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## Articles

### **An open letter to generation Y and Z: Smarty-pants on fire** (Copyright) by Curtis Dahlgren (Stephenson, Michigan)

" . . appealing to the Supreme Judge of the Universe for the rectitude of our intentions . . " – signers of the Declaration of Independence

IT'S ONE half hour past bar time. Me, I went to bed early and got up for my first cup of coffee at 1:30 a.m.! Insomnia lets you throw another log on the fire, go to the bathroom, and get a head start on the day's duties.

**"In the U.S., Decline of Christianity Continues."** – headline by Pew Research Center, 10-17-19

You like polls? *Here's* a poll for you: Only two-thirds of adults call themselves Christian (down 12 percentage points in 10 years), and 26 percent call them themselves Atheist, agnostic, or "nothing in particular" (up 11 points in a decade). I shudder to think what our publicly indoctrinated younger people think. No wonder I'm writing this before three in the morning. I call it "working third shift." Like first responders have to do every night while the smarty pant snowflakes sleep off an emotional hangover.

Speaking of hot pants, more than one Molotov wannabe has set themselves on fire trying to throw "cocktails" this year. A young woman out in the middle of the night in Madison stopped at a red light when out of nowhere four white bigots came and threw lighter fluid on her and set her on fire, she said. The Hood probably still believes that version of the story, but the authorities think she concocted it. Best guess is she was trying to light a hookah pipe or something. Stuff happens, and it's not always "texting while driving." Anyway:

The Pew Research poll is quoted in Beyond Today magazine, Sept-Oct 2020, by John LaBissoniere. A couple of choice quotes:

**"In regard to this Great Book, I have this to say, it is the best gift God has given to man. All the good the Savior gave to the world was communicated through this Book."** – Abraham Lincoln

**Inside the Bible's pages lie all the answers to all of the problems man has ever known. It is my firm belief that the enduring values presented in its pages have a great meaning for each of us and for our nation."** – Ronald Reagan

Even FDR said similar words, but many in latter-day Generation Z have no concept of either a messiah or a Higher Power. End of story?

**P.S. Isaiah said, "These are LYING children . . who say to the seers [see-ers] 'Do not preach to us . . get the Holy One of Israel out of our way'."**

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The first Christian martyr would have related. Talk about a tough audience! The listeners ran upon him with stones and killed him (Molotov cocktails hadn't been invented yet, though beheadings and burning at the stake had been). The Romans burned people slowly, nailed to a stake in the hot Mideastern sun. I guess it was more "fun" that way for the sadists and mockers who believed a lie. And some people still believe the lie about "HANDS UP, DON'T SHOOT" in Ferguson, Missouri.

**"The truth of the matter is blacks have never been less oppressed than they are today."** – Shelby Steele, civil rights veteran and author

**[In 2022, I think more and more minorities know that they've been pandered to.]**

Conclusion by Mr. LaBiss, as he is called: "We too [like Isaiah] hope and pray that people will respond positively to urgent admonitions. However, just as most people didn't listen to Jeremiah [et al], most will refuse to listen . . ."

BUT WE DON'T KNOW THAT FOR SURE YET, JONAH. [Submitted at 3:25 AM, as I finished my first pot of coffee for the day; someone said that anything you get up to write in the middle of the night won't have to be changed.]

PPS: **"More than half of Americans have read little or none of the Bible . . . Most Americans don't know firsthand the overall story of the Bible – because they never pick it up on their own."** – Lifeway Research, 4/25/17

**If you are one of those "nothing in particular," whatever, believers, don't get caught running both ways like a squirrel in the "middle of the road."**

How long go ye limping, America, between two opinions?

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## **America's Arrogance**

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If you have been following the news on the war in Ukraine, you may wonder if we are getting the truth or a narrative that is geared to maintain our confidence in the policies of Western leaders. It seems that most of these "enlightened" leaders are hell-bent on destroying Russia at the expense of many Ukrainian lives and an unbearable amount of our tax dollars. The main fear now is if this war will lead to a nuclear confrontation with Russia.

The sanctions imposed by the West on Russia have primarily boomeranged on the nations of Europe who depend upon Russia for much needed energy supplies. The intent of the sanctions may be twofold: Crush Russia economically and wean Europe away from fossil fuels. When will the madness stop?

