

Numbers Chapter 33 God's original intent

During our study last week in Numbers chapter 32 we spoke about the tribes of Reuben and Gad settling in Gilead on the opposite side the Jordan River. And we saw the promise that the tribes of Reuben and Gad made to Moses concerning going to war with the rest of the house of Israel to conquer the land on the other side of the Jordan as Yehovah God had commanded.

And as we ventured into that study last week, we talked about the original land that God had promised Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. And we made note of the fact that the land of the Gilead on the west side of the Jordan River was indeed part of the land that Yehovah had promised Abraham from the very beginning. And this is why Moses finally did allow the tribes of both Reuben and Gad to settle in the land of Gilead.

And we also went into some detail speaking about why these lawless nations were being wiped off the face of the earth. In many cases Yehovah was commanding the house of Israel to exterminate all men all women and all children and all livestock. Why?

Because these nations were indeed lawless. And this once again is extremely important for us to comprehend. When a nation becomes lawless, that nation is of no use to the creator of the heavens and the earth. When a nation becomes lawless, that nation is no longer part of the God of the heavens and the earth. It becomes disconnected. It becomes a foul bird. And eventually a lawless nation no matter how big or powerful will indeed become nothing more than a wasteland because by being lawless... it produces no fruit.

All throughout our study into the Torah we have made mention of the fact that when God speaks something it becomes universal law. Anything that does not obey the spoken word of God is indeed removed from the equation. And this also goes for people and for nations and for kingdoms. And this is exactly why it is written that we are not to add to God's word nor are we to take away from God's word, because by adding to God's word or taking away from God's word we become lawless which simply means that we are outside of the will of the Creator of the heavens and the earth which is not a place that we want to be.

As we have also said many times throughout our study... God is God, and we are not. And as we can see through the book of Numbers as we read through the history of mankind, ever since man fell in the garden because he decided to bow his knee to the serpent, man has had a very difficult time understanding this very simple concept. God is God, and we are not. It's just that simple.

It is Yehovah God that defines righteousness not man. It is Yehovah God that defines what is clean and what is unclean not man. It is Yehovah God that defines what marriage is and what marriage is not, not man. It is Yehovah God that defines what his feast days are and what his appointments are, and what his precepts are... not man.

Man from the very beginning has been bound to the spoken word of his creator. Man has no right to redefine righteousness or to proclaim what is holy and what is not holy. Man has no right to redefine what is clean and what is unclean. Man has no right to redefine what marriage is and what marriage is not. Man has no right to redefine what feast days and appointments and precepts to keep in honor of his Father in heaven. And this is all extremely important for us to understand as we are reading through the book of Numbers and seeing whole nations of people being eradicated from the face of the earth simply because they have willfully and intentionally chosen to become... lawless.

We must understand from the very beginning what God's objective was when he created the earth in a perfect state and placed man in the midst of the garden.

Yehovah God's original intent was to expand himself. Yehovah God's original intent was to create children for himself who would indeed be his very image. It was Yehovah God's original intent to have a family that would indeed be an extension of himself. That would be righteious, that would love one another, that would take care of the assembly, that would teach their children and their children's children how to walk in the ways of the one true Most High Elohim of heaven and earth.

I would like for us all to listen very closely why it was that God chose Abraham to be the father of all nations. **Gen 26:4-5 (scrn 1)**

Why God Chose Abram;

Gen 26:4 I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and will give to your offspring all these lands. And in youroffspring all the nations of the earth shall be blessed,

Gen 26:5 because Abraham obeyed my voice and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws."



The very reason that God first chose Abram who was later called "Abraham", is because Abraham obeyed the voice of Yehovah, he kept the charge of Yehovah, he kept the commandments of Yehovah he kept the statutes of Yehovah and Yahovah's laws. And why was it important to God that Abraham kept his commandments and his statutes and his laws? Because Yehovah Gods original intent in creating mankind was to create an extension of himself. Listen closely to what is written about our Messiah in Colossians chapter 1 verses 15 through 18 (scrn 2)

Col 1:15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

Col 1:16 For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities-all things were created through him and for him.

