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## **Leviticus 16 Part 2 Azazel, And A Day**

Once again, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to everyone who has chosen to take time out of their day to share their time with us as we go back and read the beginning of the Bible so that we might truly understand exactly what it does say and just as importantly... what it does not say. And I would like to remind us all especially today in our time... that our adversary often times causes different kinds of new winds of doctrines to come sweeping into the house of Israel even today in our time that have everything to do with things that are simply not ever truly said within the confines of the spoken word of our Father in heaven, and we'll be taking a look at some of these winds of doctrine here today that affect not only the Day of Atonement, but all of our Fathers God breathed Scripture's.

Not only us, but our children and our children's children are also in great danger of those who often times creep into the assembly with unfounded and unwarranted winds of doctrine that come from nowhere but human cunning and craftiness and deceitful schemes. And if we don't read the spoken word of Yahovah for ourselves... and if we don't read the whole book from the beginning of the book and not just from the middle of the book... we are going to be easily led astray by these winds of doctrine that have been concocted by human cunning and craftiness and deceitful schemes which do exactly as the apostle Jude tells us. They continuously turn the word of Yahovah into lasciviousness for their own gain and to build their own empires. It is a matter of power; it is a matter of vanity. And... it is a matter of wickedness that causes them to do such things.

I tell you the truth my friends, certain people have indeed crept in unnoticed who long ago were designated for this condemnation, ungodly people, who pervert the grace of our God into sensuality and deny our only Master and Lord Yeshua Hamashiach and his Father. This was going on in the days of the apostles, and it's still going on today in our time. And because we are now living in the very last days before the return of our Messiah, we can expect these winds of doctrine to become much stronger and much more potent and prevalent than ever before because the devil does know that his time is short and his objective is as it always has been, and that is to take as many human beings down into the pit with him as possible. Our adversary is doing all that he can to introduce new doctrines of human cunning into the true body of our Messiah like a vaccine that changes the DNA of a person's molecular structure. And this is exactly why it's important for us to be reading this book from the beginning of the book and not just from the middle of the book. And this is exactly why it is important for us to understand not only what is said within the confines of our God breathed Scripture... but what is not said

within the confines of our God breathed Scripture. And we have warned about this over, and over, and over again.

The Day of Atonement that we read about here in the book of Leviticus is indeed unique. But I would submit to you that all of our Fathers appointments are unique. All of his commandments are unique. He himself is unique. And so is his ordained and sanctified calendar... unique. And in order to understand our Fathers appointments also known as his “*moed*”... we must understand the uniqueness of our Father in heaven and the way that **he** does things, and the patterns that **he** gives us to teach us who he is, and what he stands for.

I am so very glad that you have joined me this evening because simply by joining with us this evening to study out the word of Yahovah we are doing more than the majority of professing believers in the world today. Asking, seeking, and knocking does not only happen on our Father Sabbath. Asking, seeking, and knocking should be a daily event for all of us that occurs all throughout our walk with our Father in heaven and his only begotten Son, and not just on his Sabbath.

It always surprises me how many people will come to a seventh day Sabbath service, and will listen to a specific topic being taught on that particular day, but will never come to a Bible study in order to truly study out the word of Yahovah. Throughout the week many people just seem to be too busy for God. We think that we know it all because we think we’ve heard it all. But the truth of the matter is, that Yahovah always has more to share with his children. Those who have truly taken the time to sit down and study his spoken word understand that a person could read the Bible 100 times over, and each one of those 100 times that same person will often times learn something new if... if they are truly asking, seeking, and knocking on his door. The spoken word of Yahovah is indeed a living breathing document. It was not written by the hands of men alone. It was indeed written through the auspices of the Ruach Hakodesh of Yahovah. And because it was written through the Ruach Hakodesh of Yahovah, only those who are of Yahovah, and have the Ruach Hakodesh of Yahovah are able to understand it and decipher it properly. Only those who are doing what the word of Yahovah says... and only those who are part of our Father in heaven can... truly understand the contents of his spoken word. And not because they are something special, but because they themselves like many others... truly do indeed love him. With that being said, I would like us to read some red-letter words that come directly from the very mouth, the very breath, and the very lips of our Messiah found in **John 10:24-30 (scrn 1)**

## You Do Not Believe Because... You Are Not Among My Sheep

Joh 10:24 So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly."

Joh 10:25 Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me,

Joh 10:26 but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep.

Joh 10:27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.

Joh 10:28 I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand.

Joh 10:29 My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.

Joh 10:30 I and the Father are one."