I have three videos that I wish to share with others on the matter. Jeffrey Sachs is an economist from Columbia University. He explains that the current situation with Russia goes back to the 1990s with the collapse of the Soviet Union. Russia needed economic help as did other nations. Rather than America helping Russia as we had done around the same time with other nations in financial straits, we couldn't let go of our old spirit of rivalry against Russia. We had a chance to build a new relationship with Russia, yet we lusted to be "King Nation" of the world. This unrestrained **arrogance** of our leaders has caused us to be involved in unnecessary conflicts at the expense of American lives and burdened us with runaway debt which will eventually destroy our economy.

One definition of **arrogance** says, "the state or quality of being arrogant; overbearing **pride**; offensive display of superiority or self-importance."

What does God say about arrogance?

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"Foreigners consume his strength, but he does not notice. ... Israel's **arrogance** [**pride** - KJV] testifies against them, yet they do not return to the LORD their God; despite all this, they do not seek Him. So, Ephraim [America] has become like a silly, senseless dove" (Hosea 7:9-11).

"Their deeds do not permit them to return to their God. A spirit of prostitution [paying money] is in their heart; they do not acknowledge the Eternal God. Israel's **arrogance** [**pride**] testifies against them; Israel and Ephraim stumble in their iniquity; even Judah stumbles with them" (Hosea 5:4-5).

"Indeed, you [God] deliver the oppressed, but you bring down those who exalt themselves in their own eyes" (Psalm 18:27 - International Standard Version).

Jeffrey Sachs gives a powerful testimony confirming God's convicting charges of the arrogance of Britain and the United States. Promises were made to Russia but were wantonly broken because of our **arrogance**. It reminds me of the treaties that were signed with Native Americans in a previous century.

Colonel Douglas Macgregor in another video has some excellent insight of where things stand with Russia and what to expect. Will our leaders heed his advice and wisdom? Probably not until all of their feathers have been plucked.

The first video listed below is short. Michael Matt provides some good commentary and includes clips from Jeffrey Sachs and Colonel Macgregor. This video will serve as a kind of introduction to the other two videos. If our national leaders don't humble themselves and seek God, then we are certainly headed for troublous times as predicted by the Bible.

<https://youtu.be/8kq9vSDD0vo>    **Michael Matt - "World War"**

<https://youtu.be/wmOePNsNFw0>    **Jeffrey Sachs - "Arrogance of U.S. and Britain"**

<https://youtu.be/nP8hQErZ6MM>    **Col. Macgregor - "War in Ukraine Can Be Stopped Today"**

**Editor's Note:**

**How to tell the difference between a Manassite and an Ephraimite:**

**Jdg 12:1** And the men of Ephraim gathered themselves together, and went northward, and said unto Jephthah, Wherefore passedst thou over to fight against the children of Ammon, and didst not call us to go with thee? we will burn thine house upon thee with fire.

**Jdg 12:2** And Jephthah said unto them, I and my people were at great strife with the children of Ammon; and when I called you, ye delivered me not out of their hands.

**Jdg 12:3** And when I saw that ye delivered *me* not, I put my life in my hands, and passed over against the children of Ammon, and the LORD delivered them into my hand: wherefore then are ye come up unto me this day, to fight against me?

**Jdg 12:4** Then Jephthah gathered together all the men of Gilead, and fought with Ephraim: and the men of Gilead smote Ephraim, because they said, Ye Gileadites *are* fugitives of Ephraim among the Ephraimites, *and* among the Manassites.

**Jdg 12:5** And the Gileadites took the passages of Jordan before the Ephraimites: and it was *so*, that when those Ephraimites which were escaped said, Let me go over; that the men of Gilead said unto him, *Art* thou an Ephraimite? If he said, Nay;

**Jdg 12:6** Then said they unto him, **Say now Shibboleth: and he said Sibboleth:** for he could not frame to pronounce *it* right. Then they took him and slew him at the passages of Jordan: and there fell at that time of the Ephraimites forty and two thousand.

**Ephraim = Great Britain (Ephraim is unable to pronounce the "h".)**

Manasseh = USA

(Laura Lee)

## Christians and Jews Disarmed: Surrendered Moral Authority to the State (Copyright) by Richard Frates (Easley, South Carolina)

As Eve believes Satan - the forbidden is - Believing Devil-Media: State and Church Leaders are eating Devil-Media's - poisoned fruit - and feeding - it to the masses. There is Power in God's Word: "The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of this world. They have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretention that sets itself up against the knowledge of God" 2 Corinthians 10:4-5. The "knowledge of God" is the food of Truth, Light and Life - the knowledge of Devil-Media is the food of Deception, Darkness, and Death. Whose food fills your heart and mind?