Col 1:17 And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Col 1:18 And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he HOLY IMPACT might be preeminent.



Here in Colossians chapter 1 we see that it is written that our Messiah was the image of the invisible God. He was the firstborn of all creation. Now how could the son of David be the firstborn of all creation? The answer is given in verse 18 where we are told that he was the firstborn from the dead. What does it mean to be the firstborn from the dead?

What we must understand is that humanity died in the garden of Eden when humanity bowed its knee to God's adversary the serpent. Yehovah God had already told Adam and Eve that if they ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil that they would surely die. And so it was

because Adam and Eve took what did not belong to them and disobeyed the spoken word of Yehovah, and chose to worship the creature rather than the creator... man still carries that death penalty. Why? Because God spoke it, and so now it must be done.

Because man in the garden of Eden chose to worship the serpent rather than the creator, man was given a death sentence.

At that point in time man became much like the walking dead. Man was no longer eternal. Man was appointed to death because of his disobedience. And it is because of the disobedience of man that man is born into darkness.

The reality is, that every man is born the walking dead. Every man is born with the death penalty over his head. But our Messiah who is our Passover lamb is the first-born human being from the dead that all other human beings must pass through. He has become the door that no man can shut.

Because our Messiah was indeed the descendent of David the son of Abraham, our Messiah being a man was also born with the death penalty. But through the obedience of our Messiah... our Messiah had broken the chains of the death penalty that doomed all of humanity. Listen closely to what is written in the book of **Hebrews chapter 5 verses five through 10 (scrn 3)** Heb 5:5 So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; Heb 5:6 as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek." Heb 5:7 In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Heb 5:8 Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. Heb 5:9 And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, HOLY IMPACT Heb 5:10 being designated by God a high priest after the order of () A B Melchizedek. MINISTRIES.com

You see our Messiah did not exalt himself to be made a high priest. It was God himself that pointed the descendent of David and said to him, "you are my Son, today I have begotten you" just like God had promised David that he would do in **second Samuel chapter 7 verses 13 through 15 (scrn 4)** **2Sa 7:13** He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.

2Sa 7:14 I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men,

2Sa 7:15 but my steadfast love will not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you.

This is exactly what God promised David in second Samuel. In second Samuel of your Old Testament Yehovah God promised David that when David died, God would raise up from David's very body a Son. And God promised David that this Son of David would build a house for his name. Furthermore, God promised David that the throne of his Son would endure forever. Furthermore, as we can clearly see right here in second Samuel chapters 7 verse 14, Yehovah God promised David that he would point to this Son of David and call him his Son. And once again, this is not I who says these things, this is your God breathed Scripture that says the things. Let's now turn back to the New Testament in **Hebrews chapter 5 (scrn 5)**

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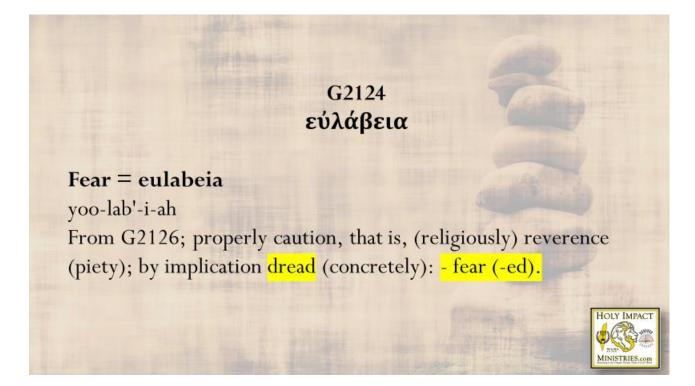
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And so, the Son of David did not exalt himself to be made a High Priest. He was appointed as a High Priest by Yehovah God who said once again, "I have begotten you". What does this mean "I have begotten you"? "I have begotten you" means that you are now my Son says God. Is that hard to understand? I ask you plainly, is this hard to understand in view of what we just read in second Samuel chapter 7? Did God not tell David that he was going to point to the Son of David and call him his own Son? Did we just not read that promise from God to David in second Samuel chapter 7? And yet... most of the church today still does not know who their Messiah is or where he came from or why he is called the Son of David the Son of Abraham in the very first sentence of the New Testament.

