



If I want to be happy
And quick on my toes,
I must bite my food slowly
And breath through my nose.

I must press back my shoulders
And hold up my head,
And not close my window
When going to bed.

I must soap my bath flannel,
And scrub all I know;
I must then take a towel
And rub till I glow.

I must never be idle,
And loll in my chair;
Or shout like a demon,
And act like a bear.

How Every Wise Boy and Girl Should Live

I must play and not fidget'
Read books and not flop!
Begin all with a purpose,
And know when to stop.

I must love what is noble,
And do what is kind;
I must strengthen my body
And tidy my mind.

Yes! If I would be healthy,
And free from all cares,
I must do all I've told you,
And mean all my prayers.

(Harold Begbie)



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LOOK UP...

"... FOR YOUR REDEMPTION DRAWETH NIGH"

"The Writing on the Wall" — at Belshazzar's Feast



Today over two and a half thousand years later the writing's on the wall again, but who can read it? It is the task of the modern day prophet to discern the times and the seasons —

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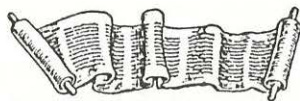
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Prayer for the Month

O Heavenly Father, Who through the year that is passed hast given to us understanding of the portion of Thy Word needful for us, accept we pray Thee our humble thanksgiving for Thy Word Incarnate-Christ Jesus our Lord and soon coming King.

We pray Thee that Thou would, at this time, remember Thy Holy Covenant and have mercy upon Thy People. As Thou didst show mercy in sending Thy Son to Redeem Thy People in order that Thy Covenant Purposes might be fulfilled — so too we pray that Thou would now remember again the need of Thy People. Bless us, we pray Thee with true understanding to the end that Thy Holy Name shall be Glorified.

These mercies we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



it to Westminster. Since then, all our Kings and Queens have been crowned on it, so that from the date when Jeremiah brought it to Ireland, first the Irish and then the Scots and afterwards the English, and now the British sovereigns have all been crowned on this stone, the Stone of the Covenant. What Covenant? That Abraham should be heir of the world, that his descendants should become a

Nation and a Company of nations.

That is the promise, and here is the Stone which witnesses. Let not Israel lightly esteem the birthright assigned to them. Has not God said, *"This people have I formed for myself; they shall show forth My praise."* (Isa. 43:22)

"I Yahweh, change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed." (Mal. 3:6).

Courtesy: National Message



Chief Servant—Mode Of Swearing

"Abraham said unto his eldest servant ... Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh, and ... swear, ..." (Gen. 24:2-3)

1. The most intelligent and faithful servant of the household was appointed overseer of the others. The word "Eldest" is not of necessity expressive of age, but of authority. This was the head servant, chief of all the rest. In a similar way we use the word "elder" in an official sense, even when applied to young men. Such head-servants or stewards may still be seen portrayed on Egyptian tombs, with their secretaries, implements of writing, stewards' account books, and articles for domestic use. This was the position which Joseph filled. Gen. 39:4.

2. The mode of swearing here spoken of seems to have been peculiar to the patriarchs. Jacob required Joseph thus to swear to him. Gen. 47:29. Various conjectures have been made as to the precise position of the hand or hands in taking this oath, for which, as well as for the supposed significance of the oath, commentators may be consulted.



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Point of View



Many times throughout Scripture we have verses stating that Israel is to be great, mighty in power, chosen above all nations, etc. Other nations are even to learn their laws. Because of the incorrect belief that the words Israel and Jew are interchangeable it is no wonder that many have misunderstood these verses. It has also been assumed that these verses express the view that the Jew or "Israelite" is superior due to the chosen concept and therefore has been given the right and might to rule the world. This assumption of ruling is not only misunderstood but also this idea suggests a dictatorial ruling by a few over the masses. The result is that many authors with great insight into the problems of the world, have turned away from the Scriptures and believed that only man can solve their own problems. It is quite obvious that Israel's role as a servant nation has been completely misunderstood.

The anomaly to this whole question is that the verses that cause so much confusion actually refer to the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic and related peoples of the

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world. To be even more specific only a remnant of these people are to be chosen for rulership. I must say, that probably a small percentage of the "Jewish" community can be included in the overall Israel nation. It must not be forgotten that the term nation is but a small group of a race. In other words a race of people can be made up of many nations. For example the Caucasian race is made up of many nations. One great Prime Minister once said, *"There is one thing you can not change: and that is your race."*

It is within the above context that I would like to narrow my thoughts to the verse in Deuteronomy 28:13 about Israel being the head and not the tail. As the Western Nations slip further into a state of chaos and destruction the matter of being the "head and not the tail," becomes even more relevant. Just how far down the road to oblivion Israel must go, before their Creator steps in is presently unknown. There is no doubt that the further we move away from God's plan for His people, the more marvellous will be the Restoration of Israel.

If it were possible that on a particular day we declared as a nation our faith in a Covenant keeping God, there is no way that instantly we would become the head and not the tail. The effects of such a declaration would take some considerable time. For the laws to be reinstated and then administered would take some time.

As a nation we must desire to be governed by such laws. At the present moment we have a hypocritical situation where the Churches cry out about the poor and yet they deny the means to deal with the problem of poverty. Christ could see through this problem when he showed what would be the outcome of those who believed that the Law was not relevant. As Matthew 5:19 says, they would be least in the Kingdom of Heaven.

With obedience comes blessings, responsibility and equitable justice. The blessings will come with little exertion or effort. Just imagine the release of energy that would flow into industry and business if we only paid the correct amount of taxation which is the tithe, i.e. 10% of our income. The cancellation of national debts and the issue of interest free money will do away with the present restrictions that stifle any incentive. The day is coming when the issue of money and the reason for its purpose will be clearly understood. The principle of buying without money and without price (Isaiah 55:1) will be applied to the real world. Wealth will be seen in what we make out of the natural ingredients of what God has provided.

The policy makers and legislators (law makers) have distorted the truth. They have fed this "truth" as a sugar coated pill in such a way that the people "love to have it so." In fact the people don't like to be told that they have been conned because on the occasions when the electorate are asked to vote they are told by their masters how smart they are.

To a great extent the resulting transfer

of production from the Western Nations to the Third World can be traced back to such gatherings like that of the Lima Agreement of the early 70's. Whilst the producing areas of the world have changed, the ownership of the wealth has not. The moguls are still in control of production and distribution of the goods.

One of the resulting features of the Kingdom of God on earth will be equitable (not equal) distribution of true wealth. To produce and distribute this wealth will require little effort and energy compared to what we experience today. By obeying all of God's laws there will be no need to have inbuilt obsolescence.

There is no doubt in my mind that God has planned to have Israel as the head and not the tail. Christ coming to earth as the only begotten Son of God, dying and then being resurrected, shows to what extent our Heavenly Father is prepared to do to restore Israel to their original purpose. From birth to Ascension, Christ's life was one of obedience to the Law. Israel's glory will even be greater once the Laws of God are written into the hearts of the people.

Even though Israel on a few occasions throughout the Old Testament period was blessed due to their short periods of obedience, such times of greatness are but a hazy reflection, compared to the reality of their future role as a Servant Nation. The British Empire, whilst a partial fulfilment of the many promises, again is not something that we should seek to return to, because that period of history was again only a passing phase due to the effort and faithfulness of a few good men and women.

these rings nearly worn through.

Let us for a moment again consider Jacob's vow in Gen. 28:20-22, we note in verse 22, *"And this stone, which I have set {for} a pillar, shall be God's House."* How could this vow, known to his sons and descendants, be carried out? Either they must build a house of God at Bethel or place the Stone in a prominent part of the Sanctuary dedicated to the worship of God when they possessed the Promised Land. We know that the Stone is roughly dressed as if it was to be used for building, but that it was never so used. As Psalm 118 verse 22 says, *"The stone {which} the builders refused is become the head of the corner."* So we find that Jacob vowed that *"This stone shall be God's House."* (Gen. 28:22)

We find Jeremiah upbraiding Israel for worshipping a "Stone," *"And to a stone, Thou (the stone) hast brought me forth."* (Jer. 2:27) There could be only one such stone, the stone they had brought from Egypt, the stone that Moses struck in the wilderness and which poured forth water to save them.

When Joash was crowned standing by a "pillar" it was *"as the manner was"* (II Kings 11:14). At the coronation of Abimelech (Jud. 9:6) he too was by the "pillar." This we believe was the stone set up by Joshua in entering Canaan, as a witness (Josh. 24:25-27).

"Jacob's Stone" was kept as most sacred and was carried into Egypt by Jacob and his family, then it accompanied Israel in their wanderings, and was eventually placed in the temple and called the top corner-stone, where it remained

till the Captivity.

In the carefully drawn up list of all the valuables taken away by Nebuchadnezzar there is no mention of a stone.

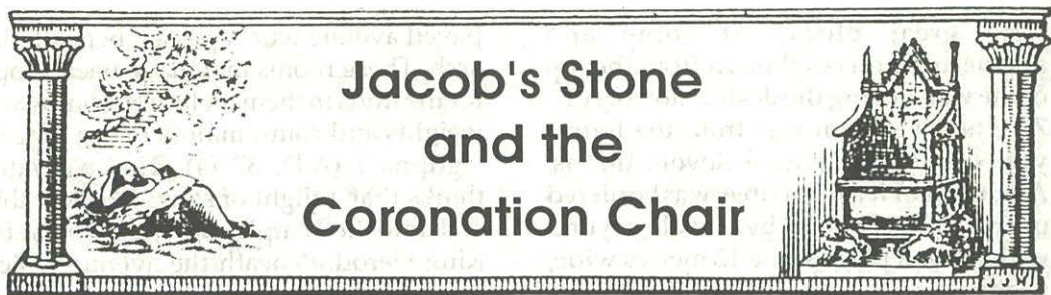
The stone remained for the prophet Jeremiah to take with him in his commission: *"See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms ... to build, and to plant."* (Jer. 1:10)

Considering his commission, Jeremiah would never have left Jerusalem without this sacred stone. Of his wanderings accompanied by Baruch the Scribe and the daughters of Zedekiah we must consider the history of the Milesian relations with Egypt during the 26th Dynasty. There we find that one of the daughters of Zedekiah married into the royal house of Ireland. This royal house were also Israelites who settled in Ireland long before the Assyrian invasions of Palestine.

They were crowned on Jacob's Stone. The Irish called this stone the "Lia Fail" or "Stone of Destiny."

The further history of Jacob's Stone is simple. It was kept with reverence by the royal house of Ireland until the sixth century, when Fergus I sailed from Dalriada, landing at Iona A.D. 503, and conquered what is now Argyllshire. After his victory he sent for the Stone and was crowned and anointed King on it. Fergus I certainly believed the sacred history of the Stone; certain it is that it could not have been a new stone without any previous history.

Later in the tenth century it was transferred to Scone and later still, after the battle of Dunbar, Edward I removed



Selected

In Westminster Abbey one is shown in Edward the Confessor's Chapel the Coronation Chair, and in this chair is what is called "Jacob's Stone," which is never removed from the chair when used at a Coronation, so that all our Kings and Queens have been crowned on this stone, except certain of the Saxon Kings who were crowned on a stone which stood in the market place of Kingston-on-Thames.

We may well ask, "What is its history?" It is, we believe, the "Stone" upon which Jacob laid his head at Luz and on which he received the covenant; which he consecrated as "God's house" at Bethel; the stone which He gave to Joseph as the witness and title-deeds to the promises of God that he should be heir to the world.

We see in Genesis Chapters 28 to 35 how Jacob set up this stone as a pillar and changed the name of the place to Bethel, the "House of God," and was told to return to this spot and there he received yet another blessing. Is it not likely that he would, after these experiences, take the stone with him to Mamre, where he hastened to see his father, Isaac? There is little doubt that Jacob would regard this stone as a priceless heirloom, though so

plain that no one would desire to steal it; it is heavy and so not easily stolen, but quite easily moved by Jacob in his wagon when he went down to Egypt, and then in Israel's wanderings carried by the rings set in it, a silent witness of Yahweh's covenant and leading.

That Jacob did actually take it to Egypt we are assured when we read in his blessing of Joseph "*Joseph {is} a fruitful bough, {even} a fruitful bough by a well; {whose} branches run over the wall: The archers have sorely grieved him, and shot {at him}, and hated him: But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty {God} of Jacob; (from thence {is} the shepherd, the stone of Israel:)*" (Gen. 49:22-24). That from that time he (Joseph) kept the Stone of Israel and to him and his descendants were promised all the birthright blessings to be realised "in the last days."

From that day Joseph and then Ephraim would keep the Stone as a title-deed and at the Exodus, when "Moses took the bones of Joseph with him," we may be sure he also took the Stone. To carry it in the wanderings, iron rings would be necessary, and today we find

The bulk of the sheep merely lived in improved lifestyles, as a result of the scientific discoveries and willingness to fight and die for freedom under the three crosses of St. George, St. Andrew and St. Patrick. As is the case down through history we live in prosperity and eventually take it all for granted.

Because the vision was not fully understood and as a result of Jacob's enemies "taking counsel together against His anointed" (Psalm 2) the great British Empire also passed away as the morning dew. During this period of imperialism the Lion of Judah did judge with some understanding of the Law, and Joseph did become a fruitful bough (Genesis 49), but again we have seen the stranger "get up above thee very high" and as a result Israel "shalt come down very low" (Deut. 28:43-44). Whilst the stranger in our midst must not be "vexed" (Lev. 19:33) we must fully obey the Law by not following after their Gods. But because of our misguided tolerance and compassion for helping the stranger we have not only adopted the stranger, but also their beliefs to the detriment of our own nationally founded

faith, namely Christianity. Due to multiculturalism all faiths have been placed upon the alter of miscegenation. To a large extent because the Israelite in the appointed lands has blissfully handed over their inheritance to the stranger via immigration policies, international trade and inter-faith programmes, the tail controls the head.

For how long the tail will control the head is not known. Because God has not provided all the clues, we are unable to have all our questions answered. Nevertheless the Bible does provide many signs so as the wise can be prepared. As we have been in the period of Jacob's Trouble, during which time the power of the Holy People has been broken for some decades, I am very sure we will witness the Fall of Babylon in the very near future. This collapse will bring to an end the religious, financial and political control that the One-worlders plan for mankind. For us to experience New Wine in New Bottles, the death of mammon must be completed. It will be only then that the Kingdom of God on earth will be ready to take its place.



Cave Sepulchres

"Abraham buried Sarah his wife, in the cave of the field of Machpelah." (Gen. 23:19)

Sepulchral caves are still found in many parts of the East. Sometimes a natural cave is used, with such modifications as necessity may require. The place where Abraham buried Sarah was undoubtedly a natural cave. Tombs were frequently hewn out of the rock.



Christ — A Threat to World Peace!

W. Finlay

*"For the Lord {is} a great God, and a great King
above all gods." (Psalm 95:3)*

Once again the bells will ring out over Christian lands proclaiming the season of remembrance — a commemoration of the time when *"God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons."* (Gal. 4:4-5) Conversely, if one may appeal to metaphor, peals of satanic merriment must surely ring out in hell at the grotesque parody which passes as we remember the event when the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us. The "good will toward men" embodied in the angelic praise at the time of the Birth of Christ has been extended by commercialism to include Satan whose plans for the total subjugation of the world benefit greatly by the obvious compromise of Biblical Truth.

At a time when people rely mainly on an emotion-charged, intellectually sponsored appreciation of the Birth of Christ, it would serve a very useful purpose to note the wide gulf which exists between this and what the Bible actually relates. In the first instance, it will be noted that the "angel of the Lord" who "stood in the presence of God" (Luke 1:19) was Gabriel whose appearance on the stage of world history had previously been in connection with prodigious

announcements of Divine Grace to the Israel nation (Dan. 9:20-27). This same heavenly messenger appeared to Mary with an annunciation which is seldom, if ever, quoted in connection with the Birth of Christ as it falls within the compass of what most today consider as anathema to the general well-being of society. Gabriel was positively discriminatory when he announced Mary's conception for he said: *"... thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David. And he shall reign over the house of Jacob forever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end."* (Luke 1:31-33)

In similar vein, Zacharias, the father of John the Baptist, was equally discriminatory. Speaking, not of himself but under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, Zacharias said: *"Blessed {be} the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people, and hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David; ... To perform the mercy {promised} to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant; The oath which he swore to our father, Abraham."* (Luke 1:68-69, 72-73) Unless words have lost their meaning, there can be no doubt as to the exclusive

with great blocks of stone and architectural pieces thrown from the top of the wall during the destruction of A.D. 70. The latest coin was from the fourth year of the First Jewish Revolt, that is, A.D. 69. The Herodian street was bordered on its southern side by a wall beyond which was a plaza some 12 metres wide, probably a gathering-place for pilgrims going into the Temple.

It became clear that on the west side the famous Robinson's Arch, first described by the American scholar, Edward Robinson at the end of the nineteenth century, was in fact the spring of an arch to the west. At a distance of 12.40 metres away was the well-preserved lower part of a finely constructed pier which supported the arch, which must have been some 15.25 metres long. At the base of the pier were four small rooms opening to the east on to the Herodian

paved avenue which passed beneath the arch. These rooms may have been shops for the finds in them included stone ware, weights and coins, mainly of the time of Agrippa I (A.D. 37-44). The excavator thinks that a flight of stairs led over this arch into the Temple courtyard for use by King Herod. Beneath the avenue which passed under the arch lay a great aqueduct which has been traced for a considerable distance. An interesting Hebrew inscription was engraved into one of the huge Herodian stones in the wall under the arch, but it comes from the Byzantine period. It quotes Isaiah 66:14.

This work is proceeding apace all the year round. Each year produces new evidence which both corrects earlier views and adds to our knowledge information of which we were in complete ignorance.