Those who do not hear the word of Yahovah are not of Yahovah. There is a difference between saying that I am a Christian, and actually being... a Christian. By nature, the very definition of the word Christian according to the English dictionary is someone who follows the Messiah who is Yeshua Hamashiach. If we are not truly following him, then we are not Christian. Listen closely to what our Messiah told the Pharisees and the scribes who were the pastors and priests of his time. **John 8:48-47 (scrn 2)**

## The Reason You Do Not Hear My Words Is Because You Are Not Of God!

Joh 8:43 Why do you not understand what I say? It is because you cannot bear to hear my word.

Joh 8:44 You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

Joh 8:45 But because I tell the truth, you do not believe me.

Joh 8:46 Which one of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me?

Joh 8:47 Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God.”



Even the house of Israel had a difficult time understanding the importance of the law of Yahovah and what it meant and what it pointed to because their heart was not in it. The law of Yahovah is indeed perfect just as David clearly tells us that it is. And just as the apostle Paul tells us in the New Testament in Romans chapter 2 verse 13, it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the law will be justified.

The Day of Atonement that we read about in the 16<sup>th</sup> chapter of the book of Leviticus is just as important for us today as it was for the house of Israel when it was first instituted by our Father in heaven. To say that the law is not perfect, or to say that the law made nothing perfect is simply opposite of the truth. It is indeed the law of Yahovah that uncovers the wickedness of men. It is the law of Yahovah that teaches men how to properly love their Father in heaven. And just as the apostle Paul tells us in the New Testament in Romans chapter 7 verse 12, the law is indeed holy, and the commandment is holy, and righteous and good. The problem that we have today is the exact same problem that the apostle Paul explained to us in Romans chapter 8 when he said that the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God because it does not submit to God's law because it can't. And therefore, those who are in the flesh cannot please God, because they don't even strive to keep his law which is his spoken word because it's not written in their hearts.

It is the law that gives us the path to righteousness, and a clean way of living that causes our Father to bless us because we have chosen him and have rejected the world. It is his spoken word which is his law, that justifies, and ordains, and makes holy. Without his spoken word, (his law,) there would be nothing to point to our Messiah in order for us to know who he truly was,

is, and always will be. And this is exactly why The Day of Atonement is so tectonically important. And so is exactly how we keep The Day of Atonement along with the rest of our Fathers appointments including but not limited to one of his most important appointments... also known as his seventh day Sabbath which is kept exactly like all the rest of his appointments. Not says I... but says our God breathed Scripture in the first few verses of the book of Leviticus which we will get to as we move forward.

Many modern-day Christians believe that our Messiah came to atone not only for their past sins, but also for their future sins, which is indeed true if... if... we confess our sins to him when we inadvertently do transgress his Father's word. Today's modern-day church has done us no service in teaching and preaching that no one can keep the law which is directly opposite of what our Father in heaven tells us in **Deuteronomy 30:11-15 (scrn 3)**

## My Law Is Not To Hard For You!

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.



What today's modern-day Christian needs to understand is exactly why the High Priest had to dip his finger into the bowl of the Bulls blood and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat. Today's modern-day Christian needs to understand why the mercy seat faced towards the East. Today's modern-day Christian needs to understand why the High Priest had to also sprinkle the blood of the sacrificed goat on The Day of Atonement on the mercy seat. Today's modern-day Christian has no concept, or idea of what these things mean, or what these things pointed to. And this is exactly why today's modern-day version of Christianity has been found weighed and wanting. They wrongfully and shamefully and disgracefully teach that the law of Yahovah has all been done away with, and that his spoken word is of no consequence to them. But I tell you the truth my friends, it is that exact same law that they deny today... that they will be judged by

tomorrow because they have not only rejected it... but the Savior that it pointed to and spoke of.

It is indeed the blood of our Passover lamb that allows the mercy of our Father in heaven to flow upon his children giving them another opportunity to come back to him while the door is still open. The blood of our Passover lamb is directly connected to the mercy seat of our Father in heaven. And this is something that today's modern-day version of Christianity has long forgotten. It is the law, the Torah, the spoken word of Yahovah that speaks of, and teaches, and brings forth the offspring of a human woman who would crush the head of the serpent. A prophet likened unto Moses, the very seed of Abraham, the descendent of David, who does indeed come from the tribe of Judah whom the ruler's staff still belongs to, to this very day, and who still to this very day sits on the throne of David in order to rule over the house of Israel forever.

There is no proper understanding that comes from only reading half of the book that our Father in heaven wrote. And not only is there no proper understanding, there is no writing of his law upon the hearts of those who only read half of what he said.

