themselves into trouble due to this fact.

In all fairness, the accountability with Adam and Eve should go as much on Adam for abdicating His position as family head, as on Eve for leaving her spiritual headship. But in any case, with equal blame on both parties, their sin has led us to the situation that we are in today. And in these end times it was prophesied that woman would be improperly coming out of their Biblical roles, and outside of the headship that Yahweh created for them, and want to rule themselves with no accountability to anyone.

<u>Isa 3:12</u> As for My people, children are their oppressors, and women rule over him. Oh My people, those leading you cause you to go astray, and they swallow the way of your paths.

<u>Isa 4:1</u> And in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, We will eat our own bread and wear our own clothing, only let your name be called on us; collect our shame.

It is so normal in society today for woman to live on their own, work on their own, pay their own way, and make all decisions without any council from their fathers, pastors, or even husbands.

This culture is from Babylon, not Yahweh, as the word picture for Babylon is "when there are two heads of the family".

<u>**Pro 15:22**</u> Without counsel plans are broken, but by many counselors they rise.

But, what about a woman who is a widow or may not have a husband or father to guide her in Spiritual matters? Who will provide headship in such cases? **Eph 4:11** And indeed He has assigned some to be apostles; and some prophets; and some evangelists; and some shepherds and teachers;

Eph 4:12 for the perfecting of the saints for the work of the ministry, for the building up of the body of Messiah,

Eph 4:13 until we all may come to the unity of the faith and of the full knowledge of the Son of Elohim, to a full-grown man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Messiah,

Eph 4:14 so that we may no longer be children, being blown and carried about by every wind of false doctrine of men, who through their craftiness are very skillful in deceiving the people;

<u>1Ti 5:5</u> Now she who is truly a widow, and destitute, her hope is in YAHWEH; and she perseveres in prayers, and in supplications, by night and by day:

<u>1Ti 5:9</u> When you select a worthy widow to help, select one who is not less than sixty years old, who has been the wife of only one man,

<u>1Ti 5:10</u> and is well spoken of by her good works, if she brought up children, if she hosted strangers, if she washed the feet of the saints, if she comforted the distressed, if she followed after every good work.

Yahweh in His infinite mercy and wisdom has set the elders in the congregation as shepherds and Pastors to care for the widows and those women who do not have spiritual headship, as it is His own Elohim guided principle that all women should always have proper headship to bless them with safety and security, and spiritual enlightenment, and peace of mind.

Even the Apostle Paul in 1 Corinthians 11, when speaking about whether a woman needs to put an additional piece of cloth on her hair, he adds in the following verse about spiritual authority that a woman always needs to be under.

<u>1Co 11:9</u> for also man was not created for the sake of the woman, but woman for the sake of the man; <u>1Co 11:10</u> because of this, the woman ought to be modest and have her head fully covered as a sign of respect to the malakim (Messengers).

Paul is stating above that a woman should have her head covered by long hair in respect of their spiritual covering, as if they don't it will be a shame on their husbands, fathers, and pastors, and show a rebellious nature in them. If a woman comes into the congregation and is not dressed modest or doesn't have her hair at a reasonable length than she is not showing respect for the ordained elder/messenger of Yahweh that was placed there by Him.

In this end time were Satan is trying to destroy the family unit by making women unhappy in their Elohim guided roles as mothers, wives, and housewives, we need to look back at societies, such as the Amish, who are still holding true family values and living like the women of Sarah of old. Woman should be thankful to Yahweh and feel greatly blessed that He set their fathers, husbands, or Pastors as a spiritual covering to help them on their walk of salvation. This is Yahweh's judicial order with men loving the Elohim given role to protect women, and judicial order is always voluntary and reciprocal.

<u>1Pe 3:1</u> Likewise, wives, be submissive to your own husbands, that even if any disobey the Word, through the behavior of the wives, without a word they will be won,

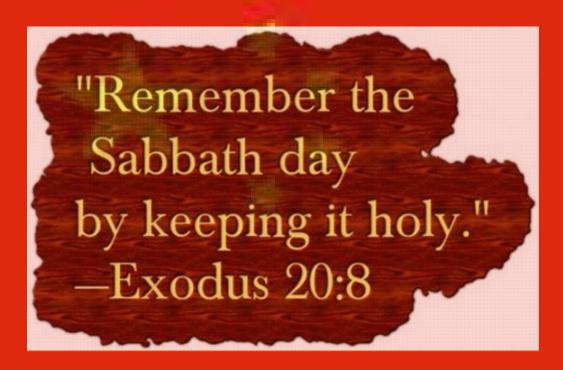
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<u>1Pe 3:7</u> And you husbands, likewise, dwell withyour wives according to knowledge, and hold them in honor, as the weaker vessels; because they also will inherit with you the gift of eternal life: And let not your prayers be hindered.



The Dramatic Story of Chinese Sabbath keepers

Reprint By Herman Hoeh

Here is disclosed one of the most ASTOUNDING episodes of history. It is like reliving the experiences of the judges and prophets of old!

The Mystery Begins

This dramatic account commences with the year 1813. It begins in a small village some little distance from the important city of Canton, China. Here the chief character in the drama, Hung-Suitshuen, was born. For ease of pronunciation, I shall call him Hung.

Hung came from a royal family. His father and mother, as well as many other relatives, had previously fled to South China as a result of the Manchu invasion. By the time Hung was 16 he had become proficient in the usual course of Chinese education. At 18 years of age he was appointed schoolmaster of his native village by unanimous acclamation of the townspeople.