Is that a shame do you suppose? Because I would submit to you that it is more than a shame. It is beyond shame. It is indeed woefully willful and intentional ignorance not to know who your Messiah is. And it is by the way a sin... a sin... to teach and to preach another God other than the God of Israel and his only begotten Son who is the descendent of David. And just as we are told in the fifth chapter of the book of Hebrews, our Messiah Yeshua offered up prayers and supplication with loud cries and tears to who? Who did he offer up prayers and supplications and loud cries and tears to? He offered up prayers and supplications and loud cries and tears to him who was able to save him from death! Was our Messiah able to save himself from death? Not according to the New Testament, he was not. According to your New Testament, according to your God breathed Scripture, our Messiah was not able to save himself from death. It is clearly written that he offered up prayers and supplication with loud cries and tears to him who was able to save him from death and he was heard why? Why was he heard? He was heard because of his reverence! What does that mean, "because of his reverence"? (scrn 6)



The original Greek word being translated into English here as "reverence" in the English standard version of the Bible is the Greek word "yoo-lab-i-ah" (eulabeia) and it literally means dread or fear. In fact, the King James version of the Bible translates Hebrews chapter 5 verse seven this way (scrn 7)

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Heb 5:7 Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared;

Heb 5:8 Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;

Heb 5:9 And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;

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Notice here in the King James version, Hebrews chapter 5 verse seven says that Yeshua offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death and was heard in that he "feared". What is the fear of God according to the Bible? (scrn 8)

The Beginning of Knowledge...

Pro 1:7 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Pro 9:10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

In both Proverbs chapter 1 verse seven and again in Proverbs chapter 9 verse 10 the fear of Yehvoah is the beginning of knowledge, it's the beginning of wisdom. And so then, let's now go back to **Hebrews** chapter 5 (scrn 9 just show)

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Once again, our Messiah did not exalt himself to be made a High Priest. He was appointed by Yehvoah his Father to be a High Priest. And it was Yehvoah God who pointed to the Son of David and called the Son of David his own Son. Not says I... but says your God breathed Scripture. Are you awake yet? Is this registering? Have you ever heard these things sitting in a denominational church pew? And if not... Ask yourself, why not.

Our Messiah... the Son of David... offers up prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to him who was able to save him from death and he was heard because... because as a man... he feared God.

Furthermore... it is written that although he was a Son, he learned obedience get that my friends... he... just like all human beings learned obedience how? He learned obedience through what he suffered not says I... but says your God breathed Scripture. And being made perfect... how was he made perfect? He was made perfect because he feared God and he learned obedience through what he suffered. Because he feared God and he learned obedience through what he suffered... he was made

perfect and became the source of eternal salvation to all who would obey him. Once again... once again... being designated by God... being there sometime when they're just beginning shed designated by God... a High Priest after the order of Melchizedek.

And so, what's the point in all this? The point in all of this is that our Messiah commands us to pick up our crosses and to follow him and to do as he did and to walk as he walked. Why? Because if we pick up our crosses and if we do as he did, and if we walk as he walked, we too... will become the image of God. We also will become the word of God made flesh because we too will fear God and we will indeed learn obedience through... what we suffer here on this earth. Listen closely to **second Corinthians chapter 5 verses 17 through 19 (scrn 10)**

2Co 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.
The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.
2Co 5:18 All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation;
2Co 5:19 that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

You see, the true gospel message of our Messiah is all about reconciliation. It's about reconciling man with God his creator. It's about bringing man back to be as God originally intended... a likeness of himself! If you are in the Messiah, if you have gone down into the watery grave of baptism to be raised up **a new creation**, you truly have

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been born again **a new creation!** And this is exactly why you do not think the same, you do not talk the same, you do not walk the same as you once did. Everything about you has changed. Why? Because through the door that no man can shut, through the Passover lamb of Yehovah God you have become... **a new creation**. You are no longer a mortal being. You are no longer The Walking Dead. You have literally become an immortal being through the promise that Yehovah sent the Son of David to give you.