Courtesy : Buried History



Troughs

"She hastened, and emptied her pitcher into the trough." (Gen. 24:20)

These troughs are placed near the wells for convenience in watering cattle. They are made of wood or stone. Sometimes a long stone block is hollowed out, from which a number of animals can drink at once; and sometimes the troughs are smaller, several of them lying about the same well, each so small as to accommodate only one animal at a time.

See also Gen. 30:38; Exod. 2:16.

J. Freeman
Manners & Customs of the Bible



in height. A range of Iron Age II pottery and two small inscriptions fix the age.

The Temple Area

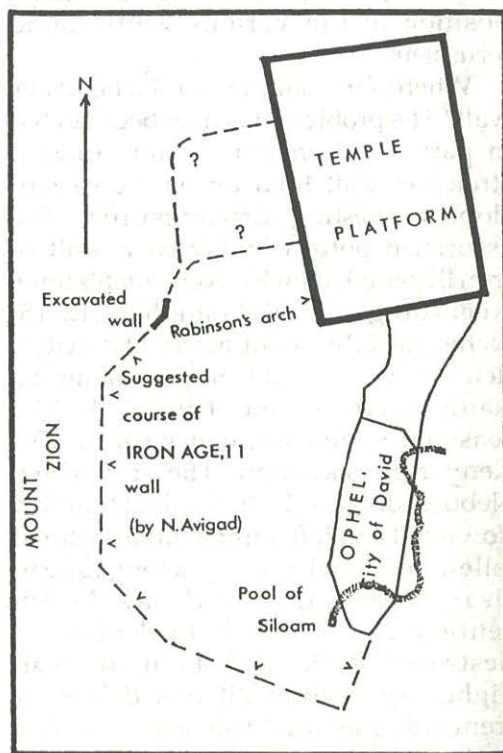
Our final reference is to the remarkable excavations which have taken place to the south and west of the Temple area following the 1967 war. Excavations here cut through Arab and Byzantine remains to lay bare the levels from the days of Herod the Great, which, of course, were there in the days of Jesus. Speculations about what might have stood here have been numerous. Attempts have been made to discover from Josephus the layout of the area. One may see in Jerusalem today a superb model reconstruction of the Jerusalem of the first century, but it is now out of date in many areas.

Professor Mazar showed that at the south end of the Temple area there were four periods of occupation — Early Arab (8 phases), Byzantine (4 phases), Roman (12 phases), and Herodian (from Herod down to A.D. 70). The area under excavation runs from the south-western corner to the buildings adjoining the so-called "Double Gate," one of two gates in the southern wall mentioned in the Mishna where it is called the Hulda Gates. At this point people could enter the outer Temple courtyard by a flight of steps.

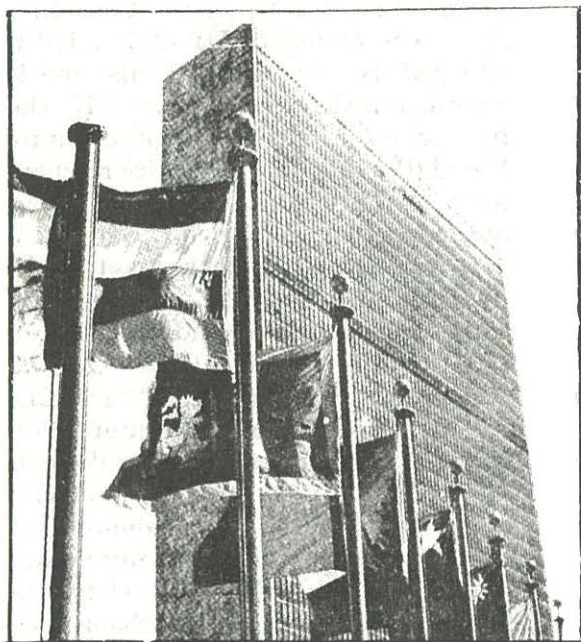
We shall omit reference to the Early Arab phases which are of tremendous interest in themselves. Roman and Byzantine remains were found in the south-western corner and to the east. Evidently this was a garden area at the time. Many significant finds were

uncovered here including a Latin inscription from the days of Septimus Severus (193-211 A.D.), and many bricks and tiles bearing the stamp **LEGIO X Fretensis**, also others with the stamp **Colonia Aelia Capitolina**, an abundance of coins, fragments of marble sculptures, bronze figures, and large quantities of pottery and glass.

Beneath the Roman levels lay the Herodian remains. An Herodian street was discovered along the edge of the great Temple wall. The street was littered



Plan of Jerusalem locating the 7th century B.C. wall section.



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context embodied in the Birth of the Lord Jesus Christ.

While people, almost fanatically driven by a one-world concept, may insist on debunking the exclusiveness embodied in both statements by Gabriel and Zacharias, a further exclusive greatness will be noted in the fact that the Birth, Life, Death and Resurrection of Christ was the fulfilment of Old Testament prophecies which were given exclusively to Israel. Moses was certainly no Universalist for his statement, recorded in Deuteronomy 29:29, reflected his belief that Israel was the national repository of the "revealed" things of God. Within these revealed things which were Israel's

exclusive possession, one finds the incredibly exact picture of the Birth, Life, Death and Resurrection of the Lord's Christ which is why the Lord Jesus Christ said: *"For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me; for he wrote of me."* (John 5:46).

In the light of the current suicidal manoeuvres to produce a one-world people, government and religion, it is not so remarkable that the golden thread of Israel's Messiah, running prophetically right through the Hebrew Scriptures, is totally ignored. This "golden thread" is a danger to the social gospel which shatters, beyond repair, the doctrine of universalism and the equality of mankind. As has been previously noted, the Lord Jesus Christ drew attention to the fact that Moses had written of Him and, at this stage, it would be profitable to realise precisely what Moses did write. In his discourse with the children of Israel, Moses said: *"The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken."* (Deut 18:15) There is no ambiguity here for Moses specifically stated that God would raise up for Israel and out of Israel, a Prophet to whom Israel would listen. It is all too clear that the Jews have no meaning here for this Prophet, according to Moses, would speak the commands of God (Deut. 18:18) and the Lord Jesus Christ roundly condemned the Jews for not hearing God's words and for rejecting Him (John 8:45-47). It was thus to Israel and not to the Jews that

Moses' words had content and meaning.

Paul, in his Epistle to the Romans, writes specifically of Israelites, not Jews, of whom, "*as concerning the flesh, Christ {came,} who is over all, God blessed forever*" (Rom. 9:4-5), thus indicating the fulfilment of Moses' prophetic words spoken to Israel. Besides Moses, others in the Israel family were used to communicate to their brethren the good news of the Coming Messiah. The aged Jacob, the first to be called Israel (Gen. 32:28), blessed his sons individually and indicated that Judah would be the specific tribe from which "Shiloh" would come (Gen. 49:10), and this theme was picked up some nine hundred years later by the prophet Micah who pin-pointed the place of the Birth of the coming Ruler in Israel. "*But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, {though} thou be little among the thousands of Judah, {yet} out of thee shall he come forth unto me {that is} to be ruler in Israel.*" (Mic. 5:2) While the place is not mentioned, is this not precisely what Gabriel said to Mary?

The whole incredible story is told to Israel at various stages in its national development. The prophet Jeremiah was used to relate the massacre of innocent children (Jer. 31:15) with Matthew making specific mention of its fulfilment (Matt. 2:16-18). Hosea wrote of the return from Egypt (Hos. 11:1) with Matthew again showing that the return from Egypt of Joseph, Mary and the infant Jesus was precisely as foretold (Matt. 2:15). Christ's Ministry in Galilee — not in Judea among the Judeans — was foretold and fulfilled (Isa. 9:1-2 and Matt. 4:14-16). His Priestly office after the Order of Melchizedek — a

peculiar Israelitish experience (Gen. 14:18-20) — was foretold by David (Psa. 110:4) and had its fulfilment in Christ and is recorded in Hebrews 5:6; 6:20; 7:17. The betrayal by a "friend" was foreseen by David (Psa. 41:9) and the price received for this of thirty pieces of silver was added by the prophet Zechariah (Zech. 11:12-13). At His trial, His silence was foretold (Isa. 53:7), as was the agony of the Crucifixion (Psa. 22:16 and Zech. 12:10), the insults and mocking (Psa. 109:25), the offering of gall and vinegar (Psa. 69:21), the casting of lots for His venture (Psa. 22:18), the exemption of the breaking of bones (Psa. 34:20) — all this was an integral and essential part of the revelation of God to the Israel people. In no literature, other than that which is God's Revelation to Israel, is there any such mechanism as prophecy and its fulfilment so meticulously set out and verified — a fact which should surely invoke a query and an answer.

Attention has been drawn to the angelic annunciation that Mary would bear a Son, whose name would be JESUS and who would reign over the house of Jacob for ever. This was a New Testament projection of the Old Testament prophecy occasioned by the complete failure of those descendants of David who ruled in Israel. Isaiah, the prophet, writing at the time when a divided Israel nation was being assailed by both internal and external enemies and being decimated by successive waves of captivities, spoke of One, on whose shoulder the government of the people would be. "*Of the increase of {his} government and peace*

The Walls of Jerusalem & the Temple Area

J. Thompson

The Walls of Jerusalem

Another problem on which light is slowly dawning is that of the exact position of the various walls round Jerusalem.

Where, for example, was Nehemiah's wall? The problem has now been solved in part. Kathleen Kenyon unearthed a stretch of wall high up on the eastern slope and resting directly on rock. The associated pottery indicated a wall of Iron III period, which is Nehemiah's time. According to Nehemiah 2:12-15, Nehemiah in his night survey of the city's defences was not able to pass along the south-eastern section of the walls. The reason for this became clear in Dr. Kenyon's excavation. The city which Nebuchadrezzar destroyed had tumbled down-hill and left a tremendous heap of fallen stones, which took a long time to clear. Beneath this debris lay the 6th century city which Nebuchadrezzar destroyed. Nehemiah built his wall higher up beyond all this debris. A trench dug against this wall revealed debris of the 5th-4th centuries. It was to this wall that the large tower was eventually added in the Maccabean

period. This wall remained the wall of Jerusalem in this area until the destruction of the original city by Titus in A.D. 70, although there were many repairs and strengthenings. This discovery of Dr. Kenyon has laid to rest many speculations of past years.

Where then did the western wall of the city lie that is beyond the temple area on the western hill? In the absence of excavation this was impossible to decide. However, at least a portion of the wall has now been exposed—altogether 35 metres. Excavations in the Jewish Quarter of the Old City of Jerusalem, which lasted from April to November, 1970, brought to light clear evidence of occupation in the Iron Age II period, that is, in the period 900 to 600 B.C. Here a massive wall of the seventh century B.C. was uncovered. It was from 6.4-7.2 metres thick (that is, from 21 to 24 feet), and stood 275 metres (920 feet) to the west of the Temple enclosure opposite its southern end. It rested on bed-rock throughout, and was built of a mixture of large, roughly squared blocks, coarse stones and boulders laid dry with small stones only partly filling the large gaps. Two to seven courses are preserved reaching 3.30 metres high, or some 10 feet

Among a number of other things emanating from Egypt and Babylon, the various Festival Days of the old 'religions' (the birthday of the Egyptian Horus or Osiris, December 25th) ... became gradually substituted for the nativity of our blessed Saviour, viz., September 29th or 'Michaelmas Day.'" (Appendix 179, II, 3)

From the date of Jesus' birth it is a simple matter to calculate the very day of the Annunciation to Mary over nine months before, for as our Lord was perfect in every way, the period of gestation before birth would be absolutely normal and perfect, namely 280 days. Now, 280 days before the Nativity on 1st of Tishri, 2 B.C., brings us back to 16th of Tebet, 3 B.C., which on the Hebrew Calendar then in use, was precisely the Winter Solstice. So, Jesus left the heavenly glory on celestial or astronomical time (the Winter Solstice), and 280 days later was born into the world on calendar time (the Hebrew New Year Day) — See

diagram on page 58.

The Law required 40 days to be fulfilled after birth, in the case of a male child, and then his presentation before the Lord was to be made (Leviticus 12:2, 4, 6). As Jesus' 1st day was Tishri 1st, his 40th would be Marchesvan 10th and his presentation at the Temple at Jerusalem would be due the following day, Marchesvan 11th, i.e., November 9th in the year 2 B.C., and then *"when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city, Nazareth"* and *"his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the Passover."* (Luke 2:39, 41)

The first Passover after the birth of Jesus was that in the year 1 B.C., and between that one and the following Passover in A.D. 1, there occurred the visit of the Magi, flight to Egypt, death of Herod and the return of the Holy Family to Nazareth.



Bride Chosen By Parents

"Thou shalt go unto my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son Isaac." (Gen. 24:4)

The bridegroom does not make choice of his bride; the parents negotiate this important business between themselves, and the young people are expected to acquiesce in the arrangement. In this instance Abraham sends a trusty servant hundreds of miles away to select for his son a wife whom he never saw. Hagar chose a wife for Ishmael, Gen. 21:21. Isaac gave command to Jacob on this important subject, Gen. 28:1. Judah selected a wife for Er, Gen. 38:6. Young men who chose wives for themselves without parental mediation usually afflicted their parents in so doing, Gen. 26:35; 37:46. The sons, however, had sometimes the privilege of suggesting their personal preferences to their parents. Thus Shechem did (Gen. 34:4); and also Samson. Judges 14:2.





Saul was the first king appointed by the people of Israel, but God chose David of the tribe of Judah instead.

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{there shall be} no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever." (Isa. 9:7) From this statement by Isaiah and that of Gabriel one is introduced to the subject of Monarchy in a sense diametrically opposed to the concept of democracy. In a democratic society, if it happens to have a Monarch, the government of the people is vested in the elected representatives of the people and not in the occupant of the throne whose position today is that of a mere figurehead. In Biblical Israel, however, the situation was entirely different.

It is all too obvious that at the outset of Israel's national existence, the relationship

between the Almighty and the nation was not that of God to man. The very fact that the Lord specifically created the Israel nation (Isaiah 43:1) as a witness to Himself (Isa. 43:10) is an indication of the God-man relationship. Throughout their long history, man has created gods and has given them credibility, shape, size and character in conformity with their intellect but always remaining a nebulous abstraction. Israel, on the other hand, being a national witness, was given a unique status and enjoyed the relationship of being the subjects of the King. This much is confirmed when one reads the account of I Samuel 8:5-7 which recounts the rejection of the Theocracy and the reaction of Israel's King. *"And the Lord*

said unto Samuel, *Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee; for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.*"

It should be noted that Saul became the first man to rule in Israel (I Sam. 9:2) but this choice was not that of God. God specifically charged Samuel to seek one of the sons of Jesse of the tribe of Judah (I Sam. 16:1) and as a result, David became the first king in Israel to sit upon the Throne of the Lord. It should be noted that the Lord never abdicated His Sovereignty in Israel but permitted one of the tribe of Judah to act as vice-regent in His stead. The conditional and unconditional promises made in the context of the Throne in Israel leaves one in no doubt whatsoever as to the meaning of Gabriel's words to Mary. The Son, conceived of the Holy Spirit and born to the virgin Mary, and who was, as the writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews describes Him, *"the brightness of {his} (God's) glory, and the express image of his person"* (Heb. 1:3), was to be given the Throne of the Lord which had been vested in the vice-regency of the house of David and which was exclusively established in Israel. The full significance of this lies in its future fulfilment for it is patently obvious that the Throne was not given at the First Advent nor was the government of Israel placed on His shoulder.

From the scriptural narrative one may see that the Kingly role of Christ only begins at His Second Advent and until such time, He remains on *"the right hand of the throne"* (note, not on the throne) of the

Majesty in the heavens" (Heb. 8:1) officiating as the great High Priest of the order of Melchizedek (Heb. 5:5-10). It is more than ludicrous to suggest that the Kingship of Christ, as related in the Bible, is fulfilled in a spiritual rule in the hearts of Christian men and women. The Scripture positively states that His rule is over the "house of Jacob" and by no stretch of imagination can this be made to mean an individual. The house of Jacob is still very much in existence in the world today but, blind to its identity (Isa. 42:19) with the conditions, as foreseen and foretold by the prophets, obtaining in Anglo-Celto-Saxondom. Slowly but surely these people are being weaned away from the Bible and God's strict injunctions to retain their separate national identity. They now miss the significance and fail to appreciate the momentous meaning of Gabriel's words to Mary and are quite prepared to hand over the authority of government, not to God, but to any whom they think will benefit them.

The anti-Christ enemies of true Israel know full well the opportunity afforded them by Israel's national blindness and have capitalised on this with tremendous success. They have succeeded in causing a complete turn-about in national characteristics so that in Anglo-Saxondom today, "light is darkness and darkness light, sweet is bitter and bitter sweet, white is black and black is white, evil is good and good is evil." Through tremendous pressures exerted in key positions which influence national life, a spirit of compromise has been engendered and any dictionary will define

nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of Hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles." The Day of Atonement had of course to do with our Lord's sacrifice. The only other annual holy day in the fall of the year, divinely instituted through the Mosaic Law, was the Feast of Trumpets on 1st Tishri, hence it is the only one left on which Christ could be born, and, as we should expect, the symbolism is fitting. It was a day of blowing of trumpets. (Numbers 29:1) Trumpets in symbol are associated with heralding and the proclamation of deliverance and liberty. At the birth of Jesus the angels heralded the great advent of the Messiah, in these words: *"Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord ..."* (Luke 1:10-11), which was immediately followed by the proclamation of the angelic hosts, *"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men."* (Luke 1:14) The Feast of Trumpets being on New Year's Day was appropriately the initial festival of the year. So, at the present day the 1st of Tishri and the 29th of September are days of special significance on both the Hebrew and Christian Calendars respectively and, in both cases, have appropriate connection with the birth of Jesus on the day that these two datings on the different calendars coincided, in the year 2 B.C.

