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Fatherly Advice

Why Yahowah Hates...

Hate is a virtue. It is good to hate. Righteous indignation is the most rational, moral, and compassionate response to a great many things – especially malicious ideas and actions inspired by religious, political, and militaristic agendas.

If you are a moral individual, you hate pedophilia and pedophiles, rape and rapists, sexual harassment and those who demean women, terrorism and terrorists, kidnappers, slave traders, and mass murderers. But what if I told you that Muhammad, the founder of the Islamic religion and the lone voice of the Qur'an, unequivocally and routinely did all of these things, and worse, he told Muslims to follow his example. And they do, confessing to countless crimes by screaming: "Allahu Akbar – Allah is Greater." Since this assessment is easily discernable and absolutely irrefutable, shouldn't every moral person despise Islam and hate Muhammad? After all, he and his religion have brought untold misery upon humankind. Following Muhammad's orders, Muslims have committed countless acts of pedophilia, rape, sexual discrimination, terrorism, kidnapping, enslavement, and mass murder. Therefore, righteous indignation against an ideology that inspires the worst in humankind is the most reasonable response. Do you concur? Are you willing to go where the evidence leads, even if it reveals something that is uncomfortable and will make you unpopular?

Not surprisingly, God is averse to Islam as well, as we shall discover. But this book isn't about Muslims. Long ago I compiled Prophet of Doom – Islam's Terrorist Dogma in Muhammad's available Own Words. It is free in its entirety at: www.ProphetOfDoom.net. I would encourage you to read it if you have not already done so. It provides over 900 pages of documented evidence, and serves as a comprehensive and chronological presentation of Muhammad's words and deeds as they were chronicled in the five earliest and most credible Islamic sources. By rearranging the Qur'an in the order the surahs were revealed, and by setting them into the context of Muhammad's despicable life, the resulting text explains why the world is terrorized by Islam. This systematic approach to understanding also reveals why God is so opposed to the schemes which harm His creation, especially His children.

For many of the same reasons, we should hate oppression, especially those who subjugate others, constraining freedoms while imposing their wills. This position almost invariably leads to being opposed to governments which establish and deploy large militaries. If your eyes and mind are open, you realize that the notion a nation's armed forces protect the people and provide for their freedom is one of the most inane, propagandist lies of human history. Armies project power and protect the empowered.

And speaking of popular delusions, we should not be fond of them either, especially when deception is promoted in the name of God or country. And while this perspective isolates those who embrace it from the mainstream of society, you may be surprised to know that we are in good company. God is vehemently opposed to patriotism. He has spoken out eloquently and unequivocally against militaries and in opposition to the governments which deploy one to impose the other.

At a period in history when the preponderance of people are being conditioned to be accepting and tolerant, why, you may ask, would anyone begin a book entitled *Observations for Our Time* with the opposite approach? The answer: mankind is going in the wrong direction, and its self-appointed thought police are making things worse, not better – so someone needs to say something. It's time for an about face, for an entirely different approach, especially since almost every nation is bankrupt economically and morally. Within a decade the façade is going to collapse, society will implode, and there is nothing that can be done to forestall the inevitable. Moreover, the world is on the cusp of the deadliest war in human history. In fact, that war has already begun. So if not now, when?

The epicenter of the impending conflict is right where God told us World War III would commence: Damascus, Syria. America's ill-fated invasion of Iraq, on false pretenses of course, set it off. The now splintered nation, along with its newly minted military, was given to Iran which used both to expand Shia Islam's influence into the heart of the Sunni Middle East. The current phase of the conflict erupted when Shia Iraqis at the behest of the Iranian Ayatollah bombarded Sunni civilians, starting with Ramadi and Fallujah. In response, Sunnis, under the umbrella of the Islamic State in Iraq banded together to defend their sect. In the process, the jihadists captured copious amounts of American weapons, all of which were used to create the Islamic State – a Sunni Caliphate carved out of what had been western Iraq and eastern Syria.

Predictably, this war has divided the world, with Russia and China supporting Iran

and their client, Assad, while the United States, Europe, and Saudi Arabia have pointed their guns in the opposite direction. With weapons literally falling out of the sky, every faction is armed to the teeth. It has become so ridiculous, in Syria, America is arming and bombing the same militants. Inexplicably, after creating unmitigated disasters by militarily deposing Saddam Hussein and Muammar Gaddafi, the US is foisting the same failed strategy against Hafez al-Assad. In a rational world, this would be considered insane.

With religion, politics, and militarism running amok, we should not be surprised that the region has become the realm of slavery and death, of kidnapping and rape. And as a result, Muslims by the millions are carrying the very pathogen that has plagued their homeland into Europe and beyond. This will end badly, engulfing the entire world in global war.

America's desire to impose itself on the region, and subsequent military invasions, have proved counterproductive, turning a bad situation into a living hell for everyone. And there are other examples, Afghanistan, Libya, Egypt, Yemen, and Somalia, even Ukraine, all screaming the same result: man's way is not working. But no one is listening. With bombs failing, the chorus is for more bombers.

According to God, we are within a decade of the most hellacious period in human history, a time of great tribulation, when deception, destruction, and death will be commonplace. By the Fall of 2033, it will be all over – nearly seven billion people and every political, religious, and military edifice gone.

So time is in short supply, as is the truth. It's now or never. For your benefit, and for those you love, we must be clear, unapologetic, and blunt about the choices before us.

For this reason, *Observations for Our Time* presents a referendum between man's way and God's way. If you are not already aware, you will soon come to appreciate how different these approaches to life actually are. In fact, they are polar opposites. God is actually averse to the ways of man. And once you understand why, the hope is that you will be motivated to reject the institutions which have sought to mislead you, and then go in an entirely different direction. I say this because, in a world where God and religion have become synonymous, where religion has become the biggest factor in politics, and where patriotism and militarism are bundled together as if they were one and the same, most people are unaware that God is opposed to man's belief systems, governments, and militaries. He has set as a requirement, establishing a prerequisite, that we dissociate from the ways of man before we engage in His

Covenant.

Therefore, we are going to closely examine and carefully consider God's assessment of these human constructs, exposing their flaws, so that we understand why God is in opposition to the institutions which not only claim to have His support and blessing, but which also claim to speak for Him. In order to facilitate an informed choice, we are going to closely examine and thoughtfully consider what God says that He opposes and what He claims to support.

Yahowah, which is God's one and only name, a name He spells out no less than seven thousand times in His Torah / *Towrah*, Prophets / *Naby*', and Psalms / *Mizmowr*, is the most fascinating individual I've encountered along life's way. In the midst of a world unraveling at the seams, His explanations as to why we are tearing ourselves apart are sane. His testimony is brilliant, His words are enlightening, His promises are inspiring, His actions are enriching, and His guidance is empowering.

Yahowah is the antithesis of politically correct. He is no-nonsense. In spite of what you may have heard, God is not all loving, He is not all forgiving, He is not omnipresent. And He is not omniscient. He is not opposed to science, but He is opposed to faith. He is not so insecure that He wants His creation to bow down and worship Him. He is not religious. He never asks us to pray, preferring that we listen. He does not want us to fear Him. He does not ask us to obey Him. He most certainly is not the Lord and does not want to control, own, or oppress anyone. His preference is to lift up, to liberate us, to enlighten and enable us. The religious claims that God eternally punishes those who don't acquiesce is irrational and invalid.

Yahowah would like us to know Him which is why He introduces Himself to us in His *Towrah*. It is not a book of laws but is instead a compilation of inspired instructions which teach us what is important in life, providing directions which guide the open minded and willing from chaos to the covenant. Yahowah dictated the first four books to Moseh (One who Draws Out, commonly called Moses), proving His authorship through countless presentations of history, past, present, and future. The fifth book of the *Towrah*, *Dabarym* – Words, is Moseh's affirmation and explanation of God's instruction, helping us apply His lessons to our lives.

Yahowah's creative testimony is found in the first of these books, *Bare'syth* - In the Beginning. It is scientifically accurate in every respect, but it is also prophetic, revealing history over the course of seven thousand years. Even the flood account has been proven correct, from finding the impact crater which precipitated the deluge to locating the Ark. But more than unearthing these verifications, considering the guidance Yahowah gave to Noah provides us with a perspective into how we should

respond to His Covenant's instructions so that we can embark on the journey of a lifetime.

All of this is addressed in *Yada Yah – A Conversation with God*. It is free in its entirety at: www.YadaYah.com. If you have not yet read it, I hope you will. It not only introduces God in His own words, it reveals how Yahowah's prophetic testimony proves that God exists and that He inspired those who wrote in His name.

The Covenant relationship Yahowah established with Abraham is the centerpiece of His *Towrah*. So as should be expected, God clearly delineates the conditions and benefits of participating with Him in this family-oriented relationship. This Covenant is the sole impetus behind creation, the lone motivation for conceiving life, the very reason we exist. Yet, Inexplicably, as few as one in a million individuals knows about it, understands what is being offered, or has accepted those conditions, receiving its benefits.

The primary reason so few have engaged in Yahowah's Covenant Family is a direct result of the corrupting confusion, the *babel* in God's parlance, promoted through religion and politics. That is why *Observations for Our Time* is focused on presenting Yahowah's perspective on these human institutions. Vastly more people trust their government over God and rely on their religion instead of the relationship He envisioned.

As we shall discover, to appreciate Yahowah's offer, to accept His proposition, to participate in His family, we are asked to disengage from the human political and religious alternatives. That is why the initial condition of the Covenant calls for us to walk away from our country, from the family of man, from societal customs, and especially from the religious *babel* – corruption associated with Babylon. That is the choice before us. God or Government. Relationship or Religion. It is a referendum on freedom over enslavement, empowerment over oppression, truth over deception, reason over faith, and life over death.

To make a responsible and reasoned decision in this regard, a person must have access to and then process accurate and reliable information. That was the intent of *An Introduction to God*: www.AnIntroductionToGod.com. It provides Yahowah's instructions on the seven most important topics relative to the relationship He would like to establish with us. But more than that, it supplies those interested in knowing God with a toolbox they can use to converse with God by accurately translating His advice.

Since I have broached the subject, and since clearing away the corruptions which

have polluted our thinking is an essential first step, you should know there is someone and something God hates far more than Muhammad, Allah, and Islam, far more than any government, more than any militia or military that has ever marched. This someone and something are related, one having founded the other. The man is Paul, and his religion is Christianity – especially in its most popular manifestations: Roman Catholicism and Eastern Orthodoxy. For absolute and irrefutable proof of these conclusions, I invite you to read the Seventh Volume of *Yada Yah* followed by *Questioning Paul* which is available free, all twelve-hundred pages of detailed analysis, at: www.QuestioningPaul.com. No one who has read *Questioning Paul* has remained a Christian. And that is a step in the right direction.

Now that I've shared Yahowah's perspective on the world's best known religions, a word of advice is in order for those who consider themselves Socialist Secular Humanists. This liberal mindset is a product of politically correct academic institutions, the mainstream media, and politicians coveting popular support. As a humanist, your head may be swimming. Hating haters has become the accepted social standard. Secular humanists are expected to lash out viciously towards those who would criticize a global institution or a religion, ostracizing such rhetoric as ignorant and bigoted. For those of you beguiled into embracing any of these positions, I bid you farewell. Nothing I have to say, nothing God has to say, will resonate with you until you let go of such irrational propositions.

It is shocking to be sure. But nevertheless it is true. God hates politics and religion – every variation and each incarnation. There are no exceptions. He will tell you why if you are willing to listen.

Yahowah is equally opposed to human governance as well as man's propensity within such power coveting schemes to build and deploy militaries. Over the course of the next three chapters we will analyze the case that He has systematically laid out before us, explaining the reasons He disdains governments and despises those who lead them. Yahowah's testimony in this regard was presented between two thousand five hundred and three thousand four hundred years ago, and yet His commentary is more relevant today than it was then.

As we study what Yahowah has to say about religion, governance, and militancy generally, and Pauline Christianity specifically, God will irrefutably and unambiguously drive His message home. Therefore, it's time for me to step aside. I'm irrelevant. My conclusions only matter when they are consistent with Yahowah's, and even then, I'm nothing more than an echo along the way. Pay no attention to me.

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Fatherly advice is especially valuable when it comes from God. He is the impetus behind the Family-Oriented Covenant, the author of the Torah's Teaching, the architect of life, and the creator of the universe. His credentials are impeccable, beyond compare, which is why I am surprised so few consider what He has to say, especially when His guidance provides the only means to eternal life.

What percentage of the world's population do you suppose has "shamar – closely examined and carefully considered" the text of Proverbs 6, for example, in the language it was written? How many have come to realize what it has to say about forming allegiances with human institutions? Do you know anyone who advocates God's position on distancing ourselves from religious, political, national, and military entities? Probably not, because only one in a million speaks out against them. This is not due to a lack of evidence or reasons but to an abundance of indoctrination and a lack of reason.

Considering Yahowah's irrefutable opposition to government and religion, why do you suppose the overwhelming preponderance of people irritate Him by supporting both villains? Why do so many take oaths of office with their hand upon a bible, sing religious hymns that purport to have God blessing their state, or even place their hand over their heart while reciting a national anthem whose lyrics erroneously associate God with their country?

Since the lone prerequisite for developing a relationship with God and for admission into His Covenant Family, and therefore into Heaven, is to walk away from one's country and from the *babel* – confusion of religion, it is surprising most people look to their nation for their retirement and healthcare, for their security and sense of identity, even parasitically for entitlements predicated upon wealth redistribution. Others look to their religion for a sense of purpose, moral guidance, support during difficult times, and salvation. The reasons are many, and deeply ingrained, which explains why these human schemes are so intertwined in our society, so wrapped together in a curious bow with militarism and patriotism. Yet, they are an abomination to God.

Proverbs 6 begins by telling us that we should dissociate from all human institutions because, in part, they are all estranged from God – as are their devotees. Yahowah then reveals why He hates man's way. He labels political, religious, military,

and economic leaders as deceitful, calling their messages corrupt and corrosive – especially when those listening to them are apathetic, too lethargic to notice that they are being played for fools.

The single best example of this is the self-proclaimed apostle Paul, the founder of the Christian religion and author of half of its New Testament. This Proverb, the one which follows, and another in *Chabaquwq* / Habakkuk, are prophetic in this regard, specifically identifying, exposing, and condemning him – which is why we will consider all three.

With regard to *Mashal* 6, there is no other individual who manifests every flaw in God's list of hated abominations besides Paul. Furthermore, the context fits Paul perfectly, excluding all other infamous individuals from consideration. Moreover, this conclusion is underscored by the fact that Yahowah presents His *Towrah*, the very text Paul sought to annul, as the lone antidote against the man's venomous pen. To a large extent, Proverbs 6 also serves as a referendum against Paul's endorsement of government.

However, Pauline Christianity is not the only target of this Proverb. Yahowah is also critical of the religion of man, Socialist Secular Humanism, and its merciless intolerance of hate, its desire to unite the world through multiculturalism, its amoral code of conduct that celebrates the abnormal, its debilitating attack on exercising good judgment, its propensity to deceive under the guise of political correctness, and its arrogant attitude, setting man above God. Once a person is rendered incapable of exercising good judgment, or being discerning, God becomes unknowable.

Beyond the prophetic indictment of Christianity, there is another remarkable aspect of this Proverb. It uses entomology to prove that it was authored by a being who knew more about the life He had created than His creation would know for another three-thousand years. The conduct of the ant will be used to school us on the importance of expressing our disdain for all forms of human authority – political, religious, economic, and military. It will also be used to impugn socialism's entitlement mentality where those lacking initiative and industry are rewarded for failing. God is not a proponent of punishing industry or productivity, but on the other hand, He does not advocate inactivity or irresponsibility. If you favor socialism, as most young people do today, of robbing the rich to indulge to poor, you will not find God in your corner.

While patriotism reigns supreme nowadays among the left and right, with liberal and conservative political parties now celebrating the military, I remember a time in which secular critics of the immoral and pointless carnage of the Vietnam War were accosted by the "Moral Majority," TV Evangelist Jerry Falwell's confab of Christians

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and Republicans. They belittled peace activists with the unconstitutional and irrational taunts, "Freedom isn't free," and "America: love it or leave it." Now some fifty years later, and enlightened by a different constitution, this time the *Towrah*, I have come to realize that this is the very choice God is encouraging us to make. We can love our country or love Him. To walk to God, we must first walk away from our government. To be free, we have to free ourselves from man. These are the very propositions this Proverb was predicated upon.

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Six is the number of man, a carbon-based lifeform whose atomic number is six, created on the sixth day. With this in mind, the Sixth *Mashal* begins: ¹ "My son, if you have at some point given a pledge, and if you have joined in with a foe to be accepted in association with your immoral country, then you have bound yourself to, having shaken hands with that which is illegitimate and unauthorized, foreign and estranged from the palm of My hand."

Now that we have framed the issue, noting that God's perspective on government is the opposite of mankind's, on behalf of those of us who want to be included in Yahowah's family, let's delve into some very practical advice. If you are willing to walk away from the institutions man has conceived, God is speaking to you.

Here is the opening line once again, this time more fully amplified.

"My son (beny – My child), if ('im – whenever as a concession and as often as) you have at some point given a pledge and if you have joined in with a foe to be accepted ('arab – you have at some time made an adversarial bargain or a promise in association with others to be a participant in a societal, religious, or economic institution, or taken an oath to come to the aid of others similarly pledged and associated, either providing a bond or offering a personal agreement or guarantee to engage in business or commerce, most especially with Arabs (and by default Muslims and OPEC), mortgaging yourself in some way, mingling in or mixing, promoting multiculturalism and tolerance to please others so as to be welcomed, to be found acceptable, and to be included, from 'ar – adversary and enemy (the qal stem frames a genuine relationship between the subject and object, in this case the reader and their country, while the perfect conjugation speaks of a completed action, conveying the idea that while this may have been something a person has done in the past, this individual is no longer offering a pledge or seeking to be accepted by joining)) in

association with (la – to draw near and to be included among) **your immoral country** (rea' – the loudmouthed and evil public speakers who are your fellow countrymen, and who comprise your troubling social, geographical, racial, or religious group, even your harmful neighbors and wicked fellow citizens, written identically to ra' in the text, meaning evil, no good, immoral, improper, troubling, and harmful), **then you have bound yourself to, having shaken hands with** (taqa'la – you have blown your trumpet and pitched your tent with, you have clasped hands with and pledged yourself to, joining with), **that which is illegitimate and unauthorized, foreign and estranged from** (ha zar – the stranger who is rejected for being wrong, with the one who is completely different and born into an inappropriate marriage with a whore, with the alien who is hostile in opposition to, akin to zara' – nauseating and loathsome, wholly estranged from) **the palm of My hand** (kaph – My open hand and thus My helping hand, My influence, provision, and grasp)." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:1)

Even before we deploy our investigative skills, it is obvious that this statement is from a parent to a son. It is advice from someone who cares about the wellbeing of their child. They are concerned about the adversarial influences which lie outside the home. Further, this parent views national institutions with contempt, seeing them as foreign and evil.

Recognizing that the opening pronoun is masculine, first person singular, in the context of Yahowah's inspired testimony, this parent is our Heavenly Father. He is encouraging His children to disavow their country and its leaders – forsaking any oath or sign of allegiance to them. That is sobering because it is the antithesis of what the world asks of us. Try disavowing your country in a public forum and see how its citizens respond. My son did so at a collegiate football game in Texas, and he was physically threatened by a patriotic Christian simply because he wanted to leave the stands before the national anthem began.

While we will not be this diligent or deliberate with every sentence, we are going to consider Yahowah's opening statement word for word, closely examining and carefully considering the nuances of every term, right down to the letters used to write them. If a word has a root, we will evaluate how this may influence the meaning. Likewise, if a word can convey many ideas, we will investigate each appropriate connotation.

The reasons for doing so are many. First, as a reader, you will gain an appreciation for the thought process that should go into providing a complete and accurate translation. Second, you will learn how to convey Hebrew terms on your own,

equipped with the tools and perspective required to be observant. Third, the more you know about what went into forming these conclusions, the better equipped you'll be to question them.

Yes, you read that correctly. My advice is to challenge everyone and everything. For example, feel free to reject everything I have to say – but do so rationally and thoughtfully, based upon a careful and complete examination of the evidence. The truth is knowable and verifiable, even actionable and remarkably beneficial. It is enlightening and empowering, so long as you realize where to look and are willing to invest the time and energy required to facilitate understanding. There are no shortcuts. To progress on this journey, you must be willing to go where the words lead, even when they lead away from individuals and institutions you may have previously revered.

As for Yahowah's testimony, He does not need me to affirm His veracity. He does that for Himself, principally through prophecy. But for you to understand what He is predicting, you have to know what He is actually saying. So while I claim no credentials that would impress anyone, I doubt you'll a find a more useful translation anywhere. That is largely because I know Yahowah and I want you to know Him too. I am enthusiastic about the process of understanding, I enjoy learning by making connections, and I am fond of words. Evidence and reason are two of my favorite companions. Moreover, I am always eager to share what I have discovered, largely, because I do not think anyone is as interesting or relevant as Yahowah.

Starting with the first word of Yahowah's opening statement in this Proverb, this parental advice was written from the perspective of, and is spoken in the voice of, a male parent and thus our Heavenly Father to His son. As I alluded to earlier, *ben*, the Hebrew word for "child" generally, and "son" specifically, was suffixed in the first person masculine singular with a "y - yowd," a letter drawn to depict the very hand of God: \rightarrow I. This, therefore, is Yah's hand is reaching out to His child.

God's name (written right to left in Hebrew), \(\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{H}\), begins with the graphic symbol of an open hand extended from an arm reaching down and out to His family. His children are depicted reaching up to Him: \(\mathbb{Y}\). They are grounded and supported by doing so, which is the purpose of the tent peg \(\mathbb{Y}\) set between His observant children.

When we search God's testimony regarding His "ben – children," besides the Covenant, only one other family stands out: "beny Isra'el – the Children of Israel" for whom the Covenant Family was originally conceived, conveyed, and affirmed. This known, Isra'el speaks to more than a nation or the descendants of Ya'aqob by way of his twelve sons, because it addresses any "ysh sarah 'el – individual who engages and

Observations for Our Times — Volume One: Perspective endures with God" as well as "anyone who struggles and fights with God."

The letters Yahowah selected to write "ben – son – ∞ \square " portray the word's intended meaning. The initial letter, b - \square , through its depiction of the floorplan of a house, pictorially presents a family home. The letter's name, beyth, even means "family and home" in Hebrew. The graphic representation of a sperm conveyed by the letter n - ∞ , represents a child born into a family with the right to an inheritance from the father. Addressing this, the letter's name, nun, speaks of "infinity" and thus of inheriting eternal life. It is, of course, interesting that a letter designed to convey the idea of a child being born into a family was drawn to profile an object whose shape would not be seen or known for thousands of years.

The word *ben* is derived from "*banah* – to build and to establish a home, to rebuild and to reestablish a family, restoring and renewing a household." This is what God cares the most about. If you want to know His will for your life, it is encapsulated in this word. He is inviting you to become part of His family, to become His child living in His home, inheriting all that He has to give. That is the essence of the "*Beryth* – Covenant.

Since Yahowah is speaking directly to His son about participating in His family, about the prospects of living as His child in His Covenant, it's important to fully appreciate the fact that the initial beneficiaries of the <code>Beryth</code> were "<code>Isra'el</code> – Individuals Engaging and Enduring with God." And while the rest of us can join them, be forewarned, a careful reading of Yahowah's testimony affirms that God only has one family, one Covenant, and one set of instructions regarding participating in it. If you want to spend eternity in His home, you must come to know the conditions He has established and then act upon them, making this <code>Mashal</code> / Proverb especially relevant.

The second word in *Mashal* 6, 'im, was translated simply as "if," because 'im presents a conditional clause. It does not presuppose that you or I have made the pledge which follows but instead states that, if we have done so, there is both a consequence and a cure.

The third term in our Heavenly Father's *Mashal* / Meaningful Saying, 'arab, is one of the more intriguing Hebrew concepts because of its range of meanings – most of which seem to serve God's message in this situation. It is a compound of "'ar – adversary, foe, and enemy" and the letter "b – *beyth*" meaning "home" as a noun or, more commonly, "by, with, or in" as a preposition.

'Arab could, therefore, be translated as "in the home of the enemy." In this regard, Isra'el's most numerous, most vicious, and most enduring foes are Arabs – 99% of

whom are Muslims – a religion whose god, Allah, was modeled after the Adversary. It is also revealing that Muhammad, and therefore Muslims, see the world as divided between "Dar al Islam – House of Islam" and "Dar al Harb – House of War." Israel lies at the epicenter of the latter.

Based upon its component parts, 'arab means "with the adversary." The term depicts any and every enemy of God or His people, but most adroitly, those individuals and institutions inspired by "ha satan – the Adversary – and thus the religion of Islam, but also to a somewhat lesser degree Roman Catholicism, Protestant Christianity, and Socialist Secular Humanism.

It is fascinating to see how all of these pieces fit together, especially as they seem to implicate the worst anti-Semitic institutions. For example, after expressly acknowledging that he had been demon-possessed during his initial encounter with Allah's spiritual representative, Muhammad modeled his god directly after Satan. As a result, the Qur'an became the most Anti-Semitic book ever written – far worse than Hitler's *Mein Kampf*. Then thirteen centuries later, as the Western world became ever more politically correct, Muslims have tried to beguile the unthinking into believing that criticizing Islam is bigoted, as opposed to educated and rational, by promoting the notion that Arab is synonymous with Islam. This enables them to deploy the *ad hominin* fallacy to dispatch critics of the religion as racists. Yet Yahowah told us that this would occur 1600 years before Islam was invented, correctly labeling the people who would become Israel's most vicious foe, mankind's greatest adversary, committing 99% of the world's terrorist acts.

To wit, Winston Churchill in his book, *The River War*, after extensive experience with Islamic political and military leaders, wrote: "Individual Moslems may show splendid qualities...but the influence of the religion paralyzes the social development of those who follow it. No stronger retrograde [backward, regressive, worsening, deteriorating, or degenerating] force exists in the world. Mohammedanism has already spread throughout Central Africa, raising fearless warriors at every step. How dreadful are the curses which Mohammedanism lays on its votaries [those who have made a vow devoting and dedicating themselves to advocate a religion]. Besides the fanatical frenzy, which is as dangerous in a man as hydrophobia [early name for rabies because painful throat spasms caused victims to refuse water] in a dog, there is this fearful fatalistic apathy [the world is displaying a self-destructive ignorance of the religion and is afraid to speak out against its ill effects]. The fact that in Mohammedan law every woman must belong to some man as his absolute property [akin to sheep or cattle]—either as a child, a wife, or a concubine—must delay the final extinction of slavery until the faith of Islam has

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ceased to be a great power among men." That is sobering.