Are you awake yet? Are you hearing this? Is this registering in your heart and in your soul? I pray that it is because this is no joke.

This has always been the original intent of God. That we as his children would be his image. Once again, and we have said this many times throughout our studies... when our Messiah said to Philip in John 14 and I quote "Whoever has seen me has seen the Father"... what was Yeshua telling Philip? Was Yeshua telling Philip that he was God the Father? We already know from reading Hebrews chapter 5 that Yeshua was not God the Father. Yeshua had to pray to God the Father who was able to save him from death. And so therefore... according to your God breathed Scripture... what was Yeshua telling Philip here when he said "Whoever has seen me has seen the Father"?

Yeshua was trying to get Philip to understand that he and the Father were one just as we are all to be one with the Father. If we are doing the will of the Father, will people not see the Father in us? Why do you think that your Messiah told you to follow him? So that you also would become the word of God made flesh, so that you would also learn obedience through suffering. So that you would also walk through the very same fire that he walked through in order to become refined and to learn what it was that he himself learned.

Let me ask you a simple question; why did Yeshua come and lay his life down? Why did Yeshua come and lay his life down? The very reason that Yeshua came to lay his life down was to make us all one with the Father, to make us all the image of our Father, so that the works of the Father may be seen in us just as the works of the Father were seen in him! Listen closely to the prayer that our Messiah prayed in **John chapter 17 verses 17 through 26 E1**

Joh 17:17 Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth.

Joh 17:18 As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world.

Joh 17:19 And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

Joh 17:20 "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word,

Joh 17:21 that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

Joh 17:22 The glory that you have given me I have given to them, <mark>that they</mark> may be one even as we are one<mark>,</mark>

Joh 17:23 I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.

Joh 17:24 Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

Joh 17:25 O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, in the se know that you have sent me.

Joh 17:26 I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

You see, it was Yeshua's intent to make us the image of God just like it was Yehvoah God his Father's intent to make man an extension of himself. Not says I, but says our God breathed Scripture.

Are we getting this? Are we understanding these things? Is it not written that God appointed Yeshua to be a high priest? And what is it that we are all to become? First Peter chapter 2 verses nine through 11 (scrn 11)

1Pe 2:9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

1Pe 2:10 Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

1Pe 2:11 Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul.

According to the apostle Peter we are a chosen race and a royal priesthood. Where did Peter get that from? He got it from the Torah. **Exodus chapter 19 verse six (scrn 12)**

Exo 19:5 Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine;

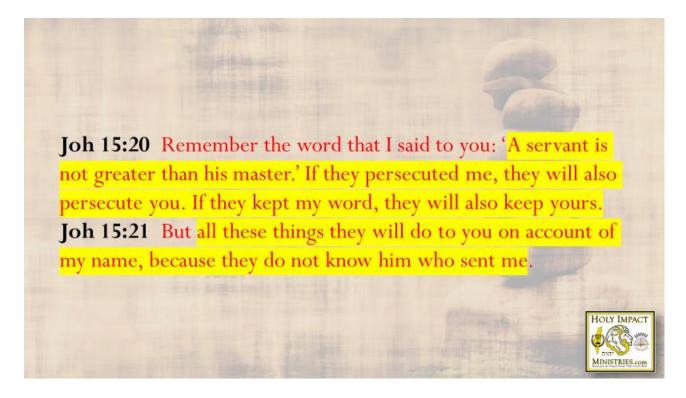
Exo 19:6 and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel."