The day on which Jesus was born was not only the first day of the year but was also the first day of a new Sabbatic Cycle of years, the 77th Sabbatic Cycle since the

reinstatement of the Sabbatic Cycles on the Jewish return from Babylonian Captivity. It is interesting to notice too that from that re-establishment of the Sabbatic Cycles in Tishri 534 B.C. till the birth of Christ in Tishri 2 B.C., was precisely a great Paschal Cycle of 532 years — the Paschal Cycle being the product of the number of years in the Metonic (Lunar or Minor), Cycle (19) and that in the Solar (or Major) Cycle (28), that is 19×28 or 532 years.

Christmas Day

Thus it is clearly proved that our present Christmas Day is erroneous. This festival on December 25th was in existence long centuries before Jesus was born. It was a pagan festival, to which a Christian terminology has been applied and most of our Christmas customs (nice though some of them have become) are of pagan origin. It was the old Babylonian Feast of Bacchus, the drunken festival. In Rome, December 25th was the Feast of Saturn, and like the Babylonian feast from which it was derived, was also a feast of unrestricted drunkenness. What is perhaps our commonest Christmas custom, the Christmas Tree, was just as common in pagan Egypt and Rome, but in Egypt it was a palm tree while in Rome it was a fir tree. On this matter also, the Companion Bible has a very pertinent comment, which states: *"The earliest allusion to December 25 (modern reckoning) as the date for the Nativity is found in the Stromata of Clement of Alexandria, about the beginning of the third century A.D. ... That 'Christmas' was a pagan festival long before the time of our Lord is beyond doubt ..."*

time of the dead, that they should be judged and that thou shouldst give reward unto thy servants, the prophets, and to the saints, and to them that fear thy name, small and great, and shouldst destroy them who destroy the earth." Both of these passages of Scripture speak of the great trouble upon the nations and the raising of the dead for reward or punishment, but in the former case the one in power is called Michael whereas in the latter he is revealed to be the Christ Himself. September 29th is not only the "Feast of Michael" (Christ) but the "Feast of Michael and all Angels" as if referring to the time when the multitude of angels appeared to the shepherds in the fields of Bethlehem with great joy and singing when Michael (Christ) was born into the world.

The Companion Bible has a very appropriate comment on this, as follows:—
"His (Christ's) birth took place on ...

September 29. An overwhelmingly strong argument in favour of the correctness of this view lies in the fact that the date of 'the Festival of Michael and All Angels' has been from very early times the 29th of September, on Gentile (Western) reckoning. But 'the Church' even then had lost sight of the reason why this date rather than any other in the Calendar should be so indissolubly associated with the great Angelic Festival." (Appendix 179, II, 1-2)

[Although unfortunately the Companion Bible applies this on a wrong year and a wrong Hebrew date and feast (Tabernacles) but on a Julian date (Sept.

29) that turns out right. It is more impressive of course when applied to the true Hebrew dating (Feast of Trumpets).]

Christ born on the Feast of Trumpets

In 2 B.C., the year of Christ's birth, the Hebrew New Year Day (Tishri 1st) began at sunset (6 p.m. for Calendar purposes) on September 29th and we know that Jesus was born at night, hence in the first hours of the New Year. Nearly 15 centuries before Jesus was born, God, through the Law of Moses, instituted this very day, Tishri 1st, as a holy day which He commanded to be observed year by year,

and it was known as the Feast of Trumpets. All the holy days inaugurated by God through the Mosaic Law had a prophetic chronological significance in connection with

***All the evidence
points to the
date of Jesus' birth as
being on the
29th September 2 B.C.***

Christ, either at His First Advent or His yet future work, the respective fulfilments taking place on the self-same days of the year. Because of John 1:14 *"The Word was made flesh and dwelt (tabernacled) among us"* the theory has been put forward that Christ was born during the Feast of Tabernacles, but this is only a play upon words, for the symbolic or prophetic meaning of that Feast has nothing to do with the birth of our Lord; it has to do with the yet-future as is clearly shown in Zechariah 14:16-21 *"And it shall come to pass {that} every one that is left of all the*

"compromise" as "surrender." The surrender of principle, sovereignty and religion is all too obvious in Anglo-Saxondom today.

Looking at the world of today and particularly bearing in mind that this is the season of remembrance of the Birth of Christ Jesus the Lord, one cannot help but project the current onslaught on matters Biblical into the future. In the United Nations — that so-called world representative body — with its preponderance of non-Christian nations, nay more, its anti-God majority, one may see that any nation or group of nations which stands in the way of a one-world government and all that this implies is invariably labelled as a "threat to world peace." Christ, as the motivating hope for deliverance from God-denying, Christ-rejecting machinations will, one feels, in the very near future, be classified, too, as

a threat to world peace, particularly as He is equated as the King Who shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever. The aversion to Monarchy by the world revolutionary forces is too well known and any suggestion of the Monarchical rule of Christ over Anglo-Saxondom must be viewed by them as a threat to world peace. Is this too far fetched to be credible? As the days rush by and the day of remembrance dawns, Anglo-Saxondom would do well to ponder, not only on the past with its momentous fulfilment of prophecy but also on the present and the future, and know that whatever anyone may say or do, a King is coming to Israel in response to the prayers of centuries and at His Coming, the world will see the Faithfulness of God in response to the Prayer of Faith — *Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.*

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Theodore of Tarsus

Theodore of Tarsus became Archbishop of Canterbury, A.D. 667-690. His great achievement lay in organising the country into dioceses and parishes. He was the first of the Archbishops whom the whole English Church consented to obey (Bede). But while a unified system of Church government was thus established when England was still divided into Anglo-Saxon kingdoms, and there was no spirit of unity, but definite antagonism, between the British and Roman strains of Christianity.



Divine Indignation

Selected

While stressing the individual's responsibility to God for their personal conduct, many are prone to overlook the fact that society is also responsible to God for its community behaviour. History reveals that God does bring cities and nations to judgment for collective acts of evil, just as He moves in retribution against sinful individuals.

The outstanding example of such a judgment upon evil cities was the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah as recorded in the Bible (Gen. 19). Moral depravity was so rampant and the administration of justice was at such a low ebb in those two cities of the plain that evil and corruption flourished without restraint. A government reconciled to countenancing gross evil refused to move against the perpetrators of the crimes for which the cities were noted. Abraham was told that if there had been ten righteous persons in Sodom and Gomorrah, they would have been spared (Gen. 18:23-33). But ten righteous persons were not found there.

The prophets of the Lord often refer to the fact that God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah because of their iniquity. From time to time the people of Israel were threatened with a similar type of destruction unless they turned away from their unrighteousness and idolatrous practices.

At the beginning of the Christian Era the city of Pompeii was destroyed by an eruption of the volcano Mt. Vesuvius. During its heyday Pompeii was a pleasure resort for many of the nobles of Rome. It was well situated and vice and crime were at the height in this wealthy metropolis just prior to its overthrow.

Since the destruction of Pompeii, Mt. Vesuvius has often been in eruption, but this was not so in former days. It was described by the ancients as a cone-shaped mountain with a flat top, upon which there was a deep, circular valley filled with vines and grapes and surrounded by high precipices. Upon the slopes of the mountain were beautiful forests with many people living in them, and there were fine cities flourishing at its foot.

So little was the terrible nature of the "valley" on the top of the mountain understood that in 72 A.D. Spartacus, a rebellious Roman gladiator, encamped there with some thousands of fighting men. The Roman soldiers were let down the precipices in order to surprise and capture Spartacus and his forces.

Suddenly, in the year 79 A.D., the volcano erupted and the side of the valley, where seven years previously Spartacus had encamped, was blown off. Its rocks, with a vast quantity of ashes, burning stones and sand, were hurled high into the sky. The metropolis of Pompeii was

would take place about 40 weeks later, in the weekend of 19th-20th April, 2 B.C., precisely at the Passover of that year.

The account in St. Luke's Gospel shows that Elizabeth's 5 months hiding herself, beginning in the 3rd week of July, 3 B.C., had completely expired with the 3rd week of December and that it was into the beginning of the next week, i.e., the 4th week of December, 3 B.C., that Mary's conception of Jesus took place (the precise day we shall show presently), for Luke 1:24-26 says that Elizabeth was already in her 6th month when Mary conceived. On her conception, Mary "*went ... with haste*" (Luke 1:39) from Nazareth of Galilee to the hill country of Judea to visit her cousin Elizabeth, who was then, as we have seen, in the 1st week of her 6th month. Luke 1:56 states that Mary stayed in Elizabeth's home "*about three months,*" i.e., almost exactly 3 months, as we have seen from Luke's use of the word about in reference to time. Thus Mary stayed with Elizabeth until the 1st week of Elizabeth's 9th month, but returned to Nazareth before the babe John the Baptist was born, as the narrative of St. Luke shows.

The 40 weeks required from Mary's conception in the beginning of the 4th week of December, 3 B.C., till the birth of Jesus would thus bring us to the beginning of the 5th week of September, 2 B.C., as the due date for Jesus' birth; and the Monday of that week was September 29th in the evening of which the Hebrew New Year (1st Tishri) and Feast of Trumpets began.

On the other hand, if 4 B.C., were the year when Christ was born, as is supposed, then by the above computation by means

of the priestly courses, etc., the day of His birth would be about 26th November, 4 B.C., which was 7th Kislev but neither that day or any other day anywhere near it on the Hebrew Calendar has any particular significance, whereas it is unthinkable that the day of the birth of Christ, no less than that of His death, would not be a day of special significance. However, before elucidating the wonderful significance of the 1st Tishri (29th-30th September) of 2 B.C., let us deal with further confirmation of that day as the true date of the birth of Christ.

Feast of St. Michael

In the Church of England Book of Common Prayer, September 29th is entered as a Holy Day and as the Feast of St. Michael and all Angels. In certain prophecies of the Bible "Michael" is used as a name for Christ as is proved, for instance, by comparing Daniel 12:1-2 with Revelation 11:15, 18; the former states: "*And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince who standeth for the children of thy people, and there shall be a time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation {even} to that same time; and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.*" Whilst the reference in Revelation says, "... The kingdoms of this world are become {the kingdom} of our Lord and of his Christ and he shall reign forever and ever. And the nations were angry and thy wrath is come and the

CHRONOLOGY OF THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

MARY'S CONCEPTION
at
WINTER SOLSTICE

BIRTH OF CHRIST
on
Hebrew
NEW YEAR DAY



← **280 DAYS** →

Tebet 16th (Hebrew Calendar)

Tishri 1st (Hebrew Calendar)

3 B.C.

2 B.C.

trace the times of the succession of courses. The courses of priests changed duty with the changes of the week. The first day of the week of course began at the end of the Sabbath at sundown. From the Talmudical statements and Josephus we learn that the Temple at Jerusalem was destroyed by Titus on 5th August A.D. 70 and that the 1st course of priests (that of Jehoiarib) had just taken office. The previous evening was the end of the Sabbath: so the datum line for our calculations is Saturday (Sabbath) 4th August, A.D. 70. The period of service of the course of Jehoiarib, the 1st course of priests, was from the evening of the 4th August, A.D. 70 to the evening of the following Sabbath on 11th August. As we have seen, Jesus was born in the fall of 2 B.C. From St. Luke's Gospel quoted above

we note that John the Baptist was only five months older than Jesus, so he also was born in 2 B.C., but earlier in the year, in the Spring, hence the conception nine months before would take place in the summer of the previous year, 3 B.C. Now this conception just followed the end of Zacharias' week of service in the Temple, i.e., with the end of the turn of duty of the course of Abia (Abijah), which was the 8th course. Reckoning from the above datum line, 4th August, A.D. 70 for the beginning of the week of duty of the 1st course, we find that the 8th course ended its turn and came off duty on 13th July, 3 B.C. Thus Zacharias returned home from the Temple at the end of the 2nd week of July, 3 B.C., and Elizabeth's conception therefore would be in that weekend (13th-14th July) and the birth of John the Baptist

buried under a shower of volcanic ash and it was not until 1748, seventeen centuries later, that this forgotten city was discovered. Seven years after that, in 1755, systematic excavations were begun, revealing in almost exact detail the habits and manners of the life and culture of that time.

Fire was responsible for the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah and, in a later generation, the molten fires of Mt. Vesuvius destroyed Pompeii and all the cities at its base. Setting forth the sins of Sodom, Ezekiel declared: *"She and her daughters [the cities destroyed with her] lived in pride, plenty, and thoughtless ease; they supported not the poor and needy; they grew haughty, and committed abomination before me; so I swept them away, as you have seen."* (Eze. 16:49-50, Smith & Goodspeed Translation)

There is much food for thought in the fact that Lot chose to dwell in the plain of Jordan, where Sodom and Gomorrah were situated, because "... it was well watered everywhere." (Gen. 13:10) Yet it is also true that those cities were built over great underground reservoirs of oil.

Thus, when the cities of the plain were destroyed by fire, the nature of this territory, with its asphalt and oil-laden

soil, greatly augmented the great catastrophe. In the same way, in a later generation, the heedless inhabitants of Pompeii were unaware of the shadow of destruction hanging over them until the time of judgment came and pent-up fires within the earth suddenly burst forth to engulf them.

A recapitulation of conditions extant in areas overwhelmed by the great cataclysms recorded in history has revealed the necessity for Divine intervention to intercept the spread of corruption. We who dwell upon the earth today reside on a mammoth time bomb, with Divinely-restrained forces of stupendous power straining within this earthly globe.

The magnitude of this continuing build-up is emphasised by the fact that well over a half million inhabitants of the earth have already perished as the result of increased earthquake activity since the beginning of the twentieth century. Through earthquake, tempest and storm God is indeed moving to check the permeation of evil and people are helpless in the face of titanic upheavals when, from His arsenal, the Lord determines to bring forth the weapons of His indignation

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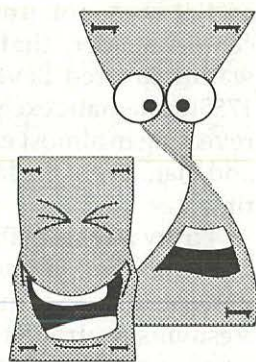
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Whilst in Jericho, which is one of the lowest towns in the world and less than 30 miles away, the climate is almost tropical, yet up in Bethlehem there is usually frost and quite often snow in the winter. One can realise therefore that the Bethlehem area was one of those districts where the sheep were brought in during the winter, and if this be correct, then according to the time of the movement of the sheep stated by the Talmudists, Jesus would not be born in the winter but sometime between March and November when the sheep were out in the fields at night. As Jesus was born in the fall of the year, we can eliminate the months from March to June and his birth therefore was between July and November.

Elizabeth and Mary

However, we have Scriptural data which enable us to fix the time of Jesus' birth within much narrower limits. The information supplied in the Bible in connection with the times of the conception of Elizabeth, the mother of John the Baptist and Mary, the mother of Jesus is of great chronological value. St. Luke 1:5, states that Zacharias (the father of John the Baptist) was a priest of the course of Abia (Abijah). Verses 8-13 state that it was while Zacharias "*executed the priest's office before God in the order of his course*" that he was informed from above that his wife was to have a son who was to be named John. So in verses 23 and 24 of the same chapter it is recorded, "*And it came to pass, that, as soon as the days of his ministration were accomplished, he departed*

to his own house. And after those days his wife Elizabeth conceived and hid herself five months." The next verses show that at the end of that time, i.e., at the beginning of Elizabeth's 6th month, the Annunciation to Mary the mother of Jesus took place, and so it is written: "*And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God into a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary.... And the angel said to her, Fear not, Mary; for thou hast found favour with God. And behold thou shalt conceive ... and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus.*" (verses 26-27, 30-31) Then in the next chapter, verses 6 and 7 we read, "*And so it was, that, while they were there, [Bethlehem] the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.*" Fortunately, information is available whereby the precise date of the termination of Zacharias' period of service in the Temple, whereupon Elizabeth conceived, can be obtained, and from this, by means of the above details from St. Luke, we can ascertain the time of Jesus' birth.

Zacharias' Ministry

The priests were divided into 24 classes (I Chronicles 24:7-19), and it is known that each class officiated at the Temple in turn for a week. If we know the definite time at which any one of the classes or courses officiated it is a simple matter to

Wise Men left Jerusalem *"the star which they saw in the East went before them till it came and stood over where the young child was"* (Matthew 2:9) Nazareth was north of Jerusalem, whilst Bethlehem was south of the city. If Jesus was in Nazareth at the time, then the star would move northward; if he was in Bethlehem it would move southward. But no star or planet has a direct northward or southward movement in the heavens. This

proves that the so-called "Star of Bethlehem" was not a natural star or planet but a supernatural luminary. So it is futile to attempt to arrive at the date of the birth of Christ by astronomical computations in regard to conjunctions of planets. It is therefore fallacious to assume that the con-

junction of Jupiter and Saturn in 7 B.C., as computed by Kepler, had anything to do with the "Star of Bethlehem."

From the data above, it will be seen that the Holy Family fled to Egypt near the end of 1 B.C., but they were back in the Holy Land in time for the Passover in the end of March A.D. 1, for Herod had

died in the January of that year and St. Luke's Gospel says of them on their return to Nazareth just after the birth of Jesus, hence before the visit of the wise Men, that they *"went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the Passover."* (Luke 2:41) The fact that they went *"every year"* allows that their stay in Egypt lasted less than a year, otherwise they would have missed attending the annual Passover at Jerusalem for at least one year.



The Shepherds

In Luke 2:8 we read, *"And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night."* There is a saying of the Talmudists that the flocks were taken to the fields in March and brought back in November. This of course could

only apply to the higher mountainous parts of Palestine. In many of the lower parts of the country the flocks were able to be in the fields all the year round. The little town of Bethlehem itself is situated about 2,550 feet above sea-level, but some of the country round Bethlehem is considerably higher still.

all that tiresome paperwork out of your life. It will automatically and electronically pay your taxes, house mortgage or rent, car payment, insurance, utilities, telephone, rates and all other set expenses, and will also make deductions for disabilities, income tax, fines, social security and other regular obligations. With the surplus of your earnings you might get a little "freedom." You might choose to put that extra VALUE [since your assets contain more than cash] into bank-approved investments, more insurance or other places the controlling bankers feel are secure. Your day-to-day operating expenses will be handled by an account-within-the-account, and you will be assigned a formula based on total value on what you will be allowed for food, for entertainment, for travel, for clothing, for furnishings, for gifts, etc.