Christian leaders and Rabbis, have given up the fight and - Surrendered to the State: "The knowledge of good and evil." The State has taken to itself authority to dictate "good and evil and Church leaders bow the knee, Genesis 2:17. Devil-Media has planted that LGBT must be honored poisoned fruit: State Daughters of Devil-Media are eating from it and force feeding it to Americans and their children. Churches are relishing its poisoned fruit and inviting - *openly sexual perverts* - into church and synagogue fellowship instead of calling on them to "repent."

If a believer in God's word Speaks out against the Evil of the State creating Law, all must honor - Sexual Perverts. Church Leaders confirm their - Disloyalty to God's Judgments and - Bow in Loyalty to State Judgments - by **accusing them of "getting involved in Politics."** Psalm 12:8 NIV "The wicked freely strut about when - what is vile is honored among men.

Foolish and intimidated defeated - Preachers: Use 1 Peter 2:13-14 to Justify honoring what God decreed is Evil. And close their eyes to Diabolical - State Attack Laws against those who believe God. Peter said: Submit to those in authority who "Punish those who do wrong and commend those who do good." Today's Authorities Reward those who do wrong with Special Right to condemn those who do good. Congress has approved the: **Equality Act from Hell**. President Biden promised to sign it into Law if it is approved in the Senate. It gives Sexual Perverts License to sue those who believe God's Word and openly disapprove of Sexual Perverts flaunting their sins. Only Sexual Perverts can be "Equality Act" Offended and only Christians and Jews who believe God, can be "Equality Act" Guilty. That establishes "Believing God" against the Law.

Surrendering to the State - Moral Authority is State Worship. Isaiah 5:20 "Woe to those who call evil good and good evil." And woe to Americans who drink their poison: Honoring what God decreed evil is Devil-Worship - Leviticus 20:13. The State and Devil Media: Shouts "do Not Discriminate" Blind your eyes, heart and conscious to evil. And Church leaders OBEDIENTLY "close their eyes" disarm themselves and divorce their conscious from God's word. State-Devil-Worship: Non-Discrimination Law against evil - Why? To Discriminate against and accuse the innocent who believe God.

Ezekiel 3:18:19 "When I say to the wicked man, you will surely die, and you do Not Warn him or Speak out to Dissuade him from his evil way in order to save his life, he will die for his sin, but I will hold you accountable for his blood." But if you warn the wicked man and he does Not repent, he will die for his sin, "But you will have saved yourself."

Because of No support from Church Leaders - Many in position of authority have been muzzled: Fearful of Devils-Media - they will Not speak out against what they know is vile. Jeremiah 23:14 - Describes most in authority today: They "Strengthen the hands of evildoers, so that No one Turns from his wickedness." Ministers of God's Word: Instead of **Publicly** - Calling on Politicians and Judges to Repent - Plead with State Leaders - to have their churches exempted from Diabolical LGBT State Requirements. Judges, politicians, and Pastors are Driven like Dumb Mules by Devil Media! Educators: Realizing Church Leaders have muzzled themselves - believe they can teach anything they please as truth.

Useless Preachers - Close their eyes: As evils are honored by the State. Radio and TV Preachers preach Christ and publicly plead for dollars: But will Not publicly call on Politicians and Judges to "Repent" for creating law forcing all to -

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Worship the Devil by honoring, sexual perverts. Isaiah 66:2 “This is the one I esteem: He who is humble and contrite in spirit, and Trembles at my Word.” Truth is power “God’s Word is Truth.” Jeremiah 23:22 “If they had stood in my council, and caused my people to hear my words, then they would have turned them from their evil ways and evil deeds.” Following Christ’s example would convict the hearts of many: “The world cannot hate you, but it hates me **because I testify** that what it does is evil” John 7:7.

State and Church Leaders: Repent. The day of your death is Judgment Day, you will Not remember being dead. The Son of God Crucified demonstrates the *High Price* God paid to Redeem mankind from sin. Do you Believe God or Devil-Media and the State? The one you believe is your God. God’s mercy is limitless: Jesus Christ Crucified is Light that Shines Beyond the Grave.