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And so you see once again, we also are to become priests just like our Messiah became the High Priest. Everything that our Messiah went through we are called to go through. Our Messiah learned obedience through persecution. Our Messiah became the word of God through his obedience. Our Messiah became a High Priest. Our Messiah became the word of God in the flesh. All of these things are exactly what we are called to do and to endure. **John 15:20-21 (scrn 13)**



I would submit to you that it is extremely important to understand these things before continuing on in our studies into the book of Numbers.

All throughout the Torah as we close out the book of Numbers and move into the book of Deuteronomy very shortly, we will continuously see our Father in heaven working diligently to achieve his original intent. And what was that original intent? To extend and expand his image and his likeness throughout mankind his children.

Do you see why these lawless nations had to go? Do you see why Yehovah God had no use for these lawless nations? And do you see why our Father in heaven will not have any use for lawless nations in the future?

Why is our Messiah soon coming to smash the nations of the earth like clay pots? Because the nations of the earth at the end of the age will once again be full of worthless vessels. The nations of the earth will by and large be lawless making them obsolete in the eyes of Yehovah.

When you turn away from your creator, when you shake your fist in his face, when you think in your small adolescent mind that you are your own God, you will remain the walking dead. You are a dead man walking and you don't even know it. You should know it, because the Bible proclaims it, but most don't know it because they willfully and intentionally choose not to know it.

Once again, God is God... and we are not. And thank God for that!

Is our God a cruel and unloving God because he chooses to remove sin from the world? Is our God a cruel and unloving God because he chooses to protect his children from sin by removing it from his people? Is our God a cruel and unloving God because he wants his children to become like him knowing the difference between good and evil and righteousness and unrighteousness? Is our God a cruel and unloving God because he commands his children to obey his laws?

I think it's fair to say that we can all see what happens when human societies and human cultures become pickled with vanity. I think it's fair to say that we can all see what happens when human societies and human cultures marinate themselves in a devilish sauce of entitlement. How many people today believe that they are entitled to free money? How many people today believe that they are entitled to free food? How many people today believe that they are entitled to free food? How many people today believe that they are entitled to everything that you have without working for it? How many people believe that they are entitled to welfare and free medical service, free money, free food, free phones, free internet you name it? And as technology emerges, and robotic technology begins to flourish, governments around the world are already talking about a universal basic income. If you don't know what universal basic income is, I encourage you to Google it.

The Bible says "you don't work you don't eat". It's just that simple. But you see, when man tells you when you can eat and when you cannot eat, what is man attempting to do? Man is attempting to make himself a god is he not? When man controls your income, when man controls where you can go and where you cannot go, when man controls what you say and what you cannot say, when man controls your ability to protect yourself and to protect your family, when man controls the food supply, when man controls the water, when man controls your thought process, is man once again not striving to become his own god? Is man not once again eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil? Is man not once again guilty of transgressing the law of God? And is man himself not becoming... a lawless creature? A lawless nation? A lawless global governance?

Do we see why these lawless nations were being eradicated from the earth? I would submit to you that we today standing here at the end of the age should be able to see why was that our Father in heaven was originally attempting to eradicate these lawless nations.

We who are alive today, who were born for such a time as this should be able to open our eyes and to look around and to see what happens when nations become lawless. I would submit to you that we today are living in a world that Yehovah God was trying to save us from.

Our Father in heaven did not want us to learn the hard way. We chose to learn the hard way. Our Father in heaven tried to show us an easier way but we refused. Yehovah God's way is always the easier way, and this is why our Messiah tells us that his yoke is light.

Imagine... If the house of Israel would have been obedient. Imagine... If the house of Israel would have eradicated all lawless nations from the

face of the earth. Imagine... If the house of Israel would have done as Yehovah commanded them to do in weeding out the lawless of the world the very different world that we would be living in today.