To review your account at any time, you can use a bank card or any other identification device in your home communication centre. It will light up your "LIFEBANK" statement. Included therein will be the condition of your holdings, deposits and deductions, what you owe and what payments should be made soon. Should you decide to buy that little piece of retirement property in a way-out place or an expensive car, "LIFEBANK" will tell you whether the bankers feel you can afford it, whether they will lend you the money to purchase it and what you own that will be used as ransom on the loan. If you are financially stable, that retirement property or new car will be yours at a handsome bank interest rate. The computer will make

sure that the loan is repaid by putting electronic liens against your holdings. If you borrow too much against your stocks, however, and cannot repay on time, these stocks will automatically be removed from your electronic account and will be appropriated by the bank. You will have no way to hide your assets from the organisation to which you owe money — no more hidden socks, no more cash caches under the bed. Your money or value will be banker programmed and electronically controlled in the name of efficiency, cost controls and other advantages the banker will sell to you as alleged benefits but are essential to them for maximum control to make maximum profits [making that slavery].

Ah, yes! You will be the financier's pride and joy; a profitable, dependable, fiscally sound, paid-up citizen, even if they have to enslave you and take your life to do it. Your life? The fact of the matter is that if for some reason you had no "LIFEBANK," you would have no credit. Since credit will control close to 100 percent of all buying at that time [even coins will be bought from vending machines with a plastic card], and since cheque accounts will have been discontinued and cash made obsolete by "LIFEBANK," you won't be able to buy anything, probably not even food. Exclusion from the system or refusal to participate therein will carry with it the very real possibility of starvation.

If you are not a valid "LIFEBANK" member, you will not exist.

You will merely be a code or a number.

The same group of digits will identify you at birth, become part of your school records, your military service papers, your employment sheets, your driver's license, your Social Security and your "LIFEBANK" buying device. If the "officials" at "LIFEBANK" decide to drop you, the inter-tied computers will magnetically erase that number. Although you may be alive and walking, you will have been effectively liquidated.

That is where the bankers are going and that is where they are taking YOU and you are helping them. YOU are voting for this system and total control of YOUR existence every time YOU use a credit card.

Today's international maze of complex electronic communications is already in place. This system is so advanced that it takes less than four seconds to get an okay from, say,

New York to purchase something in Milan. The electronic controls are already up-and-going and are being reinforced with satellite signals, photo-conductors, high-speed printers, optical readers, lightwave communications and other information systems to control your "value."

If you are like most people in this country who are still part and parcel of the system, everything you own is probably already in a bank computer data base. Your savings account, cheque

account, mortgage and personal loans are part of the bank's everyday operations. The deeds to your property, insurance papers, shares, spare cash, etc. are probably already in a bank safe-deposit box. All the bank has to do is collect your various belongings and put them in one central computer file which adds up to the value of the different items. That value will be symbolised on a plastic card which will be sold to you under the guise of an additional "convenience." Instead of

carrying up to twenty credit cards, that one [which will no longer be a credit card but a DEBIT card] will replace your

present Visa, American Express, Diners Club and other plastic rectangles which you now may carry

around.

At first, you will have the option of deciding which accounts to pay at the end of each month. Later, when you have been house broken to the system, the rule will change and your options will disappear. Instead, the computer will make all these decisions for you in order to keep you financially stable and, more importantly, to make the maximum amount of profits for the banks. Recent advertising has been preparing you for these changes. As is usually done, it is cleverly worded to make you think that it was all your idea to begin with. "You're growing and we're keeping up with you,"



under" shows that Jesus was more than one year old, but under two years, when Herod gave the order soon after the visit of the Wise Men.

But only a person in a crazy state of mind would give such an order. Herod normally was cruel but not crazy during his lifetime. Is there any record of Herod becoming abnormal and crazy at any time and doing other similar ridiculous things? If so it may give a clue to the date that these things happened. Josephus records (Antiq., XVII, vi, 1-5) that during Herod's last illness which, as we have seen (in part 1), occupied the closing weeks of 1 B.C. and the first two weeks of A.D. 1, *"he grew fierce and indulged the bitterest anger upon all occasions"* and did *"all things like a madman"* and showed *"wild rage"* against *"the innocent as well as those who had afforded him ground for accusations,"* and even had a wicked plan for murdering *"all the principal men of the entire Jewish nation."* One of these crazy things was undoubtedly the slaughter of the innocents at Bethlehem, in fact it could not very well have happened in any other circumstances. Indeed, Lardner i, 348 (Münter), held that the sedition of Matthias, whom Herod burnt alive on the evening of the eclipse of the moon (29th December, 1 B.C.) was connected with the visit of the Magi, and the Greek Church to the present day still commemorate the slaughter of the Bethlehem innocents on that very day, December 29th. The Episcopal Churches also commemorate the slaughter of the innocents about the same time—the previous day—as shown in the Church of England Prayer Book.

Indeed the Bethlehem massacre could not very well have occurred in any other circumstances and conditions than those obtaining during Herod's last illness at the close of the year 1 B.C. Herod accurately ascertained from the Wise Men that Jesus, at that time, was over one year old but under two years of age; hence Jesus was born in the year 2 B.C. **Thus this account of the Wise men forms a splendid interlocking chronological check, mutually confirming both the date of Jesus' birth and that of the death of Herod the Great.**

The Bible does not say whether it was in Bethlehem or Nazareth that the Magi visited Jesus when he was a little child. When the Wise men left Herod with the intention of going to Bethlehem, the Star appeared (for the second time) and guided them to *"where the young child was"* (Matthew 2:9), but it does not say whether it was to Bethlehem or not. According to the Law, Joseph had to come from Galilee to Jerusalem three times a year in any case, so the Holy Family would often be in their ancestral town, Bethlehem (which is only some 5 miles out of Jerusalem), and the Magi may have come during one of these frequent visits to Bethlehem. On the other hand there is nothing to prove that they were not in Nazareth at the time. As Joseph and Mary knew Jesus' calling, they evidently thought of settling in the Jerusalem area of Judea (most probably Bethlehem) on their return from the flight to Egypt, to be convenient for the Temple and Capital City, but God guided them back into Nazareth of Galilee where they previously resided. When the

The Time of Christ's Birth

(Part 2 of 2)

A. Rutherford

Evidence of the Gospels

The Magi

A very valuable chronological link between the date of the birth of Christ and the chronology of Herod's life is supplied by the account of the visit of the Magi recorded in St. Matthew's Gospel, chapter 2. It should be noted in the first place that this incident and the flight of the Holy Family to Egypt did not take place just after the birth of Jesus, as is often erroneously supposed. It is recorded in Luke 2:39 concerning the Holy Family, *"And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth."* If after fulfilling the requirements of the Law (the circumcision, the period of Mary's purification and the presentation of the babe Jesus at the Temple) they returned to Nazareth, then obviously their flight to Egypt did not take place at that time. When the shepherds who were watching their flocks in the fields of Bethlehem, came to see Jesus during the night on which he was born, the word used in the account (Luke, chapter 2) defining Jesus is *βρεφος* (brephos) a *new-born babe*, but when the Wise Men from the east visited, he is then described as *παιδιον* (paidion) a *little lad* or *little child*.

When Herod fixed the age limit of the

male children in Bethlehem who should be slain, he did not fix it arbitrarily, but by definite calculation in regard to the Birth-Star. Where, in the Authorised Version (Matthew 2:16), it reads that Herod *"sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem and in all the coasts thereof from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men."* The precise Greek of the last phrase is *"according to the time which he had accurately ascertained from the wise men."* Thus the age limit was accurately fixed to comply with Jesus' age. As it was fixed at two years, this proves that Jesus was by no means a new-born babe at that time. Then where it says *"all the children ... from two years old and under"* it could be more accurately translated *"all the male children of two years and under."* The English phrase *"two years old and under"* is somewhat ambiguous. The Greek means up to 2 years precisely, that is, 24 months but no more (but in the case where the intercalary month Ve-Adar happened to be included, it would then be up to 25 months, of course). Seeing that the age-limit for the slaughter was fixed in accordance with Jesus' age, had he been under one year old at the time, the order would have been *"one year and under,"* but the fact that the order was to slay all *"of two years and*

assures the catchy little jingles. ... "We just want to be of service," the bankers whisper in your ears ... to sell us on the continuing pleasures of continuing debt.

It was estimated in 1985 there was approximately some 700 million credit cards throughout the world of which some 255 million of them were bank cards with the ability to take on the characteristics described above. Savings and loan associations and other financial institutions are already issuing Visa cards that work against your central account exactly as "LIFEBANK" is designed to work. The dream of bankers is ready to become a nightmare for the rest of us.

The credit card system was originally developed as a means of getting the public to switch from the cheque system to an electronic transfer system. The bankers wanted to get rid of cheques because of the paperwork blizzard created by the chequeing account system. By inducing you to voluntarily switch from cheques to electronics transfer on computers, the bankers hoped to eliminate the twenty separate operations necessary to process each cheque. Thus, replacing this paper storm with one single computer operation would drastically reduce their costs, boost their profits and enhance their control mechanisms.

The early advertisements for the bank cards followed, "You can save time and trouble! Now! Buy all month long, pay for it with only one cheque!" By making lemonade out of lemons, they were on the way to convincing you that they were the good guys doing you a favour. Down the road the credit card business would ease

you into the wonderful, simple and very profitable world of electronic banking. Conveniently, the same machinery would be used for both credit cards and the Electronic Funds Transfer Systems [EFTS], the very heart of "LIFEBANK." Credit Authorisation Terminals, Cash Dispensers, Automatic Teller Machines [ATM], Automatic Clearing-houses, Switching Systems and Data Banks are all needed for electronic banking as well as credit card operations. The cards were everyone's route to revolving bank credit, which was simply a short term loan at very high interest rates. Likewise, they also represented every one's route to the "Big Brother" society of Orwell's 1984.

The only area not as yet significantly penetrated by the credit card business is the food distributing system. There have been continuing efforts to get shoppers to put supermarket bills on the cuff, but most have not worked. The basic reason for this failure to date has been the resistance of the consumer to the higher food prices that the cards would entail. Similarly, for supermarket operators the amount of profit was small enough already without being forced to give a kick-back to the bank. The bankers, however, have not quit trying to penetrate this market [the recent introduction of EFTPOS—into supermarkets throughout Australia indicates that Satan now has his foot in the door]; and once they have you locked into buying food on credit, your vulnerability to their dictates will be complete. The bankers are still working on schemes to get YOU to pay a finance charge and store operators to pay a

discount fee on the average \$8,000 a family of four now spends yearly for groceries. The first step is to tie in the new supermarket auto-scanner check-out devices with the bank card electronic systems so you will get one food bill at the end of each month. From there, it is but a slight sidestep to place your food life-line into the "LIFEBANK" system.

On the way from cheques to electronics the bank cards have invaded, saturated, and altered our lives. They have become not a convenience but a designed necessity, not an innocent substitute for cheques but a device upon which we will be totally dependent for financial and physical survival at some point in the near future. On their way to the cashless, chequeless society and more profits, the bankers have destroyed our moral fabric and individualist and self-sufficient traditions. Our forefathers knew full well that debt was nothing less than disguised slavery. The path to the bankers Talmudic utopia is strewn with broken ideals, broken traditions and broken people and nations. Your once cherished privacy is a thing of the past as computers now talk to each other, as federal and state government departments and agencies

link with the credit networks and bank files to keep constant surveillance merely a matter of high-speed printout. In keeping with the materialist world of their ilk, you are nothing more than a number in a computer file in order to simplify the electronic sifting, sorting, categorising of handling of YOU and YOURS; everything must be reduced to a matter of ciphers, the book-keeping entry, the bottom line. Yes, it is the ultimate materialism brought home with a vengeance — our heritage and our future traded for their baubles [A small, showy ornaments of little value; a trinket].

From: "PROTOCOLS OF THE LEARNED ELDERS OF ZION"

Protocol Number Seven — Article 5

"We shall surround our government with a whole world of economists. That is the reason why economic sciences form the principal subject of the teaching given to the Jews. Around us again will be a whole constellation of bankers, industrialists, capitalists, and — the main thing — millionaires, because in substance everything will be settled by the question of figures."



In failure God will help

PSA 145:13 *Thy kingdom {is} an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion {endureth} throughout all generations.*

PSA 145:14 *The Lord upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all {those that be} bowed down.*



The tubers can be divided for replanting or making into flour, or using as a vegetable. Arrowroot is also ideal to plant between other windbreak trees, as it quickly gives some protection and break, till other trees have grown.

Arrowroot tubers can be used in a variety of ways as a vegetable. We like it peeled and cut into thin chips like potato chips and baked till crisp and golden in the oven, on a lightly oiled tray. Arrowroot can be cut into small cubes and added to small casseroles and stews, etc., or recipes where you would use potato. If steaming as a vegetable, it takes a little longer than potato to cook. Young tubers after 2-10 months growth are best to use, if too aged the tubers will be fibrous. To make a flour we peel the tubers and cut into 2-3 cm cubes and put in a vitamizer with water and blend to a pulp. The water is essential or the vitamizer may break down. As an alternative to a vitamizer the tubers could be minced on a fine cutter. Tip pulp into a bucket or large bowl and add more water. In a few minutes the flour will sink to the bottom and the brown fibrous liquid can be strained off the top. Add more cold water, thus rinsing several times, and draining off the top brown liquid once flour has settled. When water added remains quite clean, drain off water, and pour flour onto flat trays 1-2 cm thick and

sun dry. When it flakes up dry and soft, it can be bottled and stored. It keeps well.

The flour can be used as a thickener for gravies, sauces, slices, custard, or in biscuits, cakes etc. Actually, less arrowroot flour is needed for thickening dishes, than either cornflour or plain flour. Arrowroot used for thickening, gives a clear sauce, whereas flour and cornflour will cloud. To thicken a light syrup, use 2 level teaspoons of arrowroot to each cup of syrup. Blend the arrowroot with a little of the measured cold syrup, add the remaining syrup, heat, stirring until thickened.

Arrowroot is easily digested, and so most suitable for infants and invalids.

1 tablespoon of arrowroot can be boiled in 2 cups of milk; add flavouring, or boil with fruit juice. Tubers can also be diced and candied, like candied fruit.

Fresh arrowroot pulp is an antidote to poisoning. No doubt this is why the plant has been called arrow-root, because recorded history tells of how it was applied as a poultice to arrow wounds. Also, it has been used for gangrene, scorpion, and spider bites. A paste over mosquito bites is also soothing.

It has also been used for bowel disorders, and for stomach upsets and digestive problems. Arrowroot is a very versatile plant.



HERBS FOR HEALTH

ARROWROOT

(A plant with many uses)

I. Shipard

The rhizome or tuber is a useful stand-by all year around as a vegetable like potato. The above ground stalks and leaves are a high protein animal food, also a quick windbreak, and mass mulch material. Plant grows to 2-3 metres.

Description: A perennial plant with thick stalks and large bright green leaves 30-50 cm (1-2ft) long. The rhizomes which can grow to larger than a clenched fist, may have a number of eyes or shoots, which form into new plants and stalks and leafy tops.

Growing, Harvesting and Uses: It is a vigorous grower in warm climates; in fact within a 12 months period we may cut it 3-4 times for animal feed. It will adapt to cooler climates too, but not grow quite as fast. During winter if temperatures are low, it may look yellow or even brown if frosted. If frosted at end of winter we cut to ground level to make way for new spring growth. We mulch the base heavily, and it is set for another year of growth. Arrowroot will put up with very dry climates and very poor soil conditions, and will still do well. If grown in deep loose soil the rhizomes will be large, like for any root crop.

Arrowroot is a good animal fodder. We have used it for goats, cows and

donkeys. Geese will also eat the tuber, and no doubt ducks will relish it too. As we grow it in windbreaks around the farm, as it thickens up, we cut it at ground level and carry it to the animals. It could also be used for rotation grazing. Once cut, arrowroot very quickly regrows and can be cut again. Some animals, like spoilt children may be reluctant to try new foods. Dribbling a little molasses over the leaves, doesn't take them long to acquire a taste. It was not too many years ago that arrowroot was grown in large quantities in southern Queensland to feed dairy cows and also for processing into flour. We find arrowroot a good stand-by for when other fodder is short.

For cropping in large quantities for fodder or processing into flour, it could be irrigated for faster growth; however, we do not water our windbreaks at all, it relies on natural rainfall. We do mulch it heavily once a year.

When planting for windbreaks (ideal for a quick break around a vegetable patch, or fowl run) we plant tubers 30 cm (12") apart and mulch ground well. If soil is moist from a recent rain, there is no need to water. Bands of arrowroot we also use within gardens to create a micro-climate atmosphere. Arrowroot grows quickly and thickens up from the base.



Letters to Editor

Dear "Look Up,"

The Pharisees had learnt the art of usury in Babylon and were practising usury at the time of Christ.

These were the same lot that Jeremiah prophesied about. He called them evil figs, in part, most of these evil figs have been eliminated over the centuries, But, lo and behold, a different nation of these mongrelized people came into being about 740 A.D. Christ called them, "...and {I know} the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but {are} the synagogue of Satan." [Rev. 2:9]

Who were these mongrelized Turkish stock that stormed in as a new group into the Russian Ukraine and set up what was called the Khazaria Empire?

