



Numbers Chapter 31b

The Carbon Copy of The Midianites

Last week during our study into the 30th and 31st chapters of the book of Numbers we took a close look at the vows of both men and women. And we made note of the distinction between the vows of a man and the vows of a woman and the hierarchy or the chain of command if you will of Yehovah.

We also made mention of the fact that making vows and taking oaths can be extremely dangerous for many different reasons. And we spoke about the vow that Jephthah had made in Judges chapter 11 concerning his promise to Yehovah if Yehovah would deliver the Ammonites into his hand. This once again is a perfect example of why it is that we should think twice before making a vow or taking an oath. And just as we saw in the New Testament, even our Messiah teaches us to let our yes be yes and our no be no, and anything beyond that should be seen as evil.

Vows and oaths can make it extremely easy for our adversary to snare us especially when he knows that that vow or that oath was made to the Elohim of Israel.

Once again, something to be keenly aware of is that we as Christians are commanded to fulfill our vows and our oaths. If we make a vow to anyone, or if we take an oath for any reason, we are bound by what our mouth speaks. And we went through several Scripture last week that once again clarifies our duty to do what we say to the very best of our

abilities.

And we also examined James chapter 3 where the apostle James talks about the dangers of the human tongue and how it is that the human tongue stains the whole body setting on fire the entire course of life and how no human being can tame the tongue. And we also saw in Matthew chapter 15 that what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart and that this is what defiles a person for out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness and slander according to our Messiah. And once again in Matthew chapter 12 our Messiah clearly warns us that on the day of judgment people will give an account for every careless word that they have spoken for by our words we will be justified and by our words we will be condemned.

And therefore, as true God-fearing, Messiah following, cross-bearing Christians it should be evidently clear to us how dangerous the human tongue can actually be. And so, because we know that we are bound by the words that we speak, and we know that we will be judged by the words that we speak, we as Christians should indeed be much more mindful of the words that we say and the promises that we make.

And when we finally got into Numbers chapter 31, we spoke about this holy war against Midian and why it was that the house of Israel went to war against the Midianites.

Once again, it was the women of Midian that had enticed the men of the house of Israel to go after the pagan God Baal of Peor. And just as it was commanded in Deuteronomy chapter 13, because of what this nation had done in enticing the house of Israel to go after other gods, it was Yehovah God's commandment that this nation could no longer stand upon the earth.

And once again, this should remind us of how important it is not to be found worshiping other gods other than the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. It was clearly written in the book of Deuteronomy that

whether it be a single person or city or a nation... anyone who entices God's people to go after other gods was to be removed from the face of the earth. It was God's original intent that the earth would indeed be sanitized and made new again without the children of the serpent being part of the equation.

If we will remember correctly once again, in Genesis chapter 3 verse 15 our Father in heaven told the serpent who had tricked Adam and Eve in the garden that he would put enmity between the offspring of the serpent and the offspring of the human woman and that it would be the offspring of a human woman that would crush the head of the serpent.

If the house of Israel had done as Yehovah God had commanded the house of Israel to do, the earth would have been cleansed of the children of the serpent. However, as we can see within the confines of the Torah, the writings of the prophets and the Psalms, the house of Israel failed to carry out the commandment of Yehovah and this is exactly why Yehovah had divorced the house of Israel and scattered her into the nations of the world so that she would know what it was like to live in sin and in transgression apart from the one true Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. And this is exactly why the northern kingdom was dispersed into the nations of the world and so to was the southern kingdom of Judah dispersed into the nations of the world.

The Jewish people have literally been kicked out of almost every nation in the world. And the Holocaust should stand as a perfect example of what happens to a people when Yehovah turns his back and moves away from that people. The house of Israel mistreated our Father in heaven. They had profaned his sabbaths and his feast days and his commandments and his precepts. They disobeyed his commandments and chose to follow after other pagan gods that were really no gods at all. And it was for this very reason that God had scattered them into the nations and allowed the nations to chew them up and spit them out.

If there is anything that we can learn from the Holocaust, and the worlds

treatment of the Jewish people it's what happens to a people when God's protective hand is no longer upon them. When we decide to assimilate ourselves with the world and when we decide to hold hands and sing Kumbaya with the world, we are literally divorcing ourselves from our creator who teaches us time and time again not to be yoked together with unbelievers, not to seek after other gods, and not to create other gods for ourselves to worship, and not even to tolerate such a person within our ranks.