And yet there is more to 'arab than Arabs and Allah. Most Americans have said the "Pledge of Allegiance." And there are countless other ways that we can "'arab – demonstrate our loyalty." A profession of faith, an oath of office, a vow to serve, or a promise to pay someone averse to God would qualify and, thus, disqualify an individual from participating in the Covenant Family. That is, unless, they take advantage of the remedy – which is to dissociate and renounce prior affiliations.

Becoming a member of a church, aligning with a political party, joining the military, even singing a national anthem with one's hand placed over their heart would put a person on the wrong side of this conditional clause. God does not accommodate divided loyalties. When Yahowah announced that He was jealous, this is what He meant. Every soul is deemed to be with Him, against Him, or to have nothing to do with Him. Individuals can choose to express faith in their religion, their country, or their military, but in so doing, they estrange themselves from God.

In this regard, the Covenant's initial instructions are clear. Yahowah asks us to walk away from our country, from the institutions of man, and from the *babel* – confusion of religion and then after doing so, to trust and rely upon Him in lieu of these things. The choice is ours. The consequence is enormous.

Continuing to ponder the full implications of 'arab, engaging in certain types of business deals can actually place a person at cross purposes with God. That is because one of 'arab's secondary connotations is to "buy and sell, exchanging one thing for another." Therefore, in light of the primary meaning of 'arab, which is aligning with the Adversary, doing business with Yahowah's enemies, the enemies of Isra'el, whether it's supplying Arab Muslims with weapons or buying their oil, would be an issue in need of reconciliation. This is of concern to God because, as I have demonstrated in www.ProphetOfDoom.net, Allah is Satan and Islam is opposed to Israel's very existence. And since the United States is the most extreme violator of both sides of this crime against the Chosen People, it pits God against the nation which inappropriately claims His blessings.

There are even more subtle ways of running afoul of God, especially in societies devoted to socialist secular humanism, like Europe and America, where 'arab's other implications, such as "mixing in and comingling to be accepted," are commonplace. The masses have been conditioned to "blend in" by way of "multiculturalism and tolerance" or face being harassed and ostracized. Academic institutions have persuaded the gullible to believe outright lies in the name of political correctness, most of which are in direct opposition to Yahowah's teaching. Refuse to accept their

stipulations, and you'll be "deemed unacceptable to participate" in school, to engage in business, to run for public office, or to address the public through the media – even to be considered credible.

Fortunately, since most all of us have violated this conditional clause countless times, and in many ways, the perfect conjugation was used to convey a completed action and thus something that is not ongoing. This is good news because, while we may have erred in the past, the moment we stop, we are no longer encumbered by what we have previously done. God does not expect us to be perfect, only interested in what He has to say, to be rational, and responsive. Once we know something is wrong, He wants us to dissociate from it. This applies to our country, to a church, to a political party as well as to patriotic support for the military, in addition to any association with Yahowah's and Isra'el's enemies, most especially Arabs as a result of Allah and Islam.

The fourth word in Proverbs 6, *rea'*, is often translated "neighbor" even though its primary meaning addresses "those who shout out a message to the public to make themselves heard and known." As such, it's not just a "fellow countryman, a citizen from the same society, race, or religion," *rea'* is specific to those who "speak publicly about society, race, and religion as political and religious leaders."

According to God, when we make a political, religious, or military pledge, we are in effect "taqa" – forming a bond" with an "evil institution" that is "zar – illegitimate and estranged" from His "kaph – hand." When it comes to Yahowah and His Covenant, we are either with Him and part of His family, or estranged, existing outside of His home. "Qodesh – set apart," as one of the most important Hebrew concepts, serves to convey this distinction. From God's perspective, to be set apart unto Him, we must first

separate ourselves from the ill effects of the institutions of man. Appreciating His terminology and perspective is essential to appreciating the intent of Yahowah's Fatherly advice.

Moving on to kaph, we find it written \multimap . The initial letter, Kaph, was drawn in the form of an open hand with the fingers extended outward and upward. It conveys all of the things we'd normally associate with an extended and open hand: "a greeting and welcome, an offer of assistance and support, friendship and provision," even "a vow of inclusion." And yet when the u is followed by a \multimap , the Hebrew letter Peh, or "mouth," this "greeting and welcome," this offer of "assistance and support," this symbol of "friendship, provision, and inclusion," is expanded to encompass a verbal affirmation of these things. This is God in word and deed. Further, while there may seem to be a conflict between making a pledge of allegiance to an adversarial institution and making a vow to Yah based upon His testimony, God has made many promises to us which are binding upon Him. And for us to engage in the Covenant, we have to affirm our acceptance of its conditions.

As the familial variation of God's name implies, $\P \rightarrow -$ Yah wants to be seen reaching down and out to His children with an open hand in order to lift us up to be with Him. But for Him to do that, we first must let go of the human religious and political institutions that are holding us down. You'll notice, those standing next to Yah's hand have nothing in their hand. They are not clinging to anything and they are not bowed down, paying homage to anyone or anything. They are reaching up to God, not out to man.

Yah will not drag those who cling to their country or to their religion into heaven. He will absolutely forego a relationship with those who prefer that which is inappropriate and illegitimate – who prefer man's counsel to His. So in a way, we have returned to the phrase we initially considered: "America: love it or leave it," and now its corollary, "Yahowah: love Him or leave Him." If you cling to your country, you cannot grasp hold of God.

In this light, let's consider Eden. There was no religion in the garden, no shrines, temples, mosques, or churches, no pastors, priests, imams, or rabbis. There was no government in the garden, no political parties, capitols, parliaments, congresses, kings, or presidents. God has no use for these things. And as we shall soon discover, He not only hates them, He considers those who promote them to be an abomination.

Digging a bit deeper into the text, *taqa*'s secondary connotations reinforce this sentiment, and that is because living in the Garden Eden is synonymous with *Sukah* and thereby portrays "Camping Out with God." So in this situation, *taqa*' is implying

that those enamored by religion or politics, militarism or patriotism are "pitching their tent" with someone foreign to God.

It wouldn't be surprising if there were still some of you who may be thinking that you don't know Yahowah well enough to justify leaving your familiar and popular association with religion, politics, or patriotism – flawed and counterproductive as they may be. It's a bit scary to reject the known for a spiritual being few have ever met – especially one so many have tried to stain with all manner of religious myths. But I dare say that if you were aware of the depraved character of the men who preside over these human institutions and were cognizant of their duplicitous and self-serving plans, you'd realize that by disassociating from them you'd be improving your lot in life. As I have learned over a lifetime of study and personal experience, in actuality, all you'd be abandoning is a litany of false promises promoted by those who should not be trusted. As for Yahowah, get to know Him as He reveals Himself, and then decide if you would like to spend an eternity with Him.

The imagery associated with our next word, *zar*, is no less revealing: \Re . These letters graphically present fields of endeavor plowed by men. Defined as "illegitimate, unauthorized, and inappropriate," and thus "foreign and estranged," *zar* describes individuals and institutions which are "separated and distant" from God because they advocate notions which are "different" than God's teaching. In that He created the universe and all life in it, that which is adverse to Yahowah's approach is untrue and unreliable – at least as it pertains to subjects God is addressing.

From Yahowah's perspective, if an institution advocates designs which are contrary to His plan, such ideas are "unauthorized and thus illegitimate." In so doing, at least from God's viewpoint, such individuals are seen as if they were "married to a whore" and, thereby, seductively soliciting others into an ill-advised relationship for money. They are considered "in hostile opposition" to God and are thus "nauseating" to Him. Further, since <code>zara'</code>, the root of <code>zar</code>, speaks of "offspring," Yahowah's disapproval isn't limited to the founding fathers of these schemes, but also to those beguiled by them.

With these things considered, let's review where we have been before we move on.

¹ "My son, if as a concession and as often as you have given a pledge and if you have joined in with a foe to be accepted, you have at some time made an adversarial bargain or a promise in association with others to be a participant in a societal, religious, or economic institution, or if you have engaged in business with Arabs, even mingled in by promoting multiculturalism and

tolerance to please others so as to be found acceptable and to be included in association with your immoral country and its loudmouthed and evil public speakers touting a social or religious agenda, then you have bound yourself to, having shaken hands with, pledging yourself to and joined in with that which is illegitimate and unauthorized, foreign and estranged from the palm of My hand, from My help and influence, My grasp and provision."

If we have joined in to be accepted, offered a pledge of support or allegiance, made a proclamation of faith to associate with or engage in any human institution, whether political or religious, by this act, and by our failure to dissociate from the leadership of our country, we have aligned ourselves with that which is illegitimate, estranging ourselves from Yahowah's offer of assistance and inclusion. As such, this opening statement serves to affirm the lone prerequisite for participating in the Covenant which is to "walk away from our country."

Yahowah's instruction to Abraham was remarkably revealing because the country He asked him to walk away from was *Babel*, known to us today as Babylonia. This is where Satan used the integration of religion and governance to be worshipped as if he were God – empowering cleric and king while duping the unsuspecting. It is from whence the Adversary derived his influence and power over humankind – confusing millions into believing that the Prince of Lies should be believed, and that the Lord was God.

The word *babel* serves as the basis for the English word, "bible," and is a compound of "ba – with" and "bel – the lord," the title and name God applies to the Adversary, Satan. The word means "to confuse" which is the consequence of most Bibles with their errant translations and inclusion of a "New Testament." The spiritual being religions present as the Lord is actually Satan. And the paths such human institutions claim lead to God, actually lead to the Adversary.

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As much as God despises religion and human governance, patriotism and militarism, He will not allow those victimized by these human institutions to absolve themselves of the stigma of their inappropriate association simply by claiming they were deceived, by implying that it was not their fault. And that is because God not only sees such devotees as empowering the entities with which they are aligned – recognizing that their very participation and numbers give these institutions

credibility they would not otherwise possess, His testimony has left us without excuse. It is our fault if we have disregarded His message. He has been prolific in His pronouncements, direct and unambiguous, consistent and clear.

We are responsible for our decisions according to God. And as is unequivocally proclaimed in 1 Samuel 8, a declaration we will dissect later, Yahowah views the acceptance of governance as a rejection of Him and His guidance. So when it comes to expressing our allegiances, there is a consequence. What we say in this regard matters.

And that is why in *Mashal* 6:2, God announced: ² "You lure others into relinquishing their freedom and are yourself ensnared and controlled by the statements of your mouth. You are caught by way of the words which comprise your speech."

Digging deeper into this text, we discover...

"You lure others into relinquishing their freedom and are yourself ensnared and controlled by (yaqas – you entrap others and you are entrapped by, you constrain others and are governed by, you bait and ensnare, enticing others while being entangled and robbed of freedom by (the nifal stem reveals that such individuals by manipulating others are temporarily entrapped by their words as reflected by the perfect conjugation)) the statements (ba 'emer – in the brief utterances and minimalistic discourse, with the uttered promises, appointed commands, and approved answers) of your mouth (peh – of your oral communication and speech).

You are caught (*lakad* – you are seized and taken captive, you are captured and controlled) **by way of** (*ba* – with) **the words** (*'emer* – the brief statements and minimalistic discourse, the uttered promises, appointed commands, and approved answers) **of your speech** (*peh* – of your oral communication)." (*Mashal* / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:2)

Few things rival words in importance and influence. Yahowah created the universe and conceived life using words. God introduces Himself to us in His own words. He explains what He is offering and what He expects in return in His Word. Similarly, we introduce ourselves to others using words. We reveal who we are, what we believe, with whom we are associated, all through words. They define us, expose our ambitions, and affirm our affiliations. They can also reveal our ignorance or brilliance, whatever the case may be.

Politicians are elected and they establish their objectives in their speeches. Clerics are paid to deliver sermons. Newscasters in the media earn their living one word at a time. And military officers bark out commands, ordering subordinates to obey,

thereby starting wars using words. Ultimately armies march to words and kingdoms are established the same way. Every relationship begins with an introduction. They typically end with a denunciation.

Our words matter. What we say can either unite us with God or divide us from Him. They can be used to expose and condemn religion and governance or to promote these bastions of false hope. And our words can just as easily affirm the truth, a worthy endeavor which is most reliably promoted by observing and then conveying Yahowah's testimony.

The most extraordinary example of this endeavor is Dowd (rhymes with *code* and *load*), known to the world as "David." His lyrics encourage us to reflect upon Yahowah's testimony. His Psalms are prophetic and inspiring, and none more so than the 119th. His most important *Mizmowr* systematically conveys twenty-two stanzas, each comprised of eight statements (the number of eternity), one for each letter in the Hebrew alphabet, to teach us how to properly observe the *Towrah*. Should you be interested, I've devoted an entire volume of *An Introduction to God* to this Psalm: http://anintroductiontogod.com/An Introduction to God-03.3-Towrah-His Teaching.Torah. (See also http://www.blessyahowah.com/a/119.html) Beyond the prophetic implications and enlightening aspirations of Dowd's *Mizmowr*, the most intriguing and insightful thing we can learn from this man involves the dramatic contrast between his enlightening revelations and less than ideal behavior. He demonstrates that when it comes to Yahowah's Word, it is vastly more important to

It is interesting to note, and no doubt based upon this Proverb, Yahowsha' told those who would listen not to give an oath. He said that our yes should mean yes and our no, mean no. In spite of this, almost every human institution, especially those in Christian nations, requires either a profession of faith or an oath of allegiance. It begs the question: why do they consider themselves Christian when they routinely ignore and reject Yahowsha's advice?

be right than good.

This is as good a time as any to share something vitally important relative to our understanding of God's Word. Hebrew grammar is unlike other languages. It was conceived to convey Yahowah's nature and plan, designed with its eternal, relational, and volitional qualities in mind. For example, Hebrew verbs are not stuck in time but instead convey truths which are valid for all time. There is no past, present, or future tense in the Hebrew of divine revelation. In this regard, Hebrew words are akin to light where time exists without measure or distinctions between that which has been or that which will be. It is why Yahowah equates Himself and His *Towrah* to light. It is the

means He uses to witness our future and report what He has seen in our past, referring to the timeless endeavor as prophecy.

In Hebrew grammar, the perfect conjugation addresses a completed action either in the past or in the future. The imperfect depicts something that is ongoing, consistent, continual, or habitual with unfolding consequences over time. In the opening lines of this *Mashal* / Proverb, for example, the perfect was deployed to depict something that has occurred or will occur but is either no longer occurring in the present or will be limited in the future. The imperfect is relevant, because, once we cease and desist from such actions, we are no longer in conflict with God's guidance in regard to those verbs. This means that we can be imperfect, so long as we are willing to listen to what God has to say and then respond appropriately. And by using the perfect, we discover that the issue has either been resolved once and for all, or that there is an end in sight.

In *Mashal* 6, Yahowah is telling us that, before His cure for institutionalized estrangement can be put to use, we must first dissociate from human institutions which vie for our devotion. Once this is done, the path to God is open and the cure is readily available.

This aspect of God's Fatherly advice should not be surprising since, as I've shared before and will affirm again, our participation in the Familial Covenant relationship is predicated upon walking away from our country, from the *babel* of religion and politics, before we can walk into the Promised Land. With Yahowah, the path home is neither convoluted nor haphazard. There is nothing random about the relationship. There are seven steps along the way. They follow a prescribed order. There are no shortcuts, detours, alternative routes, or exceptions. It's His Way or the wrong way.

The second unique aspect of Hebrew verbs is that they are all framed by relational stems. The qal, which is the most common, establishes a genuine relationship between the subject and object of the verb and should always be interpreted literally as something that has or will actually occur. With other stems, like the hifil, the subject engages the object. Or in the case of the niphal, the object is both perpetrator and recipient of the action. The Covenant is a relationship so, since it is the prime objective, Hebrew verbs are relational.

Third, Hebrew moods are also consistent with Yahowah's nature. They are volitional, expressing choice, will, or desire in the first, second, or third person. God gave us freewill and wants us to use it to choose to engage in the Covenant relationship with Him. Everything God reveals should be seen through this lens. As such, there are no commandments, no laws, no orders which must be obeyed. God is not demanding

that we submit to His Covenant, but is instead inviting us to participate in it. His *Towrah* is designed to teach and guide us, to liberate and enrich us, not control us or deprive us.

Yah used these stems, conjunctions, and moods to augment the precision of His communication, the depth of our understanding, and the reliability of His guidance so that we are all empowered to make an enlightened and reasonable decision regarding His offer to join His family. The more we know, the more likely it becomes that we will be right.

Fourth, as we have seen, Hebrew letters were drawn graphically in the form of pictures. These images help define the words they comprise. In this way, even those who are not literate, or who haven't studied Hebrew, can discern much of what God is saying.

As a result, the more closely we observe Yahowah's testimony, right down to the letters which comprise the words, the more we'll understand. This is so important, a chart of the twenty-two letters, along with the meaning of each, is presented for your consideration in the Word volume of *An Introduction to God*. Once familiar with the alphabet (even here the English word is a composite of the first two Hebrew letters, *Aleph* and *Beyth*), we can deduce God's intended meaning – leaving us all without excuse. For example, now that you realize that every stroke of each Hebrew letter conveys God's intent, you can better appreciate why Yahowsha' said: "For truthfully, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not a single *yowd* ($y - \bowtie - 1$) the first letter in Yahowah's name), nor smallest stroke comprising the letters, shall in any way be negated or annulled in the *Towrah* until it is completed and fulfilled." (*Mattanyah* / Matthew 5:8)

The fifth aspect of Hebrew worthy of our consideration, while not uncommon, differs from English. Most nouns are either masculine or feminine. This is especially relevant when trying to understand the role the Set-Apart Spirit plays as our Spiritual Mother and why things related to Her involvement in our lives are also feminine, such as the *Towrah* (Teaching) and *Beryth* (Covenant). Typically, a Hebrew word shifts from masculine to feminine with the addition of a concluding *Heh* - h - \mathbb{P}.

Sixth, just as there are consequences to choices, there is a dark and light side of many Hebrew words. *Yare'*, for example, can mean "revere" or "fear." Similarly, 'anah can convey "respond by answering" or "be afflicted." So we will have to be careful to choose the meaning most consistent with Yahowah's character and most appropriate in the context of the discussion.

And seventh, rabbis have made a mess of Hebrew. Pretending there were no vowels among the twenty-two letters, they have made a mockery of the conversations recorded throughout the *Towrah* / Torah and *Naby'* / Prophets, because they could not have occurred if the language was unpronounceable. And yet, as if they didn't think anyone would hold them accountable for the fraud they were perpetrating, the Masoretes created a system of diacritical markings in the 11th-century CE which they deployed to alter the divinely revealed text to suit their religious traditions. Their corruptions were so deliberate, so horrendous, they actually named the system they developed of diacritical markings, *Sheva*, which was previously pronounced *showa'*. This word, which appears twice in the third statement Yahowah scribed on the first of two tablets, means: "to negate the result, making it worthless, to belittle by falsifying, to make it impossible to discern the truth," and thereby "to mistreat, inflict injury, ravage, and destroy."

Their first target was Yahowah's name, altering the pronunciation of the *Wah* and *Hey*, turning the w "o" sound into a v and changing the "ah" pronunciation of the h to "eh," thereby claiming *yhwh* was unpronounceable. Knowing that they would do this very thing, and base their system on *showa*', explains why, in the third of ten statements Yahowah etched in stone, He wrote: "You should not, therefore, habitually bear, lift up, accept, promote, nor tolerate (*lo' nasa' 'eth*) the personal and proper name (*shem*) of Yahowah (*yahowah*), your Almighty (*'elohym*), with anything approaching (*la*) that which negates or falsifies, destroying its value while making it impossible to discern the truth (*ha showa'*), because surely (*ky*) Yahowah (*yahowah*) will not ever pardon, release from guilt, or leave unpunished (*lo' naqah*) those who (*'asher*) accordingly, consistently bear, lift up, accept, promote, or tolerate (*nasa' 'eth*) His name (*shem*) in a way which is (*la*) destructive, injurious, irresponsible, ignorant, irrational, belittling, and negating (*showa'*)." (*Shemowth* / Names / Exodus 20:7) And yet they did it anyway.

Fortunately for us, by turning to the Dead Sea Scrolls which predate the copyedits of the Masoretes by 1,200 years, and by ignoring their markings, which is easily accomplished by examining the textual spelling of each word, we can systematically remove their stain from Yah's testimony.

If you are willing to invest a few hours' time, you can easily prove for yourself that there are five vowels and seventeen consonants in Hebrew. In so doing, you will not only gain a key competency that you can deploy as you seek understanding, you will come to appreciate why you ought never trust religious scholars or the institutions that deploy them. This search is done simply enough. Open a Hebrew dictionary or

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lexicon, dozens of which are available in bookstores or free online, and examine how words with the vowels Aleph - b - a/e, Aiyn - c - e/a, Hey - c - ah, Wah - c - o/u, and Yowd - c - y/i are pronounced. Some of the best examples are T-oW-R-aH, Sh-aL-oW-M, G-oW-Y-M, and the Hebrew verb, Ha-Y-aH, upon which Y-aH-oW-aH's name is based.

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Moving onto the third, fourth, and fifth instructions in *Mashal* / Proverbs 6, our Heavenly Father provides advice on how to undo what we have done to ourselves. This is one of countless examples demonstrating that Yahowah's *Towrah* – Teaching does not exist to condemn us, as Paul errantly claimed, but instead to guide imperfect people to vindication.

³ "So then decide to engage thusly, My son, and of your own freewill elect to tear yourself away, delivering yourself from harm. For if, even temporarily, you have actually come to bow down before the hand, influence, or control of your immoral country, choose to actually go in an unpretentious way, willing to get a bit dirty, and press one's reasons for contention with the adversarial individual or institution, boldly astonishing and overwhelming them, showing great courage against your loudmouthed and evil public spokesmen.

⁴ "Do not give yourself over to slumber, to being oblivious, concerning your eyes or altered state of awareness by closing your eyelids. ⁵ Choose to escape, defending yourself, like a gazelle, from the hand of power. And similar to a chirping bird, be free of the hand of the fowler."

Just as Noah and his family had to listen to Yahowah's instructions and then act upon what He had to say to receive the benefits of the ark, we too must carefully consider what God is telling us and then respond. If you have shown support for or pledged your allegiance to your nation, a military institution, political party, or religious establishment, here is your opportunity to remove that roadblock from approaching God.

More completely, accurately, and thoughtfully presented, here is *Mashal* 6:3 once again for your consideration.

"So then, decide to engage thusly (*'asah zo'th 'epow'* – now choose to act upon this, actually doing this at this time as a logical, thoughtful, and sequential response to

that which has just been expressed (the qal stem tells us to interpret this literally while the imperative mood expresses second person volition, meaning that this is our choice)), My son (beny – My child), and of your own freewill elect to tear yourself away, delivering yourself from harm (wa natsal – and choose to escape, defending yourself, saving yourself from unfavorable circumstances (the nifal stem indicates that, by separating ourselves from national pledges, we are spared their consequences while the imperative mood, as the second person expression of volition, reveals that this is our choice to make under the auspices of freewill)).

"For if (ky - because indeed, upon the condition that), even temporarily, you have actually come (bow' - you have at any one time, especially for a limited period of time, arrived with the goal to be included, having caused this to happen (the gal stem denotes an accurate and literal interpretation of the relationship while the perfect conjugation clearly limits the activity to a certain and finite period of time, to something that either has or will come to a conclusion)) to bow down before the hand, influence, or control (ba kaph) of your immoral country (rea' - of the loudmouthed and evil public speakers who are your fellow countrymen and who comprise your troubling social, geographical, racial, or religious group, even your harmful neighbors and wicked fellow citizens; identical to ra' in the text, meaning evil, no good, immoral, improper, troubling, and harmful), choose to actually go (halak elect to walk, deciding to literally move, conducting your life (the gal stem denotes a genuine relationship whereby this should be interpreted literally and should actually occur in the imperative and, thus, as a result of our decision and out of our desire (since there is no conjugation, God is not specifying if we should do this once or often because it has to be our choice and each situation is different))) in an unpretentious way, willing to get a bit dirty (raphac – devoid of arrogance and making the decision to tread upon them in the mud), and (wa) press one's reasons for contention with the adversarial individual or institution, boldly astonishing and overwhelming them, showing great courage against (rahab - boisterously, boldly, and bluntly make your case, expeditiously demonstrating that you are in opposition against) your loudmouthed and evil public spokesmen (rea' - your dishonest and decadent country, and those who comprise your troubling social, geographical, racial, or religious group, even your harmful neighbors and immoral fellow citizens; identical to ra' in the text, meaning evil, no good, immoral, improper, troubling, and harmful, and that for which you have shown affection, devotion, and love)." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:3)

The verb, 'asah, meaning "to act upon" or "to engage in," was scribed in the imperative mood – which typically conveys volition in the second person. This means

that we are being encouraged to decide for ourselves, to freely choose our response based upon the instruction. God will not force anyone to dissociate from the influence of human religious, governmental, or patriotic institutions.

It's our choice. In fact, the reason Chawah was created for Adam was expressly to provide an alluring, often enjoyable, potentially enriching, comforting, and temporarily productive alternative to a relationship with God, all in a way that still reflected the best aspects of the loving and familial relationship He desired. Yahowah does not want us to choose Him by default, just because there is no alternative. So from the very beginning, we have been offered the choice to engage in a relationship with our fellow man which brings us closer to Yah or estranges us from Him – all based upon how we respond to and apply Yahowah's instructions regarding His Covenant family.

That said, Yahowah has expressed His position on human leadership and institutions, and He has articulated instructions to properly guide us, teaching us what we need to know to make wise decisions. Over the course of the next two chapters, these conclusions – the realization that God is overtly opposed to governments and to religions and that He allows us to choose our own way – will be thoroughly reinforced.

Not only does Yahowah want us consider the consequences of our allegiances, He wants us to realize that politicians and religious clerics mislead and abuse those who believe them. Just as parents encourage their children not to associate with liars, drunkards, bullies, and thieves, God wants His creation, for our own wellbeing, to avoid the most abusive people and schemes. Likewise, He wants us to know that He can be trusted. Therein is a summary of His *Towrah* / Torah, *Naby'* / Prophets, and *Mizmowr* / Psalms.