Five years later he was given a set of books. Translated into English, the title of these books was "Good Words for Exhorting the Age." At the time, the books appeared of little value to Hung. The Manchus, remember, were Mongolian warlords who seize China- now they are the Communist overlords who rule China. During the period of recuperation, Hung had an extraordinary *vision*. A record of the vision is preserved in Theodore Hamberg's booklet, "The Visions of Hung-sui-tshuen." Hamberg was a missionary of the Basel Evangelical Society to China (a Swiss institution).

In the vision Hung was seemingly transported to the presence of *a great Sovereign Ruler*. There he was confronted by an old woman—(women at that time were regarded lower than animals)—who said to him, "Thou dirty man, why hast thou kept company with yonder people and defiled thyself? I must now wash thee clean." He was then, in vision, taken to a river and washed in the water. After this he was conducted into a large building where his heart and other inward parts were removed and replaced by new ones! Then he was given a sword, a seal, and fruit to eat, which he found sweet to his palate.

Upon awakening, he was astounded at the vision, but could not determine its meaning. When Hung fully regained his health, he began to reform his conduct as best he knew. Hung-sui-tshuen continued as a village schoolmaster for several years more, giving the vision no further thought.

Then, one day, his cousin Le searched through Hung's bookcase and noted the unusual contents of the volumes "Good Words for Exhorting the Age."

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In them were a number of whole chapters of the Bible, according to the translation of a Dr. Morrison; many sermon-essays on varied Bible texts; and other statements founded on Scripture.

Le told his cousin Hung what he had found. Hung then began to look through the books, which had lain untouched on the bookshelves for seven long years. He was amazed to find that in the quoted chapters from the Bible there was a partial *explanation* of the vision he had received six years before.

Discovering the Bible

In those parts of the Scripture, which he possessed, Hung found the Heavenly Father described—the great Sovereign Ruler revealed in his vision years before. Then, he read of Yahshua, the "elder brother of many brethren." In our versions it is rendered: "the first-born of many brothers" (Rom. 8:29). He learned that Yahshua was sent as Savior and as messenger. He read that one needs to repent and be baptized to obtain the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:38). From these verses he understood the meaning of being washed in water and of having his heart and inward parts renewed.

Hung and his cousin Le then baptized one another. They prayed to Yahweh, promised not to worship evil spirits, and cast away their idols. Hung, being a literary man composed poetic verses to explain his conversion to his friends.

"When our transgressions high as heaven rise, how well to trust in Yahshua's full atonement; We follow not the demons, we obey the holy precepts, worshipping alone one Elohim." After destroying his idols in the little school in which he taught, Hung and his few friends were forced to flee into the interior of China. He preached what little he knew as he journeyed into the south-central provinces of China. Once again, he became a school teacher (between 1845 and 1846).

Visits a Missionary

At the close of 1846 Hung journeyed to Canton after hearing that a Christian missionary from the West resided there. He studied there under Mr. Roberts, the missionary, for almost a month, and read new portions of the Bible. Young missionaries from abroad, also studying under Mr. Roberts, were jealous of Hung's talents and earnestness. They brought about his removal! Hung left the city somewhat saddened.

Returning to south-central China, Hung found that the number of villagers who listened to him and were baptized soon numbered almost 2,000. They had to form congregations among themselves, and became known as "the congregations of the worshippers of Elohim." For short, they were dubbed "Elohim-worshippers."

Continuous study of the Bible convinced Hung that his people should not smoke tobacco or opium—which the British were selling to the Chinese—that they should refrain from intoxicating drinks except under special circumstances, and that the *Sabbath* should be observed on the *seventh day*. The missionaries were quite displeased about the fact that "the Sabbath is observed not upon the same day as in Europe.

Hung further noticed that Yahshua didn't rise on Sunday morning, but "three days after his death"! In reading the Old Testament books of Moses—the books of the prophets were not available to him in Chinese—Hung was convinced that Yahweh had given His people a *calendar*. The only different calendar of which Hung knew was the Roman calendar brought to China by the Jesuits. Since the Jesuit Catholics claimed to be Christians, and used the Bible, he thought they also must have the Elohim given calendar. He adopted it. Consequently, he could not understand the annual festivals of Yahweh, which are based upon the Sacred Calendar.

Think, for a moment, of the earnestness of these Gentile folk who lacked large portions of Yahweh's revelations. How *thankful* we ought to be to have the entire Word of Yahweh, whenever we need to use it. And remember, most of those whom Hung baptized *could not even read Chinese!* They had to be taught orally each Sabbath—and that mainly from the Old Testament.

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The Marriage Ceremony

The number of new converts steadily grew. Marriage ceremonies had to be performed. Hung examined the Bible and *found the answer!* Here is a description of their ceremony:

"When the bridal party are all met together, they proceed to the Congregation... and after many prayers and a severe examination of the bride and bridegroom's theological tenets, THE MINSTER JOINS THEIR RIGHT HANDS TOGETHER, and when each have accepted the other, pronounces a concluding benediction... Divorce is not only not permitted, but actually unknown or thought of." (From Lin-Le's book, Ti-Ping Tien-Kwoh, page 317).

How exactly like the marriage ceremonies Yahweh has ordained in His Congregation today! Does not this demonstrate the guidance of Yahweh?