The problem is that the house of Israel was not obedient, and the house of Israel did not weed out these other lawless nations by becoming a light on the hill. The problems of the world can be defined within a single word. All the problems of all the nations of the earth can be defined within a single word. And I would submit to you my friends that that single word is... "Disobedience".

And by the same token, the answers to the problems of the world can also be defined within a single word. And that word is "repentance".

It is because of the disobedience of the world... also known as the lawlessness of the world... that the world today suffers. It is because of the disobedient lawlessness of the world today that our Messiah will have to return with the armies of heaven in order to smash these lawless nations like clay pots.

You see it all boils down to obedience, or disobedience, blessings or curses. And rather than my explaining these differences, I'd like to read to you what these differences are according to our Father in heaven. **Deuteronomy chapter 30 verses 11 through 20 E2**

The Choice of Life and Death

Deu 30:11 "For this commandment that I command you today is not too hard for you, neither is it far off.

Deu 30:12 It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will ascend to heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?'

Deu 30:13 Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?'

Deu 30:14 But the word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it.

Deu 30:15 "See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil.

Deu 30:16 If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it.

Deu 30:17 But <mark>if your heart turns away</mark>, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them,

Deu 30:18 I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess.

Deu 30:19 I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live,

Deu 30:20 loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

Yehovah God has given mankind an "if equals then" concept to follow. If you do this says Yehvoah... then... I will do that. The "if equals then" concept of Yehvoah God has always been established upon the earth from the beginning of the creation of mankind. But you see the church today has thrown away the "if equals then" concept of God.

The church has turned the "if equals then" concept of God into a "do as thou wilt is the whole of the law" doxology. Do as thou wilt is the whole of the law has become the church's mantra in a nutshell. And although they will not use those exact words or that exact terminology because it comes right out of the devils Bible written by Lester Crowley and Madame Blavatsky... what they teach is indeed a lawless doctrine. And once again, I would submit to you that this is exactly why the world is in the situation that it is today.

Why do we have school shootings? Why do we have rape and murder and abortion and rioting in the streets? We have these things because we are living within the confines of lawless nations. People have become utterly and hopelessly lawless. And what today's leaders do not understand is that the "if equals then" concept of God still stands to this

very day. It is clearly written in **Deuteronomy chapter 30 verse 17 and I quote**, " (scrn 14)

Deu 30:17 But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them,
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Deu 30:20 loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

Do you think that the leaders of our nation's today are concerned with the "if equals then" concept of the creator of the heavens and the earth? Do you think that the leaders of our nation's today are concerned with the original intent of God from the beginning of time? Do you think that the leaders of our nation's today are concerned with what we are seeing happening right here in the book of Numbers? Do you think that the leaders of our nation's today are concerned with the return of our Messiah who will return with the armies of heaven to smash these lawless nations like clay pots? They would do well to read **Psalms chapter 2 E4**

The Reign of the Lord's Anointed

Psa 2:1 Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? Psa 2:2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against his Anointed, saying, Psa 2:3 "Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us." Psa 2:4 He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision. Psa 2:5 Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying,

Psa 2:6 "As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill."

Psa 2:7 I will tell of the decree: The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you.

Psa 2:8 Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.

Psa 2:9 You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

Psa 2:10 Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.

Psa 2:11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

Psa 2:12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Keeping all of this in mind, let's now turn back Numbers chapter 33 as Moses reminds us of the journey of the house of Israel so far. **Numbers chapter 33 E3**

Recounting Israel's Journey

Num 33:1 These are the stages of the people of Israel, when they went out of the land of Egypt by their companies under the leadership of Moses and Aaron.

Num 33:2 Moses wrote down their starting places, stage by stage, by command of the LORD, and these are their stages according to their starting places.

Num 33:3 They set out from Rameses in the first month, on the fifteenth day of the first month. On the day after the Passover, the people of Israel went out triumphantly in the sight of all the Egyptians,

Num 33:4 while the Egyptians were burying all their firstborn, whom the LORD had struck down among them. On their gods also the LORD executed judgments.

