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Microsoft has boasted that white employees are paid less than minority peers with the same job title. The disclosure was part of the company's 2023 Diversity and Inclusion Report. "All racial and ethnic minority groups who are rewards eligible combined earn \$1.007 total pay for every \$1.000 earned by US rewards-eligible white employees with the same job title and level and considering tenure," the Microsoft report states. The report continues, "US Black and African American employees earn \$1.004 and Asian employees earn \$1.012 for every \$1.000 earned by U.S. rewardseligible white employees with the same job title and level and considering tenure." thegatewaypundit.com/2024/02/microsoft-boaststhat-white-employees-are-paid-less/

The stranger that is within thee shall get up above thee very high; and thou shalt come down very low. Deuteronomy 28:43

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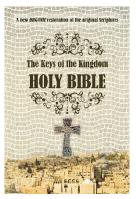
#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:



#### History of our Bible and a New Translation

Over the last few weeks or so, I have been giving sermons on the origins of the Bible stemming from various ancient texts and manuscripts, including the history of the English Bible, the Septuagint, and the Dead Sea Scrolls. You can listen to these sermons online here. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCz1uuxbUZobwe1M66n Hlfgg/featured here: or https://www.bitchute.com/channel/CcvXnT07xTTh/ or vou order them from us. See the end of this article.

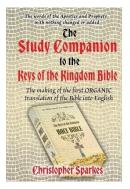
I was recently made aware of a new Bible translation called *Keys of the Kingdom Holy Bible* (KOTK) that was formally



published in 2022 by Christopher Sparkes, an English Bible scholar.

First, I would like to state that I have studied Greek and Latin in a very small and general capacity, and I am not fluent in either Greek or Latin. The nearest that I have gotten to their study, has been a study of different translations of the Bible and various concordances and lexicons, in order to spot potential areas of difficulty.

This has taught me that Greek and Latin and other languages can be complex, and they do not always easily translate into English. Many words in Greek, for example, have no direct equivalent in English.



Along with this Bible, I also have **The Study** Companion. This booklet explains the method and process of what brought this Bible to light as well as the how and why. To do real justice to Mr. Sparkes' amazing achievement. I have to read the entire KOTK Bible well as as the Study Companion, making numerous notes, and checking several other translations as I do so. I am currently working on this along with

several other books. So as of this writing, I am currently halfway through the companion volume, so bear with me.

The method of translating he describes as 'Organic' as opposed to 'Processed'; he even makes the analogy with organic and processed food. Sparkes also mentions various rules and methods he used while accounting for grammar in the various languages found in manuscripts and texts. My goal in undertaking this study is to eventually present the work with a big historical and cultural picture, which I will preach on, as opposed to the technical details **The Study Companion** involves.

Like I said, all I have done so far is read the introduction to Sparkes' Bible and half of The Study Companion. I have looked into some favored passages, to see how Sparkes has tackled them. But I have seen enough to know that this is extremely serious work. The impression that I have gotten, so far, is that this translation is often much easier to read than translations sounds English, other as it unlike some translations, the best of which sound American and the worst, like random words thrown together. There is also many, not all, teachings that we as Kingdom Believers are familiar with presented in the translation, which makes sense because the author seems to understand that the Anglo-Saxon, Celtic, Germanic, and kindred peoples are the physical, literal, descendants of the tribes of Israel.

I have sent an e-mail to Mr. Sparkes asking him various

questions in regard to his understanding of this such as how and when he came upon this knowledge, and, as of this writing, I have yet to receive a reply, but it has been only a few days and he currently resides in England, so I will give him time and be sure to keep you posted. I also understand that he gets lots of emails and it is hard to answer them all. I also run into this with my email.

The fact that it sounds English is perhaps not surprising, if I tell you that Sparkes cares deeply about proper grammar and punctuation and has written books about that subject. In his introduction, he explores some of the issues that have inspired him to carry out this task of over 25 years.

There are areas where I suspect that Mr. Sparkes and I are not entirely on the same page, but this does not alter my admiration for his project. What brings us together, are areas in which we agree on the 'big issues.'

For example:

- Previous translations were often made by churchmen, appointed by the church, to back up the church system. In other words, the translators did not want to challenge church doctrine.
- The concepts of hell and the devil as taught by most churches are not Biblical. I agree and have preached on this in the past.
- Jesus's death and resurrection are the center-point of all history. No Christian can argue with this.
- That everyone needs God's forgiveness. I could not agree more. The word repentance picks up on the Latin *paenitere*, rather than the Greek word *metanoia*, which has more the meaning of: to 'turn your life around', rather than heap ashes on your head.
- That both good and evil originate from God.
- Many translations obscure the coming age/eon of

Christ's Perfected Kingdom on earth. If we do not believe that Christ's Perfected Kingdom will be on earth, what is the point of striving to improve this age/eon and prepare ourselves for the next?

My study of this is currently a work in progress, yet from what I have seen, so far so good. If you have the means I would suggest a study of this on your behalf as well. If purchasing another Bible is off the table for you right now, I would suggest you order *The Study Companion* to study it out first. He does have both as ebooks which are very inexpensive.