Of course, it was indeed because Yehovah has always loved his children that even after the house of Israel had treated him maliciously... Yehovah had promised the house of Israel that he would indeed bring them back and place them in the land that he had promised them not because they were good people mind you... but because Yehovah had promised this to them. And it is indeed for the namesake of Yehovah... that the house of Israel will once again take possession of the land that Yehovah had promised them because even though the house of Israel was incapable of keeping its promise and its part of the covenant... Yehovah from the very beginning has always had every intention of fulfilling his part of the covenant. Just because man breaks his part of the agreement does not mean that God is going to break his part of the agreement. And just so that we can better understand this concept, and so that we can better understand what we are reading here in the book of Numbers I would like us to turn to the book of **Ezekiel chapter 36 verses 22 through 38 E1**

I Will Put My Spirit Within You

Eze 36:22 "Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came.

Eze 36:23 And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord GOD, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes.

Eze 36:24 I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land.

Eze 36:25 I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you.

Eze 36:26 And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

Eze 36:27 And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

Eze 36:28 You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

Eze 36:29 And I will deliver you from all your uncleannesses. And I will summon the grain and make it abundant and lay no famine upon you.

Eze 36:30 I will make the fruit of the tree and the increase of the field abundant, that you may never again suffer the disgrace of famine among the nations.

Eze 36:31 Then you will remember your evil ways, and your deeds that were not good, and you will loathe yourselves for your iniquities and your abominations.

Eze 36:32 It is not for your sake that I will act, declares the Lord GOD; let that be known to you. Be ashamed and confounded for your ways, O house of Israel.

Eze 36:33 "Thus says the Lord GOD: On the day that I cleanse you from all your iniquities, I will cause the cities to be inhabited, and the waste places shall be rebuilt.

Eze 36:34 And the land that was desolate shall be tilled, instead of being the desolation that it was in the sight of all who passed by.

Eze 36:35 And they will say, 'This land that was desolate has become like the garden of Eden, and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are now fortified and inhabited.'

Eze 36:36 Then the nations that are left all around you shall know that I am the LORD; I have rebuilt the ruined places and replanted that which was desolate. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it.

Eze 36:37 "Thus says the Lord GOD: This also I will let the house of Israel ask me to do for them: to increase their people like a flock.

Eze 36:38 Like the flock for sacrifices, like the flock at Jerusalem during her appointed feasts, so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of people. Then they will know that I am the LORD."

What we are reading here in Ezekiel chapter 36 has already in part taken place in the nation of Israel. (**scrn 1**)



“Palestine sits in sackcloth and ashes. Over it broods the spell of a curse that has withered its fields and fettered its energies.”

“Renowned Jerusalem itself, the stateliest name in history, has lost all its ancient grandeur, and [has] become a pauper village; the riches of Solomon are no longer there to compel the admiration of visiting Oriental queens; the wonderful temple which was the pride and the glory of Israel, is gone.”

Mark Twain The Innocents Abroad 1869



Back in 1869 an extremely prolific and well-known writer by the name of Mark Twain had journeyed through the land of Israel which was known at that time is Palestine... and in his book “The Innocents Abroad” he wrote about the land of Israel and Jerusalem in particular sitting in sackcloth and ashes. And Mark Twain had made mention that during his travels through the holy land that the renowned Jerusalem... the stateliest name in history had lost all of its ancient grandeur and had become a pauper village. The riches of Solomon were no longer there to compel the admiration of visiting Oriental queens; the wonderful temple which was the pride and glory of Israel was indeed gone.

What’s important to understand about the land of Israel is that the land of Israel has been controlled by many different kingdoms and powers including ancient Egypt, the northern and the southern kingdoms of Israel, the Persian Empire, Alexander the great and his successors, the Hasmoneans, the Roman empire, several Muslim caliphate’s and the Crusaders.

In modern times Israel was ruled by the Ottoman Empire and then the United Kingdom and since 1948 it has become what we know today as the nation of Israel. And it's important to know these things because it most certainly could be said that Israel becoming a flourishing nation in 1948 was indeed a fulfillment of Ezekiel chapter 36... least to some degree.

Personally I believe that what we see in the land of Israel today is a foreshadow of the promise of our Father in heaven here in Ezekiel chapter 36.

In Ezekiel chapter 36 verse 34 Yehovah God promises Israel that the land that was desolate shall be tilled instead of being the desolation that it was in the sight of all who passed by.

The world must admit that Israel was indeed desolate until Israel became a nation. Today Israel is one of the biggest exporters of wine and is abundant with all kinds of fruits and vegetables. There is no doubt in anyone's mind that the land that was desolate in the sight of all who passed by including Mark Twain has indeed become more like the garden of Eden than at any other time in history.