Yahowah asked Abraham to walk away from his country, which was Babel, before He would converse further with him, develop a relationship with him, or travel with him to the Promised Land. God is asking the same of us and for the same reason. If we individually bring aspects of political and religious *babel* into His Home, the Covenant Family would soon become as corrupt and aggravating as that which we experience everywhere else on earth. Therefore, it is vital for us to appreciate the full implications of *babel* which, as a place, is Babylon and, as a concept, is "corruption and confusion."

Yahowah's Home in Heaven is "qodesh – set apart" from babel, from corruption, from the confusion of religion and politics, and from the Lord, who is Satan. His "beryth – Covenant Family" is similarly qodesh, as is His "shabat – promise of seven," His "ruwach – Spirit," His "miqra'ey – Invitations to Be Called Out and Meet," His "towrah – teaching," His "'erets – Land," and His shem – name, Yahowah. They are all set apart

from the confusing and corrupting influences of man's deceitful and destructive tendencies.

Our Heavenly Father is extending an open hand to those of us willing to reach out to Him after letting go of political and religious alternatives. The verbal basis of "kaph – open hand" is kaphaph which can be good or bad depending upon whose hand one is addressing. That is because kaphaph speaks of "bending down," something which is good when it is Yahowah bending down and reaching out with an open hand to lift us up. However, it is awful when we bow down before the hand of human authority, placing ourselves in submission to or under the control and influence of another – such as a religious or political leader.

Most all of us have recited a "Pledge of Allegiance," or at the very least, we have at some time removed our hats, stood at attention, hands over our hearts as we have sung a "National Anthem." Many have professed faith in a religious institution, sworn an oath to the military, or taken an oath to support a country and its constitution. Many have made a pledge with their hand on a book named after *Babel* (a Bible), not realizing it meant "With the Lord (a.k.a., Satan)," the author of "babel – confusion."

Fortunately, so long as we have come to realize our mistake, and so long as we show that we are willing to walk away from human religious, political, governmental, military, and academic institutions, we are freed of the consequence of them and, thus, free to associate with Yahowah by way of His Covenant. That is why this is the first condition of the Covenant, its lone prerequisite. Yahowah asked us to walk away from our country. Therefore, in this open letter to His children, He has asked us to be blunt and bold, showing courage in confronting those who would mislead us, overwhelming and astonishing them with what we have come to know about the Covenant by observing the *Towrah*.

By doing so, we are going to get a bit dirty, just as Yahowah has insinuated. The filthy lies pontificated by the individuals and institutions promoting political and religious myths are disgusting – as are the tactics they deploy to prevent their schemes from being exposed. They routinely try to sully the character, competence, and motives of those confronting them. Since they cannot refute God, since they cannot challenge His logic, their only option is to muddy the argument and slander the messenger.

Most people acquiesce, accepting whatever makes their life easiest. They don't make an informed, much less rational, decision about any of these things. They were born Muslims and remain Muslims no matter how irrational. They were raised in a Roman Catholic family, so they are going to die members of the Church that has lied to

them about almost everything. The likelihood of child born into a politically or religiously active family continuing to support their parents' party affiliations and faith is better than eighty percent. It is seldom a matter of careful examination or thoughtful consideration.

Therefore, Yahowah is encouraging us to wake up so that we are not victims of our own apathy and inactivity. In other words, ignorance isn't bliss.

"Do not give yourself over ('al nathan – don't allow or give way to) to slumber, to being oblivious (shenah – to sleep, to being complacent or comatose, to a state where you are not fully awake and alert, and by implication are ignorant, and thus not fully alive), concerning (la – regarding) your eyes ('ayn – your perspective and understanding, your sight and ability to be observant, even your outward appearance) or (wa) to an altered state of awareness (tanuwmah – the apathy and lack of focus, inactivity and the resulting drowsiness) by blinking your eyelids ('aph'aph – by flirting with the flashing rays of light perceived through squinting eyes)." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:4)

The realization that ignorance comes with a consequence is further developed in <code>Howsha'</code> / Salvation / Hosea, where Yahowah explains: "My people ('am) are destroyed by ceasing to engage (damah – are ruined and will perish, are silenced and are comparatively dead (in the nifil perfect, the people will be destroyed, at least for a while, because they have ceased to engage, they perish, dying a mortal death, because of their silence)) as a result of being ignorant, of not being perceptive, and by corrupting and negating information regarding the relationship (min bely ha da'at – from being without knowledge which facilitates learning and understanding, by failing to be discerning and rational, on account of negating, corrupting, and destroying accurate testimony regarding the relationship as well as by failing to pass judgment on others)." (Howsha' / Salvation / Hosea 4:6)

To be "observant," we must use our eyes. When we are asleep and they are closed, we are not engaged in the process of learning what we need to know to make good decisions regarding God. Most people go through their whole life this way, at least figuratively. As a result of their ignorance and their decision not to be discerning, they are easily misled by those who negate and corrupt the testimony Yahowah has provided regarding His Covenant Relationship. The consequence is death, a condition the ignorant and irrational, the faithful and patriotic bring upon themselves.

Yahowah wants us to be observant and then engage – with one step following the other – because one without the other is useless. He enjoys the company of curious individuals ever ready to explore and enjoy everything He has provided for our

edification. It is how we grow. It is what makes relationships meaningful.

In this world, danger is lurking most everywhere. So we have to be vigilant, able to recognize the threats and then respond to them.

"Choose to escape, defending yourself (wa natsal – and of your own freewill, elect to tear yourself away, delivering yourself from harm, saving yourself from unfavorable circumstances (the nifal stem indicates that, by separating ourselves from that which is injurious, we are spared its consequence and the imperative mood, as the second person expression of volition, reveals that this is our option, a choice to make under the auspices of freewill)), like (ka – in a fashion similar to) a gazelle (tsaby – the upright and righteous, the honorable and glorious, the sleek, beautiful, and graceful which are considered clean, always using a keen sense of awareness and agility to rapidly escape danger; akin to tsadeq – those who are right, upright, and innocent, righteous and vindicated, those proven to be right), from (min – out of) the hand of power (yad – the possession, control, and reputation of the enabled and influential).

"And similar to (wa ka – so then like or akin to) a chirping bird (tsipowr – a creature that sings and has the ability to fly, a sparrow which departs early) stay out of (min – be removed from and free of) the hand (yad – the influence and control, the power and possession) of the fowler (yaquwsh – of the trapper who baits and snares birds, of the one who lures and entices in order to entrap, to capture, constrain, or kill)." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:5)

Do not hesitate. Open your eyes, pay attention, and act now, expeditiously walking away from the influence of and dependency upon your country, your religion, your political party, and your military. Flee all human influences and institutions forthwith so that you are free to scamper and fly to God.

There are three important aspects of this statement that are worth affirming. First, the only way to rapidly and appropriately respond to actual threats is prior preparation. Those who are unaware, for example, of what makes the corruptive and counterproductive nature of religion and government a threat, have neither the means nor inclination to avoid them. Prior preparation enables us to be properly focused and discriminating, thereby choosing the battles that are worth our attention while avoiding others. Since there is no way to dissociate from every human endeavor and still maintain the time and means to make a difference by sharing Yah's testimony, we should pick our battles and then prepare to engage against the most pervasive adversaries in the most thought-provoking manner possible. The best approach would be to study Yahowah's Word and then oppose the institutions Yahowah finds the most

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appalling. And according to God, public enemy number one is religion, two is government, and three is militarism. They are all deceptive, destructive, deadly, and damning.

Second, gazelles and sparrows share something in common. They are not equipped to respond to their attackers in kind. Neither their teeth nor their claws are adequate to fight off a predator. These are not lions and bears. Gazelles and sparrows avoid their foes and stay safe by being observant, rapidly assessing the threat, and then quickly distancing themselves from it.

By contrast, man is prone to fight fire with fire, to attack foes with fists and swords, with bullets and bombs. God does not want us to be violent, especially to be militaristic. He wants us to use our eyes, to be observant, to be educated and thus prepared, and to be ready to respond using words – wielding the truth, not weapons.

This known, there is something more. A timely response, even if it is brief and imperfect, is vastly more effective than a blank stare and silence. Once we come to know Yahowah and understand what He is offering and expects in return, we are in a position to effectively confront any adversary. There are few meaningful accusations without an appropriate reply, few meaningful questions without an informed answer. For ignorance, there is knowledge. For irrationality, there is logic. For every corruption, there is a clarity. For confusion, there is understanding.

But there are no shortcuts. The process that leads to understanding is as long as it is straightforward, as time consuming as it is timeless, as detailed as it is all encompassing. But do not be dismayed by the challenge because the quest for understanding is a perpetual motion machine. You will always get more out of your study than you put into it – so long as you know where and how to look.

For example, if we merely glanced over the gazelle and sparrow references, there would be no way to understand why they were chosen as examples or to appreciate how their approach to danger applies to our lives. If we had not thoroughly investigated the meaning of rea' and 'arab at the beginning of this Proverb, we would have remained unaware of why pledges to adversarial individuals and institutions are inadvisable, precluding a relationship with God.

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On the surface, this next example from entomology, at least at the beginning,

would seem to merely reinforce Yahowah's disdain for lethargy. Ants are busy. They are always actively engaged doing whatever is required to foster the wellbeing of the nest. However, on further inspection, God is actually revealing one of the many problems associated with mankind's relationship with the leadership of religious, governmental, military, and economic organizations. He wants us to appreciate how these institutions differ from His nature and approach.

⁶ "The habitually inactive and lethargic should observe and examine the movement of the ant, her ways, and be wise. ⁷ Beneficially, and from a relationship perspective, she has no leader or ruler, no commander or officer, no government or imposed authority, [she has no] work foreman or public official, not even a clerk or scribe, nor anyone claiming to be in charge or in control, and most especially not a lord who reigns over her. ⁸ She prepares in the summer, during the warmer period when the fruit of plants is plentiful. She gathers in the harvest, storing it as a source of nourishment.

⁹"For how long and to what extent, inactive, apathetic, and lethargic one, will you lie there and remain sedentary? When and what will it take for you to arise and stand up from your altered state of awareness? ¹⁰ A little inactivity leads to laziness, to folding one's hands together in a lethargic manner to rest." *Mishal* / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:6-10

Now that we have the gist of Yah's advice, to more clearly and completely appreciate the guidance our Heavenly Father is providing, let's reexamine His admonition one word at a time. This segment begins:

or sedentary, lacking discipline, ambition, and remorsefulness) **should see, observing and examining** (*ra'ah* – should use the faculty of sight to view and perceive, to behold and consider), **the movement of** (*halak 'el* – the conduct, walk, behavior, and goings on of) **the ant** (*namalah* – the insect known for its industrious nature; from *namal* – to be circumcised), **her ways** (*derek* – its conduct and vigorous approach, its journey), **and be wise** (*wa chakam* – and be knowledgeable to develop understanding, be prudent, skillful, and thus empowered).

⁷ "Beneficially, and from a relationship perspective ('asher -where relationally, fortuitously, happily, and joyfully), she has no ('ayn la - it is devoid of and without a) leader or ruler, no commander or officer, no government or imposed authority (qatsyn - no dictator, governor, chief, prince, or royalty, no superior individual or magistrate; from the verbal root qatsah - one who cuts down, shears off,

and scrapes away, determining borders and limits), [she has no] work foreman or public official, not even a clerk or scribe (shoter – overseer or manager, civil servant or military officer, judge or court clerk), nor (wa) anyone claiming to be in charge or in control, especially not a lord who reigns over her (mashal – anyone acting as a lord or master exercising authority or claiming dominion over governments, citizens, or slaves)." (Mashal / Meaningful, Vivid, and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:6-7)

Ants operate under the highest level of Eusociality, which is to say that their interactions are defined by the following characteristics: "cooperative and supportive care of offspring with overlapping generations engaged and sharing responsibility, along with a division of labor whereby every ant works diligently at their specialty, contributing to protect the colony, harvest food, enhance the nest, fertilize the eggs, or care for the young without an organizational hierarchy." While there are "queen" ants, such nomenclature is an unfortunate human extrapolation because "queens" are not married to kings, they have no organizational authority, and they often share colonies with many other "queens." Their function is to lay eggs. Nothing more.

Ants function harmoniously without any leadership. Ants thrive without a military officer, a political official, a business executive, or any individual establishing laws, rules of conduct, morality, or justice. They survive nicely without a government or religion. Ants work together and engage cooperatively, for the betterment of their offspring. Also telling, the overwhelming preponderance of ants are females which is why the ant is referred to as "she" throughout this presentation.

The <u>largest known colony of ants</u> contains an estimated 306 million "worker" ants and one million "queens," all living in an interconnected mesh of 45,000 nests. The colony flourishes even in the most hostile climates because the workers collect more food and material than is immediately required, storing much of what they gather to see them through tough times and for the benefit of future generations. Of course, none of this was known 3,000 years ago when this *Mashal* was penned.

The common denominator among religious, government, military, and economic institutions is their propensity for hierarchies. They all have organizational structures. Men have long ruled over and oppressed humankind in this way. But with God, the opposite is true. There are no chains of command, no orders to obey, no being told what to do. God teaches those who want to learn. He guides those looking for direction. He instructs those who want to exercise freewill in an informed and rational way. He provides direction to those seeking to know Him.

In His Covenant Family, inside of His Home, we are all the same. Even the massive

difference in knowledge and power between Yahowah and ourselves is mitigated with God enriching, enlightening, and empowering each of His children, making us ever more like Him. That is the very essence of His nature and purpose. As a loving Father, He gets down on His knees to lift us up so that we can stand and walk with Him.

With Yahowah, we have no need of anyone acting as our intermediary, especially our superior. We can observe, closely examining and carefully considering, Yahowah's testimony on your own. We can listen directly to what He has to say.

This book, and those which came before it, strive to serve in this way. All I'm actually doing is sharing what I'm learning from Him – something you will want to do as well. And ultimately, even if you are more comfortable coming to know and understand Yahowah by way of these translations and supportive comments, a time will come when God is going to communicate directly with you. He has promised to personally place a perfect and complete copy of His "towrah – teaching" inside of His children upon His return. To be counted among them, come to know Him first, come to appreciate what He is offering second, come to understand what He is asking in return, and then come to accept His conditions, acting upon them, thereby engaging in the Covenant relationship prior to His return.

Storing up useful and nourishing information in advance, so that we are not found wanting, is the reason God said,

"She prepares (*kuwn* – she fashions, forms, and establishes) her food (*lechem* – grains and fruit to be consumed) in (*ba*) the summer (*ha qayts* – during the warmer periods when fruit and plants are plentiful). She gathers in the harvest ('agar ba ha *qatsyr* – she harvests the crop and brings it into a storehouse), storing it as her source of nourishment (*ma'akal* – as something for her to eat)." (*Mashal* / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:8)

A moment or so ago, I suggested that the only way to respond correctly and quickly to those things which threaten our relationship with Yahowah is to prepare well in advance of confronting them. So then if I'm correct in assessing this advice, God is encouraging us to collect and store every nurturing nuance He has provided in His Word so that we are prepared for whatever challenge comes our way.

Even if I have extrapolated beyond His intent, you'll be the wiser for the diligence and for the investment collecting and storing His advice will provide. In the process of studying His instructions, your mere willingness to prioritize listening to Him, your desire to spend time with Him, your decision to learn from Him will all endear you to Him. God was an active participant in providing His *Towrah*, talking the talk and then

walking the walk. He laid out His plan and then He enabled it. His example is one we would do well to follow. Apathy and inactivity destroy relationships.

"For how long and to what extent ('ad matay – until when or to what extent), inactive, apathetic, and lethargic one ('asel – lazy bones who are sluggish and slothful, lacking motivation, discipline, ambition, and remorsefulness), will you lie there and remain sedentary (shakab – rest, relax, be slothful, and sleep)? When and what will it take for (matay – how long will it be and when is there a time in which) you to arise and stand up (quwm – be established) from your altered state of awareness (shenah – your sleep and slumber, from being unaware and unresponsive)?" (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:9)

It is a good question, one mostly unanswered. The lone remedy for lies, for religious and political deception, is the truth. But it is never free in the sense of being obtained without effort. Truth isn't dispensed at the corner market, at the local church, or at city hall. It isn't even popular. It will not make you rich or powerful, at least not in this world.

No one stumbles upon the truth. No one is selling it either.

But the effort associated with a diligent quest for truth, the time and energy which must be devoted to the search, is just a small part of what God is communicating here. He is reiterating something far more essential. He wants us to choose to participate in a relationship with Him. Relationships require both parties to engage and contribute for them to be productive, beneficial, and meaningful.

This may represent one of the greatest divides between religion and relationship. With religion, the faithful are simply asked to believe. A god they do not know is then expected to save those he does not know. And to what and to where? Wouldn't the religious under this scenario be spending their eternity in a place devoid of religion and everything else the faithful have been told to believe? Wouldn't heaven appear like hell to them? And since hell is a very religious place, wouldn't the inclusion of the religious make heaven like hell? Why would God want to do such a stupid thing? It would make heaven just like the insanity we are experiencing now on earth. It would bring eternal misery. Man may be that foolish, but let us not project our irrational nature on Yahowah.

A God worthy of the title would want those He saves to come to know Him first before choosing to spend an unlimited period of time with Him. He would want those He saves to appreciate what He is offering before committing to spend an eternity in that environment and under those conditions. And since it is incumbent on God to

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provide the way Home, once He has done so, He would be insane to ignore the path He has provided, to contradict it, or to accept those who do likewise. If an individual does not care enough about what God has said and done to study His approach, understand it, trust it, accept it, and act upon it, why would God want to be around them, much less spend eternity with anyone who is not interested in anything He has to say or offer? So, what is it going to take for mankind to pay attention to Him, to listen to His advice, to answer His invitations, and to participate in His family?

The second great divide between religion and relationship is also stipulated in this Proverb. Religions require the faithful to bow down before their god. But in a relationship, we stand together. This makes the religious god pathetic and insecure, needing and demanding that his creation worship him. Once again, a God worthy of the title would want no such thing. So let's all get off of our knees and take a stand. Let's stand up against the lies that destroy lives. Let's take a stand on behalf of the truth.

"A little inactivity leads to (ma'at shenah – a relatively small amount of idleness or slumber will cause) laziness (ma'at tanuwmah – a limited amount of sleep), to folding one's hands together in a lethargic manner (chibuq yad) to rest (la shakab)." (Mashal / Meaningful, Vivid, and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:10)

Bad habits are hard to break. If we allow our eyes and brains to atrophy from lack of use, it becomes all the more difficult to examine, assess, and process the evidence necessary to know the truth. Once we become comfortable with religious and political deceptions, we lose the motivation to question the institutions that are misleading us. We can easily find ourselves in the well-worn rut of humankind, a rut so deep that it is difficult to emerge.

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Yahowah wants us to extricate ourselves from the ways of man, to climb out of the ruts humankind has worn in the roads that continually lead to our destruction and demise. If we don't, we will be ill-equipped to confront the seductive overtures of those who will lure the unsuspecting unto the path of no return. This is why His next five statements read as follows:

11 "For he will come, walking and behaving like a leader and guide, taking

control. And you will lack what is needed, demonstrating a scarcity of something absolutely vital, needing what you do not have, causing you to be bereaved and diminished.

¹² "A confusing and invalid, destructive and corrupt, inconsistent and difficult to understand man, an unjust, dishonest, evil, and vain individual, travels about with speeches which are wrong, perverting, and corrupting. ¹³ With a sinister winking of his eyes, he subtlety signals the vacillating nature of his proclamations. And by shuffling about regarding his stance on circumcision, he casts aspersions with his fingers.

¹⁴ "With confusing and false perceptions which invert reality and corrupt his judgment, he devises and inscribes antagonistic schemes without consideration for their consequence which are adversarial, creating controversies and contentious strife, all while claiming to be sent out as a messenger to do away with something important.

¹⁵ "Upon this, therefore, suddenly, unexpectedly, yet openly, albeit briefly, he will come with his destructive opposition and ruinous calamity. He will smash and shatter, breach and break, something vital and, as a result, he will suffer affliction, surprising many. And there will not be any remedy nor cure."

If you know Yahowah, you will not be led astray by this man. If you know the *Towrah*, he will not be able to fool you. If you are part of the Covenant, you will be inoculated against his deadly plague.

Yahowah will enrich you. This man will bereave you. Yahowah will empower you. This man will diminish you. God will give you what you need while this man will strive to take it away.

Since this is a life and death issue, let's be especially observant as we consider what Yah just revealed. Speaking of one lone man, a man born as Sha'uwl but known to Christians as Paul, God revealed,

"For he will come (wa bow'), walking and behaving like a leader and guide, taking control (ka halak). And you will lack what is needed (wa resh – so then you will be impoverished, without what is required to survive; from ruwsh – you will be wanting, lacking, hungry, poor, and disadvantaged). Then (wa) you will have a scarcity of something absolutely vital, needing what you do not have, causing you to be bereaved and diminished (machscowr – causing you to be decreased and abated; from chacer – to be without and to be in need)." (Mashal / Meaningful and

Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:11)

The individual Yahowah is addressing here is well known, just as one would expect. What other reason would there be for directing our attention to a singular "iysh – male individual" in what has been an all-encompassing essay on the ills of affiliating with human institutions? So I would ask you, what famous individual in human history, one not only known to us, but one known to have guided mankind away from what's needed, from Yahowah, from His Towrah, and from His Covenant, "took control, acting like a leader and guide?" I can think of one. Only one man claimed that God authorized him as the lone authority on salvation, as the exclusive spokesman to the entire Gentile world. And this same man repudiated Yahowah, renounced and discarded His Towrah, and replaced His Covenant. Of the two men responsible for misleading billions of people, Paul and Muhammad, only one of these two men will embody each and every accusation God is about to bring against him. And since this is a solitary infamous individual, we are compelled to choose between the world's most beguiling souls.

If I'm right, and I'm certain of it because there is no other viable alternative, Yahowah is warning His children, telling us that if we are not properly prepared in advance, that we risk being misled by Paul and, thus, forfeiting everything He is offering through His Covenant by accepting Christianity and its replacement, "New Testament."

"A confusing and incorrect (balya'al – a wicked and worthless, a mystifying and vile, a troublesome and abhorred, a detested and valueless, an unGodly and destructive, a corrupt and inconsistent; from balal - baffling and confounding, difficult to understand as a result of comingling, and baly - to be lacking and without, to be negated and for naught) man ('adam - person, human being, singular male), an unjust, dishonest, and vain ('aven (more correctly: 'aown because there was no "v" in Hebrew until the rabbis replaced the "w-wah" with "v-vav") - an egotistical, deceitful, invalid, and unreliable, false, harmful, relationally damaging, fraudulent, and religious, troublesome and idolatrous (also the name of a prominent Egyptian religious center)) individual ('iysh - person, singular and masculine, thus a lone individual), travels about (halak - actually walks, literally going through life (singular masculine gal participle active - his travels distinguish him and result in what follows)) with speeches (peh - with words spoken out of his mouth, edicts and declarations) which are false, perverting, and corrupting ('igashowth - which wickedly distort and misrepresent the meaning of something by twisting, misapplying, and corrupting it with distortions based upon circuitous and serpentine reasoning,

thereby deviating from the path which is right; from 'aqash and 'iqesh – a crooked and twisted path, a perverted and perverse way, a warped and wayward course which should be condemned as wrong),..." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:12)

Yahowah is describing one "'adam – man." This is a warning regarding a singular "iysh – individual." The words themselves leave us with no other viable option. And that's profound. It means that sometime between when this was written, around 1000 BCE (Year 3000 Yah), and 2033 CE (Year 6000 Yah), there would be a nonconformist, someone whose message would be unlike any of the prophets and psalmists, even the disciples. There is only one of those to be found in today's bibles, and he sticks out like the proverbial sore thumb.

This man's message would be confusing and incorrect, mystifying and baffling, deceitful and destructive. Yahowah is alerting us to the arrival of an individual who would be known for his travels. There is only one man who claimed to speak on behalf of the God of Abraham who traveled extensively. And to this day, he is among the best known and most influential individuals in human history.

Sha'uwl, who chose the Roman moniker, Paul, was confronted and opposed in Jerusalem, Judah, by *Shim'own* / Peter. He was in Amphipolis, Apollonia, and Philippi in Macedonia, but also Antioch and Damascus in Syria. He traveled to Antipatris en route to Caesarea, Greece, then to the Appi-Forum along the Appian Way in Rome. His walk through the Gentile world took him to Assos in Mysia as well as to Athens, the capitol city of Greece. Paul's "mission to mankind" brought him to Attalia in Pamphilia, Berea which lies west of Thessalonica, a city to whose inhabitants he wrote two very hostile letters. And speaking of expressing hostility, Paul penned two angry retorts to the people of Corinth along the Isthmus of Greece because they, like the Thessalonians and Galatians, immediately rejected his message.

Eager to leave before his lies could be repudiated, Paul sailed off to Paphos and Salamis on the Island of Cyprus in the eastern Mediterranean. As if in a hurry, he would quickly pass through Derbe and Troas in Asia Minor. But his foe was formidable in Ephesus, no less than the Disciple *Yahowchanan* / John, requiring Paul to dispatch Timothy, which is why they were condemned as "fraudulent apostles" in Revelation by Yahowsha'.

Paul's journey through history took him to Fair Havens on the Island of Crete, Iconium and Lystra, both in today's Turkey. He was, of course, born and raised in Tarsus. His travels took him to Malta, an Island off the coast of Rome, Mitylene on Lesbos, Miletus in Asia Minor, Myra and Patara in Lycia, Neapolis in Philippi, Perga in

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Pamphylia, and Puteoli on the Gulf of Naples outside Rome in addition to Rhegium. And speaking of Rome, Paul was the only man to claim to speak on behalf of the God of Isra'el in the city of Rome – in the very heart of the Beast. He was in the Phoenician cities of Sidon and Tyre, in addition to Syracuse on the coast of Sicily. Considering the fact that this is all documented throughout Acts by Luke, his attaché at the time, it's obvious why Yahowah identified this man based upon his "halak – travels."

The fact that God revealed that the individual of ill repute would be arrogant, even egotistical, totally lacking humility, is telling, not only because a conceited attitude wholly disqualifies a person from conveying His message, but also because Paul admits that his ego was so out of control, he had to be demon-possessed.