The noted Jewish historian, Arthur Koestler, in his monumental book "The Thirteenth Tribe," describes these barbarians as having white complexion, blue eyes and reddish hair [p.18]. Does that "Red" hair ring a bell? Esau? On page 19 Koestler identifies them as the host of Gog and Magog, wild men and eaters of blood.

Dear Sir,

I would like to add some further comments to your correspondents in the July/August edition of "Look Up," [J.M.

The Khazaria Empire vanished about 965 A.D. and assimilated in Russia. From there many of those so called Jews emigrated into Poland and eastern Europe.

Mr Koestler has done Christianity a real service by proving beyond any doubt, that 95% of world Jewry today are NOT the stock of Abraham, thus exploding the "Chosen people" myth.

Today I believe they have infiltrated all the governments of Christendom, as the counterfeit Jews (jews) of Khazaria in their process of gradualism to assimilate as ravishing wolves.

These Pharisees will maintain their debt-usury treadmill and maintain their supremacy over "Christian Israelites" with the full blessing of the Lord until Christians get their act together and honour God's laws. Then we will see the prophesies of Obadiah verses 6 and 10 be fulfilled: "*How are {the things} of Esau searched out! {How} are his hidden things sought out! ... For {thy} violence against thy brother, Jacob, shame shall cover thee, and thou shalt be cut off forever.*"

Enjoy reading "Look Up," looking forward to the next issue.

J.M. (N.S.W.)

and L.R.A. of NSW], concerning cancer and evolution.

As we know, it is politically incorrect

to talk of cancer cures, and strictly speaking, from a naturopathic point of view one cannot "cure" cancer. Your body does try to heal itself and if you give it the right sort of encouragement and the neglect problem is not too far widespread and advanced your body can actually heal itself, by GOD's grace.

Have you ever thanked GOD for the amazingly precious gift of self repair and healing He has installed throughout your body in all its complicated systems? If our bodies were machines that wore out and broke down helplessly, so needing an exterior mechanic to try and repair, can you imagine the desperate distress we'd be in with no one to help? Just try and remember all the cuts and abrasions [still bleeding], bruises, broken bones still the same, sore backs, muscle pains, sore throats, headaches, etc. still plaguing us, none of them ever healing but continuously agonising and unrepaired! If you actually did survive you'd be driven crazy, with no thought but desire for relief! No child could expect to reach adulthood or lead a useful life. The race would die out.

Concerning the grossly illogical theory of evolution — how many thousands or millions of years did it take for the human body to develop its own immune system, its own skin repair system, the array of white corpuscles, the intricately clever and complicated billions of intelligent microscopic muscle cells, nerve cells, etc., etc., who know exactly what to do, when and how to do it, feeding, defecating, multiplying by dividing, working harmoniously in that marvellous internal world within our bodies, cycle after cycle after cycle? And how did we survive while this incredible complex combination of systems was being developed on a trial

and error basis?? If we could survive, why then develop it? Yes indeed!

A far simpler organisation of organs and functions COULD have served us quite adequately, as is found in the lower forms of life. For example cells find it quite easy and effective to split in two in order to multiply, so why don't we? Why bother to multiply anyway?

Just one organ example. You cannot live without your liver. [Pun accidental]. However could that remarkable and vital organ develop itself? Why should it have to carry out some 1,000 different jobs, as they tell us? How did it learn to do so much? How long did it take to learn? Why is it so extremely intelligent? How could we continue living and procreate while it was still learning its important functions? There must be a million questions the evolutionist with their blind, illogical and desperate faith in an entirely unproven theory simply cannot give us a reasonable satisfactory answer to! *"The fool hath said in his heart, {there is} no GOD."* (Psalm 14:1)

Healthy self-help

Many die from cancer when they could easily, at no cost, help their own system deliver itself. So many common cancer inhibitors are available in our everyday items of fruit and vegetables! Those in tropical areas can make themselves a herbal tea from paw-paw stems and leaves. Those in cooler districts can eat a daily ration of apple pips or stone fruit kernels which supply them with B17, [the vitamin which does not exist!] A daily glass or two of raw beetroot juice flavoured with carrot juice is another inhibitor. Asparagus and the cabbage family are helpers too. Especially cut out the bad habits that brought on the problem in the first place. Negative

Finally I dumped the match books into the boiling wax, watching to see that they weren't in long enough for the hot wax to penetrate the Scotch tape. When they were thoroughly soaked I took them out and shook off the excess wax.

When this was done we opened them up and let them dry while we discussed camping. I told my brother they were handier than stick matches and could even be given away as gifts. He said he would give them away as gifts, as he was certain mother would never let him go camping again.

I would have argued with him but the sirens of the fire engines drowned me out. A fireman poked his head through the window and in a voice verging on panic, yelled, "Where's all the smoke coming from?"

"We were waterproofing book matches and foolishly turned the heat up too high," I explained while trying to calm him down with little success.

I showed him a book and ripped off

the Scotch tape. Then I struck one of the waxed match heads on the striking surface and beamed triumphantly as it lit.

The lighted match ignited the paraffin fumes that had accumulated in the kitchen. The fireman became hysterical and then fainted.

Everyone who came to watch agreed that it was the best fire they had seen in years.

After the fire had been extinguished I thanked the fireman and gave each of them a book of waterproof matches. When everyone had left my brother drew my attention to the unearthly noise coming from the direction of the garage. I remembered mother and ran to the garage.

When I opened the garage door mother emerged like a demented bull. She latched on to my brother. I ran as fast as I could to the bus stop having been suddenly gripped by an uncontrollable impulse to visit my uncle who lives in Alaska.



Middlemen in the Bible

"... Entreat for me to Ephron, the son of Zohar." (Gen. 23:8)

Abraham does not go directly to Ephron, but he gets some of the Hittites to plead for him. No business of importance can to this day be transacted in the East without middlemen.



Survival –

How to Waterproof "Book" Matches

"I'm going camping," said my younger brother who was a foundation member of the Australian Bushwalking Association.

"Hurrah!" I shouted. "I'll show you how to waterproof book matches."

"Don't bother," he said. "I've got a lighter."

He held it up for me to see and I snatched it and ground it under my heel. When I set out to show somebody how to waterproof book matches I let nothing stand in my way.

He told me it was my own lighter which he had stolen not a month ago and my countenance fell; but only for a moment. For the prospect of waterproofing book matches kept all petty hates in momentary check.

I rummaged in the refrigerator and under the couch and finally found the glob of wax my mother got for chewing when the price of tobacco went up. I put it in a sauce pan and lit a fire under it.

As the flames licked hungrily around the pan we watched, fascinated, while the wax melted and burned and smoke rose in a black pall to the ceiling. Then,

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from the den, we heard a fierce sniffing as if from a snarling hound scenting its prey.

"What are you young'uns doing?" shouted mother in a tone that showed little delight.

We ignored her as she was invariably a party-pooping conservative. She finally found her way through the smoke and turned off the fire.

Coughing from the acid fumes she said to me, "Look at this mess! you know how a woman likes to keep a nice place."

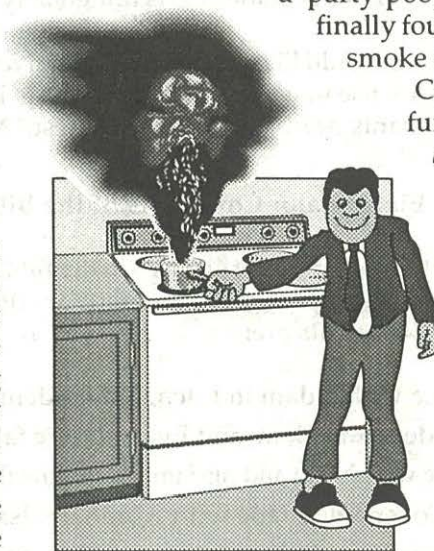
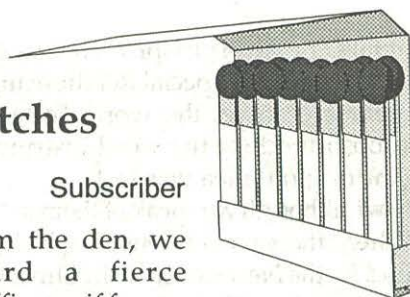
I didn't but nodded to humour her.

She set about to clean up, but laughing, my brother and I hustled her outside and locked her in the garage.

Then were-lit the fire and soon the wax was

boiling merrily.

While we covered the striking surfaces of the match books with Scotch tape I cautioned my brother to put out the fire crawling up the curtain. He tore the curtain down and threw it out the window.



emotions of resentment, anger, frustration, hate and condemnation. Bowel-slowng foods such as meat, cheese, white flour, coffee, tea, chocolate, salt, cakes, pies, etc., which hinder elimination of irritating poisons. Cleanse yourself by eating lots of fruit [a fruit meal daily]; also lots of raw vegetables with onion and garlic. Drink plenty of pure rain water each morning. Replace the harder fats with olive and grape seed oils and Tahini paste. Season your vegetables with lemon juice and oil.

Remember this, cancer cells are ordinary cells which have been subject to prolong irritation and burning from various causes. They try to protect themselves by speeding up their multiplying process — consequently a growth of excessive size forms. Cancer cells are crazy cells; they stop taking in oxygen and stimulate themselves by

feeding on sugar. [Are they copying our life-style?]

A psychological approach is very important. It consists of becoming thankful, joyful and praising GOD for all things. Above all, have fun and laugh a lot. Procure all the funny books, films, comics, [even toys!] etc., you can get and literally "laugh it off." [Not necessary to travel to Toronto, but that phenomenon would have some therapeutic benefit]. "*A merry heart doeth good {like} a medicine.*" [Proverbs 17:22]. Speaking of medicine — there are many helpful and inhibiting herbal remedies that doctors are not aware of, but do be careful to employ a good herbalist, for some herbs are dangerously harmful taken in the wrong dosage.

Kind regards to the "Look Up" family.

R. N. G. (W.A.)



Hymn of the Month

O God of earth and altar,
Bow down and hear our cry,
Our earthly rulers falter,
Our people drift and die;
The walls of gold entomb us,
The swords of scorn divide,
Take not Thy thunder from us,
But take away our pride.

From all that terror teaches,
From lies of tongue and pen,
From all the easy speeches
That comfort cruel men;

From sale and profanation
Of honour and the sword,
From sleep and from damnation,
Deliver us, good Lord!

Tie in a living tether
The priest and prince and thrall,
Bind all our lives together,
Smite us and save us all;
In ire and exultation
Aflame with faith, and free,
Lift up a living nation,
A single sword to Thee.

GILBERT K. CHESTERTON (1874).



CHILDREN'S CORNER

THE FIFTH DAY

M. Gascoigne.

"Oh," cried Mavis happily as they came to the edge of the wood and stood looking down across the flower dotted meadow through which the path to Mr. Brown's farm lay. "Primroses, crocuses and wild daffodils! Aren't they a lovely sight?"

"I know," smiled Brian, "let's gather some primroses for Mrs. Brown. She told us last week how she loves them, and it will be a little 'thank you' to her for inviting us to dinner."

"Yes, isn't it kind of her to ask us just because Mummy and Daddy have had to go out for the day?" said Hugh cheerfully. "I love farm meals too, and Mrs. Brown always finds something exciting to give us to eat."

"Well I hope it won't be fish," Pete, the twins' young cousin, muttered gloomily, his hands already half full of the sweet-smelling flowers. "Mavis, you said that God made the dry land and the sea in His third great day's work and covered the earth with grass and plants, and flowers and trees, but I want to know when He began to make things that can move about and walk and fly and swim, and which of them He made first?"

"Oh dear," chuckled Mavis, "it is a shame you don't like fish, Pete, because you

see they, or rather I should say all the things that live in the sea, were the first of all the living moving creatures that God made."

"Yes, Pete," went on Brian, "and it was on the fifth day of God's great work of world-making that He made them. As Mavis says, the creatures that live in the sea are not only fish, but things that crawl or swim or float, or stick to rocks and pieces of seaweed; and He made them all—fish and crabs and creatures that live in shells, and huge whales, and many other sea monsters too—millions and millions of them altogether."

"And then besides that," Sheila told him joyously, "He made all the lovely creatures of the

air—the birds and bats and insects. He made the great birds of prey like the vultures, the ravens and the eagles, and He made the wild geese and the swans and the sea-birds and others like them, and the smaller birds we all love so dearly as well."

"Yes," finished Mavis quietly, "and He made the insects too, the beautiful moths and butterflies, wasps and bees, ladybirds and dragon-flies with all their different shining colours. You know Pete, that fifth day must have been one of God's loveliest and happiest day's work."

"Yes, lovely!" said Hugh in a dreamy



Therefore, a term of jurisprudence took the place of an ideal of Special Relationship. In the course of time, the word Testament was substituted for the word instrument, and the original idea was lost.

Now, although we speak of them as "Old and New," there is a real sense in which both are Old, for the New Covenant in Christ Jesus was ordained of God for everlasting. It is therefore New only in the fact that it was revealed to Israel at a later point of time in history than the older revelation.

Again, though we speak of the Old and New as if there were but two, there are actually eight major Covenants made and described in the Bible.

Yet another point that we would like to make here is that there is a sense in which both Old and New Covenants are New.

Many people, especially the clergy, speak of the Old Testament as if it were worn out, finished, dispensed with, and as if it were both wise and right to cast it aside altogether. We firmly believe that any attempt to cast aside the Old Testament, as one would discard a worn-out garment, is inevitably to bring disaster to the whole cause of Christ's Church in the world.

The Old and New Testaments are really indivisible elements of one book, and together form one whole. The famous saying of Augustine, that the New is latent in the Old, and the Old Patent in the New, is undeniably true, and may be illustrated by a simple story. A Chinaman, given a copy of the New Testament, read it, studied it, and came back to the missionary with the request, "May I have the first volume?"

Eight Major Covenants of the Bible

There are at least eight Covenants, not just two in the Bible. The Bible is also one Book, this can be confirmed beyond all power of argument or criticism, by the study of these eight Covenants. These Covenants are:

1. The Covenant made with Adam in Eden, "The Edenic Covenant"
2. The Covenant made with Adam and Eve after the fall, "The Adamic Covenant"
3. The Covenant made with Noah and his family after the flood, "The Noahic Covenant"
4. "The Abrahamic Covenant" made with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob
- 6 The Covenant made with Israel when about to enter Palestine, "The Palestinian Covenant"
7. "The Davidic Covenant" setting forth God's promises to the House of David
8. "The New Covenant in Jesus Christ"

These eight Covenants between God and His people, taken in the above numbered order, provide a summary of the whole teaching and purpose of the Bible.

Courtesy: "The American Institute of Theology"



The Bible as Covenants, Not Testaments



Origin of the name "Bible"

An interesting fact about the Bible to be recognized is that the term "Bible" is not the original trade-mark of the book. The term is of comparatively recent origin. Neither Jesus nor His apostles used the term. Some time in the second century A.D., certain writers began to use the Greek word "Biblia" to describe the Sacred Books. The use grew in favour. By the thirteenth century some people forgot that "Biblia" was a neuter plural, meaning "The Books," and treated it as a feminine singular "The Book." What, therefore, had been "The Books" became "The Book" or "The Bible."

In 1382, John Wyclif's translation of the scriptures bore the title "The Holy Bible." Later the word "Holy" yielded its descriptive supremacy to the definite article "The," and "The Holy Bible" became simply "The Bible." Thus custom compressed a collection of books into a single book. The modern world has so approved of this modern title that the term is clothed with a halo of antiquity. By the magic power of universal use this modern title of "The Bible" has been made to appear ancient.

Covenant, Not Testament

In like manner, and of special interest, is the fact that the terms "Old Testament"

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and "New Testament" were not used by Jesus and the apostles. The apostles definitely never thought of a new body of sacred writings set above and against the old. The entire testimony of Jesus and His apostles confirm this. They only speak of fulfilling the "Scriptures" and never of ignoring them. Not until about 170 A.D. do we find some of the gospels and letters gathered together into a unit and recognized as of equal sacredness with the sacred writings of the Old Testament. This list was not definitely fixed. There was much difference of opinion over the Canon of the New Testament until the end of the 4th Century. From that time a certain list of books was generally accepted.

The term which was to designate the two collections of writings was not agreed upon easily. Tertullian is held responsible for starting the movement that led to naming the two collections of sacred writings: "Old Testament" and "New Testament." This lawyer/theologian spoke of the "Gospels" as the instrument, i.e., document. In translating the Greek word for "Covenant," by the Latin word "testamentum," (testament) he gave a wrong meaning to the old Hebrew idea, which expressed a binding relationship between God and His chosen people.

voice, and then he went on naughtily, "why, Mavis, the very thought of it makes me feel hungry. I wonder if Farmer Brown will give us one of the creatures of the air for our dinner?"

"Oh Hugh," cried little Pete, nearly

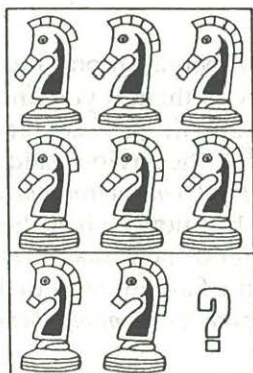
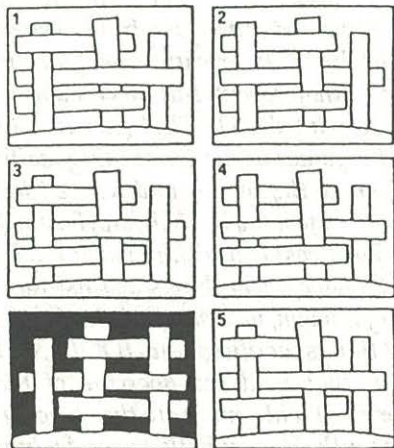
dropping his primroses in his excitement, "do you think it is too late for turkey?"

"You never know, Pete, you never know," chuckled his cousin.