Num 33:5 So the people of Israel set out from Rameses and camped at Succoth.

Num 33:6 And they set out from Succoth and camped at Etham, which is on the edge of the wilderness.

Num 33:7 And they set out from Etham and turned back to Pi-hahiroth, which is east of Baal-zephon, and they camped before Migdol.

Num 33:8 And they set out from before Hahiroth and passed through the midst of the sea into the wilderness, and they went a three days' journey in the wilderness of Etham and camped at Marah.

Num 33:9 And they set out from Marah and came to Elim; at Elim there were twelve springs of water and seventy palm trees, and they camped there.

Num 33:10 And they set out from Elim and camped by the Red Sea.

Num 33:11 And they set out from the Red Sea and camped in the wilderness of Sin.

Num 33:12 And they set out from the wilderness of Sin and camped at Dophkah.

Num 33:13 And they set out from Dophkah and camped at Alush.

Num 33:14 And they set out from Alush and camped at Rephidim, where there was no water for the people to drink.

Num 33:15 And they set out from Rephidim and camped in the wilderness of Sinai.

Num 33:16 And they set out from the wilderness of Sinai and camped at Kibroth-hattaavah.

Num 33:17 And they set out from Kibroth-hattaavah and camped at Hazeroth.

Num 33:18 And they set out from Hazeroth and camped at Rithmah.

Num 33:19 And they set out from Rithmah and camped at Rimmon-perez.

Num 33:20 And they set out from Rimmon-perez and camped at Libnah.

Num 33:21 And they set out from Libnah and camped at Rissah.

Num 33:22 And they set out from Rissah and camped at Kehelathah.

Num 33:23 And they set out from Kehelathah and camped at Mount Shepher.

Num 33:24 And they set out from Mount Shepher and camped at Haradah.

Num 33:25 And they set out from Haradah and camped at Makheloth.

Num 33:26 And they set out from Makheloth and camped at Tahath.

Num 33:27 And they set out from Tahath and camped at Terah.

Num 33:28 And they set out from Terah and camped at Mithkah.

Num 33:29 And they set out from Mithkah and camped at Hashmonah.

Num 33:30 And they set out from Hashmonah and camped at Moseroth.

Num 33:31 And they set out from Moseroth and camped at Bene-jaakan.

Num 33:32 And they set out from Bene-jaakan and camped at Horhaggidgad.

Num 33:33 And they set out from Hor-haggidgad and camped at Jotbathah.

Num 33:34 And they set out from Jotbathah and camped at Abronah.

Num 33:35 And they set out from Abronah and camped at Ezion-geber.

Num 33:36 And they set out from Ezion-geber and camped in the wilderness of Zin (that is, Kadesh).

Num 33:37 And they set out from Kadesh and camped at Mount Hor, on the edge of the land of Edom.

Num 33:38 And Aaron the priest went up Mount Hor at the command of the LORD and died there, in the fortieth year after the people of Israel had come out of the land of Egypt, on the first day of the fifth month.

Num 33:39 And Aaron was 123 years old when he died on Mount Hor.

Num 33:40 And the Canaanite, the king of Arad, who lived in the Negeb in the land of Canaan, heard of the coming of the people of Israel.

Num 33:41 And they set out from Mount Hor and camped at Zalmonah.

Num 33:42 And they set out from Zalmonah and camped at Punon.

Num 33:43 And they set out from Punon and camped at Oboth.

Num 33:44 And they set out from Oboth and camped at Iye-abarim, in the territory of Moab.

Num 33:45 And they set out from Iyim and camped at Dibon-gad.

Num 33:46 And they set out from Dibon-gad and camped at Almondiblathaim.

Num 33:47 And they set out from Almon-diblathaim and camped in the mountains of Abarim, before Nebo.

Num 33:48 And they set out from the mountains of Abarim and camped in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho;

Num 33:49 they camped by the Jordan from Beth-jeshimoth as far as Abelshittim in the plains of Moab.