God warns us that this man would be dishonest and thus deceitful, fraudulent and thus unreliable. And that is what would make him evil, harmful, and damaging. Religion is not a victimless crime because it is unreliable. It gives the faithful false hope. Moreover, by selecting a word which can be translated "fraudulent," Yahowah is revealing that this devious man would deliberately and knowingly misrepresent himself and his god. Confessing to this, Paul admitted that he routinely misrepresented himself to gain an advantage, pretending to be whatever suited his interests.

The speech of the abhorred man of confusion would be so perverting and corrupting that God needed to warn His children about the corrosive and debilitating aspect of his edicts. His words would be false, a product of circular reasoning, of distorting and misrepresenting God's testimony. He would twist and misapply the *Towrah* to lead believers astray, causing the faithful to deviate from the right path. As such, Yahowah's every word encapsulates the serpentine, warped and wayward, nature of the Pauline epistles. And keep in mind, Paul was one of only two people to have misled billions by claiming to be a divine leader and guide, an apostle and messenger of God.

Therefore, we should also be asking ourselves, what testimony would someone have to distort and corrupt to engender being exposed and condemned by Yahowah in this way? What document would have to be twisted in a serpentine fashion to not only cause multitudes to deviate from the right path, but to leave them lacking and, thus, spiritually dead? The answer, of course, is obvious: the *Towrah*. So who not only distorted the *Towrah*, perverting Yahowah's plan with his speech, but was also egotistical, becoming a harmful and invalid fraud, corrupting enough people with his warped and wayward religious pontifications, while traveling throughout the Gentile world, other than Paul?

I would argue that the candidates are few and far between, and ultimately

singular, because Yahowah is only concerned about those who influence the lives of the Chosen People and the safety and sanctity of their nation, Israel. So to be thorough in our search, other than the self-proclaimed Apostle Paul, in the order of their appearance, we might consider Sennacherib, the Assyrian king who conquered Israel and laid siege on Jerusalem beginning around 720 BCE, followed by Nebuchadnezzar, whose Babylonian army captured Jerusalem in 597 BCE, and then returned to bludgeon the city a second time in 586 BCE. However, since Yahowah wouldn't care what they said, or to whom they said it, we can rule out these men. They knew nothing of the *Towrah*.

While the Greeks had a negative influence on Israel, Alexander bypassed Jerusalem after ransacking Phoenicia en route to conquering Egypt. Although he had an ego and he walked through much of the known world, his personal influence of Israel and Jews was minimal.

The father and son Emperors / Generals Vespasian and Titus, who leveled Yahowah's Temple in 70 CE, are on God's short list of least likable fellows, but once again Yahowah would have no reason to warn us about their deceptive and debilitating proclamations. I suspect that the Roman Emperor Hadrian cracks the top five of God's all time most despised Homo-Sapiens, and he was egotistical and vicious to a fault for crucifying hundreds of thousands of Jews, for destroying Jerusalem, for burning every copy of the *Towrah* he could find, for wanting to rename the city after himself, for renaming *Yahuwdah* "Palestine," for salting the Promised Land, and for choosing to build a shrine deifying himself on the Temple Mount, all around 133 CE. But it would have been this man's actions God would have protested, not his testimony. Further, there is no real distinction between these six militant kings, and so the fact that Yahowah is exposing and condemning a single individual precludes our considerations of these despicable despots.

A contemporary and adversary of Hadrian, Rabbi Akiba, is also among God's most reviled men, not only for antagonizing the Romans militarily resulting in the Diaspora, and for promoting the false Messiah Simon bar Kokhba, but because he concocted the form of Judaism practiced today. So while he stands out as a unique individual, and while he had a lot to say that was misleading, he did not renounce the *Towrah* and there is no indication that this bad boy ever left Jerusalem.

Emperors Constantine and Theodocious in 325 and 400 CE, were responsible for the transition from Imperial Rome to the Roman Catholic Church and its Holy Roman Empire. They were stunningly anti-Semitic, and their rhetoric was as rotten to be sure. So if it were not for the fact that they had almost no effect on Yahuwdah, and that there

were two equally horrible coconspirators, not one individual, these Christian converts would be candidates.

Muhammad is second only to Paul on God's most hated list. Shortly after 600 CE, he was inspired by Satan to create the most deceitful, destructive, deadly, and demonic religion in human history. No malady has ever been more anti-Jew or caustic to Israel. The religion of Islam began as a criminal enterprise and grew through terrorism to infect 1.5 billion souls. Muhammad was a pedophile and rapist, a kidnapper and slave trader, a mass murderer and terrorist, traits which place him in contention for this infamous distinction. Pretending to speak for a god he called Allah, Muhammad perverted the words and deeds of Adam, Noah, Abraham, Moses, David, and Solomon to falsely posture that they also served the Black Stone of the Ka'aba (one of Arabia's 12 pagan gods, this black stone was known as Allah). His pathetic and twisted characterization of "Iesus" was named Issa, a transliteration of the Hebrew Esau. Claiming that his Qur'an confirmed the *Towrah* while it was the antithesis of it, Muhammad gave birth to the most despicable religion of all time. And in keeping with this Proverb's opening admonition, the Messenger of Allah epitomizes every derogatory aspect of 'arab. Further, he acted alone in the creation of Islam – a word which means "submission." But he is disqualified because he and his camel wore out a track between Mecca and Medina, never venturing out of the western Arabian dunes. Moreover, Muhammad was illiterate.

Maimonides codified Rabbinic Judaism in the 12th-century, composing the Mishneh Torah – which he wrote in Arabic using Hebrew letters. Forced out of Islamic Spain during the anti-Jewish riots, he fled to Fez, Morocco, the scene of one of the worst Islamic atrocities, before visiting Israel and settling in Egypt – so he was on the move. The Talmudist, physician of Sultan Saladin, and philosopher was even hailed a "Halchist," a derivation of the Hebrew "halak – walk." Somehow he came up with the preposterous notion that the *Towrah* contained 613 commandments. But his most deceitful claim was that Ha Shem was incorporeal – which is to say that Yahowsha' was an imposter and did not serve as the Passover Lamb. And while the Rambam's Mishneh Torah was called "Second to the Torah," it wasn't actually based on the Towrah, but was instead a commentary on the Babylonian Talmud. And even though Maimonides established the 13 Principles of Judaism, and orchestrated Jewish reverence for the Talmud over the *Towrah*, he had no effect on Israel.

Der Fuhrer (the Leader and Guide) Adolf Hitler, and his coconspirator, Muhammad al-Husseini, the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, were the masterminds of the Holocaust. They forestalled the creation of the Jewish state for a score of years, seeing

to it that six million Jews wouldn't make the journey. But neither spoke of the *Towrah*, meaning that understanding it wouldn't serve as an antidote for their vitriol. Further, had it not been for al-Husseini, Hitler would have served the interests of Israel because his original plan was to expel Jews from Europe to their original homeland. Der Fuhrer wanted them gone. The Grand Mufti wanted them dead.

The last potential candidate would be the Towrahless One, known to Christians as the "Antichrist." While I do not know how much he will travel or what he will write and say, he will most assuredly mirror the attributes and rhetoric of Paul. Possessed by the same demon, serving the same Lord, they will be so similar this is a distinction without a difference.

Realistically, this leaves us with Paul, Muhammad, and the de facto reincarnation of Paul, the Towrahless One. The first two were the founders of the world's most popular religions, while the third will blend them into one.

A warning to God's children, the Isra'elites, would have been appropriate in all three cases. Paul was born Sha'uwl, a Benjamite. He was trained to be a rabbi in Yaruwshalaim. And his message was overtly anti-Jewish, bringing great harm to Yahowah's Chosen People. He even told Roman believers to submit to their leaders and their government, words which facilitated the Roman destruction of Yahowah's Temple, the Chosen People, and the Promised Land, while enabling the conversion of Imperial Rome into the most pervasive and oppressive beasts of all time, the Roman Catholic Church.

Muhammad's parents, having lived in Yahthrib, were likely Jewish. His *Qur'an* was based largely on Talmud stories he bastardized after paying rabbis in Yahthrib to recite them to him. While claiming that his revelations "confirmed" the *Towrah*, his *Qur'an* is the antithesis of it, perverting everything Yahowah had to say. And since Muhammad modeled his god, Allah, after Satan, we should not be surprised that the *Qur'an* is the most anti-Semitic book ever written, more averse to Yahowah's Chosen People than Hitler's *Mein Kampf*. A warning regarding dealings with Islam's Arab founder would be valuable indeed.

But unlike Paul, Muhammad was as dumb as the stone he claimed was God. And unlike Paul, he bastardized the Talmud, not the *Towrah*. No one in their right mind would ever confuse Allah with Yahowah, but Paul's case for his god was far more obscure. In this regard, Paul's rhetoric was serpentine, while Muhammad's was just plain stupid. If you are apathetic and thus unaware, it's easy to become prey to Pauline Christianity. You have to have your eyes open and be alert to recognize his perverse corruptions of the *Towrah*. But you have to be completely comatose to accept

Muhammad's immoral rant as Godly.

There is one additional clue provided by our Heavenly Father we should consider. By using <code>balya'al</code>, He revealed that this detestable and unGodly individual would confuse the unwary and ill-prepared by "mixing together and comingling inconsistent myths." Paul would cite Dionysus' most famous line, attributing it to his god during his conversion experience. He would promote the Gospel of Grace in honor of the Roman Gratia and Greek Charities. His appeal to the Greco-Roman world was largely a result of his propensity to use Gnosticism to demean the <code>Towrah</code>, extoll the virtues of his faith over the flesh. He embraced the Roman government and Greek philosophy, mixing all of this together into a toxic and inebriating brew. And even more telling, the religion which emerged out of his "new covenant" grew by syncretizing all manner of pagan mythology. Christianity is an amalgamation of the Babylonian, Assyrian, Egyptian, Greek, and Roman religions.

Fortunately, should you not be convinced, Yahowah has a lot more to say about the man who dared contradict Him while claiming to speak for Him. And with each word, the identity of this lone individual becomes obvious and undeniable. It is the very soul God would identify by name four-hundred years hence through His prophet *Chabaquwq* / Habakkuk, calling Sha'uwl the plague of death. But it gets even more obvious because *Mashal* 7 is a continuation of Proverbs 6, and it concludes by stating that this all pertains to "the way of *Sha'uwl*."

So at this point, be aware that a man "will come, acting like a guide, depriving, bereaving, and diminishing" those who believe him. This "singular wicked and worthless, abhorrent and destructive man who comingles religions will be a conceited and fraudulent individual, egotistical and invalid, unreliable and harmful." His "speeches will deploy circular reasoning to advance distortions which deviate from the path" Yahowah has provided in His *Towrah*. Rather than being recognized for advancing the Way of Yahowah, He will be known for *his* travels as well as *his* way.

With this in mind, we discover that the man of ill-repute "will be sinister, duplicitous, and insidious, deliberately and maliciously slandering and denouncing" something Yahowah cares deeply about (His *Towrah*, perhaps), "casting aspersions while pointing his fingers at a rival," (whom I suspect is Yahowah).

"...with a sinister winking (qarats – with a genuinely insidious and revealing narrowing and a malicious and telling blinking; from the verbal root qarats – to accuse maliciously, slandering and denouncing as well as to reveal a desire to hoodwink (qal participle active)) of his eyes ('ayn – perspective and understanding), he subtly signals the vacillating nature of his proclamations by shuffling about regarding

circumcision (*malal* – he conveys his wavering stance through his words by shifting side to side, making a non-verbal sign that the content of his announcements are muddled by waddling, and those who vacillate on circumcision will wither away; *malal*'s primary definition is circumcision (qal participle active)) with his stance (*regel* – with his feet), all while casting aspersions (*yarah* – while hurling destructive accusations which overturn valid teaching (note: *yarah*'s meaning is defined by its context because it can denote "throwing, casting, shooting, hurling, setting up, or starting something which is destructive, overturning that which had been previously established," as it is here, or as it is when *yarah* serves as the basis for *towrah* – "teaching, instruction, guidance, and direction, making the nature of the teacher and teaching openly and widely known") with his fingers (*ba'etsba'*)." (*Mashal* / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:13)

As I write these words, the likes of Republican Donald Trump and Democrat Hillary Rodham Clinton are waddling to rostrums in the Granite State pretending that they love New Hampshire. The expressions on their faces, and their propensity to shuffle out of town once the voting is over, reveals their duplicity and deviousness. I suspect that Paul was the same way, shuffling from town to town quickly, hoping that no one would fact check his allegations, hoping that no one would rationally analyze his proposition, condemning it as preposterous. And speaking of ridiculous, Paul actually admitted to his duplicity, telling the Corinthians that he pretended to reflect the race and religion of his audience – not unlike a chameleon reflects its environment.

This considered, it's *malal* that grabbed my attention. Yes, it does mean to "vacillate and shuffle," but more than that, it speaks of "revealing the wavering nature of a proclamation, showing that the one making it is shifty, and thus should not be relied upon, causing those who are fooled to fade away." Even more revealing, the same letters, *mll*, written exactly the same way in the text, suggest that this insidious man would not only "*malal* – vacillate in his position" but would also "*yarah* – cast aspersions" at "*malal* – circumcision." Paul attacked Yahowah's *Towrah*, saying that it was of the flesh and enslaved as a result of circumcision, telling all who would listen that if a man was circumcised, he could not be saved. Then hypocritically, he circumcised his lover, Timothy – just as he himself was circumcised. The fulcrum upon which Pauline Doctrine pivots away from Yahowah and His Covenant is "*malal* – circumcision." This was Paul's argument, and it is his alone. At this point, the only way to dismiss Paul as the target of this warning necessitates complete ignorance on our part.

If you have not yet read *Questioning Paul – Apostle or False Prophet*, this would be

an excellent time to do so because, rather than proving my case against Sha'uwl with each new aspersion Yahowah is throwing at him, I'm going to assume, as has God, that you are fully apprised regarding his disgusting ways. It is why He warned us all about the consequence of being apathetic and ill prepared in this regard.

Continuing to build His case, Yahowah's next statement coincides with my assessment of Paul's letters, especially with his first, Galatians, and also with Romans, his sixth and most important epistle – indeed, also with the pair scribed to the Corinthians. And it's not that Yahowah agrees with me that matters, it is instead that after completing a thorough investigation of Paul's positions, and then comparing what he wrote to Yahowah's *Towrah*, we have both come to the same informed and rational conclusion. And that is why I consider what follows to be the single most accurate and relevant assessment of Paul ever written:

"With confusing and false perceptions which invert reality (tahpukowth irrational hallucinations and perverted myths which lead to annihilation, from haphak - to overturn or overthrow, inverting and upending, changing by reversing, converting through confusion with catastrophic results) affecting his **iudgment** (ba leb – as central to his inner nature, his ambitions, and his motivations, in the way he processes information and makes decisions, speaking of his character and persona, the place from which his attitudes and desires are manifest, that which constitutes his most authentic nature and defines his life, the place where that which is known, considered, and accepted serves to provide his perspective, guiding his thoughts and conduct, becoming the source of his motivations, goals, and ambitions, preferences and purpose), he devises and inscribes antagonistic schemes without consideration of their consequence (charash - he engraves and writes down wicked plans which conceal the truth, drawing lines in the sand, whereby the ends justify the means, motivating many to remain silent for the sake of peace, meanwhile, scheming to craft and implement clandestine and conspiratorial plots which cause some to be deaf and others to be silenced and unresponsive (akin to political correctness, this is a scheme which promotes universal tolerance, and the acceptance of evil, while silencing objective criticism, dumbing down an amoral and apathetic population)) which are evil and adversarial (ra' - objectionable and wrong, depraved and perverse, malignant and miserable, universally harmful and essentially bad, causing profound injury and suffering) in everything, continuously (ba kol 'eth - with everyone, completely and totally, all of the time) creating controversies and contentious strife (madanym - stirring up heated, bitter and often violent conflicts through human knowledge and academic philosophy while claiming kinship, from madown - to be in discord by way of an object of contention, to engage in a

quarrel while pleading to administer vindication or judgment) as one who claims to be sent out as a messenger to do away with something important (shalach – one who claims to be dispatched and sent away (one claiming to be an apostle), reaching out to many while giving them free rein to dismiss something (replacing the "old" covenant), releasing and freeing them from something (doing away with the Towrah), sending them away from another message or messenger (Yahowah / Yahowsha' and His Word), sowing and impelling that which divorces)." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:14)

Paul was the only self-proclaimed apostle. He alone claimed to speak for God while doing away with the single most important communication from God, His *Towrah*. He was in constant strife with everyone, his religious teachers, his fellow countrymen, all of the Gentile communities he visited, Yahowsha's Disciples and, of course, Yahowah and His *Towrah*. He even admitted to being demon-possessed, something that would make him quintessentially adversarial and evil. But more than anything, the hallmark of Pauline Doctrine is confusion born out of false perceptions. He literally inverted reality. He was irrational, epitomizing a person with poor judgment. This was never more evident than at the midpoint of Paul's first letter when, in Galatians, he said that the Covenant affirmed on Mount Sinai, which would be the Towrah's Covenant, was with Hagar and thus enslaved. It was at this point that he created his new covenant, which became the Christian New Testament, replete with its Gospel of Grace.

With this *Mashal*, Yahowah tore asunder the founder and foundation of the world's most popular religion three-thousand years before it was conceived. And He was just getting started.

"Upon this, therefore ('al ken – in your proximity and among you, on account of this and for this reason, surely, in reference to what has just been conveyed), suddenly, unexpectedly yet openly, albeit briefly (pith'owm – in an instant and for a short moment in time, unexpectedly, from petha' – to quickly, albeit briefly, open the eyes), he will arrive (bow' – he will come, intensely pursuing and bringing) with his destructive opposition and ruinous calamity ('eyd – with his disastrous animosity and violent rancor between parties, with his harmful attacks and his misfortunate burden, from 'uwd – with his brand which causes people to congregate together).

He will smash and shatter, breach and break, something vital and, as a result, he will suffer affliction (*shabar* – he will scatter and destroy and he will suffer and be destroyed, he will grieve and cause grieving, he will break (the Torah) into pieces and thus be broken, he will maim and be maimed, he will alienate and estrange and be alienated and estranged, he will be bought and he will sell out, he will interpret

and exasperate and he will be interpreted and annoy (the nifal stem reveals that this will actually occur and should be interpreted literally and that the subject, "he," will carry out and receive the action of the verb, and thus he will break and be broken while the imperfect conveys that the scattering and suffering will be ongoing)) **surprising many** (*petha*′ – suddenly, astonishing many, thereby opening some eyes, albeit briefly). **And** (*wa*) **there will not be any remedy nor cure** ('ayn marpe' – there will be no restoration or return to health, there will be no peace or civility, only harshness, anger, and hostility, therefore, the situation will become horrible and incurable)." (*Mashal* / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:15)

"Yahowsha' – Yahowah Saves" and the "Ruwach Qodesh – Set-Apart Spirit" fulfilled the first four "Mow'ed Miqra'ey – Appointed Invitations to Be Called Out and Meet" with God in Year 4000 Yah, 33 CE on the Roman Catholic calendar, walking directly out of the pages of Yahowah's "Towrah – Guidance" to enable all of the promised benefits of the "Beryth – Family-Oriented Covenant Relationship." Within a decade, Paul's demonic assault against everything God had said and done was in full swing, culminating with his first epistle just twenty years later. His rancor was sudden, even surprising, brief, albeit laid out before the eyes of the world. He shattered the Covenant Yahowah had offered, tearing the Towrah apart along with it. In an instant, the blink of an eyelid in time, one man broke God's greatest gift. Yahowsha's words and deeds were for naught. And sadly, there would be no remedy for what Paul had done. Even God would not be able to save those who came to believe Sha'uwl.

But Yahowah can encourage us to disdain politics and religion, to walk away from those who advocate them, because He can save those who do. And the best way to accomplish this is to properly assess the nature of the rival force seeking to influence our souls, comparing their character and plan to Yahowah's.

This brings us back to where we began. To the realization that hate is often the best possible response, especially when it is properly controlled and directed.

One of the most debilitating and deceptive delusions promoted today under the banner of love and tolerance, multiculturalism and political correctness, is that we ought not hate. But if we do not hate those things which are wrong, especially those which are injurious to those we love, we not only lose our appreciation for what is right, we put those we care about in harm's way, failing to guide or protect them.

Christianity presents the myth of an all-loving god, but the one and only God hates – as should we. Our hate, like His, should be directed at those institutions and individuals who arrogantly promote lies as if they were true, debilitating and killing

the unsuspecting.

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I realize that I've presented what God told us, and then I covered it again, this time word for word, but as we proceed, if we are going to understand why God hates the following things, we must read what He said in light of what He has just revealed.

"For he will come, walking and behaving like a leader and guide, taking control. And you will lack what is needed, demonstrating a scarcity of something absolutely vital, needing what you do not have, causing you to be bereaved and diminished. (6:11) A confusing and invalid, destructive and corrupt, inconsistent and difficult to understand, man, an unjust, dishonest, evil, and vain individual, travels about with speeches which are wrong, perverting, and corrupting. (6:12) With a sinister winking of his eyes, he subtlety signals the vacillating nature of his proclamations. And by shuffling about regarding his stance on circumcision, he casts aspersions with his fingers. (6:13)

With confusing and false perceptions which invert reality and corrupt his judgment, he devises and inscribes antagonistic schemes without consideration for their consequence which are adversarial, creating controversies and contentious strife, all while claiming to be sent out as a messenger to do away with something important. (6:14) Upon this, therefore, suddenly, unexpectedly, yet openly, albeit briefly, he will come with his destructive opposition and ruinous calamity. He will smash and shatter, breach and break, something vital and, as a result, he will suffer affliction, surprising many. And there will not be any remedy nor cure." (6:15)

Continuing to address eyes, feet, fingers, and a troublesome heart, and the ruinous soul who spoke and inscribed these confounding words, Yah reveals:

"Behold, look up and pay attention, these six things Yahowah hates and considers adversarial, and seven are an abomination to His soul: (6:16) haughty eyes and visions of grandeur, including a rebellious perspective, a deceptive tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, (6:17) a heart which devises and writes troublesome, idolatrous, and false doctrines, feet which rashly and impetuously run to and fro, darting about to approach that which is evil, (6:18) a maligning soul whose breath utters sedition, breathing out slanderous and

deceptive testimony which incites the deluded to worship false gods as a false witness, and especially one who claims to be sent out as a messenger to do away with something important, creating controversy and strife between brothers." (6:19)

Much of this would apply generally to those who preach religion or pontificate politics. The first six points are also directed at the media and militaries. But the seventh point, in that it echoes the sentiments expressed in the previous one, is purely Pauline. And indeed, in context, this is all about Paul.

In that this is a Proverb, a *Mashal* – a collection of Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings, Yahowah presented man's failings by way of our biology so that we are less likely to forget His warning. He has addressed our eyes, tongues, hands, hearts, feet, and souls. His anatomical review culminates with His disdain for "shalach – someone who claims to be sent out as a messenger to do away with something important." And we don't have to guess who that self-proclaimed apostle might be, or what he sought to dismiss, because Yahowah immediately draws our attention to the "mitswah – terms and conditions of His relationship agreement" as they are presented in His "towrah – source of teaching and instruction, guidance and direction."

So here now is our Heavenly Father's perspective on Paul and Christianity...

"Behold, presently these (hineh – now, at this time, pay attention, stand up and look up, elevate your perspective, become observant and focused, considering) six things (shesh) Yahowah (Yahowah) hates (sane' – abhors, detests, loathes, and considers adversarial), and seven (wa sheba') are an abomination (tow'ebah – are disgusting and unethical rituals; from ta'ab – are abhorrent ethically, rationally abominable, relationally detestable, and slanderous idolatry) to His soul (nepesh – His inner nature, consciousness, persona, and character):" (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:16)

- 1) "haughty eyes and visions of grandeur, including a rebellious perspective (ruwm 'ayn a self-exalting attitude or public display, a defiant view, a proud outward appearance, arrogant eyes, and an individually improper perception or understanding, an egotistical attitude whereby one claims or projects superiority over others by way of defiant and self-aggrandizing observations, exalting oneself improperly),
- 2) a **deceptive tongue** (*sheqer lashown* false and misleading statements, rhetoric which leads to mistaken beliefs, irrational propositions, vain and useless

claims, speeches comprised of lies which deceive and betray, a witness providing false hope which disappoints and injures, fraudulent testimony),

- 3) **and hands that shed innocent blood** (*wa yad shaphak dam* in addition to acts which cause the spilling and pouring out of the blood of those not proven guilty and thus not in self-defense), (6:17)
- 4) a heart, as the seat of judgment (leb an attitude or internalized core belief, an inclination or understanding, a resolution or determination, a strong desire or will, a character or persona, the place from which attitudes and desires are manifest, that which constitutes the purpose of one's life, the place where that which is considered and accepted serves to provide perspective, guiding thoughts and conduct, becoming the source of motivations, goals and ambitions, preferences and purpose) which **devises and writes** (*charash* – which engraves or inscribes that which conceals, remaining silent and holding one's tongue in the name of peace, plots to craft secrets, clandestine and conspiratorial schemes which cause some to be deaf and others to be silenced or unresponsive) troublesome, idolatrous, unjust, and false ('aven (more correctly: 'aown') - wicked, egotistical, invalid, and unreliable, corrupt, harmful, relationally damaging, untrue, fraudulent, and religious: indistinguishable from 'awen - a prominent Egyptian religious center near Cairo) plans (mahasabah cunning designs, doctrines, or proposals, imagined and imputed propositions and plots, from *chashab* – to devise a scheme which invents),
- 5) **feet** (*regel* legs and footsteps) **which rashly and impetuously** (*mahar* hurriedly and foolishly, without thinking, fearfully or hopefully, impulsively and recklessly, hastening one's demise, indistinguishable from *mahar* eager to profess allegiance or consent, ready to pay a price to receive acceptance, obtaining that which does not exist in exchange for money) **run to and fro, darting about** (*ruwts* intently chasing after, causing others to run away) **to approach** (*la* to associate with) **that which is evil** (*ha ra'ah* objectionable, wicked, and wrong, that which is depraved, perverse, and miserable, that which is harmful and essentially bad, causing injury and suffering)," (*Mashal* / Meaningful, Vivid, and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:18)
- 6) a maligning soul whose breath utters sedition, breathing out slanderous and deceptive testimony which incites the deluded to worship false gods (puwach kazab he who breathes out dishonest religious speeches, a blowhard, testifying loudly and formally, zealously proclaiming a deceptive delusion which is contrary to reality, contemptuous, condescending, derisive, mocking, slandering, and insulting while wrongly claiming to be a valid witness, blasting away and enraged,

demanding that others accept and submit to his contradictions and errant testimony regarding pagan gods even though he is easily proven to be a liar and that the religious deceptions cause the victim to be wrong (since the primary definition of *puwach* speaks of breathing and breath being blown out to excite sedition by uttering lies, we ought to be cognizant that the Hebrew word *nepesh* – soul is synonymous with breath, breathing out, and blowing)) **as a false** (*sheqer* – deceptive and misleading, promoting mistaken beliefs, irrational and vain, useless, disappointing, fraudulent and betraying, from *shaqar* – to deal falsely, tricking and cheating others as a lying) **witness** (*'ed*),

7) and then also (wa – in addition) one who claims to be sent out as a messenger to do away with something important (shalach – one who claims to be dispatched and sent away (one claiming to be an apostle), reaching out to many while giving them free rein to dismiss something, releasing and freeing them from it (such as to disavow and do away with the Torah), sending them away from another message or messenger (as in Yahowah and His Word), sowing and impelling that which divorces), creating controversy and contentious strife (madan - stirring up a heated, bitter and often violent conflict through human knowledge and academic philosophy while claiming kinship, from madown – to be in discord by way of an object of contention, to engage in a quarrel while pleading to administer vindication or judgment) between (byn – betwixt, tearing asunder, from within, and by making connections between) brothers ('ah – those who are related)." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:19)

Throughout the annals of human history, especially from the perspective of Yahowah and Isra'el, there is only one man who fits this prophecy in its entirety. Paul alone, among all Jews, claimed to be sent out by God as a self-proclaimed Apostle, only to have his every word, spoken and written, pervert and annul our Heavenly Father's Covenant and Torah.