Eventually all of God's people will once again be returned to this land that we know as Israel. And for at least a thousand years during the millennial reign of our Messiah, we will all be called back to that promised land according to the Bible. But what is even more astonishing is that it is written in the 21st chapter of the book of Revelation that our Father in heaven is going to create a new heaven and a new earth upon which time he is going to bring down a new Jerusalem. And the description of that new Jerusalem can be found in the 21st chapter of the book of Revelation.

And I say all of that to say this; what we are reading here in the book of Numbers is showing us how this promised land was originally established. This promised land that Yehovah had promised Abraham,

Isaac, and Jacob would have already been established had the house of Israel not profaned the name of Yehvoah among the nations.

Had the house of Israel obeyed the commandment of Yehvoah in the beginning, the house of Israel would right now already be living in the promised land. The only reason that the house of Israel is not right now living in the promised land in its entirety the way that God had originally intended is because of the disobedience of God's people and their rebellion against him.

But the prophecy that we see here in Ezekiel chapter 36 is utterly astounding when we read what it is that Yehovah had promised the house of Israel.

Right here in Ezekiel chapter 36 versus 26 through 29 our Father in heaven promises Israel that he would give them a new heart and a new spirit that he would put within them. And Yehvoah had promised that he would remove the heart of stone from their flesh and give them a heart of flesh. At which time he would put his spirit within his people and cause his people to walk in his statutes and to be careful to obey his rules.

My friends there should be no doubt in our minds that what is written right here in the book of Ezekiel chapter 36 is indeed in the process of taking place right now today in our time.

The arrival of the son of David the son of Abraham upon the earth has indeed given men a new heart. And it is through Yeshua Hamashiach the only begotten Son of God that the heart of stone has been removed from God's people and a heart of flesh has taken its place. It was through Yeshua Hamashiach the only begotten Son of God that the spirit of God has been placed within God's people causing us to walk again in his statutes and to be careful to obey his rules.

The spirit of Yehovah continues to be poured out each and every day,

and each and every day more and more people are coming to the truth. Each and every day people are turning away from churchianity... and are coming back to the truth of their God breathed Scripture and because they are coming back to the truth of their God breathed Scripture, Yehovah is causing his people to once again walk in his statutes and to be careful to obey his rules.

What we must understand is that all of this is taking place right before our very eyes. All of this is unfolding as we speak. But the completion of these promises will not take place until after the 1000 year millennial reign of our Messiah when Yehovah God does create a new heaven and a new earth and when he finally does bring down a new Jerusalem.

What we are seeing upon the earth today is simply a shadow picture of things to come. The promise of Ezekiel chapter 36 is only in the beginning stages of its fulfillment. But there should be no doubt in our minds that the promises of Yehovah God that were made here in Ezekiel chapter 36 are indeed unfolding right now before our very eyes.

It is through the heart transplant that Yeshua Hamashiach the only begotten Son of God has given us, that our Father in heaven will no longer remember our evil ways and our evil deeds. And it is indeed through Yeshua Hamashiach the only begotten Son of God that we do indeed loathe ourselves because of our iniquities and because of our past abominations.

But what we must always remember is that God did not do these things because we were such a good people. Yehovah did not do these things for us because we deserved them. There is nothing within ourselves that is deserving of the mercy and the grace that God has extended to us.

What Yehovah God has done through his only begotten Son he has done for his namesake. Yehovah God has done what he has done because he made a vow to his people. And even though his people had broken their vow to him... Yehovah God is not about to break his vow to his people.

And just as it is written in Ezekiel chapter 36 verse 38, “like the flock for sacrifices, like the flock in Jerusalem during her appointed feasts, so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of people. Then they will know that I am Yehovah.

You see the world is without excuse because God continuously time after time after time shows us who he is. Yehovah time after time after time proves his existence through his spoken word that does not return to him empty. The world is indeed without excuse, and this is exactly why the great and terrible day of Yehovah is called the great and terrible day of Yehovah. It is because the world is without excuse that the world condemns itself. And it is because the world has seen these things that God has spoken... that the world will be held accountable for rejecting him.

The Midianites were destroyed for leading God’s people into the worship of other pagan gods. And so too will the world be destroyed for leading God’s people into the worship of other pagan gods.

The apostle Peter wrote about the new heavens and the new earth. Peter tells us exactly what is going to happen to this world in the end. And Peter hides nothing when it comes to the new thing that God will indeed do. **Second Peter chapter 3 verses nine through 13 (scrn 2)**

2Pe 3:9 The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

2Pe 3:10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.

2Pe 3:11 Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness,

2Pe 3:12 waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn!

2Pe 3:13 But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.