Also, I was at first confused by the available books by Mr. Sparkes, so I will clarify this for you. Mr. Sparkes originally translated the New Testament Bible as a work in progress of the whole Bible in 2015 and that New Testament only translation came with a study companion as well. The New Testament only is listed as: *The Eonian Books: Matthew to Revelation* and the companion volume to that is: *The Earth-Shaking Truth: How and Why the Eonian Books Translation Was Made.* The KOTK replaces *The Eonian Books Bible* and the KOTK Study Companion replaces *The Earth-Shattering Truth.* 

If you have studied this Bible out or are currently doing so, please feel free to comment on them and tell me what you have found, the good and the bad.

More detail about the 'Keys of the Kingdom' Holy Bible and Study Companion can be found at Mr. Sparkes' website: <u>www.keysofthekingdombible.com</u>

Mr. Sparkes also has a YouTube channel where he discusses the hows and whys of his translation. I have listened to several and have enjoyed his clear explanations. You can listen to these at:

https://www.youtube.com/@keysofthekingdomholybible

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#### **Our Protestant History**

#### Slighting All Worldly Things Sibylla of Cleves

Mighty Men Herald – Virtuous Women Edition, January of 2024

The famous defender of Martin Luther was not the only noble in his family to take up the cause of the Reformation. Duke

Frederick *"the Wise"* of Saxony is well known in history for his clandestine *"kidnapping"* of Martin Luther on the way home from the Diet of Worms. The courageous Duke Frederick refused to surrender Luther even to the united demands of the Emperor and the Pope.

This noble spirit was passed on to the relatives of the Duke. Duke Frederick *"the Wise"* was succeeded by his brother John *"the Steadfast."* John's son combined the virtues of his steadfast father and his wise uncle and was aptly named John Frederick. Duke John Frederick of Saxony, the nephew of Frederick was a personal friend of Martin Luther and has been described as **"one of the most sincere, devoted, and intrepid defenders of the Reformation."** 

John Frederick was a giant of a man. His boots were so large that it was rumored that a six-year-old child was able to stand up in one boot without difficulty! At the age of twenty-four, Duke John Frederick took as his bride a tender young girl named Sibylla of Cleves. She was only seventeen years old at the time. Although she was raised in Romanism, she was a convert to the Lutheran faith, and eagerly embraced the truth of faith alone in Jesus Christ alone for salvation.

Sibylla was the elder sister to Anne of Cleves, a girl destined one day to be married to King Henry VIII of England. Sibylla, in contrast to her quiet and more contemplative sister, was vivacious and charming as well as beautiful. She was an ideal companion for her husband, Duke John Frederick. Sibylla's home was the castle at Wittenberg, and Martin and Katherine von Bora and their children were often guests of the Duke and Duchess of Wittenberg. Martin Luther played the lute skillfully, and the Luthers often sang *"A Mighty Fortress"* with the Duke and the Duchess in the halls of the castle. The Lord blessed Duke John Frederick and Sibylla with four healthy sons who gave promise of following the noble example of their worthy ancestors.

But the clouds of war threatened the security and peace of Saxony. A league of Protestant Nobles had joined together into a confederation known as the Schmalkald League. For many years, this league provided effective deterrence against the tyranny of the Emperor and his minions. But the same year that Martin Luther died, in 1546, Emperor Charles V, the same one that had defied Luther at the Diet of Worms over two decades earlier, gathered a force of Roman Catholic princes augmented by Spanish mercenaries to overthrow the League of Schmalkald. John Frederick Duke of Saxony and Phillip Landgrave of Hesse were joint commanders of the Protestant forces.

The Protestant and Catholic forces met in battle in April 1547, and the Protestant princes were defeated. Duke John Frederick put up a gallant defense and personally slew a horde of Spaniards in his final resistance. Finally, wounded and bleeding, the Duke was taken captive. The victorious Emperor marched his armies against the fortified town of Wittenberg. In the absence of her husband, Sibylla was in command of the town. She organized a determined defense, personally riding among the garrison and inspecting the fortifications. When the Imperial army reached the gates of Wittenberg, the Emperor found the city strongly defended. Surrounded by strong walls and a boggy marsh, the Emperor realized that he could not take Wittenberg by storm. Enraged, he resorted to a cowardly threat.

The Emperor sent word to the Duchess Sibylla that he would order the execution of her captive husband if she refused to surrender the town of Wittenberg. To show it was no idle threat, the Emperor convened a court martial and condemned Duke John Frederick to death. The news came to the Duke as he was playing chess in a tent with another captive. He calmly finished his game (and won it) and then prepared himself to die. But Sibylla his wife had prepared an effective plea for the Emperor. She offered to open the city gates to the Emperor with the firm condition that the Lutherans of the city not be compelled to abjure their faith. The brave duchess made it very clear to the Emperor that both she and her husband would rather die than surrender for a moment the truth of God.

Seeing the sincerity of her plea, the Emperor countermanded the death of John Frederick. He allowed the Duke one week to spend with his wife, and then he would be taken away into permanent captivity. John Frederick and Sibylla spent a precious week together before their parting.

During the five long years that they were apart, the Duke and Duchess kept in touch by letter. The Emperor sought to get the Protestants of the German States to agree to a compromise where Catholic doctrine would be restored to the churches but the communion could be celebrated in both kinds according to Lutheran custom. He also offered to allow the marriage of priests if the Papacy could be restored. But Sibylla and her husband refused these subtle compromises. Duke Frederick wrote, "I cannot forsake the known truth. I retain the doctrine of the Augsburg Confession . . . slighting all worldly things."

Sibylla wrote in similar language, "I cannot act contrary to my judgments and my conscience. I would rather be poor and forsaken with God than rich and great without Him." These words must have sounded to the Emperor hauntingly like the words of Martin Luther.