## Holy Day Articles

### **A Snapshot of Church History and Mosaic Law** (Copyright) by Avram Yehoshua (Flagstaff, Arizona)

Passover (Lev. 23:4-8f.; Mt. 26:26f.) and the 7th day Sabbath (Gen. 2:1-3; Ex. 20:8-11; Lk. 4:16) aren’t observed by most Christians today, but in the days of the Apostles they were (Acts 15:21; 21:20-24; 1st Cor. 5:6-8), which reveals that they kept Mosaic Law. The Church teaches that the Law was nullified at the death of Jesus, but Church History records that for the first 90 years *after* the resurrection, **all** Christians kept Passover and the 7th day Sabbath, and walked out their faith in Christ through all the rules of Moses *that applied to them*.

Samuele Bacchiocchi, in his Christian classic, [From Sabbath to Sunday](#), writes that Eusebius, a Roman Catholic bishop-historian (ca. AD 260-340), wrote of the Passover-Easter controversy flaring up in the 2nd century:<sup>1</sup>

“There were...two protagonists...Bishop Victor of Rome (AD 189-199), who championed... Easter-Sunday...and threatened to excommunicate the...Christian communities of the province of Asia, which refused to follow his instruction<sup>2</sup>...On the other side, Polycrates, the Bishop of Ephesus and representative of the Asian churches, strongly advocated the traditional (biblical) Passover date of Nisan 14, commonly called ‘Quartodeciman Passover.’”<sup>3</sup> “Polycrates, claiming to possess *the genuine apostolic tradition transmitted to him by the Apostles Philip and John*, refused to be frightened into submission by the threats of Victor of Rome.”<sup>4</sup>

Victor, the Bishop of Rome (189-199 AD), whose office would become that of the Pope, wanted all Christians to keep Easter instead of Passover, but Polycrates (130-196 AD), Bishop of Ephesus and representative of all the churches in Asia Minor (modern day Turkey, where Paul, Barnabas and Silas did much of their evangelizing, and where John’s seven churches of Revelation are; Rev. 2:1–3:22), refused to be frightened into submission by the threats of excommunication by Victor. Polycrates not only knew *“the genuine apostolic tradition transmitted to him by the Apostles Philip and John,”*<sup>5</sup> but also that *“the Apostles Philip and John had taught the Asian churches to celebrate the Passover.”*<sup>6</sup> Alexander Roberts, translating from *The Ante-Nicene Fathers*, states,

“the traditions of St. John were yet fresh in men’s minds at the date of his (Polycrates’) birth (130 AD). He had doubtless known Polycarp and Irenaeus...*It is surely noteworthy that nobody doubted that it (the Passover) was kept by a Christian and Apostolic ordinance.*”<sup>7</sup>

Eusebius also records that Polycrates wrote a letter to Victor in Rome, speaking of what all the bishops of Asia, as well as he, thought about Passover, and their unwillingness to celebrate Easter (or ‘Resurrection Sunday’ as some Christians, wanting to steer clear of pagan *Easter*, call it today):

“We observe the exact day; *neither adding nor taking away*” (from Scripture). “For in Asia ...great

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lights have fallen asleep...among these are Philip, one of the twelve Apostles, who fell asleep in Hierapolis...and...John, who was both a witness and a teacher, who reclined upon the bosom of the Lord...he fell asleep at Ephesus. And Polycarp in Smyrna, who was a bishop and martyr...All these observed *the 14th day of the Passover according to the Gospel, deviating in no respect, but following the rule of faith.* And I also, Polycrates...who have lived 65 years in the Lord...*and have gone through every Holy Scripture, am not affrighted by terrifying words*” (of Victor). “For those greater than I have said, ‘We ought to obey God rather than man!’” (Acts 4:19-20; 5:29) “I could mention the bishops who were present...whose names... *would constitute a great multitude.*” They “*gave their consent to the letter, knowing that I did not bear my gray hairs in vain, but had always governed my life by the Lord Jesus.*”<sup>8</sup>

Church History records that the conflict was about Catholicism having veered off from Scripture (in 120 AD under Bishop Sixtus of Rome) and stripping Christians of their biblical heritage (Mosaic Law, as specifically realized here in Passover), and the replacing of it with the pagan day of Easter Sunday<sup>9</sup> As for Mosaic Law being valid for Christians *after* the resurrection, Church History also records that the Nazarenes kept Mosaic Law for hundreds of years. They are attested to as late as 400 AD by Jerome and are “the direct descendants of the Christian community of Jerusalem.”<sup>10</sup> Noted French scholar Marcel Simon characterized them as possessing “*the original practice of...Christianity.*”<sup>11</sup> He wrote they were “characterized...*by their tenacious attachment to Jewish observances* ...They...represent...*the...direct descendants* of the primitive” (Apostolic) “community.”<sup>12</sup> The Nazarenes kept the Sabbath, all the Feasts of Israel and all the rules of Mosaic Law that applied to them hundreds of years after the Temple in Jerusalem was destroyed (70 AD). Eusebius writes of the leadership in the Church of Jerusalem, when Jerusalem was destroyed by Rome, a second time, in 135 AD, saying it consisted,

