

WHO ARE WE?

Group Name: We have no official name--nor do we want one--however we provide the following: INTERDEPENDENT-INTERACTIVE, CHURCH OF GOD, SABBATH SERVICES, BIBLE STUDIES, AND OPEN FELLOWSHIP.

Address: 320 N. Griffin St. City: Bismarck State: ND Zip Code: 58501

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Leadership Body: Christ the Head of God's Church, Colossians 1:18, Ephesians 5:23, and I Corinthians 11:3. Local contact persons are Darwin or Laura Lee.

Purpose: To provide Interdependent-Interactive, Church of God, Sabbath Services and Bible Studies to all of God's People, including those who are not welcome to visit or attend other groups due to having been suspended or disfellowshipped, as well as those who want a place to attend weekly, those who are just visiting our area, and anyone else who is interested in God's way of living. We also have open fellowship here, meaning that you are welcome to come visit with us during our open fellowship times even if you are not interested in attending our Sabbath Services or Bible Studies.

History: We held our first Bible Study here on June 30, 2000 and our first Sabbath Service was held on December 16, 2000.

Affiliation/Membership: Our Affiliation is with God our Father and His Son Jesus the Christ. Our membership includes *all* of God's people, no matter where they are.

Distinctive Doctrines: John 13:34-35

Use Sacred Names?: Since salvation is between God and each individual (Philippians 2:12), so the use of sacred names would be between each individual person and God.

Observe Holy Days?: We believe that God commands us to keep the Weekly Sabbath as well as Passover/Days of Unleavened Bread, Pentecost, Feast of Trumpets, Atonement, Feast of Tabernacles, and the Last Great Day, however, we also believe there is much controversy out there in understanding if certain ones should or shouldn't be kept, how to keep them and when to keep them. So with this in mind, we will try to the best of our ability to accommodate these differences, believing and having faith that someday through God's Holy Spirit, we will all be brought into the same understanding on this subject. Until then let's follow John 13:34-35.

Evangelistic Efforts: We provide a service to God's People no matter where they are to the best of our ability. This service includes Interdependent-Interactive, Church of God, Sabbath Services, Bible Studies and Open Fellowship. We also welcome live speakers for interactive, and special music, on a volunteer only basis.

Periodicals: We have a newsletter, which we publish every 2 months.

Literature: We distribute some literature besides the distribution of newsletters to the best of our ability.

Parent Group: The greater Church of God--The Ekklesia. Language: English

Other Language: None Country: USA

Name: Contact Persons are Darwin & Laura Lee Address: 320 N. Griffin St.

City: Bismarck State: North Dakota Zip Code: 58501

Phone: (701) 258-7172 E-Mail: darwin-laura@earthlink.net

Directions To Meeting: 320 N. Griffin St., Bismarck, North Dakota, located at the corner of Rosser Avenue and Griffin Street, with plenty of side street parking.

Time of Meeting: Usually 2:00 PM, but may vary.

SABBATH SERVICES--Every Saturday unless stated other wise on page 2. We generally do a phone hookup, video tape, or cassette tape, service with various speakers. If you have a video or audio tape you think we should hear, please send it.

We also welcome live speakers, and special music, by others on a volunteer basis. Please ask us about hosting.

Sabbath Schedule is as follows:

- 1:00 PM----Open Fellowship
(Door Open, Come In)
- 2:00 PM----Sabbath Services
- 4:00 PM----Open Fellowship

BIBLE STUDIES--We have Bible Studies approximately every 6 weeks. We have a Pot Luck Meal before we start our Bible Studies, so please bring food if you would like to participate in the fellowship, which goes with a meal.

Bible Study Schedule is as follows:

- 6:30 PM----Open Fellowship
(Door Open, Come In)
- 7:00 PM----Pot Luck Meal
(Bring Food)
- 8:00 PM----Bible Study
- 9:00 PM----Open Fellowship

Bible Study Dates are as follows:

- Friday, February 24, 2006
- Friday, April 7, 2006
- Friday, May 19, 2006

GUEST ROOM--If you are from out of town and are here to attend Sabbath Services or one of our Bible Studies, we do have a guest room. Please call ahead so we know when you will be arriving. (701) 258-7172 (Please Leave a message.)

LOCATION--Sabbath Services and Bible Studies are held at the home of Darwin & Laura Lee, located at 320 N. Griffin St., Bismarck, North Dakota. Please use the upper back door by the garage. Phone Number (701) 258-7172 (Please Leave a message.)

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE--The deadline for submitting articles and letters for possible inclusion in our May/June 2006 Newsletter is April 15, 2006. Thank You. Laura Lee (Editor)

AD SECTION

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NOTICE: We do not necessarily agree with everything printed in this newsletter. If you do not agree with items printed within this newsletter, we expect to hear from you. Remember iron sharpens iron. Darwin & Laura Lee

SABBATH SCHEDULE--BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA

February 18, 2006----Open for Hosting--Please Sign Up

February 24, 2006----Bible Study

February 25, 2006----Teaching the Law-- Lesson #112 & Lesson #113

March 4, 2006----Open for Hosting--Please Sign Up

March 11, 2006----Teaching the Law-- Lesson #114 & Lesson #115

March 18, 2006----Open for Hosting--Please Sign Up

March 25, 2006----Teaching the Law-- Lesson #116 & Lesson #117

April 1, 2006----Open for Hosting--Please Sign Up

April 7, 2006----Bible Study

April 8, 2006----Teaching the Law-- Lesson #118 & Lesson #119

April 12, 2006----Passover Service at Sunset

April 13, 2006----1st Day of Unleavened Bread/Passover Week--Public Video Presentation--The Seventh Day, Part One (52 Minutes), & Part Two (47 Minutes)

April 15, 2006----Public Video Presentation--The Seventh Day, Part Three (48 Minutes) & Part Four (60 Minutes)

April 19, 2006----Last Day of Unleavened Bread/Passover Week--Public Video Presentation--The Seventh Day, Part Five (84 Minutes)

April 22, 2006----Open for Hosting--Please Sign Up

April 29, 2006----Teaching the Law-- Lesson #120 & Lesson #121

May 6, 2006----Open for Hosting--Please Sign Up

May 13, 2006----Teaching the Law-- Lesson #122 & Lesson #123

If you want to host Sabbath Services and need 2 Sabbaths in a row for your presentation and/or would like to have your presentation listed on our Sabbath Schedule in our newsletter which is sent out to the public, the next deadline for that would be: April 15, 2006. On those Sabbaths of Open Hosting where no one signs up, we will just play a cassette tape by any of various speakers. All Sabbath Services are Hosted by Darwin & Laura Lee unless otherwise stated.

E-MAIL & SNAIL MAIL:

prayer-requests-darwin-laura@earthlink.net For Prayer Requests & Updates and letters in regard to them.

newsletter-only-darwin-laura@earthlink.net For items meant for print in our newsletter or on our web site.

questions-section-darwin-laura@earthlink.net To ask Biblical Questions (50 words or less) and to answer Biblical Questions.

answer-me-darwin-laura@earthlink.net For all letters.

darwin-laura@earthlink.net If you don't know where to send it, send it here and we will sort it.

archeology-exchange-darwin-laura@earthlink.net For the exchange of Archeological Information.

FAX--Our Fax number is: (919) 640-1806

SNAIL MAIL--Our snail mail address is Darwin & Laura Lee, PO Box 2333, Bismarck, ND 58502.

WEB SITE ADDRESS--<http://darwinlauralee.com>

FAMILY WEB SITE

For wonderful Christian Home School links, and references, and for Natural Health and Healing advice and references, and for a good family Web Site Visit: <http://www.besmiley.com>

See Jeana Anderson's Ad on our Web Site at: <http://darwinlauralee.com> Also find her Web Site on our Links Page. Darwin & Laura Lee

FINANCIAL DISCLOSER:

We do not charge for the services that we provide to the brethren. We also do not take any wages from the gift donations we are sent. The services we provide do however cost us money. From 2001 to 2005 our total balance left owing for expenses for services provided was minus **\$7804.60**.

Donations for 2006 total **+\$65.00**. Expenses for 2006 are as follows: Postage **-\$205.89**, Telephone **-\$0.00**, Internet Services **-\$352.05**, Printing Charges **-\$0.00**, Local Services **-\$22.00** and Research Materials **-\$0.00**. Total balance for 2006 is: **MINUS \$514.94**.

If you need a year end receipt, please request one. We truly appreciate the help we receive in helping others. Please make all checks out to Darwin and/or Laura Lee. Thank you Darwin & Laura Lee.

DONATION INFORMATION

If you feel that this effort is worthwhile and you would like to help support this work, you may send donations to us at: Darwin & Laura Lee, PO Box 2333, Bismarck, ND 58502 or use Pay Pal at: <http://darwinlauralee.com>

FIVE PART VIDEO SERIES ON THE HISTORY OF THE SABBATH

On April 13, 15 & 19, 2006, at 2:00 PM in Bismarck, North Dakota, we will be showing a five part video series on the seventh day Sabbath. The videos are titled, "**The Seventh Day, Revelations from the Lost Pages of History**," these are documentaries of the history of the seventh day Sabbath narrated by Hal Holbrook. Hope to see you. Darwin & Laura Lee

PASSOVER/DAYS OF UNLEAVENED BREAD IN BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA

We will observe Passover here at 320 N. Griffin St., on the evening of Wednesday April 12, 2006, at Sunset. We will serve a meal. Because we are serving a meal, we do need to know ahead of time whether you are coming or not, because we will need for anyone who attends to also supply some of the food which is served and we need to know so we can have enough tables and chairs set up for those in attendance. Please bring your own tub and towel if you plan to participate in the foot washing observance. The next day, Thursday April 13, 2006, on the First Day of Unleavened Bread, we will have services at 2:00 PM. The door will be open at 1:00 PM for fellowship. At 5:00 PM for anyone who would like to join us, we will meet for a meal and fellowship at the "North American Steak Buffet Restaurant" in Bismarck. On Wednesday, April 19, 2006, the Last Day of Unleavened Bread, we will have services at 2:00 PM. The door will be open at 1:00 PM for fellowship. At 5:00 PM for anyone who would like to join us, we will meet for a meal and fellowship at the "Perkins Family Restaurant (Expressway Ave.)" in Bismarck. We realize that not all people will be observing Passover or the Days of Unleavened Bread on the same days, so with this in mind, if you need a place to observe these days differently than we do, please contact us and if we can help you in anyway, we certainly will try.

WELCOME! ICY Feast of Tabernacles 2006, October 7 - 14

This fall the International Congregation of Yahweh (ICY) will be celebrating the 2006 Feast of Tabernacles in beautiful Branson, Missouri. Our congregation has been holding the FOT in Branson for the last few years. We have found it to be a wonderful Feast site:

"...a land of hills and valleys." (Deut. 11:11)

Branson offers a wide variety of accommodations, entertainment and activities for the entire family. ICY welcomes those of good will sincerely searching for the truths of the Bible. ICY is non-charismatic in beliefs and adheres to a strict and literal interpretation of the scriptures. Come learn many new truths you will not find elsewhere!

For more information contact us: info@icyahweh.org

Please contact ICY for further information regarding the FOT location in Branson, MO, meeting times, special events, etc.

See Gary Miller's Ad on our Web Site at: <http://darwinlauralee.com> Also find his Web Site on our Links Page. Darwin & Laura Lee

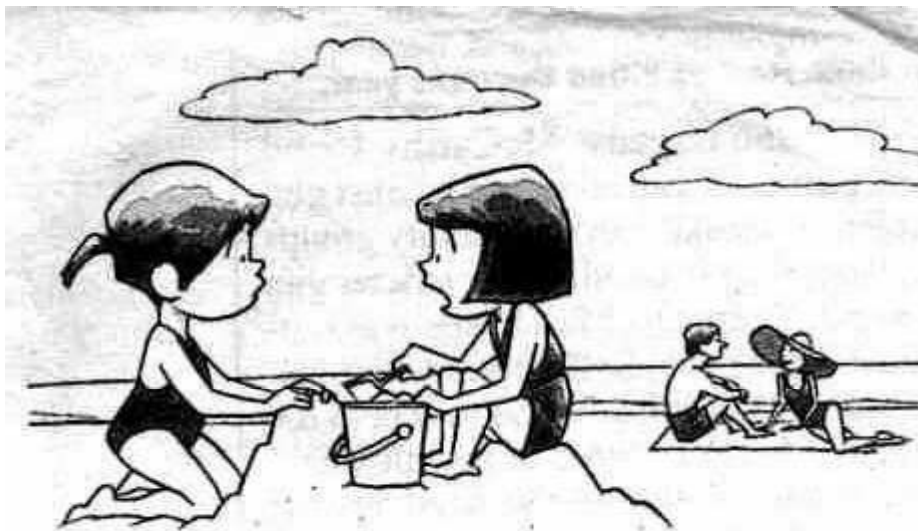
ORPHANS NEED HELP

I would like the brethren to visit my web site and see if they can assist those children I have in the church. They are orphans with nobody to rely on except church.

Find Isaya Ouma Owak's Web Site on our Links Page at: <http://darwinlauralee.com> Darwin & Laura Lee

INFORMATION SECTION

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"I'm never having kids. I hear they take nine months to download."

CARTOON

Sent by Keith Slough
Kannapolis, North Carolina

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IS A WORLD DICTATOR ABOUT TO APPEAR?

by David Ben-Ariel
Toledo, Ohio

As the Plain Truth declared back in 1966, "Just as the Catholic Church once

interposed her order on nations and peoples, she again is proposing to establish a 'Christian order' which alone is able to guarantee peace. To this goal the resources of the Church now are directed.' So said the late Pope Pius in a Christmas broadcast on December 24, 1951" (Plain Truth, July 1966)...

The Plain Truth also encouraged its readers to "Look for the Vatican to exert more influence in European affairs.

Yugoslavia and the Vatican have resumed full diplomatic relations—a move that could lead to further ties between the Vatican and Eastern Europe.... The pope, encouraging European political unity, stated, 'We note with pleasure that the German government contributes actively to the achievement of this aim.' Vatican influence over European affairs is destined to grow in the months ahead" (Plain Truth, Aug./Sept. 1970)...

Is a World Dictator About to Appear?

Now, in our time, we'll see how influential this German pope is in implementing Germany and the Jesuit's GRAND DESIGN....

The German pope will promote a leader for the theo-cons and they'll fall for it.

Germany will win WW III - and their EU jackboot will be permitted to stomp on the American, British and Jewish peoples primarily. But their days are numbered as Providence has given them three and one half years, and God will judge them if they engage in overkill and show no mercy. He will let them conquer us, but that doesn't mean God approves of them turning into a bloodthirsty BEAST.

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REPLICA OF SOLOMON'S TEMPLE TO BE BUILT AT BIBLE WORLD IN KIRYAT SHEMONEH, ISRAEL

Sent by Jeffrey Caldwell
San Jose, California

ynetnews.com --- Eitan Glickman

A 25-meter-tall (82 feet) replica of Solomon's temple in ancient Jerusalem to be built in northern city of Kiryat Shemoneh. Project will cost 8 million dollars to build, become main feature of city's Bible World

amusement park.