On The Day of Atonement, the house of Israel stood idly by watching our Father in heaven take away the sins of the house of Israel by transferring them to a substitute which was once again an innocent living creature in order to remove the sins of the house of Israel from the house of Israel, not just covered mind you as I hear so many modern-day teachers wrongly teach... but completely gotten rid of, and atoned for. This scape goat that was sent out into the wilderness alone was simply a shadow of our Messiah who would once again take upon himself alone, and by himself... all the sins of the world, and remove them as far as the east is from the west so that mankind could once again come back like the prodigal son to his Father.

And by the way... I find it ironic that there is an old Rabbinical legend that proclaims that when the house of Israel removed the goat that was to go free according to the spoken word of Yahovah... they instead of letting it go free into the wilderness... kicked the goat off of a cliff to it's death in order to make sure that it never returned to them. This once again shows the ignorance and the complete and utter disregard for the spoken word of Yehovah who told them to turn the goat loose into the wilderness. If Yehaovh had wanted the goat sacrificed... he would have ordered it so. To have someone then take the scapegoat and murder it according to their own tradition is just one more brick in the wall of disobedience that the House of Israel would have to deal with. If this was true... and we don't know that it was... but if it is true according to rabbinical legend, it would be completely understandable why they might do such a thing and yet... this thing... this tradition that many Rabbi's even today proclaim to be true was certainly no the commandment of Yehovah. The scapegoat who took that sin into the wilderness was a representation of our Messiah who would take the sins of mankind upon himself. And just like they kicked the scapegoat over the cliff disregarding our Father's commandment and having no compassion for the innocent goat itself... they also did to their own Messiah who was sent for that very same purpose. Even this evil act that they would do in the beginning of the book pointed directly to what they would do in the end of the book. And I believe that this is exactly

why Yahovah allowed it to occur. It also... was a shadow of things to come.

It's amazing what we see happening in the beginning of the book that helps us to see, and to know, and to understand exactly what's happening today in our time. Our Father in heaven does indeed teach us the end from the beginning. Keeping these things in mind... lets talk about exactly who Azezel was and how this name got into some of our English translated Bibles in the first place. What is all of this talk about "*Azezel*" in our Bibles? Let's turn back and let's read **Leviticus 16:8 (scrn 4)**

## **Azazel... or The Scapegoat?**

### **ESV**

**Lev 16:8** And Aaron shall cast lots over the two goats, one lot for the LORD and the other lot **for Azazel.**

### **KJV**

**Lev 16:8** And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for the LORD, and the other lot for **the scapegoat.**



If we look closely at the original Hebrew text which we get from the King James version of the Bible, we can clearly see that the word for "*scapegoat*" in Leviticus chapter 16 is actually the Hebrew word "*azazel*". And this is why in many of our English translated Bibles we do not see the English word "*scapegoat*" but rather the Hebrew word "*azazel*".

Now according to both round driver Briggs Hebrew definitions, and Strong's Hebrew definitions, they both proclaim that the Hebrew word "*azazel*" simply means "*scapegoat*". There is no mention of any other meaning for the Hebrew word "*azazel*". However... the book of Enoch which is quoted from in the Bible several times... does make mention of a demon by the name of "*Azazel*".

Later rabbis, interpreted "*Azazel*" as the rugged and rough mountain cliff from which the goat was cast down. However... this once again was not commanded by Yahovah anywhere in the Scripture and is therefore adding to and taking away from the word of Yahovah.

And so therefore, we have a dilemma. According to our concordances the Hebrew word “*azazel*” has nothing to do with a demon, but simply means a scapegoat. But according to the book of Enoch, “*Azazel*” is actually the name of a fallen angel who just as the book of Jude tells us did not stay within their own position of authority, but left their proper dwellings, and have been kept in eternal chains under gloomy darkness until the judgment of the great day.

To get a better picture of exactly who, or what this “*Azazel*” may actually be, I would like us to read some historical documentation that can be found at Wikipedia.com concerning who, or what this “*Azazel*” might just be. And once again, this does come from the book of Enoch that was found in Qumran along with the Dead Sea Scrolls.

“In the Dead Sea Scrolls, the name Azazel occurs in the line 6 of 4Q203, The Book of Giants, which is a part of the Enochic literature found at Qumran. Despite the expectation of Brandt (1889)[further explanation needed to date no evidence has surfaced of Azazel as a demon or god prior to the earliest Jewish sources among the Dead Sea Scrolls. (scrn 5)

### Azazel According to Enoch:

According to the Book of Enoch (a book of the Apocrypha), which brings Azazel into connection with the Biblical story of the fall of the angels, located on Mount Hermon, a gathering-place of demons of old, Azazel is one of the leaders of the rebellious Watchers in the time preceding the Flood; he taught men the art of warfare, of making swords, knives, shields, and coats of mail, and taught women the art of deception by ornamenting the body, dyeing the hair, and painting the face and the eyebrows, and also revealed to the people the secrets of witchcraft and corrupted their manners, leading them into wickedness and impurity until at last he was, at Yahweh's command, bound hand and foot by the archangel Raphael and chained to the rough and jagged rocks of Dudael, where he is to abide in utter darkness until the great Day of Judgment, when he will be cast into the fire to be consumed forever.