Refusing to recant, the Duke and Duchess were stripped by the Emperor of their lands and titles. Forced to leave the castle at Wittenberg, Sibylla resided in a small castle at Weimar. She dressed in black and never wore jewels, praying daily for the return of her husband. She concentrated on raising her four sons to serve God steadfastly and wisely like their father. The hopes and prayers of Sibylla were finally realized after her husband had been in captivity for five long years. The Emperor, facing a new threat from France, needed the military support of the Protestant princes. He announced that Duke John Frederick was going to be set at liberty!

In 1552, Duke John Frederick was reunited with his faithful wife. Both were broken in health by the long hardships of war and ensuing poverty at Weimar due to the confiscation of their lands and comforts. They were only together for a year and a half. Sibylla's strength ebbed away, and she died beside her husband while a Lutheran minister was praying. The minister wrote that God took Lady Sibylla so gently that "she seemed like a candle going out in the socket." She was forty-three years old. Her husband, broken in health by his long captivity, told his stone workers, "Reserve a place for me beside my wife."



Duke John Frederick of Saxony died only eleven days after his wife. Heirs together of the grace of life, they inherited a mansion that could not be taken away, and an eternal crown of glory that fadeth not away.

Drawn from *Ladies of the Reformation* by J. H. Alexander. Copies available at abebooks.com, thriftbooks.com and amazon.com.



The Jews' Religion Part 2 of 2 By Pastor Dave Barley

#### Introduction

This is a reprint of two articles that appeared in America's Promise Newsletters in May and June 1992. As you read through it, it is important to note that Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson died on June 2, 1994. As of November 2023, no one has succeeded him. He was called the seventh Chabad Rebbe, so there were six Rabbis before him in the Lubavitch movement.

According to Wikipedia, "Education and Sharing Day is a day established by the United States Congress in honor of the Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson." I am sure that most Americans today have no idea of the origin of this day. These two articles are available in booklet form. Suggested gift \$3.50/copy or \$1.50 per copy for 10 or more copies. \$5 shipping on an entire order.

#### **Unprecedented Political Control**

Not content to control us financially, the Zionists are now pushing for unprecedented political control over Christian nations, with special attention paid to the United States. If you doubt the validity of this or think I might be exaggerating the destructive power wielded by this formidable enemy of Christianity, wait until you read about the present insidious Noahide laws recently passed by our Zionist regulated Congress, and signed into law by our Zionist Controlled President George Bush!

Yes, I am aware many of you already know about the Noahide laws, but perhaps you are not aware of their extremely detrimental national implications.

#### Infamous Noahide Laws

Recently, information has been surfacing which fleshes out the details of their plans and leads to the shocking conclusion that something is seriously amiss. I am referring to the implementation of the Noahide laws along with the promotion by certain Jewish sects of a purported Messiah, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson.

The November/December 1991 issue of **The Jubilee** [a newspaper from Midpines, CA that is now defunct.] reported how "our" Congress and President on March 20, 1991, enacted into law Education Day, USA which refers to the seven Noahide laws which are to honor and promote. These seven laws of Noah came from the Talmud, not the Bible, and are to be enforced against the non-Jew only!

The intended punishment for violators, as specified in the Babylonian Talmud, will be decapitation if these laws are ever enforced by a Zionist New World Order. The Noahide Laws seem honorable and innocent enough at first blush; but upon closer examination and reflection, their insidious nature becomes more apparent.

The November/December 1991 Jubilee article summarized these laws as follows:

#### The Seven Noahide Laws

- 1. Thou shalt not engage in idol worship.
- 2. Thou shalt not blaspheme God.
- 3. Thou shalt not shed innocent blood of any human nor fetus nor ailing person who has a limited time to live.
- 4. Thou shalt not engage in bestial, incestuous, adulterous, or homosexual relations nor commit the act of rape.
- 5. Thou shalt not steal.
- 6. Thou shalt establish laws and courts of law to administer these laws, including the death penalty for those who kill, administered only if there is one testifying witness.
- 7. Thou shalt not be cruel to animals.

These high-sounding laws gained the endorsement of the US Congress, but what are the possibilities if they are enforced against Christians?

Paul Hall, **The Jubilee** editor, did an excellent job of suggesting answers to that question. Let's take a look at how he sees these laws could be used against unsuspecting Christians.

Beginning with law one, soberly reflect on the implications of each of these laws as outlined by Mr. Hall.

"For example: To the Jew, idol worship might be any Christian who displays a crucifix or a cross. These are forbidden items in Israel today. Any Christian symbols held by Christianity to be honorable (like a Christian fish) that does not meet with rabbinic approval might easily be construed as idolatry. Sentence? Decapitation!

"The second 'law' prohibits blasphemy. Since Jews do not believe that Jesus Christ was God, Christians adhering to this Biblical fact will be tried for blasphemy. Sentence? Decapitation! The festivals of the followers of Jesus are to be regarded as idolatry.

"Law three has interesting wordage. Read carefully, it does not prohibit murder. It prohibits killing those who have 'a limited time to live.' Is this some kind of prohibition against mercy killing?

"Law four prohibits rape, homosexuality, adultery, bestiality, and incest. Keep in mind Jews are exempt from these laws. One must ask, why is our government holding up such values while simultaneously promoting homosexuality and adultery in the schools and media?

"Law five: 'Thou shalt not steal.' The question is from whom? The Talmud states Jews may keep lost property of Christians found by Jews.