Drive Out the Inhabitants

Num 33:50 And the LORD spoke to Moses in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho, saying,

Num 33:51 "Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, When you pass over the Jordan into the land of Canaan,

Num 33:52 then you shall drive out all the inhabitants of the land from before you and destroy all their figured stones and destroy all their metal images and demolish all their high places.

Num 33:53 And you shall take possession of the land and settle in it, for I have given the land to you to possess it.

Num 33:54 You shall inherit the land by lot according to your clans. To a large tribe you shall give a large inheritance, and to a small tribe you shall give a small inheritance. Wherever the lot falls for anyone, that shall be his.

According to the tribes of your fathers you shall inherit.

Num 33:55 But if you do not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you, then those of them whom you let remain shall be as barbs in your eyes and thorns in your sides, and they shall trouble you in the land where you dwell.

Num 33:56 And I will do to you as I thought to do to them."

Here in Numbers chapter 33 Moses once again reminds us of the journey of the house of Israel through the wilderness from Mount Sinai to where they are standing now by the Jordan River. And I would submit to you that the most important paragraph in Numbers chapter 33 is indeed the last paragraph where Yehovah tells Moses to speak to the people of Israel and say to them, "when you pass over the Jordan into the land of Canaan then you shall drive out all the inhabitants of the land from before you and destroy all their figured stones and destroy all their metal images and demolish all their high places."

Imagine, if the house of Israel would have done everything that Yehovah God had commanded them to do instead of assimilating themselves with the world. Imagine how different things would be today if the house of Israel would have been that shining light, a beacon on the hill blessed amongst all nations by the hand of Yehovah God.

And I also want us to pay particularly close attention to the last two verses of Numbers chapter 33 where Yehovah tells the house of Israel what will happen if they do not drive out the inhabitants of the land before them. What does Yehovah God tell the house of Israel will happen to the house of Israel if they do not drive out the inhabitants of the land before them?

Yehovah clearly tells the house of Israel that if they do not drive out the inhabitants of the land before them that these nations will remain as barbs in their eyes and thorns in their sides and they will trouble them in the land where they dwell. And Yehvoah God tells the house of Israel that he will do to the house of Israel as he thought to do to them.

What did we see during the Holocaust? Did we not see almost the entire eradication of the house of Judah upon the earth during World War II? And what are we seen today in Israel? Are we not seeing these nations as barbs in the eyes of Israel and thorns in the sides of Israel troubling them in the land that they now dwell?

Does the word of God return to him empty? I ask you plainly, do we have the eyes to see and the ears to hear? Are we seeing, and are we hearing?

What we are reading about in the book of Numbers is not just some old ancient story or legend. What we are reading about here in the book of Numbers is going to happen in the very near future, and some of it has already come to pass before our very eyes.

Yehovah God's original intent for the world and for humanity will come to fruition like it... or not.

Man will return to the garden of Eden. A new heaven and a new earth will be created for man and man will walk in the garden with God as God originally intended from the very beginning like it... or not. It is coming. And when it comes, it will come with a vengeance and with the sound of a loud trump.

Next week we will venture into Numbers chapter 34 where we will begin to see the boundaries of the land that Yehvoah had given the house of Israel and a list of the tribal chiefs.

But until that time, my hope and my prayer is that you will ponder these things that we have seen in the book of Numbers up to this point. My hope and my prayer is that you will think on these things, meditate about these things, pray over these things so that you also may have the eyes to see and the ears to hear not just what has happened in the past, but what will also happen in the very near future. And with that, I will ask once again that everyone within the sound of my voice would please take what you have heard here today to your own prayer closet. Bow your head and bend your knee and face the holy promised land of Jerusalem and ask in the name of Yeshua Hamashiach if what you have heard here today be true, or not.

Ask, seek, and not on his door and on his door alone and the proper door will be opened to you. And if you will do that, and if you will stay the course to the end, you and I will surely walk to the gates of his soon coming kingdom together.