*“The whole earth has been corrupted through the works that were taught by Azazel: to him ascribe all sin.”*

— Book of Enoch 10:8

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Azazel>



And so, we are left in a bit of a dilemma concerning the concept of exactly who, or what this “*azazel*” actually refers to here in Leviticus chapter 16. But I will say this much concerning the matter... it makes perfect sense to me that Yahovah would put the sins upon the head of an innocent goat, and then send that innocent goat back into the wilderness back to the demon “*Azazel*” who Enoch says has ascribed all sin.

Imagine what a poke in the eye it would be to this demon to have Yahovah remove the sins of the house of Israel, and to put them on the head of an innocent goat, and to then have that goat returned back to “Azazel” in the wilderness with his sin where it originally came from. Could you imagine what might be going on in the mind of “Azazel” knowing that his fate is sealed and all for nothing? And is this not exactly what our Messiah did when he crushed the head of the serpent by taking on the sins of the world? And did our Messiah not return to sheol himself after his crucifixion to proclaim the gospel to the spirits in prison? (scrn 6)

## I Have The Keys To Death and Hades!

1Pe 3:18 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit,

1Pe 3:19 in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison,

1Pe 3:20 because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water.

Rev 1:17 When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, “Fear not, I am the first and the last,

Rev 1:18 and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.



What is important to understand about The Day of Atonement is that The Day of Atonement is one of our Father in heavens appointments that we are indeed commanded to keep forever and throughout our generations. And this particular appointment along with all of the other appointments of Yahovah begin in the evening when the day ends, and continues on for one day until that day ends. This is how our Fathers calendar has worked from the beginning of time, and is still does to this day. A new month begins when a new moon is hanging dark in the sky. A new month begins in darkness. Creation began in darkness. Man is born first into darkness and then comes to the light. Darkness first and then light has always been the pattern of Yahovah and I would submit to you my friends that only those who are of Yahovah can and will understand the patterns of Yahovah just as our Messiah tells us. And I want us to understand that The Day of Atonement for the Christian today is just as important as our Fathers seventh day Sabbath which is also an appointment... a “moed” of Yahovah himself.

It is written that the seventh day Sabbath of our Father in heaven is a sign between him and his people. And it is one of his moedim... his appointments. And the seventh day Sabbath of our

Father in heaven is directly tied to the rest of his appointments that are all listed in the book of Leviticus chapter 23. Not says I... But says our God breathed Scripture. Let's turn very quickly to the first few sentences of **Leviticus chapter 23. (scrn 7)**

## These Are My Appointments (Moed)!

**Lev 23:1** The LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

**Lev 23:2** “Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, These are the appointed feasts (moed) of the LORD that you shall proclaim as holy convocations; they are my appointed feasts (moed).

**Lev 23:3** “Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest, a holy convocation. You shall do no work. It is a Sabbath to the LORD in all your dwelling places.

**Lev 23:4** “These are the appointed feasts (moed) of the LORD, the holy convocations (miqra), which you shall proclaim at the time appointed for them.



The first thing that I want us to notice is that Leviticus chapter 23 verse two does not actually say that these are his appointed feasts. That is another blooper in many of our English translated Bibles. The actual Hebrew word is “*moed*” and it means “*appointment*”, not feasts. Not all of the appointments of Yahovah are feast days. In fact, only three of his appointments actually qualified as feasts. **(scrn 8)**

# THE MOEDIM:

Feast Days In Red

## Spring Moedim:

Appointed Times

Passover (Pesach)

Unleavened Bread (Chag HaMatzot)

First Fruits (Reishit Katzir)

Pentecost (Shavuot)

## Fall Moedim:

Appointed Times

Trumpets (Yom Teruah)

Atonement (Yom Kippur)

Tabernacles (Sukkot)

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But what I want us to notice here in Leviticus chapter 23, in the first four verses of Leviticus chapter 23, is that our Father in heaven proclaims his seventh day Sabbath to be part of his “*moed*”... his appointments! And according to our Father in heaven his seventh day Sabbath is directly connected to all of his appointments and is to be kept the exact same way as all of his appointments and his sanctified, and ordained, calendar. And we are reminded of this over, and over, and over again all throughout the Bible. The Day of Atonement and the way that it is to be kept is no different than any other day. And we are reminded of that fact in Leviticus chapter 23 so that we do not lose sight of exactly how to keep it and all of the rest of our Fathers appointments which are all kept according to his calendar... and not ours.