The opening word in this salvo, *hineh*, is so vital to our perspective on God and our approach to His provision for life, we will devote an entire chapter to it – 09 *Look Up and Pay Attention*. But between now and then, be aware that Yahowah uses *hineh* to get our attention, to encourage us to focus intently upon what He is about to say, to encourage us to be especially observant, closely examining and carefully considering what follows. For those who would bow down and worship a god of man's making, *hineh* tells us to stand up, reach up, and look up to Yahowah – a name predicated upon these depictions.

With hineh in mind, let's consider why six of these things draw God's ire and why

all seven are an abomination, that is to say, disgusting and detestable. Beginning with the first item on the list, we find the motivation behind the flaws which follow: man's ego, improper perspective, and misguided focus. Yahowah is averse to arrogance, which He depicts as "haughty eyes displaying visions of grandeur." God has no use for those who are self-exalting and self-aggrandizing. Only God can lift us up, elevating, empowering, and enriching us. And He does so on behalf of those looking down on His Towrah, reading it, rather than those looking elsewhere. It's not a coincidence that every bifocal eyeglass design positions the lens for reading at the bottom of the optic, not the top.

There is a marvelous and empowering humility that comes over His Covenant children. On one hand, we realize that we have been adopted into Yahowah's family, and as His children, we not only inherit the entire universe, and everything in it, we are enriched, enlightened, and empowered beyond anything a mortal three-dimensional entity such as ourselves can imagine. And yet still in this world, we are keenly aware of our flaws and limitations, especially when compared to our Father. We are confident but not conceited. Our eyes are open, but in curiosity and appreciation, always wanting to learn more, not say more. Our view is grand because it is from Yahowah's perspective. We see ourselves as imperfect implements in perfect hands.

It is not just that ego breeds self-exaltation and self-reliance, it is also that a false and mistaken view of oneself invariably leads to deceptive and misleading rhetoric – the second hated abomination on this list. Man's irrational political propositions, and especially his religious betrayals, are a composite of lies whereby useless and fraudulent claims are grasped upon and clung to by the masses who are duped and then deprived by false hope. It is as cruel as any crime ever committed.

This all leads to the third thing God despises and considers despicable, the shedding of innocent blood. This is something we humans have mastered. The Babylonians, Assyrians, and Egyptians were merciless marauders. But the Greeks and Romans made killing a science with the latter perfecting the most excruciating form of death – one they used on God. But they would be outdone in the art of shedding innocent blood. Engineering and then deploying the most inhumane implements of torture was something the Roman Catholic Church would advance with a religious devotion to deter their critics. But no one has been better at killing innocent people than Muslims, having at one time wiped out half of the earth's population, killing unarmed civilians via terrorism. But it would be left to the Americans to perfect the art of assassination, doing so without evidence of a crime being committed, without

trial or conviction, without the interference of a human conscience, all by remote control by way of drones.

There is a myth, one promoted by Socialist Secular Humanists, that liberals are more civil and compassionate than their overtly religious predecessors. Their claim that religions are principally responsible for the scourge of death that has plagued our planet, is only accurate if we remove the veil of denial and actually consider the bloody history of Islam's first century, something that's not all that easy to do since the jihadists were illiterate and dead men tell no tales. But apart from Islam's war against all mankind, for the Humanist myth to endure, we must also ignore the fact that Socialist regimes, during the first century of their existence, systematically eliminated over one hundred million lives. And should you be an American, a patriot desirous of extricating your nation from being considered a prodigious player in promoting body counts, the United States murdered tens of thousands of innocent German and Japanese civilians, burning women and children alive, night after night with incendiary bombs prior to dropping not one, but two nuclear bombs on cities rather than military targets. And a million Muslims have died as a result of America's counterproductive invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq, and subsequent bombings of Libya, Yemen, and Syria. Americans have fought 101 wars in the four-hundred years since the first European bloodied the New World, beginning by annihilating the native inhabitants under the claim of "Manifest Destiny."

The next two detestable items on God's list may be related. The fourth addresses the founders, leaders, and advocates of man's unjust and invalid religious, political, military, and economic schemes. As such, this would be included among the things God hates. The fifth reveals His disgust toward their willing accomplices, those we may otherwise have excused as victims.

Yahowah hates the likes of Paul, Akiba, Hadrian, Muhammad, and Hitler, abominable men who were inclined to devise false and idolatrous religious schemes, all of whom saw to it that their plots were ultimately memorialized in writing so that their evil plans would infect future generations. (Even though it has been lost, Hadrian wrote an autobiography.)

Paul, in association with the demon Satan had placed inside of him, claimed that he, and he alone, had been selected and inspired by God to criticize and contradict, to invalidate and make obsolete, everything God had said and done over the course of the previous four thousand years. He wrote that God's "old system" was "poneros," the basis of the English word, "pornography." He said that God's Torah could not save, declaring that God's "old ways" were impotent, completely incapable of delivering on

their promises to protect those the Author had created. Then he struck a chord with the Gentiles he claimed belonged to him. He did so cleverly by using their religious philosophy, Gnosticism, to besmirch the Torah's Covenant. He said that it was "of the flesh," and thus evil, as a result of circumcision – something the self-infatuated Greeks saw as defacing their masculine beauty. Then once he had demeaned and annulled the centerpiece of Yahowah's plan, protesting that it enslaved, he presented his "new covenant," writing that it was "of the spirit" and thus good. While he offered no evidence or proof of any kind, he opined that those who believed him could be saved by faith in his Gospel of Grace. Introducing his every alteration with "But I say," Paul used the myths and festivals associated with Dionysus to recast Yahowsha' into a character the Gentile pagans could readily accept, even citing Dionysus' most famous line while never once quoting anything Yahowsha' actually said.

The religious edicts inscribed by Paul's poison pen were of course insane, utterly irrational, and totally incomprehensible. His premise was preposterous. But nonetheless, on the basis of his thirteen epistles, Christianity, Paul's "New Covenant," and his resulting "New Testament" would become a million times more popular than Yahowah's Covenant and Towrah. Unbeknown, however, to the billions of souls blighted by Paul's faith, the wannabe and self-proclaimed apostle "was inclined, even determined, to devise and inscribe a cunning plan which was completely unjust and invalid, idolatrous and unreliable, fraudulent and corrupt." And sadly, Christians have no one to blame but themselves. Yahowah's witness and plan did not vanish; it did not go away. It can still be found and read in the opening chapter of the book they lug around under the dubious name, the Bible. Yahowah actually proves that He exists therein, demonstrates that His testimony can be trusted, that He, Himself, has done what He promised, and that, as a result, we can rely upon Him. Also in that same book, 666 years before Paul would pen his first letter, Yahowah was kind enough to warn us that "Sha'uwl would be the plague of death." It is little wonder he changed his name, embracing a Roman moniker.

And let's not forget, Yahowah specifically states that this man's injurious schemes would be "charash – written, engraved, and inscribed." So in identifying the culprit, we are searching for someone who not only conveyed his deceptions in writing, but whose writings have been read and believed by millions if not billions.

Since I've mentioned him again, Emperor Hadrian actually wrote an autobiography – extoling the virtues of his despicable life. And as I've shared, his scheme was particularly egotistical and maniacal. But he did not act alone. One of his predecessors, the General who became Emperor Titus, had besieged and conquered

Yaruwshalaim, sacking the city and destroying Yahowah's Temple between Passover of 66 and 70 CE with the V Macedonica, XII Fulminata, and XV Apollinaris Legions. It was Titus who used the treasure he looted and the men he enslaved to build the Roman Colosseum, inarguably the most reprehensible tribute to the hideous nature of man's political, religious, and militaristic schemes ever erected. In his shadow, Hadrian called the Jews who had fled his predecessor back home in order to rebuild the city and temple. However, when they returned, he announced that his actual intent was to construct a city in its place which would serve as a retreat for his legions. His design would include two massive shrines on the Temple Mount, one for Jupiter and the other to present himself as a god, renaming this resulting edifice to Roman depravity after himself.

Adding insult to injury, and after outlawing circumcision and then crucifying a hundred thousand Jews, murdering up to 500,000 in total, he had his soldiers round up every copy they could find of the Towrah, directing them to wrap burning copies of it around those who cherished it. Thereafter, he would head to Athens with his homosexual lover to lead the celebration of the Dionysian mysteries, religious rites that paved the way for the Christian acceptance of Easter. In this way, he played an essential role in advancing anti-Semitism, anti-circumcision, and everything anti-Torah, anti-Hebrew, and anti-Israeli, together with the pro-Gnostic, pro-Greek, pro-Roman, pro-pagan, and pro-Dionysian characteristics of Pauline Christianity. I would not be surprised if he, as the leader of Rome, ranks as Yahowah's third most hated individual of all time. In light of this, is it any wonder Paul's foundational letter was dedicated to the Romans or that it proclaimed that all governments, and especially Rome's, and therefore Hadrian's, were Godly and good, and to which everyone should submit? Paul even went on to say that Roman swords were only wielded for good purpose – which was hardly the case in Judea.

A contemporary of Hadrian, Rabbi Akiba, wouldn't fool as many people as Paul because he was targeting Jews, not Gentiles. His scheme, while false, was considerably more credible. He extrapolated that, since Yahowah, whom he called "Ha Shem," was a proponent of freewill and therefore choice, the truth could be decided by popular vote. If a minion of rabbis held one position and Yahowah articulated another, the rabbis prevailed due to their superior numbers. Using this formula, he led the parade to inscribe a different Torah, one based on rabbinic arguments which was ultimately codified in, of all places, Babylon. His greatest crime, however, was far worse than authoring Judaism's "new testament." His response to Hadrian was to announce the arrival of a false Ma'aseyah, Simon bar Kokhba, a failure that would lead hundreds of thousands of Isra'elites to their death, send millions into diaspora as slaves, cause the

Land to be salted and then renamed, going from "Yahuwdah – Related to Yahowah" to "Philestina – Terrorist Invaders." And yet, in spite of his deadly and oppressive lies, Akiba is venerated as Judaism's founding father.

Muhammad was the living embodiment of an egotistical man who was resolved to plot an insidiously evil proposition. He even modeled his god, Allah, after Satan using the Adversary's name, *Halal*, to depict the purest Islamic condition. His Qur'an, while claiming to confirm the Torah, is the antithesis of it. He, himself, was a pedophile, a rapist, a kidnapper, a slave trader, a mass murderer, and a ruthless terrorist. His religion demeaned women, became unapologetically anti-Semitic, and worse, Islam, as the world's most prevalent inspiration for terrorism, has become the sole motivating factor behind 99% of the world's terrorist acts making Islam the most vicious and destructive religion in the annals human history.

But it is also the most murderous. Muslims killed nearly 5 million Zoroastrians during their conquest of Persia within a decade of Muhammad's death. Next, Mujahedeen slaughtered almost 10 million Christians in Asia Minor as part of their invasion of the Byzantine Empire. Then they murdered 20 million Africans during their conquest of that continent, selling 20 million more into the slave markets in America and the Middle East. Moving southeast, and still during Islam's Golden Age, jihadists wiped out over 40 million Hindus in India, and nearly 5 million more throughout the Caucasus region and into Southern Russia. In Western China, they killed an estimated 5 million Buddhists. At 105 million murdered or enslaved, the Islamic killing spree during its Golden Age consumed half of the world's population circa 700 CE, which was just over 200 million. Muhammad's legacy remains the largest genocide in human history, both as a percentage of the earth's population and in gross numbers of people decimated.

So while there have been other obnoxious Roman leaders, such as Julius Caesar, Augustus, Caligula, Claudius, Nero, Vespasian, Titus, Constantine, and Theodosius, in addition to virtually every pope, I am of the conclusion that with Emperors Titus, Constantine, and Theodosius vying for the fifth position along with Saint Augustine and the Grand Mufti Mohammed Amin al-Husseini, the aforementioned four represent the most hated men of all time by God.

None of these evil men, however, could have done anything on their own. They needed accomplices and thus followers. And that is why Yahowah despises those who impetuously run to the aid of evil men, something we should be able to appreciate, since we witnessed the consequences of this human failing fairly recently with Hitler in Germany, Stalin in Russia, and Mao in China. Had it not been for those who rashly

and recklessly rushed to their side, 120 million or more lives would have been spared. Of course, the same is true with Muhammad and the first Muslims, Paul and the first Christians, Akiba and his fellow rabbis.

Nationalism is not a victimless crime, nor is patriotism or militancy. So while Germans claimed that they were just following orders and therefore should not be blamed for the Holocaust, that's not the way God sees it. The coconspirators, especially the likes of the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, Mohammed Amin al-Husseini, the actual inspiration for the concentration camps and their murderous result, will endure the consequence of Yahowah's righteous indignation along with all of those who ushered millions into the trains, into the camps, and into the showers of death. Patriotism, and a resulting rush to support the military, is a deadly proposition. And when you realize that political, military, and economic leaders are the sole beneficiaries of war, and that the justifications for almost every conflict are fictitious, indeed, comprised of deliberate lies, the consequence of millions rushing to join these evil crusades has become a deadly and debilitating affair.

But religion is no better in this regard. Christianity, like Islam, is so utterly absurd, so clearly false, it would have all the appeal of Gnosticism today if it were not for the presumed credibility sheer numbers provide. No one would choose either after a thoughtful evaluation of their scriptures. These religions are popular only because they are pervasive. It is why they represent a plague of death. One generation blindly follows the next, accepting lies to be accepted, foolishly squandering their souls, and those of their children, without thinking.

For example, can you imagine continuing to practice Islam in a Western country knowing that your religion is responsible for ninety-nine percent of the world's terrorist acts as well as the kidnap, enslavement, and systematic rape of hundreds of thousands of little girls? Who, in their right mind, and given a choice, would knowingly trust the spiritual advice of a pedophile and rapist, of a kidnapper and slave trader, of a mass murderer and terrorist? Who would worship a god that spends all of his time in hell tormenting those who did not submit to him? Shouldn't we view those apologizing for the religion as accessories to perverse crimes perpetrated by the Islamic fundamentalists?

Thoughtlessly aiding and abetting religious atrocities and rallying around one's military with the zeal of a patriot, while despicable in Yahowah's eyes, may be the lone behavior on this list which does not engender God's personal animosity. While He hates the ring leaders, the founders, promoters, and perpetrators of these religious, nationalistic, and militaristic schemes, the lowly and little participants are unknown

to God and therefore not hated by Him.

And this is no small distinction. Those who are deemed, in God's sole determination, to have perpetrated or advanced a fraud which leads people away from Him, will be judged and sent to She'owl. It is a lightless prison separated from God, and from those He loves, serving as an eternal punishment for crimes against His creation.

Perpetrating any of the other six things on this list will earn such an individual an express ticket to She'owl, where they will forever endure the aggravation of similar religious, nationalistic, and militaristic individuals. But those who moronically follow them, those who impetuously rush to their aid, are mostly hurting themselves and their children. They will have squandered their lives and forfeited their souls, but there is no punishment for stupidity, only a consequence. Such souls will simply cease to exist, no penalty, no reward, nothing.

Moving on to the sixth abomination, we have returned to the realm of those who are hated by God. We are now entering the realm of the religious, the work of popes, cardinals, bishops, and priests, that of rabbis and pastors, theologians and religious scholars, of imams and monks, of clerics of every ilk. With each breath they utter sedition, providing deceptive testimony which not only slanders Yahowah, but deludes the faithful into worshipping false gods. They are all false witnesses.

As is the case with every religion, the blowhards claim they are preaching the truth while they are in fact zealously proclaiming deceptive delusions which are contrary to reality. Rather than serving God, they are mocking and insulting Him – all while stripping the faithful of their money, time, and souls.

As an example, I spent six hours one afternoon with the world's most popular and respected Protestant pastor, systematically laying out before him all of the ways his religion and preaching were contrary to God's testimony. At the conclusion of our meeting, he agreed, confirming that everything I had said was true, making everything he stood for a lie. But then he said, "If I were to support any of these things publicly, no one would come and sit in the pews of my church, and the letters filled with donations supporting my university would no longer arrive in the mail. And if you go on to tell anyone else what you have discovered, they will call you a kook." He was as right as he was wrong.

This pastor was among the millions of Christian clerics who hold up a book named after the Adversary, their Bible, claiming that it is the inerrant word of God even though they know that it is filled with countless contradictions. They hold Easter Sunrise Services and Christmas Masses knowing full well that these rites are pagan,

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long ago conceived as Babylonian holidays – having nothing to do with God. Most Christian ministers realize that there is no basis for their church, or any church, nor any justification for Sunday worship, and yet they endorse and promote both as if they were divine. Their every word is false, making them misleading and deceptive witnesses, as corrupt and corrupting as are their religions – and most know it, making them all frauds who should be imprisoned for the crime of betraying and robbing their constituents.

There is only one trustworthy witness. And He has provided a number of ways for us to know when men are speaking for Him. First, they will speak and write in His name, Yahowah, and only in His name. If you do not read or hear Yahowah, by name, addressing readers and listeners in first person, in a message which purports to be inspired by God, tune it out and toss it away. It is invalid.

Second, if God is addressed by any other name, such as Allah, Shiva, Jesus, Buddha, Confucius, or the Lord, the message is not from Yahowah. It should not be trusted. God does not have a Gospel of Grace.

Third, Yahowah is consistent and inerrant. If you read or hear something which is contrary to His Towrah, or note a contradiction, it isn't worth your consideration. If it misstates a historic event, it is not true. You might think that meeting this criterion would be the minimally acceptable standard for a religious text, but in fact, almost all of the historical presentations in the Qur'an are false, and the book is so filled with contradictions it provides a means to decide between conflicting accounts.

Fourth, Yahowah has witnessed our future. Having seen the consequence of our choices, some good but mostly bad, He uses future history to validate His testimony. Yahowah goes so far as to say that if someone claims to speak for Him, but his testimony does not include prophetic predictions, He did not inspire it. And if it includes prophecy, God inspired it only if every prediction is accurate. This, of course, eliminates the entire Qur'an and all of Paul's epistles because there isn't a single accurate prophecy in the lot of them.

This brings us to the final hated abomination, to someone God views as despicable and abhorrent. There are only two men of world renown who "claimed to be sent out as a messenger" of God, Paul and Muhammad. But only one did so for the express purpose of "doing away with something important" to God, His Covenant and its Towrah. Paul created a New Covenant and a New Testament to replace God's gift and message. Muhammad, on the other hand, stupidly stated that his Qur'an confirmed the Towrah.

Both of these men, as well as most of the others I mentioned, "created controversy and contentious strife, inspiring violent conflicts," even "between brothers," but God does not care if Romans are slaughtering Celts, or Sunni Muslims are killing Shias. His concern is for Isra'el, and therefore His hatred is directed toward those who split His people apart and away from Him. Paul not only pitted Gentiles against Jews, he opposed Yahowsha's Disciples, all of whom were Isra'elites, in addition to all of the Towrah-observant Followers of the Way. It is Yah's intent to reconcile Isra'el and Yahuwdah with each other and with Himself, something He will accomplish upon His return on *Yowm Kippurym* in Year 6000 Yah (at sunset, 6:22 PM, October 2, 2033 on the Roman Pagan Catholic calendar). The only thing worse than working in opposition to Yahowah's interests is doing so while claiming to speak for Him.

And so there it is, all laid out before us. God has exposed and condemned Paul, the founder of the Christian religion, the author of half of its New Testament, for breaking His Covenant, for doing away with His Towrah, all while claiming to be a messenger chosen by God, and for creating controversy and strife between members of His family.

Beyond the warning against this evil man, we have also discovered what God hates and why He hates these specific things. We know what He finds detestable as well. Realizing this, doesn't it make sense for us to align our thinking with His, especially if we want His assistance? Or at the very least, now that we know what He finds most objectionable, wouldn't it be reasonable to avoid such things?

By the way, did you consider the behaviors that didn't make the list, that were not among the seven most disgusting and despicable acts? We had 1) conceited leadership, 2) deception, 3) taking innocent lives, 4) plotting invalid and unreliable schemes, 5) thoughtlessly and impetuously joining others in the pursuit of evil, 6) slanderous and deceptive testimony which incites the deluded to worship false gods, and 7) someone who claims to be sent out as a messenger to do away with something important which, we will soon learn, includes the conditions of the Covenant along with the Towrah's guidance.

When we compare Yahowah's top ten list, the three statements and seven instructions He etched in stone, to this group of seven abominations, we find considerable common ground. The ideas presented in the Towrah on the first tablet, specifically statements 1, 2, and 3, revealing that Yahowah alone is God, that He is our savior, that we should not be religious and promote or worship false gods, and that promoting the negation of Yahowah's name and reputation is unforgivable, are covered by points 4, 5, 6, and 7 in the Proverb.

There was no specific mention of the Shabat, and thus no common ground with

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the 4th of ten statements previously inscribed on the Towrah's Tablets. However, the Pauline Christian propensity to do away with the Shabat in preference for the Lord's Day, Sunday, is among the important things the self-anointed messenger abrogated. After all, setting apart the Shabat as a special day was the first of seven items listed on the second tablet, so it could well be part and parcel of the 7th abomination.

The Proverb made no reference to respecting our Heavenly Father or Spiritual Mother, the 5th instruction on the stone tablets. But, since Pauline Christianity has done away with Yahowah's Covenant Family and is clueless regarding the identity and purpose of the Set-Apart Spirit, the consequence of doing away with this instruction may also be the reason Yahowah finds Paul so despicable.

Not making the list in Proverbs was any reference to adultery, the 6^{th} of ten statements memorialized in stone. And you'll note that neither homosexuality nor sexual promiscuity can be found on either list, taking considerable steam out of the vociferous Christian antagonism toward these common behaviors. However, since adultery is on Yahowah's top ten list, in the 6^{th} position, we ought to remain cognizant of the spiritual implications of infidelity.

Admonitions against killing and false witness, 7 and 8 on the tablets, are clearly presented in both lists. And since people are being shown impetuously seeking to be included in fraudulent schemes because they covet anything from money to property, control or power, sexual conquest or salvation, the 10th statement Yahowah memorialized in stone may be alluded to in the proverbial list. And while advice against stealing wasn't specifically restated in the *Mashal*, it is often synonymous with deceit which was number 2 in Proverbs 6.

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What follows is the antidote for the seven Pauline pathogens, indeed, for every malady that inflicts the overtly political and religious. Also worth noting, this advice provides a far better use for the design elements that comprise our anatomy.

"My son, choose to be spared and remain safe by closely observing and attentively focusing upon, so as to be protected and preserved by accepting the instructive terms of the relationship agreement of your Father and do not ever actually forgo or reject the Towrah, which is the teaching of your Mother. (6:20)

Choose to fasten them upon your heart, continuously electing of your own

freewill to place them as an adornment upon your neck. (6:21) In your walking, She will lead and guide you. Accompanying you when you rest, She will watch over you. And when you are awake, She will communicate with you, enabling you to seriously consider the situation and instructions. (6:22)

For indeed, the prescriptions and conditions of this relationship accord are a lamp illuminated by olive oil, and the Towrah is Light. They are the way of lives, existing for rational discourse about being right regarding accurate instruction and correct teaching, (6:23) for the purpose of you closely examining and carefully considering so as to protect you from the woman who is evil, severing the relationship as a result of the smooth and seductive tongue of the treacherous Whore." (6:24)

This is among the best, most beneficial, and reliable parental advice ever offered. So let's do as our Heavenly Father suggested, closely examining and carefully considering His guidance...

"My son (ben - My child), choose to be spared and remain safe by closely observing and attentively focusing upon, so as to be protected and preserved by **accepting** (*natsar* – of your own volition keep your eyes open and maintain your focus on being observant, remain close, forming a relationship with the protection provided by, branch out and grow by remaining diligently watchful, be kept safe by developing a protective relationship with the One who delivers you from danger through (gal stem denotes a genuine relationship which should be approached literally, while the imperative mood conveys second person volition, making this the son's decision, and the active voice means that if the son responds this way then he initiates the influence of)) the instructive terms of the binding contract (mitswah – the prescriptions and conditions of the covenant, the directions from the father to his children regarding the family, the precepts for the commission which is right, the teachings regarding what should be done, from *tsawah* – command (to act so as to grasp knowledge which leads to understanding, to gain expertise, obtaining the faculty and ability to appreciate that which is beneficial and right (note: mitswah is often used as a synonym for towrah teaching and guidance, direction and instruction, highlighting the correct and beneficial nature of the individual guidance being provided by the stipulations and provisions)) of your Father ('ab - your father (singular, masculine, possessive, suffixed in the second person singular, and thus addressing our Heavenly Father) and (wa) do not ever actually forgo or reject ('al natash - do not fail to act nor ever negate the statements, causing dissociation from the relationship, forsaking and deserting, discontinuing or abandoning (the gal stem conveys a literal interpretation of a relational instruction that should be considered genuine while the imperfect conjugation conveys this instruction has ongoing and continual implications throughout time, and the jussive mood is a third person expression of volition and therefore choice and conveys desire under the auspices of freewill, making this the regarding)) the **Towrah** which Mother's will teaching is the guidance (towrah - source from which instructions and directions flow), of your **Mother** ('em – biological or adoptive female parent, caregiver and provider, one who cares, helps, and protects (singular, feminine, possessive, suffixed in the second person singular, and thus addressing our Spiritual Mother))." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:20)

Having just considered a list of six attitudes and actions Yahowah hates, including seven things He finds so disgusting and despicable that they are an abomination to Him, we are presented with the most effective and beneficial way to avoid them. The means to circumvent being hated by God and to preclude being seen as disgusting, are found in the "mitswah – terms and conditions of the relationship agreement," which, not so coincidently, are disclosed exclusively in Yahowah's "towrah – guidance and direction, instruction and teaching."