"Jews may keep overpayments made by Christians.

"Usury may be practiced upon Christians or apostates."

*"Law six, as addressed above, clearly means establishing double-standard courts aimed at enforcing the seven Talmudic laws upon non-Jews. These will be international UN tribunals.* 

"Law seven prohibits cruelty to animals. Nothing necessarily wrong with this except when the creation is set above the Creator. (**Romans 1:25**) Does the Spotted owl and baby dolphin ring any bells?"

#### **Zionist Clout**

Astounding, isn't it? How could the Congress of this supposedly Christian nation willfully abandon the Biblical foundation of our laws, government, and whole way of life and arrogantly supplant it with Talmudic codes and traditions? Apparently, "the people" and their elected representatives are not really the ones controlling the US Government. Obviously, the Zionists carry enough clout with Congress that they are able to wantonly violate the Constitution's First Amendment regarding the establishment of a religion and pass such an antichristian bill.

If all this sounds a little farfetched and bizarre, perhaps the chilling reality of what I am discussing will sink home after you have read for yourself this public law as published in the Congressional Record and reproduced by Lawrence T. Patterson, writing in the January 1992 issue of his hard-hitting Newsletter, *Criminal Politics (PO Box 37812, Cincinnati, OH 46222)* Mr. Patterson's comments provide some very unsettling insights into the International Zionist forces behind these Noahide laws and their aforementioned 'Messiah' Rabbi Meachem Mendel Schneerson.

The following pictures and text from the *Criminal Politics* article are so unnervingly revealing that I decided to share

NEW WORLD ORDER - -

WILL BE A ZIONIST DICTATORSHIP!

.... George Bush appears to be planning a Zionist takeover of Christian America!.... The latest insults to America's Christian heritage are beyond toleration. We are now said to be a nation based on "Talmudic law"1 .... While decades old monuments to Christ are ordered demolished - - menorahs are allowed to remain on public property.

JERUSALEM - -

TO BE GIVEN OVER TO ZIONISTS!

.... A recent visit to Tel Aviv by Cardinal O'Connor seems to indicate that the west will allow Jerusalem to be allowed to pass to International Zionism.... Taken separately -- these events may not be convincing. Taken together however -- they form the pieces of a puzzle which come together as a dire threat to religious freedom and political freedom throughout the world. It appears that a world dictatorship (under Zionist leadership) - - is now forming.

them in their entirety that might vou more fullv feel the impact of this movement to bring the world under the sway of International Zionism.

#### IS BUSH ASHAMED --

#### OF HIS CELEBRATIONS?

.... After a number of attempts - - the White House has refused to release the photo of President Bush accepting a menorah from Rabbi David Greenzweig.... The picture was published in *Washington Jewish Week* 12-20-90 - - an exclusively Jewish publication. None of the mainline wire services has access to this picture and all requests for it have been refused. What is the excuse for this cover-up of White House Jewish celebrations?? Is George Bush ashamed of his Zionist connections?

### TALMUDIC LAW - -

#### IMPOSED ON AMERICA BY GEO. BUSH!

.... It has only recently come to light that on March 5, 1991 the House of Representatives passed by voice vote a Joint Resolution to designate and specify that our country is based upon the Talmudic "Noahide Laws".... The same confirmation on March 7, 1991 was passed by the United States Senate by voice vote. Several days later on March 20, 1991 - - President George Herbert Walker Bush signed the law designated Public Law 102-14. Please do read every word of this law....

105 STAT. 44 PUBLIC LAW 102-14--MAR, 20, 1991 Public Law 102-14 102d Congress Joint Resolution Mar 20, 1991 10.1 Res. 1991 To designate March 26, 120, as "Education Day, USA."

.... This intolerable law is being masqueraded and disguised as "an Education Day proclamation." As can be seen from the reproduction on the Congressional record: - -

#### PUBLIC LAW 102-12 [H.J.Res. 104]; March 20, 1991

#### EDUCATION DAY, USA - PROCLAMATION

Joint Resolution designating March 26, 1991, as "Education Day, U.S.A."

Whereas Congress recognizes the historical tradition of ethical values and principles which are the basis of civilized society - - and upon which our great Nation was founded;

Whereas these ethical values and principles have been the bedrock of society from the dawn of civilization, when they were known as the Seven Noahide Laws;

Whereas without these ethical values and principles the edilice of civilization stands in serious peril of returning to chaos;

Whereas society is profoundly concerned with the recent weakening of these principles that has resulted in crises that beleaguer and threaten the fabric of civilized society;

Whereas the justified preoccupation with these crises must not let the citizens of this Nation lose sight of their responsibility to transmit these historical ethical values from our distinguished past to the generations of the future;

Whereas the Lubavtich movement has fostered and promoted these ethical values and principles throughout the world;

Whereas Rabbi Menachem Scheerson, leader of the Lubavitch movement, is universally respected and revered and his eighty-ninth birthday falls on March 26, 1991;

Whereas in tribute to this great spiritual leader, "the rebbe", this, his ninetieth year will be seen as one of "education and giving", the year in which we turn to education and charity to return the world to the moral and ethical values contained in the Seven Noahide Laws; and

Whereas this will be reflected in an international scroll of honor signed by the President of the United States and other heads of state; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that March 26, 1991, the start of the ninetieth year of Rabbi Menachem Scheerson, leader of the worldwide Lubatvitch movement, is designated as "Education Day, U.S.A.". The President is requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved March 20, 1991

#### **Changing Gods**

May God have undeserved mercy on this nation for electing a President who would call upon the citizens he supposedly leads *"to observe such a day with appropriate ceremonies and activities."* I prayerfully and boldly urge President Bush to hearken to the chastising and warning words of the great prophet Isaiah.

#### Isaiah 5:20-21, 23

<sup>20</sup> Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!
<sup>21</sup> Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!
<sup>23</sup> Which justify the wicked for reward, and take away the

<sup>23</sup> Which justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him!

When you change your law, you change your god! Have we in America abandoned our allegiance to the true God to obey the laws of a false Messiah? MAY GOD FORBID!

While we at America's Promise do not believe for a moment that Rabbi Schneerson is "the Messiah" (for we know that Jesus Christ is the true and only Messiah), we find it significant that he has followers worldwide who promote him as such including our Zionist controlled President George Bush.

J. R. Church, in the May 1991 issue of *Prophecy in the News*, recounted some of Schneerson's background and the powerful influence he wields on millions of fans worldwide.

"Rabbi Meachem M. Schneerson, leader of the worldwide Lutbavitch movement of Orthodox Jews, turned 89 years old on Tuesday, March 27 which was the 11<sup>th</sup> of Nissan ion the Jewish calendar. It is interesting to note that Schneerson was born on the 11<sup>th</sup> of Nissan and is celebrating his 89<sup>th</sup> birthday this year. Jews around the world celebrated and congratulated him. President George Bush also publicly recognized his life's work in education. As leader of the Chabad-Lubavitch movement for the past forty years, he has set into motion massive educational, social, and rehabilitative programs touching millions from all walks of life. To the millions of followers and admires he is 'the Rebbe,' today's most phenomenal Jewish personality and undoubtedly the one individual singularly responsible for stirring the conscience and spiritual awakening of World Jewry."

What kind of 'spirit' is being 'awakened?" Perhaps a clue resides in the fact that Schneerson's father, Rabbi Levi Isaac Schneerson, was a student of the Talmud (naturally) and a world-renowned Cabbalist. Any Christian who has studied these antichrist and mystical teachings of the Jewish occult would certainly prefer that they were not 'awakened!"

The March 23, 1992, issue of *Time* gave some background on the 'Messiah' and how he is being announced in various parts of Israel and the United States. "Israeli members of the large and powerful Hasidic movement Habad are convinced that at any moment, the Redeemer will arrive in Jerusalem. In a burst of fervor, they have erected yellow billboards across Israel instructing passersby to PREPARE FOR THE COMING OF THE MESSIAH. Bumper stickers carry the same message, as do electrified signs



atop Habad cars. A full-page ad announcing 'The Time for Your Redemption has Arrived' has run in the New York Times, and Habad speakers have been crisscrossing the US to deliver the message. And who might the Messiah be? Easy, Israel's say Habadniks: their leader Rabbi Menachem Mendel

Schneerson, 89, of Brooklyn, New York."

How typical of the Zionist to use a Madison Avenue approach

to "sell" their Messiah – a man who according to reporters, has never ever visited the Holy Land! How different this is from the Bible's description of the sign of the coming of the true Messiah as recorded in **Isaiah 7:14**.

# Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

Now look at the fulfillment of this Old Testament prophecy. (Scriptures which deceived Christians erroneously believe the Jews respect) as recorded in **Luke 1:26-27, 30-31**.

<sup>26</sup> And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,

<sup>27</sup> To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

<sup>30</sup> And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.

<sup>31</sup> And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus.

## Which Messiah would you rather follow? I think the choice is obvious!

Until recently, Schneerson has been careful to not publicly and openly proclaim his Messiahship; however, he has not clearly denied it either and skillfully keeps his followers in a highly expectant state – hoping he will either announce the coming of the Messiah or reveal that he indeed is the one they seek. Apparently, the time is approaching when this grand rabbi of the Lubavitch Hasidic sect will allow his deluded followers to reveal him as the Messiah.

The Habad Hasidic movement now believes their greatest expectations are about to be fulfilled since recent world events point to the coming of their Messiah.

The St. Louis Post Dispatch of April 11, 1992, explained, "Signs of the Messiah's coming are everywhere, according to Habad: the collapse of communism, the war against Iraq, the Jews pouring into Israel from the former Soviet Union." The article further described the gathering momentum of this movement and suggested it may be planned rather than just happenstance (I heartily agree!)

"Habad is a worldwide educational and philanthropic group with tens of thousands of followers that is distinguished by its efforts to popularize adherence to strict rules of Orthodox Judaism.

*"Under Schneerson's forty-year leadership, Habad changed from a movement in decline to the most dynamic of Hasidic groups.* 

"'Therein lies some of the hunger for the Messiah,' said Menachem Friedman, an expert on religion at Hebrew University. 'Is this success just accidental or it is part of a plan? The answer is the Messiah.'"

Indeed, the answer is the true Messiah – Jesus Christ – not Schneerson!

Karin Laub, reporting on the "Great Rebbe" (a rebbe is a Jew who supposedly has exceptional spiritual gifts which qualify him to serve as an intermediary between God and man) in the *Las Cruces Sun News* of March 6, 1992, recounted how this great revelation may occur. *"The Messianic fervor in Schneerson's Habad movement has been building for years and reached a climax a few weeks ago when the rabbi agreed to have a house built for him in Israel.* 

"Schneerson, who lived in Europe before settling in Brooklyn's Crown Heights section in 1941, has never set foot in the Holy Land. He has suggested he would only make the move when the time of redemption was near.

"After the nod from the rabbi, his followers laid the house's cornerstone on February 17 in Kfar Habad, the movement's Israeli center and home to 4,000 faithful near Tel Aviv.

"In Kfar Habad, followers are ecstatic."

Fervency of belief does not make a man right, but it can make him dangerous, especially if he exercises religious/political power! Schneerson has both! This becomes even more newsworthy as we get a glimpse of the Zionists' plans for the entire world, not just the United States. Carefully consider the following information as reported by Paul Hall in the November/December 1991 issue of *The Jubilee:* 

"Dr. Ernest Easterly III, Professor of International Law and Director of the Institute for Comparative Legal Studies, Southern University Law Center says, 'With further recognition by other nations and international courts the Seven Noahide Laws should become the cornerstone of a truly 'civilized' International legal order.'

"Mr. Easterly is apparently privy to the fact that the Jews are pressing for United Nations recognition of the Noahide laws. Jewish 'ethics' have already permeated world politics, finance, justice, entertainment, and to a large degree, religion. The establishing of the Noahide laws is the last bastion of Zionism's quest for international religious dominion.

"The Encyclopedia Judaica offers this enlightening thought: 'Views differ as to whether the ultimate state of humanity will comprise both Judaism and Noachidiam, or whether Noachidiam is only the penultimate (next to last) level before the universalization of all the Torah (Talmud-PH).""

Many unsuspecting Judeo-Christians, who ignorantly give money in support of Jewish causes, are not aware that they are in fact supporting the very descendants of the antichrists who crucified our Savior 2,000 years ago! What will these Jewish antichrist followers of this false Messiah do when he drops dead? Will they act like the prophets of Baal in Elijah's day when their god failed and cry aloud and cut themselves with knives and lances until their blood gushes out of them? (1 Kings 18:28). Thankfully, we trust in an Everliving Risen Savior who NEVER FAILS!

#### **Zionist Controls**

Over the centuries many have come proclaiming themselves to be the Messiah. They have all come and gone, and the "Great Rebbe" shall pass also. Unnoticed by these imposters, the true Messiah has already come, and we await His glorious return!

Nonetheless, it is highly significant that the International

Zionist forces have enough power to get their blasphemous laws endorsed by the President of our supposedly Christian nation and passed by a Congress oath-bound to support the United States Constitution which requires them to "make no law respecting an establishment of religion" – any religion much less a Jewish one!

They have ignored their oath of office in supporting these laws and now their Zionist controllers are trying to garner similar support within the United Nations. It is becoming apparent that the Zionists are now striving mightily to make Judaism the religion of the New World Order. By involving the United Nations, it takes little imagination to visualize a World Court declaring "unapproved" Christianity to be against the "law!"

All of this further substantiates the contention that Mystery Babylon is making rapid and bold moves to set up a New World Order, but we have got news for them – Jesus Christ is returning to set up a government that will be run without the wicked and it will never end!

It will be administered by the righteous followers of Christ according to His Laws – not these blasphemous Noahide Laws! *Hallelujah!* Mystery Babylon with her false Christs will have her day in the sun, but when the true Messiah is revealed in the fulness of His Glory, she will be melted by the brightness of His Coming! Saints be patient for your redemption draweth nigh!

#### More Information about Judaism

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#### If God is in It



By Margaret Reid

Well, January came in with a bang! We had three pipes burst and the house flooded, not to mention a host of other issues that proceeded from that. It was one incident after another during the entire month. Thankfully, the month ended, very politely, with Kevyn and my anniversary, our birthdays, and his mother coming to visit. It all started with the snowstorm.

The morning after the storm had started, we had to take someone to the airport. Because it had snowed so much, we had to plow them out. I drove my plow vehicle with all the kids, and Kevyn followed in his vehicle for the trip to the airport. We got down their road and up their driveway. Then, I got stuck trying to do that. It took a good thirty minutes to get out, we were already behind so Kevyn and our friend left. Then I had to replace someone's gasket on their woodstove, so they had extra heat during the extreme cold snap. I got stuck on the way to her house too. It took me another thirty minutes to find her house after getting unstuck. I grabbed the bad gasket and was on my way to hunt several stores to find the correct gasket and travel back to her house to install the said gasket. All the while, riding with all six of my kids in my vehicle.

Once we were all done with that, it was time to check on Martha and head home. It was already late afternoon at this point. I began to plow Martha's driveway and got stuck. Right up against a tree. I was so well wedged in I had to get a tow truck to winch me out. I finally made it home after dark. I came home flustered and frustrated from such an eventful day to a brand-new griddle cooker! I have always wanted one, because everyone knows, I love to cook and bake! Kevyn had found a discounted one and got it for my birthday. It certainly brightened my trying day.

With a new Griddle Cooker, we decided we needed to remodel the kitchen to make it a more functional one. We started by moving one of the fridges, then taking some cabinets off the wall, and we raised them up. There were plenty of adjustments needed in the kitchen. All the while the weather continued to worsen; it then became evident that the plans we made that were going to have to be canceled. His mother's visit, and our anniversary trip among them. We decided we would just wait out the rest of the cold snap with a little remodel and reset of the rest of the house.

We started rearranging, tearing out trim, and painting over the course of the next week. We decided to stop short of ripping out the countertop because that is beyond our skillset and budget. So halfway remodeled, we had a new outlook on the kitchen, and a new coat of paint and that was that or so we thought.

We had canceled church due to the extremely cold weather. We had a friend stop by to check on us, and although some pipes were frozen, it did not seem to be a big deal, as they froze last year. We could just wait for it to thaw. Our friend left and we all settled in for a good Sunday afternoon nap. About thirty-five minutes in, our oldest son, Ethan, came into our room to tell us there was water everywhere. Running downstairs, there was indeed water, everywhere. About two inches worth. Kevyn ran outside to shut off the water while I ran to get towels. I told Ethan to do the same.

This was certainly a moment of extreme stress. I do not know about you, but anytime my house has been flooded (it has actually happened to us several times in other homes) it is a moment of panic. And sometimes loss. Water can destroy pretty effectively all on its own. This time, it was just the floors. The overwhelming dread of seeing just a few inches of water is enough to make you want to cry. We turned to action instead.

I got every towel in the house and started soaking up the water. The kids all eventually woke up due to the commotion and began to help. Kevyn had immediately left to go to Home Depot and the church to pick up all the necessary tools and equipment to fix our pipes. By the time he got back, we were nearly done cleaning up the water. It took probably two hours.

We ripped out the lower lazy Susan cabinet and ripped out the backing to expose the pipe we thought had busted. That was when we discovered it was two pipes that had burst. Kevyn only got enough shark bites for one, so off to Home Depot I went! While I was driving, I was thanking God.

I thanked God for being in the disaster. In the middle of all of the chaos, I felt sure that God was there. I was not nearly as stressed or upset as I should have been, given the events. I thanked God that Kevyn had the know-how, skills, and tools to fix the problem. If only temporarily.

We realized we needed to completely fix the problem from ever happening again, and we decided after much prayer to ask my father-in-law if he would come up and help and move here too. He agreed and we are so thankful for the Lord's leading. It is going to be so wonderful to have his special skills around here, and such a joy for my kids to have one grandparent always nearby. He is a fellow believer, and it will be great to have him added to our local fellowship, and even though Pastor Reid knows a great deal, he can still learn a thing or two from his father.

We had other events continue to happen. Honestly, it is exhausting trying to recount all of it! We ended up having to rip out the floor in the girls' room and my sewing room and decided the fastest, longest lasting, and most cost-effective solution would be epoxy. It was day after day of hard work, and long hours, just about every day in January. We often were not finished until after nine at night. Furniture was everywhere and it was general upheaval.

While all this was going on, my children were able to see their parents face actual adverse events with a can-do attitude. I, again, was thanking God that they could see how to tackle a really unfortunate series of events with a good attitude and perseverance. Kevyn shines in the middle of a disaster. It is one of his greatest strengths. He kept me laughing the whole time! It was so much work, so exhausting and daunting. It felt, at times, like we were never going to make it out of the mess we were in!

I suppose if January might serve as an indication of what our year might bring (if you subscribe to that sort of thing), then our year is certainly going to be an eventful one! However, we can have *"no fear of the future"* **Proverbs 31** because we know who holds the future. As long as God is in it, it is going to be a good day.

#### Kingdom Kids Lesson One Slavery

#### Exodus 1:7-14

<sup>7</sup> And the children of Israel were fruitful, and increased abundantly, and multiplied, and waxed exceeding mighty; and the land was filled with them.

<sup>8</sup> Now there arose up a new king over Egypt, which knew not Joseph.

<sup>9</sup> And he said unto his people, Behold, the people of the children of Israel are more and mightier than we:

<sup>10</sup> Come on, let us deal wisely with them; lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that, when there falleth out any war, they join also unto our enemies, and fight against us, and so get them up out of the land.

<sup>11</sup> Therefore they did set over them taskmasters to afflict them with their burdens. And they built for Pharaoh treasure cities, Pithom and Raamses.

<sup>12</sup> But the more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied and grew. And they were grieved because of the children of Israel.

<sup>13</sup> And the Egyptians made the children of Israel to serve with rigour:

<sup>14</sup> And they made their lives bitter with hard bondage, in morter, and in brick, and in all manner of service in the field: all their service, wherein they made them serve, was with rigour.

The origin of the word *slave* is traced to the German word *sklave* meaning a captive of the Slavonic race. No one wants

to be a slave. Yet, the history of the world has been a history of peoples in slavery.

We hear much today about the slavery of black people in America. Their period of slavery existed for about 260 years, from about 1600 until about 1860. Slavery officially ended in the United States with the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation by President Abraham Lincoln.

But do you realize that your ancestors and mine, the Israelites of the Bible, have been in slavery for a far longer period of time than 260 years?

Our Scripture lesson today tells us of the first time Israel was in slavery. This story is familiar to most of us. It began with Joseph, who had become the Prime Minister of Egypt and had saved the nation from a bad famine. Continuing in **Exodus 1**.

# <sup>8</sup> Now there arose up a new king over Egypt, which knew not Joseph.

Now Joseph was dead and so was the King that befriended him. The new King had no love for Israel and sought to use them for his own personal gain. They were building great cities for the Egyptians. After 215 years of slavery, God sent Moses to help deliver them from the oppression of the Egyptians. Israelites were held as captives or slaves many times in Bible history and even in more modern times.

#### Phoenicia

Phoenicia was located to the north of Israel on the Mediterranean Sea. The Phoenicians were the greatest slave traders in history. The prophet Amos chides them because they broke a promise to Israel and captured them and sold them to the Edomites.

#### Amos 1:9

Thus saith the Lord; For three transgressions of Tyrus, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because they delivered up the whole captivity to Edom, and remembered not the brotherly covenant:

#### Assyria

In 722 BC, the King of Assyria, defeated the Israelites in battle and a large number of the Israelites were transported back to Assyria where they served as their slaves.

#### 2 Kings 17:5-6

<sup>5</sup> Then the king of Assyria came up throughout all the land, and went up to Samaria, and besieged it three years.

<sup>6</sup> In the ninth year of Hoshea the king of Assyria took Samaria, and carried Israel away into Assyria, and placed them in Halah and in Habor by the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes.

#### Babylonia

A few hundred years later, Sennacherib, the Kint of Babylon recorded that he carried away 200,000 captives from the people of Judah back to his capital city of Babylon. Here they were forbidden to worship their God Jehovah and had to do much hard labor for the Babylonians.

#### The Romans

Although Rome had laws protecting the *rights* of its citizens, it was very hard and stern on the Christians. Most early Christians were Israelites that had been scattered throughout the Roman Empire.

#### James 1:1

# James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting.

The Emperors of Rome were mostly hostile to Christians and many of whom were imprisoned, tortured, and even killed. The Emperor Nero blamed them for the burning of Rome. Nero was actually responsible for the fire.

#### Europe

Even in Europe the Israelites were subjected to bondage and oppression. The Kings and Queens and their Lords and

Barons had no concern for the people. Like the Pharaohs of old, they used the people for their serfs and vassals to do all of the work. In return the workers got a little food, poor lodging, but little or no money or wages.

Even the Roman Church and the Church of England did not help much to relieve the oppression of the people. It was such oppression that caused the Pilgrims and many others after them to come to America.

#### **American Immigrants**

The majority of American immigrants in the years before the Revolution came as indentured servants, paying their passage by working several years for whoever paid the price of their fare.

New arrivals to this country were traded and sold like cattle in the marketplace. German Immigrant Gottlieb Mittelberger reported in 1750 the following:

Every day Englishmen, Dutchmen and High-German people come from the city of Philadelphia and other places, in part from a great distance, say 20, 30, or 40 hours away, and go on board the newly arrived ship that has brought and offers for sale passengers from Europe, and select among the healthy persons such as they deem suitable for their business, and bargain with them how long they will serve for their passage-money, which most of them are still in debt for. When they have come to an agreement, it happens that adult persons bind themselves in writing to serve 3, 4, 5 or 6 years for the amount due by them, according to their age and strength. But very young people, from 10 to 15 years, must serve till they are 21 years old.

Many parents must sell and trade away their children like so many head of cattle; for if their children take the debt upon themselves, the parents can leave the ship free and unrestrained; but as the parents often do not know where and to what people their children are going, it often happens that such parents and children, after leaving the ship, do not see each other again for many years, perhaps no more in all their lives.

When people arrive who cannot make themselves free, but have children under 5 years, the parents cannot free themselves by them; for such children must be given to somebody without compensation to be brought up, and they must serve for their bringing up till they are 21 years old. Children from 5 to 10 years, who pay half price for their passage, viz. 30 florins, must likewise serve for it till they are 21 years of age; they cannot, therefore, redeem their parents by taking the debt of the latter upon themselves, But children above 10 years can take part of their parent's debt upon themselves.

A woman must stand for her husband if he arrives sick, and in like manner a man for his sick wife, and take the debt upon herself or himself, and thus serve 5 to 6 years not alone for his or her own debt, but also for that of the sick husband or wife. But if both are sick, such persons are sent from the ship to the sick-house [hospital], but not until it appears probable that they will find no purchasers. As soon as they are well again, they must serve for their passage, or pay if they have means.

It often happens that whole families, husband, wife, and children, are separated by being sold to different purchasers, especially when they have not paid any part of their passage money.

When a husband or wife has died at sea, when the ship has made more than half of her trip, the survivor must pay or serve not only for himself or herself, but also for the deceased. <u>https://historymatters.gmu.edu/d/5712/</u>

#### **Slavery to Sin**

As bad as physical slavery is, spiritual slavery is far worse. Our bodies may be free, but our lives may be slave to sin. Millions of people today are slaves to alcohol, smoking, gambling, and drugs. Such slavery is called sin. Such sin has a high price to pay it tears down our health, causes family problems, and makes us do poorly in our work.

#### The Truth Make Us Free

God's Word is the truth and all of the words in it are for our learning and help.

David said in **Psalm 119:11:** *Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.* 

David knew that the best freedom we could have was to obey God and His commandments. This would keep us from sin and spiritual bondage.

Jesus told us in John 8:32: And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

The Apostle Paul expressed it this way in **Romans 1:16**: For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth;

#### **Memory Verse**

Exodus 1:13

And the Egyptians made the children of Israel to serve with rigour:

#### Fun for Kids

Instructions: Listed below are words that are found in today's lesson. See if you can find these words in the puzzle on the next page. The words may appear forward, backward, up down, or diagonally. When you find the word, box it in.

SERF SLAVE	VASSAL	MOSES
BRICK	TEN PLAGUES	SLAVERY

EGYPTIANS ASSYRIANS PHOENICIA CHURCH OF ENGLAND INDENTURED ROMAN CHURCH BABYLONIANS

# WORD SEARCH

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