The idea that our Father in heaven tells us to keep the Day of Atonement from evening to evening is because this is the only day that he wants us to keep in that way is blasphemous. It is completely untrue according to our God breathed Scripture. Even the feast of unleavened bread that was to be kept for seven days was to be kept from evening to evening. **Exodus 12:18 (scrn 9)**

## From Evening To Evening!

Exo 12:18 In the first month, from the fourteenth day of the month **at evening**, you shall eat unleavened bread until the twenty-first day of the month **at evening**.



Today in our time there is another wind of doctrine that is blowing through the house of Israel that is causing many to once again be caught up in the teachings of men who have indeed crept in. Ungodly people who pervert the grace of our God into sensuality and deny our only Master and Lord Yeshua Hamashiach by proclaiming that the calendar, and the commandments that he has put forth himself in his God breathed Scripture... are wrong.

How dare... how dare someone proclaim that the seventh day Sabbath of our Father in heaven is not part of his moed! How dare someone attempt to desecrate the very day that Yahovah says is a sign between him and his people, a perpetual agreement for all generations?

My friends when you attack the seventh day Sabbath of our Father in heaven you attack our Father in heaven, and when you attack our Father in heaven you attack me and the rest of my brothers and sisters, and I tell you the truth my friends, those who are teaching and preaching such a blasphemous thing by adding to, and taking away from our Fathers word through their twisted understanding of the Hebrew language will indeed suffer the consequences of their evil deeds.

The Sabbath day, along with all of his moed, including but not limited to The Day of Atonement are all under attack this very day by a demonically inspired doctrine that claims that Yahovah's days do not run from evening to evening, but rather from the light of day in the morning to the light of day in the morning. This my friends is nothing short of blasphemy and should not be tolerated by any true God-fearing, Messiah following, cross bearing Christian. It is written in the first few sentences of our Bibles that the earth was without form and void and

darkness was over the face of the deep. And that the spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters, and God said, let there be light (or... In the Hebrew language) and there was light. And that God saw that the light (or)... was good and that God separated the light from the darkness. And it is written that God called the light day (yom)... What did he call the light? He called the light "day"... "yom" in the Hebrew. And the darkness he called night. And there was evening and there was morning the first day.

Today there is a fairly new teaching out that proclaims that all of our Fathers feast days are to be kept evening to evening, but that all the rest of our days are not to be kept from evening to evening, and... that our Fathers seventh day Sabbath is separated from his moed, and therefore it also is to be kept from morning to morning. What is ironic about this demonic teaching is that even those who teach it cannot agree upon what it says exactly. Different versions of this demonic doctrine are being taught from different people none of which agree on the doctrine itself.

I ask you plainly my friends... why would someone do that? Why would someone separate the seventh day Sabbath from the appointments of Yahovah? Why would someone extract the day that our Father in heaven said was a sign between us and him from his appointments his moed? Why would someone proclaim that a day begins at sunrise instead of the evening as we are told throughout the whole Bible, including but not limited to the 23<sup>rd</sup> chapter of the book of Leviticus? Have you ever heard of sun God worship my friends? Sun God worship comes from the days of old, ancient times, when men worshiped the gods of the sun instead of the Creator of the heavens and the earth. It was all about the rising sun. They sat with their backs to the temple, weeping for Tammuz the son God and the sun that rose in the east. This my friends is a pagan teaching that reaches back through ancient times.

My friends the devil will spare no expense in trying to continuously get mankind to worship pagan gods and pagan things, and pagan traditions. And if we think in these last days that he's not going to attempt to scatter today's modern-day house of Israel, we'd better think again. There are literally whole ministries that have come back to believing in the Torah, and the law of Yahovah that are now being sifted by the devil himself. And it should be of no surprise to us. Did we actually think that he was going to allow us to go back to the truth without a fight? Leviticus chapter 23 goes into great detail about how The Day of Atonement is to be kept today in our time just like he goes through great lengths to explain to us how the Passover and the feast of unleavened bread are to be kept for seven days and I quote, "*from evening to evening the seventh day*". It is clearly written in Leviticus chapter 23 verse 32 that The Day of Atonement shall be a Sabbath of solemn rest and that we shall indeed afflict ourselves, and that on the ninth day of the month beginning at evening from evening to evening... we shall keep our Sabbath. Why do we think that he calls it a Sabbath? **Exodus 12:18 (scrn 10)**

## From Evening to Evening!

Exo 12:18 In the first month, from the fourteenth day of the month **at evening**, you shall eat unleavened bread until the twenty-first day of the month **at evening**.



