

# THE CONFLICT

**Lovingkindness and truth have met together;**

**Righteousness and peace have kissed each other.**

**Psalm 85:10**

There is a conflict that goes on in man and mankind that is expressed in many ways. It is not the conflict of good and evil, though the resolution of this subject conflict often produces results that can be either good or evil, but this conflict is equally pervasive. It is the conflict of law and mercy, and is a controlling and driving factor in Yahweh's works, His kingdom, as well as in relationships among man.

This matter of law versus mercy is seen in many contrasts, all of which express this one encompassing issue. As seen in the verses quoted above, this issue is equally contrasted as truth versus lovingkindness, or righteousness versus peace. It is equally contrasted as the masculine versus the feminine, and even bread versus wine. These last two contrasts may not seem evident to you right now, but as you will find, they will gain greater clarity and relationship as we go along.

All of these expressions, as well as others, boil down to the one issue we can call - law versus mercy. These are the two works that must find both legal as well as fruitful resolution. Just as we read above from the Psalms, these two actions must at some point come together; they must kiss each other.

But there are some problems with these two "kissing" each other, or "meeting together." For one, kissing between two contrasting expressions, and most certainly meeting together in union as one, as with the man and the woman must be legal. Because these two expressions do take on these male and female identities, the union of these require legal order for them to be acceptable to Yahweh. The union of these two apart from a legal order is adultery or fornication.

This has often been the problem with the misapplication of law and mercy - they are not put into practice according to love or order or with understanding, and the outcome is not blessed by Yahweh. Equally, some have even tried to abandon one or the other. Some demand law without mercy. Others want mercy and no law. Both are error and lead to exactly what one finds in the practice within a society with same sex relationships - there are no offspring. Failure to unite law and mercy fails to bring forth fruit. It is the legal union of law and mercy that produces acceptable fruit!

In the contrast of law and mercy, as one might expect, law is seen in the masculine, while mercy is seen in the feminine. When Adam was placed upon this earth for a period of time, he was the only creation existing per these two contrasts - male and female. Yet within him was a rib that would be used to bring forth this other gender (feminine mercy). For a period of time, the masculine law representative was all Yahweh needed. Adam alone fulfilled the requirement and plan of Yahweh. Through him in his solitary state, Yahweh's needed work of providing order and structure in naming all the animals was accomplished. But, there was a problem. Adam alone could not bring forth desired and necessary offspring - to be fruitful and multiply - thus necessitating that Yahweh bring forth the accompanying work of mercy, or Eve. In order for Yahweh to gain His desired results of procreation, He had to add the feminine quality, or mercy.

Likewise, when Yahweh began to establish a people to inherit a land upon this earth that He wanted to give to them, with what did He first provide them? Once again we see Yahweh repeating His work carried out in the garden and providing the masculine Adam work, this time the Law. After Yahweh had led the sons of Israel out of Egypt on Passover, He took them to the mountain of God and gave them the Law. Was the Law sufficient? No more than when Yahweh started with Adam only. And even as Adam labored alone for a period of time, so the Law was alone for a period of 1,500 years. What was it then that the Law needed? The accompanying quality of mercy.

First it must be specifically noted, and this is most important, that even as Eve came out of Adam, so mercy **MUST** come out of law. For some, this seems entirely inconsistent; but **law is the originator of all things of Yahweh, even as Adam is the originator of all who are in mankind.** When Adam was created, within him were all mankind who would follow, including Eve. Eve came out of Adam as a rib that had to be fashioned apart from Adam; but nonetheless, Eve did originate from Adam. Furthermore, from Adam's seed came forth all the rest of mankind. Thus we find that everything equally originates from Yahweh's Law. Yahweh does nothing apart from His Law, even in providing grace and mercy.

While the Law came on the first Pentecost, it would be mercy that would be provided on another Pentecost. How was that mercy to come? Through the blood of the Lamb, through the Law. **In order for mercy and Law to come together, there first had to be a legal remedy, a legal union.** Before this, mercy could have been cried for endlessly; but apart from a legal remedy, there could have been no mercy. The Law had to be satisfied, and to do so meant that any hope for mercy would have to be accomplished through the Law. Thus, it was written regarding Yahshua - "But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, in order that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons" (Galatians 4:4-5). Thus in verse six we read that because of this legal work provided by Yahshua, God was able to send forth the Spirit of His Son. We then see that mercy was not able to be extended to man outside of Yahweh's dealings with man in a **legal manner.** Once this legal provision was made through Yahshua, He could therefore send forth His Spirit to man - His mercy.

In the writing titled *The Raven*, we address some matters which are of a sexual nature. Sexuality is a most important and highly revealing part of Yahweh's testimonies. And like sexual relationships, the spiritual or kingdom matters revealed in them are equally concealed, that is until Yahweh chooses to have relations with man for the purpose of bringing forth spiritual offspring. When two parties enter into a bridal chamber, they begin to understand things about one another which were otherwise concealed. Yahweh did not design sexuality for man because it was of no prophetic significance or importance. Nothing, absolutely nothing, regarding the affairs and order of man is without prophetic and intercessorial purpose, certainly including sexuality. Sexuality is for those who are to be intimate, for those who, under proper legal order, desire a long term and fruitful relationship. It is a willingness to be open to and even exposed to one another. This is what Yahweh desires and offers to His bride.

When we examine this matter of law and mercy, we cannot address it without getting into the intimacies of sexuality. Even as the relationship of law and mercy is a male/female relationship, even as these two are an Adam/Eve relationship, so when we look at the act of the Law and mercy coming together per these two subject Pentecosts, we can best see what Yahweh accomplished and what legal acts He is performing by looking at it in the realm of sexuality. Why is this the case? What is Yahweh's object in accomplishing all of this? In the long term, there can only be one answer to this - to bring forth spiritual offspring to Himself. Fruitfulness has always been Yahweh's purpose regarding man, even from the very beginning when He commanded Adam and Eve to be fruitful and multiply. But His higher purpose is to bring men into His immortal kingdom, or resurrection! And the fulfillment of this higher fruit-bearing is pictured in earthly man's efforts at bearing fruit - the natural foreshadowing and revealing the spiritual.

How then has Yahweh chosen to bring forth this fruit? Remember that whatever conclusion we find in this, it must be legal; for once again, Yahweh does nothing apart from His Law. Let us now see Yahweh's fruit-bearing process.

We will begin this matter by laying out a most important law. Pay great attention to this point. If Yahweh has given us a law, it is because He will fulfill it, even to every jot and tittle. Like Yahshua's statement regarding the Sabbath - "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath" (Mark 2:27) - so it could just as well be said that the Law was made for man, and not man for the Law. Have you discovered yet that you cannot keep the Law? It is absolutely impossible! So why did Yahweh give man the Law if he cannot keep it? Because the Law was made for man, and Yahweh will keep the Law for man's sake. **THUS, when Yahweh declares a law, He has a purpose for it per His relations with man and His fulfillment of it on behalf of man.** Though man cannot and will never keep the Law, Yahweh will. He will fulfill all His laws. So, let us now look at one of those laws; and in so doing, you are getting ready to have an entirely new concept of and develop an entirely new attention to the Law.

In Deuteronomy 22:28-29 we read - "If a man finds a girl who is a virgin, who is not engaged, and seizes her and lies with her and they are discovered, then the man who lay with her shall give to the girl's father fifty shekels of silver, and she shall become his wife because he has violated her; he cannot divorce her all his days."

So, what could this mean per Yahweh's fulfillment of this law? Some laws are easier to discern, like the Passover lamb; but here is a law that needs the Spirit's revelation (even as did the Passover lamb at the right time).

In the writing titled *Carmel*, we noted a most intimate and inescapable truth. In the relationship of David and Bathsheba, the death of Bathsheba's husband at the directive of David, and Nathan's means of allowing David to judge himself, we find a most revealing testimony of Yahweh having relations with the first Remnant and the required death of the firstborn Son, Yahshua. ([Click here](#) to review this.) This may be to you a seemingly startling truth, but it is nonetheless true. Here in this law in Deuteronomy 22, we find a similarly revealing truth. The best way to approach this is to directly present it. The outcome will be most encouraging, as you will see.

In the just mentioned account regarding David, Yahweh reveals that He has had relations with a bride figure - the first Remnant. Keep in mind that the reason Yahweh does this is to bring forth offspring unto immortality. Now in this regard, Yahweh has also shown us through the natural functions of man that in order for Him to bring forth this offspring, He must likewise place His seed in man. Here is where Yahweh's sexuality is revealed, as pictured or foreshadowed in the natural in man. If Yahweh is to ever bring forth offspring, He must first have relations with man, or have "intercourse" with man. He must impart His seed to man. How can Yahweh do this? As you will see, Yahweh's intercourse with man, resulting in the impartation of His seed to him, is by giving us His Spirit. Yahweh's "semen" is His Spirit.

What is it that semen produces? Semen produces life or fruit - replication in one's likeness. Thus, for Yahweh to bring forth life/fruit like Him, He must plant His semen, His Spirit, in man. This was first done when the virgin Mary was impregnated by His semen through the Holy Spirit overshadowing her. But, and this is a most important "but," **the overshadowing of Mary was only a picture of what had to take place in a much larger way.** Here again, this too is very important to realize. **What took place with Mary was a preluding pattern of what must equally take place in a people.** **Mary was only a type and shadow of that which must occur on the larger corporate level - a people must likewise be impregnated with the Spirit of God in order to bring forth the Son of God. Like Mary's natural work, they must prepare the way for the coming of the Son of God as King of kings.**

The first attempt for the way of the Son of God to be prepared was with the first Remnant. Yahweh had intercourse with them. He had to in order to bring forth the Son of God. As with Mary, this was the only way He could do this - the Spirit had to overshadow them. Let us look at the details of this.

The process of intercourse is very specific. The male enters the virgin (the first Remnant was indeed a virgin, no man having had relations with them), and the first thing that takes place is that the hymen breaks. How did this first Remnant virgin's hymen break? Why did Yahweh even place the hymen in the woman, when He did not do so for any other created being on the planet (other than rarely in the horse)? Because He was providing testimony to His Son. When Yahweh entered into mankind, His penetration thereof required first the shedding of blood - the breaking

of the hymen. This was effected by Yahshua's crucifixion. By the shedding of His blood, forgiveness and mercy were made possible, thus bringing forth the release of Yahweh's Spirit.

We are told that when Yahshua died, the veil of the temple was rent. Why was it rent? In testimony of Yahweh piercing the hymen or the veil of the holy of holies of mankind, and preparing to place His seed in the womb of mankind so that His Son could be brought forth. This Yahweh performed by giving His Spirit to the first Remnant. So, having entered into mankind and penetrating the hymen, the veil, the flesh of Yahshua which brought the forgiveness of sin, or mercy, He then placed His seed in man, which He did so on the day of Pentecost!

Once again, the one great reason Yahweh had in planting His seed, His Spirit, into man, was to bring forth the Son of God, as we see pictured in Mary. While bearing fruit unto Yahweh means the eventual entrance of men into immortality, that process has its beginning entirely in and through Yahshua.

The first time Yahshua's way was prepared was through one woman - Mary. This resulted in the Son of God receiving an earthly unglorified body. But that was not to be the extent of His coming, for He must also come into this world as reigning King of kings. According to Yahweh's ways, this necessitates another birthing process, this time not through one person, but through a company of people, not through a natural mother, but through a spiritual "mother." Who would be this "mother"? As we have said, the first possibility would be the first Remnant.

Yahshua declared motioning to a band of first Remnant believers - "Behold, My mother" (Matthew 12:46-49). It was not Mary, His natural mother, who would "birth" Him into the earth as reigning and glorified King; but His true "mother" was to be the Remnant - a company of people, as He pointed to on that occasion in Matthew 12:46-49.

BUT, did the first Remnant "mother" bring forth the Son of God? No, there was a breach! Yahshua did not come through the first Remnant, for the fact is it was too early for Him to come - 2,000 years too early! (This point is covered in *The Issue - II*. For further reading on this, [click here](#).) Now at the completion of this period, we as the second Remnant have the hope of performing that which the first Remnant was not able - as the Elijah or even as the Mary, once again being overshadowed by the spirit of Yahweh and successfully preparing the way for Yahshua's return. In order to do this though, we must of necessity equally receive His shemen, His semen, even His latter rain. Yahweh must have relations with us again, even as He did with the first Remnant. What does all of this mean? It all has GREAT impact, as you will now see.

For what are we awaiting as we enter into the twenty-first century? We await the marriage of the Lamb. 1993 marked the completion of 120 Jubilees from Adam, and it is now legally time for the Son of God to be brought forth. So let us ask an important question - If we are waiting for the marriage of the Lamb, then what happened 2,000 years ago when Yahweh pierced the birth opening of the first Remnant, broke the hymen of mankind through Yahshua, and placed His seed into them on the day of Pentecost? It is clear that Yahweh placed Himself under the law of Deuteronomy 22:28-29 - "If a man finds a girl who is a virgin, who is not engaged, and seizes her

and lies with her and they are discovered, then the man who lay with her shall give to the girl's father fifty shekels of silver, and she shall become his wife because he has violated her, he cannot divorce her all his days."

First, fifty is the number of Pentecost. But most importantly, when Yahweh came to man prior to the marriage of the Lamb and had relations with the first Remnant, placing His seed in them, He had relations with a woman before the marriage ceremony, before the correct time. And here is the MOST exciting part of this! Yahweh's relations with the first Remnant before the proper time afforded two most encouraging things. First, it guarantees that He will complete the marriage ceremony! He has obligated Himself to this by His own Law, testifying what are His intentions - "she shall become His wife." Second, and this is MOST wonderful - **He has equally obligated Himself so that He will not and cannot put His bride away - "He cannot divorce her all His days."** Here again we see that He has established and guaranteed this through legal criterion.

If Yahweh had waited another 2,000 years before sending His Spirit, and at that time called out a bride, performed the marriage ceremony, and then had relations with her; under the law, if He ever became displeased with her, He could legally put her away. Not so with the Remnant Bride. We may be bad bride material in this second Remnant, but Yahweh has obligated Himself to carry out the marriage and never annul the relationship! THAT is VERY encouraging, especially when we examine ourselves as Bride members! Yahweh obligated Himself to this bride! And once married to her, He can never put her away.

So now you know what this law means. There are lots of laws like this, all of which Yahweh will fulfill for our sake.

## **YAHWEH'S INTERCOURSE WITH MAN**

Let us look further at this matter of sexuality. We have already seen that when Yahweh released the Holy Spirit to mankind on Pentecost, this was tantamount to the male release of semen into a woman. Intercourse among mankind is an earthly physical practice that has both prophetic as well as revelatory purposes. Yahweh did not create man just to be some social experiment that takes place while He proceeds with testing him and tries to get His kingdom set up here on earth. Everything about man, including this matter of sexuality, is a practical manifestation of a great and intimate spiritual truth. The very fact that intercourse is a hidden and intimate matter, speaks to the fact that what Yahweh is performing with mankind in order to bring forth the Son of God, to birth Him to this earth through man (His "Mary"), is equally hidden and intimate: hidden, in that men up to this writing have never known about this essential birthing process; and intimate, in that only a Remnant Bride has the privilege of knowing these most intimate things concerning Yahweh. These two points are most important regarding both the great significance of the time in which we now live, as well as the great significance of the bride work.

Let us note once again this law on intercourse. Again we read in Deuteronomy 22:28-29 - "If a man finds a girl who is a virgin, who is not engaged, and seizes her and lies with her and they are discovered, then the man who lay with her shall give to the girl's father fifty shekels of silver, and she shall become his wife because he has violated her, he cannot divorce her all his days."

You will notice that Yahweh has intentionally placed in this statement - "and they are discovered." Is this not what we are saying here, that we are now given eyes for the first time to discover what it is Yahweh has done and is doing in His relations with man? We as the second Remnant who are given eyes to see, have discovered what Yahweh has performed, and thus have great confidence that He will complete the relations with the second Remnant - that He will marry us and provide His semen, His Spirit, once again in order that the Son of God can in fact be brought forth through us.

It is most interesting and very likely significant that the word "semen" is uncannily similar to the Hebrew word for "oil, fertile, and olive tree." Of course the oil mentioned in the Scriptures for use in lamps and such was specifically the oil from the olive tree. This is why the Hebrew word for oil is equally translated "olive tree" (e.g., Isaiah 41:19). But this word also has a meaning of "fertile." In Isaiah 28:1 and 4 we read of Ephraim "at the head of the fertile valley." What is this Hebrew word for "oil, fertile, and olive tree"? It is "shemen"!

When Yahweh released the oil of His Holy Spirit to mankind on the day of Pentecost, essentially fifty days following the breaking of the hymen, the shedding of the blood of the Son of God and the establishment of the covenant of mercy with man, He was releasing His "shemen," His "semen," to man in order that man could bring forth the Son of God. In picture He had already been brought forth on one level - through the Holy Spirit overshadowing Mary and her being impregnated with the Son of Man. But that was at a personal and even natural level, and He must now be brought forth on a corporate spiritual level through many - "Behold, My mother!"

When a man lays with a woman, he performs precisely what the Holy Spirit performed with Mary. A man overshadows the woman, and by doing so imparts his semen into her. This once again is precisely what the Holy Spirit did on the day of Pentecost with the first Remnant. Yahweh overshadowed the first Remnant and released His Spirit to them. Continuing to recognize that the natural reveals the spiritual, often at the time this release occurs with the man, there results a marked increase in the man's breathing. Likewise, Yahweh's release of His Spirit to man on Pentecost was accompanied by increased breath - "a rushing mighty wind filled the house where they were sitting."

On Pentecost, Yahweh performed an intimate sexual experience with mankind for the first time ever, imparting His semen, His "shemen," His oil, to man, with, of course, the object of bringing forth the Son of God. For the benefit of learning more about Yahweh's testimonies concerning this oil, let us look at another aspect of His design per man's reproductive capabilities.

We discussed in the writing, *The Raven*, the fact that a male's reproductive organs are a remarkable testimony of Yahweh's plan for the church. But when we say the "church," one must

remember that the church is a two-part work, even as there are two parts of the male reproductive organs. In Zechariah 4 we read actually a description of these organs. On each side of a central lampstand are two olive trees. Of course the central lampstand that would bring forth light, has no ability within itself to provide this light apart from the oil provided by the adjoining two olive trees. It is the oil provided by these two olive trees that affords the light-bearing capabilities of the central lamp.

It is equally true that the central portion of the male reproductive organs has no ability within itself to bring forth life, apart from the adjoining two testicles located on both sides. Is it not amazing that the word for this oil produced from these two olive trees is the word "shemen," when the two testicles of the male likewise produce "semen"? So when Yahweh completes the establishment of His two sons of fresh oil Remnant on either side of Christianity, He is in fact providing the semen/shemen-possessing portion of His ability to bring forth offspring from mankind. Uniting the two Remnant with Christianity will provide the sexuality of mankind necessary for offspring to be brought forth.

In Revelation 22:1-2 we see the same picture, only revealed in a different way. Here we are shown a "river of the water of life, clear as crystal, coming from the throne of God and of the Lamb." Then we read that on either side of this river of life "was the tree of life, bearing twelve kinds of fruit." Thus we see the fruit-bearing tree of life, with the river of the water of life flowing between.

It is interesting that this does not read - "the trees of life," but is instead singular. How can a single tree be on two sides of a river? The answer is that the tree of life is the two-part Remnant, which is actually one work, yet because of the breach is in fact two - two but one. So we find here precisely what we see in Zechariah 4, as well as what we see in the male reproductive organs - the river of life bearing the semen, flanked on both sides by the fruit-bearing tree of life.

The outcome of this "fertility" seen here in Revelation 22 is - "there shall no longer be any curse." This is the work of the two-part church that will bring forth life to this cursed earth, conquering the curse that has been on man for 6,000 years, and will bring all mankind into the pure kingdom and into the much needed state of immortality.

## **THE NAKEDNESS OF NOAH**

Why, again, is it that these truths are only now being seen? Because only now is the bride being formed for the return of Yahshua. This is the bride work that begins to see and understand the intimate things of Yahweh. Yahweh could not share these things with the body of Christ. Satan has defiled everything Yahweh performs in the body of Christ; so why then would He share these intimate truths with the body to have them corrupted? There are other reasons as well, which will not be discussed here.

In this section, we want to share another truth that is also purely bride privileged. In so doing, we are not forgetting this matter of law and mercy, but it is necessary that we share this here.

Again, what Yahweh performed as recorded in the Scriptures is a reflection of Him and His ways. What is there that comes to pass that is not from Him? Nothing comes into being apart from Yahweh, thus everything is a reflection of Him. Men up to now have not really known Yahweh. When the Son of God came to this earth, man did not recognize Him, and even killed Him; so what makes earthly man today, even Christian man, think they know Him? He is far above us and we do not know or even understand Him or His ways. Some day when we become like Him, only then will we begin to truly know Him.

But as this bride is being formed, He is beginning to reveal Himself, His back anyway. He told Moses, who wanted to see His glory, that He would hide the church in the cleft of the rock - Christianity - and after passing by, He would remove His hand and let us see what He has done - His back. This is what we as His bride are beginning to see; and it is one of these marvelous truths that He is opening to us that will be shared now. Once again, this is bride material only - the intimate things of Yahweh.

In what is in truth a repeat of the story of the garden of God, we read that after Noah and his family left the ark, Noah planted a vineyard "and became drunk, and uncovered himself inside his tent" (Genesis 9:20-29). What we have here is a testimony of Yahweh Himself, who in order to bring forth fruit, equally planted a vineyard when He created man. Yahweh and Yahshua often identified man as a vineyard they had planted.

What then happened to Noah? Ham entered into his tent and "saw the nakedness of his father." But that was not all, for he then went out and "told his two brothers outside." But the two brothers, Shem and Japheth, had a different response. They too went into the tent, but in a different fashion and with a different purpose. "But Shem and Japheth took a garment and laid it upon both their shoulders and walked backward and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces were turned away, so that they did not see their father's nakedness."

The outcome of this is most remarkable. Obviously there was more to this than some insignificant family happenstance. As you will see, this simple act was highly prophetic, and laid out a MOST important pattern that would be fulfilled for the next 6,000 years. Such is the way of Yahweh. There are events in our lives that are far more significant than we recognize at the time, insomuch that they are intercessional points in which Yahweh reckons on them in our lives. And what we see transpiring at this initiating time in the history of all mankind is far more important than this family could have possibly known, and even far more important than what man has ever discerned or understood since then. Let us see.

Here we find an account that reveals the very nature and ways of Yahweh; Yahweh Himself exposing His own actions in a way we have never considered regarding Him. Let us proceed.

As we have said, Yahweh planted a vineyard for the purpose of bringing forth fruit from the earth. But, His harvest of man and the fermentation of man with the leaven of sin, resulted in Him becoming drunk and exposing His nakedness. Does this sound blasphemous? What could we mean by this? Let us continue and you will see that Yahweh is being very open and frank concerning Himself.

Ever since Adam and Eve fell in the garden of Eden, there has been rampant wrath, bloodshed, wars, suffering, and sorrow upon the earth. The blood of men has been continually poured out upon this earth. For this reason, many in this world cannot believe that Yahweh is a loving God, and concede that even if He does exist that He is a God of great wrath. They question that if He is all powerful, why does He allow such mass sorrow to continue? Equally, if He is a God of love, why does He treat man so harshly? These are just questions to ask of God; and He is actually sensitive to these questions.

We read in Ezekiel 20:1-26 that four times Yahweh planned to destroy the Israelites - once in Egypt and three times in the wilderness. Yet each time He repented of the evil He planned against them. Why would Yahweh repent of His wrath? In all four cases the reason was the same, bearing great light on His ways - "But I acted for the sake of My name, that it should not be profaned in the sight of the nations" (Ezekiel 20:9, 14, 22). Likewise we find in Numbers 14:15-19 that part of the basis of Moses' appeal for His mercy on the Israelites was concerning what the nations would think of Him - "Now if You slay this people as one man, then the nations who have heard of Your fame will say ...."

Yahweh is indeed concerned about what the nations think of Him; in regard for the nations, He repeatedly repented of evil that He had planned. Yahweh has more compassion for the nations than what Christians have realized. First, He will not destroy them all in some end-time frenzy of wrath, as we are often told by Christians. Let us look at Yahweh's wrath, with which He has been afflicting the world for 6,000 years. We will now expand on this account of Noah and his three sons.

Yahweh is our Father, and He planted a vineyard by creating men. But in His leavening of man with sin, Yahweh became drunk in His wrath against man. He has led mankind through things that only someone drunk would do. He is thus drinking from what He Himself has called "the chalice of My anger," even "the cup of reeling" (Isaiah 51:21-23). "And I trod down the peoples in My anger, and made them drunk in My wrath, and I poured out their lifeblood on the earth" (Isaiah 63:6). It is this blood upon which Yahweh has been drunk, blood that is as "sweet wine" (Isaiah 49:26). This is the intoxication that Yahweh has been under for 6,000 years.

How else can one understand these harsh actions of a loving God? He has afflicted man in such a way that is not even His nature. He is acting in such a way that if sober, He would not behave. Man has suffered unfathomable sickness, death, agony, pain, sorrow, grief, and loss, and Yahweh has performed it. For 6,000 years He has allowed Satan to afflict man with physical death, spiritual blindness, and emotional and intellectual lameness. For this reason, like Noah who was drunk on the fermented fruit of the vine and became naked, so Yahweh has been drunk on the

wrath of the blood of man and has become naked. For many good reasons, Yahweh is quite vulnerable to the criticism of man. He has actually made Himself naked to man and opened Himself to his criticism. What then is the solution? Let us see.

No one was able to enter into Yahweh's tent, His kingdom, until Yahshua opened the way through His flesh - He is the door. The first one pictured in this account to enter into that tent was Christianity. They went into Yahweh's tent, saw the death and sorrow, but did nothing to cover that nakedness of the Father. That nakedness continued. Men continued to die. Wars continued to rage. There was no peace on this earth. Darkness and blindness continued to exist. Conflict and disharmony continued, even within the church itself. No, Christianity did not cover the nakedness of Yahweh, and for this reason it is cursed, even as Ham's son, Canaan, was cursed.

Further testimony and conclusive evidence of Christianity's place as Ham is their wrathful end-time teachings. Like Ham, who went into the tent and came out to tell the brothers about their father's nakedness, so Christianity is intent on exposing the nakedness of Yahweh - telling others that Yahweh will deal with man in continuing wrath! End-time teachings from Christians are heavily wrath oriented. All the wrath of the Old Testament is paled by what they teach for the end times. They teach that Yahshua will return in great anger and will bring upon the earth such wrath it has never known the likes of before, in their Ham way exposing even further the nakedness of Yahweh.

Their false teachings regarding a fiery tormenting hell in which the unbelieving will suffer eternally under Yahweh's wrath is equally consistent with their continuation of exposing His nakedness; only even worse, they teach a form and degree of wrath that has never entered into His mind.

While Christianity comes from the Father's tent to tell the Remnant of Yahweh's nakedness, the Remnant will not propagate that message, but will do something about covering it. The second Remnant is the Elijah, who will keep Yahweh from smiting the land with a curse in the great and terrible day of Yahweh - Malachi 4:4-6. The second Remnant is the Elijah who prepare the way for the triumphal entry of Yahshua into His Jerusalem, and thus keep the stones from crying out for wrath. The second Remnant is the Elijah who will "restore all things" - Matthew 17:11 - making "ready a people prepared for the Lord" - Luke 1:17. The second Remnant will teach of Yahweh's mercy on man, dispelling the error of Christianity regarding an end-time wrath and the false teachings of an eternal tormenting hell. The second Remnant will cover the Father's nakedness of carrying out wrath.

These two sons, Shem and Japheth, in many other ways reveal the two Remnant (which we cannot cover here). While Christianity enters into the Father's tent to see His nakedness, but to do nothing more about it than to proclaim it to others, it is the two Remnant who take a garment, place it upon their shoulders, walk backward into the Father's tent, and cover His nakedness. How is this done? The Remnant is the work that satisfies Yahweh's wrath. If you think His wrath was completely satisfied with the death of Yahshua, then ask yourself why wrath,

affliction, death, and blindness upon mankind has continued unabated since then. Yahshua provided the way for man to enter into the Father's tent, His kingdom, but it is the work of the two sons of the Father who will resolve Yahweh's nakedness before mankind. While the way of salvation was opened through Yahshua, once again we see that it is Yahweh's works through mankind that cause man to follow and be participators in that salvation.

The two-part Shem/Japheth Remnant will enter into Yahweh's tent and cover His nakedness, satisfying His wrath which He has experienced through the chalice of His anger, the cup of reeling, the sweet wine of the blood of men.

## WORKING OUT SALVATION

Now that we have set forth the fulfillment of these actions surrounding Noah and his sons following the flood, it would be beneficial to expound upon this some more. The truth we will obtain from this will be well worth our consideration and the delay in further examining law and mercy.

While we see the fulfillment of these acts set forth in Noah and his sons in Christianity and the Remnant, in truth this act of covering the Father's nakedness was first performed by the Son. In fact, every aspect of Yahweh's redemptive plan was first carried out in Yahshua. Most would certainly agree with this fact, but what man up to now has failed to see is that while Yahshua opened the way, providing salvation to all men, we do not yet see salvation in its completion. Why not? The answer is that while Yahshua provided the way for salvation, His work in no way precludes the same expression of those works in and through man, but in fact orders it. In other words, what Yahshua effected as the Son of God on this earth towards man's salvation, those same works must be worked out and effected in and through man on a corporate level.

Paul clearly stated - "Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I do my share on behalf of His body (which is the church) **in filling up that which is lacking in Christ's afflictions**" (Colossians 1:24). Have you ever noticed that verse? If it were not here in the Bible, if someone else dared say these words they would be considered blasphemers. But the fact is that Paul was performing a work that Christ's own afflictions could not effect, and has been effected ever since in and through the suffering body of Christ.

Something needs to be said here that is VERY important. While Yahshua gave up His body to the cross for the salvation of mankind, EQUALLY the body of Christ has been given to suffering for the salvation of mankind. Though on the surface this may sound blasphemous (though in light of what Paul declared, it is not), Yahshua's suffering and death on the cross of necessity had to be repeated by man. Salvation is not something that is purchased by Yahshua and then we all just bask in its benefits. When Yahshua declared - "If any one wishes to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me" (Matthew 16:24) - He was setting forth the cross as something that was not just one time, **but continuing!** Equally He asked James and John,

who had requested to sit at His right and His left in His kingdom - "Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" (Mark 10:38). The experience that the Son of God was to go through, was to be an ongoing work in man. Why? **Because salvation had to be worked out in and through man! Man becomes a sharer in Yahshua's salvation - not just in sharing its benefits, but of necessity in sharing its responsibility. Salvation is not carried out to its fulfillment until it is equally carried out through man.**

This ongoing salvation encompassing man himself is seen in Obadiah 1:21. If Yahshua is the Savior-solus, then why is it that we read - "The **saviors** will ascend Mount Zion to judge the mountain of Esau, and the kingdom will be Yahweh's"? **The work of salvation in the Savior necessitates His replication in "saviors."**

While Yahshua opened the way for salvation, salvation is worked out through man. When Yahshua said that man was to "take up his cross, and follow" Him, that command alone tells us that the cross work is a continuing work. Yahshua opened the way, but man must walk in it, carrying out salvation himself, in order to effect and secure the salvation He provided. As it is written - "**work out your salvation** with fear and trembling" (Philippians 2:12). Salvation afforded in Yahshua is worked out through man. Or to say it another way - **man works out salvation.**

In this working out process in and through man, even as Christ had to be turned over to Satan, so the body of Christ had to be turned over to Satan, to be afflicted by the ruler of this world. Following Yahshua's example as the suffering Savior, the body of Christ too had to be blinded, scourged, spat upon, and the crown of the cares of this world placed upon its head. It too was to have the appearance that it was ruling - the reed scepter was placed in its hand and the purple and scarlet robe draped upon its body. All of this took place in the body for the sake of becoming the suffering savior for the world. Now in the end it too has had to take on the same fate as Yahshua - it had to die, a sharp spear was thrust into its side, and the blood and water of the bride is coming out. This is the bride of Yahshua who is coming out of the sleeping body of Christ to be the last Eve.

This bride is the Elijah, who accomplishes what the afflicted body has not been able to accomplish. As the Elijah, it is the work that restores all things, a work that the body has not been able to effect. It is the work that prepares the way for Yahshua's return, equally a work the body has not been able to effect. But most of all, it is the two-part sons, Shem and Japheth, who cover the nakedness of the Father that Ham (or, swine) Christianity has only exposed. Both works - the body and the bride - have their places in bringing to man and through man salvation - **working out salvation.**

Yahshua opened the way, and in many ways covered the nakedness of His Father; but the actual fulfillment of that covering provided through Yahshua is carried out in and through man - specifically the two-part Remnant's entry into Yahweh's tent. Therewith lies the work of the kingdom that will cease Yahweh's drunken wrath which has never been covered by Christianity.

Yahshua declared that when one saw Him, they saw the Father. Yet, it is often noted by Bible readers that there is a difference between "the God of the Old Testament, and the God of the New." Why the difference? The fact is that Yahshua was the first to come and satisfy the wrath of the Father. And like a loving Son, He would express the Father that He knew, particularly His mercy and His love, that in fact had not been the most outstanding characteristic of Him before. Like a loving son, Yahshua knew the goodness of God, and chose to only see and reveal this side of Him, and not His wrath. Yahshua did not come in wrath, but in mercy; and then declared that when men saw Him, they were seeing the Father. But, was that indeed the same Father that men had come to know in Yahweh before? Not really. Yahweh had been very angry with man since the garden, and had even taken much pleasure in afflicting man. He wanted obedience to His Law, but Yahshua was more concerned with mercy. Yahweh had a man killed for carrying a load of sticks on the Sabbath; but what did Yahshua say about the Sabbath? - "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath." Yahweh's law required that a harlot be stoned; but what did Yahshua say? - "Let him who is without sin cast the first stone." In all of these acts, Yahshua was covering the wrath of the Father.

Thus we see that Yahshua first set into motion this act of covering the nakedness of the Father. But further and very importantly, Yahweh is now in the process of performing the actual fulfillment of this covering in the two-part Shem/Japheth Remnant, carrying out the work first set forth and effected by Yahshua. Again, as we have seen, the two-part Remnant enter backward into the Father's tent - His kingdom - and cover His nakedness.

Whether it be the cross that Yahshua bore, or the cup that He drank, or the baptism of death into which He entered, or His acts of covering the Father's nakedness, **the work that He effected did not end with Him, but in fact it only began with Him**. The work that Yahshua effected is carried out by His body, and also His bride.

Furthermore, in closing this section, let us add some very important and insightful information regarding Yahshua's vital role in the union of law and mercy, along with the resulting outcome. This is very relevant to this section on the work of Yahshua, and leads us back to the subject of law and mercy.

On the first ever Pentecost the Law was given, and Law stood alone for 1,500 years. Then, following the hymen work of Yahshua - the shedding of blood for the satisfaction of the Law - on another Pentecost Yahweh gave us His semen, the Holy Spirit, and mercy was brought forth to man. The uniting of these two is for the purpose of fruitfulness, first in bringing forth the Son of God. Law came on the first Pentecost, while mercy came on a Pentecost 1,500 years later, and the outcome is the bringing forth of Yahshua as King of kings.

So where does the first coming of Yahshua fit into this? Even as we have just discussed concerning Yahshua's place as the door for salvation for all men, yet that salvation of necessity is worked out in and through man, so we see once again that Yahshua is in fact the embodiment and beginning of law and mercy coming together. The only reason law and mercy can come together in

the church in order to bring forth the Son of God as King of kings, is because this union first came about and was thus made possible in Yahshua. He is the originator, the intercessor, for all things.

In John 1:17 we read - "For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ." What are grace and truth? They, once again, are the uniting of the two contrasting works of law and mercy. Law is truth, mercy is grace. So in Yahshua we do not see law alone, as we find in Moses; but instead we find exactly what must take place in all of mankind, and that is the coming together of law and mercy for the purpose of producing offspring. Yahshua is the embodiment of that union, the marriage of law and mercy.

So once again we see that what is needed by man is of necessity first accomplished in Yahshua, thus not only opening its possibility, but even more so insuring its success. Thus that which was accomplished in the Son, will be effected in and through man.

## **LAW AND MERCY, CONTINUED**

Continuing in this matter of law and mercy, one evening this writer was sitting with His family in the living room, when one of my daughters initiated something that was not really to my approval and disagreed with my beliefs. But, what she did was out of love and for the care of another family member. As I sat there, I pondered what to do. If I said something, like a wet blanket on a fire it would have completely changed the mood of the evening. It would not only have wounded the daughter who initiated it, but the other daughter as well to whom the deed was initiated. But, I am a person of convictions, who strongly desires to do what is right, whatever the cost.

As I sat there, weighing what to do, I decided that for the long term, it would be better if I did not make this an issue, but let it pass. The fact was that though I disagreed with what was done, for the sake of what was good for the long term, it was better to have mercy. It was then that I realized what was meant when we read - "lovingkindness and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other."

Truth and righteousness are equally the law. These are firm, unmoving, uncompromising standards that must be met. On the other hand, lovingkindness and peace are mercy. These look at a situation and want compromise and compassion, and not a strict standard. In fact, mercy's standard is not at all based on a law of justness, but on a standard of conciliation, what is pleasing for the moment. These are the two conflicts also seen as male and female.

As I sat there pondering this dilemma, I realized that for the long term benefit, righteousness and truth had to come together with peace and lovingkindness. Law had to meet together with mercy. But what this meant was that, in effect, law had to compromise its position.

There is no way this writer can, or maybe even should, try to address this entire matter of law and mercy. It is evident though that in order for Yahweh to have mercy, in order for law and mercy to meet together, the requirement of the law must still somehow be met. Remember, mercy is a legal grant of favor for the best long term results. Let us briefly consider an example of this.

Even as King David would not allow the lame or the blind to enter into his house (2 Samuel 5:6-8), so Yahweh will not allow the flesh of man to enter into His house. So here is a problem - How will He ever allow a Remnant people to ascend alive to Him? **He does so by law and mercy kissing each other.** Law, in a sense, has to compromise for the long term benefit. In this case, that "compromise" is based upon the covenant between the Father and the Son, or the David-and-Jonathan-like covenant.

David allowed a lame man to not only enter into his house, but to also regularly eat from his own table! Because of the covenant David had with Jonathan, Jonathan's son, Mephibosheth, who became lame in his feet, was brought into David's house. Thus, David "compromised" his position based upon his covenant with Jonathan.

Likewise, often we too have mercy, not because the law we hold to is wrong, but because law and mercy must kiss for the sake of the long term results. Often we do this strictly based upon the work of Yahshua. Does this mean that law is done away with? No, for without law, life would be structureless and formless, incapable of any strength or even offspring. Without law, the universe would go into chaos. Without law, nations, society, and the family would go into chaos. In fact, there are many times in which law must prevail alone. As we have already pointed out, even as there was of necessity a period in which Adam was alone, even as there was of necessity a period in which the first Pentecost Law was alone, so there is a time in relationships in which it is entirely proper for law to prevail alone. If this were not so, then life as we know it, the family, and all society would be in utter chaos and disorder.

On the first Pentecost, 3,000 people were slain with the sword; on a latter Pentecost, 3,000 entered into the kingdom. Both were essential. The former could not be decried as wrong or excessively harsh, something to be avoided. No, the former was entirely essential for bringing forth the latter. If this were not entirely necessary, Yahweh would not have designed it this way. The former had to precede the latter; thus the latter was not possible apart from the former. The former paid the price for and empowered the latter. Equally, one cannot decry when a first Pentecost act of law must be taken, for it provides the way for a latter Pentecost act of mercy. Both are essential.

There is all too often a temptation to abandon law for mercy. Remember, masculine law and feminine mercy coming together in a conjugal union of bringing forth offspring can only come about **legally**. Often times people try to unite law and mercy, when in fact it is ill timed and entirely illegal, with the consequence of common adultery. Law and mercy cannot always come together - it must be legal!

One of the hardest jobs on the face of the earth is being a father, I mean a real father, not a passive father. Why is this so? Because the father occupies the law position in a relationship with his wife and family. Often, it is the father who (by the leading of Yahweh as to what is right) finds that he must take a position that is tested by the family (and others as well). Law must prevail for the sake of what is right, while others cry for the illegal application of mercy. In many cases, the addition of what is called "mercy," is nothing more than adulterating what is right and good. It is an ill-timed union of law and mercy that brings forth illegitimate offspring contrary to the ways of God. This makes fathering a very difficult job; but a man of God will learn when to stand in what is right according to the place of male law, and when to legally bring together law and mercy for fruitful union. This is the role of the man, even as it was out of the man that the woman was brought forth, and it was out of law that mercy came forth. It is law that determines when mercy applies.

On the other hand, a man who in time never allows mercy will never bring forth fruit. Law alone cannot bring forth any offspring, for it is alone. But neither can mercy alone bring forth offspring. However while law can always stand alone, mercy can never stand alone (evidenced by Eve's actions).

Have you ever seen someone who is all mercy? There is no backbone in them, and they do not have strong standards for others or for themselves. They are like the parent whose son or daughter is always in trouble because they have never held their child accountable for their actions, or recognized that they do anything wrong. Herein is mercy without law, and at some point law has to step in and correct the results of their ill parenting. On the other hand, someone who is all law is equally troubling, not to speak of damaging. They are always rigid and unbending, hurting others every step of the way.

Neither of these positions are exclusively acceptable, for the unwise prevalence of either of these with disregard for the other is destructive. Where then does the administration of this marriage fall? Upon law, the male, the one who has the right of headship or (and today's society will not like this) the right to rule in the home. And here is often the challenge for the man - possessing the ability to both occupy that position with fruitfulness, and yet being able to stand firm when law must stand alone. In this latter case, love is when law must have its way for long term good, and "compromise" is neither profitable nor acceptable. This requires a man whose heart is for God, who is led by the Spirit, and who continually seeks wisdom. This is a man who realizes that in the end, all the governmental responsibility and wellbeing of the home rests solely upon him, and he stands firm in what is right for the best long-term results.

Sadly, there are too many examples where this order does not exist. Either the man is too weak and passive to take his role, or the woman is too domineering to ever allow the man to function as he should. The world is full of sad casualties where Yahweh's divine order does not exist, foreshadowed all the way back in the garden of Eden by Eve's ill actions. There are fewer sad casualties where men never allow law and mercy to kiss; but far more often today, the male figure is either removed from his divine governmental role, or abdicates it out of social pressures, ignorance, or weakness. Whatever the reason, the results are once again destructive, first for the

family but also for society. Yahweh's proper governmental order is proper governmental order, and altering it has as certain and sure ill consequences as defying the laws of nature.

Men must take their places as Yahweh's divine heads in the home; and equally they must learn when law stands alone and it is illegal for law and mercy to come together, and when law and mercy are to kiss and lie together for fruitful gain. The determination of this requires wisdom and being led by Yahweh's Spirit.

## **LAW AND MERCY, FURTHER EXPANDED**

We have briefly seen the critical way in which this conflict is expressed in the family; let us also see this conflict as it is expressed in society and in the church.

Here in America (which is the only political perspective this writer can offer), there is a continual political conflict between law and mercy. On the one hand there is in America the Republican party that emphasizes and stands for law. On the other hand there are the Democrats who emphasize and stand for mercy. The consequence of these two party expressions have the same order and affect as that which was just described in the family.

On the one hand, if the Democrats continually had their way, the economy and moral fiber of this nation would collapse, with the sure effect as that of Eve's usurping choice in the garden. Appropriately, the Democrats poise themselves as being the voice of women, when in fact they are the voice of the female position of mercy. But mercy that is unchecked and unsubmitted is destructive. There must be the masculine order and headship of law, which the Democrats simply want to use and manipulate or coerce for their own advantage. The Democrats are like an unchecked and rebellious woman who is in constant devious conflict with her husband. (In equal testimony, the great majority of women who are not married and under the covering of a husband vote Democrat, while the majority of women who are married and under a husband's covering vote Republican.) Like a woman, the Democrats often rely upon emotions and forms of manipulation to try to get their way (of course, gratefully not all women are this way), when what is needed is that they find their place under the government and headship of law.

Primarily because of the Democrats, and the feminine attitude they represent, this nation is burdened with the disgrace and shame of abortion. Abortion for women is a feminine mercy consequence. It is based upon emotions, while the predominant Republican position is pro-life and personal responsibility. The pro-abortion attitude is - Do not offend other's feelings or make them uncomfortable by taking a position that would in any way limit or place any constraints upon a woman. Listening to and allowing this kind of mercy is the occasion when law has failed to prevail as it should. This is when masculine law must take its stand and forbid the cries of feminine mercy. This is when should law compromise with mercy and meet together with her, there results an illegal union. One has adulterated what is right, and the offspring are corruption

and death. This is when law must take its place and prevail; there is no place for compromise, for law must stand alone.

Here we see that ideas can be male or female, even political ideologies, and these often irregardless of the gender of the individual. In fact, each person, male or female, or even society, or even the church, must reconcile these conflicts of the male/female ideas and positions. Radio talk show commentator Rush Limbaugh once said on his program that liberal ideas "capture the female mind, whether it be in the body of a man or a woman." This is so very true! This matter of male/female, law/mercy, is not isolated to a specific gender.

For example, noting another well known radio personality, Dr. Laura Schlessinger is a clear example of the prevalence of masculine law principles favorably prevailing over feminine mercy principles, even though she herself is a woman. (But of course, just because the woman is law in personality, this does not mean that she has a right to usurp her husband, but in recognizing her place in the home will yield to and honor her legal head, her husband. Unfortunately, a law oriented woman often marries a mercy oriented man, which places even more responsibility and difficulty on the woman. Hopefully that man will see his place and lead.)

So again we see that this matter of male/female, law/mercy, is not isolated to a specific gender. It is expressed in government, in religion, in family practices, and even in individual behavior, regardless of gender. And it is MOST important that in every case the wisdom of governing through law and mercy must be followed. When this does not occur, society, the church, families, and individuals suffer. There must be the order, the headship, of law, the masculine; while mercy must find its place in submitting to law. Law is to love mercy, even as the man is instructed to love his wife. Law must seek ways to be satisfied with mercy, even as a man is satisfied with his wife. Law must find the relationship afforded in a legal union with mercy in order to come together to bring forth fruit/offspring and not seek outside of its legal bounds to satisfy its own lusts. Mercy must find its pleasure and place in submitting to law in all things.

There are so very many distractions that would cause law to have a relationship outside of what is good, pure, and legal. Is it not most significant that the woman by-in-large is the one who dresses and prepares and presents her own body in such a way as to seduce the man? The woman often wears inadequate coverings, and the covering she does wear is often in design and fit intended to show off her flesh. When women wore exclusively dresses, they often designed them to show off their "figures," their flesh. Men wore pants, baggy pants; and now that women have moved in to wear pants, what do they do with them? In contrast to the man, they wear them tight, so tight that what is supposed to be hidden is now even more clearly revealed. Whether it be the top or the bottom of a woman, or anything in-between, the woman has the great tendency to want to show it off, to cause the man to be attracted to her body.

For every personal care or beauty product in a store for the man, there are ten times that amount for the woman, along with an entire retinue of products with which a man would have nothing to do, including cosmetics. Instead of properly covering or adorning themselves, intentionally or otherwise, women tend to manipulate their appearance in order to seduce or attract men, to draw

their attention. Following in this female practice, mercy is often very seductive, and attempts to woo the law from what is right. This is true personally, politically, in society, and in the church.

Equally, there is another factor that works against the law. It is pictured or seen in the drive within the male to desire the female. Do you think that all of these male/female issues are expressed in creation as nothing more than meaningless behavior, or random forces that exist just to test man? These natural drives in men and the titillating acts of women reveal the ways and order of Yahweh. They are natural expressions of important truth that are being experienced in higher realms of man. Whether it be in individuals, between the sexes, in families, in society, or in the church, these divine conflicts between law and mercy take place with equally telling relevance and expression.

Why is it that Yahweh has so designed the man to desire and even lust for the female? Why is it that politicians, pastors, and princes alike have all been willing to jeopardize or even sacrifice their own positions and all they have accomplished in their entire lives, all for a relationship with a woman? What is it that rushes within a man's veins that can so drive him to blindness and cause him to lose focus on that which is more lasting and of far more value? Why is it that man so lusts for that which is purposefully supposed to be under a covering and reserved for legal and fruitful union? Men are often driven to grave error and the affliction of great pain, all for the lust of female flesh. Entire industries exist in destructive pornography, sensuality, and fashion, all for the purpose of propagating and feeding the lust that man has for women's flesh. Prophetically, why is this so?

Quite obviously, part of this reason is the lust that man has for the feminine practices that are aligned with mercy. It is good to be attracted to a woman; but when one finds a wife, practices in that relationship are carried out that outside of that relationship are illegal and forbidden, necessitating restraint and order. Though one may constantly be tempted to do otherwise, the ill consequences thereof makes that aberration intolerable. Likewise, male law needs not to be drawn away into feminine mercy when it is illegal, though there is a strong and attractive urge to do so. Just because a wife or a child wants or even demands to do something, does not make it right. (A clear example of this is the errant mercy cries of a selfish and rebellious teenager.) Law must bring forth what is right. Just because a Democrat wants to do something, it should be law that determines what is right. (Not "the courts," but masculine law ideas.) Just because any mercy position or place wants to find expression in any place, does not make it right, no matter how seducing it may be, for law must do what is right.

One of the prevailing tests in the church is the application of law and mercy. Once again, all law and no mercy is not right and is harsh. On the other hand, mercy without law is equally wrong and without proper order. Neither can produce godly fruit. There are groups who are harsh in law, which results in death; but then there are many more which so follow the feminine mercy, that there is no godly order.

Let us give an example of mercy without law. Several years ago, this writer published a book on beards and head coverings. The most common objection to this truth is that it is legalism, that we

are called to grace. Here is a clear example in which mercy misleads one from what is right and an important part of the government of God. Any time someone in the church does not want to do what Yahweh directs, they use the feminine excuse of mercy or grace to condone it. This is what has led to abortion in society (and even in the church), this is what has led to women not being covered (either in modesty or in proper head covering), this is what has led to the destruction of the family and our children, this is what has led to the destruction of society. It is following feminine law-rejecting practices that lead to rebellion and eventual destruction.

The church far too often relies on mercy, when they should be seeking law and obedience. One will never understand proper mercy, apart from understanding law. Law not only comes first, but law must govern mercy. Mercy is the feminine; it is the weaker vessel (1 Peter 3:7). Like Eve, mercy is easily seduced by the serpent; while masculine law is not seduced, but unfortunately can follow the feminine (1 Timothy 2:14). Thus, Yahweh's word instructs the woman to be entirely submissive to her husband in everything (Ephesians 5:24, 1 Timothy 2:11). Such must likewise be the feminine ideas of mercy. Unquestionably mercy is important and occupies a vital role; but, it must be submissive to law.

Does this mean law is to never regard mercy? Of course not (though mercy may emotionally cry such an accusation); but law is to love mercy and seek to legally unite with her, to be as one for the sake of legal fruit bearing. For, once again, it is only in the union of law and mercy that fruit can ever come about. However, there are times when the union of law and mercy is entirely illegal.

Unfortunately, everyone will interpret and apply this according to their own experience or propensity, some to the continuation of their own selfish gain, and some righteously. But the purpose of this writing is to lay out truth, and those who love truth will seek to apply it righteously.

In this next section, we are going to initially introduce some new information that is necessary in order to cover valuable ground per this matter of law and mercy.

## **THE LAST EVE**

**The first man, Adam, became a living soul.**

**The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.**

**However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural;  
then the spiritual.**

Since there was a first Adam created on the natural level, followed by and fulfilled on a much higher level in the spiritual by a last Adam; and since there was a first Eve, equally created on the natural level at the identical time; is it not also to be expected that there must be a last Eve as well, created on the higher spiritual realm?

**Even as Yahshua, created first as a natural last Adam, became the resurrected immortal Adam, so equally there must of necessity be a last Eve, who also being created first natural, must enter into immortality. And even as the last Adam, Yahshua performed works toward the restoration of what was lost by man in the first garden, so it is that the last Eve must equally perform works toward the restoration of the garden of God, that is the Elijah work of restoring all things - Matthew 17:11!**

Eve, even more than Adam, was the primary cause for the fall of mankind. She, being deceived, ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil first, and then extended that fruit to Adam. And in this order, we will find that a last Eve will have an initiating redemptive role in restoring what the first Eve had such a large part in corrupting and losing.

Eve was in a governmental place necessitating submission to her husband, who was in like manner to be in submission to the Father. But Satan tempted Eve, the weaker vessel, to elevate herself to the place of deciding for herself what was good and evil, right and wrong, apart from her husband and God. This she did. She ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil so that she could make decisions for herself, so that she could be equal to her husband and to God, and thus she sinned. And it was this decision process into which she drew her husband, who according to the Scriptures was not deceived, though Eve was deceived (1 Timothy 2:14). And this has been the problem in mankind ever since - men on their own seek to determine without God what is right and what is wrong, what is good and what is evil,.

This is precisely the problem in the family - the wife often takes the position that she wants to be equal to the husband and determine for herself what is good and evil, right and wrong. Even as in the garden, instead of the woman going to her husband and seeking him as to what is right as she is instructed in the Scriptures (1 Peter 3:1-6, 1 Corinthians 14:34-35), she wants to determine this for herself and provide her own tyrannical direction. Every time a wife determines that she will decide over her husband what is best in a situation for the family, she repeats all over again the garden of Eden fall of mankind, with the same results - death and rejection from Yahweh! Every time one of the children in a family determines or demands that they know what is best for their life and rejects the direction and instruction of their parents, they too repeat all over again the fall that took place in the garden of God, with the same results - death and rejection from Yahweh! People do not realize how severe the destruction when they follow Satan, the god of this world, in accepting the lie all over again that it is their eyes that are opened in a situation, when in fact they are blind and full of evil.

Being deceived, the first Eve abandoned her place as the woman and usurped her head, which resulted in the fall of all mankind. But the hope that lies before us now is that even as there was a last Adam who by His obedience brought forth "the justification of life to all men" (Romans

5:12-21), so there is to be a last Eve, who will recompense all that was lost by the act of the first Eve. Now that the Adam work is restored, it is time that the Eve work be restored as well, bringing to fulfillment the restoration of all that was lost in the garden, and fulfilling the Elijah promise spoken by Yahshua. Of course the Eve work is the Remnant Bride. It is this bride who is equally the Elijah, who has the great promise of being the one who "will restore all things" (Matthew 17:11).

In the midst of this chapter in 1 Corinthians 11 on Yahweh's order - the Father being the head of the Son, the Son the head of the man, the man the head of the woman - we read what is in truth a mystery: "For as the woman originates from the man, so also the man has his birth through the woman; and all things originate from God" (verse 12). While this is true on the natural level, let us now look at this on the kingdom level, which is simply an extension of the natural.

Even as the woman originates from man, so the bride of Yahshua originates from the masculine body of Christ. But also equally true, as the man is born through the woman, **so Yahshua Himself will be birthed into this earth as King of kings through the woman; for it is the bride who is the Elijah who prepares the way for the Son of God (even as Mary did so).** Thus, the woman (the bride) originates from the man (the body), but equally the Man (Yahshua) originates from the woman (the bride), "and all things originate from God."

**Thus we see that while the first Eve brought the fall of mankind, the last Eve, the bride, will bring about the restoration of all things, recompensing the loss that came through the woman.** In weakness, the woman caused man to fall, yielding to Satan; but Yahweh will once again in the end use the weakness of the woman, the bride, to destroy Satan (the Jael killing the Sisera) and restore the kingdom of God, bringing forth the Son of God. Even as in the case of Adam, Eve's act of disobedience meant the corruption of Adam and the fall of all mankind; so likewise, how much more will the last Eve's obedience mean the restoration of mankind?

By what spirit will this Eve bride be established? Will it continue in the original spirit of rejecting the instruction of her head? Not at all! Like the centurion soldier whom Yahshua praised (Matthew 8:5-13), the bride will respect the role of authority, and will respond in faith and obedience for the conquering of death.

While the bride is on the one hand a feminine work, we have already noted that male and female ideas exist in both sexes. While the woman is the weaker vessel, a woman who embraces male law concepts can have higher resolve, order, and obedience. (This does not imply that she is masculine in appearance and nature though.) And most importantly, even while the Scriptures tell us that the woman was deceived and not the man, a woman who considers the male aspects of law can refrain from being deceived. This the bride of Yahshua will and must do.

While the bride of Yahshua is female in identity, it is most significant that the Leah first Remnant bride had a leadership composed solely of men - the twelve apostles. Yahweh chose men, and not a single woman, to be the head of this first Remnant bride work. Why would He chose men and

not women? Yahweh is not affected by social pressures, and He did this for a reason (which we would be wise to discern). He did this so that the bride work would not follow the way of Eve.

**While the last Eve is a female work, it must have a male attitude.** This is why the disciples were all male. It is most interesting that up to this point, the second Remnant is a male-based work. This does not mean that women are not being used in an important way, for very often it is women who respond to these spiritual truths. Like Lydia, who was the first to respond to Paul, Timothy, and Luke after they were specifically directed by the Spirit to go west into Macedonia, so it is often women who first respond to Remnant truth. Women have the unique and highly important place of representing the bride. As the bride figure, Lydia was "a seller of purple fabrics, a worshiper of God," who on the Sabbath was "outside the gate to a river side," along with other women (Acts 16:11-15). Here her heart was opened to respond to truth, and she and her household were baptized and she opened her home to Paul, Timothy, and Luke.

In like manner, women once again are those who are often most receptive to the bride truth. They are bride material - sellers of purple fabric and worshipers of God. They too on the Sabbath have come outside the gate of Christianity and gather by the river of Yahweh's latter rain. This we have already seen in the Remnant Bride, as women respond to the bride truth, Yahweh affirming that this work is indeed His bride who comes out to be by the river.

But equally, while the Bride work is being established in this flesh (which is the origin of everything that is of the kingdom of heaven), Yahweh still applies the natural distinguishing rules regarding the man and the woman in the church, thoroughly affirmed in New Testament teachings. This is Yahweh's established order for the church, and we do well to acknowledge it. Thus, this teacher happens to be male, along with his associate. Yahweh has chosen to call a man to teach and lead the Bride, but even so, He will and even has used women to manifest the testimony that this work is the feminine bride.

The reason Yahweh would have the bride to possess the male attitude is so that she does not follow in the ways of Eve. The last Eve cannot be like the former, but must be like the masculine Adam who, though taking the fruit, was not deceived. The last Eve must be far more discerning of the serpent, and this time refuse to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, taking our place under our Head, Yahshua, and seeking Him only as to what is right and good. The determination of what we are to do is not our choice, but must be His. He alone is our head, and we as His bride, like Sarah, are to call Him Lord. As the bride work, we have the opportunity to do this (unlike the body of Christ which is sleeping).

This refusal of the second Remnant to follow in the ways of the first Eve, and thus refuse to follow in the way of the feminine, is boldly witnessed in Revelation. There are two groups of 144,000 in Revelation. Why two groups? Because they represent the two-part Remnant. We cannot go into all the affirmation of these right now, but will point out that in Revelation 14 these are the "first fruits to God and the Lamb" (see the writing [Passover, The Promise For The First-born](#) for an important analysis of the first-born Remnant), that "no lie was found in their mouth"

(the Remnant message is true and is not a lie), and finally we read - "These are the ones **who have not been defiled with women**, for they are celibates."

The Remnant today are not all men, and there is no way one could find a literal fulfillment of this in the Jews, as many Christians falsely teach. What we see here in a parable (as Yahshua often used when teaching) is the practice of the second Remnant to not be defiled by the weaker ways of the woman, to not be defiled in the way the first Eve was deceived and defiled. Here we see once again that the last Eve will follow the lead of the masculine law, and not be weak and deceived. The second Remnant will not be "defiled with women," but like Yahshua who in like testimony never had relations with a woman, will be celibates, doing only the will of the Father.

In contrast, this practice was not true with the first Remnant, or with the body of Christ. In fact, the first Remnant was the Eve who handed the forbidden fruit to the body, equally causing them to enter into sin, nakedness, and death. This corruption of the way of the first Remnant via the feminine is dramatically seen in the testimony of Solomon. In the writing, *The Issue - II*, we saw very clearly the place Solomon prophetically occupied as the first Remnant, insomuch that he failed and the kingdom was divided. What specifically was the cause of his failure? In 1 Kings 11:3 we read - "And he had seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred concubines, **and his wives turned his heart away.**" Thus we see that first Remnant Solomon was led astray by the feminine - his seven hundred wives.

The second Remnant, in contrast, cannot follow in the way of the first regarding the feminine. In clear contrast to Solomon, we are to be the 144,000 "who have not been defiled with women." We are to be celibates concerning feminine ways, not allowing weakness or Satan's deception to turn our hearts away from Yahweh. We cannot be led astray to serve other gods, as Solomon was so led by his seven hundred wives.

In contrast to this masculine orientation of the second Remnant, but in keeping with the feminine orientation of the one who handed them the forbidden fruit (the first Remnant), the body of Christ has followed in feminine behavior and not masculine. Let us consider this for a moment.

As testimony of this feminization of the body of Christ, there are an ever increasing host of women in its leadership positions. The place of pastors, priests, and teachers are each being filled by women, despite the specific prohibition of the Scriptures - 1 Corinthians 14:34-35, 1 Timothy 2:11, Titus 2:4-5. Yahweh gives man outward physical evidences of inward spiritual truth, and the ever increasing acceptance and practice of women in teaching and leadership roles in Christianity is only one telling example of this feminization of the body of Christ.

Another evidence of this, which is so widely accepted that this will be rejected by the majority, is the feminization of men by the removal of the beard. Instead of having the appearance of the man, to whom Yahweh gave facial hair, men have the appearance of the woman. Furthermore, the woman, who is supposed to pray and prophecy with her head covered, takes the position of the man, and as he is specifically instructed, she prays with her head uncovered. Natural testimonies are bearing evidence that the church is in an incredibly horrible spiritual state.

How is the body of Christ being feminine and not masculine? By following in the way of Eve and doing their own will, elevating themselves to be like God. Equally they operate strongly in the mercy realm and not in the law realm - preferring not to hold to any standards but instead to rely upon the "mercy of God." Christianity knows nothing about the law. In fact, modern day Christianity can readily be compared to fast food restaurants. They want their spiritual food cheap, simple, and fast. Their doctrines are reduced down to quick limited slogans. "Give me a number 4" - "Are you saved?," and that is all they know. "Give me a number 5" - "Are you born again?," and they have no idea of the fullness of what Yahshua was even saying to Nicodemus. It was aptly said to Nicodemus and could equally be asked of Christianity today - "Are you the teacher of Israel, and you do not understand these things?"

Christians are more interested in form and experience than understanding the laws and ways of Yahweh. But apart from the law, they cannot know either Yahweh or His ways. And even when His law does find some expression, for example in the head covering, they illegally dismiss it with the feminine expression of grace and mercy. "Give me a number 6" - "We're saved by grace!"

Repeatedly we find it evidenced that Matthew was written relative to the first Remnant, Mark was written relative to Christianity, and Luke to the second Remnant. This is covered in the writings on Bible contradictions. Since Christianity is at large a very lawless work with a strong feminine mercy propensity, rather than a more disciplined masculine law propensity, would it not be quite telling if the word "law" was never used in Christianity Mark? An absence of the word "law" in Mark, while its repeated presence in the other gospels, would be a startling affirmation that Mark Christianity is indeed a lawless work. And this is exactly what we find! The word "law" is used nine times in first Remnant Matthew, ten times in second Remnant Luke, and fifteen times in kingdom of God John. But most telling, **"law" is not used one single time in Christianity Mark!** Christianity, as evidenced by a comparison of the gospels, **is indeed lawless!**

Thus it is evident in many ways that the body of Christ is ever more feminine in nature and behavior and even in looks (unbearded), performing the very thing against which Paul warned - turning "the grace of our God into licentiousness" (Jude 1:4). They prefer following the quality of mercy without regard for law, and by doing so follow in the ways of the first Eve. Like Adam, they have allowed the feminine qualities to dictate from which tree they will eat, and in so doing have become feminine themselves, and for 2,000 years have eaten from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

The temptation regarding the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and the temptation of a wife or a child to follow in that fleshly sin of determining for themselves what is good and what is evil, as well as the sin of the church in doing likewise, is so very apparent. It is evident that this sin took place in the garden, not so much as a warning but as a testimony of the great weakness of this earthly flesh-life that would follow. The garden was in fact a testimony of what the flesh-life would be, the same great characteristic sin being carried out over and over and over again - in individuals, in the home, in the church, in nations, and in all mankind. Sin is an act we all carry out, as long as we are in cursed flesh.

The second Remnant is the last Eve, even as Yahshua was the last Adam, and the second Remnant will effect the reversal of the sin of the first Eve. If there was a first and last Adam, is it not evident that Yahweh would have a first and last Eve? And the specific sin to be overcome is that which Yahshua overcame - He did nothing except it was the will of the Father. The Spirit of Yahweh must come upon this Bride and empower us to follow in that redemptive work and do nothing except the will of the Father.

Thus, by having the attitude of obedience only and the discernment to not be deceived, we as the Remnant Bride have the opportunity and responsibility to become the last Eve, even as Yahshua was the obedient last Adam. Can we do this in and of ourselves, by the flesh? Absolutely not! Yahweh must overshadow us and give us His semen, His Spirit, which makes the birth of Yahshua as King of kings possible; even as Yahshua said - "apart from Me you can do nothing" (John 15:5). It would be as impossible for the second Remnant to perform this work, as it would have been for Mary to have brought forth the Son of God the first time. Apart from Him, we can do nothing! While we must cooperate with and seek Yahweh with all our hearts, when it comes down to it, Yahweh alone is the one who must perform this work. We must take off our sandals and acknowledge Him only, with the ultimate hope and great need of ascending alive, putting off this corrupt earthly flesh, and entering into immortality. Only then will we fully be able to do His will only.

For this reason alone - that Yahweh will perform this work - the second Remnant accomplishes the redeeming work of the last Eve. She is the Elijah work that must restore all things, even as Yahshua declared.

## **THE TREE OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL, CONTINUED**

Let us consider further this matter of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, as it does indeed relate specifically to the subject of law and mercy/male and female.

There are writings on The Remnant Bride web site pointing out that Christianity is a mixture of good and evil. Not only is it a mix, but it has the equally identifying quality of a serpent in its midst - Satan. Furthermore, like the fate of those who ate from this tree, Christianity is the period of the kingdom of God that has led to death. And why would this not be the case? Satan abides in this tree, and we know that he has the power of death (lit. of Hebrews 2:14). Also, this is the promise for all those who eat from this tree. Thus, for 2,000 years Christianity has been the kingdom of God expressed as the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

But there is more to this than these matters alone - something most important. We have already mentioned that the sin of Eve in eating from this tree was that she was going to be like God and

could thus determine for herself what was good and what evil. This is equally what we have had in the church for 2,000 years.

It is most important and revealing for one to see that an outstanding characteristic of the church has been this quality of determining what is good and what is evil. Think about this for a minute. Isn't one of the major emphasis of the church the task of determining right and wrong, with the intentions of pursuing what is right and shunning what is wrong? This is the quality of knowing or determining good and evil.

A look at Christianity today reveals a church that concentrates on determining what is good and evil. Christianity is even involved in society with the purpose of setting forth this determination. Homosexuality is evil, pornography is evil, extramarital relationships are evil, abortion is evil, and thus the church is involved in addressing these and other evils. But it is an amazing thing to this writer that when God sent His Son to this earth, He never addressed social good and evil issues, as does Christianity. He never addressed the very thing in which the church is so heavily involved. Why not? If anyone would have been effective in addressing social and personal ills, it would have been the Son of God. The world at that time was filled with grave social issues. But, Yahshua said not a word about these matters in which the church is so involved in these days. People wanted to trick Him on the issue of taxes, but He resisted. He avoided the issue with - "render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." So then why is the church so involved in these issues? Because Christianity is the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and they spend their time, with a great degree of irregularity, determining and addressing what is good and what is evil.

In contrast, Yahshua performed precisely what was in fact opposite of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Over and over we read that Yahshua did nothing other than what He saw the Father doing. Yahshua did not determine on this earth what was good and what was evil; He only did the will of the Father. Over and over He would declare:

- "The Son can do nothing of Himself, unless it is something He sees the Father doing" (John 5:19).
- "I can do nothing on My own initiative. As I hear, I judge; and My judgement is just, because I do not seek My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me" (John 5:30),
- "I do nothing on My own initiative, but I speak these things as the Father taught Me" (John 8:28).
- "I proceeded forth and have come from God, for I have not even come on My own initiative, but He sent Me" (John 8:42).
- "If I glorify Myself, My glory is nothing; it is My Father who glorifies Me, of whom you say, 'He is our God'" (John 8:54).
- "For I did not speak on My own initiative, but the Father Himself who sent Me has given Me commandment, what to say, and what to speak" (John 12:49).
- "The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own initiative, but the Father abiding in Me does His works" (John 14:10).

You will undoubtedly notice here that every one of these verses are from the book of John. This is not because we have been selective in listing these, but because all of these statements regarding Yahshua's obedience to the Father's will are found exclusively in John. None of the other gospels make this vital point. Why not? Because the book of John addresses the pure kingdom of God. As we have seen, Yahshua walked upon this earth to open a door, to make possible a way in which we will walk. This is the walk of doing only what the Father says and does. Has kingdom man been able to do this? Obviously not! There is no man in the flesh who can make the claim that Yahshua made. We are a corrupt mix of good and evil, and we do not always do the Father's will, but seek for ourselves to determine good and evil. This is the nature of the time and circumstances in which we live. It is the tree of the knowledge of good and evil period, and the church has been occupied with making this determination for 2,000 years.

Yahshua did not make this determination of good and evil. Even when a man came to Him asking Him to do so, He told him - "Man, who appointed Me a judge or arbiter over you?" (Luke 12:14). It is indeed most significant that Yahshua did not come upon this earth to determine good and evil, either for Himself or for others. Yahshua instead came only to do the will of the Father, which was in stark contrast to the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in which one determines for their self what is good and what is evil, what is right and what is wrong. Yahshua was THE stark contrast to the tree from which man has been eating in the kingdom for 2,000 years. And this is the hope we have, in that what He performed here on this earth, we will also walk and abide.

The great hope (and great need) man has is that we will be delivered from not only this miserable and wretched flesh, but also that we will be able to cease walking in this tree of the knowledge of good and evil period or work, and be able to walk in the tree of life work - no longer determining good and evil for ourselves, but doing only what the Father commands. This is the great need of man - to depart from the one tree that leads to death, and enter into the tree that leads to life - not doing our own will, but only/nothing but the will of Him who sends us. In order for this to fully come, we must ascend alive and put off this earthly flesh and become like Him.

Before closing this section, let us more broadly assess here the application and extent of this first tree. When Adam and Eve ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the garden of God, they set into motion the continuing practice of men having to determine for themselves what is good and what is evil. No longer did man have the privilege of walking with God and receiving each day's specific direction and understanding from Him. Now for 6,000 years, man has eaten from that tree. Yahweh is not here on this earth to tell us what is right and what is wrong. To a great extent, even with the Bible, man is left to determine for himself what is good and what is evil. This is the government under which man has been since the garden - not the theocracy man needs in which God is personally here with us.

So did this change with the coming of Yahshua and His provision of the kingdom of God to man? Not really. Remember, and this a MOST important point to always remember, the last 2,000 years of the church have been a breach. While promises were made and intentions were set to bring forth the Son of God in His glory - "I say to you, there are some of those who are standing

here who shall not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom" (in the glory of His Father with His angels, recompensing all men according to their deeds, which has not yet happened - Matthew 16:27-28) - the first Remnant was not able to accomplish this, and the body of Christ has not been able to accomplish this, thus these great kingdom promises experienced a long breach!

Furthermore, the kingdom of God was not able to overcome the world, but was in fact overcome by the world, and the church has equally entered into the same thing under which man has been for 6,000 years - being left to determine good and evil. The work begun on Pentecost was too early for the Son of God to be brought forth as King of kings, so the kingdom of God entered into the curse under which man has been since the fall. Thus the church, the kingdom, equally entered into the tree of the knowledge of good and evil period of mankind.

We see then that this tree of the knowledge of good and evil is not only a state under which mankind has been for 6,000 years, but of necessity the kingdom of God, the church, has had to enter into that curse as well. Therefore, these first 2,000 years of the church are identified as the tree of the knowledge of good and evil period of the kingdom of God where man continues to determine what is good and what is evil.

This is looking at this matter from the level of all mankind, as well as the higher level of the kingdom of God; but keep in mind this is experienced on a personal level as well. (Of course the government we are under determines this; that is, the government of the natural man. Yahshua was the first man to come to this earth under the government which is from above, not under the curse of the first tree.) Thus, men and women every day repeat over and over this choice Eve made and decide to live according to their own understanding, not doing the will of the Father. No one will be able to criticize Eve for her sin, for all have continued to make the same choice.

## **SATAN, CAIN, AND THE MARK OF THE HORN**

Now let us consider another way in which this same problem is expressed - doing our own will and not the will of the Father. We suggest that you go to the following link and look at Yahweh's engraving of Satan on the continent of Africa - [click here](#). You will notice on Satan's forehead a very distinct little horn. This same little horn is seen in the face revealed in the smoke of the burning twin towers of the WTC. [Click here](#) and scroll to the middle of the page. You will notice that the distinct horn is positioned above and clearly between his two eyes.

Why is it that Satan has a little horn on his forehead? Furthermore, why is it that men are infatuated with placing a horn on the forehead of a horse, which Yahweh never created - the unicorn? One can be most certain that these representations are performed for a definite reason.

From the Scriptures, we find that the horn often speaks of "power." A study of this word "horn" reveals this. So why is it that Satan has a horn on his forehead? We read in Isaiah 14:13-14 the following regarding Satan:

"But you said in your heart,  
I will ascend to heaven;  
I will raise my throne above the stars of God,  
 And I will sit on the mount of assembly  
 In the recesses of the north.  
I will ascend above the heights of the clouds;  
I will make myself like the Most High."

Five times it is recorded here that Satan said - "I will." This is the source of his power - his will! It is for this reason that Satan is given a horn on his forehead - he expresses his own will and not the will of the Father. He wants to be like the Most High.

Science tells us that the power of man's will is in the frontal portion of his brain, or his forehead. Do you see then the great pictorial significance of Satan having a horn on his forehead? Satan's nature is to do his own will; thus, Yahweh has placed on his forehead a sign of that desire - the horn.

When Yahweh does something, you can be quite certain that it is foreshadowed in other ways as well. And as important as this matter is regarding Satan receiving on his forehead a mark of his rebellion - the little horn - this most certainly holds true. Where is it that we see this? Satan is specifically said to have the power of death - "that through death He might render powerless **him who has the power of death, that is the devil**" (Hebrews 2:14). Your Bible may read "had the power of death," but the tense there is actually "has."

Who was the first person to afflict death, even murder, upon man? It was Cain - Cain killed Abel. The outcome of that death was most revealing; for in fact, **even as Cain had the power to afflict the first death among man, so he foreshadowed Satan who has the power to afflict death upon all men.**

And what was the outcome of Cain's power of death over Abel? Cain was driven from Yahweh, from his land, and the ground which he cultivated was cursed. Furthermore, a sign or mark was placed upon Cain. This was done because Cain was afraid someone would avenge Abel's death. Yahweh declared - "'Therefore whoever kills Cain, vengeance will be taken on him sevenfold.' **And Yahweh set a sign** (or, mark) **on Cain**, lest anyone finding him should slay him" (Genesis 4:15).

What was that sign or mark that was placed on Cain? We do not know; but more importantly is the implication that a sign or mark was likewise placed upon him who has the power of death, whom this man Cain represented. But that sign or mark that was placed upon Satan we do know.

It is the sign of the little horn on his forehead that attests to the strength of his own will. Satan was marked with the sign of the little horn.

An entire writing on this matter regarding Satan and Cain could be written, but for the sake of keeping this within reason, we will only briefly look further at this. There was a town settled by the descendants of Cain. Its name was Kain. Actually, our spelling of this town is the only difference from the name "Cain," for it is the identical Hebrew word. The residents of Kain were called Kenites.

If you read the writing [The Signs That Cause Belief](#), you know that Satan is pictured in the commander, Sisera, whose army Deborah and Barak defeated in battle - Judges 4. Even as recent as the [2000 elections](#), we saw the affirming testimony that Sisera's death was foretelling of Satan's own death. We find that Sisera was killed by the woman Jael, who invited him into her tent, covered him with a blanket, gave him milk to drink when he asked for water, and after he was sleeping, drove a tent peg into the temple of his head. Who was this woman, Jael, who killed this man representative of Satan? In verse 11 we see who she was - a Kenite, a very descendant of Cain!

But most interestingly, though a Kenite, she and her husband, Heber, had separated themselves from the Kenites (Judges 4:11). Is this sounding very familiar to you? Is it not former Christians, ones who have equally separated themselves from the family of those whose head has been Satan, who will in fact kill Satan? Even as Jael and her husband had come out of the Kenites, so the second Remnant have come out of Christianity, **with the same net effect - to be the Bride who will kill Satan!**

Furthermore, in like testimony, who killed Cain? Would you be surprised that one of his own family killed him? While the Bible does not tell us directly (though insinuated in the prophecy of Lamech), two other books do. The Book of Jasher, mentioned twice in the Bible, as well as the Book of Adam and Eve, both tell us that Lamech, Cain's offspring via the sixth generation, accidentally killed Cain. Thus both Cain as well as Sisera, both clear representatives of Satan, were killed by descendents of Cain.

There is so very much more here that cannot be covered, including such matters as the most unique and interesting prophecy of Lamech in Genesis 4:23. But the purpose of this portion is to evidence to you that Satan, like Cain, was marked with the little horn on his forehead to show the strength of the continual expression of his own will.

But, once again this writer is carried away with the seamless truth of everything we are learning, and cannot go on to look at more regarding this horn without first examining one other enlightening and affirming testimony regarding the Kenites. However, we must be brief.

In the writing, *Two Trees In The Garden*, we pointed out that the Rechabites were prophetic pictures of the Remnant. ([Click here](#) to review this.) Three miracle-born men - Samson, Samuel, and John the Baptist - were placed under the vow of the Nazirite and failed, representing three-

part Christianity. In contrast, miracle-born Yahshua took the vow of the Nazirite of His own will and through that vow was able to restore the kingdom of God and all men. But equally in contrast to the three men who failed in one regard or another, Yahweh provided a testimony of a company of people who were under that vow and were faithful - the Rechabites. This company is testimony of the Remnant who, like the Rechabites, will obey Yahweh's words and receive the promise to "not lack a man to stand before Me always" (Jeremiah 35:19). As we have seen, the Remnant will always be before Yahweh as His bride - He will not divorce us.

But what is most interesting about this in light of what we just learned regarding Jael, who is another Remnant testimony, is that the Rechabites were likewise descendants of Cain! 1 Chronicles 2:55 tells us - "Those are the Kenites who came from Hammath, the father of the house of Rechab."

Most interestingly, as Cain's descendants, we read in Jeremiah 35:7 and 9 that the Rechabites were thus a people who were wanderers - they lived in tents - and did not sow seed or plant a vineyard. Why? Because as Cain's descendants they were under the curse of Cain - "When you cultivate the ground, it shall no longer yield its strength to you; you shall be a vagrant and a wanderer on the earth" (Genesis 4:12).

We have already seen one evidence that Cain was a testimony of Satan. Cain was physically marked, and Satan was marked with the little horn on his forehead. But there is more to this representation. The ground was cursed so as to not yield its strength to Cain. Likewise, we have the assurance that **the grave will not yield its strength or fruit to Satan**. Though he may plant men in the earth (the grave), they will not bring forth fruit unto him, but will in time be brought forth to learn righteousness. And most significantly as it relates to the Rechabites here, even as Cain was cursed to be a wanderer on the earth, so Satan was cursed to wander on the earth. In Job 1:7 and 2:2 we read Satan's response when Yahweh asked him where he had been - "From going to and fro in the earth and from walking up and down in it." Satan, like Cain, is a wanderer upon this earth, even one who "prowls about like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour" (1 Peter 5:8).

As descendants of Cain, the Rechabites, even as Jael, were thus pictured as Satan's offspring. But there was something different about these two. Jael and Heber had separated themselves from the Kenites; and because of a fear of Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, the Rechabites fled to Jerusalem. We have already seen how Jael represents the Remnant coming out of Christianity. We now see here with the Rechabites these same people fleeing from Babylon, even as we are told in Revelation 18:4-5 to come out of mystery Babylon and not receive of her plagues. Where do we flee? Even as the Rechabites put aside their wandering and fled to Jerusalem, so the Remnant must flee to Jerusalem above. And as the Rechabites were called by the prophet to enter into the house of the Lord, so the Remnant will enter into His house.

Why does Yahweh provide these testimonies of a people who are descendants of Cain, yet enjoy such great favor and success? Because we as the Remnant were indeed formerly in that work that is cursed by Satan. But as with Jael, we had to come out so that we could kill him who is the

commander, that is even Satan. And as the Rechabites, we will enter into Jerusalem and be faithful, and equally "will not lack a man to stand before (Yahweh) always."

And very briefly, Moses' wife, who circumcised their son, thus keeping Yahweh from killing Moses (Exodus 4:24-26), was equally a Kenite - Judges 1:16. Moses' wife equally came out from the Kenites to be his bride. Yahshua will have a bride who comes out from the Kenites as well, one who is a water-bearer, as was Moses' wife (Exodus 2:16), and as was Rebekah, who is equally a clear bride picture.

This is very brief, but it is useful so that you can see that the matters considered here and in all these writings are indeed a seamless robe of truth, providing useful and affirming evidence to all that we say regarding the Remnant, Christianity, Satan, and the kingdom. Let us now get back to this matter of the mark of the little horn.

Have you ever wondered why man is so infatuated with unicorns? Following in the ways of Satan, man is drawn to this creature that is equally a testimony of the power of the will. It has already been pointed out that the only creations on the earth that have the blood covenant testimony of the hymen is mankind and sometime the horse. The horse can be prophetic of Yahshua, particularly in judgment - 2 Kings 9:33, Revelation 19:19 and 21. And as Yahshua, the horse can thus represent the body of Christ as well, evidenced by the horses of fire that separated Elijah and Elisha (2 Kings 2:11) - the two-part Remnant separated by Christianity. Thus when we see the alteration of a horse to possess a horn on its head, what is it that we see? Nothing less than the body of Christ that, like Satan, does its own will. Even as Satan is marked with a horn on his forehead as a sign of doing his own will, Christianity equally evidences this same telling mark of Satan - prophetically through the unicorn, but equally and more directly by the little horn, the steeple, on the forehead of its many churches! ([Click here](#) to see.)

So, whether it be Satan with the horn on his forehead, or the unicorn with the horn on its forehead, or Christianity with the horn on its forehead, the testimony is the same - the desire to do one's own will, the desire to eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. This is what Satan chose in his rebellion against God. This is what Adam and Eve chose in the garden. This is what mankind has chosen for 6,000 years. And this is what the church has chosen for 2,000 years.

We see then the exceedingly clear association of Satan, who has the power of death, who has the little horn on his forehead, with that of Christianity. Satan, who sought to do his own will, entered the church/the garden of God, and has deceived and tempted the church to do likewise, with the same results as those in the garden, with the same results as those per Cain - death! When you consider Satan, you see the way the church has been led for 2,000 years, overtly evidenced in many ways, including the little horn on their foreheads.

What is the solution for each of us? Even as small David took five smooth stones and directed one into the forehead of giant Goliath, killing him, so the truths of the small Remnant must strike Goliath Christianity right where Satan has influenced it the most - in their desire to do their own

wills. This, for now, must be accomplished individually, but some day soon will be accomplished corporately.

What Yahweh must now do for man is to place **His mark** on the forehead of a Remnant people - not man's mark, not the mark of the beast of Satan, but Yahweh's mark, so that man might not do his own will but only the will of the Father. This He did for and through His Son, and He must perform this for man now. This marking of the Remnant's forehead (will) is seen in Ezekiel 9, where a man clothed in linen "at whose loins was a writing case," was told to "put a mark on the foreheads of the men who sigh and groan over all the abominations which are committed." You are reading writings from a man with a writing case which can mark your forehead with the mark of the Remnant. This is also the protecting mark seen in Revelation 9:4 where the angel is told to not hurt "those who have the seal of God on their foreheads." Yahweh must mark the forehead of the Remnant with His new mark, replacing the little horn that has been the mark of Christians for 2,000 years.

## **FORMLESS, VOID, AND IN DARKNESS**

This writing has generated some matters that do not entirely fit into the main subject of law and mercy, but still relate; and if not covered in this writing, they might never be expounded upon. Such is the case with the material in this section.

In the previous section we saw how the last 6, 000 years, including the 2,000 years of the kingdom of God, are characterized as the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in which man has had to determine good and evil. These 6,000 years can also be characterized in yet another way that is equally distressing and a grave shortfall. Man will some day most surely look back to this time with great relief that it is over, wondering how we even made it through it. To address this characterization, we will reference a verse here that plays back to the very outset of creation, even preceding the creation of the first day.

In Genesis 1, verses one and two, we read:

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. And the earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the waters.

This is the way the New American Standard (NAS) reads. But let us rewrite this verse in a more literal translation. Thus it would read:

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. But the earth became formless and void, and darkness was over the face of the waters.

At first glance you might not think there is much difference between these two, but in fact there are great differences. First we notice that God created the heavens and the earth, and literally that

creation "became formless and void, and darkness was over the face of the waters." Creationists have noted that what was created in verse one, was corrupted in verse two. The word "and" used at the beginning of verse two in the NAS, could just as well have been translated "but." Evidence of this is seen in Genesis 2:6 where we see the same Hebrew sentence structure, but this time translated "but" - "But a mist used to rise from the earth and water the whole surface of the ground." However the main evidence to this usage of "but" and not "and" is found in the meaning of the word describing what happened to the earth - it "became formless."

The Hebrew word translated "was" is the same word (1961) as that found in Genesis 2:7, where we read - "and man became a living being." Thus we see that the earth that was created in verse one actually "became formless and void, and darkness was over the face of the waters." What does all of this mean for us?

In the writing titled *The Issue - II*, we see that all creation is looking to the coming of Yahshua (which is precisely what we have been saying in this writing as well). In that writing we point out that in the expanse of Yahweh's big picture (or 49,000 years), Yahshua's coming to this earth as King of kings is the fulfillment of the first day of creation in which light is brought forth. ([Click here](#) to read about this.) Yahshua is the light of the world, and when He returns He will be that supernatural first day light.

Let us get right to the point. The last 6,000 years have been the fulfillment of Genesis 2 - " the earth became formless and void, and darkness was over the face of the waters." In the beginning Yahweh created a garden, but that garden was corrupted by the serpent and man. **As a result, the earth became and remains to this day formless, void, and in darkness.**

You might not think we live in darkness, but you will be fully convinced of this fact when some day you enter into the true light of Yahshua and look back to this terrible time in which we have lived. Let me give you an example, though unfortunately it will date this writing and some day may not be so relevant, though the truth of it is lived out every minute of every day in many other ways.

At this writing there has been a U.S. congressman who has been embroiled in a sex scandal regarding a missing intern who is suspected of having been killed. The question in everyone's mind and an issue that dominated the news headlines for several weeks, was not only the fate of the intern, but did the congressman have anything to do with her possible death? And the entire matter was further obscured with the testimony of a flight attendant who also claimed to have had a sexual affair with the congressman and was asked by the him to sign an affidavit that she had not had that affair. Of course all of this has been denied by the congressman, except for the affair with the intern, and the entire matter was only further clouded by the reactions of his political party, the feminine mercy Democrats who tried to prevent political damage. What will be the outcome? Who was telling the truth? Where is the intern? What were the true motives of all of those involved? What did the congressman's wife really think about all of this? What was really right in the entire matter? And finally to summarize it all, as Pontius Pilate asked when he

was having to determine a judicial matter regarding conflicting opinions and motives about Yahshua - "What is truth?"

This and the overburdening mass multitude of other cases like it throughout the world, are vast evidences that we live in darkness! All the courts of the world and all the investigative officers and detectives, all the intelligence agencies of all the nations, and all the political and religious groups throughout the world are empirical evidence that we live in darkness. If true light was in this earth, we would know what happened to the intern, and of what the congressman is saying is true and what is a lie. U.S. presidents like Bill Clinton would not even exist if this world was in light and not darkness, and there would not be the political manipulation and maneuvering that occurs in political parties. "What is truth," today? What has been truth for 6,000 years? The god of this world has insured that there is always someone who will cover themselves and the truth in darkness, never allowing the light of truth to shine forth. Yes, we do not live in light, but for 6,000 years man has lived in utter darkness!

Other evidences of this darkness in which we live (as if we need them) is our own difficulty in making decisions. What is best in a given situation? Often we are in the dark and make the wrong decision and suffer greatly for it, along with others who were involved. What about the captain of the Titanic who decided to maintain a fast course through the field of icebergs? The darkness in which he made that decision cost many their lives. And this occurs over and over, even when people's intentions are good. Obviously the last thing that captain wanted for that new elite ocean liner and all of its crew and passengers, was the disaster that resulted from sailing in that perilous darkness. But such is the state in which man has lived.

And what of all the evil that people carry out because they perform it as well in darkness, because they count on others not knowing? How much fraud is carried out because of this darkness that is over the face of men? How much theft takes place that goes unnoticed or unreconciled because of this darkness that is over the face of men? How much sexual deviance or even murder takes place because of this darkness that is over the face of men? Often, "waters" in the Scriptures look to the vast pool of man. The darkness that came upon the face of the waters in Genesis 1:2, describe the darkness that has been over the face of all men for this 6,000 year period in which we await the dawning of the true light upon this earth - the coming of the Son of Man as King of kings.

This is the One who when He comes will bring light, much needed light! We will know then without a doubt what has happened to the intern. We will know without a doubt what role the congressman did or did not play in this matter. We will know without a doubt what motives were behind his actions, as well as those of his political party. We will know without a doubt the resolution of all court cases, quarrels, and conflicts that have ever taken place or will take place, when the first day True Light comes to this earth.

There are 22,000 denominations and sects of Christianity on the earth today. Why are there so many? Because the church is equally in the earth that remains filled with darkness, and is formless and void. These 22,000 groups do not agree because they too grope in theological and

philosophical darkness. Only when the Son of God comes will the error of their ways be revealed and the true light shine upon them. Until He comes, all men, even the church, gropes in darkness, searching for answers! Until He comes, all men still ask - "What is truth?"

The Democrats say one thing, the Republicans another. Who is right?  
 We live in darkness!  
 We must make a decision, but do not know what to do. Oh, what is right?  
 We live in darkness!  
 Our checkbook or credit card is missing and someone else has used it. Who was it?  
 We live in darkness!  
 There's been a murder and no one admits it. Are the suspects innocent or guilty?  
 We live in darkness!  
 Billions of dollars are lost in theft and fraud, and they get away with it. Who are they?  
 We live in darkness!  
 People carry a great amount of insurance to prepare for the unexpected. Why do they?  
 We live in darkness!  
 A man and a woman are married, but one partner is unfaithful. How is the other to know?  
 We live in darkness!  
 One religion says one thing, while another says something else. Who is right?  
 We live in darkness!  
 One denomination says one thing, while another says something else, both passionately claiming the validation of the Scriptures. Who is right?  
 We live in darkness!  
 The Son of God stands before a man, and in his hands lies His fate. "What is truth?," he cries to the Light.  
 We live in darkness, until He returns!

There are many dreadful evidences of the darkness and difficulty of the time in which we live, and from which we most surely need deliverance. Not only is it a time fraught with the difficulty of having to determine for ourselves what is good and what is evil, but we are trapped in a period in which since the fall of man in the garden, the earth has been formless and void, and darkness has been over the face of men. That darkness remains to this day and needs so very greatly to be removed. Him of whom it is promised must yet come and "recompense every man according to his deeds" (Matthew 16:27). Only when He comes, and all men live under His light that knows no bounds, will there be true sustained light on this earth for the first time. We will never wonder - "What is truth?" - for truth will come with true light. That which is carried out in darkness will come into His light. That which was concealed will be revealed. That which is done in secret, will be brought into the open. Hidden motives will be open for all to see. All things will be seen, for the Light that shines upon all men will have come.

That light has only been briefly known, brief and not sustained. The True Light did come into the world, but men loved darkness rather than light. Judah had two sons through Tamar - Zerah and Perez (Genesis 38:27-30). Zerah means - "light." Perez means - "breach." Zerah, the light, made a

partial appearance in this birth process through Tamar - he extended his arm outside the womb. But his complete birth was interrupted by the birth of Perez, the breach. Afterwards Zerah was fully birthed.

Likewise, Yahshua came only briefly as the light, but His light was interrupted by the breach. Christianity is NOT the light. Even as it is written - "If therefore the light that is in you is darkness, how great is the darkness" (Matthew 6:23) - so Christianity's light is actually darkness. Thus, that which must now take place is the completion of the breach period, the Perez, and the fulfillment of the birth of the True Light, the Zerah. This latter long awaited and final "birth" will now afford the true sustained light of Yahshua, that was only briefly witnessed before this 2,000 year breach began.

All men who have died are sleeping, waiting for the time in which they will be brought back to this earth to learn righteousness. For the entirety of their lives here, they were all in darkness; but when they return, they will be brought back into light. Thus it is written:

"Behold, God does all these twice, three times with men (two births, even three),  
To bring back his soul from the pit,  
That he may be enlightened with the light of life" (Job 33:29-30).

"Each in his own order," deceased men will be brought back into this earth in their natural bodies to be judged and to learn righteousness. Though they had been in darkness while they lived here, when they return after the establishment of Yahshua's pure kingdom upon this earth with the glorification of His Remnant, they will not return to a world that has remained in darkness, but to a world that finally has the much needed "light of life." Let us expound just a little further on this promise from Job.

"Behold, God does all these twice, three times with men." God "births" all men (except the second Remnant, and even the third part of Christianity) into the world two and even three times. The first time man is birthed into the world is when he is first born as a baby through a woman. But following that birth, for 6,000 years all men have died and they all sleep, waiting to return to this world through their promised second "birth." In Isaiah 26:19 we read the most wonderful promise for all men:

Your dead will live;  
Their corpses will rise.  
You who lie in the dust, awake and shout for joy,  
For your dew is as the dew of the dawn,  
And the earth will give birth to the departed spirits.

All men, departed Christians or otherwise (each in their own order), some day will be birthed a second time, this time by the earth which presently holds them. They will be placed back into their earthly bodies to learn righteousness in the True Light.

Thus, as it is written, man will be born twice; but there will be a third birth as well. What will be this third birth? It will be the third and final birth of being "born from above," even as Yahshua looked to and spoke of when he was talking to Nicodemus. This third and final birth is when Yahweh takes men (each in their own order) to heaven to receive their final immortal bodies that are born of the Spirit, born from Jerusalem above, who some day will be the mother of all men. The barren woman who in reality has yet to give birth to anyone (this man has yet to see someone in an immortal body), will greatly rejoice!

Thus we see the three births spoken of in Job 33:29-30. In each of the two latter cases, ever increasing light will be experienced. In the second birth when they return back into their natural bodies, they will see the Light. But in the third birth into a spiritual body, they will become the light, becoming fully like Yahshua, the "hope of glory"!

## **BREAD AND WINE**

Before closing this writing, it is only fitting that we now return to this matter of law and mercy. We have seen the place of law and mercy not only expressed through the testimony of Adam and Eve, but also through the Law at the first Pentecost and the giving of mercy at the first Pentecost in the restored kingdom of God. Furthermore we have seen that this conflict of law and mercy is not limited to these examples, but is an ongoing conflict in every person, in the family, in the church, in politics, in society, and in nations. This conflict is something that must be worked out in all areas of life; that is, when to follow law and when to add mercy?

Additionally, we have seen that law and mercy are pictured in other ways as well. We have already mentioned that it is seen in Adam and Eve, and in the male and female, the two uniting to bring forth offspring. Likewise this union is seen in the coming together of righteousness and peace, of truth and lovingkindness, as found in Psalm 85:10. And most importantly we have seen these two in Yahshua as the embodiment of truth and grace. But there remains one comparison mentioned at the outset of this writing that has not been addressed, which we will do so at this time.

Another comparison of law and mercy is witnessed in the contrast of bread and wine. Bread is law, while wine is mercy. Bread is the more substantive, the more nourishing, while wine brings refreshment and joy. Both are essential, but once again there is the requirement of uniting the two without the exclusion of the other. One can eat bread and find nourishment and strength, but after a while thirst requires that wine be added.

The law, or structure, or government, however ones wants to qualify it, is the bread. Bread is essential, even as law is essential. But bread alone gets dry, and though the stomach may be full, the absence of the wine makes one long for something to go with it. Both, once again, are essential.

Again the application of this characterization is relative in every level, from personal to national to the kingdom. Briefly, let us consider this per the family. Any family heavy on the bread will soon want for a little wine to remedy the dryness of bread alone. Any man who serves a lot of bread/law in his home will at some time have to add some wine, joy, or mercy. However, any home where there is nothing but wine served will soon find the home growing weak and perishing from lack of nourishment. Both are essential, but it is necessary that there be more bread served than wine.

This would be true in nations as well. Any nation that grows drunk on wine will in time fail. If the Democrats of ease and wine prevailed without the bread of the Republicans, our nation would be in great trouble and fail. This is true in any nation. There must be both the discipline of the bread of law, along with the wine of mercy.

But most striking to this writer is the conflict of law and mercy in the church. Christianity, like the Democrats, is very heavy on the mercy; so much so that they are drunk on it. If you listen to the preaching of most churches, it is very heavy mercy, mercy, mercy, with little to no law - Mark lawlessness! Christians do not follow the ways of Yahweh - the bread - but instead are motivated by and cry out for mercy - the wine. If you talk to anyone in Christianity at large about the government of head coverings - the bread - they will decry the bread and wish only for more intoxicating wine - mercy. If you tell Christianity that Yahweh is not pleased with them, instead of addressing their problems, more often they simply respond that they are under the blood of Christ, thus numbing themselves to the reality of their true state by even more intoxicating wine of mercy.

The Remnant truth is frank, even exacting; it is much bread in its characterization of the lacking need within the kingdom of God. And many Christians are not used to the bread of truth, but have been served so much wine of mercy that they lack interest in bread. If you offer someone who is drunk on wine some bread, they are not interested in it. Instead, they only want more wine. This is often the case in Christianity. They are drunk on the wine of mercy and do not want the bread of truth.

At the hope of Yahshua's return, the Remnant Bride desires to be appropriately covered so as to be prepared as the Rebekah who covered herself upon seeing Isaac meditating in the field. The bread of law requires governmental structure and responsibility, necessitating that the Bride cover herself for now with the covering of the tithe. But what is the response of some? They are so accustomed to the wine of mercy that they reject anything that is associated with law. It is far easier to simply say that one casts oneself on the mercy of Christ, than to be responsible with one's earthly mammon. It is far easier to rely simply on hearing and believing, without adding to true faith the required and essential element of acting. It is far easier to simply sip the wine of mercy, than to eat the bread of law. But it escapes them that law must precede mercy, that obedience is required in order to receive Yahweh's favor.

Yahshua did not come to remove us from the requirement of obedience, but to open the way so that through obedience we might enter into all that He has made possible. Anyone who rejects

obedience for the hope of mercy will be sorely disappointed and is sorrowfully deceived in their drunkenness on that intoxicating wine. They reject the bread of law for the wine of mercy, not realizing that mercy must come through law and obedience.

Some will hear this and think that the Remnant Bride is too heavy on law, too much on the bread. But let us point out the one of who is our example, the one who was under the spirit of Elijah - John the Baptist. While today one might decry the coverings of tithing or holding all things in common as legalistic, keep in mind that the message of him who had the spirit of Elijah was repeatedly that of responsibility with one's finances:

- Let him who has two tunics share with him who has none; and let him who has food do likewise - holding all things in common.
- Collect no more than what you have been ordered.
- Do not take money by force and be content with what you have.

John was heavy on law. In fact, even throughout his life, John literally never partook of wine (Luke 1:15)! Like the 144,000 in regard to their relations with women, in John's relations with wine he was a virgin. Likewise, neither did he who had the spirit of Elijah teach a message of wine/mercy, but rather he addressed the people as being serpents and invoked them to "bring forth fruit consistent with repentance." No, John was not at all mercy, but he too cried out for the third part of faith - actions and obedience. He knew that what was needed was mercy, but mercy is not brought by mercy. Mercy is always brought by law and obedience. Law and obedience prepare the way for mercy.

You may think that this writer is too hard or ridged in his instruction, but Yahshua asked the multitude - "What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? But what did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft clothing? Behold, those who are splendidly clothed and live in luxury are found in royal palaces." (Matthew 11:7-8 and Luke 7:24-25, but not in Christianity Mark). The fact is, right is right, and truth is truth, and neither the winds of Christianity nor the winds of opinion can alter what is required of the Bride. John was not a man moved by the opinions or blindness of others. He stood firm and spoke what was true, calling others to bring forth deeds consistent with repentance.

When Yahshua asked this question concerning John, and it was recorded in the Scriptures by the Holy Spirit and preserved for our reading today, was this done simply to preserve a snippet of history? Clearly not, especially when the spirit of Elijah is coming upon a people who will fulfill that which John expressed in the same way as did Mary - being a natural example of a spiritual truth that was to be fulfilled at a higher level by a company of people. That spoken and performed by John and recorded for us today was done so in order to reveal prophetic purposes that are to instruct and guide Yahweh's last days Elijah.

So are we the Bride to be blown about by every wind of doctrine that comes forth from the scorching wilderness of Christianity? Absolutely not! Is our message dressed in soft clothing so as to make it acceptable and pleasing to all, to the rich who live in palaces? No! The second

Remnant, upon whom rests the spirit of Elijah, will be fulfilled in character and mission in the same way as that evidenced or set forth by John the Baptist in Matthew and Luke - not easy and compromising, not soft and pleasing, but standing firm and speaking truth.

Can we then reject the coverings of tithing or holding all things in common as nothing more than Old Testament Law that has been put away by Yahshua, and falsely rely on the mercy of His sacrifice? No, for we must instead eat the bread of law, and through obedience take hope that He who is mercy will come to this earth to restore what we as fleshly men have failed to perform. Law prepares the way for mercy. Law pays the price for mercy. Law and obedience make it possible for mercy to come forth, even evidenced by the obedience of Yahshua and the resulting outpouring of His Spirit. No, it is not the wine of Christianity's mercy of which we must partake at this time, but it is the bread of the law of the Remnant. We are not to be reeds shaken about by the wind, but must and will stand firm in what is right and true and necessary.

Uniting the law of the covering of holding all things in common, with mercy that leads to obedience, will in fact bring forth the desired offspring - the return of Yahshua. However, rejecting the law of the covering tithe and relying upon mercy only will be as fruitless as a woman who is alone without a husband. Do we need mercy to do the will of Yahweh? Indeed we do, but that mercy must be the kind that unites with law for the benefit of producing godly offspring.

## CONCLUSION

2,000 years ago, Yahshua was put to sleep, and as a result fifty days later came mercy. And now once again at the fullness of time this is precisely our need. What now must happen? Now that the body of Christ is put to sleep, we as the Bride await the much needed outpouring and even completion of His mercy. At the beginning of the wilderness, the sons of Israel drank water from the rock that was struck, and that rock we are told was Yahshua - 1 Corinthians 10:4. While Yahshua was indeed struck at the beginning of the church and men drank of the water of His Spirit some fifty days later, today we await the outcome of the striking of the second rock and the water of His Spirit that must equally come forth.

Just before the sons of Israel went into the promised land, a second rock was struck. If Christ is the first rock, then who is the second rock? Of necessity it must be Christ, but since He is in heaven and not on earth and is already crucified, there is only one who can be struck as that required rock, and that is **the body of Christ**. The body of Christ must be struck so that we can receive the much needed water just before our entrance into the promised land.

Do you recall that we said the work of salvation begins with Yahshua, and must be worked out in and through man? Since Yahshua was the first rock that had to be struck at the beginning of the kingdom, this necessitated that His body follow in His work and equally become the required and foreshadowed rock, this time the second rock that must be struck. This two-part striking of "the rock" is clear evidence of what we talked about in that section.

So what now? With the striking of the second rock of the body of Christ, we await the resulting outpouring of His Spirit. This is the double portion foreshadowed as the outcome of striking that second rock twice, as well as the double portion of the Spirit that Elisha received, the double portion Job received following the breach period in which Satan afflicted him, or even the doubling of Spirit Lake with the eruption of Mount St. Helens on May 18, 1980. All of these witnesses speak of the double portion of His Spirit to be received in the latter rain.

And as we have addressed in this writing, this release of His Spirit to man is equally the consummation of His marriage to the Bride which was prematurely initiated with the first Remnant, assuring a second release of His Spirit at the fullness of time. This release of His Spirit is His shemen/ semen that is given to us to insure the bringing forth of His offspring - the Son of God as King of kings.

This is the work that we His Bride so desperately need and await. And in anticipation of this, we hear, believe, and then act by covering ourselves with the obedient tithe, awaiting the time to more perfectly cover ourselves with holding all things in common.

For further examination of this important matter of law and mercy, it is highly recommended that you read the follow-up writing titled, *Joab*. [Click here to go to it now.](#)