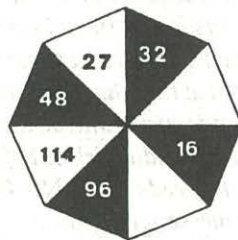
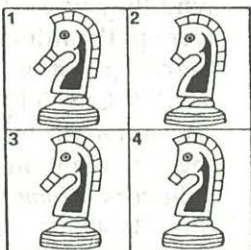
(Genesis, chapter 1, verses 20 to 23.)

Puzzles

1. Which of the five numbered stiles is that in the bottom left-hand corner, seen from the other side?

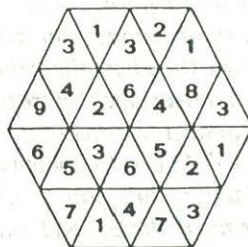


4. Which of the numbered chess pieces blow fits in place of the question mark and why?



2. Which two numbers must be placed in the empty triangles in order to preserve the logical sequence?

3. Find three adjacent triangles with a sum of 20



Answers to puzzles:

1. Number 5. 38 and 9, because the numbers on the left-hand half of the octagon are three times the value of the corresponding numbers in the right-hand segments.
2. Number four, because in each individual row, the bases and noses are identical, but the number of crest segments increase progressively by one from left to right.
3. Nine, Six and Five
4. Number four, because in each individual row, the bases and noses are identical, but the number of crest segments increase progressively by one from left to right.

Are You a Nicolaitan?

A. B. Traina

Commendation

"Unto the messenger of the congregation of Ephesus write: These things saith He that holdeth the seven stars in His right hand, Who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks. I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them who are evil: and thou hast tried them who say they are apostles, and are not, and has found them liars: And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my NAME'S sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted. Nevertheless, I have {somewhat} against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember, therefore, from whence thou hast fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of its place, except thou repent. But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the NICOLAITANS, which I also HATE." (Rev. 2:1-6)

"AND to the messenger of the congregation of Pergamos write: These things saith He who hath the sharp sword with two edges. I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, {even} where Satan's seat {is}; and thou holdest fast my NAME, and hast not denied MY faith, even in those days wherein Anti-Pas {was} My faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth. But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balak to cast a stumbling block before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto IDOLS, and to commit fornication. So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the NICOLAITANS, which thing I HATE. Repent, or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the SPIRIT saith unto the congregations." (Rev. 2:12-17.)

Are you a Nicolaitan? Don't say "No!" before you investigate, or you may have to change your mind. He that judgeth a matter before he investigates is not wise.

The Saviour said that He hated the Nicolaitans, even though they were members of His congregation in Ephesus, Pergamos, the Church of Rome, the Church of England, the Church of God, or any other church, regardless of the name it goes by; and I am sure you would

not want to be numbered among them, nor to fellowship with them if you knew who they were. When these Nicolaitans were in the minority, the Saviour said to the congregation, "Put them out from among you." (I Cor. 5:13) But now, when these Nicolaitans (idolaters) have taken over the congregation, the Saviour says to the believers, "Come ye out from among them." (Rev. 18:4)

These Nicolaitans have been

descent, that they consider any restraint laid on their promiscuous sexual intercourse, a hardship of the most grievous and oppressive nature, seeming to centre all their happiness in enjoyments of that description. From this fact, it seems that from the time of Herodotus, which is more than 2000 years ago, the negro race, whether of unrestrained paganism, or the healing balm of Christianity, are forever the same gross, brutal, fierce, sensual, and devilish characters, as a people, in reference to sexual commerce." "Origin And Character of the Negro Race" [pp. 163-164]

Lying with beasts is common among negroes and has always been so. Herodotus, Gale the traveller, and Bochart mention its occurrence. In "Origin And Character of the Negro Race" [pp. 149-150]. Priest says: "Dr. [Adam] Clark, in his comment on Exodus 22:19: 'Whosoever lieth with a beast shall surely be put to death,' that it is certain from an account in Sonninin's travels in Egypt, that lying with dumb beasts is practised even now, as well as in the time of

Moses." The goat in the New Testament, Matthew 25:33: "And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left," is used as the symbol of all sinners. On this symbol, says Clark, "the goat is naturally quarrelsome, lascivious [1. Given to or expressing lust; lecherous. 2. Exciting sexual desires; salacious. Ed.], and excessively ill-scented, and was considered a fit symbol of all riotous, profane, and impure men. How very similar, according to the above were these two characters, the goat and the negro? They were alike in passions, in propensities, and in their smell, both disagreeable to excess."

We trust that the reader has gained new insight into the fact that the Negro can never discharge themselves from their "conjugal ties" with their beastly image, that they, like it or not, can not become what they are not already. Children can not choose their parents, but rather, the parents choose their children [seed]!



How Wells Are Used in the Bible

"... she went down to the well, and filled her pitcher, and came up." (Gen. 24:16)

The wells are usually approached by flights of steps, so that the women may dip their pitchers directly into the water. In some cases the wells are dug deep, and require a rope, or some simple machinery, for raising the water.

J. Freeman
Manners & Customs of the Bible



worship of these obscenely formed images, by the prostitution of their persons.

"HERODOTUS gives the following account of the Succoth Benoth rites. 'Every young woman of the country, where the image was adored, was obliged while yet a virgin, to visit the temple once, where she was to be humbled, by the first man who should chance to fancy her.'

"From these accounts it does appear, that the black nations of those ages, waged a universal and a perpetual war upon chastity, seeming to have been determined to expel from the face of the earth, all ideas of such a thing. To effect this, they bent all the powers of civil and religious influence against it, making the possession thereof a crime, to be punished with death, inasmuch as they who refused or neglected to be thus humbled, at the temple, and in the presence of the idol, were counted guilty of heresy, and were held as infidels and contemnners of the gods." "Origin And Character of the Negro Race" [pp. 161-162] The implications of this are enormous, since the marriage bond between negroes is "rather animal than sentimental," Jerome Dowd, "The Negro Races," 1907, [pp. 385-386], the only redeeming value of it being that it supplies the negroes with children which can be sacrificed to their god Nimrod (Moloch) or eaten. The negro would have Whites become just as bestial and corrupt as they themselves are: "But these speak evil of those things which they know not; but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves. Woe unto them! For they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for

reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core." (Jude 10-11)

Priest continues: "When Herodotus travelled in Africa, among the various tribes of Egypt, Libya, and Ethiopia, he says that he found the negro inhabitants living like animals, with respect to chastity. The following are his words on the subject: 'Among all these nations whom I have specified, the communication between the sexes, is like that of the beasts, open and unrestrained ...'

"That those nations of whom he speaks, were really the negroes of Africa, Herodotus says they were all of the same complexion with the Ethiopians, being extremely black and curlyheaded. At their marriages, it is a custom, everywhere among them, says the same author, for all the guests to enjoy the bride, the first night, who bring accordingly suitable presents, by which means they commence their family capacity, or housekeeping. In one tribe, he found it a custom for the wives to make use of a certain mark, or sign on their limbs, to denote the number of times they had favoured other gallants, than the lawful one after marriage; the husband valuing them, according to the number of these tokens, as they were the evidences of their wives' popular personal charms.

"This is a dreadful picture of the negro race, in that one particular, and were it not for the restraints of the Christian religion, and the salutary laws enacted under its influence in America, and other countries in Christendom, they, as a people, if left to themselves, would be guilty of the same things as anciently, for their natures are ever the same.

"... It is said, respecting the negroes of the West India Islands, who are all of African

masquerading with us for a long time, and have made converts of us all, whether we admit it or not. We have all been made to drink out of their milk bottles, which milk has been drawn from Mother Babylon's breast. It is no wonder that Isaiah was told to inquire, "*To whom shall he teach knowledge?*" Then to make sure we would get the right answer, he continues, "*{Them that are} weaned from the milk {and} drawn from the beast.*" (Isa 28:9) Have we really left the milk stage? Or have we left Mother Babylon's breast only to feed on the milk bottles drawn from the same sources and given to us by her nursing daughters, the Protestant Churches?

Sunday worship; Christmas, with its Saturnalian excesses; New Year's, with its watch-night and attendant debaucheries; Easter with its eggs, bunnies, hot-cross-buns, and sunrise worship; May Day with its May-poles and Lawn Festivals; Halloween, and its attending misrule, are not the feasts of YAHWEH as commanded in the Bible, but are definitely perpetuations of the old pagan Babylonian feasts, belonging to the pagan deities, Lord, God, Jesus Christ (ie. Zeus-Xristos of the Greeks), and Ma-Rhea, or Maria, the English Mary.

The doctrines of an ever-burning hell, Purgatory, going to heaven when you die, immediate transition, infant baptism, sprinkling, the conscious state of the dead, are not Apostolic, but purely and simply Babylonian. Their presence in the Christian Church identifies Christianity as the Simon-pure product of Babylon's fornications as evangelized by the

Nicolaitans. Revelation chapters two and three are prophetic of the history of the church, or assembly and depict its transformation from Apostolic faith to Babylonian apostasy.

For a long time we have heard of the despicable Nicolaitans in the book of Revelation but we have never really understood the meaning of their condemnation, because we have never really known who, or what, these Nicolaitans were. Many Bible students have tried to identify the Nicolaitans, but without success. Some have suggested that they were followers of a certain Nicholas, but can find no record of any such leader to substantiate their alibi. Then there is the Scofield School, or shall we say the editors of the Scofield Reference Bible, who say that the Nicolaitans are, and I quote, "*From Nikao, 'to conquer' and Laos, 'the people or laity.' There is no ancient authority for a sect of Nicolaitans. If the word is symbolic it refers to the earliest form of the notion of a priestly order, or 'clergy,' which later divided an equal brotherhood (Matt. 23:8) into 'priests' and 'laity.' What in Ephesus were deeds (Rev. 2:6) had become in Pergamos a doctrine (Rev. 2:15).*" The above quotation is taken from the comment at the bottom of page 1332 of the early versions of the Scofield Reference Bible. Please note that these wise theologians, who edited the Scofield Bible admit that "there is no ancient authority for a sect of Nicolaitans" and, as for the other explanations, notice that it is based on an "IF the word is SYMBOLIC." That is the best explanation the Christian clergy can give, because they are blind and cannot see the forest

because the trees are in the way. The truth of the matter is that the more orthodox they are, the nearer they identify themselves with the Nicolaitans whom the Saviour said He hated. They themselves are blind, having been made so by their teachers.

The teaching that the New Testament was originally written in the Greek language is not only false but deceptive.

The Hellenisation of the Church not only produced a corrupted New Testament, but made a Greek deity displace the Israel Messiah. This was the work, or deeds, done by the Nicolaitans in the early days and which is now perpetuated by the Christians in these latter days, since they are the offspring of the sect the Saviour condemned (Rev. 2:6 and 15).

Many people think that we are just trying to be different and make another cult, but let us examine the facts. It is admitted that the Saviour never heard himself addressed as Jesus Christ, not even when Greeks went to Philip and said, "We would see the Messiah" (Sacred Name Version). The Greek proselytes knew him as YAHSHUA, and as the Messiah, for there is no other NAME under heaven, given unto man, whereby we must be saved. The name "Jesus" was never applied to the Saviour during His lifetime, nor for nearly 300 years after His death and

resurrection, but was substituted for YAHSHUA the Messiah with their Greek deity, Zeus the Kristos, and called him Je-Zeus (Jesus).

The Nicolaitans infiltrated the early assembly and finally took over the policy-making. Having overcome the resistance of the saints who were contending for the faith, they opened the way for Jezebel, the ancient symbol for seductiveness, to come

in and seduce the servants of YAHWEH by saying that Je-sus Kris-tos (Jesus Christ) was the Greek translation of YAHSHUA the Messiah. This ruse was so successful that it has deceived all the nations of the earth.

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It is not to be wondered therefore, that the Scriptures charge Babylon, the Mother of Harlots, with committing fornications (embracing the different religions and deities of the various nations) and the mixture of their doctrines, "the wine of her fornications," she has made all nations of the earth drink, and has made drunk all the people.

Who were the Nicolaitans? The evangelists of Zeus! (Jupiter) who overcame or conquered the Israel congregation. The Nicolaitans were not the followers of any leader Nicolas, but were NikoLaos themselves.

The word Nicolaitans is a compound of the Greek words Nike and Laos, Nike-Laos. Nike is the name of the Goddess of Victory, or the Winged Victory, and Laos

essence of the thing, though the language of Clark is not so bold on the subject as is the communication of Rabbi Solomon.

"It is evident, from the Scriptures and ancient history, that the whole land of old Canaan, and the negro countries elsewhere, such as Egypt, Lydia, Ethiopia, and all Africa besides, were filled with the signs, paintings, and pictures of lewdness, as well as with sculptured and molten images, of both male and female human beings, and of monsters, half human and half animal, especially among the nations of Canaan. By such means the grosser passions of human nature were continually excited to disorder, violence, and confusion. Out of this influence arose all kinds of extravagant behaviour, tending to the corruption of the manners of mankind." "Origin And Character of the Negro Race" [p.158]

During their worship the negroes "used to get down on all fours in imitation of a beast, and in this attitude, would caper and leap about, being disrobed, while the multitude of [their] priests and the worshippers looked on. During such performances, [they] would move [their heads] from one side to the other, in a gay and wanton manner, for a purpose not proper to describe." "Origin And Character of the Negro Race" [p.160]

Priest reveals "That those priests of Baal were black men, is shown ... from the appellation given them by the Jews, who called them in derision ... the black [Chemarim is from Camar] priests of Baal: "I will also stretch out mine hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place, {and} the name of the Chemarim with the priests." (Zeph. 1:4) That those priests of Baal,

called by the Targums, "Camar," or the black priests, were not thus called on account of their wearing black vestments, as Dr. Clark has supposed, but because they were actually of black complexions — as it is well known that in all ages among pagan nations of the old world, the priests officiating at their altars of sacrifice, were always dressed in white — in imitation, no doubt, of the priests of the Hebrews — which was a sign of purity, dignity and holiness.

It follows, therefore, that the Jews called them black priests of Baal, because they were black and for no other reason. We find the names of several of the negro gods of those ages, in I Kings 11:5,7: "For Solomon went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, and after Milcom, the abomination of the Ammonites. ... Then did Solomon build an high place for Chemosh, the abomination of Moab, in the hill that {is} before Jerusalem, and for Molech, the abomination of the children of Ammon." Whose horrid worship infested the whole of mankind; as it was from the negro people a knowledge of idolatry was derived, to the whole Greek and Roman world, as well as in the most early times, immediately after the flood, to the myriads of the Indies, and to the Jews and other nations of the earth.

"SUCCOTH BENOTH," a Hebrew phrase, meaning tents of prostitutes, was the name of one of the negro gods, long before the time of Christ, which name signified the "tabernacle of the daughters," or of the young virgins, at whose temple they were inducted into the rites and mysteries practised in the

Controversial – Everything After its Kind

(Part 6)

Subscriber

The word "Negro" in this article refers to the pure African Negro race and the majority of the people usually referred to as Negroes are in fact an admixture.

Licentious

We have seen that cannibalism is just as natural to the negro way of life as eating the flesh of swine. Now we will learn that the negro has very little inhibiting power. The negro has an extraordinary propensity to indulge in their sexual appetite and to obey every impulse and passion. They willingly submits themselves to act like a beast. William Grier says that the negro finds their *"erotic feelings strengthened by the feelings of degradation."* "Black Rage," 1968, [p.75]. Therefore when we show that the negro "worships" Baal, we do not mean to say that their religion makes them what they are. Rather, the negro will always remain the same. Their religion is for those who not being black or pure black, need to be taught to be conformed to their image.

The negro rites of paganism, favoured, and even insisted, that the gratification of that one [sexual] passion was a cardinal virtue, and pleasing to the gods. Therefore, in both cases, whether under the supervision of the pagan or the Christian religions, the character of the race appears to be the same, their nature predominates and that alone.

Josiah Priest writes: *"Herodotus says, that the women of Egypt would approach the images of the male character, of their own manufacturing, in the open streets, while multitudes were looking on, and capering to the sound of music, mixed with deep yells of revelry, while these rites of Bacchus [Bacchus, in Greek and Roman religion, god of wine, vegetation, and fertility. Their worship was celebrated in orgiastic rites such as the Bacchanalia which was a riotous, boisterous festivity which led to drunken, licentious excesses. Ed.] were being accomplished. Were we to give a literal account of these images, and the automaton machinery by which the obscene shaped god was made to imitate life and motion, it would not fail to offend; we therefore desist, fearing that we have already said too much; and yet the truth should not be hidden on matters of this description more than on others, and especially when the manners and religions of the ancients of mankind are concerned."* "Origin And Character of the Negro Race," 1843, [p.155]

Adam Clark says *"... that the image spoken of there was a Priapus, a creature half man and half bull, or half he-goat, or some other dumb beast; and that it was worshipped with lewd rites,"* which agrees with the statements of Rabbi Solomon, in the

is the Greek word for laity, devotees, or followers. Therefore without any guesswork or speculation, we can identify the Nicolaitans of the King James version of the Bible as the Nike-laity, or Nike laos of the original manuscript of John the Revelator. And without any stretch of the imagination, we can identify the same old fellow, Saint Nike-Laos, or Santa Claus, who appears every year in the month of December to remind us that Zeus (Jupiter), and his various aliases, whose birthday is on the 25th day of December, is to be memorialised. He seduces the minds of the young, who in turn play upon the heartstrings of their parents, forcing them to celebrate even against their will. Even the independent churches who, when they originally came out from the worldly churches, had repudiated Christmas and Easter as pagan holidays, have been forced to compromise and take notice of these days. Why? Because it is a part of the Satanic deception. You cannot divorce the worship of Je-Zeus from the Christmas Saturnalia, with its tree worship, laurel, holly, mistletoe, cakes, and wine; nor from Easter with its hot-cross buns (cakes to the Queen of Heaven, Astoreth), bunnies and the show of pride. All these were, and still are, part and parcel of the Babylonian doctrine perpetuated in the Christian churches today.