What's ironic is that those who are now teaching that a day begins at sunrise are completely okay with this Scripture. When it says “*evening to evening*” here in the book of Leviticus, they agree that it means “*evening to evening*”. And yet... in the first chapter of the book of Genesis where it says and I quote, “*and there was evening and there was morning the first day, and there was evening and there was morning the second day, and there was evening and there was morning the third day, and there was evening and there was morning the fourth day,*” they completely and utterly reject the truth of Yahovah’s word in order to inject their own twisted teaching of the Hebrew language. The true meanings of Evening (ereb) and Morning (boqer) can easily be found in our Hebrew dictionaries. **(scrn 11)**

## Evening:

H6153

ערב

Evening = 'ereb

**BDB Definition:**

- 1) evening, night, sunset
- 1a) evening, sunset
- 1b) night

## Morning:

H1242

בקר

bôqer

**BDB Definition:**

- 1) morning, break of day
- 1a) morning
- 1a1) of end of night
- 1a2) of coming of daylight
- 1a3) of coming of sunrise
- 1a4) of beginning of day
- 1a5) of bright joy after night of distress (figuratively)
- 1b) morrow, next day, next morning



There is no secret concerning the meaning of these words in either the English or the Hebrew language.

The Feast of Unleavened Bread that is part of the Passover runs for seven days from evening to evening just like The Day of Atonement runs from evening to evening, just like the seventh day Sabbath runs from evening to evening. Why? Because just as our Father in heaven says in Leviticus chapter 23 verse two... and I quote... *“They are my pointed moed!”* At which time, he goes on to remind us of his seventh day Sabbath. Our Father in heaven tells us this over, and over, and over again because he does not want us to forget it. He does not only tell us this during the day of atonement my friends. That in of itself is a bald-faced lie. But those who proclaim that a day begins in the morning who are adding to and taking away from the word of Yahovah through their twisted understanding of the Hebrew language will Proud for and shamefully proclaim that The Day of Atonement that is to be kept from evening to evening is just an anomaly. It’s just a freak thing that God does. The appointments of our Father in heaven are just anomalies. They are just freak occurrences. How gullible can we possibly be? We’ll get to that in just a moment as well.

They speak wicked things about the death, the burial, and the resurrection of our Messiah by once again adding to the Scripture, and injecting their own man-made ideas that are found nowhere within the confines of Scripture, and taking away from what the Scripture actually says about his death, burial, and resurrection. Their blasphemy knows no bounds, and they are completely ignorant of the fact that Yahovah himself dwells in thick darkness! (**scrn 12**)

## Yehovah Dwells In Thick Darkness!

1Ki 8:12 Then Solomon said, “The LORD has said that he would dwell **in thick darkness**.

2Ch 6:1 Then Solomon said, “The LORD has said that he would dwell **in thick darkness**.

Exo 20:21 The people stood far off, while Moses drew near to **the thick darkness** where God was.

Psa 97:1 The LORD rules, and the earth is happy. All the faraway lands are happy.

Psa 97:2 **Thick, dark clouds surround him**. Goodness and justice make his kingdom strong.



When our Father in heaven began to create, he began to create in darkness where he dwells according to his spoken word. When our Father came down from heaven in Exodus chapter 19 to thunder his testimony to the house of Israel, he did not come in an abundance of sunlight my friends. He came in thick dark clouds according to Exodus chapter 19 verses nine through 11. And when our Messiah returns, he also will return exactly like his Father in darkness when the sun will not be giving its light nor the moon, and the stars will be falling from heaven. Why? Because darkness always comes first according to the spoken word of Yehovah. It is a pattern that reaches from the book of Genesis to the book of Revelation. Each new month begins in darkness, when a new moon is hanging dark in the sky just as each new day begins in darkness. And yes my friends, according to the Bible and the Bible alone creation did in fact begin in darkness because darkness is where God dwells. He is in no need of a headlight in the sky. Man is born in darkness with no knowledge of Yehovah, and comes to the light of truth as he grows. This is why we are commanded to be baptized in order to follow our Messiah down into the watery grave of death... Once again starting in darkness and then being raised up into the light of truth so that... we can be created a new creature that is then full of light. The concept runs over, and over, and over all throughout the Bible and simply cannot be broken by some man's twisted idea of what he thinks the Hebrew language says. The Hebrew language has many dual meanings for many words, and it can easily be twisted and turned into something that it is not. And the devil knows this full well, and we should to.