Not quite the Third Temple, but close: Entrepreneurs in the northern city of Kiryat Shemoneh are making plans to build a "Holy Temple" as part of a soon-to-be established Bible World amusement park.

Like the original in Jerusalem, the model structure will tower over its surroundings, reaching a height of 25 meters (82 feet) and will be an exact replica of Solomon's temple on Jerusalem's Temple Mount, destroyed by the Babylonians in 586 BCE.

"Time tunnels" will offer descriptions of the different periods of Jewish history, and will lead visitors to the main hall, which will feature murals depicting Biblical stories.

Visitors will also have the opportunity to "meet" three heroes of the Bible: Abraham, Moses and King David.

Overseeing the project is Chabad rabbi of Kiryat Shemoneh, Yigal Tsipori, who toured the site Wednesday with Mayor Chaim Barbibai and other local rabbis.

"The 'Book of Books,' the cradle of Jewish civilization, is increasingly disappearing from our national consciousness. Limited study is no longer sufficient to attract young people of today to the Bible and its values. Therefore, there is a great need for this initiative," said Tsipori. "The 'Temple' will use 3-D movies and other tools to show young people just how things worked in the Holy Temple and just what the priests (Cohanim) did," he added.

The park will also feature a Biblical textile mill and wine press, and will host Bar and Bat Mitzvah receptions.

The park's founders say they hope to attract 400,000 visitors annually to the park, including local Israeli youths and young people from the Diaspora.

The project, to be located near the Nehemia Mall in Kiryat Shemoneh, is expected to cost USD 8 million (NIS 38 million) and employ several dozen workers.

Several donors have already been lined up to fund the project.

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THE JOURNAL: JOHN ROBINSON, PUBLISHER OF IN TRANSITION, DIES
Sent by Dixon Cartwright Big Sandy, Texas

The Journal: News of the Churches of God www.thejournal.org

John Robinson, longtime church member and *In Transition* publisher, dies. <http://www.thejournal.org/issues/issue104/jrobinson.html>

AUSTIN, Texas--John Robinson, 60,

died Jan. 5 in a hospital here of complications from prostate cancer.

Mr. Robinson, a longtime Church of God member, was publisher of the independent Church of God newspaper *In Transition* from 1995 to 1997, managing editor of *The Worldwide News*, published by the Worldwide Church of God, from its beginning in 1973 until it was discontinued by WCG founder Herbert Armstrong in 1978, a faculty member teaching journalism and related courses at Ambassador College and the University of Texas at Tyler through the late 1980s, and most recently CEO of Dynamic Resource Group of Berne, Ind., and Big Sandy, Texas.

Mr. Robinson, born in Glasgow, Scotland, held U.S. and British citizenship. He had earned a master's degree in journalism from Texas A&M University, Commerce.

He is survived by his wife of 38 years, the former Alice Rothery; his mother, Margaret Robinson of Tulsa, Okla.; sons John David and Stephen of Austin; a daughter, Rachel Venish, of Austin; two brothers, Mark Robinson of Plano, Texas, and Robert Robinson of Palestine, Texas; sisters Felicity Reedy of Tyler, Texas, and Mary Robinson of Tulsa; and seven grandchildren.

Find Dixon Cartwright's Web Site on our Links Page at: <http://darwinlauralee.com>
Darwin & Laura Lee

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BEING AN AMERICAN
Sent by Rich Daniels Shawano, Wisconsin
Written by an Australian Dentist...

To Kill an American

You probably missed it in the rush of news last week, but there was actually a report that someone in Pakistan had published in a newspaper an offer of a reward to anyone who killed an American, any American.

So an Australian dentist wrote an editorial the following day to let everyone know what an American is, so they would know when they found one. (Good one, mate!!!!)

"An American is English, or French, or Italian, Irish, German, Spanish, Polish, Russian or Greek. An American may also be Canadian, Mexican, African, Indian, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Australian, Iranian, Asian, or Arab, or Pakistani or Afghan.

An American may also be a Comanche,

Cherokee, Osage, Blackfoot, Navaho, Apache, Seminole or one of the many other tribes known as native Americans.

An American is Christian, or he could be Jewish, or Buddhist, or Muslim. In fact, there are more Muslims in America than in Afghanistan. The only difference is that in America they are free to worship as each of them chooses.

An American is also free to believe in no religion. For that he will answer only to God, not to the government, or to armed thugs claiming to speak for the government and for God.

An American lives in the most prosperous land in the history of the world. The root of that prosperity can be found in the Declaration of Independence, which recognizes the God given right of each person to the pursuit of happiness.

An American is generous. Americans have helped out just about every other nation in the world in their time of need, never asking a thing in return.

When Afghanistan was over-run by the Soviet army 20 years ago, Americans came with arms and supplies to enable the people to win back their country!

As of the morning of September 11, Americans had given more than any other nation to the poor in Afghanistan. Americans welcome the best of everything...the best products, the best books, the best music, the best food, the best services.

The national symbol of America, The Statue of Liberty, welcomes your tired and your poor, the wretched refuse of your teeming shores, the homeless, tempest tossed. These in fact are the people who built America.

Some of them were working in the Twin Towers the morning of September 11, 2001 earning a better life for their families. It's been told that the World Trade Center victims were from at least 30 different countries, cultures, and first languages, including those that aided and abetted the terrorists.

So you can try to kill an American if you must. Hitler did. So did General Tojo, and Stalin, and Mao Tse-Tung, and other blood-thirsty tyrants in the world. But, in doing so you would just be killing yourself. Because Americans are not a particular people from a particular place. They are the embodiment of the human spirit of freedom. Everyone who holds to that spirit, everywhere, is an American.

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PASSOVER/UNLEAVENED BREAD
April 13-19, 2006

**SO YOU HAVE BEEN
DECEIVED?**

**by Phil Griffith
Delight, Arkansas**

There are many ways to be deceived and I will mention a few.

1. A person may lie to us and we believe the lie and we are deceived, in this case the person telling the lie knows it is not true.

2. A person that is deceived may tell us a falsehood they believe to be true, we believe the falsehood to be true and we are deceived.

3. A person may tell us the truth, we misunderstand and we have been deceived, an example of this would be John 21:23.

4. We may just be ignorant and think a stove is not hot and get burned. In this case we may say, "Why didn't you tell us the stove was hot?". In this example someone else may or may not have been in a position to warn us that the stove was hot.

So we see, at least in some cases and maybe in all cases, we have the responsibility to believe the truth and not be deceived.

I am suggesting that a person being deceived is just as guilty as the person doing the deceiving even if someone else is involved. In the case of John 21:31, would we blame Christ? I wouldn't because they deceived themselves.

If we decide to ask our heavenly Father to forgive us for being deceived, then we must also forgive any person we think responsible for deceiving us. Mark 11:25

We can look around us at the world of Christianity and see that being deceived is a normal part of being Christian. How we deal with this matter is a vital part of our spiritual growth. 1 Peter 4:12-19

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HELP THE HOME FOR LEPERS

**by Joseph Selvaraj
India**

PROJECT PROPOSAL FOR THE WELFARE AND REHABILITATION OF THE SEVERELY DISABLED LEPROSY CURED PERSONS AND OTHER PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS.

Name and address of the applying organization: Indian Leprosy Eradication and Rehabilitation Mission Trust. 99/1, National Highways Road, Irungalur Post, Manachanallur Taluk, Trichirapalli District,

Tamil Nadu India 621 105, E-Mail: ilermt@eth.net 0091 431 2671306, 094431 42086

Registration Details: Registered Under the Indian Trust Act. Our Registration Number is 34 of 1993.

We also Registered with the Foreign Contribution Regulations Act under the Ministry of Home Affairs to the Government of India. Our FCRA Number is 076040243.

We also registered with the Ministry of Finance under the Section 35 AC of the Income Tax Act 1961 as Recommended by the National Committee for Promotion of Social and Economics Welfare F. No. No. 270/149/2005 dated 10.08.2005.

We also registered under 80 G of Income Tax Exemption Act and having PAN CARD No. AAAT201026Q Under the Income Tax Act 1961.

Status of the Organization: Receives State Award in the year 2001 from the Government of Tamil Nadu on World Disabled Day 3rd December 2001.

Bank Details: Our Bank Account Number is 01000065403 at State Bank of India, Main Branch, Cantonment, Trichirapalli 6210 001, Tamil Nadu, State, India.

Project Planned :

1. Institution Based Rehabilitation: Leprosy Affected persons are more in our Country India. In 1960 the total number of persons affected by Leprosy is 4 Million and 8 Lakhs in our state Tamil Nadu. So the burnt out cases and Old age Patience are still with ulcer foot and claw hands are much even though the prevalence rate of Leprosy is come down after Multi Drug Therapy. We have to run a home for severely disabled Leprosy Cured Persons for their food and accommodation and the treatment. The Government Hospitals are not taking care of the Ulcer Patients in the foot and hands. Our Centre is taking care of the Leprosy victims and their wounds because the wounds are spreading bad smell because it is not properly dressed. Our Mission Trust surveyed and find out the need of severely disabled Leprosy victims to start a Home for Severely Disabled Leprosy Victims. Initially 25 Men and 25 women Patients of all other ailments including Leprosy.

2. Community Based Programmes: Some Leprosy Victims having family members to stay back with their family even outside of their house in the cattle room needs to be taken care of by the livelihood projects like animal rearing, Petty shops and other micro business needs economic and social empowerment. They need small grants as seed money to start small business for their and their family member's livelihood. Likewise the persons with Disabilities need some small Micro self help and self

employment projects. They need some training and therapy to activate their muscles.

BUDGET FOR IBR AND CBR

S.No.
Items/Particulars
Amount
I. I.B.R

1. Project Director
Rs. 10,000x12 = Rs. 1,20,000.00
2. Warden
Rs. 5,000x12 =Rs. 60,000.00
3. Part Time Doctor
Rs. 500x3x4x12=Rs. 72,000.00
4. Nurse Helper
Rs. 3,000x2 x12=Rs. 72,000.00
5. Cooks
Rs. 2,500x2x12 = Rs. 60,000.00
6. Nutritional Expenses for 50 Leper
Rs. 1,000x50x12=Rs. 6,00,000.00
7. &nb

GRANT REQUESTED FROM your organization is Rs. 24,88,000.00 (Rupees Twenty four Lakhs and Eighty Eight Thousand only).

Monitoring and Evaluation:

Monitoring will be done by the Director and the Board of Trustees periodically. Weekly, fortnight and monthly reports will be collected from each and every staffs and feed backs will be intimated and rectify is there any lapses in their part.

Evaluation will be done both internally and externally by the experts of evaluation team.

Every Quarter, the quarterly reports, Photographs and Other documents required by the agency will be submitted periodically.

See Joseph Selvaraj's Ad on our Web Site at: <http://darwinlauralee.com> Darwin & Laura Lee

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QUESTIONS SECTION

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ANSWER BIBLICAL QUESTIONS

Send your answers to:
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Or

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WE NEED ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

(When answering questions, please include the # of the question you are answering.)

QUESTION #12=After reading through the bible about money and it's role, I'm beginning to ask who created money and where was money created in heaven or in the world and for what purpose?---These are some of the questions about money in the bible.---(1) This is the first money transaction I saw in the bible, (Gen. 23 v 7-20 it is all about burial ground). (2) The second transaction is all about hatred (Gen. 37 v 26-28), this is where the power of money came into play (Gen. 42 v 25-38). No wonder Ecc. 7v12 calls it defense, but wisdom is better so where does it (money) come from?

QUESTION #22=This is the beginning of the teaching of the prophet Isaiah (Isah. 1 v 2-19 Isaiah here called on the people of his time by saying this and this in (v 12 who ask you to bring me animal sacrifice and here he condemned Sabbath keeping here too but in verse 18 the lord says come now lets settle the matter. The apostle Paul offered a sacrifice in this place Acts 21 v 26 G. N. B. He even performed ceremony of purification and every body quotes him when they wish it to go the other way around. (1 Timothy verse 1 It's the same Paul speaking here and please explain this Acts 24 v 17-18 G. N. B. verse 17 of Acts 21 this is where I would love to understand because here the ones I will call the living witness say to brother Paul verse 21 G. N. B., HERE PAUL OFFERED SACRIFICE OR WHAT IS THIS appeal?

QUESTION #34=I have been studying about the Giants in Genesis. I caught the tail end of an article on TV about the island where they

found their skeletons and they were huge, but I didn't catch the name of the island do you know it?

QUESTION #36=What significance should the Passover observance have for the believer in Jesus today?

QUESTION #37=Is Passover a memorial of an event or a yearly recommitment of something or none of these concepts?

QUESTION #38=I would like to know what day to keep Pentecost, is it Monday as before or Sunday as now?

QUESTION #39=I have the early writing of Armstrong where Pentecost was being kept on Monday for forty years and now some Churches of God keep it on Sunday how did this come to be?

QUESTION #40=I would like to know why will a tree be used for healing in the millennium?

QUESTION #41=It was once explained in a sermon that the listings of the lineage of Joseph back to David, in the beginning of the book of Matthew, was significant as to Christ's genealogical background. How could that be since Joseph was not Jesus' biological father?

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QUESTION #52

In verse 35, 36, 37, 38 of Luke 22, the disciples said look here are two swords and the lord that demanded this says that is enough so what did the purse, bag and sword stand for?

Judas was a thief. (John 12:4-6) He carried the supply bag for the Apostles and Christ. The money (purse) for them was in the supply bag. Judas stole from the supply bag to satisfy the desires of his own self. The sword, however, fulfilled prophecy that "He (Jesus) was reckoned among the transgressors (Mark 15:28)."

All humans, except for Jesus, are transgressors in sin. (Romans 3:23) Therefore, as God the Father has "bodyguards" (cherubs) (Matthew 26:53) so Peter thought, (fulfilling his material carnal desires), to bodyguard Jesus with the sword, but when Peter cut off the ear of one of the High Priests servants with the sword

(Matthew 26:51), he was a sinful transgressor of the 2nd great commandment, fulfilling his carnal desire to resort to violence.

Another explanation about the sword may be this way; Jesus later asked Peter three times if he loved Him and Peter assured Him that he did. A verse from Solomon says that "love is as strong as death" (Song of Solomon 8:6) therefore Jesus knew that Peter would desire to defend Him with the sword but ordered "put up your sword," admonishing Christians to not resort to violence. Let Christ resort to just retribution, not us.

When He comes, He, being God's son, knows who deserves just retribution. He (Jesus) has the authority to exercise just retribution, not us.

Answered by:
Alan Croyle
Emporia, Virginia

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QUESTION #53

Why did God create the Earth and put Adam & Eve in it?

God created the earth to be the testing ground and Adam and Eve were created to be the first test subjects. They both failed but they were expected to fail just as people are expected to fail a pre-test.

In studying the first four chapters of Genesis, many are left with the impression that God had a great system set up but the snake got into the garden and God's plan just came unraveled. What's wrong with this picture? It pretends that the Serpent is as powerful as God (an absurdity of mammoth proportions).

Adam was simply initiated into the first stage of character building. He was created relatively perfect but incomplete. It's just like the parts of a car beside an assembly line are perfect but until they are completed (assembled together) to become a car, they are not of much use. Do we say the parts are bad simply because they have not yet been assembled? No.

Adam and Eve were incomplete. So are we. Accepting Christ as our blood sacrifice

begins the process of salvation that has the potential to make us complete and whole. Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us (1 Corinthians 5:7). Just as death passed over the Children of Israel the night before they anticipated leaving Egypt, death can pass over us as we anticipate leaving sin. Egypt is symbolic of sin.

God set it up like this because of past history. Satan and one third of the angels had rebelled (Revelation 12:4). Rebellion is something that can occur in a created being. So instead of creating more spirit beings (angels), God created humans who would have a chemical physical existence. These humans who have a chemical existence, can be made complete if they go through the process of salvation. Salvation is a way of making us whole or holy. The process of salvation is not repair-work. It is not for the purpose of bringing humans back to a previous state such as the one that existed in Eden. It's for the purpose of giving us the potential to step up to something not previously available – the kingdom of God (Matthew 6:33).

"For the earnest expectation of the creature waits for the manifestation of the sons of God. For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who has subjected the same in hope" (Romans 8:19-20).

Was it planned?

It had to be. Christ is the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world (Revelation 13:8).

The destiny of what humans are to become is absolutely beyond human imagination to describe. "...eye has not seen, nor ear heard, neither has [it] entered into the heart of man, the things which God has prepared for them that love him" (1 Corinthians 2:9).

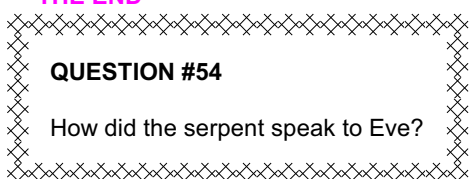
The primary benefit of salvation's completion is: We will be resurrected into bodies that do not die (1 Corinthians 15:52-54). We will have an eternity to do all the things that the Father and Son want us to do.

Answered by:

Wily Elder
North Miami, Florida

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QUESTION #54

How did the serpent speak to Eve?

Doesn't it seem just a little strange that

Eve doesn't go away screaming when a snake speaks to her? It does to me, and I may have found the answer as to why she doesn't seem surprised, but, instead, engages the snake in a conversation, a debate, as it were. It's as if she's USED TO animals talking, and if the Book of Jubilees is correct, that's exactly what was going on... at one time ALL the ANIMALS TALKED!

Of course, animals still "talk" today but not in a way we understand. Anyone who has pets knows they communicate with us and with one another, we just don't always understand the language.

Taking away that language, that ability to understand, may have been part of the curse, as in the following: "And on that day [the day Adam and Eve sinned] was CLOSED THE MOUTH of all beasts, and of cattle, and of birds, and of whatever walketh, and of whatever moveth, so that they could no longer speak: for THEY HAD ALL SPOKEN ONE WITH ANOTHER with one lip and with one tongue" (Book of Jubilees 3:28). After their mouths were closed, "...He sent out of the Garden of Eden all flesh that was in the Garden of Eden, and all flesh was scattered according to its kinds, and according to its types unto the places which had been created for them" (Book of Jubilees 3:29).

BALAAM'S ASS SPEAKS

If the mouths of the animals were closed at that time, then the process must have been reversed as we see when Balaam's ass spoke: "And the LORD OPENED the MOUTH [not necessarily merely referring to the body part, but can be translated "speech," a modern derivative of this might be the phrase, 'loosen the tongue'] of the ass, and she said unto Balaam, What have I done unto thee, that thou hast smitten me these three times?" (Numbers 22:28).

The word used above for OPENED is Strong's #6605: "opened" or ("loosed" often used in the sense of setting free a prisoner or someone who is bound [or in this case "something," the tongue]. Source: "Blue Letter Bible." 1996-2002. 25 Dec 2005, "Dictionary and Word Search for 'loose' pathach (Strong's #6605)" <http://www.blueletterbible.org> And the word used above for MOUTH is Strong's #6310. peh, peh; from H6284; the mouth (as the means of blowing), whether lit. or fig. (particularly SPEECH).

Here again as in the Garden of Eden when the serpent spoke to Eve, there is no surprise that an animal is speaking, suggesting that perhaps Balaam had at least heard stories of animals speaking in the distant past, (or maybe he's just really hard to impress) but a very different reaction occurs when his eyes are "opened" and he

sees the angel, as in the following passage: "Then the LORD OPENED [a different word for "opened" is used here, meaning 'to uncover'] the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and he bowed down his head, and fell flat on his face," (Numbers 22:31).

BELIEF THAT A LITERAL SNAKE SPOKE

It is of interest that apparently some have concluded that a literal snake did, in fact, talk with Eve. None other than the Jewish historian, Flavius Josephus, who lived from 33 C. E. - 100 C. E., composed these words as found in his work "The Antiquities of the Jews," Book 1, Chapter 1: "God therefore commanded that Adam and his wife should eat of all the rest of the plants, but to abstain from the tree of knowledge... But while all the living creatures had ONE LANGUAGE, at that time the serpent, which then lived together with Adam and his wife, showed an envious disposition, at his supposal of their living happily, and in obedience to the commands of God and imagining, that when they disobeyed them, they would fall into calamities, he persuaded the woman, out of a malicious intention, to taste of the tree of knowledge... [Later God] DEPRIVED THE SERPENT OF SPEECH, out of indignation at his malicious disposition towards Adam. Besides this, he inserted poison under his tongue, and made him an enemy to man" <http://jehovah.to/exe/general/serpent.htm>

From "Reluctant Messenger"

<http://reluctant-messenger.com/josephusA01.htm> comes more about Josephus's point of view of the Fall: "... it appears, that Josephus thought several, at least, of the brute animals, particularly the serpent, could speak before the fall. And I think few of the more perfect kinds of those animals want the organs of speech at this day. Many inducements there are also to a notion, that the present state they are in, is NOT THEIR ORIGINAL STATE; and that their capacities have been ONCE MUCH GREATER than we now see them, and are CAPABLE OF BEING RESTORED TO THEIR FORMER CONDITION... and that both man, and the other subordinate creatures, are hereafter to be delivered from the curse then brought upon them, and at last to be delivered from that bondage of corruption, Romans 8:19-22."

CREATION WAITS WITH EAGER LONGING

Paul explains that "creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, ***CONTINUED ON PAGE 24***"

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* **LETTERS SECTION** *
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* **Tape Recorded Letter Received:** *
* **October 27, 2005** *

* **Subject: ACCUSATIONS MADE** *
* **AGAINST DARWIN AND LAURA** *
* **LEE--Part #3** *

* **by Raymond G. Kaping** *
* **Shell Knob, Missouri** *

* **The following information was** *
* **received by us on October 27, 2005 in the** *
* **form of a cassette tape. We have tried to** *
* **the best of our ability to transcribe this** *
* **tape as accurately as possible. This letter** *
* **is continued from Issue #31.** *

Raymond records:

I don't know if there is a name for Norman Edwards Church that they use or a bank account or a tax sheltered church type thing, but I know the Servants' News that we, getting the Servants' News from Norman and a Servants' News stopped coming, but to put it quite bluntly Norman Edwards was putting out, a his grievances because the money was stopped coming in now. I don't know why the money stopped coming in unless maybe people were starting to suspect the money wasn't being used the way it was supposed to be used. Of course you know if you look at scriptures you will find when Jesus Christ was talking to the disciples, the apostles, now what he was saying is now go, go in twos or go out and preach the gospel message and don't take any money with you, don't take any extra shoes with you, don't take any extra clothing with you. What he was saying is you go out there and you feed these sheep and then they will take care of you.

Laura writes:

I don't believe that Norman was using the money being sent to him in a wrong way. I believe that Norman and Marleen Edwards and their family as well as I and Darwin have sacrificed an awful lot of our own time and money to help the people in the Church of God. The truth of the matter is, I don't believe there are that many people that are willing to help support those who struggle to serve them. We have to pay money for the materials that are used to print and mail a newsletter out every 2 months. Few people that receive this newsletter ever pay us one single penny towards expenses, and still renew year after year. Darwin and I are not wealthy people and there will come a point in

time where we will be unable to continue with the newsletter to serve the Church of God. Darwin and I do not and never have taken any wages for our service. All the gift donations that we receive go into the cost of services that we offer. I also know that Norman and Marleen used a tremendous part of their own personal money to keep Servants' News going.

Raymond records:

So this business of property has always been a thorn in my side, ever since I seen supposed Christians who are following after Christ squabbling over how to buy property and what to do with it. The first thing that we run into when we started talking about buying a church, a church building was people were complaining because it's too far. We drove 75 miles to go to church in Springfield. And these people were complaining because they had to drive an extra 5, 10 miles to go to church. And of course somebody brought that up one time and a the comment was made that well they wanna go to church, well then that means they didn't want to. They were being held in bondage and they didn't want to go to church. So, you know, I just, I started seeing very, very bad behavior coming out of these people over property. And that, that's why I'm addressing this issue now and hopefully you can lay the complaints to rest for whatever reason that you are withholding addresses from these people on prayer requests. I'm not gonna find fault with you for it, it's just that these people, they'd like to send help to the people that are requesting the help. Actually when they request prayer because they are having financial difficulty, medical financial difficulty, or job difficulty or a medical care difficulties or nursing home difficulties, whatever the case may be, the prayer request is for implies that they need financial help. So, when, when this comes up and the church wants to do something for these people, they would like to have an address where they can correspond with these people, a one thing I know about this church, this Church of God at Springfield is that they do not send out literature. They, they know that people need help, they send them the money to help them and they don't ask any questions. They may ask, they may ask if they need more to respond that you know, that, to let them know that they may need more for help beyond what they got. But otherwise they're not going to send them a letter condemning them for being sinners or send them a bunch of unsolicited material like one case, a man sent him a whole package of tapes, sermon tapes, simply because they got their name on a prayer list and give their address and these

people have aired their grievances to Rosy, course Rosy all she's doing is putting the information out there and asking people for prayer for these people.

Laura writes:

Not all people send addresses with prayer requests. Any time a person puts their address out there on the Internet, they should clearly expect to get more than cards. Once an address is out there, I have no control over what is sent to that address any more than Rosemary Halley has control over it. I personally do not believe that Rosemary Halley even asks the people that send prayer requests to her if they even want their address posted all over the Internet. How I know this is because some prayer requests she has received from us she has posted the persons supposed address on the request even though we never sent it to her and to top that off Rosy put old addresses which are no good with these requests we send her and that is how we know she does not ask the person first in many cases. I believe that Rosemary Halley is asking for trouble with people complaining about unsolicited mail because she does not ask the people who request prayer whether they want their addresses posted all over the Internet or not.

Raymond records:

So, I'm, I'm gonna mark this on the tape as personal because if you want to address this with the church, your people, your brethren that's fine but I, I was doing this with you personally so that you could address it personally and you wouldn't have to have people start questioning the motive's behind what's going on.

Laura writes:

The only thing that is going on here is what you and others continue to make up in your own minds. Our only motive is to serve God's people no matter where they are. We have done nothing wrong. All of your accusations are totally unfounded and we sincerely hope that you and the others with you will take responsibility for your unfounded accusations against us and against Norman Edwards.

Raymond records:

I'm not going to make this a full length tape, I just wanted to bring this up so that you can, you might want to write to the Church of God International, not the Church of God International, the Church of God the Ozarks and Springfield, Missouri and a I'm sure you have a address available for that, they sponsor Ron Dart's program but a you might

want to address them directly and not bring it through me, but I just needed, I just needed to put this out there, I just needed to open it up, air it out so that you will know what's going on and if these people are not getting any help, you need to know why it is that people are suspicious.

Laura writes:

I am not familiar with the Springfield Church of God, but the Church of God the Ozarks know how to contact us and could have contacted us at any time in regard to our policies in regard to prayer requests, but instead they decided like you to spread rumors in regard to us. This newsletter will be posted on our Web Site and if they don't have Internet access, we would hope that you will use your own money to show them this response to the many accusations against us in order that it may be straightened out.

Raymond records:

Mainly there's, a, I haven't received anything from anybody that complained about Norman Edwards, a, putting this property in his name, so where did they get this information from? That's what I'm concerned about, who's, somebody is getting something from somebody, a letter, a newsletter or something that is indicating that this is happening that Norman Edwards is getting that property and it is all in his own name.

Laura writes:

Norman and Marleen Edwards were being slandered just like is happening to us right now and we stepped in and looked at all the proof and then we supported Norman and Marleen Edwards through our newsletter to stop the unfounded rumors that were being spread around the world by people who have apparently nothing better to do in life than to cause problems and slander people. We have printed many things in our newsletter over the last year in support of Norman and Marleen Edwards and we would do the same for any other person who had similar things happen to them. Again, apparently you have not been reading the newsletter we send to you every 2 months or you would know what is going on with Norman and Marleen Edwards.

Raymond records:

So I hope I don't offend you with this, I, I would like to clear the air so that these people will, when somebody needs help, that they will go ahead and help them, but again like I say, they're not too, they're not too comfortable with the idea of sending you and Darwin the money if, if they're afraid it's gonna wind up in paying for Norman

Edwards property, but, you, you people go ahead and deal with your property issues.

Laura writes:

We are not easily offended, however we do feel that you need to take responsibility for these unfounded and slanderous accusations against us. Again, we have not sent Norman Edwards any money to buy property with because we don't have any money for that. We also have absolutely nothing to do with the property which Norman Edwards purchased. We are no more affiliated with Norman Edwards than we are with you, Raymond G. Kaping.

Raymond records:

I've been there and I know what happens as soon as the property issue comes up, people are going to start getting hostile and they're gonna start getting angry and I've been there, I don't wanna be there again. I've, come to the point where in any church of God that gets together and gets organized, needs to do it on neutral ground, a lease or rent or you know, it, it, they may even go to somebody's house. But it is not personal property for the church or in somebody that is in the church a minister that is in the church that has it in his name. So, I hope you aren't mad at me, I don't want you to be angry with me, but, I would like you to clear the air for these people so that if there is somebody in need they will get it, they'll get help. Like I say, I don't get involved in that computer web prayer line, I see people on that prayer lines that I think are crying for somebody to just give them something for nothing. They're not willing to help themselves. So I've gotten to the point where I don't pay attention to the prayer lines anymore. But anyway it is a service that is being offered and Rosy Halley and she sees it as a service to help people and there are probably people on the prayer lines that do get help. Hope to hear from you soon.

Laura writes:

We are here to serve the people of God, not to get angry at them, but tell me, how would you feel if the only thing you ever tried to do is help people and they accuse you of the things contained in this letter. People really need to start thinking, using common sense and logic before they say things about people when they have no proof for what they are saying. We hope to hear from you and your two churches very soon.

THE END**

* Letter Received: *
* January 18, 2006 *
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* Subject: REPLY TO RAYMOND *
* KAPING TAPE *
* *
* by Norman Edwards *
* Port Austin, Michigan *

Letter to the Editor:

In your Jan/Feb 2006 newsletter, page 9, Raymond Kaping claims that Darwin and Laura Lee were diverting money to Port Austin, as their "headquarters". This is not true, as the Lees have stated. The Lees have never sent us any money on behalf of someone else and have sent nothing at all to us since we stopped mailing Servant's News in 2003. In regards to putting property in our own name, the Edwards do not have any property in their own name anywhere, but other Sabbatarians here do have property in their own names. The Edwards, like the Lees, have put much of their own money into their effort to serve God. PABC will never be a "headquarters" for a group of churches. Its founding declaration states:

"The Port Austin Bible Campus name was chosen for local operational purposes and not to create a sect or denomination in any way. The Ministry is not affiliated with any religious party or denomination. The Bible instructs against division by specific teachers (1 Cor 1:11-15; 3:4-10)."

We would just encourage Mr. Kaping to be careful who he listens to as Christ warned that there would be "tares among the wheat" (Matt 13:25). Also Paul mentioned the tactic of evil men sending false letters that claimed to be from Paul (2 Thes 2:2). Mr. Kaping probably listened to someone who sounded like they knew what was happening--but who was not telling the truth.

Please publish our contact information so that anyone with questions can ask us. I hope this clears up any misunderstanding.

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* Letter Received: *
* November 19, 2005 *
* Subject: WEB SITE COMPLAINT *
* by Terry Ramlow *
* Wisconsin *

Terry writes:

Dear Laura

I think you are an extremely thoughtful, hard-working, generous and dedicated person. The work you do with your newsletter is very informative and helpful. The work that goes into sharing prayer requests and updates is very praiseworthy.

It is also quite obvious that you are bridge-builders, in the sense that all you do is in an effort to respect the differences of the various Sabbath-keeping churches of God and appear to show no favoritism, giving a platform to all within reason.

I wanted you to know that I/we do truly appreciate all of these efforts.

There is just one issue, from our perspective. And I was so concerned about hurting your feelings regarding this that I am sending from an "anonymous" address, as it would pain me so for you to get angry with me. Upon every invitation, we have "visited your website", only to find that the design, however well-intentioned, was so overdone as to be painful to the eyes. I simply cannot go there again. I am sorry. I'm sure you, or someone, worked very hard to make it attractive. The busy-ness is overwhelming. The intense and dramatic colors are distracting and detracting for some kinds of people - not bad or dull people - just some kinds of people.

Laura writes:

Luke 12:2 For there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; neither hid, that shall not be known.

First of all that "anonymous" stuff never seems to work out very well.

Second, when designing any Web Site, there will always be some people who do like it and some that don't. We realize that to be true. With that said, some people like our Web Site and some people including you don't. I don't have a problem with that, as I understand that it all has to do with a person's taste, such as likes and dislikes.

Third, I am not sure why you would think that I would be angry if you expressed your opinion in regard to something. We like honest people here and there is never any end to my assertively expressing my opinion on any variety of issues. We believe all people should express themselves in honesty.

Terry writes:

I love color and drama, but in measure. And quite frankly, if you take a look at various highly-visited sights of spiritual content around the web (for example, biblestudy.org), you will find a more subtle approach is what lends itself to be appealing and engaging.

Laura writes:

Even though biblestudy.org is a large site and has a lot of information, it would be sort of boring if all Web Sites were exactly the same, wouldn't it?

Terry writes:

Again, I will apologize if this has been hurtful in any way. Please remember, "Faithful are the wounds of a friend", and take this as intended. With warm regards,

Laura writes:

Terry don't sweat it, you have not wounded me in anyway. As I said, we love an honest opinion.

Since you don't like our Web Site, but you seem to like what we do here, perhaps you will consider joining our e-mail list at some point. Our newsletters can now be received via e-mail, so you don't even have to go to our Web Site.

THE END**

* Letter Received: *
* January 20, 2006 *
* Subject: REFERENCE WORKS *
* by Dale & Beverly Smith *
* Olney, Illinois *

Shalom Laura & Darwin our brother in Yahshua Messiah,

I wish to thank you for the newsletter that we get very often. It is clear in many of the articles although there are so many that obviously don't use the reference works available or decide that they are wrong. I also use reference works and usually check at least three and sometimes more especially the commentaries.

I was able to obtain four volumes of six on the Origin of Pagan Idolatry and it was written in 1812. There is so much information available in it as well as Two Babylons. Also Rawlinson's works from the 1800's and many other secular works.

You always give a good answer and ask for the complete references when they only send partial.

In my researches, I have found that all the holidays on the calendar are right from

paganism. I know there are many that will deny that some of them came from our politicians, but they haven't researched far enough.

I misplaced the address of Janine's while I was sick. I had a cellulitis attack where my left leg swelled up twice the normal size and turned bright red. It was very tender to the touch and they caught it just in time. It is very dangerous as anyone can check on the internet or medical books. I was told that it could have required removal of the leg or even resulted in death. I spent three to four days in the hospital with the leg elevated and still have to keep it elevated. It still hurts and swells up quite a bit. I am very weak although I am getting better.

Would you please forward this letter to Janine in Buffalo? We have been writing fairly often and owe her a letter.

Many thanks for everything and may you both be blessed by Yahweh for your service to His people.

Your brother and sister in Yahshua Messiah.

Response:

Your letter was forwarded to Janine. We ask all of our readers to please pray for Dale Smith's complete physical healing. Darwin & Laura Lee

THE END**

* Letter Written: *
* January 2006 *
* Subject: DISCLAIMER OF *
* ARLAN WEIGHT'S ARTICLE: GO *
* TO YOUR BROTHER... -- Part #1 *
* by Darwin & Laura Lee *
* Bismarck, North Dakota *

This public letter and disclaimer is posted in it's entirety on our Web Site at: <http://darwinlauralee.com> You will find it posted on Newsletter #2 and also on the animated version of the article "Go To Your Brother..." by Arlan Weight.

Darwin & Laura write:

Recently we had reason to deal with Arlan Weight in regard to the concept of going to ones brother when there is a problem (sin). While doing that, this article written by Arlan back in 2001 was read by us and gone over again according to scripture. In our dealings with him we realized we had made a terrible mistake in even printing this article and believe that the below article is so unbiblical in it's concepts and principles that we feel we must apologize for our error in ever printing this and put a disclaimer on the

article. So for that reason we will be posting this disclaimer in all areas on our Web Site which carry this particular article. For the purpose of time and space we will only hit on the high points of what is wrong with this article and why. We sincerely apologize to our readers for ever printing this particular article.

Arlan Weight's article:

GO TO YOUR BROTHER...

by Arlan Weight, Bismarck, North Dakota

From my first encounter with the Worldwide Church of God in the late 60's and early 70's 'suspension' and disfellowshipping' were common practices. Prior to either one of these measures being taken, there was an effort to reconcile with the one involved in the infraction. From my perspective the effort usually involved the ministry, maybe not always, but usually.

Over the years I've always had this nagging thought that many people were never reconciled or encouraged in a right way such that they would return and consequently were disfellowshipped. Once disfellowshipped they rarely ever returned. Again, this is my view of things. How about you? How many people have you ever seen return to the local church congregation once they had been officially disfellowshipped?

In Matthew 18:15-17 Jesus gives a short and clear guide to solving problems in the church between brethren. Does the prescribed method work? Has it worked for you? If it works, why didn't the majority of cases become reconciled, or so it seems to me. Could it be we may have overlooked some things in the instruction that would have made all the difference? Let's take a close look at what Jesus said.

"Moreover if your brother shall trespass against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone: if he shall hear you, you have gained your brother. But if he will not hear you then take with you one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell it unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto you as an heathen man and a publican. (Mat. 18:15-17)

Notice the word "Moreover" beginning the verse, which seems to indicate this instruction is adding to some previous discussion. The discussion in this chapter is dealing with offenses so you have to back up to verse 1. Here Jesus is explaining to his disciples that they need to be very careful not to offend the "little ones". He's letting them know how serious an infraction that is. In fact it's so serious he covers it twice in the same setting; verse 6 and verse 10. Then in verse 15 He launches into the discussion again of offenses and how to handle them.

Darwin & Laura write:

The word "Moreover" here merely means "likewise" which means "in addition to". The word "Moreover" can be used to transition from one thought to another thought on the same subject, or it can be used to transition from one subject to an entirely different subject as it is used in Matthew 18:15. In Matthew 18 there are many subjects being covered. It starts out talking about, anyone who causes another (the little ones) to sin, then later it talks about going after the lost sheep, restoration of a brother or sister who sins, binding and loosing and forgiveness. Although many of these subjects are related, they are still different subjects with some having a totally opposite concept.

For instance, when it is talking about the "little ones", it's clearly speaking in terms of not causing them to sin and what the consequences of doing that will be. Then later in Matthew 18:15-17, we are talking about the restoration of a brother who is already caught up in a sin. These are two completely different subjects. Helping to restore someone who is caught in a sin is totally different than causing another person to sin.

Arlan Weight's article:

Jesus stresses the importance and how to deal with a problem with your brother... or sister, which seems to imply someone close to you, maybe a family member, or from the context someone who has been called to the same hope... another church member. In a general sense, though it can also mean anyone because we are all brothers and therefore the prescribed guidance is for anyone.

Darwin & Laura write:

In Arlan's own words here he indicates how important it is to deal with a problem with your brother or sister and even goes on to show that this applies to anyone, "because we are all brothers and therefore the prescribed guidance is for anyone". Yet when we tried to get him to meet with us face to face from July to September he would not meet with us. Instead he went on to make the situation between us even worse than it initially was, forcing us to formally request a Matthew 18:15-17 meeting with him by December 31, 2005.

Even though we requested a Matthew 18:15-17 meeting with Arlan, he refused to meet with us. We ended up going to his door as in step two of Matthew 18:15-17 on January 2, 2006. When we confronted him face to face at his door, he agreed at that point to meet with us at Perkins and then he sat there with a weird smirk on his face and told us he had a clear conscience and that he had done absolutely nothing wrong to us

or anyone else.

Arlan Weight's article:

Notice the most important aspect of dealing with issues of people having problems with other people and that is it should be between the two parties only and no one else. This seems to be the most vital part of the equation to guarantee the success of the reconciliation... keep the matter private... **between you and the other person.**

Talebearing

Of course I was not close to many of the cases, but it always seemed to me that **too many people knew of the problem early on.** There were some times when I knew for certain, there could be no possible way the minister could know of the goings on, unless someone else informed him. Therefore **this appears to be a clear violation of the instruction given. Even if it only involved one other person, namely the minister, this violates the instruction.** So, could it be this was the first thing that limited the success of the reconciliation?

Darwin & Laura write:

At least 3 other people locally knew something about the situation and we did not tell them.

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* Letter Received: *
* January 12, 2006 *
* Subject: NEEDS PLACE TO *
* ATTEND SABBATH SERVICES & *
* A BIBLE *
* by Earl Wilfong *
* Salem, Oregon *

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Lee,

I have read your beliefs and I entertain the same Sabbath Services.

As I wish to ask if you would be able to help me find a church that preaches the Bible for what it says.

I was an Adventist for years and if Michael the Archangel is Jesus Christ then I am going to lose out on a blessing. For that is what SDA's do believe.

I am in prison. I get out on May 30, 2006.

I have Aids and Castlemans Disease and niether are curable.

Where is a Sabbath Church in or near Corvallis, Oregon.

I would like help in finding a church that is a Sabbath Server and not SDA.

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ARTICLES SECTION

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SPECIAL ARTICLES SECTION

Over the next several months we will devote this section to articles which pertain to the following subjects: Reconciliation, Repentance, Evil Speaking, Slander/Libel, should we rebuke a brother caught in a fault (sin)?, should women keep silent in the Church?, Anger, Bitterness, Reviling, Wickedness, what does it mean to offend someone, what does it mean to exhort someone, Persecution and Creation.

Some of these subjects are related to each other and some are not. There are many subjects throughout the Bible which need to be defined according to the Bible, so that people do not continue to make up their own definitions as they have been. If you have a topic or an article for this section, please send it to us for consideration.

Ed Burson "The Church needs a dictionary"

Darwin Lee "For example what is the definition of Reconciliation? Excuse me! I want the Bible definition, not your definition."

TOPIC:

REPENTANCE

WHAT ABOUT REPENTANCE ANYWAY?

by **Wayne Schatzle**
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If you would ask 10 different people: what does the word, "repentance" mean? You may get 10 different answers. Nowadays the term "repentance" is relegated to comic strips, with the little bearded guy holding a sign saying, "Repent, the end is near". Although repentance is indeed an important element in the salvation process, modern churches have distilled the salvation message to simply: "Jesus, I give you my heart" and presto chango I am in the Kingdom. This is a popular formula for

salvation because it is easy and doesn't interfere with our lifestyles and will garner more converts.

The key to salvation is a repentant heart. Notice Mark 1: 15, "the Kingdom of God is at hand REPENT, and believe the gospel". {6:12} "So they went out and preached that people should REPENT". {Acts 2:38} "and Peter said, REPENT and be baptized for the remission of sin..." {3:19} REPENT and be converted that your sins may be blotted out". {17:30} "God now commands all men to REPENT". Ok, so we need to repent for salvation- but just what does that old term mean anyway?

The word repent is actually from two Greek words which means, "metamorphose" or in popular terms "to morph". It is a very intense word that denotes a transformation; reversal, or to think differently. Dictionaries will show the meaning as deep sorrow, contrite, penitent. True Believers are called new creatures in Christ for a good reason as their whole lives will change, as Peter said, others will think you are strange that you no longer run with them. {1 Peter 4}. Also we are to prove our genuine repentance to God by doing "WORKS befitting of repentance {Acts 27:20}". How can one stay in his sinful ways and be counted as "saved" when we read that the Goodness of God leads one to repentance? {Romans 2:4}. The change should be so dramatic as a caterpillar to a butterfly, so it is with a person truly seeking the Face of God.

There is a deceptively false conversion described in the bible that has been around since the beginning. This heresy will omit biblical repentance. Witness the record in Acts 8 of Simon of Samaria, who was a believer and was baptized but still had his old nature. Peter told him to repent of his unrighteousness. Notice in your bible the many warnings of false prophets; apostles; teachers; brethren and even false CHRISTS! {Mt 24:11 & 24; 2 Cor 11: 13 & 26; Gal 2:4; 2 Pet 2:1; and especially the letter of Jude}. The message to the seven churches of Asia in Revelation was that they were to overcome and repent in order to reap the rewards offered them. In the parable of the wedding feast {Matt 22} many, both good and bad, were invited to the feast. When one man was discovered in attendance without wedding garments he was bound and cast out. Commentaries agree that the lesson to be learned is that when one is offered salvation he/she must change their ways to be included in the Kingdom of God. The Apostle Paul described the life after repentance as putting on a "new man" which was created

according to God in righteousness and true holiness and the old man is buried {in the watery grave of Baptism} with all the sinful nature inherited from the ways of the world. For Godly sorrow produces repentance to salvation. {Eph 4; Col 3; 2 Cor 7: 9}.

The single greatest event in a person's life is to repent. It is the first step to life eternal. As our Savior said, "unless you repent, you will all likewise perish."

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THE END**

THE COMPONENT OF REPENTANCE

by **Wily Elder**
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Repentance is a necessary component of salvation. Without it we have only our physical chemical existence. We have the Old Testament examples of the Children of Israel who, on occasions, refused to repent and thereby suffered the consequences.

There is the example of the people of Nineveh who repented and were saved from destruction (Jonah chapter 3). The proclamation was: "...let them turn everyone from his evil ways..." (Jonah 3:8). The King James "turn" is from the Hebrew "shuwb", meaning to turn, to turn back, to go back. This is the active verb for repent. The other Hebrew word for "repent" is "nacham" (first used in Exodus 13:17), which means to be sorry, to be regretful, to suffer grief.

So repentance means to be sorry and to turn or to change.

When Peter called the people to repentance (Acts 2:38, Acts 3:19, Acts 8:22), there is no indication that the people considered repentance to be an esoteric imperative difficult to be understood.

"Godly sorrow works repentance to salvation, not to be repented of, but the sorrow of this world works death" (2 Corinthians 7:10).

The King James "repentance" is the Greek "metanoia", meaning a changing of the mind, a forming of a purpose.

Repentance is the initial step to salvation.

"...Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the

remission of sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:38).

"Repent (you) therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord" (Acts 3:19).

What do we repent of? That is, what are we to be regretful of, and turn away from?

Sin (Mark 1:4, Luke 3:3).

But what is sin?

It is the transgression of the law (1 John 3:4).

Knowing the definition of sin makes all the difference. Otherwise we are left to think of sin as some intangible something, instead of what it really is – violation of the Ten Commandments, the law of God.

"Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered" (Psalm 32:1).

All have sinned (Romans 3:23).

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves (1 John 1:8). The human condition includes the baggage of sin. We, as humans, do not have the ability to pull ourselves together and stop sinning (stop transgressing the law) simply by using human will power and determination. That is the reason salvation has to come to us as a gift.

"For by grace are you saved through faith, and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God" (Ephesians 2:8).

Salvation is a gift. We may keep the gift or we may throw the gift away. Only through repentance may we keep the gift. We may repent and be converted. We may repent and be baptized. Christ saves us from our sins, not in our sins. Leaven is symbolic of sin. It is only after repentance and turning away from leavening (sin) that the sacrifice of Christ may be applied to us.

"Purge out therefore the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, as you are unleavened. For even Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us" (1 Corinthians 5:7).

Just as the blood of the Passover lamb prevented death when the children of Israel determined they would leave Egypt, so also, the blood of Christ, the Lamb of God, prevents us from dying the second death if we are determined to leave sin.

Agents of commercial Christianity would have us believe that repentance means something less than repentance and that grace means something more than grace.

"What then? Shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid" (Romans 6:15).

"For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and

denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ" (Jude 1:4).

When grace is thought of as license, obedience to God's Ten Commandments is thought of as legalism. When grace is thought of as license then there is no standard of behavior to adhere to. That is why most congregations who subscribe to this idea have the structure of a social club and are spiritually asleep. This is why there must be a constant parade of revivals on the horizon to try to wake the people up. This is why hell-fire is so popular in commercial Christianity. The idea is to scare people into being good. But it doesn't work, does it? Without a standard, people don't really know what "good" is.

"Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keeps the law, happy is he" (Proverbs 29:18).

"He that says, I know Him, and keeps not His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him" (1 John 2:4).

"As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent" (Revelation 3:19).

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WHAT EZEKIEL 38-39 REVEALS ABOUT A FUTURE WORLD WAR III --- Part #5

**by Steven M. Collins
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God Intervenes Against Gog's Alliance:

Now back to Ezekiel's prophecy. In Ezekiel 38:18, God states that "at the same time" Russia, China and Iran launch their invasion against the nations of the latter-day tribes of Israel: "my fury shall come up in my face." In other words, God gets very angry at Gog and its allies, and he enters the war on the side of Israel and Judah (the USA, the UK, much of Europe, the Israelis and all their allies). Verses 18-19 prophecy a great earthquake will occur as God intervenes, an event directly paralleling Joel 2:10 and other prophecies which foretell of global earthquakes at the time of Divine intervention at the end of this age. Joel 2:10-11 prophesied that immediately after this great earthquake, God himself shouts at the head of a divine army which intervenes to rescue Israel from a northern army. Genesis 49 and Jeremiah 30 also predicted a divine rescue of Israel and Judah at the end of this age. Ezekiel's prophecy parallels these other prophecies because just after a great earthquake, God declares "my presence" will be on the earth and all men will "shake" at this event! For Christians this event is the return of Jesus Christ while for Jews this is the arrival of the Messiah (who also rescues Judah in Zechariah 14).

In Ezekiel 38:21, God calls for "a sword" against Gog's invaders "throughout all my mountains" (i.e. in all the nations of the modern house of Israel and house of Judah). This confirms that the nations of Israel have regrouped and are fighting back against their invaders with their own weaponry (as was also prophesied in Genesis 49:23-24). Realizing that God has intervened on their side, the people of Israel and Judah counterattack their enemies with terrible ferocity. The phrase "every man's sword will be against his brother" indicates the diverse nations in Gog's alliance will start fighting among themselves as their morale collapses. God also plagues the armies of Gog with "pestilence," and "fire and brimstone." God could do this by divine miracle or he may also do this via the Israelites and Jews as his surrogates since God told them to use their own swords (weaponry) against Gog's armies in verse 21. If the latter option is what occurs, the phrase "pestilence" could refer to a chemical and bacteriological attack against Gog's armies and "fire and brimstone" is an apt description of a nuclear attack against

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the armies and homelands of Gog's alliance. However, since Joel 2:1-11 describes God's divine army as being involved in the combat, it is apparent that God's divine armies and the armies of all the tribes of Israel combine to wage total war against the armies and nations of Russia, China, Iran, etc. Verse 23 adds that this divine intervention reveals the reality of God and his power to "many nations." When this event occurs, no one will ever again believe in the unscientific, illogical theory of evolution.

Ezekiel 39:1 contains God's "declaration of war" against Gog and its allies (either directly through divine action and/or via his Israelite surrogates). Verse 2 again mentions that Gog's armies have come from the north and adds the chilling fact that the slaughter of Gog's alliance will not stop until only "a sixth part" of them are left. Then God declares the war over. This prophecy could mean that 5/6ths of all the soldiers in the armies of Russia, China, Iran and their allies will be killed in this world war or it could mean that 5/6ths of *both* the military and civilian populations of Russia, China, Iran and their allies will be slaughtered before the fighting ends. That would be easily possible if the USA, the UK, France and the Israelis launch all-out nuclear strikes against the homelands of their attackers. This is a fitting application of the biblical proverb that people and nations "reap what they sow." Russia, China, Iran and their allies will "sow" an attack to subjugate the nations of the western alliance, but it is their own homelands, peoples and armies which "reap" a terrible destruction.

Zechariah 14 discusses these same events, but from the perspective of the Israelis and Jews, not the nations of the ten tribes of Israel. It prophesies that Judah and the Lord will fight against the nations that invaded Israeli territory and Jerusalem. When God intervenes, he describes in verse 12 what will happen to the enemies of Judah: "...their flesh shall consume away *while they stand upon their feet*, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth." While God could do this via Divine action, it also describes very precisely what happens to human beings who are caught in a nuclear explosion. In a nuclear blast, human beings literally "consume away" while they are still standing. Revelation 16:12 reveals an army led by "the kings of the east" will be attacking out of Asia as they head westward across the Euphrates River. This will be part of the army of Russia, China, Iran, etc. as it heads toward Jerusalem and the Israeli nation while its other forces attack the nations of the ten tribes of Israel. Zechariah 12:2 relates that while Jerusalem falls to the enemy just before the Messiah returns (verse 3-4), Judah's nation is not yet conquered as it is

still actively fighting in the region of Jerusalem when Divine intervention occurs.

Knowing the "never again" determination of the Jews/Israelis in the aftermath of the Holocaust of World War II, the capture of Jerusalem by its enemies would be the likely moment when the Israelis would unleash their full nuclear arsenal on their enemies. The Israelis are widely believed to have at least several hundred nuclear weapons, and the Israelis can deliver them by aircraft, land-based Jericho missiles, sub-launched cruise missiles and perhaps other means. If the Israeli nation faces an existential crisis (and Zechariah 14 prophesies they will face such a moment), can there be any doubt that the Israelis will unleash every weapon of mass destruction at their disposal? Since God tells the ten tribes of Israel to use their weapons vs. Gog and all its allies, there is no reason to doubt God will permit the house of Judah to do the same thing. Since the enemies of Judah "consume away while they stand" (Zechariah 14:12) in the midst of a war raging in Israeli territory at the end of this age, it argues that Israeli nuclear weapons will be used massively as this age draws to an end. Most likely, the Israeli attack with nuclear weapons will be coordinated with nuclear strikes by the USA and its NATO allies.

This does not mean the nations of the modern ten tribes of Israel will be unscathed. They will also reach an existential crisis. They are targeted by the Russian-led attack and we do not know exactly how far God will allow this invasion to progress until he intervenes on the side of the modern Israelite nations. Joel 2, a parallel prophecy, indicates that God will not intervene until the priests, ministers and people of the attacked nations implore God to rescue them (Joel 2:17-20). Jeremiah 30 also indicates that God's divine intervention rescues the nations of Israel and Judah from a defeat and prevents a looming captivity. The combined message of the prophecies is that the Israelites could lose this war unless God intervened to save them. However, Matthew 24:21 also indicates that unless God intervened, there would be "no flesh" at all left alive. This prophesied World War III would quickly become so violent that nothing would survive the conflict unless God intervened to stop it.

The Defeat of Gog's Alliance:

In Ezekiel 39:3 God states the following to Gog's invaders when they attack the nations of the modern house of Israel: "I will smite your bow out of your left hand and will cause your arrows to fall out of your right hand." To put this in modern military terms, God promises to personally disable some of the arrows ("missiles") and bows ("launch platforms") of the Russians, Chinese,

Iranians, etc. It is entirely possible that with a coordinated initial attack of EMP weapons, saboteurs pre-positioned inside the western nations, and salvos of well-placed cruise missiles from off-shore vessels, the Russian-led alliance could deliver a knock-out blow to America and Europe from which they could not recover. This Divine promise in Ezekiel 39:3 indicates God will nullify at least a portion of Gog's weaponry so that more of America and the West's weaponry survives the initial attack than the attackers thought possible. Genesis 49:23 also prophesies that God will "strengthen" the "bow" (weaponry) of Joseph's nations during this latter-day attack, which parallels God's similar promise in Ezekiel 39:3.

In Ezekiel 39:6, God promises that he will "send a fire on Magog and among them that dwell carelessly in the isles..." This indicates that the Russian homeland (indicated by "the land of Magog" in Ezekiel 38:2) will be hit hard by nuclear weapons, God's divine fire or both. Interestingly, the Hebrew word translated "carelessly" in Ezekiel 39:6 is the same Hebrew word ("betach") which is translated "safely" in Ezekiel 38:11 although "carelessly" would be a more appropriate translation in both cases. The word translated "isles" can as easily be translated "seacoasts," indicating that the coastal regions of Russia, China, Iran, etc. in which their attack fleets were based will also be struck.

Ezekiel 39:7 contains this declaration of God as he directly intervenes in human affairs: "*So will I make my holy name known in the midst of my people Israel; and I will not let them pollute my holy name any more: and the heathen shall know that I am the Lord, the Holy One in Israel.*" This declaration is what one would expect when God intervenes unexpectedly in human affairs and the nations are forced to realize that there is an actual Creator God who can intervene in mankind's affairs at any time he chooses to do so. This declaration indicates that the nations of the ten tribes of Israel are sinful and unconverted nations who do not really know who God is until he intervenes, which aptly describes the current status of these nations in the modern world. The gentile nations also are stunned at God's divine intervention to help the Israelite nations. This intervention of God is, to Christian readers, the second coming of Jesus Christ, and Jewish readers will see this scripture as the arrival of the Messiah. This divine intervention is followed by the "millennium" or "Messianic Age" during which God's reality will be well-known in all nations and no one will be allowed to "pollute" God's name.

"It Is Done":

Ezekiel 39:8 directly parallels another

pre-millennial prophecy in Revelation 16:17. Ezekiel 39:8 cites God as saying "It is done" when the events of Ezekiel 38-39 are fulfilled, and these exact same words also proceed from the divine throne in Revelation 16:11 when this age draws to a close. The contexts of the two chapters show they are directly parallel, pre-millennial events. Ezekiel 39:8's statement follows God's divine intervention in a great war taking place on earth and it occurs in the wake of a massive global earthquake (Ezekiel 38:20). The words ("It is done") in Revelation 16:17 follow Jesus Christ's intervention in a great war ("Armageddon"—verse 16) and associated with an unprecedented earthquake (verse 18). The parallel nature of these chapters could scarcely be more obvious. The book of Revelation calls this climactic war "Armageddon," and Ezekiel 38-39 reveal the alliances of nations fighting in this climactic world war at the end of our age.

In Ezekiel 39:9-16 some of the denouement of this climactic war is given. It mentions that the weaponry strewn abroad the earth's surface will take seven years to clean up, and verse 12 states it will take the nations of the house of Israel (the ten tribes of Israel) seven months to bury the dead bodies following this war. This is the time prophesied in Micah 4:3 and Isaiah 2:4 when the nations will "beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks."

There is another very clear parallel between Ezekiel 39:17-21 and Revelation 19. Both Ezekiel 38-39 and Revelation 19 prophesy about the divine intervention which will occur at the end of this age just before the Millennium/Messianic Age is established. In Ezekiel 39:17-21, God calls for the beasts and birds to eat the flesh of the fallen combatants. In Revelation 19:17-21, God calls for the beasts and birds to eat the flesh of the fallen combatants. The parallelism of these chapters is unmistakable. This makes sense from a practical point of view. Ezekiel 39 prophesies that it will take seven months to bury the dead. That means there will be a lot of rotting flesh on the earth and it will help stop the spreading of diseases if the animals and birds are employed to help consume the carcasses.

Ezekiel 39:22 repeats the theme of Ezekiel 39:7 that "from *that day* and forward" the nations of the house of Israel will know their God is real indeed. The prophetic phrase "in *that day*" appears in a number of other biblical prophecies indicating the climactic events at the end of this age. Verses 23-24 state that the heathen (all non-Israelite nations) will know that the Israelites "went into captivity because of their iniquity." This prophecy was written circa 586 B.C. The house of Israel had gone into captivity/exile in a period of time circa 741-721 B.C. so it

had already happened by the time the prophet penned these words. Ezekiel 38-39 show that God actually rescues the Israelites from a pending captivity to Gog and its attacking alliance so this cannot reference a latter-day captivity but rather the one in 741-721 B.C. Verse 25 shows the events of Ezekiel 38-39 culminate in God having mercy "upon the whole house of Israel" and that he will "restore the fortunes of Jacob." [Both translations are from the *Revised Standard Version* of the Bible.]

The *King James Version* of the Bible contains a mistranslation in Ezekiel 39:25, which renders this passage "I will bring again the captivity of Jacob," which some Christians mistakenly assume means that another captivity of the Israelite nations will occur at the end of this age. An accurate translation reveals this will be a time when God prevents another captivity of his people and that it is actually a time of their "restoration." The same mistranslation occurs in Jeremiah 30, another latter-day prophecy which indicates that "Israel" and "Judah" will be attacked at the same time in the latter days (by the attacking alliance which Ezekiel reveals will be led by Russia). Jeremiah 30:3 repeats the phrase: "bring again the captivity of my people Israel and Judah" in the *KJV*, but the *RSV* (and other Bible translations) correctly translate this phrase as "I will restore the fortunes of my people Israel and Judah [in the latter days]."

Ezekiel 39:26-29 concludes with God reiterating that God rescues the Israelites, sanctifies his name in the sight of many nations, and that he will "pour out my spirit upon the house of Israel." This last phrase is a fitting phrase for what will, indeed, occur as the Millennium/Messianic Age begins when God and the resurrected saints (Revelation 5:10, 20:1-6) will directly rule over the nations on the earth.

Unanswered Questions:

While it contains much information, Ezekiel 38-39 does not answer every possible prophetic question. As explained above, it does give preordained information about the nations of the USA, UK and their western European allies in NATO, Japan and the "young tiger" nations of Asia, Russia, China, Iran and nations on the Asian subcontinent and northern Africa. We have examined several parallel prophecies which indicate the fate of the Jewish/Israeli nation is linked to that of the NATO and Western nations. However, since many prophecies focus on the Middle East, what about the Arab nations? Since Ezekiel 38:2-6 states clearly that the attacking "evil alliance" of Gog and Magog will include "bands" and "many people" who are not named, it allows for the possibility that the Arab nations will be allied

with Russia, China and Iran. Since the Islamic nation of Iran ("Persia") and various Islamic nations of Cush on the Asian subcontinent and Islamic nations in North Africa will be allied to Gog's alliance, it could easily be assumed that the Arab nations will be part of that alliance. However, another option is possible.

The Arabs have a long tradition that they are the descendants of Ishmael, the first-born son of Abraham via Hagar. This author agrees with that belief, and this opens up a whole new possibility. The connection between modern Arabs and Ishmael, a son of Abraham, is mentioned in three encyclopedias (the *Britannica*, the *Americana* and *Colliers*).⁵ The Arabs have a great deal of oil wealth and are linked closely to America, Great Britain, and the Western nations via economic and commercial ties. As fellow descendants of Abraham, might the Arabs be allied to the Israelite nations in the final battle of this age? The fact that Iran ("Persia") is allied to Russia can also be a reason why the Arabs would NOT be part of the Russian-Chinese-Iran alliance. While united by Islam, the Arabs are ethnically different from the Persians, and the Arabs suffered under Persian rule in the past. Iraq was supported by many Arab nations in its war with Iran in the 1980s in order to prevent Iranian hegemony over the Arab nations.

In modern geopolitics, the Bush administration of the USA has made a major effort to link the Arabs to the West by spreading democracy to the Arab nations. Iraq has had a national election, Kuwait has given the vote to women, Lebanon may become a real democracy after the withdrawal of Syrian troops, etc. If this effort ultimately succeeds, some or all of the Arab nations may become allies of the West in the Ezekiel 38-39 war.

Abraham's grandsons via Isaac were Esau and Jacob. Jacob gave birth to twelve sons who were the namesakes of all the tribes in the house of Israel and the house of Judah. Esau's descendants (called Edomites in the Bible) were not given the choice "birthright" promises of God's covenant with Abraham, but they also comprise a variety of nations in the world as Esau gave birth to over a dozen sons (Genesis 36). The oldest, named Teman, is one of the most prominent. His name encompassed all the Edomites in Genesis 36:34, and Teman's name was also prominently borne by one nation in the modern world. Turkey used to be called the "Ottoman Empire" and the consonants of "Teman" and "Ottoman" are identical. This author believes the modern Turks are Esau's Temanite descendants, and the Turks are already allied to the West in NATO, and are seeking closer ties to Europe and the West. This author believes the Edomites are found in more locations than just Turkey. However,

there is one branch of the Edomite family of nations which, historically, is intensely hostile to all the tribes of Israel. That branch is the Amalekites and it is very unlikely that this group of Edomites will be allied to the Western nations at the end of this age.

Abraham was promised to be the father of many nations (Genesis 17:5), and his seed via Sarah includes all modern nations descended from the house of Israel, the house of Judah, Ishmael, and Edom. Abraham also had sons from his final wife, Keturah, and their descendants also have to be present in the modern world. The nations descended from Abraham are Semitic and/or Caucasian nations. Since the prophecy of Ezekiel 38-39 *does not name a single Semitic nation* in the attacking alliance headed by Russia, China and Iran, it allows for the possibility that all the modern nations descended from Abraham will be on the same side in the great world war at the end of this age.

⁵*Encyclopedia Britannica*, 1943 Ed., Vol. 12, pp. 706-707, *Encyclopedia Americana*, 1988 Ed., Vol. 15, p. 489, and *Collier's Encyclopedia*, 1957 Ed., Vol. 11, pp. 183-184.

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**FRAMED FOR MURDER BY
OFFICERS OF THE LAW
The P. F. Lazor Story--Part #1**

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INTRODUCTION

The courts and prison systems across the USA are jointly being misused to kidnap innocent American citizens. I have been imprisoned under that status for 21 years, and continuing. But where much of a person's earlier youth was carefully invested in future aspirations, as was mine, those years have also been stolen. I have never been involved with crime at any level nor with the criminal element, in my life.

PERSONAL BACKGROUND

More than 200 sworn declarations from society's most outstanding people who've known me personally throughout my life have been submitted to the courts attesting to my lifelong character, particularly of non-violence, excellent social adjustment, working to better my community, and investing my life to achieve highly and to contribute in beneficial ways to mankind. (Can be made available on request).¹

CASE SYNOPSIS

In a nutshell: I was minding my business one afternoon in my home, which I was in the process of moving out of. Suddenly, a crazed, maniacal man who had been stalking me with escalating violence for ten weeks, got through my locked front door in total silence and, while yelling threats to kill, violently bashed on my locked bedroom door with his feet and body slams, some 15-20 times. The door finally crashed open. He swung a meat cleaver at my head to chop it in half, and at some point in the commotion displayed a handgun. (It turned out to be a high-powered BB-bellet pistol, but to everyone looked like a real semiautomatic firearm).

Fortunately, I had a legal, loaded handgun and fired it to save my life. Though in a dire panic, losing conscious perception and judgment; I stopped firing when he went down, wounded. My gun still had unfired bullets; he stood back up on his feet wounded, but unarmed. I immediately called the police and ambulance to save him. He lived three or four hours (depending on which falsified police report you read), and died at the hands of state officers' misconduct or neglect. Police admit he stood on his feet in their presence, hard to restrain. I was charged with premeditated first degree murder, of which I was acquitted; but the same jury convicted me of second degree murder, with a parole date of 1992-had I been guilty. Yet I'm still in prison for this today (2004). The crimes in this case were committed by the attacker and the police/prosecution agents to deliberately frame me for murder, rather than by myself.

The fact that I had slight contact with the attacker previously, and all other surrounding events, simply have no relevance to innocence or guilt, as my action was caused solely by the imminently-fatal, violent attack. Even so, the following information will encapsulate the precipitating events.

CASE BACKGROUND AND SURROUNDING EVENTS

Thanksgiving Day, 1981: I began subletting a house as my residence in Los Gatos, California. The house was slated to be demolished eventually, and high-rise

condominiums built on the plot of land. Paul Garnier, representing the new partnership owners of the property, was so happy with my renovation of the premises that we arrived at an agreement whereas I'd maintain the property in exchange for my residency, and I was free to sublet extra rooms to offset my renovation costs.

By July 1982, I'd purchased the house structure outright with the option to move it to another lot within 30 days after financing would come through for the planned demolition (which never came through). Also, I was now required to pay a rental fee for the land on which my house sat, as long as I and the house remained there. As a licensed realtor, I'd done similar transactions in the past, with no problems, and I faithfully paid the rent at all times, as agreed.

September, 1982: Garnier introduced me to his nephew, John Allred, a homeless man from far out of town, newly arrived in Los Gatos. To help a fellow man in need, I gave in to their pleas to let Allred rent a room for three weeks. He moved out thereafter, as agreed, but left a roomful of furniture, for which they were supposed to pay me storage rent. It was a scam to bilk me, but I wouldn't know until after Allred's death. Because I often worked away from home on the road in my businesses and doing sound recordings and night music-stage performances, Allred and I never had more than about fifteen minutes contact from the day we met, until he died. Most of that time was his several acts of stalking and violence against me. The jury was misled to believe that Allred lived in the house and I didn't when the shooting occurred!

Allred manipulated two other unsavory tenants, friends of Garnier's family, to carry on a secretive campaign of slanderous complaints behind my back to induce Garnier to breach our tenancy contract. It was later determined that Allred was ragefully jealous that he missed out on inheriting the house due to my purchase of it. It blocked him from carrying out nefarious plans he had for his hoped-for ownership of it until demolition time.

December 20, 1982: Allred's schemes succeeded: Garnier suddenly demanded that I vacate the property immediately, notwithstanding that I owned the house that sat on his land; and he admitted he never gave a 30-day notice to quit tenancy as required by California law. Allred sealed this breach of contract, in a public restaurant, by diving over a table, lunging at my throat, until pulled off by Garnier.

Bending over backwards to keep peace and provide safety for my possessions, I began moving my things from the house in increments over the next few weeks while contacting civil attorneys and tenancy agencies for a civil resolution and restraining

order. But Allred cut that short -- along with his life:

Before 30 days elapsed from the illegal demand to vacate, I was at home packing the last of my most valuable items in my car to store elsewhere. I'd even decided to probably let the house go, as it wasn't worth the trouble, in light of my other burgeoning life successes that I'd invested the last thirteen years of my life to- finally achieve: So that it wouldn't be sitting in my car, close to the roadside, my handgun (legal and registered, and loaded, as advised by the gun dealer), was among the last items I'd remove from my room. Luckily, the bedroom door automatically locks as it closes shut.

I'd be packed and gone within the next fifteen minutes, except, fate tragically intervened.

While on my last phone call before leaving, speaking to a stranger at a tenancy agency, suddenly the bashing of the door began, until Allred crashed it open. I was panicked at a level of quasi-unconsciousness, and under greatly impaired vision without my glasses on, as his weapon was swung at me with the force of a major-league batter, a split second after the door burst open. It smashed into a knee I'd recently injured so seriously that doctors opined I may never have normal use of it again. This physical force and pain surge probably also contributed to my near unconscious state of panic as I fired the gun sporadically, I thought, maybe two rapid-fire shots, after a wild shot went off into the air.

The same Los Gatos police officers who treated me with hostility over the previous two months as I called them for their intervention against Allred's stalking, threats and battery on me, were assigned to handle the shooting "crime" and to witness against me in the murder trial. They are especially notorious for corrupt police activities. Now, 22 years later; the evidence showing a very intimate, even romantic, relationship between one of them and Allred, remains suppressed by the prosecution team, with the aid of my duplicitous defense attorney.

CLASSIC COURSE IN HOW TO FRAME AN INNOCENT MAN

However shocking the following may be to the uninitiated, it is very easy to achieve by two simple ingredients: A treacherous defense attorney deliberately aiding and covering up for prosecution officers' criminal conduct, and a naive, trusting accused citizen ignorant of his legal rights, blindly relying on fair play and justice to prevail.

Admitting to killing or shooting in self-defense, hands the prosecution team two out of three strikes toward a murder conviction; so the more honest/noncriminal the accused is in such a case, the greater are the

chances of his conviction while innocent of any crime. And it's the only type of innocence case that all of the innocence-assistance organizations in the USA refuse to get involved with, by policy (except one that I know of: INNOCENCE DENIED). The following list of more than 20 separate crimes committed by the prosecutor and police is only the tip of the iceberg of ONE CATEGORY of fraud and gross error in this case, out of EIGHTEEN SEPARATE MAJOR CATEGORIES of other types of issues that won't be gone into here at all, due to space limitations -- some of which are equally as egregious. It took 21 years of nonstop daily work due to prison impediments and few outsiders willing to help, to gather the following PROOF of these items, and more is still coming to the surface.

The following items, critical to determining guilt or innocence, were all deliberately, by **separate** systematic acts of prosecution agents and the defense attorney aiding them, manufactured, planted, materially altered, hidden/suppressed, destroyed (where exonerating), and otherwise tampered with to intentionally frame me for murder and imprison me for life, when they knew I was innocent:

[1] The meat cleaver attack weapon was thrown away or given by police to the attacker's mother. The jury never heard it existed, though it's in police photos at the scene.

[2] The attacker's body was hastily cremated to allow the prosecutor to proclaim to the jury that I repeatedly shot him in the back, when all shots were from his front as he charged at me. The defense attorney told the jury he agreed with the prosecutor. Nineteen years later, this same coroner has finally been busted in another published case having falsified an autopsy report to allow the prosecution to charge an innocent man with murder. (Discovered only by exhumation, because that body was not cremated).

[3] Two different autopsy reports are referenced in police documents. The later, falsified one, designed to fit the prosecutor's manufactured murder case, was the only one the jury knew existed. The original one, by another coroner who was never questioned in this case, remains suppressed.

[4] The attacker's fingerprints on his gun were **deliberately** removed by the prosecutor's criminalist after confirmation that these **visible** fingerprints in tacky blood, were Allred's. It's the only time we can find in forensic history anywhere, that fingerprints were subjected to **autoclaving** -- before being printed. After autoclaving away the fingerprints with scalding steam under pressure, the prosecutor **then** found no fingerprints remaining, so he could then proclaim that absence of the fingerprints

prove that I planted the gun next to the "victim", to feign self-defense after a heinous execution style murder (all just made up out of nothing).

[5] A towel left at the crime scene by medics I called to save the guy, was then used by the prosecutor **as planted evidence** to prove to the jury that I wiped my own fingerprints off the "planted" gun with this towel.

[6] The prosecution's autoclaving action caused the caked blood on the gun to run in the scalding steam; the prosecutor proclaimed that this was "wiping" streaks and smearing made by me by wiping my fingerprints off the planted gun; further proving murder.

[7] The attacker's two shirts and jacket would prove the bullets went from front-to-back; so the prosecutor autoclaved these also, in an effort to destroy the clothing fibers that proved this, and still to this day suppress these clothes. (New technology can prove the true direction, even after autoclaving, hence the police are refusing to let them be tested, now).

[8] Initial police reports show 3 or 4 bullets **maximum** expelled from my gun, one of which was a wild shot *off* into the air, confirmed by a "fine toothed-comb" search of the premises and my gun. Days later, the police went back and miraculously found two more bullet shells right in the midst of this close-cropped crime scene.

[9] Initial police reports corroborating each other, list "several" and "some" unfired bullets left in my gun, besides one in the chamber. This proved I expelled no more than 3 or 4 panicked shots. By trial time, all police changed their stories to "one" left in the clip, to match the manufactured murder case. To date, no one can account for the chain of custody glitch and change, because my attorney stipulated away any inquiry to cover up this fraud.

[10] The door jamb, severed, broken and splintered all over, showing the immense violent force by the attacker to get at me, to kill me, was simply turned over to **the attacker's family and friends**, along with my house in its entirety, to quickly dismantle and destroy the crime scene long before trial.

[11] The door itself was presented in trial -- but not quite. It's most important feature, the door knob with its bent steel shaft (proving Allred's powerful, killer force to get at me), was carefully removed by police to put into a "Hefty" garbage bag, and set out at the roadside for waste pickup and disposal. It was fortuitously recovered with police fingerprints on it, to use as evidence of evidence tampering. But my own attorney confiscated it from me, to hide all through trial, to cover up for his police friends and never let the jury know, and to destroy the

fingerprints.

[12] Allred's unique shoeprints (several) were dusted with fingerprint powder from my bedroom door he kicked in; but prosecution agents testified they were "inconclusive" as to a match. (Not a single item in this case was ever tested or forensically examined by the defense, though we paid the defense attorney many thousands of dollars to do this work).

[13] Two autopsy photos, finally accessed by a strange twist of fate, after being suppressed for 19 years, show the bullet hole in the attacker's back considerably **larger** than the same wound hole in the front of the body, proving the shot entered his front, not his back, as the prosecutor and defense attorney insisted to the jury. These were hidden from me during trial by my own attorney.

[14] My gun had reloaded, used junk target-shooting bullets, specifically of special low power, low impact, low stopping effect on an attacker -- the opposite of what one would use if they had designs to kill someone. Worse, the coroner, prosecutor, criminalist, defense attorney, all straight out lied to the jury and judge, insisting that my bullets were standard, high-power .45 grain slugs, therefore fired in excess of defensive need, further proving murder.

[15] The garbage basket, a centerpiece of the crime scene, where Allred appeared to be stashing some of his weaponry and/or other vital evidence, after being shot, when the police entered the room with me to help the attacker, was removed, along with all its contents **before** police photos were taken of the scene. It simply vanished, to this day.

[16] The phone, covered with Allred's fingerprints in his blood, also exculpating in several ways, was deliberately kept to allow mold to grow all over it, to manipulate my attorney to stipulate to never bring it out of storage for fingerprinting, or trial use.

[17] The floor carpeting, rife with blood trails, pointing to my exoneration by several means, was torn out and destroyed. Carpet fibers in Allred's blood on his gun, and the carpet trails, would prove he dragged the gun in his hand across the floor, profusely, but all this was destroyed by the prosecution.

[18] The prosecutor and defense attorney lied to the jury and judge, assuring that Allred's blood was negative for all drugs. It wasn't even ever tested for most drugs, and we know from a doctor's appointment hours before the attack that he was issued experimental, highly controversial drugs for blood-borne diseases.

[19] A cassette tape recording of a police-state witness interview, the only witness claiming I had animosity toward Allred (she was their family friend), suddenly disappeared from the police evidence locker

during trial when it was determined that it proved this testimony was perjury, coaxed by the prosecutor.

[20] A dated cash register receipt for an item of critical evidence, proved perjury by another state witness (a friend of Allred's family); therefore my own attorney suppressed this receipt, its contents and impeachment evidence.

[21] Thousands of pages of my authored book notes, drawings, diaries, business records, were seized with no warrant authority, including many **exculpatory** ones, taken and kept solely to prevent me from using them as evidence which disproved the prosecutor's fabricated case. Others were **forged** by the prosecutor, defense attorney and court clerk by judge's order right in front of my eyes, in the - courtroom with the jury out, in order to match a false blanket stipulation my attorney had earlier made, which agreed to let the prosecutor tell the jury that my writings said whatever he proclaimed. They therefore had to be forged to match, before going to the jury as evidence, according to the judge.

[22] Photos now obtained, taken by police at the crime scene, prove perjury by four different Los Gatos Police officers on very critical issues of guilt.

[23] **Essentially all** crime scene evidence is proven to have been moved and tampered with, based on photos taken by the police themselves; which they swore under oath had not been touched or moved.

[24] **All** crime scene dimensions in diagrams critical of guilt or innocence determinations, were so grossly distorted as to scale, shapes, juxtaposition, relationships to everything, crucial distances, and a basic understanding of the attack and need for self defense, that a jury could not possibly have a clue as to what the real crime scene looked like and how that related to the reality of the events, and guilt or innocence.

This list could go on for many more pages. The other **EIGHTEEN DIFFERENT MAJOR CATEGORIES** of trial errors and fraud could go on for many hundreds of pages, and all is interconnected: The complexity, deliberately contrived, has made the appeal and innocence petition process an impossible maze of convoluted that required years to complete and, as further issues were being worked on, prison employees repeatedly destroyed years of the work already done, requiring-starting over again and again, burning up two decades of my life. These evidence corruptions affected almost countless other issues, like lines of dominoes falling behind this one issue. For example, jury instructions necessary for acquittal could not be given to the jury because the absence of the hidden, destroyed, altered evidence didn't support

their being given; not to mention my attorney not allowing me to testify the exculpatory truth, because that would have exposed evidence that was suppressed, altered and planted, which he sought to keep covered up to aid the prosecution. Other examples flourish.

¹ [This footnote has been added, for obvious reasons, by friends; those who have been a part of PF's life, including involvement in the following];

Mr. Lazor, while still in his 20s when incarcerated for life, was a patents-holding inventor, a composer of hundreds of beautiful songs and musical pieces, was a public figure, well known throughout the USA and somewhat internationally as an. Incomparable stage performer, singer, recording artist who was destined for the highest acclaim in the entertainment industry. He acted in minor and major motion picture films, held a national physical endurance competition record (which may still be unbroken); he founded and successfully operated several small businesses which served community needs, including an innovative organizing firm which was probably the first of its kind. He established others in their own businesses and presented his own training seminars in personal achievement and leadership. He learned sign language and worked to benefit the deaf community; he helped and visited the elderly, infirm and shut-ins, and raised money and food for starving populations. PF held licenses and special awards in piloting, skydiving, real estate, insurance and probably other career vocations.

As a public figure in entertainment and business, PF was known as "Happy The Clown" from the Detroit area, and as Buddy Holly, Jr., still performing his world famous Buddy Holly, Jr. Show until imprisoned. PF was college educated, but it meant little to him, as he was a self-starter and businessman long before his years in college began. By age 20, he was a hardback author of poetry and songs, self-published. When he was taken to prison and still in his 20s, PF was a finalist candidate to be the first private person (non-government sponsored) in history to enter outer space as an astronaut, for "Project Private Enterprise" founded by a retired NASA engineer. Like all else, PF lost all this by his senseless imprisonment. These things are topped by several notable instances of PF saving the lives of others in situations of danger, by putting his own safety at risk.

PF was also born a life-&-death case, struggling to stay alive, seasonally, until age 8, then still deathly ill during periods throughout every year of his life until the year before he was taken away to prison, when the cause and cure of his devastating illness

was discovered and finally remedied. He's had one year of life free from these conditions; imprisoned in his 20s, now in his 50s.

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BEWARE OF FALSE DOCTRINES

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Coming soon in your area... a unique doctrine tailored just for you! Has it arrived at your door yet? Would you be able to recognize it when it does arrive? You have heard the saying, "some like it hot, some like it cold". One person likes their pie hot another person likes theirs cold. When it comes to religion, many believe the lies, few rarely seek the truth. What is your preference? Is some new thing titillating to the senses, or are you more concerned that it passes "the truth" test?

When you hear of a new doctrine or maybe a new twist to an "old" doctrine, do you fall for it? Do you search the scriptures to see whether these things be so or not? Acts 17:11 "These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so". Do you really, or do you just look at the Scriptures that some one points out to you to back up their doctrine?

The thing sounds quasi possible, so you check out the scriptures they quote to you and you compare it with what comments and remarks they make to persuade you. They have convinced you that the thing is true and you become over whelmed with this new understanding that you have just received from the "Lord".

Well, wait a minute, are you sure it's from the Lord Jesus? Just maybe, it's from the other "lord", "minister", the one who appears as an angel of light. 2 Cor. 11:14 "And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light." 2 Cor. 11:15 "Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works." Eph. 2:2 "Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:"

Who is that prince? Rev. 12:9 "And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him." Mat. 4:8 "Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth

him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them;" v 9. "And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me."

Satan is the "lord", prince if you will, of false doctrine, lies. So when we say the Lord has shown me this or that, are you sure this revelation is from the Lord God or that other "lord"? Light and truth are synonymous according to the Bible John 1:1 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." v 4. "In him was life; and the life was the **light** of men." (emphases mine through out) Eph. 5:8 "For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye **light** in the Lord: walk as children of **light**:" v. 9 "(For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and **truth**;) John 3:21 "But he that doeth **truth** cometh to the **light**, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God." John 14:6 "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the **truth**, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." 1 John 1:6 "If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in **darkness**, we lie, and do not the **truth**:" v. 7 "But if we walk in the **light**, as he is in the **light**, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." The opposite of light is darkness and the opposite of truth is falsehood.

If you are like the many who are duped easily, you will take the easy route and settle with the scriptures some one already looked up for you, swallow that new doctrine or new twist to an "old" doctrine like a fish ready for the alluring bait swallowing it as the saying goes "hook, line and sinker". Gotcha! Of course, the devourer is now "licking his chops". 1 Pet. 5:8 "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, **seeking whom he may devour**:"

If you are an avid student of the Bible, (or even if you're not) should you not search all the scriptures on a particular subject rather than just the appealing "bait" set before you? Should you not rather look a little closer before you even "nibble" on the potential "bait", to see if it's live or fake (just looks like real food)? John 6:35 "And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst." v 58 "This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever." John 4:1 "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world." 2 Pet. 2:1 "But there were false prophets also among the people, **even as there shall be false teachers among you**, who privily shall bring in

damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction."

There are many good concordances and study aids available, that a word search can be done to locate all the scriptures on a particular subject (doctrine), rather than limiting your self on the ones that are handed to you to suite these false teachers twist of so called "truth". Also, if one has a computer you can get a CD Bible program for a small price and do a word search much easier and in less time to find all the scriptures on a given subject including the ones that were conveniently left out to "prove" a particular doctrine.

If a certain doctrine is not true, you can be sure certain scriptures will be left out, for they would tell a different story than the one some false teacher is trying to promote. And why not leave them out? Surely if they quoted all the scriptures, who would fall for their ploy? That is one of many things they will do to get you to "bite the bait".

As one being a recipient of many teachings because of our newsletter, we have seen many doctrines are uniquely tailored for certain groups, individuals and areas of residence. What the answers are as to why this uniqueness, one can only venture to say what they might be. One answer that would fit for the most part is that of the enemy giving every one what he (the enemy) sees that each of us would be prone to swallow as desirable (whatever our individual desires might be), thus deceiving as many as is possible keeping them from believing the truth.

For those who are in fellowship with God and Jesus, Satan the enemy will vigorously attack, for he well knows that we understand that believing in God is more than just "believing". He knows that we understand that to believe, is to **do (act on)** what God and Jesus Christ command us to do. Mat. 7:22 "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven."

Therefore, it should be no surprise, that the enemy will be working diligently to bring in "damnable heresies" to get you to believe a false doctrine. With your understanding of what "to believe" means, he now gets you to be quite willing to **act** on that false belief. Act against God's clear commands. You say, "not me"! If you believe, teach and do what is not of Scripture, then that is you.

For the person or persons who are easy "pray" of Satan's alluring, cunning devices, of that false doctrine or "twist" to an "old" doctrine, these people go for it with "gusto". They will do whatever it takes to get you to believe it too. They usually won't give it up without a fight. That is give up on you. This should be a clue that there is something

"amiss" if one is "beating" you over the head with their doctrine, making every attempt to make you see it their way.

That is not to say if some one comes to you with a false doctrine, how ever sincere they might be; that your response to help them see by all the scriptures that they are wrong, that you are doing the same thing. And you are not, if you have the ability to let it go once you see they are no longer hearing you. False teachers will not let it go when they see you are not "coming around" to seeing it their way.

At this point it is time to avoid them. Give no heed to their particular doctrine, for that is not the way God reveals truth to his people. Jesus, our elder brother has not one time "beat" any one "over the head" to try and make any one believe His word of truth, no not once. So why would you as a follower of Jesus the Messiah go there? If you do, you are not a follower of Jesus the messiah. Mat. 7:22 "Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?" Mat. 7:23 "And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity."

Even if you're not one to forcibly push a doctrine on some one, are you absolutely sure you teach all that the scriptures have to say on a particular teaching (doctrine)? You can be mild mannered and civil about it and still be wrong, if you haven't done your "home work" according to the scriptures.

One can not possibly warn others of every false doctrine there is, but when one does arise a follower of Jesus has a responsibility to speak up and warn others to give no heed to fables, better known as lies!

Such has surfaced here in the state of North Dakota within the last year or so by a number of people who have been affiliated with the Church of God. That false doctrine is that of SINGING and PRAYING at public Sabbath convocations is wrong. Now really? How is it that former Church of God, thirty year plus members would fall for that lie? Well, many fell for the lie that you don't have to keep the Sabbath, so why should it be so hard to see people will fall for just about any thing?

One person here in our Sabbath fellowship even quoted scripture to prove it, such as the one where Jesus chided the Pharisees and said this; Mat 23:14 "Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make **long prayer**: therefore ye shall receive the greater damnation". This same person went so far as to say, "we should have mercy on new people and not make them feel obligated to sing and pray in public, therefore we shouldn't do it until such a time they feel more open to it". Wow!

Maybe, we shouldn't keep the Sabbath until they feel more open to it. You Think? Maybe that too would be showing mercy for others. Incredible! What power Satan has to dupe, if one is not vigilant!

Perhaps if one is not of the mind to sing praises and pray even in public at a Sabbath assembly, then just maybe they are not of the mind to honor and extol the God who made them!

One other person said praying was a part of the Babylonian system of worship as we see in those "other" churches.

Yet, one other person in this area said it was a **sin** to sing and pray in public. When Satan hits, he hits hard. The problem here is, he uses those who should truly know better.

The following are a list of scriptures that reveal this lie for what it is, another lie to deceive the believers to get them further away from God instead of closer.

- Mat. 21:13 And said unto them, It is written, **My house shall be called the house of prayer**; but ye have made it a den of thieves.
- Mark 11:17 And he taught, saying unto them, Is it not written, **My house shall be called of all nations the house of prayer**? but ye have made it a den of thieves.
- Luke 19:46 Saying unto them, It is written, **My house is the house of prayer**: but ye have made it a den of thieves.
- Acts 1:14 **These all continued with one accord in prayer** and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren.
- Acts 2:1 **And when the day of Pentecost was fully come**, they were all with one accord in one place.
- V. 41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and **the same day** there were added unto them about three thousand souls.
- V. 42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, **and in prayers**.
- Acts 3:1 Now Peter and John went up together into the temple **at the hour of prayer**, being the ninth hour.
- Acts 16:13 **And on the Sabbath** we went out of the city by a river side, **where prayer was wont to be made**; and we sat down, and spake unto the women which resorted thither.
- Acts 16:16 And it came to pass, **as we went to prayer**, a certain damsel possessed with a spirit of divination met us, which brought her masters much gain by soothsaying:
At the last Passover before Christ's death, we read:
➤ Mat 26:30 And when they had **sung an hymn**, they went out into the mount of

Olives.

- Mark 14:26 And when they had **sung an hymn**, they went out into the mount of Olives.
- 1 Cor. 14:26 How is it then, brethren? when ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. Let all things be done unto edifying.

As far as the statement about that being of Babylon; what the Bible reveals is that we are not to be partakers of her **SINS**. Rev. 18:2 "And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, **Babylon the great is fallen**, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird." v 3. "For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies." v 4. "And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins**, and that ye receive not of her plagues."

Since when by definition is it sin against God's law to sing or pray in public at a Sabbath assembly and there by be a sinful act? There are no scriptures in all of the Bible that tell us that to sing praises or pray to God in a public worship service is an act of sin! Sin is the transgression of the law of God. 1 John 3:4 "Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: **for sin is the transgression of the law**". What perversion of the truth, and that some one in the church would even fall for that.

Not every thing the counterfeit Christian religious system practices is against the law of God, if it was, it would soon be found out as such. So one must look at every thing that is practiced and look at those practices in light of the Holy scriptures and make that their guide according to the law of God, and not let man's law be ones guide. Isa. 8:20 **"To the law and to the testimony**: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." Mat. 15:9 "But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men."

Just because Christian churches have a mixture of truth and error doesn't make all that they do sinful and coming from Babylon. If its from the Bible, it's from the Bible and if it's from Babylon, it's from Babylon. The duty of the student or disciple of God, is to search out which is which.

One good example is that all those of a Christian persuasion, I repeat all, teach that Jesus came to save people. John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting

life". That is, saved from death. The question is, is that teaching from the Bible or from Babylon?

Prove what is acceptable worship and the will of God. Does God approve of public singing and prayer at His Holy convocations or does He denounce it as sin?

In contrast many people of a different persuasion, believe that dancing is an acceptable form of worship at Sabbath assemblies. Yet not once in all of the new testament do we find an example of the early church doing that at any Sabbath meeting. That is not to say that dancing is a sin, but do we find that part of Sabbath fellowship or worship? I can not find any such scriptures implying or directly showing such. Again, I repeat at Sabbath assemblies. I will not say it is wrong to do that if that is of your belief to worship in that manner at Sabbath meetings, but when you can not find it in scripture, then by all means don't teach it to others as a commandment and refuse to fellowship with those who are not so inclined to do so.

My friends, even eating can become unacceptable to God depending on what you eat or how much you eat. Does that make eating come from Babylon? Scripture tells us eating came from God. Gen. 1:29 "And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; **to you it shall be for meat.**" (food)

Many things that God accepts as right and good, defined within his law, can be misused. When we look at the subject of singing, depending on the words we sing and how much we sing in any given span of time, it could well become wrong. So too is it with prayer. Long prayers to be seen of men (rather than in prayerful fellowship with others of like mind), Christ condemned. If all our time spent at Sabbath meetings were given to singing, how could any one be in keeping with rest of the instructions given in 1 Cor. 14? "Let all things be done decently and in order." 1 Cor 14:40 Do the scriptures spell out in every detail what is decent and in order? No, but they are an ample guide of what that does entail.

If some one in your group does not feel inclined to sing or pray, that is one thing, it's another thing altogether when you have been doing it all along for thirty plus years thinking to be merciful (to those who are new comers who may not be inclined to do so) and not force them to partake of such an "ordeal" (as in singing and praying. And then turn right around and volunteer to be a song leader at the latest Feast Of Tabernacles and sing songs through out the Feast, is nothing short of hypocritical!

Let the scriptures be your guide and not your false teachers. If you love God, you will

keep His commandments, not men's commandments. You and any new people being called to God's way won't be ashamed to sing praises and pray in public at Sabbath services before God's throne.

There is a leader, overseer in every group, has to be, or disorder will follow. If you are a leader, what are you leading your group to follow? God and His word or your own agenda, based on perhaps your need to "fit in" with other folks who are not so inclined to do it the way you have been doing it? You have this need to look "good" in the eyes of others, so you compromise with God's word to "fit in". You want to be accepted by all. Which is more important to you, to be accepted by your friends because they don't do that sort of thing, or to be accepted by God and do what His word reveals that is right and good?

What is your particular thing that you do or don't do? Is it based solely on God's word with all scripture in hand not leaving some out to fit your needs and wants? Or perhaps take certain scriptures and try to make it say something that it does not say?

In conclusion what one sees (if one has eyes to see), the great deceiver on the one hand deceives the many to disobey God using his ministers and Scripture, for example, to believe that unclean meat is just fine to eat. Then, on the other hand, Satan deceives the many, using his ministers and Scriptures, to believe that one is sinning if one stays in the confines of His law, as in the example of singing praises and praying together as a family unit in public, when Scripture clearly reveals that it honors God to do so. The irony is, Satan gets the many to believe that sin is good and good is sin. My friends, don't fall for his tricks and lies. Just remember when a lion has finished "the kill" and has eaten his prey, he licks his "chops" with great delight!

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**THE JOURNAL: PCG FORBIDS
MEMBERS SEEING
FAMILY/FRIENDS IN SPLITS**

**Sent by Dixon Cartwright
Big Sandy, Texas**

**PCG members forbidden to see
family/friends in WCG splits.**

In a December message before the headquarters congregation of the Philadelphia Church of God (PCG), Pastor General Gerald Flurry, 70, expanded church policy to prohibit any kind of fellowship with former PCG members and all "Laodiceans," even if they are members of a church member's immediate family.

PCG members may no longer associate with their own children, parents or siblings if their children, parents or siblings are disfellowshipped PCG members or members of the WCG or any of its splinter groups other than the PCG. For more details please visit The Journal Web site at:

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PRAYER REQUESTS & UPDATES

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November 11-30, 2005

Gene--Stage 4 Cancer
Unknown Man--Skin Tumor
Alberado, John--Asbestos Poisoning
Ben-Ariel, David--Aids
Daniels, Boyd--Stroke
Faith, Shelby--Eye Problems
Halley, Rosemary--Auto Accident
Hendrickson, Wendy--Hospitalized
Houseman, Jane--Dehydrated
Klopan, Susie--Ewing's Carcinoma
Kramer, Ted--Pneumonia
Lazor, PF--Parole Hearing
Marlowe, Barbara--Surgery Carotid Arteries
Marsh, Kendra--Chest Pain
Matthews, Ryan--Auto Accident
Procell, Dewain--Son Died
Robertson, Andrew--Multiple Sclerosis
Ross, Jim--Died 11-17-05
Sloan, Mike--Parole Hearing
Venezia, Norma--Neck Cancer
Williams, Glenn--High Blood Pressure
Williams, Johnny--Bone Cancer
Williams, Thomas--Stroke

December 2005

Amanda--Cracked Pelvis
Bennett, Jan--Hysterectomy
Daniels, Boyd--Died 12-22-05
Fitch, Lisa--Collapsed Lung
Gichovi, Peter--Ministry
Goldman, Robert--Son Missing
Gordon, Ken--Back Surgery
Porter, Michael--Brother is Sick
Robinson, John--Prostate Cancer

January 2006

Brother--New Cancer Growth
Betty Ann--Head & Neck Pain
Court--Heart Artery Blockage
Daimon & Dawson--Food Poisoning
Joey--Cancer
Josh & Amanda--Falsely Accused
Julianne--Severe Burns on Hands
Mozart & Sing Song (Cats)--Health Problems
Abernathy, Jamie--Breast Cancer
Alcorn, Luke--Possible Kawasaki Disease
Alexander, Wayne--Health
Bailey, Charles--Difficulty Walking
Bailey, Karen--Diabetes
Berkey, Linda--Breast Cancer
Bradford, Hannah--Cancer
Brock, Linda Sue--Heart Problems
Carpenter, Robert--Chronic Infection
Chappell, Sue--Hallucinations
Charpentier, Lynn--Obstructed Bile Duct
Collins, Marian--Kidney Cancer Surgery
Crotts, Marie--Pneumonia, Lung & Heart
Crotts, Robert--Not Well
Cryer, Lia--Terminal Colon Cancer
Dennis, Maxine--Died

Dowelli, Peggy--Massive Lump on Lung
Dupus, Marie--Died 12-31-05
Eggleston, Delores--Fell
Eggleston, Ellsworth--Broken Arm
England, Rod--Cancer
Gardner, Rose--Fluid around Heart & Ankles
Gomez, Kassie--Fluid on Brain
Gordon, Ken--Back Surgery
Griffiths, Rich--Back Pain
Gwaro, Thomas--Ministry
Haeaszdos, Erika--Tumor Surgery
Halley, Rosemary--Auto Accident Recovery
Harrison, Lars--Occult Practices
Hart, Bob--Financial & Knee Injury
Hart, Margaret--Pain
Hill, Pam--Too Early Contractions
Hubert, M. R.--Trauma of Brethren
Huffman, Janie--Benign Thyroid Nodule
Hunt, Johnny--Wife in Auto Accident
Johnson, Jim--Back Surgery
Kappel, Maxine--Degenerate Spine/Arthritis
Kirby, Alice--Lost Wallet, Then Found
Kirkbride, Faye--Not Healing Properly
Kramer, Ted--Died 12-08-05
Ladnier, Charlotte--Heart Surgery
Lamb, Gene--80th Birthday
Lucas, Sandra--Colon Cancer Chemo
McKown, Ronnie--Asthmatic-Bronchitis
McLaughlin, Janet--Eye Problems/Assault
McMahon, Sharon--Cyst on Ovary
Moore, David--Truck/Train Accident
Norrod, Byron--Infected Scratch
Palmer, Christine--Died
Ranselle, Kurtis--Cancer of the Larynx
Reid, John--Broken Face Bones
Rice, Valerie--Stolen Purse
Rieglesperger, Barbara--Nodule on Lungs
Ritenbaugh, John W.--Heart Attack
Roberts, Earl--Pneumonia
Robey, Duncan--Congestive Heart Failure
Robinson, John--Died 1-5-06
Savannah, Joyce E.--Looking for Work
Schmidt, Mae--Heart Attack
Shaw, Betty Jo--Dementia
Smith, Jack--Died 12-21-05
Smith, Margaret--Broken Leg & Blood Clots
Stowe, Bradley--Eye Problems
Tulsa Church Members--Flu like Symptoms
Waller, Luther--Nursing Home
Walton, Ressay--Heart Surgery
Whitman, Steve--Tumors on Spine
Wolfe, Cyrstal--Cochlear Implant
Yetka, Joyce--Metal Plate & Screw Removal
Ziomek-Witek, Janine--Depression

February 1-15, 2006

Adam--Brain Tumor
Candace--"crud"
Granddaughter--Very Sick
Josh & Amanda--Falsely Accused
Lisa--Cancer has Returned

Bender, Esther--Dialysis
Bolton, Marolyne--Brain Cancer
Boyce, Peggy--Heart Problems
Bradford, Hannah--Died 2-8-2006
Brown, Faye--Infiltrate in Lungs
Calhoun, Shirley--Lung Cancer
Caughfield, Sue--Diabetic
Crotts, Marie--Lung Cancer
Dawson, Isabelle--Cancer
Delaney, Phillip--Auto Accident
Fitch, Lisa--Pneumonia/Infection
Gardner, Rose--Congestive Heart Failure
Golhamer, Nancy--Susac's Disease
Gonzales, Jackie--Scarlet Fever
Gordon, Ken--Disc Surgery Recovery
Gordon, Murray--Died 2-6-2006
Greenfield, Court--Heart Problems
Griffiths Sr., Rich--Back Pain & Infection
Hall, Marie--Heart Problems
Hauffer, Lisa--Puss in Kidneys
Johnson, Jim--Reconstructive Back Surgery
Kirby, Alice--Wallet Found/Money Gone
Long, Josh & Brianna--Expecting (Problem)
Nutt, Jim--Lump in Throat
Ramsey, Wilbour--Pneumonia
Reiglesperger, Barbara--Lung Cancer
Savannah, Joyce E.--Needs to Move
See, Sharon--Heart Problems
Terry, Matt & Heather--Had Baby (Grayson)
Towne, Sam--Pneumonia
Videc, Carolyn--Cancer
Waller, Luther--Nursing Home
Wiesinger, Hans--Wife Wants Divorce
Ziomek-Witek, Janine--Medication Change

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You never have to
ask for permission
to act like a
Christian!

by Alan Ruth
Farmington Hills, Michigan

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not of its own will but by the will of him who subjected it in hope; because the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the glorious liberty of the children of God." For we know that the WHOLE CREATION [can also be translated "all creatures"] groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now," (Rom 8:19-22).

Why does the creation and/or the creatures "groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now?" To get back to the way it must have been at one time and will be again: "The wolf and the lamb shall feed together [not the wolf shall feed on the lamb], and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and dust shall be the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the LORD," (Isa. 65:25). Does this mean the animals will talk again? I don't know, but I think they once did and this is the basis for the "talking animal legends" and stories that exist like Dr. Doolittle, as well as Native American legends and others. Cherokee website:

<http://www.cherokee.org> tell of legends in which, "the old ones tell us that at one time, the animals, fish, insects and plants could all talk. Together with the people, they were at peace and had a great friendship. Until..." Sound familiar?

Are there other creatures (created beings, besides animals) in the Bible that have voices? Yes! What about "the elders before God's throne prais[ing] God day and night?" What about angels singing and delivering messages? All duties requiring voices.

From myths, legends, words of respected historians like Josephus, and the words of the Bible, and other books, we have strong evidence to indicate every one of God's creatures had a voice at one time. Myths have kernels of truth, and in my opinion the talking animal "myth" goes back to the truth that the serpent literally talked to Eve in the Garden of Eden.

Answered by:
Sandy Kile
Palisade, Minnesota

What I found in the Torah (Stone Edition) Genesis Chapter 3, in the consensus of the commentators (according to the Midrash) "before this cunning beast was cursed, It stood erect and was endowed with some faculty of communication".

Answered by:
Joyce Savannah
Lynnwood, Washington

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Also if you could help me get a Giant

Print Study Bible, King James first or KJV and a Strong's Exhaustive Concordance. Large print if possible.

If you can do this for me I would appreciate it.

Even free from prison, I don't have the funds to buy my wife and I a Bible.

The Prison Chaplin says I must get doctor's proof I need large print. Well the eye doctor won't see me until I have enough money on my account to pay for glasses.

Even a giant print Exhaustive Study Bible would be nice.

If you can't help, just to let you know I hope that you grow into the Sabbath Keepers you are meant to be.

God Bless

PS--Books must be sent through the Bookstore to me: Earl Wilfong #5728697, 2605 State Street, Salem, Oregon 97310

Response:

As you can see on page 3 of this newsletter, we do not have any funds available for 2006, with which to buy you or your wife a Bible. So we have published your letter in case one of our readers would be able to send you the Bible or Study materials that you would like.

We will also request our readers to let you know of a Sabbath Keeping congregation that you might attend with after you get out of prison

on May 30, 2006. Readers may either let you know directly or they can let us know here and we will pass it on to you.

We are also sorry to hear of your

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physical health and would ask that all of our readers please remember you and your family in their prayers. Darwin & Laura Lee

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