Beside these changes, the Chinese converts of Hung ceased to practice the binding of women's feet, began to lay aside the custom of polygamy, ceased to deal in the slave trade, and become obedient to the laws of Yahweh as revealed to Israel through Moses. In order to be converted, they taught as follows:

"They"—the converts—"must kneel down in Yahweh's presence, and ask Him to forgive their sins." Following baptism, the form of which Hung did not understand perfectly. "they must continue daily to supplicate Divine favor, and the *Holy Spirit's assistance* to renew their hearts, saying grace at every meal, keeping holy the Sabbath day, and *OBEYING ALL YAHWEH'S COMMANDMENTS*, especially avoiding idolatry. They may then be accounted *the children of Yahweh*..." (From Line-Le's book, page 315.)

The Next Great Step

To begin with, Hung and his converts were not fully acquainted with the instructions found in the New Testament. They had to be guided mainly by Moses instruction found in the law. But notice what they did:

When the prosperity and learning of the Elohim-worshippers was noised about the countryside, many in distress sought the protection of these Sabbath keepers. Whole families of afflicted and destitute came to them, as well as outlaws who fled from the power of the oppressive Manchu dynasty. Once again Hung looked into the Bible. He saw the example of David. "And everyone that was in distress, and everyone that was in debt, and everyone that was discontented, gathered themselves unto him (David); and he became captain over them" (1 Sam.22: 2).

Hung therefore became a captain over his fellow Chinese. He instructed them according to Moses' law and punished offenders accordingly. *These Chinese malcontents*, like those of David, *were not converts*, but merely willing to do as Hung instructed because they disliked the Manchu overlords.

Next, Hung remembered the sword that he had seen in the vision. He read in the Bible of "The sword of Yahweh, and of Gideon" (Judges 7:14, 20). He felt responsible for his people, as did *the judges* in Israel of old. Here is what Dr. Bridgeman wrote of the next turn of events:

"Their government is a theocracy, the development apparently of what is believed by them to be a new dispensation. As in the case of the Israelites under Moses, they regard themselves as directed by one who has been raised up by the Almighty to be the executor of His will on earth." (Page 211 of Lin-Lie's work.)

By 1851 the malcontents had increased by tens of thousands. They proclaimed Hung-sui-tshuen the ruler of a new dynasty administering a heavenly or Celestial Kingdom. Hung tried to follow the pattern of David and Solomon, mentioned in 1 Chron. 29:23: "And Solomon sat on the throne of YAHWEH as king instead of his father David, and prospered; and all Israel obeyed him."

The new dynasty was entitled the "Tai-ping." Meaning the kingdom of "our Sovereign," the One who created heaven and earth.

The malcontents, to protect their domain, were at first conscripted for defense. Then Hung read in the law what Moses said: "When you go out to battle against your enemies" the enemies of the Tai-pings already persecuted them for religious and political reasons—"and the officers shall speak further to the people, and saying: Who is the man that has built a new house, and has not dedicated it? let him go and return to his house...Who is the man who is afraid, and faint of heart? Let him go and return to his house. (Deut. 20:1,5, 8).

Hung therefore made army service a *voluntary* matter! The soldiers were instructed to pay the country people for whatever food and clothing they required on their journeys. Vast areas of China were freed from the Manchu oppressors. By 1860 the movement gained such power that it attracted international recognition. Several thousand became faithful converts and upwards of 50,000,000 Chinese were living in prosperity and at peace under the Tai-Ping administration of Elohim's laws.

The Hand of the Jesuits

In abolishing the idols of the country, the Tai-pings naturally destroyed the images of Mary and the saints, as well as those of the Buddhists. The ire of the Jesuits was aroused. They persuaded the French forces in China to support the ruling Manchu dynasty with whom they had previously been quarreling.

Next, the British and American missionaries—who had obtained barely 1,500 converts through years of work—were jealous of the fact that so many people were turning to the truth without their missionary activity. The missionaries began a deliberate campaign to malign the Tai-ping. They accused them of rejecting the Bible, of denying Yahshua Messiah, of wanton slaughter of innocent victims.

The true reports of honest missionaries were squelched! British commercial agents, interested in selling opium to the Chinese, became fearful of the loss of revenue. REMEMBER, THIS WAS THE ERA OF THE OPIUM WARS—when foreigners, particularly the British, were seeking to dominate China by forcing them to buy opium. The British and other foreign elements forced the Manchus to sign treaties legalizing the opium trade. This placed the armies of the Tai-pings in a serious predicament. The British assured the Chinese revolutionists that they would remain neutral and only protect British property from destruction. In reality the British sent arms to the Manchus, and the Manchus imported arms in ships flying the American flag!

During all this time the converts of Hung were publishing the Bible as best as they could. Time and again they implored their Christian white Brethren across the sea to send them missionaries to instruct them better. Most missionaries refused to go. What a condemnation of our people—Israel—the people chosen for a job we have *refused* to perform! When our people could have brought the truth, they refused to do so. And when we did send missionaries, they brought nothing but a Babel of confusion to the Gentiles.

A Plea Refused

The Tai-ping also sought to trade with the British. They sent an army to Shanghai to open negotiations with their professing Christian white brethren. Said the leader of the Tai-ping regiments to the British, American, Portuguese and other foreigners in Shanghai: "I came to Shanghai to make a treaty in order to see us connected together by trade and commerce; I did not come for the purpose of fighting with you. Had I at once commenced to attack the city and kill the people, that would have been the same as the members of one family fighting among themselves." (Page 283 of Lin-Le's work.) Remember that these Chinese did not know the kind of Christianity professed by the Western World!