The darkness before light concept is a concept that our Father has used as a pattern to teach

us the difference between good and evil from the very beginning of time, and he continues to use the concept of darkness first and then light to this very day and I would submit to you my friends that if we once again begin adding to and taking away from his word, we will become no better than today's modern-day version of Christianity that is done the exact same thing throughout the ages. We have already believed in the divination of flying reindeer and magical elves. We have already bought into the idea of magical rabbits that lay colored eggs all over the house. We have lied to our children about a Roman Catholic toy God that came to replace our Messiah in the eyes of our children. We have fallen for the lie of our Messiah's birthday, and the changing of his seventh day Sabbath to the Roman Catholic first day of the week. And now... we are going to return like a dog to its vomit and like a pig to its mire back to twisting the word of Yahovah for ourselves instead of obeying what it clearly says? Willfully and intentionally ignoring the truth of the spoken word of Yahovah and his patterns in order to chase after the demonically inspired ramblings of man who continuously refuses the truth of Yahovah's spoken word at every turn is indeed the transgression of the law which is indeed... "sin".

My friends, our Father in heaven is in no need of a headlight in the sky in order to see. In the first few chapters of the book of Genesis we are told that the earth was without form and void and darkness was over the face of the deep. Our Father in heaven dwells in thick darkness. And our Father in heaven started creation in thick darkness. Not says I, but says our God breathed Scripture. There are those who proclaim that the word light in the first few chapters of the book of Genesis which is the Hebrew word (*or*)... cannot be used to describe luminous light like the light that comes from the sun, or the light that comes from a candle. But this once again is nothing more than the teachings of men. Let's look closely at how the Hebrew word "*or*" is used in other places in our God breathed Scripture. **(scrn 13)**

## “Or” = Luminous “light”

Exo 10:23 They did not see one another, nor did anyone rise from his place for three days, but all the people of Israel had **light (or)** where they lived.

1Sa 14:36 Then Saul said, “Let us go down after the Philistines by night and plunder them until the morning **light (or)**; let us not leave a man of them.” And they said, “Do whatever seems good to you.” But the priest said, “Let us draw near to God here.”

2Sa 17:22 Then David arose, and all the people that were with him, and they passed over Jordan: by the morning **light (or)** there lacked not one of them that was not gone over Jordan.

Jdg 19:26 Then came the woman in the dawning of the day, and fell down at the door of the man's house where her lord was, till it was **light (or)**.



And by the same token... the Hebrew word “*ma-orah*” which is also used to express light, also has a double meaning. It can mean luminous light... and... it can also mean spiritual light or the light of someone’s presence. Not says I... but says our God breathed scripture **(scrn 14)**

## Does “ma-orah” Always Mean Luminous Light?

Pro 15:30 The **light (ma-orah)** of the eyes rejoices the heart, and good news refreshes the bones.

Psa 90:8 You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the **light (ma-orah)** of your presence.



Once again “*ma-orah*” can mean luminous light, and it can also mean spiritual light or can be used as a metaphor the light of someone’s presence. And we can know that by seeing how that word is used in scripture. Once again... the twisting of scripture is easy to do for those who choose to do so. It’s just like the twisting of the word “*fulfill*” in the New Testament. This is exactly what the Church has done in obscuring... and taking out of context the Greek word “*pleroo*” which is Geek for “*fulfill*”. It’s the same trick. You first ruin the context and attack the truth... and then replace it with the double meaning. There is nothing new about this trick, it’s an old trick that the Church has used for years.

Our Messiah tells us in Matthew 12 verse 40 that he would be in the earth for three days and for three nights. But he also says in John 2 verse 19 that if they destroy his temple (meaning his body) that he will restore it in three days... meaning three days and three nights because he would be murdered during the daytime. His death will be the darkness that he will be plunged into even though it will be daytime. And this is where the fulfillment of prophecy once again begins... with the darkness of death. The only reason our Messiah says that he will be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth instead of three nights and three days is because they will murder him during the day, and that day will be counted as day one, and not because a day begins at sunrise. And yes, our Messiah did say that there are 12 hours in a day and this is true, but we must again understand the context of what our Messiah was saying... he was not talking about a day beginning at sunrise he was talking about spiritual enlightenment. **John 11:8-10 (scrn 15)**

## Because The Light Is Not In Him!

Joh 11:8 The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?”

Joh 11:9 Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world.

Joh 11:10 But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him.”