In Greek mythology, Nike is represented as the Goddess of Victory whose function was to proselyte or evangelize for Zeus, the Greek deity, and ascribe to him all the honour and glory of all the other gods, and thus displace them

that he might be worshipped in their stead.

If you look in Webster's International Dictionary second unabridged addition under the heading, Zeus, you will find a picture showing Zeus sitting on a throne with Nike at the back of him, in the act of putting a crown of laurel upon his head. This was the symbol that he had won the victory over the other deities.

Even our institutions of learning have been contaminated with this pagan idolatry, for when the students of schools, colleges and universities win distinction in the course of study they are made to don the cap and gown, while a Christian minister or priest, is called upon to do the honours and pronounce upon them the Baccalaureate, or the Laurel of Bacchus. And who is Bacchus? Bacchus, the meaning of which is "son of cush" — Nimrod the personification of Satan, the enemy of YAHWEH (see Gen. 10:8-9).

Returning to Zeus in Webster's International Dictionary, you will find that he is the same as the Latin Jupiter, the Spanish Dios, the French Diu, and the Hindoo Davus. He is known as the father of Gods and Men. (pope — pappa of Gods and Men). No wonder John the Revelator calls the Martyrs the "Anti-Pas" for they were against the father of gods and men! Among the many characteristics ascribed to him, he is known as Zeus-Soter, which means Zeus the Saviour. Whose Saviour is he? Is he yours?

Of course this is all mythology; but remember that mythology was, and is, the religion of the pagans; so that the

devotees, or laity, of the mythological goddess Nike do the work that she is supposed to do. In other words, the deeds the Nicolaitans of the King James version accomplished was to exalt the Greek deity Zeus above the Israelite Messiah YAHSHUA. What they started in the Ephesian Church and failed to do, they finally succeeded in making a doctrine in the Church of Pergamos. The Melchizedek's royal Priesthood was superseded by the Babylonian priesthood, the Seventh day Sabbath was overshadowed by the introduction of the venerable day of the SUN (god), YAHWEH's Feasts, as ordained in the Scriptures, were set aside as having ended, only to be replaced by the new version of the Egypto-Babylonian feasts; and the clean food law, ordained for better health; was cast aside for disease-breeding animals, so that the medicine men might reap a harvest. Also, confession to the priests as in the Babylonian mysteries, and the Deuteronomic injunction not to make any baldness on their heads (Deut. 14:1) was scrapped for the shaved crown on the head of the priests as a sign that they are priests to the SUN-GOD, and not to YAHWEH.

Some may say that these charges are true only of the Roman Catholic Church, but does not the Bible say that the other churches are daughters? (Rev. 17:5). Surely if the Roman Catholic Church is

the Mother of Harlots, then the Harlots are her daughters, and inasmuch as they are guilty of the same apostasy, is it not the duty of every sincere believer to come out, not only from her (the mother) but also from them (the daughters) to leave all these paganisms behind, and return to the Law and the Testimony, (Isa. 8:20), and to keep the commandments of YAHWEH, and the Testimony of YAHSHUA the Messiah? (Rev. 12: 17).

When following the great impact of PENTECOST, which launched the great

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e v a n g e l i s t i c campaign to bring the people back to YAHWEH and His righteousness through Heaven-sent Redeemer, YAHSHUA the Messiah, the leaders of the then existing

religions began to tremble. In order to uphold these false religions, the leaders resorted to the persecution of the Apostles. But persecutions could not quench the fire of the Holy Spirit in those who had received it. Under persecution the Assembly of Believers increased, since, for every one of the faithful martyrs of the Lamb of YAHWEH who went down, five would spring up to join the ranks for the blood of the martyrs was the true seed of the congregation of the Messiah. When, after three centuries, these measures of persecution failed in the suppression of the FAITH once delivered to the saints, then the Babylonian clergy, in conjunction with their governments, resorted to tactics

Not only do herbal medicines have multiple benefits for the whole body but their overall safety is also extremely high. A serious problem in the use of some chemical drugs is that of side effects — those drug actions which are injurious to health and not directly related to the intended therapeutic results. In many instances research on medicinal plants that has aimed to isolate the “active” ingredient has produced either a highly toxic substance or an ineffectual drug. In contrast, the whole plant can provide both a safe and useful therapeutic effect.

An early study of the tropical plant *Rauwolfia serpentina* produced reserpine — a drug used to lower blood pressure. This drug is powerful, but is also dangerous, and research to make it safer revealed that the original plant contained some 40 “active ingredients” which, when combined in their natural form, made the drug both safer and more effective.

The complex compounds of plant tissues commonly provide an easily assimilated medication with fewer side effects than isolated ingredients.

Furthermore, in many plant tissues there are “buffer” chemicals which counteract the unwanted effects of the primary active ingredients.

Combinations of substances found naturally in a plant may prove helpful

where in isolation they may be harmful. This occurs in the plant Meadowsweet [*Filipendula ulmaria*]. It contains salicylate compounds similar to those used in the common drug aspirin [itself derived from a species of Willow, *Salix alba*, which contains salicylates]. Aspirin tends to irritate the stomach and may produce microscopic bleeding of the stomach lining [gastric mucosa] if used frequently. It would never be prescribed to someone suffering from a gastro-intestinal problem such as a gastric ulcer. Meadowsweet, however, has many of the anti-inflammatory properties of the synthetic drug, but it also contains substances that soothe damaged gastric mucosa and reduce stomach acidity. It may be prescribed for people suffering not only from inflammatory conditions, such as rheumatism, but also from gastritis or heartburn.

These examples serve to highlight the approach of medical herbalists. By recognising the wide-spread actions of herbal remedies they can work to balance and improve many functions of the body. Moreover, using whole extracts from the appropriate parts of plants, herbal medicine achieves a gentler, safer and less violently disturbing therapeutic effect, assisting the natural healing process.



Most of us are not overworked; we are just under-motivated.



a person's health and lifestyle, and looks for clues to the causes of illness which that person experiences. Accordingly, advice and treatment can always be tailored specifically to each individual's needs.

This means that what is appropriate for one patient may be quite irrelevant for someone else, even if they have the same illness as defined by orthodox medicine. The prescription will vary, depending on what is required to encourage the body to return to health. It will also be adjusted on subsequent consultations, depending on what changes have occurred in the patient's symptoms. There are no automatically repeated prescriptions in this approach; it is based on uniquely prescribed assistance throughout the course of the healing process. Equally, advice about self help measures vary from person to person.

The aim of the medical herbalist is to assist natural healing, and to restore the patient to a state of balanced health — it is not simply to ameliorate the symptoms.

Diet and Other Factors

Apart from preparing specific herbal treatments, medical herbalists are concerned with assessing and improving a variety of different factors that affect health and disease. A vital element of herbal practice is the recognition of an individual's responsibility for health care as a major aspect of maintaining health and preventing illness.

One obvious area of daily life that has a profound effect on health is nutrition,

and dietary advice is often a feature of a consultation. Typically, advice may be given on the regulation of dietary patterns and restriction of foods that can contribute to the person's ill health. Some people have allergic responses to certain foods. Others eat excessively, or aggravate their symptoms by straining their body's resources with such things as alcohol, caffeine and refined carbohydrates that are lacking in fibre. Herbalists try to help patients develop new dietary patterns which provide both greater nourishment and increased intakes of vitamins minerals and trace elements. The aim of treatment is to replace deficiencies and generally improve vitality.

Stress is a common factor in the development of disease, and herbalists may offer advice on relaxation techniques and breathing, or they may refer the patient for specialist support. Other aspects of lifestyle which may be addressed as part of consultation are exercise, posture, social and work environments for individual circumstances.

Whole Plants For Whole People

A key principle of herbal medicine concerns the importance of using extracts from the whole plant not isolated or synthesized ingredients which perform specific functions. The rich chemical complexity of a plant or herb results in wide ranging activity within the body. This is illustrated particularly well by Garlic and Dandelion herbs which have many medicinal uses.

of infiltration: that is, to profess conversion and join the church, then influence the government to cease persecution and give the assemblies rest and security. The stopping of persecution among the saints had a bad effect on them as it took away their ardour and zeal and made them soft. They no longer felt as much need of prayer as they had under persecution, and in their apparent ease and security began to lose their first love. Following this the false teachers began to cast stumbling blocks in the way of believers as the Saviour diagnosed their condition in Rev. 2:14-15. When speaking to the congregation of Pergamos He says, *"But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold to the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balak to cast a stumbling block before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto IDOLS, and to commit fornication. So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nike-laitans WHICH THING I HATE. REPENT OR ELSE."*

So you see, whoever you are, that the doctrine of Balaam was just as active in the New Testament congregation as it had been in the Old Testament at the time of Moses; any variation of the old was only an adaptation of the new condition. The eating of things sacrificed to IDOLS, which was PAGAN back there is CHRISTIAN today, for the eating of the Christmas goose and the delightful roast SWINE, was a delicacy to be eaten on the memorial of the birthday of Je-Zeus (Jupiter), (See I Maccabees 1:54-59). The month of Chislew is the equivalent of the modern December. The tree worship of Jeremiah 10 was also connected with the

worship of Jupiter. The Easter eggs, bunnies and hot-cross-buns were things sacrificed to the Goddess Astoreth, Easter, or Oastre. (See Jer. 44:19 and Jer. 7:18). The clergy say that these things are not offered to Jehovah (YAHWEH), but the Bible answers that YAHWEH has repudiated such. (See Amos 5:25-26; Zephaniah 1:4-5; Hosea 2:5-8; Isaiah 65:11; Eze. 23:38-44; I Cor. 10:20-22; Num. 25:1-9)

The time has come that YAHWEH is calling on His people, whom He has favoured with His grace, to seek Him and His SACRED NAME, by having their mouths purged from the pollutions of pagan names of the deities. Through the prophet Hosea He says, *"Thou shalt call me Ishi (my husband), and shalt call me no more Baali (lord). For I will take away the names of Baalim (lords) out of her (Israel) mouth, and they (the lords) shall no more be remembered by their name."* (Hosea 2:16-17).

Of these days the prophet Micah says, *"The voice of YAHWEH crieth unto the city, and {the man of} wisdom will see THY name."* (Micah 6:9) Isaiah saw the Holy One of Israel looking down on the condition of His people as they were going through tribulation and said, *"Therefore, my people shall know my name; therefore {they shall know} in that day that I {am} HE that doth speak; behold, {it is} I."* (Isa. 52:6) And the Psalmist saith, *"And they that know Thy name will put their trust in Thee; for thou, O YAHWEH, hast not forsaken them that seek Thee."* (Psalm 9:10) *"For some {trust} in chariots, and some in horses; but we still remember the*

name of YAHWEH our Elohim." (Psalm 20:7)

Worshipping the Creator-Redeemer by the names of pagan deities is not honouring Him but is ascribing to another the glory that ought to be ascribed to Him. So He complains through Isaiah thus, "I am YAHWEH: that {is} my name; and my glory I will not give to another, neither my praise to graven images." (Isa. 42:8) Jeremiah is hopeful of the people coming to the light of the true name of YAHWEH, for he, speaking for YAHWEH says, "Shall a man make gods unto himself, and they {are} no other elohim? Therefore, behold, I will this once cause them to know, I will cause them to know mine hand and my might; and they shall know that my name {is} YAHWEH." (Jer. 16:20-21)

Let us take the advice of the prophet Hosea, for he says, "Come, let us return unto YAHWEH; for He hath torn, and He

will heal us; for He hath smitten, and He will bind us up." (Hosea 6:1) In closing, let me say with Micah that, while all the people (Christian-Nicolaitans) will walk every one in the name of his Elohim (gods) and we will walk in the Name of YAHWEH our Elohim forever and ever. (Micah 4:5).

The Nicolaitan Churches will have the Babylonian names of blasphemy upon their foreheads (Rev. 17:3). But the congregation of the Redeemed will have the Name of the Lamb and the Name of His Father upon their foreheads. (Rev. 14:1).

Which will you have? Choose to whom you will serve! YAHWEH or Baal? YAHSHUA, or Je-Zeus? The MESSIAH, or Kristos?

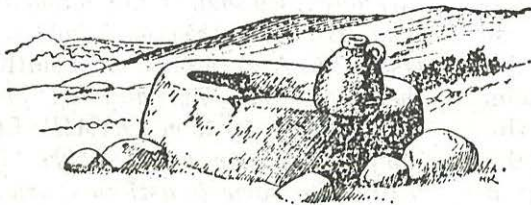
Acts 2:38 — "Repent, and be baptised every one of you, in the NAME of YAHSHUA the Anointed for the remission of sins, and you shall receive a gift of the Holy Spirit."



Pitchers for Water

"... with her pitcher upon her shoulder." (Gen. 24:15)

The ancient pitchers were of earthenware, Lam. 4:2. See also Judges 7:20, where it is said that Gideon's men brake theirs. Such are used now for drawing water. Some have one handle, and others have two.



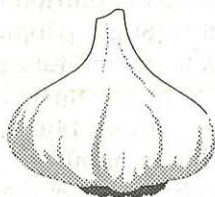
An old well with a one handled earthenware pitcher on top



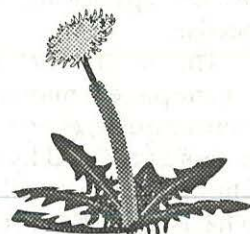
Health

Medical Herbalism

Dr Quack



"What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit {who is} in you, whom ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price; therefore, glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's." (I Corinthians 6:19-20)



As the guardian of your own body, the way you choose to treat it is an intensely personal matter. Just as you are free to decide how to exercise it, and which foods you will eat to fuel it, so you can also choose how your body may best be treated when its smooth working is disrupted by ill health. In the search for new ways to treat illnesses — ways that do not depend on powerful drugs or other drastic interventions such as surgery — many ancient and new therapies have been promoted, for which dramatic claims are sometimes made.

Of all these therapies the one that has stood the test of time is that called "Medical Herbalism." This is the art of treating disorders with medicines that are derived exclusively from plant materials. It combines long-standing insights into health and healing with modern pharmacological research, and selects remedies specifically suited to each patient's individual needs, with the object of helping the body heal itself.

The medicinal use of plants extends back over many millenia. Plants have been used for centuries by physicians

and in folk remedies.

Essentially, herbal medicine is based on a holistic or whole person approach to health. At the level of the cells, improper working or dysfunction of one part of the body produces further imbalances in other parts. If the body's homoeostatic [self regulating] mechanisms cannot control the situation, illness develops.

Within an individual, physical, emotional and spiritual problems all have an effect on each other — the phrase "psychosomatic illness" is just one aspect of this. On a global level, human health reflects, and is affected by, the environment as well as social and economic factors. The task of the medical herbalist is to make some assessment of the overall patters of the health or disease of the patient in the light of these interconnecting influences.

This approach has many practical implications. It means that medical herbalism is concerned with the individual nature of the patient — there are no separately defined illnesses to be treated. By careful questioning, the herbalist builds up a complete picture of

gain. You are to them like a singer of love songs, with a beautiful voice, and able to play well on the instrument; they listen to your words, but they will not obey them. Only when the hour comes — and it is coming — they shall know that a prophet has been in the midst of them." (Eze. 33:30-33, Smith & Goodspeed Trans.)

Indeed the hour is coming — perhaps

it is already striking — when the attitude described by Ezekiel with thinly-veiled ridicule will abruptly change. But this will not be before calamitous events shake the complacency of all who in the past have refused to give serious consideration to the full import of the watchman's warnings.

Courtesy: *Destiny*



Devotional

"Seekest thou great things for yourself?" (Jer. 45:5)

When we ask God for blessings in prayer, are we asking selfishly? Or are we thinking of the spiritual welfare of others and [most important] God's perfect will to be done in our lives and in others?

Things come and things go. Young and childish in our spiritual experience we focus our desire on "things" — success, prosperity, happiness. Such things are only by-products. Reality is God desiring you, your inner self [spirit] in a closer, living relationship with himself, [Rev. 3:20], see Romans 8:14-16, "His spirit bears witness with my spirit."

Am I seeking great things for myself? "Oh Lord, Baptise me with Your Holy Spirit." If he wont do it right away it is because you are withholding the willing surrender and abandonment to Him which will enable Him to give you a far greater experience of Divine Love.

Am I prepared to ask myself what I really want from God and WHY I want it? A father may withhold a gift he longs to give his child until that child is more ready to receive and appreciate it — or even a much better gift. Am I asking for lollies instead of the fresh fruit of His Spirit, [Himself]?

The giver is more to be desired than any of his gifts, as the fountain is more than a bucket of water.

God's purpose is not to make you happy just now. His aim is for your ultimate benefit; your ultimate long term perfection — "That they may be one even as we are," was the prayer of Jesus.

He is bringing many sons and daughters to glory. May we daily co-operate with Him!

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(Subscriber)



A Christmas Message

Glen D. Waters.

Dear Mom And Dad ...

You say, there is a Santa Claus
That wears those big red suits
With long white beard, and tasselled cap,
And great, big, high topped boots.

You say, he has a great, big, sleigh,
Eight tiny reindeers pull;
You say, with toys, and things for children
Old Santa has it full.

You always say, on Christmas Eve,
"Now he'll be here tonight,
"Just go to bed, and go to sleep,
"And things will be all right."

Several days before Christmas comes,
You take us up the street,
And tell us Santa Claus is there,
And he always has a treat.

So we go up, with Mom or Dad,
And look at old Santa Nick, ¹[Rev. 2:6,15]
His old false face, and big red suit
Enough to make you sick.

He'll shake your hand, and lie so big,
And ask you what to bring;
A lie it is, I'll tell the truth;
He never brings a thing.