The verb, *natsar*, that God selected to lead us away from the abominable nature of religion and government and to the benefits of participating in relationship with Him by following the instructions He has provided is enlightening. When *natsar* is scribed in the qal stem, imperative mood, and active voice, and is set between the things Yahowah hates and loves, we discover that we can, of our own volition, actually choose to be spared from that which is despicable by closely examining and carefully considering the conditions of the Covenant as they are presented in the Towrah. Even better, when we attentively and genuinely focus on the terms of the relationship agreement, our response, which is our decision to be observant, initiates the process which triggers the benefits of the Covenant, including its protections. *Natsar*, thereby, depicts "observation leading to salvation." What's more, *natsar*, vocalized as *netser*, speaks of "branching out and growing" which is one of the benefits of opening our eyes and reading the Towrah.

The "mitswah – instructive conditions associated with the relationship agreement," serve as the "codicils of the contract," as well as the "prescriptions" God is offering that we are "being encouraged to understand." More important still, the mitswah are our "Father's." The "beryth – covenant" is Yahowah's "beyth – family." God is therefore advising us, of our own accord, to use our faculties to appreciate and grasp hold of the beneficial instructions He has provided for His children to engage in His

family and enter His home. If we want to live with Him, we must of our own volition accept His conditions.

And while these specific stipulations, all five of them, are laid out for us in the opening book of the Towrah, we should not be surprised that God's list of aversions explains the reasons behind the Covenant's lone prerequisite: that we walk away from the political lies of government and the confusing and corrupting *babel* of religion. This is important because God would have to be silly to invite people into His home that He hates and finds despicable. By asking us to dissociate from these seven things, these deceitful, destructive, disgusting, and deadly political and religious influences, Yahowah is keeping the most annoying rubbish out of His home and making the resulting experience more suitable and enjoyable for His children.

No responsible and loving father would knowingly or willingly invite seriously destructive, resolutely deceitful, wickedly despicable, or absolutely deadly, hostile, and injurious individuals or influences into his home to harm his children. So why would anyone think that God is any different?

If you want Heaven's door to be opened for you, you will first have to walk out of the doorways of political and religious institutions, walking away, and never return. This is a rational and reasonable, righteous and beneficial, absolutely necessary condition of the Covenant. Heaven is our Heavenly Father's Home. He has set forth five rules for entry. You can accept them, reject them, or ignore them, but you cannot change them.

You would be better served to consider Covenant's five conditions in the context of the discussion in which they were presented (which you can do by turning to the Beryth – Family Relationship chapter of the Genesis Volume of Yada Yah (http://yadayah.com/Yada Yahweh-Genesis-Beryth-Family Relationship.YHWH) or the Beryth – His Family-Oriented Covenant Relationship Volume of An Introduction to God (http://anintroductiontogod.com/An Introduction to God-04.0-Beryth-His Covenant.Torah).

The conditions are: 1) walk away from the political and religious babel of your country, 2) trust and rely upon Yahowah instead, 3) walk to God and become perfect along the path He has provided, 4) closely examine and carefully consider the terms and conditions of the Covenant, and 5) circumcise your sons. The benefits are: 1) eternal life, 2) being perfected, 3) coming to be adopted by God, 4) being enlightened and thereby enriched, and 5) becoming empowered by Yahowah.

Moving on to the second half of God's previous statement, it too has several

profound implications. First, the Towrah is being presented as the antidote for religious venom. By reading it, we come to know who Yahowah actually is and, therefore, we cannot be fooled by imposters. By closely examining it, we come to appreciate Yahowah's plan and offer, making it impossible for anyone to deceive us into accepting a different and worthless proposal. By carefully considering it, we can easily discern what is of God and what is of man, what is true and what is false, what is beneficial and what is counterproductive, what is reliable and what is not.

Second, this statement completely destroys the primary premise of the world's most popular religion. There cannot be a revised and diverse testament offering a new and dissimilar covenant in light of the fact that God is telling us to never reject or negate the Towrah. And yet Christianity, as a direct consequence of Paul's letters, dismisses every instruction in the Towrah, abandons all seven of its Invitations to be Called Out and Meet with God, and rejects its Covenant, including all of the conditions to participate in it. Christians have dissociated themselves from Yahowah's only name, His exclusive language, His preferred place, His chosen people, His beloved family, and His way. Every aspect of the Towrah's teaching and guidance was discarded. The Towrah was dismissed as if it were a list of antiquated laws which no longer apply, which could not possibly be obeyed, and which somehow enslave and condemn.

There is a reason Paul fought with Jews and preached to Gentiles. His ridiculous rendition of the Towrah would have been immediately rejected by any rational person who had read the Towrah, or was the least bit familiar with it, which at the time included most Jews and excluded almost every Gentile. The antidote for Pauline Christianity is the Towrah, which is why Paul demeaned and rejected it. And if he had done so quietly on his own, that would have been one thing, in that this is a choice everyone is given the opportunity to make. But Paul became the plague of death expressly because he misquoted and misrepresented the Torah while, at the same time, claiming to speak for the God who authored it.

Paul's initial letter, Galatians, "natash – abandons and negates, forgoes and rejects, dissociates from and forsakes" Yahowah's foundational document, replacing every aspect of it, every instruction and every invitation, with his new testament, including his new covenant, all based upon his gospel of grace and salvation through faith. It was all a lie.

God's actual instruction is just the opposite. By holding onto the Towrah, we come to know Yahowah. It is the only place where God introduces Himself to humankind. We are enlightened by His teaching and benefit from His guidance. We are made aware of the conditions and benefits of the Covenant and learn how to engage in it. There is

no place other than the Towrah where the means to participate in God's family is explained. We receive His Invitations and are instructed on how to properly respond and meet with God, once again in the Towrah. It is the only place where these Invitations are presented. By reading the Towrah, we even learn what to avoid so that we are never estranged from God.

The Towrah is the most valuable document in the universe because, it not only introduces mankind to God, it systematically lays out the path to His home, revealing the means to eternal life, absolute perfection, and adoption into our Heavenly Father's and Spiritual Mother's family, allowing the beneficiaries to inherit the universe. It is the means to ultimate enlightenment, enrichment, and empowerment. The Towrah is Yahowah's gift to His creation. To toss it away is foolish. To oppose it, despicable.

Since so many have been bamboozled by Paul's, and thus Christianity's, twisted interpretation of Torah as "Law" to "be obeyed," as opposed to "Teaching" from which to learn, please note, there is no Hebrew word for "obey." When you read "obey" in a religious "bible" "translation" of the "old testament," the word they have misrepresented is actually *shama*' which means: "listen." Even more to the point, Torah does not mean "law" or anything remotely akin to it.

Towrah is from tow – a signed, written, and enduring, towrah – way of treating people, tuwr – giving them the means to explore, to seek, to find, and to choose, yarah – the source from which instruction, teaching, guidance, and direction flow, which tuwb – provides answers which facilitate restoration and return, delineating the proper response and reply to that which is towb – good, pleasing, joyful, beneficial, favorable, healing, and right, and that which causes a person to be loved, to become acceptable, and to endure, tohorah – purifying and cleansing them, towr – so as to provide them with an opportunity to change their thinking, attitude, and direction."

The third profound implication found in this section is the association between the Towrah and our Mother. We know that the "Father" throughout this Proverb has been Yahowah, our Heavenly Father, a fact that was affirmed when we were introduced by name in Proverbs 6:16. This was reestablished in the current verse when the "mitswah – terms and conditions of the relationship agreement" belonged to the Father – the paternal manifestation of God's nature. So with this in mind, the Mother, to whom the Towrah belongs, must also be a manifestation of Yahowah but, this time, maternal.

The only motherly depiction of Yahowah's nature is the "ruwach qodesh – setapart spirit" who is absolutely feminine. She is responsible for enlightening, empowering, perfecting, enabling, healing, nurturing, and saving" the Covenant's

children which is why the instructions accompanying four of the seven Invitations to Meet with God ask us to respond by coming into the presence of the "'ishah – feminine and maternal manifestation of God's light." Also revealing and affirming, ruwach – spirit, towrah – guidance, and mitswah – conditions of the relationship are all feminine as is the beryth – covenant.

In Yahowchanan / John 3, when Yahowsha' is recorded speaking to Nicodemus about needing to be born of water and spirit to enter the kingdom of heaven, the Set-Apart Spirit represents our Spiritual Mother in this regard. She not only enlightens those who observe Her Towrah, She perfects the Covenant's children by wrapping them in a Garment of Light comprised of the Towrah, itself.

The fact that the Towrah belongs to our Mother, affirms the actual identity of the Mother depicted in the second of seven instructions Yahowah etched on the second of two tablets, explaining why it is so important to properly value and respect Her contribution to lengthening the duration of time we can spend in the Promised Land. Making these connections, and learning from them, is exactly what God had in mind. It is the basis of understanding.

In a moment, helping us make this important association, Yahowah will equate His Towrah to light. That is relevant because the Set-Apart Spirit is a direct manifestation of Yahowah's light in our world – literally God's spiritual energy set apart from Him. Further, since Yahowah tells us that He is light, and since Yahowsha' was also called light, this means that, in character and nature, going from greater to lesser amounts of the same thing: Yahowah = Set-Apart Spirit = Towrah = Yahowsha' = Light.

If you want to see God, read the Towrah.

In this regard, it is fascinating to reflect upon Einstein's formula E=MC². It reveals that light/energy and material/matter are identical in nature but not quantity, meaning that matter is a diminished form of energy. Therefore, considering this equation, we should see Yahowah (who exists in the seventh dimension) entering four dimensions (space time) through the Set-Apart Spirit, by setting apart a tiny fraction of Himself. This means that the Set-Apart Spirit is identical to Yahowah in character and nature, but not in quantity or substance. It's the difference between an ocean of water and the steam emitted from a geyser of boiling water. Somewhat similarly, to manifest His nature in three dimensions, Yahowsha' is a twice diminished manifestation of Yahowah, akin to comparing the ocean to a snowflake.

The original autograph of the Towrah currently sits beside the Ark of the Covenant. The information it conveys to an observant and thoughtful individual by

way of its letters releases the potential energy stored in the neurons of our brains, transforming His words into light, literally empowering our enlightenment. This is the way we come to know Yahowah and, also, the way God comes to exist within us. It is how we become ever more like Him. Further, the empowering, enriching, and enlightening transformation provided by observing the Towrah is facilitated by the Set-Apart Spirit, because She enlightens us as we study God's testimony. The Spirit and the Word work in harmony and are one in nature, character, and purpose. Moreover, Yahowsha' walked out of the pages of the Towrah, facilitating and further illuminating the path home.

So now that we know what our eyes should gaze upon, what our tongues should recite, and what our hands should hold, let's place it in our hearts to adorn our souls.

"Choose to unceasingly fasten them (qashar – physically or mentally tie, bind, and join them, closely associating them (gal - genuinely for the sake of the relationship, imperfect - on an ongoing basis, and imperative - the mood of volition in the second person (and thus expressing the choice and desire of God's children))) upon ('al) your heart to influence your judgment (leb - your character and persona, the place from which your attitudes and desires are manifest, that which constitutes your most authentic nature and becomes the very fabric of your life, the place where that which is known, considered, and accepted serves to provide perspective, guiding your thoughts and conduct, becoming the source of your understanding and motivations, goals and ambitions, preferences and purpose, volition and judgment), **continuously** (tamyd – constantly and without interruption, stretching this out and doing this into perpetuity, forevermore) **electing of your own freewill to place them as an adornment** ('anad – to choose to clasp or bind them all around, as if actually being clothed in them (qal, imperative)) upon ('al) your **neck** (gargarowth – your throat, your source of breath, nourishment, and speech, the connection between your head and your body, plural of garar - to chew cud, a metaphor depicting someone who thoroughly digests all that is nourishing, chewing on the morsels and breaking them down time after time)." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Savings / Proverbs 6:21)

It should be readily apparent in this context that our "heart" is not a reference to the organ which pumps blood throughout our bodies nor a metaphor for emotions. It is information that we are being asked to fasten in this location, specifically the Towrah's teaching and conditions for participating in the Covenant. At the time this was written, when someone asked another to take something to heart, they were encouraging them to focus on what was being revealed, becoming familiar with the issues involved. That is because the heart was viewed as the seat of reason and understanding. By contrast, our emotions often mislead us. They are capricious and change. But reason is always a valid approach to understanding. It is a far more reliable guide.

As an example, Yahowah said that *Dowd* / David had a heart after His own because Dowd's reasoning was sound and his understanding was correct. Dowd was seldom good, but he was almost always right. As a thinking person, he accepted Yahowah's teaching, incorporating His instructions into the very fabric of his life, grounding himself in Yah's guidance. This provided the solid footing upon which he stood and gave him the proper perspective from which to observe the world, all while enhancing his relationship with God.

Our neck is also important for several reasons. First, Yahowah equates it to our "nepesh – soul," a word which also means "breath." We breathe through our throats, and when we stop breathing, it is an indication that our soul is gone. The only way to preserve a soul is to embrace the *Towrah*.

Second, food travels from our mouths to our stomachs through our throats. When we consume that which is nourishing, and thus good for us, we are healthy and grow. But when we consume the poisonous words of politics and religion, we get sick and die. Nothing is more nourishing for our souls than Yahowah's *Towrah*.

Lastly, the spoken words which we convey begin as vibrations in our larynx, the voice box located in our throats, turning the air which we breathe out into discernable speech. Our testimony will be valuable and accurate, adorning our souls, when our words are guided by His words as they appear in His *Towrah*.

With our eyes properly focused, our tongues reciting God's words, our hands holding His instructions, and His message placed in our hearts and adorning our necks, our path is properly guided by our Spiritual Mother through Her Towrah.

"In your walking (ba halak – while traveling (with the hitpael stem, we benefit as a direct result of our decision to walk as led, while the infinitive renders halak both a verb and thus actionable, and as a noun and thus descriptive of a specific path, and the construct state binds this walk to that which follows, which is Her guidance)), She will continuously lead and guide you (nachach 'atah – She will always direct you, creating a favorable opportunity for you whereby good things are bestowed upon you in the future when you are brought forth and sustained (in the hifil stem, the subject enables the object to participate in the action, in essence, directing us to be like our Spiritual Mother, and thus like God, while the imperfect reveals that this condition will

endure forever)). **Accompanying** (*'eth* – in association with) **you** (*'atah*) **when** (*ba*) **you rest** (*shakab* – you lie down or sleep), **She will watch over you** (*shamar 'al 'atah* – She will focus upon you, paying close attention, steadfastly observing and thoughtfully considering you).

And when (wa) you awake (qyts – you arise, roused from your sleep, and you are alive and alert), She will communicate with you, enabling you to seriously consider the situation and instructions (syach – She will direct your attention to the content of the guidance, focusing upon the apparent thought behind it, pondering the reasons for it (qal stem denotes a literal interpretation of the actual communication and consideration and the imperfect conjugation conveys the ongoing nature of this thought-provoking exchange))." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:22)

This is the path presented in the Towrah. It is the way to our Heavenly Father which is illuminated by our Spiritual Mother. She serves as our guide and companion. She enhances our understanding, inspiring a deeper and more accurate appreciation for who Yahowah is and what He is offering. As such, the *ruwach qodesh* – set-apart Spirit is our counselor; She is our representative and advisor. She is the light along the way.

To benefit from Her offer to guide us to God, we must open our eyes and our minds as we turn to Her Towrah. When we do, becoming observant, She communicates with us, enabling us to fully comprehend the stipulations of the Covenant while evaluating the Towrah's instructions. It is how we engage in a thought-provoking dialog with God.

In this regard, consider the association between light and being observant. One is impossible without the other. Our eyes were designed to process light. Without light, there is nothing to see. The greater the illumination, the more we comprehend. By design, we were created to observe God's light. And we accomplish this by reading the Towrah while being enlightened by the Spirit.

Affirming all of this, we read...

"For indeed (*ky* – surely and truly, emphasizing and strengthening this statement, because, as a sign of belonging), **the prescriptions and conditions of the relationship agreement** (*mitswah* – the directions and terms of the binding contract, the instructions from the father to his children regarding the family, the precepts for the commission which is right, the teachings regarding what should be done) **are a lamp illuminated by olive oil** (*nyr* – a glistening light provided by lit wick fueled by a container of olive oil (symbolic of the Set-Apart Spirit)), **and the Towrah** (*towrah* –

teaching, instruction, direction, and guidance, from *yarah* – source from which teaching and guidance flow) **is Light** (*'owr* – is enlightenment, brilliance, the antithesis of darkness, is a source of glorious and shining illumination)." (*Mashal* 6:23)

Light isn't just the inverse of darkness, light eliminates darkness. Where there is light, darkness ceases to exist. It is in this way that the light provided by the Towrah and Set-Apart Spirit perfects us, obliterating all traces of sin so that, we not only appear perfect from Yahowah's perspective, we are perfect. Even better, this application of God's light enables us to be with Him, joining Him in the seventh dimension. It further facilitates our capacity to explore the totality of the six dimensional universe that He created for us without any restrictions or limitations – including time. Light is forever, the very measure of time. It is comprised of all time, making us immortal.

In this way, the enlightened are empowered, transformed from a flawed threedimensional physical being stuck in the ordinary flow of time to light. The Covenant's children are liberated, able to go anywhere and experience everything from the inner workings of the atom to the most distant galaxies.

The "mitswah – instructive prescriptions and binding conditions of the relationship agreement regarding participation in the family" represent the most essential aspect of the Towrah. And yet, the terms of the Covenant are just part of the light, or more accurately, the path to the light. Being adopted into Yah's Family isn't the culmination of the journey, but instead the beginning. The benefits of the mitswah are eternal because this lamp has an unlimited amount of oil. And even then, the mitswah serves as the flame which ignites the towrah's light, thereby equipping us to spend an eternity as children of the Light.

The Covenant's luminary was described as a "nyr – a glistening lamp fed by a reservoir of olive oil." Symbolic of such lamps, the Temple's Menorah, features seven oil wicks fed from a single source. It was designed to reinforce the formula upon which the Covenant is based: six (representing the number of man conceived on the sixth day) with God (who is one) yields seven, which is the desired result. It illuminates many essential aspects of Yahowah's nature, plan, purpose, timing, and universe. The Menorah, as Yah's quintessential lamp, encourages us to envision Yahowah in the seventh dimension, seeing Him as the power behind the sixth dimensional universe He created in six days. We see the six steps of the *Miqra'ey* leading to Yahowah on the seventh step, serving as His Invitations to join Him in His home. Even time is measured this way, with six thousand years of human history following the expulsion from the garden to our return to Eden, when we will celebrate the Shabat of Sukah until Year

7000 Yah. Even the rainbow, which served as the initial symbol of the Covenant, is always arranged in the same order with light divided into seven distinct wavelengths – Red, Orange, Yellow – Green – Blue, Indigo, and Violet, with green, the color symbolic of life and growth, always centered in the spectrum.

The source of the lamp's light, olive oil, is the primary metaphor for the Set-Apart Spirit. Olive oil produced the purest and brightest light in the ancient world. It was part of a healthy diet, and was used for cleansing to promote healing, and for anointing.

God's light illuminates the one and only path to Him – facilitating the means to be with Him and like Him. There are seven steps along the way. Our journey home begins with the doorway to eternal life on Pesach - Passover. We are invited across the welcome mat adorning the threshold of our Heavenly Father's Home on Matsah - Un-Yeasted Bread, when we are cleansed and perfected by being immersed in God's light. This enables Yahowah to adopt us into His Family on *Bikuwrym* – Firstborn Children the following day as we become children of light. Seven Sevens later, on Shabuw'ah the Promise of Seven, the Covenant's beneficiaries are enlightened, enriched, and empowered by Yah's light, facilitating our exploration of the universe and companionship with God. This also enables us to become more effective witnesses on *Taruw'ah* – Trumpets when we serve as God's troubadours – enlightening a world lost in darkness. We not only warn our wayward world that most everyone is headed in the wrong direction, and away from God's light, but we also shine His light on the proper path for all to see. This brings us to Yowm Kippurym - the Day of Reconciliations when Yahowah will reconcile His relationship with Isra'el and Yahuwdah upon His return - a day when He will arrive as Light. This enables all of those who have listened to God, who have responded to His invitations, and who have accepted the conditions of the Covenant, to celebrate Sukah - Camping Out with the Light in His Home, forever.

Once again, you are free to walk along this path illuminated by God by responding to Yahowah's invitations. You can ignore God's path, and continue to stumble in the darkness, if you would like. You can even reject His way and oppose His light, albeit with a serious consequence – an eternity of darkness. But no one is permitted to eliminate or change any aspect of Yahowah's path nor alter the light He provides along the way.

Continuing to speak of the *Mitswah* of our Father and the *Towrah* of our Mother, Yahowah stipulates...

"They are the way (*derek* – are the path, the route to walk, the journey to embark upon, the conduit and enterprise to follow, and the prepared thoroughfare to proceed

to get from one place to another (singular)) **of lives** (*chayym* – prosperous, absolute, animated, and vigorous existence, bountiful, blessed, favorable, abundant, and properly nourished living (plural), from *chayah* – to live and to remain alive, to sustain life, to be restored to life, to be revived and to live prosperously), **the means to rational discourse** (*towkachah* – of proper argument and logical debate, from *yakach* – to reason, to prove, and to decide, to judge and to correct, to be rational) **about being right** (*muwsar* – for accurate instruction and correct teaching, for a disciplined life, for morality, self-control, and good judgment),..." (*Mashal* / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:23)

Light is essential for life, the fleeting mortal type we experience in the here and now, but also eternal life with God. That is the reason "*chayym* – lives" was presented in the plural form. This is akin to being born of water, from which plant and animal life emerged, and indicative of our journey out of the womb as human babies, it also addresses being born anew eternally by way of our Spiritual Mother.

When it comes to our relationship with Yahowah, few things are as important as being right. It is infinitely more beneficial than attempting to be good. This entire *Mashal*, all of our Heavenly Father's instruction, including the Set-Apart Spirit's Maternal advice, is for that purpose. The Towrah's – Teaching provides the instruction we require to become right regarding God.

Since the *Towrah* is light, it is eternal. Since its *Mitswah* guides us home, nothing is more valuable. Since both are the way to lives, they represent the means to eternal life. Since both are right, neither can be wrong. Since both are equated with our Heavenly Father and Spiritual Mother, they can always be trusted. This, then, negates the premise of Christianity and obliterates any notion of a New Testament replacing the Torah and of a New Covenant superseding the existing one. This logical deduction is discerned by rationally evaluating the evidence. We have listened to Yahowah, read His words, closely examined what He has to say, and carefully considered His arguments in favor of His way and in opposition to man's way.

There is, of course, another option, and that is to be stupid, to remain ignorant and irrational, to place one's faith in a religion. But believing that which is obviously untrue, and squandering one's soul in the process, does not sound appealing.

Still speaking of the *Towrah*'s light, and of the lives which flow out of this heavenly discourse, we are told that they exist, in part, for us to be able to discern right from wrong, trustworthy from unreliable...

"...for the purpose of (la - in order to) you closely examining and carefully

considering so as to protect you (shamar - being observant and aware, paying proper attention, guarding you) **from** (*min* – out of and far away from) **the woman** ('ishah - female individual, feminine of 'iysh) who is evil, repulsive and offensive, **severing the relationship** (*ra'* – who is improper, immoral, injurious, disagreeable, malignant, hurtful, and harmful, noisome and for naught, repugnant and repellant, both bad and wrong, from ra'a' - mischievous, displeasing, unethical, sad, wicked, broken, torn asunder, Ra is also the name of the Egyptian sun god), from (min) the **smooth and seductive** (*chelqah* – slippery and flattering, from *cheleq* – to take one's possessions, portion, or share and thus indicative of robbing individuals of their property and soul) tongue (lashown - language and speech) of the treacherous **Whore** (*nakry* – of the adulteress disloyal harlot who seeks to break the marriage vow (i.e., the Covenant), of the whore whose association is estranged and constrained as an alien and foreigner as a result of being unfaithful, false, and traitorous, of the one who is unfamiliar, who is not the same and does not belong, of the whore who will become unknown (this is the Whore of Babylon - a.k.a., Satan and Babel - Religious Confusion)." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:24)

We have just taken our first step in a long journey that will ultimately lead to an accurate understanding of the Adversary's character, motives, and means. Satan's most effective guise, according to God, is as a Whore, the Harlot of Religion and of Babylon. Beautiful and attractive, charming and seductive, pleasing and accommodating, enticing and alluring, the Whore takes more than her lover's money. She corrupts the participant's character, robbing them of their dignity. Self-loathing follows, a pathetic cry which is silenced by intoxicants, leaving an unlovable shell of a man whose respite is either religion or yet another unsatisfying encounter. It all leads to an inability to function as a husband and father in a loving and trusting family.

The Devil is seldom pictured as a woman pedaling love. And yet the Whore has managed to corrupt one of the most beautiful things God created, perverting the reason He conceived us. Asked to describe Satan's appearance, few would present the enticing image of a beautiful woman with alluring eyes, a captivating smile, and hair that shimmers in the light as it cascades over slender shoulders to caress the cleavage of her bosom. Who among us would depict the Devil in high heels, adorned in a sequined evening gown, glamorously bejeweled, wearing the softest shade of lipstick, deftly applied?

And yet, this is how Yahowah depicts the Adversary. The reasons are many. And they are all revealing. In fact, the more you know in this regard, the better equipped you'll be to avoid the influence of the Whore. So since I don't think that any of this is

intuitive, I'd like to share some thoughts on why Yahowah used "whore" to describe Satan's influence.