Once again... the context of this conversation is about those who walk in spiritual light and wisdom and those that who do not. There is nothing in this conversation that has anything to do with a day beginning at sunrise. But it is often times used by the ignorant and the unstudied to twist what our Messiah said... as they do the other scriptures.

And we could get into a more complete study of this twisted teaching but for now... it's simply important to be on the lookout for this kind of teaching, and how it is that people even today are once again returning to the desecration of the scripture and the truth that it clearly speaks to those who know him and love him.

Once again, the weak and feeble teachings of men is found to be weighed and wanting. The Hebrew word “*or*” can and is used to describe luminous light not says I... but says our God breathed Scripture. The Hebrew word “*or*” does indeed have a double meaning, and it is also often times is used to express spiritual light, or a spiritual understanding. But it in no way, shape, or form **must be used** to explain only spiritual light or spiritual understanding. Furthermore, Genesis chapter 1 verse five tells us that the light... “*or*”... Yahovah called “*day*”... “*yom*” in the Hebrew language. Now my friends, our Father in heaven is not going to call spiritual enlightenment “*the day*”. A day, is a day. A day in Yahovah’s calendar runs from evening to evening just as it is proclaimed all throughout the Bible. Not just during his feast days and his of moed. And we have a whole teaching that we will be doing on this twisted idea that proclaims that a day begins when the sun rises. Once again, this is nothing short of an old pagan tradition resurfacing once again to confuse the spoken word of Yahovah.

But the point that I'm trying to make here this evening is that we cannot teach the day of Atonement or any of our Fathers appointments or his moed if we are going to teach them incorrectly and if we don't understand how and why it is that we are to keep them as we are to keep them.

It is amazing that we can read the simplicity of the spoken word of God who time and time again says from "*evening to evening*" and "*throughout your generations*" and yet... deny the simplicity of his spoken word because of the teachings of a few wicked men. Once again, the devil doesn't even have to change his bag of tricks. Generation after generation he uses the same tricks time and time again to pull the wool over man's eyes because man refuses to get down on his knees and to face the holy promised land of Jerusalem, and to ask in the name of Yeshua Hamashiach for his wisdom and his wisdom alone. And this my friends... is a shame for us, and it ought not to be so.

And it is for this very reason that we are commanded to AFFLICT OURSELVES on the day of Atonement. It is because of our constant wicked nature that is constantly following after the world today, and the teachings of men that we need the Day of Atonement each and every year to remember our sinful nature, and to bring that sinful nature to the altar of atonement as our Messiah has commanded us to do. We are once again to do as he did, and these are the things as the High Priest of Israel in the order of Melchizedek that he has done and also expects us to do as well in order to show our love for our Father in heaven who is where salvation was actually conceived, and came from. Once again my friends, Yeshua did not do it all for us at the cross so that we don't have to be bothered with his spoken word. Our Messiah did his part at the cross, and he expects us to also do our part in returning to righteousness and shunning unrighteousness. He has opened the door, but it is we that must make the conscious decision to willfully and intentionally walk through the door that he is.

The Day of Atonement is indeed known as a "*high Sabbath*". Why do we think it is called "a Sabbath" because it is to be kept as we keep "*the Sabbath*"? On the "*high Sabbath*" of the Day of Atonement we are to AFFLICT OURSELVES, once again pointing directly to the evil part of the flesh itself. If we enjoy it... we are not to do it on that monumental day. Our Messiah afflicted himself by offering himself up as our ransom, and it is because he did this that we too are to follow him and do as he did, and to be reminded of the fact that our Messiah gave it all up for us. Remembering the affliction of our Passover Lamb, our High Priest, our Messiah, the anointed descendant of David who was chosen by Yehovah himself to be our sacrifice is crucial. And to confess our sins to him on The Day of Atonement and to ask for the remission of any sin, any transgression that we have committed even unknowingly... is a gift... not a burden.

Once you understand the Day of Atonement... you're on your way to becoming a true Christian and not just a modern day ignorant and unstudied professing Christian. There is a difference my friends, and just as our Messiah clearly tells us... not everyone who calls him lord, lord is getting into the kingdom of Heaven, but only the one who does the will of his Father who is in heaven.

In these last days we are commanded to conquer. We are commanded to endure to the end, and not to fold to the whimsical teachings of men who are inspired by another spirit. It is my hope and my prayer that each one of us will keep watch. And that each one of us will do as our Father in heaven commands us because once again my friends just as our God breathed Scripture tells us... this... is the whole duty of man.

With that being said I will once again ask that everyone within the sound of my voice would please take what they 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 knock 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 through the gates of his soon coming kingdom together.