Shame on you parents, to tell such things,
You should not be a liar, ²[John 8:44]
³[Rev. 22:15]
GOD's book says, you'll have your part
In a lake that burns with fire. ⁴[Rev. 21:8]

You go to church, and sing, and shout,
And also testify,
Then go home and tell your child
A great big Santa lie. ⁵I Cor. 6:9-10]

Shame on you, Mom. Shame on you Dad.
You ought not do that way.
Because you'll have to face the Lord,
And give account some day!
⁶[Eccl. 12:14]⁷[Heb. 9:27]⁸[II Cor. 5:10]
⁹[Matt. 12:36]¹⁰[Isa. 8:20].

1 Verse 6 "But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate."

Verse 15 "So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate."

2 Verse 44 "Ye are of {your} father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own; for he is a liar, and the father of it."

3 Verse 15 "For without {are} dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie."

4 Verse 8 "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

5 Verses 9-10 "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God."

6 Verse 14 "For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether {it be} good, or whether {it be} evil."

7 Verse 27 "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:"

8 Verse 10 "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that everyone may receive the things {done} in {his} body, according to that he hath done, whether {it be} good or bad."

9 Verse 36 "But I say unto you that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment."

10 Verse 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."

Some more Scriptures that we should consider

II CORINTHIANS 6:14-18

"Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers; for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? And what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? Or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? For ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in {them}; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean {thing}; and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."

II CORINTHIANS 7:1

"Having, therefore, these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God."

leaders have been crying "peace when there is no peace." This hope for peace has been supported by false prophets, or teachers, who, from platform, pulpit and classroom, have styled the Divine-commissioned watchman as calamity-mongers because of their persistent warnings of impending disaster. Isaiah addresses a message to these deceivers of God's people, for while they act in the capacity that classifies them as watchman, their actual works bring them under Divine condemnation:

"His watchmen {are} blind; they are all ignorant, they {are} all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber." (Isa. 56:10)

It is interesting to note that the meaning of the word translated "sleeping" is "dreaming, or talking in their sleep." Nothing can be more inane and senseless, insofar as the truth is concerned, than a dreamer talking in their sleep. Thus Isaiah designates all those who are blind leaders, unable to comprehend the meaning of transpiring events, as dumb dogs, unable to bark — that is, to sound a warning to arouse God's people.

This type of "leadership" Jesus admonished us to waste no time on; that is, we are to leave them alone, for, having deliberately elected to remain blind to the truth, it is impossible to open their eyes until they have fallen into the ditch. Then, and only then, will events shock them into a realization of the reality of what they have refused to accept. Our Lord's instructions are:

"Let them alone; they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both

shall fall into the ditch." (Matt. 15:14.)

In this category belong the modernist preachers who belittle the Word of the Lord, who refuse to believe His prophets and completely discount the warnings of His watchman. Themselves blind leaders, they are attempting to lead those equally blind and, together with their followers in their unbelief, they will be taken in the snare when the tempest of the Great and Terrible Day of the Lord breaks in its full fury during the day of His wrath.

But the faithful watchman must warn, whether the people will listen or whether they will not hear, for the Divine commission is set forth in Ezekiel 33:7:

"So thou, O son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore, thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me."

Listening in Disbelief

Summing up the attitude of the people toward the warnings of the prophet-watchman in their midst, Ezekiel described the indifference of the majority who, although attracted to the message, disbelieve it nevertheless until the hour strikes:

"As for you, O mortal man, your fellow-countrymen who talk of you by the walls and at the doors of the houses say to one another, 'Come and hear what the word is that comes from the Lord!' They come to you, as my people used to come; and they sit before you, as if they were still my people: they listen to your words, but they will not obey them; for with their mouths they make a show of love, but their minds are set upon their own selfish

Watchman, what of the night?" (Isa. 21:11)

Moffatt translates this:

"... HOW far has the night gone, watchman? HOW far has the night gone, watchman?"

Night Is Far Spent

This double inquiry emphasizes the urgency of the request. The night is far spent and will they make it till the morning without danger? Today can be likened to this, where many people hold little hope for the future. They question whether science will find answers to the many perplexing and potentially fatal questions that face this earth. But the watchman makes their reply:

"Morning comes, but also night; if you wish to know more, come again." (Isa. 21:12, Smith & Goodspeed Trans.)

What the watchman is stating here is that the night is passing and the morning will come; nevertheless, it is still night. They admonish those who are anxiously awaiting the dawn that, if they wish to understand more as the remaining hours of the night, they are to come and inquire again. In this way they assert that they will be able to identify the meaning of events only as they unfold and as they keep watchful vigilance during the remaining hours of the night.

Need for Alertness

The Septuagint version renders the watchman's reply: "If thou wouldst inquire; inquire and dwell near me." This would indicate the necessity for all who would comprehend the true meaning of transpiring events to keep in close touch with what the watchman reports, remaining ever watchful themselves, and constantly vigilant, so that they may perceive that which is otherwise hidden by the darkness of the night.

Unfortunately, throughout the years that the watchman have been proclaiming the coming of the Day of the Lord, as they directed attention to unfolding events, their warnings have, for the most part, gone unheeded, fulfilling the words of Jeremiah the Prophet, through whom the Lord has declared:

"I set watchmen over you, {saying}, Hearken to the sound of the trumpet. But they said, we will not

hearken." (Jer. 6:17)

Blind Watchman

The watchman have continually called upon all to hearken to the sound of the trumpet of war, to pay attention to the preparations being made for conflict. Yet, in spite of the prophetic warnings of impending world disaster, our national



The watchman must keep alert at all times for the safety of the people depends on him.

COLOSSIANS 2:8-9

"Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily."

I JOHN 2:15-16, 21

"Love not the world, neither the things {that are} in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that {is} in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. ... I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth."

II JOHN verses 8-11

"Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward. Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him Godspeed; For he that biddeth him Godspeed is partaker of his evil deeds."

ECCLESIASTES 12:13-14

"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments; for this {is} the whole {duty} of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether {it be} good, or whether {it be} evil."

I JOHN 5:19-21

"We know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness. And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true; and we are in him that is true, {even} in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life. Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen."



He Who Pays the Piper Calls the Tune

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A Revelation Identifying Mammon

What follows here is a short commentary on some excerpts from the book, "Sir Sigmund C. Warburg," published by Fayard, Paris, 1985. The author, Jacques Attali, the French Socialist bureaucrat, was adviser to President Mitterand.

These few excerpts from Jacques Attali's book are probably the most succinct statements ever written — and that by someone within the enemy camp — concerning the evil power which operates behind the scenes and is responsible for the destitution in our world. The effect is to spotlight what reformists have taught and preached consistently over a long period of time, and confirms the instructions given in the Holy Book, summed up in our Lord's own words when He said: "Ye cannot serve God and mammon." (Matt. 6:24) Jacques Attali informs us that:

"In the last two centuries the man whose influence is least in doubt, less even than the artist or the industrialist, is the financier, the man involved, directly or indirectly, in financing the princes of the world. Like the priest or the warrior in earlier times, he speculates on future developments in affairs and powers and tries to influence them in the direction that suits his own desires. He supplies men of ambition with the material means they

need for the achievement of their hopes and in order to be sure of being repaid what is due to him, he tries to forecast what the state of the world will be at the moment when he expects to recover the money he has lent ..."

It should be noted that the bulk of those "men of ambition" are anything but benefactors of mankind. The few who are or have been — like those they would help have borne the insult of bowing to usurious practices.

Jacques Attali's "financier" is certainly not a benefactor. Here we have one who — as stated — requires the recovery of what he has lent. The true benefactor, like his Master, is a giver. There is more, of course, for Jacques Attali also writes:

"Some will be, no doubt, surprised to see the emergence here, into the front ranks of history in the narrow gaps left between the play of popular forces and arbitrary tyrants, a whole galaxy of barely known people of great talent and strong character, almost always very rich, not always morally admirable, in all cases linked in a tight, almost dynastic network, a parallel aristocracy implanted at the heart of every regime. And they will be surprised to discover that the Warburgs, Rothchilds, Schiffs, Lehmans, Melchiors, Hambros and Mayers have played just as important a role in our destination, for better or worse, as the princes and politicians. ..."

of the Lord, who are able to discern the meaning of the days in which we are living. Because there are those who endeavour to understand, the Lord has been true to His word that He will do nothing without first giving warning to them and adequate information about things to come so that they may speak and act with wisdom.

Lack of Understanding

In the Apocalypse of Baruch reference is made to these days of confusion and to the lack of understanding on the part of the multitudes. Of those who are designated as the prudent, Baruch declares there will be but few;

"For there will not be found many wise at that time, and the intelligent will be but a few; moreover, even those who know will most of all be silent ... and many will say to many at that time: 'Where hath the multitude of intelligence hidden itself, and whither hath the multitude of wisdom removed itself?'" (Baruch 48:33, 36)

The time referred to when this will take place is defined as follows:

"For that time will arise which brings affliction; for it will come and pass by with quick vehemence, and it will be turbulent coming in the heat of indignation. And it will come to pass in those days that all the inhabitants of the earth will be moved one against another, because they know not that My judgment has drawn nigh." (Baruch 48:31-32)

In order to lay further emphasis upon this time of judgment, Baruch declares:

"And it will come to pass at the self-same

time, that a change of times will manifestly appear to every man ..." (Baruch 48:38)

The statement is then made in verse 39: *"... For the Judge will come and will not tarry."* This is the culmination of all the events leading up to it and the sign marking the time of its imminence is the fact that in the very days in which we are now living the wise are few in number. These are the teachers whom Daniel stated would comprehend — the modern prophets who are designated by Isaiah as the watchman.

When the prophets [the seers] of old recorded what they previsioned concerning coming events, they prefaced their prophecies with the authoritative pronouncement: *"Thus saith the Lord."* It is our commission to identify the accuracy of the words of prophecy and declare, as events demonstrate the fulfilment of the prophetic forecasts: *"This is that spoken of by the prophets."*

It is our task to chart the importance of the passing of time. Thus, the command given as Babylon of old was about to fall is equally applicable to conditions today as its greater counterpart, the oppressive system of Babylon the Great, is also about to pass into oblivion:

"For thus hath the Lord said unto me, Go, set a watchman, let him declare what he seeth." (Isa. 21:6)

We are only to reveal the pattern of unfolding events as we identify the passing hours of the night. It is our task to chronicle developments as they occur from hour to hour. This commission is to declare what we see.

"... Watchman, what of the night?"

"... none of the wicked shall understand, but the wise shall understand." (Dan. 12:10)

Ferrar Fenton renders the last clause, *"... but the Teachers will understand."* Moffatt translates this, *"... it is the pious who understand."* In the Septuagint Bible, the entire verse reads as follows:

"Though many be chosen and made white and purified and sanctified, and transgressors transgress, yet no transgressor will understand, but the prudent will understand."

The use of the word "prudent" here should cause every Christian to give serious consideration to the implications involved. Webster's Dictionary states that to be prudent *"suggests a wisdom that enables one to keep themselves, their passions, and their actions under guidance by what they know to be right and necessary."* Paul points out that there is a time when what would be right at other times is not expedient in Christian conduct. He counsels:

"But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day; we are not of the night, nor of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep, as {do} others, but let us watch and be sober-minded." (I Thess. 5:4-6.)

He specifically emphasizes: *"But let us, who are of the day, be sober ..."* (I Thess. 5:8)

It is a time to be motivated by seriousness of purpose, in order to be level-headed and well-balanced in

thought, as well as constantly vigilant — I Peter 5:8.

For this reason Paul offers the stern advice to those who are striving to become overcomers which he stated governed his own actions:

"I, therefore, so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air; but I keep under (buffet) my body, and bring {it} into subjection, lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway." (I Cor. 9:26-27.)

The Emphatic Diaglott renders this:

Most people today are totally unaware of the importance of what is taking place around us.

"I therefore so run, as not uncertainly; I so strike, as not beating the air; but I severely discipline my body, and make it subservient; lest possibly, having proclaimed to others, I myself should become one unapproved."

Meanwhile, the "transgressors transgress" and "no transgressor will understand." How precisely this has been fulfilled, for, although the human race has never before witnessed such an array of evidence demonstrating the accuracy of the Prophetic Word, so few are cognizant of the true meaning of world developments. Even now, disturbed as some are over the possible results of present-day trends, the multitudes for the most part are wholly unaware of the purport of what is taking place around us.

Truly the transgressor is without understanding, it is only the wise, the prudent, those who are led by the Spirit

Usury is Negative and Destructive

The financier, of course, is usually very rich, but at whose expense? What they expect to recover at the loan terminal is not the money which they first lent which was created out of nothing for the purpose — but the real wealth which it represents on repayment; to nothing of which they have contributed an iota of sweat-of-industry, raw materials or skills — the inheritance of many generations. In addition they have the bonus of usury. Whatever the percentage of usury exacted, be it small or great, that percentage is bankruptcy or made destitute or both; for there is nothing in circulation to cover the usury, unless it is won from someone else, and so another soul bites the dust.

Those who have sought to have the financial system meet the demands of righteousness know full well the truth of the existence of a "parallel aristocracy implanted at the heart of every regime" on the matrix of the priestcraft of Babylon. They are also familiar with the names of the families quoted above — and others of that dynasty — and of the role they have played in bringing nations to their present state of idiocy, degradation and human suffering.

Also, to emphasise it all, as if to inspire accolades for the "brilliance" of their schemes, it is revealed that:

"Sometimes in public view (and always attacked when they are) but more generally behind the scenes, they are in a sense the doubles of those in power whom they advise,

almost always better informed than the latter about what is going on in the world, and at the same time guardians of the communities from which they spring. Held at arm's length by the visible upper crust, extremely refined and highly ambitious, they finally organize themselves into a strange alternate aristocracy, a sort of austere religious order within its own implacable moral laws and ruthless rituals, whose essential wealth lies in its names and whose ultimate vanity is the earth."

However, they hardly double for those in power whom they advise," except it be as their vicars, but rather more like Svengali; reason enough for their effective guardianship of their own dynastic communities of that "austere religious order" readily and aptly titled "the godhead of mammon."

The Time of the End is Near

This entire revelation speaks volumes. It seeks to demonstrate that the time of their World Dictatorship is at hand, for the days of their covert operations are clearly over as they openly declare that all the forces of the State are in their hands. But one question remains: who of their dynasty will be declared Messiah?

We are to remain vigilant, studying the prophets and keeping an eye on those who rule over us. For if we do this we will not be deceived for we look to the only true Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ. For his coming is very soon to reign over his kingdom Israel of which their will be no end.

Courtesy: Wake Up!



Seer, Prophet and Watchman

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There is a lack of understanding in the minds of many Christians in regard to the titles seer and prophet, and also the relationship the watchman bears to these two as the terms are used in the Scriptures. The seer is always a prophet; a prophet may or may not be a seer; on the other hand, while a watchman is a prophet, he or she is never a seer. A seer is a person who foretells future events; they are able to look into the future and predict what will come to pass. While the prophets were often able to manifest this special attribute of the seer, on many occasions the term "prophet" defines those who are teachers and instructors only and not necessarily seers. The term "watchman" is particularly applied to the prophets of the latter days. They are the teachers and instructors whose specific task is the identification of the fulfilment of the utterances of the seers, charting the meaning of the times and seasons associated with the day of fulfilment. All — that is, seers, prophets and watchman — are instructors and teachers of the people under Divine authority.

Abraham a Prophet

Abraham is called a prophet, for in a dream God revealed this fact to Abimelech who had coveted Sarah Abraham's wife, thinking that she was

his sister:

"And God said unto him (Abimelech) in a dream, Yea, I know that thou didst this in the integrity of thy heart; for I also withheld thee from sinning against me: therefore suffered (allowed) I thee not to touch her. Now therefore restore the man {his} wife; for he {is} a prophet, and he shall pray for thee, and thou shalt live ..." (Gen. 20:6-7)

While it has been customary to think of a prophet as one who speaks of things before they come to pass — that is, a foreteller — the term was not so used in relation to Abraham in this instance. Here it means to pray, to entreat and make



Abraham the prophet

supplication. This meaning is further borne out in the case of the prophets of Baal who are said to have prophesied when they called upon Baal to send fire down upon their altar (I Kings 18:29). Actually they were praying and making an act of supplication, entreating their gods (idols) to answer their request.

Saul a Prophet

When Saul returned from his first meeting with Samuel, he joined a company of prophets and prophesied among them (I Samuel 10:10). Later, as set forth in I Samuel 19:24, Saul came under conviction and again prophesied in supplication and prayer before Samuel. In this latter instance, however, the circumstances were extraordinary, for Saul was humbled by the Spirit since he had sought to take David's life.

Meaning of Prophesying

Paul confirms the fact that the term "prophesying" applies to interpreting the Word of God and has to do with instructing the people in a knowledge and understanding of Divine things:

"But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men {to} edification, and exhortation, and comfort ... he that prophesieth edifieth the church ... for ye may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be comforted." (I Cor. 14:3-4, 31.)

When God uses a prophet, a teacher of His word and instructor in spiritual truths, as one through whom He will make the future known, and to whom He may

appear in dream or vision, that prophet becomes a seer. In Genesis 15 we have Abraham revealed as a seer, for God appeared to him in vision and he was shown things to come.

Thus the title "prophet" designated all who were instructors of God's people, particularly those whose task it was to help the people come to an understanding of His word. Through the power of the Spirit, in prayer and in supplication, these people were in close communication with God. But to those of His prophets who were given a preview of things to come, either through direct revelation or by dreams or visions, the title "seer" exclusively applied. In this latter class are the prophets of the Lord whose writings we have in their books in the Bible.

The Prudent Shall Understand

Knowing the distinction between seer and prophet, a better understanding will be gained concerning who is meant by the designation "his servants the prophets" in the statement by the Prophet Amos:

"Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets." (Amos 3:7.)

Ferrar Fenton translates this:

"However the Mighty Lord will not produce an event without disclosing His intention to His servants the prophets."

The "prophets" in these latter days — that is, during this Time of the End — to whom the Lord states He will disclose what He intends to do, are those whom Daniel calls "the wise," for he declares: