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QUESTION: In the book of Ezra, in the 6th chapter and about the 7th verse, here it is talking about the House of God. Who is to let it alone?

ANSWER: Go back a bit. Here Darius the King, made a decree and a search was made in the House of the Rolls where the treasures were laid up in Babylon. And there was found in the palace, which is in the province of the Medes, a roll. And within a record was written. Therefore, in the first year of Cyrus the King, he made a decree about the House of God at Jerusalem. 'Let the house be built, the place where they offered sacrifices, and let the foundations thereof be strongly laid; the height thereof of three score cubits and so forth.'

Now remember, that Darius was very friendly to Israel. And though he was a conqueror of the Medes and Persians, and had nothing in common with Israel, yet he was an Aryan.

Therefore, he said, 'Let the golden and silver vessels of the House of God which Nebuchadnezzar brought to Babylon be restored and place them again in the House of God.' And then he warned the enemies of Israel to let the House of God alone. 'Let these Israelites rebuild this House of God in this place.' And yes, we know that it is translated as 'let the Jews and the elders of the Jews alone.' But he was speaking of those of Judah who would go back to rebuild this House of God.

This was referring to the House of Judah and Benjamin and some of Levi which were taken captive by Nebuchadnezzar and taken captive into Babylon. Under the Medo-Persians, the people of Judah and Benjamin were much better treated than they had been under the ruler of Babylon. Now there were of course, Jews in Babylon, and most of the Great Babylon was under their control and especially the worship of Baal was

under the Jews. These Jews however, had no part nor lot with the House of Judah and Benjamin. But a few had come in and were around the King line in Judea. And they also went into captivity with Judah and Benjamin. But this was not in accordance with what Darius was doing here for Judah and Benjamin.

Now, later, Ezra, chapter 9, 'The princes of Israel came to Ezra and said that the people of Israel and even the priests and the Levites had not separated themselves from the people of the lands doing according to their abominations, even of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Jebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians, and the Amorites. For they had taken of their daughters for themselves and for their sons; so that the Holy Seed had mingled themselves with the people of those lands; yea, the hand of the princes and rulers hath been chief in this trespass.' Here at the time, it is sort of like today, for a '5th Column' had come in and they had advised integration and mongrelisation of God's people.

Then Ezra had exploded when he heard this thing. And he had the people all assemble and he rent his garment and his mantel and plucked at his hair and his beard and sat down stunned, until the evening sacrifice.

Then at the evening sacrifice, Ezra arose and fell upon his knees and spread out his hands unto the LORD God. And Ezra said, 'Oh, my YAHWEH, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face unto Thee, my God; for our iniquities have increased over our heads, and our trespasses grown up into the heavens. Since the days of our fathers, have we been in a great trespass unto this day; and for our iniquities have we, our kings and our priests, been delivered into the hands of the kings of the lands, and to the sword, to captivity and to a spoil, and to confusion of face, as it is this day. Now, O' our God, what shall we say after this?'

Well, then God told them to drive out the outlandish women, women whom they had married or taken captive from any other people or land outside of Israel. And thus the word 'Outlandish' came from the fact that any men or women or children not of Israel, were considered as outsiders from outer lands. Only pure Israel was to be considered as Holy Seed.

So therefore, is the land unclean with the filthiness of the people of other lands, with their abominations, which have filled it from one end to another with uncleanness.

Therefore, give not your daughters unto their sons, neither take their daughters unto your sons, nor seed their peace, or their wealth forever; that ye may be strong, and eat the good of the land, and leave it for an inheritance to your children.

This was the declaration. So they called together all the people to make a covenant with our God and they were to put aside all the outsiders from among them.

Then in chapter 10, verse 9: 'It was the ninth month on the twentieth day of the month and all the people sat in the street of the House of God, trembling because of this matter. Then Ezra arose and made the Chief Priests, the Levites, and all Israel to swear that they would do according to this word. And they swore. (Now, not all of Israel had transgressed. Just some of Israel and some of the Levites as well.)

In chapter 10:10, Ezra said: 'Ye have transgressed and have taken strange wives to increase the trespass of Israel. Therefore, make confessions unto the Lord God of our fathers and do His pleasure, and separate yourselves from the people of the land and from the strange wives. So they did as they were told. And they gave their hands that they would put away these wives as they offered a ram of the flock for their trespass. Then the names were listed in the Bible for a purpose to show those who had taken strange wives and had children by them.

So God again cleansed the blood of Judah and Benjamin and Levi who were in that area and thus this was accomplished as they sent out from them the outlandish women and their children. This listing did not mean that this was all of Judah, Benjamin and Levi, for all of Israel had not transgressed. If you had a list of all Judah and Benjamin, then they were a great number at that time. Here we are just talking about a small number of them that came back to Jerusalem to rebuild Jerusalem and be in that area when a greater event was to take place.

QUESTION: Some of my friends and I are puzzled over the dietary restrictions set forth in the 14th chapter of Deuteronomy. We would like a good and permanent ruling on this as to whether God intended them to be permanent or His Commandments, or ordinances, or maybe it was just because of the hygienic, primitive conditions at that time. Now we have been aware that God knows things we don't know, so would like to know about these laws in the 14th chapter of Deuteronomy?

ANSWER: These are the basic laws given in the scripture of what to eat and what not to eat. It is true that in the translation, there are some words used for animals that are not the same as for the animals that existed in the Hebrew translation. And thus they in their translation are not accurate. However, 'Thou are a Holy people unto the LORD thy God, and the LORD hath chosen you to be a peculiar people unto Himself above all the nations of the earth. Thou shalt not eat any abominable things.

These are the beasts ye shall eat, the ox, the sheep, the goat, the hart, the roe-buck, the fallow deer, the wild goat, the pygarg, the wild ox, and the chamois. And every beast that parteth the hoof and cleaveth the cleft into two claws, and cheweth the cud among the beasts, that ye shall eat. Nevertheless, ye shall not eat of those that chew the cud, or of them that divide the cloves hoof, such as the Camel.

And then it says the hare, but the word hare is not correct, for it is not referring to the modern rabbit. And also the word coney is not correct, and it is not the modern rabbit either. For they chew the cud, but divide not the hoof. Therefore, they are unclean unto you.

Now, the swine, because it divideth the hoof, yet cheweth not the cud, it is unclean unto you. Ye shall not eat their flesh, nor touch their flesh. The swine of course, was a scavenger and more than that, it drained out through the holes at the back of the hoof. And all the poisons went through the entire meat of the body. And this is what makes a succulent animal out of it. And it was not good for you to eat.

Now, these ye shall eat of all that are in the waters, all that have scales and fins, ye shall eat, and whatever hath not scales or fins, ye may not eat.

Around Jerusalem and Judea at that time, there were many small streams and ponds. And there was sewage in these places. And therefore, the fish that had fins and scales were more limited around Palestine at that time than in other places. Now, many fish that we might think did not have scales, we find that if examined with a microscope, that they do have small scales and they have fins. For example, the Shrimp has scales and they have fins, small ones. And they lived in schools in the Mediterranean Sea at that time. Some kinds of Shark do not have scales and fins, and there are some kinds of catfish that do not have fins and scales. This law was given because some of the fish were scavengers and thus they were unclean.

Therefore, of all clean birds, ye shall eat. Then there were some which ye shall not eat, such as the Eagle, the Ossifrage or Osprey, the Glade, the Kite, the Vulture after his kind, and every Raven after his kind, and the Owl, the Night Hawk, the Cuckoo, and the Hawk after his kind, and the little Owl, and the Great Owl, and the Swan, and the Pelican, the Gier-eagle, and the Cormorant, the Stork, and the Heron after his kind and the Lap-wing and the Bat. Now, the bat is a mouse and yet it has wings also. And every creeping thing that flieth, is unclean unto you. There existed then and still does today, in part of the world at least, some lizards and some flying lizards that creep and fly. And there may be some pre-historic animals like the great flying lizards and dinosaurs and these were not to be eaten. But of all the clean fowl, you may eat.

These are holding laws. They are laws that were good for maintaining health. And they are still good laws to abide with. I personally don't eat snakes or things that creep and crawl. And I don't eat Kikes either, the kind that flies or walks around. And I don't eat hawks. The animals pointed out aren't very good for food anyway. Some of these could be eaten and probably would not hurt you. But on the other hand, they do carry parasites and cycle-parasites. So after all, if you can eat all the beef and all the deer and sheep and all these things that you can eat, you wouldn't be hungry.

As far as your salvation is concerned, it is not a matter of what you eat that leads to your salvation. Some people go to extremes with their religion and take it to a point where they say if a man eats any of these

things, he won't be saved. Yet the Scripture says: 'Let no man judge you in what you eat or drink and in all things give thanks.' This is the writing of the Apostle Paul. At my house some people might explode if you drank a glass of wine or beer, yet they may drink something much worse for them than that. But Scripture does say let no man judge you in what you eat or drink. At the same time, the Bible does call for temperance and it does call for standards of good living.

Now, we may say we are not under the law, but 'Blessed is the man who keepeth My law to obey it.' I would say that the whole structure of our civilization would be much higher today if we would obey these health laws. We know that the hog is a cancer carrier. It is one of the few animals that is a carrier of cancer. Always, there is a condition in hog meat that produces 'positive cancer reaction.' As any time that you take a test of someone to see if they have a cancer reaction in their body, the doctors should tell you not to eat any fresh pork for three or four days. Or better yet, a week before the test, or you will get a positive cancer reaction to the test.

Arabs don't eat pork and they do not have cancer. It's true that Jews eat pork, although they say they don't and they do get cancer. But hog meat does carry the same type of Carcinoma cancer that human bodies do. There are lots of other reasons for not eating the things forbidden, but then we are a superior people to the pagans of Asia and China and Africa, who eat what they can get. And we should be able to live at a higher standard. My suggestion is that you abide by these health laws of God. There may come a time when you are in someone's home and you do not want to make a big deal of it, and ask them whether this is beef or pork, so you just give thanks and go ahead and eat it and shudder. Ha.

This is also Biblical, for you have been told to eat what has been set before you and not get involved in hurting someone's feelings. But it does give you a position whereas you would not in your home, prepare any of these things for your family. Now we realize today that there are a lot of Christians who do not know anything about these food laws that God gave to ancient Israel. And they will say that those are the laws that God gave to the Jews and they don't keep them anyway. But the fact is that the laws were given to Israel and not to the Jews.

Now, in some of the Orthodox Synagogues, the Jews sometimes pretend that they are keeping these laws, but really, they don't. Then on the other hand, we have these Christians riding along on the New Testament arrangement and saying, 'Let no man judge you for what you eat and drink, just give thanks.' This just shows that these laws were a matter of health and not of Salvation.

Now another factor that we see along these lines was the sheet lowered down out of heaven in front of Peter, and in that sheet were all these animals and creeping things etc. And the voice out of heaven said, 'Kill and eat.' But Peter said, 'Oh, my I could not do that because this is unclean.' And the voice said, 'Call not that which I have cleansed unclean.'

Well, this was simply telling Peter what he was to do. And he finally realized that he was to go to the Lost Sheep of Israel. Before this, Peter was not going out to preach to these Lost Sheep of Israel, no matter if it was to the Romans of the tribe of Gad, or to the Britain of Ephraim and Manasseh, or any of the lost tribes. Peter and others here in Judea, had a sort of fetish or doctrine where they had turned against the ten tribes because they had gone out from the throne and been captured separately and then gone into their migrations and wanderings.

And here in Judea, these lost tribes were not to be considered as servants of God anymore by Judah and Benjamin. For they did not realize that God had not put away the lost tribes and that all that had happened was for their own good. So Peter considered that they did not keep the laws anymore, so they were unclean. And he considered that they probably ate the unclean things even though they probably did not necessarily mean to do these things.

So when God showed this thing to Peter, then finally Peter realized that God was sending him out from Judea. And he was to go to the Lost Sheep of Israel no matter what they were doing and where they were. This is the story of the mystery of this sheet lowered down from heaven.

Now, a lot of people strain at a gnat and swallow a camel. And they say that since God lowered the sheet down out of heaven this means that we

can eat anything we want to eat. But they never realize that all animals never came down out of heaven anyway.

Now, God said, "Call not that which I have cleansed, unclean." But He had not cleaned all these filthy animals and creatures on the face of the earth. And neither are they the best diet for you. There might be a situation where you had to eat of them to survive, but the pattern is not a good practice as a regular thing. And we should observe the Laws of God. I suppose some people have eaten rattlesnake. I did once and it tasted a lot like chicken. But since there are so many chickens around, then why eat snakes?

Now, I haven't found anything here that would restrict anyone's diet. The average person in this room does not violate to any extent the laws of God, except they might eat some pork bacon once in a while and when you become wise to this, then you eat beef bacon.

QUESTION: Verse 21; 'Thou shall not see thee a kid in his mothers milk.' What does this mean?

ANSWER: Normally, these are unborn or fresh born and they were not to be cooked in the mothers milk, for it did something to the meat and was not fit to eat. This by the way, is a well observed law even today, in the mountains of the Alps and over in the Pyrenees by the Basque as they raise sheep and goats, and they milk sheep and goats, but they do not seize the kid.

QUESTION: Explain how the waves of music has an effect upon a person's thinking and actions.

ANSWER: It has been known that we are subject to vibrations, for we are a spiritual being here inside a physical body. And a physical body is subject to reactions also. And the senses are geared to nerve reactions, and the senses record all the sounds as well as sight records all the patterns of colour. These things are normal with us as we move through this world of life and vitality. Thus we take in the beauty of the flowers and the trees. And we also take in the sounds and tones and values in music. Now, apparently, we had some words that had a very high spiritual value and such a word was 'Hallelujah, praise ye the Most High.' For instance

when the 'molten' or 'brazen' sea was being set up, when they cast it, as they poured, the Priests stood around it. There was a tent over it. And when they spoke into the tent with all the Priests saying, 'Hallelujah', the vibration of their voices went into the tent, then down into the sea and then back. When the waters of the sea had settled, there were tiny lines of vibration in it and this was somehow effected by the tone of the work. One of the things we see was that this process was used for divining.

The Priests stood on the outside when it was filled with water and then the High Priest went inside and asked a question of the MOST HIGH GOD, and then Urim and the Thummim turned over if the answer was yes, and it did not turn over if the answer was no. Then when the High Priest came out, the Priests then all sat around and said, 'Hallelujah' as the water rippled in the molten sea.

And they would see the symbol of the tone, and yet it would be an answer to the vision they had seen inside. Somehow, the tone was geared to the answer and the vision. Now we know that they lifted up their voices and sang hymns unto God, and we know that even today, people are filled with happiness when they sing songs of Praise unto our God. And we know that in this way music is a part of the highest pattern of vibration. We know therefore, that making a joyful noise unto God, or in singing in the rhythmic pattern, in the songs and hymns of Praise of our Faith, is a part of all this. Also the symphony of orchestration is good.

Now, Lucifer and his fallen angels, especially the fallen angels also designed certain instruments because they made a raucous sound (disagreeable, harsh) noises and they made vibrations and sounds that were evil. You will notice that Asia has a distorted whining type of music and this went along with their fall. We know today that Negroes move to certain vibrations.

For instance, when they go into their basic culture then they beat their tom-toms and they send the vibrations through the jungle. And they can pick this up because as they beat the tom-toms, then the witch doctor on one end of the age can convey to a witch doctor on the other end of this sound, this message, and it is sent by this vibrant beating. So the beatings of some of these rhythmic patterns and the wails of some of these

instruments are entirely a part of this so called music. And we know that the Negroes as they go into battle under some of these influences, will throw themselves under this sort of like a frenzied emotion. Then when they are fully wound up under this pattern of witchcraft, their nervous system had fully responded to the utter extreme of these evil pitch vibrations. They are then ready to march off on whatever pattern that has been laid out for them to do.

This has been true of the Mau Mau and had been true of the Negroes for ages. It is also true that the witch doctors with their final witchcraft, went into utter violent types of music with its strange style and even the Indians of this country who were not white Indians, marched to this beat and danced to it until they got themselves into a wild fury and their eyes were wild and their faces wild. And as the very apex of this the witch doctor said enough and they ready to ride off to war under the influence of this evil situation.

Among the Negroes in various parts of the earth, we note that under the spell of their wild orgies which they suffered under their pagan religion, as well as under the license of their strange doctrine, they also played this strange and discordant wild music. And this brought a release to them relevant to the form of sex factors. It would excite them extremely. And under this, these sex orgies would be accompanied with this strange and wild music. So this also goes along with the fact that all these other religions are false because in Hinduism, and in Buddhism, they also go into these strange and wild orgies under this music. While Christianity has no part nor lot in this matter, it has its own gift of music and the soothing vibrations of good music. None of these evil vibrations.

Now, today we have a strange situation. When the Jazz age was starting up, Jewish masters at this time gathered in a Woolworth building in New York City, and they decided they would send music hunters to Africa and other areas to pick up all the wild tones they could find as an extension to Jazz. All these discordant tones that they could find were fed into the music scene to produce wild sex orgies and to produce wars and violence, and to produce demon forces. Then they would weave these sounds into a music they would call the Jazz age. And we had music of that sort for

that age. And they even invented a musical instrument for that age. This was the time of the saxophone. And it was a combination of winds, reeds, and sounds. But it was also very much like an instrument invented ages ago under the time that Lucifer's angels were inventing their musical instruments. So the saxophone wasn't necessarily a good instrument. But it did produce the wails and sounds for this kind of music.

And of course, they brought back the snare drums and other drums used by our race. And they got what they wanted because out of the Negro race, came a whole wave of Negro Jazz. And from that came the Beatnik beat of today. The utter abandon we see today is utterly fantastic. For there is no art or culture showing forth in the dances of today such as we saw in the waltz of former days. There is only utter abandon in sort of ape-like dances. And some of them are suggestive also.

When the children try to dance to this music, they look like Zombies after they are into this pattern for a while. Then you watch them on the television and watch their 'jam sessions' which they prize so highly, and you see that it is a wild disorganized syncopation, and with it comes total relief from areas of emotion because they have take the wild sex orgies and re-woven this into the contemporary music. So the vibrations of this music work on the nerves. It works on the nervous system of the youth of today even though they may not realize it. And they are set wild by this strange beat. Thus what transpires after a session of that music is in keeping with the music.

Now, there are good vibrations and there are bad ones. Just as we might say that every other phase has both good and bad in it. So this is just the pattern of bad music and bad vibrations. It was designed by the Jews and it was carried out also heavily by the Jews and Negroes. And it shouldn't be a part of our race or religion or our nation.

America today is filled with a strange group of people that we have no part or lot with. For a while we may not have noticed these things. But now it is reaching a point of utter abandon. And we can say today that if we had less Jews, then we wouldn't have any of this kind of music. Now the Negroes produce a strange rhythm but they would not go to these extremes unless they were incited to do so by someone else. And of

course, when the Negroes were taught the elements of Christianity, as well as they could grasp it, they soon turned to the same syncopation but not to the same rhythm of the songs and hymns. So we have what we call Negro spirituals. These Negro spirituals are alright for the Negroes, but I will say again that this takes a fine hymn or a fine tune under our culture, and throws it back into Jazz, into a way that is not good for the White race. And they can wail and squall as they sing and people can say what they want to about their choirs and their Negro spirituals, but this is not good for the White man.

Now, I think that one of these days, these vibrations will be seen as a form of information because we know that in dealing with demon possession, that demon forces moved in with music. We know that in the pagan temples of Asia and India, they used to have people who moved out and did things under the influence of these spirits. And they always came in or out with the drums and vibrations of weird music. So I think this is a bad pattern.

QUESTION: Does this have something to do with the reason they can charm a cobra?

ANSWER: Well, cobras are very subject to sound and rhythm. And they can be charmed. And it just stands there and weaves and it is thus harmless. Especially if its fangs have been pulled. Most of the fakers have the fangs removed so they are safe. You can get a cobra into a sort of trance with music. But I wouldn't count on it too much.

QUESTION: "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son." How could this be? Will you explain?

ANSWER: In this instance here in the book of John, we have the declaration as God is speaking, as He intended the record to be made. Though the King James Version does not do it justice, (John 3:16), "For God so loved the world that He sent His only begotten son." Now, this is not a Sheep call. "For whosoever who shall believe on Him shall have everlasting life." Now, He did not send His son into the world to condemn the world, but He came that through Him the world might be saved. Actually, we are told here that He sent His own embodiment, or in other

words, HE emerged out of the Virgin Mary, into His embodiment, in the world so that the world might be saved. And now all Israel is to be saved first, then all flesh is saved. And God in the fullness of time and in His ultimate pattern, is going to save the world. But in the present time, the world order is not in alignment with this.

However, this is not a sheep call. For when He calls His Sheep, He calls them by name and He leads them out. He calls that way. This is the way HE works. He brings spiritual truths to your attention and gradually you develop with the spiritual truth, and you develop with hearing it.

Now, someone always has to ask the question, 'But doesn't someone have to admit, or isn't there a point in their life at some time when a person has to admit that in order to be saved that Jesus is the Christ?' Well, maybe you do not realize it, but there are many, many people in the world today that are saved and don't know when or how.

They have grown up and from the time at their mothers knee, they have recognized that Jesus is the Christ. And all their lives they have believed that Jesus is the Christ. And there is no moment of confessing that Jesus is the Christ, because they have always known it. Then they have also always known that, he who confesses that Jesus is the Christ, and that He came in the flesh is saved. And the scriptures tell you that he is going to be saved.

Now, Salvation is a given factor. The more closely a person is brought up with the things of God, the knowledge of God, the more they respond to the things of God. The fact remains, that there comes a time in the life of an individual when he is suddenly challenged to some area of truth and of the things of god. And many people come to a point in their lives that they realize that Christ was The Christ, that HE was GOD, and that HE died that He might take their transgressions and so forth.

Now they may have never considered this fact before, so to them this might be a point of salvation. But as far as the Scripture goes, this is what it might indicate. As far as the passages are concerned, God so loved His

creation and He did love His creation, and He is going to put everything back into order in the fullness of time.

There are things that He dislikes. Such as the rebellion of Lucifer and the races he persuaded to rebel with him. And the whole function of catastrophe or what happened in this earth, and His function in recreating it and preparing it, and putting us down here as His household to triumph in putting down Lucifer as HIS mighty household. But this is all in His purposes.

However, here in John 3:16, it says that God so loved the world, and for this purpose He bought the world so He could have the treasure hidden in the field. And He is going to have the world also in the fullness of time. Now, another question here in John always comes up. John 1:11 and 12, 'He came unto His own and His own received Him not, but to as many as receive Him to them, He gave power to become sons of God, even to them that believed on His name.'

Now, this passage is speaking concerning Christ. And He was in the world and the world knew Him not. This is the 'world order' that knew Him not. And He came into His own land, for He did own this land, and it was His inheritance. This land belonged to the race unto which He bestowed it. This land belonged to the house of David. And the people in control of the land at that time were mere occupiers of His inheritance, so they receive Him not. For they were not of the House of David. They were not of the Israel race. The translation is not too clear here. So the facts are not stated as clear as they might be. But to the people here of Benjamin and Judah and Levi, they believed on HIM when they were supposed to. And to these, He gave power to unfold and develop into their places as the sons of God. These were the people who were sons and daughters and thus He sent the spirit of the Son into their heart.

This is what the Apostle Paul said about this. 'Because we are sons of God, and His Spirit bears witness with our spirit that we are sons of God, and joint heirs with the Christ.'

Then Jesus said, in the Gospel of John: '*All that the Father (spirit) giveth Me shall come, and he that comes, in no wise will I cast out.*' Then He

says, since they were with the Father: *'Thine they were in the heavens, and now Mine they are in the earth.'* Now He did not say that to the Jews. For to them He said that they could not go to heaven for only those who came down out of the heavens can go back into the heavens. And you, Jews, came from below, but I came from above.'

This makes that point very clear. Then there were the Tungus people and they were created here so they never came down out of the heavens, they were here from the beginning. So in the resurrection when everything has developed and the purposes of God are carried out, this is where they will be for this is where they belong. This is where they came from. That is the fulfilment of that passage.

QUESTION: Now, considering again, Salvation, although you do recognize this other aspect of knowing Jesus Christ from the time at your mothers knee, don't you still have to go through a process of surrendering your 'will' to HIM?

ANSWER: Now you are getting into a wild area of imagination, because it is not a 'human will', but a God who showeth mercy. In other words, the human will doesn't do very good, but the 'Will' of God does show mercy as His 'will be done.'

Therefore, 'Nay, Oh man who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed saith to him that formed us, why hast thou made me?' (Romans 9:20)

Now, remember this. All Israel shall react and does react. We may see people who go through life and do not live like we do, who are not interested in church, who are not interested in the things of God, and maybe these just sit around the cafe two or three nights a week, and they are sort of a lost cause. And some of them aren't that bad and just stay home and have no interest in the things of God, yet at the same time if you ask them, they believe.

And they follow through. And they have a limited area of religion, so they are a carnal type of Christian. They are not out in the beyond, so these are the type of people we try to reach and bring them in and make them down

to earth Christians. Actually, we have today a strong number of people who go to church who maybe they never were taught real good Christianity. And the people aren't to blame for this entirely. But they still believe in the Christ. However, their Christianity is to hear a ten to fifteen minute sermon, and then go home and eat their dinner. And that is the extent of their participation. Maybe, they hear some hymns that were good, and then there wasn't anything in the sermon.

There are a lot of people in this situation, because there has been a deterioration in the church in these latter days. Most of the churches in the early days of this Christian nation, were good and they were vital.

And then we come up to the latter days and here when you think that they should be vital because we are coming to the end, then in that place where you are called not my people, then you will be called children of the Living God. And you would come into identity and knowledge would increase. But we see the opposite.

Now, blindness in part did happen to Israel, until the fullness of the tribes comes in, but they weren't blind as to who God was, they just didn't know who they were.

Now, they know who God is. And also now they know who they are, but there is a tremendous amount of Priestcraft in our religion. And Priestcraft has conditions that they require people to go through. Especially is this true in the Catholic Church. Either you do as the hierarchy says or they excommunicate you and you are out of the church. So the people go through these things because they are afraid and superstitious. So Priestcraft passes on and on.

Then when Protestantism came along, it came out on some things, and not on others. And it just shows work of Priestcraft there also. In some Orthodox churches you either do some things or you don't belong. And if you don't do some things, or say some things the right way, or follow through on the right prescription, then you are lost, undone, goodby. Now, this is not true of God. This isn't true of the way He deals with His people. Actually, we don't consign anyone to perdition, in the House of God.

QUESTION: But isn't it necessary that we go out and reach these people and bring them into the church where there is conversion?

ANSWER: Well, if conversion is when you convert a man who is thinking wrong and start him to thinking right. Then this is good. Now, Salvation is rather an intricate factor. You can be saved in different ways. You can go out here in the desert, and you want someone to bring you water to save from dying of thirst.

Then you go out on the ocean and if the boat is sinking, you sure don't want water for your salvation. There are different types of salvation. But there isn't any difference in factors of Faith. We talk about being saved today and lost tomorrow, and then saved again. And some people have a theology in this type of salvation. But this is sort of a little theology, because when God gives a person Eternal Life, He never takes it back. All Israel is saved and will be saved as it is written. So we don't have any question about the factors of God bestowing Eternal Life.

For instance, when Nicodemus came to Jesus and said, 'How can I participate and enter in the Kingdom of Heaven?' Then Nicodemus was not talking about going to heaven. He was talking about participating in the Kingdom. He was talking about bringing in the Kingdom here on earth. So here Jesus then told Nicodemus that he must be born twice, twice born. Born in the spirit from above, and born in earth.

Now, in the scripture it says you must be born again. But if you go to your Strong's Concordance you learn that you must be twice born, born from above, meaning spiritually born, then born from the breaking of the water, meaning you are naturally born. So having been born both spiritually and naturally, then you are the Seed of Israel.

And you can participate in the Kingdom of Heaven. That is when Jesus said to Nicodemus: '*Are you a master of Israel, and not know these things.*' (John 3:10) Then Jesus told Nicodemus the meaning of this mystery. Today we have the whole house of Israel that has been born in the heavens. And they are still being born on earth. So when those in the House of Israel are quickened in their consciousness, then this is the awareness of what they are called for and what they are called to.

I think it is kind of foolish, today, for people to run around saying, ‘Are you saved brother? Are you saved?’ Of course, Israel is saved. But then every once in a while they want to put a new condition on being saved. But there are blessings of God, and He baptizes all His children with the Holy Spirit and some He fills with power, and some He might fill with one gift of the Spirit. And some He might fill with another gift of the Spirit. And some people think if you don’t have the same gift of spirit, that they have, then you aren’t saved. But this is just an error.

There are nine gifts of the spirit. One of those gifts is the gift of healing, another is the gift of prophecy, and one which is the gift of tongues. And one of interpretation and so forth. Some gifts are greater than others. But I am not going to condemn an individual for any of the areas of his interpretation. But I will say that at the day of Pentecost, these men spoke a language so that each man who heard the message heard it in his own language, so that he could understand.

He heard the message in the language from the land from which he had come. And it had a great effect on those who were receiving the message. So they said, ‘Aren’t these men all Galileans? How is it that they speak in the language of the Greeks, the Anglo-Saxons, and the German and so forth. So it was a great miracle, and it was a gift of tongue FOR A SIGN AND A SEASON. Then there is another gift of tongues wherein a man CAN SPEAK UNTO GOD. This is a gift which only some people receive. This is a gift which the Holy Spirit gives to any man chosen, and this is a most valuable and essential part of that man. So the scripture also speaks of that.

Paul said, ‘I speak in tongues more than ye all: (1Cor:14:18). Then he also said but I would rather say five words in my known tongue, than to say one word in an unknown tongue. Now today there are areas where the repetition of the heathen and these other factors, have come in. And there are some things that are very far away from the things of God.

Now, the church today is a very vital institution. The church is the spiritual centre of the Kingdom. The church is attached to our race. This is a very vital and important thing to us. God said, ‘I am married to you,

“The LORD thy maker is thy Husband.”, “I am married to you O Israel.” So you have congregations and you come and worship. Some may not come when they should, but these congregations are to grow closer to Him. Now the New Testament church knew that He had come. The New Testament church knew that God had come.

And this was the New Testament. This was the New Covenant. They knew that He had fulfilled the area of His responsibility of the Messiahship, that He had washed away all transgressions. And then under this again, we could say that the Kingdom of God had suffered violence and that violence had taken it by storm. And Jesus referred to this. But at the same time, Christ had come and the atonement covered Israel. So the New Testament church was made with better covenants than the old one because it now came into being on this basis.

The work of the New Testament was the work of the Christ. So the church was called the ‘Church of Christ.’ But remember, He said: *‘I am married to Israel, all Israel, this true church.’* Then in the 21st chapter of Revelation, the ‘New World Order,’ and the Bride of Christ, to the Almighty God is this great and descending civilization from Adam on down to the present time, with the twelve tribes of the Children of Israel as the gates to this Kingdom.

So this again shows that the true church with all its responsibilities with all its service is doing a might work in the world today. It is doing the Evangelic work of Israel. And everyone today that believes in Identity, is also a part of that ‘true church.’ Now there is a part of the church which does not know identity. But everyone who body who believes in ‘Identity’ is also in the ‘true church.’ So you see the church of Israel, and the church will literally fulfil this in its climb to its highest development. The fullness of God dwelt bodily in the man Christ Jesus and He is the one who said: *“The LORD thy maker is thy Husband. I YAHWEH AM THY YAHSHUA.”*

QUESTION: Then is the bride and the church the same?

ANSWER: The bride is the True Church.

QUESTION: Then is the wife the bride?

ANSWER: Sure.

QUESTION: But I thought that He divorced the wife?

ANSWER: He said: 'Who gave you a bill of divorcement? (Isa.50:1). Actually, God was saying, 'Let someone come forth and show ME a bill of divorcement.' They can't do it. He says, 'I put you away for a season, but I did not give you a bill of divorcement.' (Actually this means that the covenant was put away then a new covenant was made.)

QUESTION: What is this displacement factor? What does 153 stand for?

ANSWER: The displacement factor is what God is going to put back as He corrects things. And it is $\frac{1}{4}$ of 612, or 153. Now 612 was the number of all the great illuminaries of the first through the seventh magnitude. This is the whole heavens as it rolls around, that the normal eye can see, 612 major illuminaries. Now everyone is born according to his months and according to the houses of the sun and the moon and so forth, in this great map of the sky. Then when Eve fell, the 'gestation' period was cut to nine months. Before this, the normal gestation period was 360 days or one year. Then under the instance of this then $\frac{1}{4}$ or 612 is 153.

Now, there are more stars than the 612 in the heavens. But those are just the ones of the first through the seventh magnitude and are symbolized as those who make up the stars of the heavens as we now see the image of the heavens from here in earth. So $\frac{1}{4}$ of 153 was what was taken out of each man's life, so to speak. So to divide the heavens you cut the equation of the heavens in $\frac{1}{2}$ and then you have 306 on each side then cut across in $\frac{1}{4}$ and you have the number 153. This takes you back to the scriptures and you remember that the disciples were fishing and Jesus told them to throw their net on the other side of the boat. And they did. And then they counted the fish and there were 153. So this is again a divine sign. And there are many 153's in the scriptures. This was a displacement factor.

Now, the Christ is the displacement factor in the Great Pyramid. And that displacement factor is also 153. Now, when the Christ is added to the

individual, or as you acknowledge Christ, then He fulfils or comes in to our consciousness and He resides there. Thus you have the scripture of Revelation 3:20: *'Lo, I stand at the door and knock; if any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come unto him and will sup with him, and he with Me.'*

Now, Christ is the completer, so He completes what we lost in the natural birth, because as the mother carries the child, she breathes in the atmosphere, the elements of air, and the child is effected by all of the vibrations that come out of the air. But one quarter is not there because she did not carry that child but nine months.

So every child is short $\frac{1}{4}$ of all that he should have. So this 153 just rockets around and this is how they group people with the different characteristics and signs. But the person that is set free by the Christ, is free indeed. So therefore, the Christian may be free from the curses of the law, but get the blessings of the law.

The fact then remains, that Christ says, 'I have completed the perfect man, so therefore, Christ is 153, completer factor which when added to us makes up the part that we were short of in the beginning. So with the Christ added to us, then we have the complete factor of 612. And the original year was 360 days. Then it became $365 \frac{1}{4}$ days at the time Venus came in and that was the time of the Exodus.

QUESTION: I wanted a comment from you on this. A friend of mine who goes to the Episcopal Church, advised me that they had a sort of dialogue in their church and the priest took the part of Pontius Pilate. And he had the congregation take the part of the Jews, up to and through the point where the congregation demanded the Crucifixion of the Christ. The National Council of Churches established this dialogue for their use.

ANSWER: Sure, now you see what they are trying to do with this. They are trying to create an image of everyone calling for the Crucifixion of the Christ and to take the guilt off the Jews. Well, it does not work because it was not that great company who formed around the Christ and listened to Him and received the blessings of His miracles that called for His blood. It was the Jews specifically who called for His Crucifixion.

What the National Council of Churches is trying to do with that church and throughout the council proper, just shows you that the NCC is as 'Red' as they can be. They have been for all 'left wing' causes and it is filled with 'Pinkoes' who don't believe in the deity and in the Virgin birth or anything else.

Then it envelopes a certain number of ministers that believe, but they don't follow through on their belief and a lot of people bound by the denominations. And thus it is putting a ritual in the church that should not be there. So I think that is very bad. Nobody should respond as the Jews did. Nobody should take that on themselves. For when they do, it's a rather sad dialogue. It's alright for the minister to repeat things as though it is coming from the Jews, but not from the House of Israel.

QUESTION: One time you said you had nineteen different Bibles and reference books that you use. Well, I don't have any of those but the King James Version and a French and Spanish Bible. Anyway, in the first chapter of John: 'In the beginning was the WORD.' The French translate this as 'Verb' and the Spanish translate is as 'Verb'. Even so, they must have taken it from something else, from the Greek or something. I don't understand this.

ANSWER: They are both the same, both translations are still from the King James Version and just put into French and Spanish, but still the same.

QUESTION: Well, they both use the word, 'verb' instead of WORD.'

ANSWER: Now-no, because the word is 'LOGOS', the spoken LOGOS, the intended command, out of the essence of God's own spirit. In other words, the things which He said came forth from HIM. He was the WORD. And the WORD was with God. The WORD was GOD because this was the force of HIS personality. This was the direction of His ideas. This was a forceful expression.

Now, the fact is that the LOGOS is also the creation from whence the word came, so this is the mouth, and this is the voice, and this is the WORD. Actually, then if you used the verb, then they were only impart-

ing that they were putting action to this. In other words, you have a moving, living WORD. This is the action of it. This is emotion.

QUESTION: Is there a Biblical reason for one wife?

ANSWER: Well, there was a time and a period, when we got here, that Adam had just one wife. He got into trouble with he thought to take another, since he also stepped out of his race to try to do this. And he got back on track when he came back to one wife. In the instance of this, sometimes in the Old Testament, we find that men had more than one wife at different times. But generally, it was because a brother was dead, or they were in migration or something of that sort.

There was no particular point on this in the Old Testament. However Priests were just to have one wife. And under the Old Testament, HE says: 'I am married to Israel, one wife.' Then in the New Testament, Christ refers to the fact that you were to have one wife.

But if you converted someone with more than one wife, you were not to put them away. But this was even contemporary of Israel as they moved out to other lands, and some of the brothers died. So there were lost of reasons for taking an extra wife. But actually, it was intended that man should have just one wife. Under the patterns of scripture, they are one flesh.

Now, over in the book of Ephesians, Paul made a statement in this matter: "I speak concerning Christ and the church, for the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church, and He is the saviour of the body. Therefore, as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands, in everything. Husbands love your wives, even as Christ so loved the church, and gave Himself for it. That He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water, by the WORD. That He might present it to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle, or any such thing, but that it should be holy and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives, as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife, loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the LORD, the church. For we are members of His body and of His flesh, and of His bones. For this cause

shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.' Then further over it says that the Bishops should have one wife, and explains why.

QUESTION: When a wife gets a divorce, should she not remarry?

ANSWER: Well, I will say this. In the scriptures there are many things which contend as to this. 1Corinthians 7:10: 'Unto the married I command, yet not I but the LORD. Let not the wife depart from her husband, etc. Now, this is different, for this is Paul's idea. And as far as this is concerned, it is true. But if a man and a woman cannot get along, and are irreconcilable, then there is reason for divorce.

There is a passage that touches on this. If a man dwelleth in a house with a woman whom he cannot get along with and there are at least three or four more reasons for divorce in the scriptures, but the general trend of this is that it is the 'hardness of his heart' when divorce comes. For if he used the cause of adultery for the reason for putting her away, then probably he in his own heart has already violated this law.

Again, Jesus and Moses said, 'you could do this or that, but you do it out of the hardness of your own heart. Because I say, you don't have to do this.' Now, there are also people who forgive and forgive, and forgive. There are all kinds of problems, but as far as the Christian church is concerned, we only have one wife. It's sort of silly to want more than one wife. I think that a lot of people get themselves in a spot and they are kind of eccentric, but there is not excuse for it.

QUESTION: About this idea of a spiritual experience.

ANSWER: There are some people who might hunger after some area of a spiritual experience they have heard about, or think they have heard about, and they pray and pray, and then finally God may bestow an area of spiritual experience, and it might be the way they want it and it might not be, as He bestows things on them that they did not think about. There are instances when people pray, and pray, and pray, and then they think they get an answer to their prayers, and they might get an answer that they hadn't even thought about and maybe didn't want. But in this instance, if

they would realize the advantage of it, then we would say that God gave it to them or at least He did not hinder their getting it. Generally speaking of prayer, this isn't praying for things. It is praying about things. Prayer adjusts people for what God is going to do. Remember that He is going to do it whether you pray or not.

Now, we cannot change the mind of God. We just change ours. Actually, we just pray without thinking. Because we are a part of HIM. We are spirit of His spirit. We are His children, Light of His Life. And we pray without thinking and we pray when we are thinking and God answers and responds and reaches out in a definite way. So prayer is a real thing. Yet all through life as people grow in knowledge of the Kingdom, then they are in prayer all the time as they think of things for the Kingdom. They are in prayer when they read the papers, they are in prayer when they read the Bible, they are in prayer when they are listening. In other words, the word prayer, is 'Communication', association and Communion.

QUESTION: There are some churches that have rules and ordinances about thieves being allowed in the church. What are your thoughts on this? In the old countries they had some of these regulations.

ANSWER: Well, they can make regulations, but as far as God is concerned, that is different. A lot of convicted thieves might be convicted for petty thievery, rather than a large felony and thus there is a difference there. Then again you can't always tell what the circumstances for the crime were. I would not say you should put all thieves out of the church, then at the same time I don't think many thieves want to come into the church anyway. But if a thief would want to join the church because he is repentant, that is a different thing. But if he is still a thief, then he only comes in to take what he wants form inside the church. I had a secretary once who came into the church, and he got away with thousands of dollars. But I never had another one.

QUESTION: I don't think anyone should come into the church just because he is from the 'old country' even though he is a communist.

ANSWER: I do not think you need to let a communist into your church unless he came in to hear the Gospel and is interested in changing. Kick him out.

QUESTION: Well, if you make distinctions in people, or if you are like those in the 'old country,' then you aren't very forgiving people are you?

ANSWER: Well, in that case, it is pretty hard to forgive people who tried to cut off your head. Ha. I think that as far as the church is concerned and as far as barring anyone from the church because they haven't gone through a type of penance, or a certain 'Mass' or some type of ritual, is strictly 'Priestcraft.'

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