First, God's prime directive is for us to come to know Him, to engage in a personal relationship with Him, and to love Him. Whores feign love. Prostitutes get up close and personal with their clients, they tell their tricks what they want to hear, they do what their johns want done, all to make them feel good about something that is clearly wrong. And I suppose that is why God is far more concerned with us being right than good, with our thoughts rather than our feelings.

This point of view helps explain why the Whore's point of attack is designed to cheapen and corrupt Yahowah's reason for creating us, confusing many regarding the nature of love, while providing countless others with a perverted and corrupt variation. The Whore's propensity to confuse, to pervert and corrupt, to "babel" in Yahowah's parlance, something as vital as love, clarifies why God associates this Whore with Babel – the source of religious confusion and corruption.

Second, Yahowah wants us to know Him for who He actually is and for what He has actually done. Whores do the opposite. They do not want to be known. They change their names, appearances, and addresses, and hide behind false pretenses which are carefully constructed to preclude their true identity from being revealed – a characteristic reminiscent of the gods of pagan mythology. You won't very often see "prostitute" spelled out on a job application – just as you seldom see the origin of Lord, Jesus, or Allah publicly presented.

Satan does not want to be known as the Adversary. He wants to be known as God. So, just as the image of a beautiful woman would be the last chosen by most to depict Satan, the last place most people would suspect that they would encounter Satan would be as the Lord in the world's great religions. And yet, that is where you will find the Whore, pimped by popes, cardinals, bishops, priests, pastors, imams, and rabbis.

Third, God wants us to choose to become part of His Covenant Family and to live with Him in His home. Whores break up families and homes. Those who use them break their marriage vows. And in so doing, prostitutes lure men away from the best life has to offer. And speaking of lures, did you ever wonder why prostitutes are called "hookers?" A lure is a hook, one cleverly disguised to appear delectable, but it captures its prey so that the catch can be reeled into a net.

Similarly, have you ever wondered why are the clients of prostitutes called "tricks" and "johns?" Is it not a deceitful artifice, a ploy to corrupt the meaning of Yahowchanan, the basis of "John," which reveals: Yahowah is Merciful?

While most are aware of the phrase "world's oldest profession," did you know that prostitutes generate annual revenue exceeding \$100 billion? Are you aware that there are 50 million active prostitutes today, and that number excludes sex slaves? Are you aware of the connection between prostitution and religion? If not, it began in Babylon, where the "Houses of Heaven" were made alluring through "sacred prostitution." The practice continued as Babylonia became Persia and their state-sponsored religion morphed into Zoroastrianism. In fact, the religious profession became so commonplace, the Code of Hammurabi contained provisions to assure full inheritance rights for these revered prostitutes.

In ancient Greece, the birthplace of democracy, women and boys became extraordinarily influential as prostitutes, charging so much money for their services, the state promoted them and then taxed them. Far from cloistered or stigmatized, prostitution represented a notable part of economic activity and employed a significant number of people. In Athens, the city government actually established state-run brothels, regulating the prices for each session depending upon its duration and activity. In them, boys served adult male clientele. Most were slaves, but not all. The practice was fully integrated into the society, the temple of Aphrodite Pandemos was funded by such indulgences to expressly convey that love, democracy, and religion were "Of the People."

In the beast which became Rome, prostitution was legal, public, and popular. As was the case with most everyone who actually "worked" in Rome, prostitutes were usually foreign slaves, captured, sold, and trained for that purpose. The practice was so widespread, Rome actually had "prostitute farmers," who raised slaves and abandoned children to become proficient in seduction. Roman aristocrats who bought them, especially Senators, were able to inspect and test the naked boys and girls who were offered for sale without stigma. These politicians and businessmen would then erect brothels in the center of Roman towns, decorating their façade with a pictorial menu.

Muhammad encouraged prostitution as well, telling Muslims in the Qur'an that they could deploy their slave girls as prostitutes with Allah's consent. Then, after limiting the number of wives to four for his followers, albeit not for himself, he sanctioned the *muta'a* – temporary marriage, which made an encounter with a prostitute akin to sex with one's wife. The term "Turkish Bath," is a product of the Ottoman Empire, where the bodies of naked boys served to arouse and wash the decadent bathers. Known as *Tawaif*, young girls were trained by the Muslim Mongols to play music, recite poetry, and to dance, creating "high-class courtesans" to serve the

rich and noble. In Afghanistan they have recently revived the practice, forcing young boys into prostitution, and calling it "*Bacha Bazi* – Boy Play."

In Hindu India, most prostitutes are children, with an estimated number exceeding 1.2 million. In nearby Muslim Bangladesh, ninety percent of prostitutes are under age. And almost all of them ingest the steroid, Oradexon, which is sold over the counter to fatten cattle, but makes the children appear more mature. Turning east, in Buddhist Thailand, "sex tourism" has become an economic mainstay, and children are the featured attractions. Similarly in Cambodia, the nation has become a destination for pedophiles. Selling one's own child into sexual slavery is common in Thailand, Cambodia, India, the Philippines, Vietnam, and Nepal, whereas nations like China, Nigeria, Albania, Bulgaria, Belarus, Moldova, and the Ukraine are the most prolific at kidnapping other people's children. The primary purchasers of sex slaves, and thus the principle destinations of these children, include Japan, Belgium, the Netherlands, Germany, Italy, Turkey, and the United States according to the United Nations.

Kidnapping little girls, raping them, and then selling them naked on stage while reading Qur'an passages legitimizing the practice, isn't limited to the Islamic State and Boko Haram. Sex trafficking represents eighty percent of kidnapping and the slave trade worldwide. It is the fastest growing criminal enterprise in the world today, outpacing illicit drugs. One million little girls are sold across international borders each year as sex slaves, with many times that number trading hands within the countries of their capture.

Jews were not immune. Rabbis wrote the Aramaic Zohar (meaning Splendor and Radiance) to create Kabbalah (meaning Received through Tradition), a demonic mystical permutation of Judaism in which four *malak*-messengers serve as sacred prostitutes. The Queens of the Demons are Lilith, Naamah, Agrat Bat Mahlat, and Eisheth Zenumim. Should you be interested in such satanic impersonations, the Zohar first appeared in Spain in the 13th century, as published by Moses de Leon, who described it as the revelation of a 2nd-century rabbi, Shimon bar Yochai – an eminent disciple of Rabbi Akiba. The same depiction, however, is also provided in the Jewish Alphabet of Ben Sira.

So yes, indeed, the Whore is the most compelling guise to corrupt and confuse, to pervert and estrange. It allows Satan to shine in the place the world least expects him: churches, mosques, and temples. It makes the Adversary alluring.

Satan is a *mal'ak* – spiritual being comprised of light – albeit flashy and inconsistent. And as light, no matter how degraded, diminished, or darkened, no matter how distant from the original source, Satan isn't even remotely akin to the ugly,

red-horned goat/man shown in religious depictions. The religious portrayal of Satan is as erroneous as the religious presentation of God. For example, the self-proclaimed apostle Paul saw Satan as a flashing and blinding light – the Adversary's true form – on the road to Damascus.

This demonic Whore, named "Ba'al – Lord" by Yahowah, doesn't want to be known as, seen as, or worshipped as Satan, as the Adversary, but, instead, as a god. To this end, Satan has sought to pervert and corrupt God's testimony, inspiring the Bible's New Testament, the Talmud, the Qur'an, and the Zohar to become the god of religion. This Whore of Babylon is now worshipped as the Lord Jesus Christ in Christianity, as Allah in Islam, as 'adony – my Lord, ha shem – the Name, and, therefore, as the G-D of Rabbinic Judaism, as Buddha, and as Krishna, a form of Vishnu, and Shiva in the Bhagavad Gita of Hinduism. Satan is seen in the gilded and gaudy architecture of Roman Catholic Cathedrals and in the soaring grandeur of Roman-inspired government shrines and buildings.

Spiritual beings, like Yahowah, and thus like the created *mal'ak*, are not sexual but manifest both masculine and feminine characteristics. In this *Mashal* / Proverb, for example, Yahowah is speaking to His children as both Heavenly Father and Spiritual Mother. So do not be confused by the feminine reference to the "whore, harlot, and adulteress." This is simply one of Satan's guises.

Over the course of the next six chapters, we will be learning a great deal more about this Whore of Babel, this lord of religious confusion. She will be called Astarte, who became Ishtar, the basis for the Christian holidays of Easter and Christmas. She will be condemned by Yahowah as the Queen of Heaven, not surprising since Roman Catholic and Orthodox Christians worship her as such.

Before we move on, let's linger a moment longer and contemplate what Yahowah revealed about the character and manner of the Whore. He called her "ra' – someone who is improper and immoral, mischievous and unethical, wicked and injurious, displeasing and disagreeable, malignant and harmful, noisome and for naught, repugnant and obnoxious." And if you recall, ra' was used in the opening line of this Mashal, when Yahowah asked us to refrain from and then repudiate any oath or pledge given on behalf of something that was "ra' – evil, repulsive, and offensive, severing the relationship." Ra is also the name of the Egyptian sun god, often referred to as Amen Ra. And that should give Christians pause, because they most always conclude their prayers, "In the name of God we pray, Amen." So by calling the Whore "ra'," Yahowah has come full circle, thereby affirming the conclusions we articulated some sixty pages ago, connecting the dots for us between the Adversary and the Whore, between the

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Whore and religion, and between religion and government, all while revealing that the Adversary does not play fair, that Satan is duplicitous and unethical.

In the previous statement, God also revealed that Satan, in the guise of the Whore, was "chelqah – slippery, smooth, and seductive." She "robs people of their property and souls, coming to possess them by flattering them." So let's think about how "flattery" serves Satan while depriving the Adversary's victims. To flatter is "to fawn adulation which pleases and gratifies." Flattery is a "fake and fraudulent appraisal designed to create a false impression which is then used to manipulate the recipient." As such, there would be no reason whatsoever to suspect that Satan would ever appear to anyone as the Devil. The Adversary will always introduce himself to those he seeks to influence as the opposite of his true nature, as either god or as a source of enlightenment.

Further, the Adversary isn't trying to scare anyone with a hideous appearance or threatening manner. The Whore's preferred method is to seduce, not frighten or intimidate. So the tools of the Devil's trade are words, in this case the language confused and corrupted in Babel. The "nakry – treacherous whore seeks to break the marriage vow" of the Covenant, is "thereby estranging" people from God, causing the actual God "to become foreign and unknown" to them.

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We are now reminded of something we considered not long ago. The *Towrah* is the most effective way to negate the influence of religious *babel*. Those who know what the *Towrah* reveals and those who understand its purpose cannot be fooled by anyone seeking to demean it, to change it, to reject it, to replace it, or to annul it – no matter how eloquent, smooth talking, or seductive the voice of treachery may be, nor, no matter how grand and gilded the edifice may be from which these jaundiced voices emerge.

This installment of Yahowah's parental advice culminates with these words...

"You should not continuously find her beautiful and graceful appearance desirable in your heart, thereby affecting your judgment. And do not let her actually obtain control of you with her flaunting display of flashing rays of light or her flirting eyes. (6:25) For indeed, the price of the loathed Whore is the same as a loaf of bread, however the soul of the woman or man she stalks and

victimizes is valuable. (6:26)

Can a man consistently scoop up and continually carry away fire in his lap or his deceitful garments and not be burned by the serpent? (6:27) Can an individual continually walk upon the burning coals or the flashing light from the sky and his feet not be scorched? (6:28) Therefore, anyone who goes to and pursues the one associated with his immoral country, he will not be pardoned nor seen as innocent – including all who make contact because they are plagued by her. (6:29)

Don't they have contempt in this regard for the thief and kidnapper, even if he captures people and steals property to satisfy his soul because he is famished? (6:30) If he is discovered, he will repay, making restitution, sevenfold for his claims. For all of the wealth and possessions found in his household, he will pay. (6:31)

Actively committing adultery by way of religious idolatry and infidelity with this Whore is impoverishing and life threatening, depriving an individual of good judgment, corrupting the soul of those who consistently choose to act like this. (6:32)

He will obtain the plague, an insult of the lowly and little one. His contemptuous and taunting slurs will not be wiped away. (6:33) Because indeed, envy makes a human being venomous, hostile, and antagonistic, and He will not take pity or show mercy in the day of reckoning. (6:34) He is consistently unwilling to accept or endure the presence of any compensation, ransom payment, or appearament. He is unwilling to yield, and therefore He will refuse to accept you no matter how great and numerous your gifts or influence." (6:35)

This begins with Satan using religion to position himself as attractively as possible, just as a prostitute wears seductive clothes. It's a superficial, and yet effective, ploy. It concludes by speaking of a plague, the insulting taunt of the lowly and little one which shall not be wiped away, resolved or appeased, no matter the size of the donation or great the donors influence. So as we make our way through these words, we should see if there is a way to properly ascribe the title of this contemptuous individual to Paul, the victim of God's previous condemnation.

Examining the full implication of each word God selected, we find the following advice...

"You should not genuinely or continuously covet nor find desirable ('al chamad – you should not actually or habitually take pleasure in, delight in, obtain

wealth from, or desire (qal - addressing a genuine relationship, imperfect representing ongoing behavior, jussive – a third person expression of volition and as a means to strengthen an instruction regarding what we should not do in the second person, and thus represented by the "!" in English, active indicating that we should not act upon the Whore's allure)) her beautiful and graceful appearance (yophy - her attractiveness and implied desirability, her brightness and splendor, akin to yophya' high place (used in Ezekiel 16:25 to depict Satan's abhorrent desire to be seen in the highest places as the almighty, as graceful and beautiful, especially at the beginning of every pathway the Adulteress has opened for mankind to walk to whoredom), known as Beatification in Roman Catholicism when religious "saints" are elevated in stature)) in your heart, which will thereby affect your judgment (ba leb - by the way you define yourself, as part of your character or persona, in the place your attitudes and desires are manifest, in that part of you which constitutes your most authentic nature and becomes the very fabric of your life, where that which is known, considered, and accepted serves to provide your perspective, guiding your thoughts and conduct, becoming the source of your understanding and motivations, your goals and ambitions, your preferences and purpose)!

And (wa) do not let her obtain control of you on an ongoing basis ('al laqach – do not, and this is important, allow her to grasp hold of your hand, seize you, snatch you away, acquire, or marry you (qal, imperfect, jussive, active)) with her flaunting display of flashing rays of light or her flirting eyes (ba 'aph'aphym – by way of her brandishing her wavering and flashy nature, with her unsteady and inconsistent flashes of light (which is how Paul admits to seeing her on the road to Damascus) and by way of her glancing, flitting, blinking gaze, from 'uwph – to fly away by darting to and fro, to flaunt a variant which covers over, making one dark)!" (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:25)

Yahowah said that the Whore representing Satan is attractive and alluring, and appears desirable. This not only affirms that the religious depictions of Satan are wrong, it also means that the Adversary seeks to influence and control humankind through things that are pleasing, considered desirable, pleasurable, beautiful, enriching, and graceful. This being true, to avoid encountering Satan, stay out of the grand edifices mankind has erected in the name of religion and governance.

To gain some perspective, let's compare this to the next *Mashal* / Proverb, to something God says in *Mashal* 7:7-15: "And among those lacking discernment and judgment I saw among the children a man devoid of understanding, passing through the street near her corner, taking a path to her house at twilight, in the

evening, in the darkness of night. Behold and pay attention, a woman met him wearing the garments of a prostitute and possessing a cunning mind. She was rebellious, not satisfied with holding dominion over her family. Time and again in the street, time and again in the square, and beside almost every corner, she set an ambush, and she laid hold of him and kissed him. With a shameless presence, she said to him: 'I have purchased confession, thereby reconciling with the god of Babylon. I have made a vow to the Mother of God and to the Queen of Heaven. Therefore, I have come out to meet you to try to convert you to the Babylonian religion, and in this, I have been successful.'"

Yahowah is equipping us with valuable information so that we are not duped by one of the most common misconceptions regarding Satan: that the Devil wants to be known and worshipped as the Adversary in some kind of dark occult ceremony. Based upon what Yahowah has and will continue to reveal, this religious perception is literally the opposite of what Satan is seeking to achieve. He wants people to believe that he is God. And to accomplish this feat, he presents himself as the Lord, as the god of religion, as mankind's object of worship. He accomplishes this right out in the open, in city centers, before large crowds, in the most spectacular edifices man can construct.

So long as it is not "ha satan – the Adversary, a.k.a., Satan," the Towrahless One does not care what name people call him. He is not particular regarding what religion people choose to worship him so long as millions bow down to him, prostrating themselves. So long as most believe him, he has achieved his goal – which is to be seen above the Most High, the actual God whom most people either ignore or reject.

The grander the shrine, the more elaborate the temple, the more gilded the church, the more imposing the mosque, the more impassioned the oratory, the more people included therein, the more empowering it is for Satan. By human standards, from the human perspective, the Adversary is beautiful and is seen as desirable. Those who serve her, find pleasure in doing so. The Whore commands respect, adorned in all of the transgender, seductively alluring, manmade religious garb the creation can muster.

As for flashing rays of light, this is how Yahowsha' reports witnessing Satan's fall from heaven. It is also how Paul reported seeing him on the road to Damascus. If you are a Christian, this comparison should be troubling.

Yahowah's light is never flashy. He isn't trying to impress anyone. His brilliance is never diminished nor is His light ever dimmed. He is consistent.

Satan is always showy, ostentatious, flamboyant, and glitzy. A fleeting flash of

light, too brief to be of any value, followed by a fearsome boom. The Adversary is continually trying to impress the gullible into misconstruing his nature and intent. He is inconsistent to a fault. This Whore of Babel/Confusion is also flirtatious, not caring how many different incarnations there are of him for a person to worship, if they confuse him with some aspect of creation, or if they are unfaithful, migrating from a religious mantra to a political one, or to none at all. He would like those who serve him to lie for him, to oppress for him, and to kill for him. But what they call him, where they do it, and how they categorized themselves in reference to him is irrelevant. In fact, the more names, the more ways, the more places the better. It all adds to the confusion.

While his religious pageants are often spectacular, and the emotions experienced by the audience usually stirring, the cost is unconscionable. It breaks my heart to see the impassioned faces of throngs, often numbering into the millions, of Roman Catholics swooning before a papal parade.

"For indeed (ky – by way of branding and as a sign of ownership by another), the **price** (ba'ad – the payment or fee, the exchange for the service leading to an anterior position and adverse relation, the quid pro quo) of the loathed female Whore ('isah zonah – of the despised woman harlot and prostitute, of the unmarried woman seeing favors or bribes for pretending to be a wife, for the unfaithful, unreliable, and unprincipled female) is just as much as ('ad - is the same as, no more than, an eternal and unlimited stealing and spoiling of) a loaf of bread (kikar lachem - talent (70 pounds) or unbroken expanse of grain, a round wafer, from karar - to whirl around (comparing and contrasting the bread of life, matzah, and the round wafers of Christianity's Communion or Eucharist)), but (wa – and yet) the woman's ('ishah – a female individual's or wife's) or the man's ('iysh - a male individual or husband's) soul (nepesh) she stalks and eternally victimizes (tsuwd - chases after and hunts as a predator, capturing and controlling forever, ultimately ensnaring and harming to the point of killing (gal imperfect)) is highly prized and valuable (yagar - precious and greatly esteemed)." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Savings / Proverbs 6:26)

The comparison is between the everlasting merits of the un-yeasted bread of *Pesach* and *Matsah* compared to the eternal cost of the Eucharist and Communion wafer, which in turn was based upon the many varieties of Ishtar / Easter cakes. And while reality seldom resonates when it comes to religious beliefs, in actuality, the things of God yield perfect immortal souls while the faith-based counterfeits deprive their victims of their souls. There is a price to pay for the worthless one while the most valuable gift is free. As such, this is a referendum on religion versus relationship.

As we continue to examine God's Fatherly advice, realize that this particular Whore isn't a promiscuous woman. She is not earning a living as a prostitute, offering feigned affection for pay. In fact, this has nothing to do with sex or sexual promiscuity. Souls are at stake here as is our relationship with God. The perverted sexual nature of prostitution is simply serving as an apt metaphor to highlight the seductive nature of religious corruptions of the Covenant's vows.

The Whore is religion, a beast loathed by God for the seven reasons He has articulated. While political and military regimes amass supporters and pile up body counts, it is only religion that continually stalks and eternally victimizes souls. And this abhorrent creature is an extension of Satan – the Whore of Babylon, the author of "babel – corruption and confusion." Seeking to be seen as greater than Yahowah, either as "Ba'al – the Lord," or "Allahu Akbar – Allah is Greater," Satan has inspired the worst of humankind to establish a religious counterfeit to confuse the unwary into believing that the Adversary is the Lord, Queen of Heaven, and Mother of God. The ultimate spiritual prostitute even masquerades as the Virgin with Child. With the Devil, it is all about disguises and deception. Nothing is what it appears to be. It is all an illusion.

Yahowah is sharing this with us because He doesn't want us to be fooled into believing that the Lord is God or that man's way is valid. So the more we come to know about "Babel – Babylon" and understand its religious, political, military, and economic implications and history, the better equipped we will be to assess the belief systems and nations which have emerged from this mold. God's insights prepare us, helping us recognize the ongoing influence of Satan as the Whore of Babylon in our world. God wants us to avoid these snares and to effectively warn others about them. That is the purpose of this *Mashal* / Proverb, and of the 7th, which follows.

We have all heard the line, "Play with fire and you are going to be burnt." Well, now we know from whence it came. In addition, we discover that Satan's enlightenment as the Whore of *Babel*/Confusion is a fire which can consume a soul. And like fire, if we get too close, if we linger too long, if the flame touches us when we are not properly protected, especially if a person is dressed in inappropriate religious garb, it will engulf them.

"Can (ha – is it possible for) a man ('ysh – an individual) consistently scoop up and continually carry away (chathah – actually grasp hold of a heap, eternally piling up (qal imperfect), written identically to chithah – fear, terror, and torture, ironic shame borne of enmity) fire ('esh – combustible material which is burning and flaming) in his lap (ba cheq – in his chest or bosom) or (wa) his deceitful garments (beged – his treacherous clothing or fraudulent, cunning, and devious

robes) **and not be burned by the serpent** (*wa lo' saraph* – and not be consumed and destroyed by the snake's fire (with the nifal stem the one carrying the fire is burned by it, while the imperfect indicates that they are consumed and destroyed by the serpent forever))?" (*Mashal* / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:27)

This is the "fire" associated with "hell," but not in the sense of light or heat, instead as a metaphor denoting that a fire's fuel is consumed in the flames. Just as people fuel religion, enabling it to engulf entire nations, this fire is symbolic of the souls burned by religion, scorched to the point that they can no longer support life, ceasing to exist.

The image of a serpent is used to represent Satan because of the cold-blooded reptile's venomous and deadly bite, because of its serpentine movements which are never straightforward, because of its inability to walk upright, having to slither along the ground, and because of the lightless dens snakes burrow within the earth which are reminiscent of She'owl. The realm of the dead exists as a singularity, a confining darkness limited in every way but time, a place whose very existence was predicated upon quarantining the Adversary and his brood of venomous and serpentine allies. She'owl, like a Black Hole, will eternally keep his blinding flashes of light from escaping.

God finds religious dress up to be appalling. It disgusts Him to see a woman wearing an Islamic veil as a sign of modesty and submission, recognizing that Muhammad was a sexual pervert and predator. Similarly, He sees the black suits of Mormons and Orthodox Jews as their feeble attempt to cover up the deceitful nature of the religion lurking inside. Religious outfits, especially the robes worn by pastors, priests, and imams, cardinals and popes, are "begged – garments of treacherous betrayal adorning those perpetrating a cunning fraud."

"Or can ('im – underscoring the point, is it possible for) an individual ('iysh) continually walk (halak – to consistently and without ceasing travel (with the piel stem the object (the individual's feet) suffers the effect and with the imperfect conjugation the action is continual, without end)) upon ('al) the burning coals or the flashing light from the sky (ha gachal – the hot embers of a live, charcoal-based fire or a bolt of lightning, from gachon (spelled identically in the text) – the belly of a reptile) and his feet (wa regel / ragal - and that which enables a person to go out as an explorer, observing slanderous tellers of tall tales as well as to teach others to walk upright) not be scorched (lo' kawah – not be burned and branded (with the nifal stem the subject (the individual walking on the coals) is burned and causes others to be branded along with him while the imperfect speaks of an eternal, ongoing,

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consequence)?" (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:28)

Contextual context is central to understanding, and in the framework of this Fatherly presentation, the flickering flames that would have ignited these coals came from the Serpent's fire which is why the word for "burning coals" can also be translated "flashing light from the sky." This, once again, directs our attention to Paul's encounter with Satan on the road to Damascus, a blinding visual experience he described in these same words. It even brought him to his knees, crippling his ability to walk.

Historical context is also relevant. One of the ancient world's most celebrated religious rituals required believers to walk over burning coals to prove their faith and to test their soul. Therefore, the scorching and branding Yahowah is discussing is a result of engaging in sacred customs.

Since religion is not a victimless crime, since belief systems are the most debilitating and deadly institutions ever conceived by man, the perpetrators must be held accountable. And God would like us to share His objections to and intolerance of those who have misled so many people. It is a necessary response for humankind to grow and thrive.

It's also important to keep the big picture in mind, one framed by the metaphors of the Covenant existing as a faithful and monogamous marriage vow compared to the adulterous and unreliable nature of religious affairs promoted by the Whore. The contrast is designed to frame and expose the way Satan seduces souls, enticing them to choose religious veneration of the Adversary as opposed to a relationship with God. So while adultery isn't acceptable, and while it carries dark and burdensome baggage, this Godly presentation is designed to enlighten us regarding the alluring nature of the religions which serve Satan, because that burden is far more devastating and enduring.

God is repeating Himself because He wants His children to know that the Adversary seeks to be seen as a beautiful and satisfying alternative. The Whore does everything she can to look credible, to seem believable. The more attractive the religion appears, the more souls it attracts. So do not be fooled by what you see, no matter how beautiful. Don't be persuaded by popularity either. In Babylon, Assyria, Egypt, Greece, and Rome, the temples were elaborate and the religions were universally accepted, and yet they were all absolutely worthless. Nothing changed with the advent of Christianity, Islam, or Secular Humanism.

"Therefore and likewise (ken - pertaining to what has just been revealed, and for this reason, it follows and is verifiable), the one who goes to and pursues (ha bow''el - the one who seeks to be included in association with, who is numbered among, and enters into (gal stem denotes an actual relationship is being genuinely formed, the active absolute participle indicates that the pursuing is deliberate, that the association comes to define the individual, and that the individual is now linked to and seen as included with the wicked woman)) this evil, improper, and immoral one ('ishah rea' - the female individual associated with his nation's loudmouthed and evil public speakers, and the women who comprise a troubling social, geographical, racial, or religious group; his troublesome wife who is mischievous and unethical, wicked and injurious, displeasing and disagreeable, malignant and harmful, noisome and for naught, repugnant and obnoxious), he will not be pardoned nor seen as innocent (lo' nagah - he will not be free or blameless, he will not be acquitted or forgiven, and as a result, may not go unpunished (nifal (subject receives and carries out the action of the verb) imperfect (ongoing and thus continual) jussive (emphasizing an admonition of what should not be done in the second person while conveying third person volition))) - including all (kol - everyone, the totality of those) who make contact and are thereby plagued (ha naga' - who reach out and touch and are thereby afflicted) by her (ba hy')." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Savings / Proverbs 6:29)

While 'ishah is the feminine of 'ysh and thus depicts a female individual, a woman, a wife, or a mother, the term is often used to depict a spiritual being – and thus is addressing the Whore of Babylon in this context. This conclusion is underscored by the fact that the primary meaning of rea' is "public speeches which are shouted aloud," thereby addressing political pontifications and religious sermons as well as commonly shared societal and media pronouncements. Further, as we now know, rea' was written identically to ra' in the text and therefore means "evil, no good, immoral, improper, troubling, and harmful." This is now the fourth time in twenty-nine statements that Yahowah has associated ra' / rea' with mischievous and unethical, wicked and injurious, displeasing and disagreeable, malignant and destructive, noisome and for naught, repugnant and obnoxious" political and religious schemes perpetrated in honor of the Whore. Methinks God isn't impressed by such things. He bluntly stated that those plagued by her could not be saved.

That's ironic in a way. You see, Pauline Christianity was based upon the myth that if a person failed to obey a single law of the old testament that they were guilty of violating them all, and thus were condemned by the Law and could not be saved. And while the *Towrah* actually exists to perfect the imperfect, there is something from

which God cannot save anyone – religions like Christianity, which God specifically denounces as "the plague of death."

In the *Towrah*, marital infidelity is a forgivable offence. We know this because Dowd committed adultery and, while scolded for it, he was clearly forgiven by Yahowah. So since pursuing this malignant and destructive Whore and cavorting with her is unforgivable and cannot be pardoned, it demonstrates that this is a far more serious crime, a spiritual encounter rather than a sexual embrace. Therefore, we not only know for certain that Yahowah is addressing the harmful nature of religion, the immorality of politics, and the impropriety of the human establishments that flirt with Satan, this Whore of Babylon – a plague which is not resolved until Yahowah's return.

From God's perspective, and I would trust Him on this, religion is a plague – infecting anyone and everyone who is exposed. Religion is a disease to be avoided at all costs because it is deadly to souls. And there is no cure. Those engaged in it, and counted among the religious, cannot be saved even by God, Himself. Unless a person divorces themselves from religion and politics, there is no path to forgiveness, no means to be acquitted. Religion is a malignancy far more invasive than cancer.

If you want to be seen as righteous before God, you will have to walk away from religion, not towards it. Those who pursue an association with the Whore of Babylon, whether it be through Hinduism, Christianity, Judaism, Islam, or Humanism, are disassociating themselves from Yahowah, further distancing themselves from Him with every step they take in the wrong direction. It is a dead end – at least while a person is actively pursuing it and counted among the faithful.

In spite of Christian translations and commentaries to the contrary, this Proverb is not about marital infidelity, promiscuity, nor fornication. As I'm sure you recall, there was no mention of adultery or any form of sexual perversion in the long list of admonitions presented previously by Yahowah. And as we have learned, the primary meaning of *rea*' isn't "neighbor" nor is *'ishah* principally "wife." The wicked woman is the whore of religion – an injurious and immoral institution that accepts contributions to make people feel better.

Instead of warning a son about the risks of extramarital sex, Yahowah is revealing how contact with the Whore, and thus with religion, plagues the soul of those who actively pursue an association with such flirtatious and disingenuous institutions.

From the beginning, this discussion has been about the choice we are being encouraged to make between the trustworthy and reliable nature of the *Towrah* and the nurturing relationship presented therein versus the deceptions associated with

the doctrines inspired by the Whore of Babylon which come out of the mouths of men.

Speaking of malfeasance, all too often we are prompted to forgive petty theft because someone suggests that the crime was the result of poverty and hunger or the lack of a proper education or equal opportunity. But no matter what the situation or motives, some crimes remain too contemptable for forgiveness. For example, despite what the Qur'an says or what Muhammad did, there is no justification for kidnapping, for selling people into slavery, for rape, or for terrorism. In that light, God may be telling us that even though men and women seem predisposed to be religious, even though faith seems to be somehow satisfying and afulfilling, the perpetrators are nonetheless kidnapping the souls of the faithful and holding them hostage by way of their web of lies.

"Don't they have contempt for (lo' buwz – don't they disrespect, deride, and despise, even judge as evil), in this regard (la), the thief or kidnapper (ha ganab – the one who steals property or people by stealth, selling what he has taken) even if (ky – especially when indeed) he controls people or steals property (ganab – he kidnaps and confiscates through deception what does not belong to him) to satisfy (la male' – to fill himself up, mollifying, appeasing, assuaging, pacifying, placating, and soothing) his soul (nepesh) because (ky) he is famished (ra'eb – he is hungry or starving, lacking in sufficient nutrition, from ra' – willfully evil and rea' – speaking of a country or countryman)?" (Mashal / Meaningful, and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:30)

Souls are not physical entities. They have no mass nor volume. They cannot starve. Therefore, this is addressing souls longing to satisfy their desire to pillage and plunder which is excused and justified by their religious or political beliefs. But according to God, such people and institutions deserve our contempt and ought to be judged, derided, and despised.

"And (wa) if he is discovered (matsa' – if he is found and information is attained about him through the unfolding process of observation and discovery of sufficient evidence, and the truth becomes known and is sufficient (nifal participle absolute passive sequential)), he will repay, making restitution (shalem – he will be finished, fulfilling his obligation, providing recompense (piel imperfect), sevenfold for his claims (shib'athym – seven times for their oaths), for all ('eth kol') of the wealth and possessions (hown – riches found desirable in a society that were considered readily available and easy to obtain, and were made light of) of his household (beyth – home and family), he will provide, giving back (nathan – he will offer up (qal imperfect))." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:31)

Those who steal souls, confiscating the most valuable commodity in the universe, will be held accountable for what they have done. Therefore, while robbing the faithful has been easy for the religious, their recompense will fit their crime. They exchanged a worthless promise of eternal life for tithes and offerings. But when they are judged, they will not only forfeit all of the possessions they found so desirable, including their houses of god, they will endure a seven-fold diminishment for every soul they cheated out of life.

This is typically interpreted as paying back seven times the amount stolen, but since kidnapped souls are too valuable to be monetarized, I don't think Yahowah is speaking of silver and gold, especially in the context of the final judgment. Also, since the consequence of being religious is to die, ceasing to exist, and the penalty for promoting religion is to be imprisoned in She'owl for an eternity, a sentence requiring a sevenfold time of death or eternal incarceration would be nonsensical. So if I may posture an idea. What if the recompense is to be diminished sevenfold. With Yahowah and His Home existing in the seventh dimension, expulsion to She'owl, a singularity akin to a black hole, would serve as the ideal sentence, one befitting the crime. These religious and political scoundrels robbed millions of the opportunity to transcend this life and enter the seventh dimension, living with Yahowah for all time. So why not eternally dispatch them to a realm reduced to the size of the period at the end of this sentence.

Yahowah's advice to us regarding the intent of the religious whore and the consequence of associating with her continues to be forthright and consistent. Here He is using the metaphor of adultery, defined as violating a marriage vow by being unfaithful and engaging in a relationship with another individual, as symbolic of breaking the vows of the Covenant. From God's perspective, spiritual / religious adultery is the equivalent of contravening the Covenant by engaging in a relationship with other gods – most especially those promoted by the Whore of Babylon.

"Actively committing adultery by way of religious idolatry and infidelity (na'aph – most often used to address adultery in the sense of idolatrous worship and religious infidelity, i.e., cheating on and breaching the Covenant (qal active)) with this female individual ('ishah – with the woman previously identified as the Whore) is impoverishing and life threatening, depriving the individual of good judgment (chacer leb – is internally bankrupting, ruining a person's ability to be rational, depriving the heart of what is needed to survive, promoting an improper attitude, bereaving the inner person of life), corrupting and destroying (shachath – ravaging and devastating, blemishing and spoiling, sliming and putrefying, even

entombing in a dungeon and lightless pit) **the soul** (*nepesh*) **of those** (*huw'*) **who consistently choose to act like this** (*'asah nah* – who continually engages in this way, wanting to actually do this on an ongoing basis (qal stem denotes a genuine relationship, the imperfect conjugation addresses ongoing and habitual behavior, and the jussive mood reveals that this is a desired choice, a free expression of volition and will)." (*Mashal* / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:32)

Recognizing that *chacer* is "to be without something, to lessen and to diminish something that is required to function properly, to lack something absolutely necessary, and to be bereft and bereaved of what is required to support life," we benefit from understanding that at the time this was written, the "*leb* – heart" was the "seat of reason" and spoke of the "place where that which is known, considered, and accepted serves to provide perspective, prompting rational and logical decision making." Therefore, God is saying that religion destroys a person's ability to think, to exercise good judgment, to process information rationally. When an individual is deprived of this capacity, there is nothing anyone, including God, can do to reach them, to awaken them, to reason with them and, therefore, to save them. This is the most debilitating aspect of religion. Believers don't think. It is why Yahowah said, "My people are destroyed for lack of understanding." Here, He is explaining the reason why this occurs and has connected cause and consequence.

There are many places throughout the Torah, Prophets, and Psalms where the imperfect conjugation is a lifesaver. This is one of them. Consistent with all seven of the instructions Yahowah inscribed upon the second of the two stone tablets, it is ongoing behavior that gets us into trouble. The life threatening nature of religious corruption is only debilitating to those who habitually go to church, who continue to believe the lies. The moment we walk away, the curse is lifted, the disease goes into remission, the plague no longer afflicts.

All Yahowah asks is that we choose of our own volition to walk away from *babel*, from the Whore of Babylon, from patriotism and religion. Moreover, the request for us to walk away implies that most people are or have been so associated at some time in their lives. Fortunately, having been religious is resolvable. Having been patriotic is curable.

However, continuing to be either is considered spiritual adultery, an act of religious infidelity. It is life-threatening and impoverishing – destroying the souls of the ongoing participants. That is why the instruction Yahowah chiseled in stone teaches us not to make a habit of adultery.

Consistently educating His children regarding the most devastating religious

pandemic ever unleashed by the Whore of Babylon, some four hundred years after this Proverb was composed, Yahowah revealed that Sha'uwl, the given name of the self-proclaimed apostle Paul, would be a plague of death. Now, after exposing and condemning him and his religious abomination in every way possible, from every angle and perspective, Yahowah ascribes the taunting slurs of the Christian faith to an insult perpetrated by the lowly and little one. Paulos, the Latin name chosen by Paul, means "lowly and little."

"He will obtain (*matsa'* – he will find and cause) the plague (*nega'* – the infection and fungus, the trauma and pandemic disease, the stroke), (*wa*), an insult of the lowly and little one (*qalown* – the shame, dishonor, ignominy, scorn and slander of the public disgrace, the lack of esteem and disrespect demonstrated by the infamous one, the degraded nature of the person and the contempt and disdain shown by the one of lowly status). His contemptuous and taunting slurs and rebuke (*cherpah* – his shameful insult and lowly status, his harmful and slanderous words) will not be wiped away (*lo' machah* – will not be washed off or blotted out, and will never be removed (nifal imperfect))." (*Mashal* / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:33)

God is again reminding us in general terms that the taunting slurs of religion stain souls beyond what He is either able or willing to remove. And specifically, Christians have been put on notice that the shameful and slanderous plague inspired by Paul, the Lowly and Little One, cannot be cured. Yahowsha' said as much in His Instruction on the Mount.

Paul was pathetically insecure, a debilitating malady that he tried to assuage by viciously demeaning his rivals, such as Yahowsha's Disciples, while egotistically overstating his value. Insecure individuals, like Paul, claim that they cannot lie while errantly calling their foes liars. They are antagonistic and destructive, uncontrollably venomous. And it is all driven by envy, the same malady that precipitated Satan's fall from heaven. That is what Yah is revealing here...

"Because indeed (ky), envy (qin'ah – a state of ill will caused by one trying to obtain a perceived advantage in a relationship, desiring exclusivity, even bringing into existence by bartering, from qana' – anger borne of envious jealousy) makes a human being (geber) venomous, hostile, and antagonistic (chemah – as poisonous as a snake, enraged and wrong, emotionally worked up in angry turmoil), and (wa) He will not take pity or show mercy (lo' chamal – He will not spare, deliver, or help, He will show no compassion (qal imperfect)) in the day (ba yowm) of reckoning and payback (naqam – of retribution and inflicting punishment, of being

avenged)."(Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:34)

An insecure person unmercifully undermines the character of those they envy. They are not only unlovable, they ruin relationships for others. Such was the case with Paul which is why he will be shown no mercy on the day of reckoning.

Very few Christians consider Paul's final words to Timothy. And yet he admitted that everyone he had known and conversed with had rejected him. He was abandoned and alone, pathetic and miserable.

Since Paul's venomous attacks on Yahowsha's Disciples are so blatant, so demeaning, and his envy of their deserved status so obvious, there is no reason to explore what drove these hostilities. The evidence affirming his envy is overwhelming, demonstrated in part by the uncontrolled and overtly hostile tantrums he foisted against Yahowah and His *Towrah*. By doing so in such a childish way, he actually destroyed what little credibility he would otherwise have achieved by force of his personality with rational individuals. So why did he risk everything he sought to accomplish for himself by littering his letters with these venomous and antagonistic outbursts?

I suspect that the answer to that question goes beyond the more common resentment associated with troubled individuals who blame their failings on God. Based upon Paul's confession in Second Corinthians, I think the answer lies in the demon who possessed him. Paul admitted that the thorn in his side was a representative and messenger from Satan, serving as a constraint to keep his ego in check. And therefore, Paul was just like Satan, indistinguishable from the Whore in character, motives, and means. He claimed for himself what is due God. He sought to elevate his testimony above God's. And as was the case with Muhammad, both men projected their own personas on their personal rendition of their god. Considering the absurdity of this, the only mystery is why anyone believed Satan or his emissary.

In that Proverbs 6:34 speaks of a "Day of Reckoning," a date yet in the future, this would be the opportune time to convey another amazing irony. Paul, the self-proclaimed apostle and founder of the Christian religion, and the religion's most legendary foe, the "Antichrist," are so similar in substance and style, they are essentially indistinguishable. While Paul remains the only man in the long history of men to embody every criticism Yahowah has delineated, there will be another. Every condemnation of Paul will be manifest in the words and deeds of the Towrahless One known to Christians as the "Antichrist."

We have every reason to suspect that the satanic spirit that Paul acknowledged

possessed him will also influence the Towrahless One. As a result, each of the warnings we have been given concerning Paul can be applied to the "Antichrist." The former was known for his travels, and the latter will become a world-wide sensation.

One has, and the other will, seek to be accepted by Gentiles, convincing them to oppose Isra'el. The audience was and will be chosen because they lack what is necessary to refute the false prophet's lies. While understanding the *Towrah* is easier now than ever before, few invest the time, and most reject it out of ignorance.

One was, and the other will be, opposed to circumcision. While its health benefits continue to be affirmed, opposition to circumcision continues to arise with more and more of the world's secular elite wanting to ban the sign of the Covenant.

The idea of inactivity leading to laziness defines the dependency of the entitlement generation – causing an increasing preponderance of people to be susceptible to the tactics that will be used to control humankind. Lethargy, ignorance, and apathy are universal, depriving the masses of common sense through the imposition of political correctness. Most will be easy prey, willingly accepting the deceitful, destructive, and deadly mandates of the Towrahless One – just as Gnostic Greeks and Romans unwittingly embraced Paul's mantra.

One came, and the other will arrive, behaving like a leader or guide, taking control, while promising to save the world. The former's letters and the latter's speeches were and will be confusing and invalid, an intoxicating blend of religion and politics.

Paul was, and the "Antichrist" will be wrong when it comes to God, perverting and corrupting, assailing and negating, His *Towrah* and its Covenant while proposing and imposing their agenda.

One was, and the other will be, self-promoting and arrogant. With perverse corruptions which invert reality in his heart, Paul devised and inscribed antagonistic schemes without consideration of their consequence. His adversarial and contentious message sought to do away with the one thing absolutely vital to our survival. The Towrahless One will follow suit. The latter will be indistinguishable from the former.

While some may consider Paul to be the prototype for the Towrahless One, I see Paul as having written the script for the "Antichrist." Paul created the mold from which the Towrahless One will emerge. His advocacy of Pauline Christianity will enhance his appeal providing the foundation upon which he will achieve world domination.

The comparisons are undeniable. Virtually every prophecy that applies to Paul describes the Towrahless One including the fact that Yahowah's most direct

condemnation of Sha'uwl was recorded 666 years before the self-proclaimed apostle scribed his first letter.

Now, moving on to the *Mashal*'s final warning, we find its author, which I suspect was Dowd, warning the rich and powerful...

"He is consistently unwilling to actually accept or endure (*lo' nasa'* – He will not lift up, raise up, bear, support, nor receive, he will not tolerate, forgive, nor show any respect for (qal imperfect)) the presence of (*paneh* – the face, mouth, or appearance of) any compensation, ransom payment, or appeasement (*kol kopher* – any payment, including any hush money, indulgence or contribution, any penitence or bribe, any cover up or sum of money, from *kaphar* – reconciliation, atonement, propitiation, placation, or pacification).

And He is unwilling to yield, and therefore He will refuse to accept (lo''abah – He will not consent to, submit to, agree with, nor relent to) you no matter how great and numerous your gifts or influence (ky rabah sochad – you regardless of the multitude or magnificence of your offerings, tributes, services, inspiration, position, ransom payments, presents expecting a quid pro quo, or bribe)." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:35)

It should be no surprise. You cannot buy God. He isn't for sale. There is no amount of money that will open Heaven's Door. The Mormons and Scientologists, who demand a cut of their victim's income, and the Roman Catholics, who offered indulgences at an exorbitant price, were and remain dead wrong as is the jizyah imposed by oppressive Muslim regimes upon those they subjugate. Religion is big business, a money laundering scheme that is as disgusting as the ones deployed by drug lords – even distributing an equally addictive product with similar results.

God does not need or want your money. He does not ask for it. He does not authorize anyone to solicit it or redistribute it for Him. What Yahowah is offering is both priceless and free. Man's religious alternative, like the human political option, is of no value, and it will cost those who subscribe their souls.

I would be remiss if I did not inform you that, at its heart, Islam was founded as a criminal enterprise. Muhammad conceived it to rob his neighbors because he was jealous of them. Terrorism was his lone tactic. The armed robbery of civilians served as the means to his fame and fortune.

Paul's scheme wasn't as vicious. He solicited religious donations the old fashioned way. Giving money to his church became the Christian thing to do. But if it were not for these donations, there would be no churches. The money that was given in hopes

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of saving the donor's soul has served to rob others of their souls. It is what God calls: making merchandise of men. It just isn't the Godly thing to do.

Charitable donations are often used as a measure of whether or not a person is good. But as we will learn toward the conclusion of the third chapter, God is no more impressed by a person being good than He is with their donations.

Heaven is not a reward for anything, much less for being a good person. Heaven is simply God's home. And His family is a relationship, not a prize. Entry into God's home, and thus inclusion into His family, is predicated upon correctly responding to the conditions of the Covenant and then engaging in the resulting relationship. It is about being right, not good.

Being good will not earn any credit with God. No amount of good works will cause heaven's door to open. There is nothing you can do, bring, or say that will influence God in the least. On this issue, He is unwilling to yield.

Heaven's door opens for those God recognizes, for participants in the Covenant, for His children, because they are family.

Here now is the entire 6th *Mashal*, one that may be helpful to read again in advance of the fifth chapter, entitled The Whore of Religion. Yah's message flows out of one into the next.

¹"My son, if you have at some point given a pledge, and if you have joined in with a foe to be accepted in association with your immoral country, then you have bound yourself to, having shaken hands with that which is illegitimate and unauthorized, foreign and estranged from the palm of My hand. ² You lure others into relinquishing their freedom and are yourself ensnared and controlled by the statements of your mouth. You are caught by way of the words which comprise your speech.

³ "So then decide to engage thusly, My son, and of your own freewill elect to tear yourself away, delivering yourself from harm. For if, even temporarily, you have actually come to bow down before the hand, influence, or control of your immoral country, choose to actually go in an unpretentious way, willing to get a bit dirty, and press one's reasons for contention with the adversarial individual or institution, boldly astonishing and overwhelming them, showing great courage against your loudmouthed and evil public spokesmen.

"Do not give yourself over to slumber, to being oblivious, concerning your eyes or altered state of awareness by closing your eyelids. (6:4) Choose to

escape, defending yourself, like a gazelle, from the hand of power. And similar to a chirping bird, be free of the hand of the fowler. (6:5)

"The habitually inactive and lethargic should observe and examine the movement of the ant, her ways, and be wise. (6:6) Beneficially, and from a relationship perspective, she has no leader or ruler, no commander or officer, no government or imposed authority, she has no work foreman or public official, not even a clerk or scribe, nor anyone claiming to be in charge or in control, and most especially not a lord who reigns over her. (6:7) She prepares in the summer, during the warmer period when the fruit of plants is plentiful. She gathers in the harvest, storing it as a source of nourishment. (6:8)

"For how long and to what extent, inactive, apathetic, and lethargic one, will you lie there and remain sedentary? When and what will it take for you to arise and stand up from your altered state of awareness? (6:9) A little inactivity leads to laziness, to folding one's hands together in a lethargic manner to rest. (6:10)

"For he will come, walking and behaving like a leader and guide, taking control. And you will lack what is needed, demonstrating a scarcity of something absolutely vital, needing what you do not have, causing you to be bereaved and diminished. (6:11) A confusing and invalid, destructive and corrupt, inconsistent and difficult to understand, man, an unjust, dishonest, evil, and vain individual, travels about with speeches which are wrong, perverting, and corrupting. (6:12) With a sinister winking of his eyes, he subtlety signals the vacillating nature of his proclamations. And by shuffling about regarding his stance on circumcision, he casts aspersions with his fingers. (6:13) With confusing and false perceptions which invert reality and corrupt his judgment, he devises and inscribes antagonistic schemes without consideration for their consequence which are adversarial, creating controversies and contentious strife, all while claiming to be sent out as a messenger to do away with something important. (6:14)

"Upon this, therefore, suddenly, unexpectedly, yet openly, albeit briefly, he will come with his destructive opposition and ruinous calamity. He will smash and shatter, breach and break, something vital and, as a result, he will suffer affliction, surprising many. And there will not be any remedy nor cure. (6:15)

"Behold, look up and pay attention, these six things Yahowah hates and considers adversarial, and seven are an abomination to His soul: (6:16) haughty eyes and visions of grandeur, including a rebellious perspective, a deceptive tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, (6:17) a heart which devises and

writes troublesome, idolatrous, and false doctrines, feet which rashly and impetuously run to and fro, darting about to approach that which is evil, (6:18) a maligning soul whose breath utters sedition, breathing out slanderous and deceptive testimony which incites the deluded to worship false gods as a false witness, and especially one who claims to be sent out as a messenger to do away with something vital, creating controversy and strife between brothers. (6:19)

"My son, choose to be spared and remain safe by closely observing and attentively focusing upon, so as to be protected and preserved by accepting the instructive terms of the relationship agreement of your Father and do not ever actually forgo or reject the Towrah, which is the teaching of your Mother. (6:20) Choose to fasten them upon your heart, continuously electing of your own freewill to place them as an adornment upon your neck. (6:21) In your walking, She will lead and guide you. Accompanying you when you rest, She will watch over you. And when you are awake, She will communicate with you, enabling you to seriously consider the situation and instructions. (6:22)

"For indeed, the prescriptions and conditions of this relationship accord are a lamp illuminated by olive oil, and the Towrah is Light. They are the way of lives, existing for rational discourse about being right regarding accurate instruction and correct teaching, (6:23) for the purpose of you closely examining and carefully considering so as to protect you from the woman who is evil, severing the relationship as a result of the smooth and seductive tongue of the treacherous Whore. (6:24)

"You should not continuously find her beautiful and graceful appearance desirable in your heart, thereby affecting your judgment. And do not let her actually obtain control of you with her flaunting display of flashing rays of light or her flirting eyes. (6:25) For indeed, the price of the loathed Whore is the same as a loaf of bread, however the soul of the woman or man she stalks and victimizes is valuable. (6:26)

"Can a man consistently scoop up and continually carry away fire in his lap or his deceitful garments and not be burned by the serpent? (6:27) Can an individual continually walk upon the burning coals or the flashing light from the sky and his feet not be scorched? (6:28) Therefore, anyone who goes to and pursues the one associated with his immoral country, he will not be pardoned nor seen as innocent – including all who make contact because they are plagued by her. (6:29)

"Don't they have contempt in this regard for the thief and kidnapper, even if

he captures people and steals property to satisfy his soul because he is famished? (6:30) If he is discovered, he will repay, making restitution, sevenfold for his claims. For all of the wealth and possessions found in his household, he will pay, giving back. (6:31)

"Actively committing adultery by way of religious idolatry and infidelity with this Whore is impoverishing and life threatening, depriving an individual of good judgment, corrupting the soul of those who consistently choose to act like this. (6:32)

"He will obtain the plague, an insult of the lowly and little one. His contemptuous and taunting slurs will not be wiped away. (6:33) Because indeed, envy makes a human being venomous, hostile, and antagonistic, and He will not take pity or show mercy in the day of reckoning. (6:34) He is consistently unwilling to accept or endure the presence of any compensation, ransom payment, or appearament. He is unwilling to yield, and therefore He will refuse to accept you no matter how great and numerous your gifts or influence." (Mashal / Meaningful and Easy to Remember Sayings / Proverbs 6:1-35)

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