“of converted Hebrews and was administered by 15 bishops *from the circumcision*” (Jewish Christians)<sup>13</sup> “and they were “*zealous to insist on the **literal observance of the Law.***”<sup>14</sup> (Cf. Acts 21:20-24, where the Apostle Paul takes a *Nazarite Vow*, seen in the shaving of the head, ‘a very Mosaic Law’ thing to do, especially as it called for animal sacrifice; see Num. 6:14. This also confirms that Mosaic Law was God’s Christian lifestyle until Sixtus altered it; cf. Dan. 7:25.)

Epiphanius (315-403), another Roman Catholic bishop-historian, offers an insightful description of the Mosaic Law keeping Nazarenes in his time, more than 300 years *after* the resurrection. He wrote that the Nazarenes,

“*do not differ* in any essential thing from them (i.e. non-believing Jews), *since they practice the custom and doctrines prescribed by the Jewish Law*, except that they believe in Christ. They believe in the resurrection of the dead and that the universe was created by God. They preach that God is one and that Jesus Christ is his Son. They are very learned in the Hebrew language. They read the Law...*They fulfill till now Jewish rites as the...Sabbath and others.*”<sup>15</sup>

Both Gentile Christians (Polycrates and all Turkey, etc.), and Jewish Christians (the Nazarenes) walked out their faith in Jesus through all the laws of Moses that applied to them. Both Scripture<sup>16</sup> and Church History confirm this. Mosaic Law is an essential part of biblical Christianity because it reveals the full extent of what is sin, in God’s eyes (Rom. 3:20b). It’s also God’s definition of love (see Mt. 22:35-40; every rule of Moses explains *how* to love God and Man). Without Mosaic Law a Christian is not ‘fully equipped’ (2nd Tim. 3:10-17; cf. Dt. 4:6-8).

<sup>1</sup> Samuele Bacchiocchi, *From Sabbath To Sunday* (Rome, Italy: The Pontifical Gregorian University Press, 1977), p. 118, note 101. Eusebius’ account of the Easter controversy is found in *HE* 5, 23-24. Read *From Sabbath to Sunday* at <http://seedofabraham.net/From-Sabbath-to-Sunday.pdf>. This is the definitive work on the issue of Sabbath vs. Sunday.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, pp. 118-119.

<sup>3</sup> *Ibid.* *Quarto-deciman* is Latin and means 14. It was the 14th day of the first Hebrew month, 14 *Aviv* (called *Nisan* to-day) that the Passover lamb was sacrificed on (Ex. 12:1-10; Lev. 23:5) and was eaten that night (15 *Aviv*).

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- 4 Ibid.
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- 6 Ibid., p. 120.
- 7 *The Ante-Nicene Fathers*, translated by Alexander Roberts and James Donaldson, 1885.
- 8 Eusebius, *Church History*, Book V, Chapter 24.
- 9 See The Two Babylons—The Full Hislop at <http://seedofabraham.net/The-Two-Babylons.pdf>, p. 81ff. Easter is a pagan holy day that was celebrated centuries before Jesus was born in Bethlehem. Easter is the English name for the Assyrian Queen of Heaven (Ishtar), who allegedly raised her dead son (also called ‘the Christ’) to life on Ishtar Sunday. Slapping the name of Jesus over Easter does not make it Christian nor the day of Jesus’ resurrection, which is calculated from the Sunday in Passover Week; not Rome’s Easter.
- 10 Bacchiocchi, *From Sabbath to Sunday* (see note 1 for URL), p. 94, also note 400: Jerome came across Nazarenes in “Beroes, a city of Syria” (*De Viris ill.* 3, *NPNF* 2nd, III, p. 362). See Acts 24:5 (cf. Acts 9:2; 19:9, 23; 24:14, 22).
- 11 Ibid., p. 119, note 401: M. Simon (p. 90, note 388) ...J. Danielou...also views the Nazarenes as the descendants of the ... (first) Christians (i.e. the Jewish Apostles)...who “regarded the Jewish observance...of Sabbath...as still of obligation.” From [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marcel\\_Simon](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marcel_Simon): Marcel Simon (1907-1986) “was a French specialist in the history of religions, particularly relations between Christianity and Judaism in antiquity. His major work, *Verus Israel*, was published in 1948. It has been described as ‘seminal.’”
- 12 Ibid.
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- 16 See Law 102 at <http://seedofabraham.net/Law-102.pdf>, Mt. 5:17-19; Mark 2:27-28; Acts 21:20, 24; 25:8; Rom. 3:20, 31; 7:7, 12, 14; 1st Cor. 5:6-8; 1st Jn. 2:6; Rev. 14:12.

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## **The Feast and God’s People**

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In ancient times the feast was about rejoicing in the fear of the ETERNAL. It was called the feast of the harvest, or feast of Ingathering, Feast of Tabernacles (Tents), or simply, “the feast.” The harvest was complete. Food was plenteous. The work was done, and it was time to rejoice before the Eternal and give thanks to Him and learn to fear to disappoint Him.

People in Israel took their tithes of the land—food, wine, and animals-- to the temple and ate in the place that God chose to place His Name -- the city of Shiloh (at first) and Jerusalem (later). The emphasis was on rejoicing, eating the best, and drinking the best.

The New Testament refers to God’s feasts as “love feasts” (Jude 12). Surely the word “love” is not referring to the “love” of food, wine, and good times. The word “love” in Greek is “agape” and means the kind of love God is and manifests.

This is the love we are to give to God’s people – called the “love of the Brethren (Philadelphia) -- and to God. But how do we show love to God? “If someone says, ‘I love God,’ and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen” (1 John 4:20).



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It is through the love we have toward one another that we love God also. Boiled down, the Feast is about God and His people. It's about expressing love to God through His people. What does it mean to love people?

It means getting to know them and caring for them. It means to forgive them. It means to consider their needs, feelings, and sufferings. It means respecting their person and their property. It means accepting the fact that others have a right to their own ideas, values, and decisions – different though they may be from your own. It means knowing that we adhere to the main tenets of Christianity - Jesus Christ as Lord, the Son of God our Father!

We know that men and women are different. But we don't need to judge them or criticize them but celebrate their differentness.

We are different from one another in many ways. Respecting other people's right to be different, even their right to make mistakes, and their right to make their own choices is a form of love. The opposite is tyranny and accusing.

I believe the feast should be about growing in so many ways but especially in our love for Christ who is present in His people!

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### MESSAGES

**Growing in Humility**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5bor3VMFFj0>

**The Curse and the Blessing (with German translation)**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O25K3wdmyn4>

**Recommended listening: Daily Devotion**

<https://cfcindia.com/daily-devotion>

**CFC Bangalore**

<https://cfcindia.com>

## Holy Days 2023

**Passover – April 6, 2023 (Observed at Sunset the Evening Before)**

**Unleavened Bread – April 6-12, 2023**

**Pentecost – May 26, 2023**

**Trumpets - September 16, 2023**

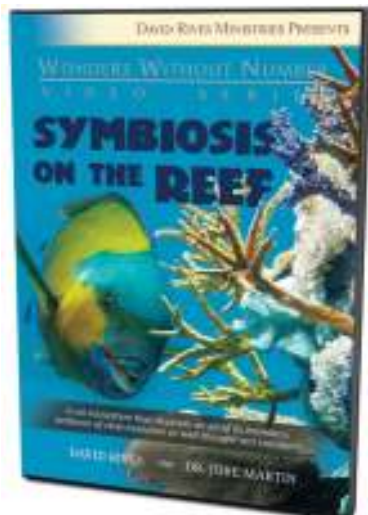
**Atonement – September 25, 2023**

**Tabernacles –September 30, 2023 to October 6, 2023**

**Last Great Day – October 7, 2023**

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## Other Items

(Poems, Jokes, Questions etc.)

### Aftermath Two

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Go to just past minute 4 on this. He refers to the same phenomenon that I posed just after our situation at the Feast.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xO2\\_LX8llcw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xO2_LX8llcw)

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## **Three Older Ladies**

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Three older ladies were discussing the travails of getting older. One said, "Sometimes I catch myself with a jar of mayonnaise in my hand in front of the refrigerator and can't remember whether I need to put it away or start making a sandwich." The second lady chimed in, "Yes, sometimes I find myself on the landing of the stairs and can't remember whether I was on my way up or on my way down." The third one responded, "Well, I'm glad I don't have that problem; knock on wood," as she rapped her knuckles on the table. Then she told them, "That must be the door; I'll get it!"