The extract, which I have just quoted from a longer letter, was sent to the foreign authorities in Shanghai for the following reason: When the Tai-ping, who assumed the British were neutral, came to Shanghai, they were fired upon by the British. According to a correspondent of *the North China Herald*, "They {the Chinese Tai-ping} waved the hand, begged our officers not to fire, and *stood there motionless*, wishing to open communications and explain their object!" Retreating for safety, the Tai-pings encountered a missionary, Mr. Milne. In order not to have him injured in any battle, they sent guards with him to the city of Shanghai. After delivering Mr. Milne safely to his white brethren, the guards were shot down by British soldiers upon the citywall!

A Great Mistake

Hung could not understand the action of the Christian nations form across the sea. In sorrow he withdrew from all contact with foreigners, but continued to study the Bible with the faithful. He permitted his commanders to disperse their armies throughout the walled cities of his domain. The Manchus had been badly defeated and no attack was expected. This—plus a miscalculation of the British and French intentions—proved disastrous.

Although the official government statements from abroad implied that England would remain neutral, the actual deeds perpetrated against the Chinese demonstrated the opposite. The British marshalled the Manchus against the Tai-Pings and gradually brought about their retreat and downfall. But as Gladstone, the British Prime Minister once said, this action will go down as one of the blackest marks in history against Britain. As a result of foreign intrigue, the Manchu army and religious persecution, these Chinese Sabbath keepers, including Hung, perished for their faith.

Long after the death of those faithful Chinese to whom Yahweh revealed a measure of His truth, the malcontents who had associated with them arose again in rebellion against the Manchus. They called themselves "The Righteous Fists of Harmony" – or "Boxers." Their rebellion—the Boxer rebellion—was aimed at the foreigners and especially missionaries. But the Sabbath and Yahweh's laws had long been forgotten by them.

Why Communism Engulfs China Today

We are reaping the reward of our sins in China today! To the carnal Chinese, the European nations seemed unprincipled liars, devoid of every virtue recognized by men! From that time on the spread of the Word of Yahweh among the Chinese met with little success. No wonder Communism has engulfed the country.

When thinking of the fate of those Sabbath keeping Chinese and their ignorant comrades who sought their protection, I am reminded of Paul's exhortation in Hebrews: "And what more may I say? For the time will fail me telling about Gideon, Barak, and also Samson and Jephthah, and also David and Samuel, and the rest of the prophets, who through faith overcame kingdoms, worked out righteousnessbecame strong in war; made armies of foreigners to yield... And others received trial of mocking's and of scourging's; yea, more of bonds and of prison: they were stoned; they were tried; they were sawn in two; they died by murder of sword... (Of whom the world was NOT WORTHY)" (Hebrews 11:32-38).

How *unworthy* the world is may be understood by the *deliberate falsity* of recorded history in describing the Tai-Ping rebellion. Missionaries and politicians alike have accused them of committing acts of which only the enemies of the Tai-pings were guilty. The Tai-pings were maligned just as David and his followers were.

"The White Man's Burden"

The most important summary of this drama of human experience—the book which is the basis for this little-known record—was written by a white man who used a Chinese name, Lin-Le. The work is entitled "Ti Ping Tien Kwoh, the History of the Ti Ping Revolution." It was published in 1866 in London.

Here is a lesson we must never forget! How we ought to appreciate what we know of Yahweh's word! Our own people—Israelites, Yahweh's chosen—refused to *restore* the truth they received. Our great dominations followed the path of the opium-peddling businessmen. But the Chinese, for 200 years in bondage to the Manchus, looked to the Word of Elohim as best they knew. "Their laws were framed and already constituted when the New Testament"—in its fullness—"came into their hands." (From page 152.)

Perhaps we can now realize the FULL WEIGHT of our *responsibility* in carrying out the gospel of the Kingdom of Yahweh to *all* nations. Yahweh has chosen US—His faithful *few* in an Israel filled with sin—to carry the LIGHT through radio, television and the printing press to those who abide in darkness. Let's shoulder our responsibility and prove that we can carry "the white man's burden"!

The Supreme Court of Yahweh

By Don Esposito

In the United States there are 3 branches of government. There is the executive branch with the President, there is the legislative branch with the Senate and Congres, and there is the judicial branch with the judges.

On the judiciary branch with the judges, the highest court in the land is the Supreme Court, which has 9 Supreme CourtJustices, which will decide the highest and most important cases in the country.

When a judge retires or dies from the Supreme court the acting President of the United States will name a new supreme court justice. This has happened recently in the United States. Supreme Justice Anthony K ennedy has announced his retirement, and President Trump nominated a new supreme court justice named Bret Kavanaugh.

And, although the President has fre reign to nominate any supreme court justice he de ms to be fit for the job, the nomine also has to be approved by a majority vote in the United States Senate. And, although precedent in times pasthas always be n that when it comes to a supreme court nomine that the Senators would not be biased according to party line, but would simply look at the qualifications of the person being nominated; that precedenthas quickly pas ed away.

Judge Kavanaugh has be n a top circuitcourt judge in the 2nd highest courtin the USA for 12 years. He has also worked in the George Bush White House and has as impeccable reputation as a judge for intellect, fairnes, and upholding to the rule of law.

And when Judge Kavanaugh was before the Senate for the confirmation hearings, the opposing Democrat party virtually asked him no question about his record as a top appellate court judge, or about his qualifications to be on the Supreme Court of the United States.

Instead, they waited until the hearings were complete and right before the vote on judge Kavanaugh was to take place they brought up almost 40-year-old unsubstantiated charges of sexual misconduct from a high school clas mate who could not cor oborate any of the charges she was making against judge Kavanaugh.

And instead of focusing on any of his amazing qualifications as a Supreme Court judge, they brought up and questioned him aboutstatements he wrote in his high school year book almost forty years before.

They took this good, honest, family man with 2 young children and raked him through the coals trying to accuse him, with no evidence, for things that may or may not have happened for ty years before. This would have be n a disgrace to happen in any venue for someone who was applying for a job, but to se this kind of smear campaign and false accusations happening to the very person who was nominated by merit to the Supreme Court, the highest court in the land, was shameful.

The whole sick, dark proces that took place with Judge Kavanaugh's confirmation is just another symptom to how morally decrepit/America/Babylon has truly become. And, as sad as it was to watch Judge Kavanaugh and his family go through such a disgraceful situation, the reality is that this sort of disgraceful action happens in this sick world to people on the Internet every day.

Social Media has become a weapon for people to falsely accuse and shame other human beings as a way of life. People will use Internet forums to degrade, belitle, and even humiliate other human beings for reasons of pride, hate, jealousy, and even for entertainment.

People will bring up and try to dig up sins of people's past without even bat ing an eyelash. Gos ip and maligning have become the norm in society today, and yet the word of Yahweh gives each individual the opportunity to have theirsins forgiven, and to forgetthe past, and move on to become a new creation in Yahshua Mes iah.

<u>Php 3:13</u> Brothers, I do not count myself to have reached the goal, but one thing I do, forget ing the things behind, and stretching forward to those things before,

<u>Php 3:14</u> Ipres toward the goal to receive the prize of victory of the highest calling of YAHWEH in Mes iah Yahshua.

<u>2 Cor 5:17</u> So that if anyone is in Mes iah, he is a new creation; the old things have pas ed away; behold, all things have become new!

Yet, the world we live in today is notlike the word of Yahweh, and unfortunately this is the world our children must live in. A world where young people's self-worth is based on how many likes or thumbs up, they receive on their social media page. A world where people will quickly throw their friends under the bus in order to move up the social later to a falsely perceived happines that never se ms to materialize.

The Youth in this wicked Satanic world are being conditioned to look at their self-worth not for the inner person they are, but for the façade of the person their trying to portray on their social media Internet network. And the result is that children are growing up more depresed, les happy, and suicide rates for youth have skyrocketed in recent years due to the fake façade that has be n created through advanced technology of the last decade.

And the sad estpartofthis proces is that the youth of today are being so brainwashed by these vices that to get them to believe in the real values of life for who Yahweh created them to be is extremely difficult.

The façade has become their reality and the reality has become the façade, and they are mis ing out on the only real self-value that is truly lasting, which is their value as a child of Yahweh. For once someone comes to faith in Yahweh, they realize that all self-worth is only vanity, and the only true self-worth is in the one who created them, and Yahweh's purpose in their life.

This also is the only road that will lead to true repentance and to have all guiltleave from one's life; as where in Satan's technological society, self-worth is only based on your last twe torpost, and there is no way to getrid of the guilt that rides a person daily as to their perceived personal ineptnes compared to the false facade world around them.

It is only through repentance and building a personal relationship with your creator that will truly make one guilt fre and confident, not in self, but in the Creator, who made him. Only the reality of being truly forgiven and having a new, pure heart can one truly be fre and filled with joy in the world we live in today.

<u>Psa 103:1-3</u> [OfDavid.] Bles YAHWEH, O my soul, and all within me, bles His holy name. <u>2</u> Bles YAHWEH, O my soul, and forgetnotall His rewards; <u>3</u> He who forgives all your iniquities; who heals all your diseases;

<u>Psa 103:10-13</u> He has not done to us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. <u>11</u> For as the heavens are above the earth, so is His mercy mighty over those who fear Him. <u>12</u> As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us. <u>13</u> As the pity of a father over his sons, so YAHWEH pities those who fear Him.

Joh 8:36 Therefore, if the Son sets you fre, you are fre inded.

<u>Mat 11:28-30</u> Come to Me, all those laboring and being burdened, and Iwill give you rest. <u>29</u> Bear my yoke upon you and learn from me. **ThatIam tranquil and Iam meek, and in my heartyou will find tranquility in your souls.**(Jer. 6:16) **30** For My yoke is pleasant, and My burden is liht.

The Supreme Court of Yahweh is a real court that will judge all the world when Yahshua returns to this earth to set up the Kingdom of Yahweh. And yet Yahweh also has abounding mercy, and love, and forgivenes, that He wants every human being to be able to turn from their sinful way and have their sins paid for and erased in the Heavenly Supreme court.

It is sad in the times we live in that Satan has used the Internet and Social Media to pervert justice and to try to pervertour youth in the days we live in. May we reject all forms of social media that are satanically inspired and look only to the true High Court of Yahweh in Heaven, and may we embrace the grace that He of ers through the shed blood of His Son Yahshua that covers our sins and removes all our transgres ions.



Answers to your Questions

Q) My precious little dog passed away; my question is will Yahweh allow me to have him in the end because I know everything that has breath praises Yahweh.

A) The book of Eccl states the following:

Ecc 3:19-21 For that which happens to the sons of men, and that which happens to beasts, even one event is to them. As this one dies, so that one dies; yea, one breath is to all; so that there is to the man no advantage over the beast; for all is vanity. 20 All go to one place; all are of the dust, and all return to the dust. 21 Who knows the spirit of the sons of the man, whether it goes upward; and the spirit of the beast, whether it goes downward to the earth?

This shows that animals do not have the same spirit as mankind. Mankind was made in the image of Yahweh, but animals were made instinctively with their own spirit. And at death the Spirit of Yahweh goes back to Him, but the animal spirit simply goes into the earth and it ceases to exist.

There is a hope of a resurrection for humans but nothing like that is stated for animals. Which shows we should care for our animals, but never put them on par with humans. That is why the sacrificial system could only be a shadow as Torah states " Eye for eye, tooth for tooth and life for life", and the life of an animal sacrificed does not equal the life of a human, for if it did Yahweh would never allow any killing of animals for any reason.

With that said, Yahweh also loves all His creation including animals, and since animals are instinctive and do not have a soul, in the Kingdom of Yahweh, which will certainly have animals, Yahweh out of love for us, can create an animal exactly like the one you have now so you can enjoy the animal, which showed loyalty to you on this earth.

Q) If the reward of the saved is not heave, explain the following:

Mat 5:3 Blessed are the poor in spirit! For theirs is the kingdom of the Heavens.

<u>Mat 5:10</u> Blessed are they who have been persecuted for righteousness' sake! For theirs is the kingdom of Heaven.

<u>Mat 5:19</u> Therefore, whoever loosens one of these commandments, the least, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the worst in the kingdom of Heaven. But whoever does and teaches them, this one shall be called great in the kingdom of Heaven.

A) When Yahweh created mankind, He gave them dominion over the earth, not heaven.

Gen 1:27-30 And Elohim created the man in His own image; in the image of Elohim He created him. He created them male and female. 28 And Elohim blessed them; and Elohim said to them, Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it, and rule over the fish of the seas, and over birds of the heavens, and over all beasts creeping on the earth. 29 And Elohim said, Behold, I have given you every plant seeding seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree in which is the fruit of a tree seeding seed; it shall be food for you. 30 And to every beast of the earth, and to all birds of the heavens, and to every creeper on the earth which has in it a living soul, every green plant is for food. And it was so.

When Adam sinned, he gave up and lost that dominion to Satan who is the god of this world. That is why Yahshua Messiah had to come to earth to redeem not only the people of this earth, but the very earth itself, and will reign for 1000 years on the earth with the believing first-fruits.

Yahshua never promised His disciples that they would meet Him in heaven, but that He would return to the earth and be with them on the earth.

Joh 14:1-3 Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in YAHWEH, and believe in Me. 2 There are many rooms in my Father's house, and if not I would have told you so. For I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I am coming again and will receive you to Myself, that where I am you may be also.

Act 1:8-12 But when the spirit of Holiness comes upon you, you will receive the power, and you will be witnesses of Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and to the end of the earth. 9 And saying these things, as they looked on, He was taken up in a cloud and He was hidden from their sight. 10 And as they were intently looking into the heaven, He having gone, even behold, two men in white clothing stood by them, 11 who also said, Men, Galileans, why do you stand looking up to the heaven? This Yahshua who was taken up from you to heaven, likewise He will come just as you have seen Him who ascended into heaven. 12 Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount being called Of Olive Grove, which is near Jerusalem, a distance of seven furlongs away.

Zec 14:3 And YAHWEH shall go out and fight against those nations, like the day He fought in the day of battle. Zec 14:4 And His feet shall stand in that day on the Mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east; and the Mount of Olives shall divide from its middle, from the east even to the west, a very great valley. And half of the mountain shall move toward the north, and half of it toward the south.

As to the scriptures that you quoted about the Kingdom of Yahweh being called the Kingdom of Heaven in the book of Mathew; Mathew was written to the Jews who in the first century did not use and pronounce the sacred name of Yahweh. So, not to offend the Jews whom the book was written to, Mathew used Kingdom of Heaven, instead of Kingdom of Yahweh.

However, if you compare those very scriptures with the synoptic Good News of Mark and Luke, you will see that every time the Kingdom of Yahweh is used, and not Kingdom of Heaven. The Kingdom will come down out of Heaven, but will be on the earth.

Rev 21:2-3 And I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of Heaven from YAHWEH, having been prepared as a bride, having been adorned for her Husband. Rev 21:3 And I heard a great voice out of Heaven, saying, Behold, the tabernacle of YAHWEH is with men! And He will tabernacle with them, and they will be His people, and YAHWEH Himself will be with them as their Elohim.

Isa 65:17-25 For, behold, I create new heavens and new earth. And the former things shall not be recalled, and they shall not go up on the heart. 18 However, be glad and rejoice forever in what I create. For, behold, I create in Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy. 19 And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in My people. And the voice of weeping and the voice of crying shall no longer be heard in her. 20 There shall not still be an infant of days, or an old man that has not filled his days. For the youth shall die the son of a hundred years, but the sinner the son of a hundred years shall be accursed. 21 And they shall build houses and live in them; and they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. 22 They shall not build, and another live in them; they shall not plant, and another eat. For like the days of the tree are the days of My people; and My elect shall grow old to the work of their hands. 23 They shall not labor in vain, nor bring forth for terror. For they are the seed of the beloved ones of YAHWEH, and their offspring with them. 24 And it will be, before they call, I will answer. While they are speaking, then I will hear. 25 The wolf and the lamb shall feed as one; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. And dust is the food of the snake. They shall not do evil nor destroy in all My holy mountain, says YAHWEH.

Please also read lesson 6 called "The Reward of the Saved" on our website at www.coyhwh.com in the Study Material section.

Feast of Sukkot (Tabernacles) 2019

It is truly one of the most exciting experiences that you will have in your life, to be blessed to spend a feast in Israel and take a Pilgrimage in the land. We are trying to truly encourage representatives from countries all over the world to come and experience this rare blessing, and represent their given nation as **Zech 14:16** states. After spending the feast in Jerusalem, you will never want to spend it anywhere else. As it states in

Eze 36:38 Like a holy flock, like the flock of Jerusalem in her appointed feasts, so the wasted cities shall be filled with flocks of men. And they shall know that I am Yahweh.

We are living in these times where Yahweh has brought Judah back to the land of Israel after 2500 years of Diaspora. During Sukkot we will travel several days around the *Old City of Jerusalem* and you will get to see the *Mount of Olives*, *The City of David*, as well as *David's tomb* and the *room of the last supper*, and also the remains of the *House of Caiphas* where they still have today the remains of the scourging room where Yahshua would have been held the night before His crucifixion. We also hope to possibly go to a biblical park that will teach you everything there is to know from a Hebrew perspective on the harvest fruits of Sukkot and the land of Israel.

After Sukkot, we will have the blessing to start out by taking the road to Emmaus where Yahshua met the 2 disciples after His resurrection. Then, we will continue to Tel Keyafah a most amazing new tel from the time of King David overlooking the valley where David fought Goliath, and also visit the caves of Bet Gorvin where Jews hid and lived during the revolt. Then, we will be blessed to visit Beer Sheva, the very place that Abraham made covenant to YHWH.

The next day we will visit Shiloh where the Ark of the Covenant with Yahweh's presence was for more than 350 years during the time of the judges where recently they found one of the horns of the altar there. After that we will visit the ancient city of Mount Gerizim and visit with an actual Samaritan Levite Priest who has done DNA to prove he is a Levite. We will also go to Alon Moreh and see where Abraham was given the great promises of Yahweh. You will also see Mount Ebal from both Mount Gerizim and Alon Moreh. We will also visit the Jewish settlement of Ariel and see a replica of the Tabernacle in the Wilderness.

The next day we will go up North West to see the magnificent coastal city of Herod called Caesarea, and then, continue north to Mount Carmel where Eliyahoo fought the priests of Baal. After that, we will go to Har Megiddo where the book of Revelation tells us that the last battle of mankind against Yahshua will take place. We will then continue to visit Ahab's palace in Jezreel.

The next day we will visit Hatzor where Joshua burned the city down, and then, visit Kadesh, one of the Cities of refuge, and also Tel Dan on the Lebanon border, and Caesarea Philippi where Yahshua revealed Himself to His disciples.

We will then be blessed to see the Sea of Galilee and go to Tabgha, where Yahshua did the miracle of the multiplying of the fish and the loaves, and the Mount of Beatitudes where the famous sermon on the mount took place. After that we will visit Capernaum the very village where Yahshua lived during His public ministry and also ancient Magdela where they found the remains of a 1st century synagogue that Yahshua would have taught in. Then, we will take **a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee**, the very water that Yahshua walked on. Also, we will visit Bethsaida, the fishing village where Peter and Andrew were from as well as being the ancient Old Testament city of Gesher, were King David's son Absalom's mother was from and also see Kursi where Yahshua cast out the demons into the swine. Lastly, we will end the day at the Rimon winery, the only pomegranate winery in the world.

This would include 16 days and 15 nights during the feast and the tour, NOT including airfare, but including all touring costs during and after Sukkot with two meals daily. We have been given a very good price of \$1799 per person based on double room occupancy. Children under 2 are free and Children between 2 and 11 are 25% off, and child 12 and over are full price. You can download all feast information and applications at www.coyhwh.com in the feast section.

CONGREGATION OF YHWH - 2019 SUCCOT PILGRIMAGE

16-DAY FEAST & PILGRIMAGE TO ISRAEL WITH Congregation of YHWH Jerusalem

Fri. 11/10/19	2 Day- Early Arrival at extra Cost of \$120 per person	Jerusalem
Sun. 13/10/1	Arrive at feast Complex Build Sukkah-	Jerusalem
Mon 14/10/19	Holy day services	Jerusalem
Tue. 15/10/1 Sun.20/ 10/19	Feast- visit Mount Olives, Old City, City of David, Caiaphas House, Last Supper Room, Jordan River, Gomorrah Ashes, Dead Sea, Visit Biblical park Explaining all about Sukkot	Jerusalem
Mon 21/10/19	Holy day services	Jerusalem
Tue. 22/10/19	Early morning departure to Emmaus, Tel Keiyafah, Valley of Elah where David fought Goliath, Beer Sheva, Beit Gurvin Caves	Kibbutz Oran Yoav
Wed. 23/10/1	Shiloh, Mount Gerazim meet Levite Priest, Alon Moreh, see Tabernacle Replica in Ariel	Eden Inn
Thur. 24/10/19	Caesarea, Mount Carmel where Elijah fought priests of Baal, Megiddo, Tel Jezreel (Ahab Palace), Gideon Spring,	Eden Inn
Fri. 25/10/19	Kadesh City of Refuge, Hatzor, Caesarea Philippi, Tel Dan, see Mount Hermom, visit Misgam Av on Lebanon border,	Galilee
Sab 26/10/1	Services in Hotel	Galilee
Sun 27/10/1	Tabgha, Mount Beatitudes, Capernaum, Bethsaida, Kursi where Yahshua cast demons out of man, Boat ride on Sea of Galilee, See 2,000 year old Galilee fishing boat. Magdala, Rimon winery	Galilee
Mon 28/10/19	Leave Complex	

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Letters From Our Readers...

Dear Remnant's Walk,

I am eternally grateful for an old magazine that was lent to me recently called "The Remnant's Walk" a Jan-March 2006 edition. I enjoyed reading this magazine immensely (am reading the articles over and over again) – it is stuff I crave- its so good! I would love to subscribe to this awesome magazine, and on top of that any back issues you could send me would be greatly appreciated.

I am a senior of 76, live all alone with no fellowship nearby and have been baptized (immersed) 9 years ago into the set apart names. I long for fellowship but only see brethren twice a year, for Passover and FOT time if I go out of this province. May Yahweh Bless yourichly,

Sister in Yahshua

(Canada) Dear Sir,

Calvary greeting to you in the name of our master Yahshua Messiah. I am one of the people who love to read your books, by the grace of Elohim I am a child of Elohim. I was once a Muslim and Yahshua Messiah touched my life, and I had a divine encounter with Him in 1991.

Since then He has been with me through the temptations, trials, persecution from old friends and family members. I have read a few of your books which have helped me to know more about Elohim and I would like to get more from you.

Yours in Yahshua, (TX, USA)

Dear Pastor Esposito,

I have now finished lesson one "Joining the New Covenant", and have been taught that we are under the New Covenant by the blood of Yahshua for the forgiveness of sins. Also, that water baptism (immersion) and not circumcision is the sign of the New Covenant. Sin, and NOT Yahweh's law is what Yahshua came to save us from. We should also still circumcise a male baby on the 8th day of life for clean and unclean laws.

I also now believe that through the laying on of hands (Heb 5:12 through 6:1-3) by an ordained elder of Yahweh, the person actually receives the Holy Spirit after being baptized in water, and becomes a literal begotten child of Yahweh. According to Galatians 3:19, the only law added was the sacrificial law because of sin, and this is the law that is fulfilled and no longer necessary since the crucifixion of the Messiah.

Elder Esposito, I have repented of my sins and want to be baptized into the name of Yahshua Yahweh according to Acts 2:37-42. I also want the laying on of hands of an "ordained elder" to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:38-39, 33, 5:32) I want to enter the New Covenant with Yahweh by the blood of Yahshua. I also confess that Yahshua is the son of Yahweh and Son of man. We are praying for the great work that you are doing for Yahweh in these last days,

PROVE ALL THINGS! Women's head cover ings

If we look into the Greek culture that the Apostle Paul was writing to in the book of Corinthians, we will see that women in the Greek culture wore head scarves after their pagan deities that they worshipped. One does not have to look much further than the Catholic Church and the Mary idols, and also the nuns that are fashioned after Mary, or more correctly, Ishtar idols. In I Corinthians 11, Paul is addressing the group of brethren that were trying to force head scarves on all the women, and clearly this is his response:

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

It is clear from Paul's response that he did not agree with women having to wear an additional cloth on their head as a secondary covering. The first thing that one should ask is if women were meant to wear head coverings, why does the Torah not say one word about it? Also, did Paul have the authority to change or add to Torah? Absolutely not!

The real issue that Paul was trying to deal with was not head scarves but hair lengths. In the Middle Eastern Greek culture where women were wearing these head scarves, it is also very hot, so since their hair was not shown, many were cutting the hair short to have more comfort from the heat and scarf. On the other hand, many men who were also trying to imitate their Greek male gods, were wearing long flowing hair such as you see on the "Jesus pictures", which is a model of the Greek god, son of Zeus. This is the real problem of I Corinthians 11.

<u>I Cor 11:4</u> – "Every man praying or prophesying, having anything down over his head shames his head."

The Greek word used here is Strong's #2596 - "Kata" and means to have anything down over the head. Paul here is referring to a man having long hair fully covering his head.

I Cor 11:5 – "And every woman praying or prophesying with the head uncovered dishonors her head, for it is the same as to her whose head is shaven."

The word here for uncovered is Strong's #177 and means to be uncovered. In other words, he is saying that if a woman has short hair (not fully

covering her head) that it is as if she were shaven. In scripture, the only time you see a woman with short hair was when she was shamed, such as when her husband suspected she was an adulteress, as we see in Numbers the 5th chapter. In this case the priest would shave the woman's head before he gave her the test of adultery.

<u>I Cor 11:6 –</u> "For if a woman does not fully cover her head, let her also cut off her hair. But if it is shameful for a woman to be shom, or to be shaven, let her head be covered."

Here again Paul is saying that if a woman is not fully covered (having long hair), then it is as if she is shaved, but since women are only shaved for shame, then let her be fully covered (have long hair). The Greek word here for covered is Strong's #2619 and means to fully cover the head. Then verse 14-15 makes Paul's case clear. I Cor 11:13-14 — "You judge among yourselves: Is it fitting for a woman to pray to YAHWEH with an uncovered head? Or does not nature herself teach you that if a man indeed wears long hair, it is a disgrace to him?"

<u>I Cor 11:15</u> – "But if a woman wears her hair long, it is a glory to her; <u>because the hair has been</u> given to her instead of a veil."

The word used here for veil is Strong's #4018 and literally means cloth wrap or veil. This is the first time in the letter that Paul even mentions the word veil, all other references were to coverings, not veils. Paul clearly believes the long hair is the covering. Where maybe the beginning of Paul's letter was a bit confusing because he does not come out and explain the true purpose of his writing (hair lengths, not veils), the latter part of the letter is very clear, that as long hair is a shame to a man, that it is a glory to a woman and the long hair has been given instead of a veil. And to the Brethren that do not want to accept this teaching from Paul, he is also very clear. Could it be any clearer; the congregations of YHWH have no such custom of women wearing a veil or men having long hair. This makes total sense as although the Torah never commands a woman to wear a veil, it does say that a man is not to dress or look like a woman and neither should a woman dress or look like a man. Prove all things.

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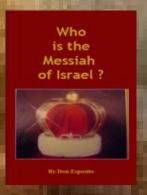
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