What we see here in second Peter chapter 3 is a mirror image of what we see in Revelation chapter 21 where we are given a description of what will take place at the end of the age. And as we are reading through the Torah here in the book of Numbers and while we are watching the establishment of the promised land of the house of Israel here in Numbers chapter 31, I think it is tectonically important to parallel the establishment of the promised land of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob with the new promised land that is still yet to come. And so, let's take just a moment to read **Revelation chapter 21 E2**

The New Heaven and the New Earth

Rev 21:1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

Rev 21:2 And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Rev 21:3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.

Rev 21:4 He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for

the former things have passed away.”

Rev 21:5 And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

Rev 21:6 And he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment.

Rev 21:7 The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.

Rev 21:8 But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death.”

The New Jerusalem

Rev 21:9 Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.”

Rev 21:10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God,

Rev 21:11 having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal.

Rev 21:12 It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed—

Rev 21:13 on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates.

Rev 21:14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

Rev 21:15 And the one who spoke with me had a measuring rod of gold to measure the city and its gates and walls.

Rev 21:16 The city lies foursquare, its length the same as its width. And he measured the city with his rod, 12,000 stadia. Its length and width and height are equal.

Rev 21:17 He also measured its wall, 144 cubits by human measurement, which is also an angel's measurement.

Rev 21:18 The wall was built of jasper, while the city was pure gold, like clear glass.

Rev 21:19 The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with every kind of jewel. The first was jasper, the second sapphire, the third agate, the

fourth emerald,

Rev 21:20 the fifth onyx, the sixth carnelian, the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth chrysoprase, the eleventh jacinth, the twelfth amethyst.

Rev 21:21 And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass.

Rev 21:22 And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb.

Rev 21:23 And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb.

Rev 21:24 By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it,

Rev 21:25 and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there.

Rev 21:26 They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations.

Rev 21:27 But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Something else that is important to contrast with Revelation chapter 21 is what our Messiah said in **Matthew chapter 5 (scrn 3)**

Mat 5:17 “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.

Mat 5:18 For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished.



Clearly, right here in Matthew chapter 5 our Messiah tells us that until heaven and earth pass away not in Iota not a dot will pass from the Law until all is accomplished.

Now my friends, I don't understand how the church gets this wrong. I don't understand how any man of God could possibly think that the crossing of a T or the dotting of an i could possibly have passed away from the law. Especially since James and the elders in Jerusalem tell us very clearly in acts chapter 21 verse 24 that the apostle Paul himself always lived in observance of the law. The apostle Paul himself tells us that he delights in the law of God in his inner being in Romans chapter 7 verse 22. And listen closely to what our Messiah says about his Father's law; **(scrn 4)**

Mat 5:17 "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.

Mat 5:18 For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished.

Luk 16:17 But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for one dot of the Law to become void.



And so we have our Messiah telling us not once but twice both in the book of Matthew and in the book of Luke that it is impossible for one dot of the law to become void until both heaven and earth pass away... **(scrn 5 show)**

Rom 7:22 For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being,

Rom 7:23 but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.

Act 21:23 Do therefore what we tell you. We have four men who are under a vow;

Act 21:24 take these men and purify yourself along with them and pay their expenses, so that they may shave their heads. Thus all will know that there is nothing in what they have been told about you, but that you yourself (Paul) also live in observance of the law.



And we have both the apostle Paul himself and the apostle James and the elders in Jerusalem telling us that Paul always lived in observance of the law. And yet... we have “churchianity” all the while proclaiming that the law is dead along with works. And obedience... well that was just for the Jews.

Let me ask you something... could it possibly be...

could it possibly be... that “churchianity” today has misunderstood something? Could it possibly be that the prophecy of Peter has come true today in our age? What did the apostle Peter warn us against?

Second Peter chapter 3 verses 14 through 17 (scrn 6)

2Pe 3:14 Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, be diligent to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace.

2Pe 3:15 And count the patience of our Lord as salvation, just as our beloved brother Paul also wrote to you according to the wisdom given him,

2Pe 3:16 as he does in all his letters when he speaks in them of these matters. There are some things in them that are hard to understand, which the ignorant and unstable twist to their own destruction, as they do the other Scriptures.

2Pe 3:17 You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability.



Has what Peter warned us of come true today in our age? Has the church twisted the writings of the apostle Paul to their own destruction as they do the other scriptures? And have we as God's people been carried away with the error of lawless people and lost our own stability?

I would submit to you my friends that the answer to these questions is a resounding yes!

What we are reading about here today in the book of Numbers chapter 31 has everything to do with the establishment of the promised land that only God's people are going to enter into.

The letter of the law was written down on parchment by Moses and the prophets so that... future generations would have the ability to understand the spoken word, the Torah, the law of God spiritually. Let me say that again just so that it sinks in... the letter of the law was written down on parchment by Moses and the prophets so that... future generations would have the ability to understand the spoken word, the Torah, the law of God spiritually.

There is both a physical and a spiritual element to the Torah which is the spoken word of God. The physical had to be kept so that the spiritual could be understood. (scrn 7 show)

Rom 7:14 For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin.



This is why the apostle Paul tells us that he delights in the law in his inner being, and this is why James tells us that Paul always lived in observance of the law, because Paul understood the spiritual implications of the law even though he seemed to have a difficult time explaining the spiritual implications of the law. And this is exactly why we see the apostle Paul getting into trouble in acts chapter 21 when he comes to Jerusalem. The Jews there in Jerusalem believed that Paul was a heretic and was teaching against the law because of his teaching style that the apostle Peter warns us about in second Peter chapter 3 verse 16.

The apostle Paul was a human man. The apostle Paul was not without his faults. And just as the apostle Peter warns us, the writings of the apostle Paul are hard to understand not easy to understand. And this is exactly why the ignorant and the unstable do indeed twist the writings of

the Apostle Paul to their own destruction as they do the other scriptures. Just as the apostle Peter warns us, we are to make sure that we are careful that we are not carried away with the error of lawless people. But once again, this is not, and I repeat not what “churchianity” teaches. Churchianity itself has indeed become the lawless people that Peter was warning us about!

Numbers chapter 31 shows us how dangerous it is to allow people to preach a false god to us. Numbers chapter 31 teaches us the dangers of worshiping a false god that man has created for himself. Numbers chapter 31 shows us the destination of those who do such things. Numbers chapter 31 is all about a holy war against those who teach and preach another God other than the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. And I would submit to you that we are indeed in a holy war this very day. A war between truth, and deception. A war between the true Elohim of Israel and a false god that has been created by men and their charters of men.

Are we starting to put the pieces together? Are we starting to get the picture here? Are we starting to recognize how the serpent from the garden of Eden is sifting even the very elect today in our time?

Once again, to think that the Torah is irrelevant, or to think that the beginning of the Bible has nothing to do with our day and age is to be in great error.

To say that the law is spiritual is not to say that the law is dead or done away with. There are many people who have clearly never read the Bible for themselves that will wrongly proclaim that the law (which is the spoken word of God by the way) has all been done away with and that there is no such thing as works any more, and that obedience was completely wiped out by our Messiah who did it all for us at the cross so that we don't have to be bothered with what God says. And this wicked mindset has been preached around the world by the Devil and his minions for generations for the soul purpose of hiding our Father's

seventh day Sabbath and hiding his feast days and his appointments and to hide his precepts and his ways from his people.

One of the most misunderstood writings of the apostle Paul can be found in second Corinthians chapter 3 verses five through 18. And I would like to read that for you just so that we can clarify exactly what it is that the apostle Paul is saying and just as importantly what the apostle Paul is not saying. Let's turn very quickly to **second Corinthians chapter 3 verses five through 18 E3**

2Co 3:5 Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God,

2Co 3:6 who has made us sufficient **to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit.** For the letter kills, but **the Spirit** gives life.

2Co 3:7 Now if the ministry of death, carved in letters on stone, came with such glory that the Israelites could not gaze at Moses' face because of its glory, which was being brought to an end,

2Co 3:8 will not **the ministry of the Spirit** have even more glory?

2Co 3:9 For if there was glory in **the ministry of condemnation, the ministry of righteousness** must far exceed it in glory.

2Co 3:10 Indeed, in this case, what once had glory has come to have no glory at all, **because of the glory that surpasses it.**

2Co 3:11 For if what was being brought to an end came with glory, much more will what is permanent have glory.

2Co 3:12 Since we have such **a hope**, we are very bold,

2Co 3:13 not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome **of what was being brought to an end.**

2Co 3:14 But **their minds were hardened.** For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because **only through Christ is it taken away.**

2Co 3:15 Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts.

2Co 3:16 But **when one turns to the Lord,** the veil is removed.

2Co 3:17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, **there is freedom.**

2Co 3:18 And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, **are being transformed into the same image** from one degree of glory to

another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

Many people who have been caught up in the newfound religion of “churchianity” will proudly proclaim that second Corinthians chapter 3 completely abolishes the law and makes the first half of the Bible nothing more than blank white pages. But I would submit to you that these lawless people are the exact same people that the apostle Peter warned us against. Let’s break down what is being said here in second Corinthians chapter 3 so that we can know exactly what the apostle Paul was saying and just as importantly what the apostle Paul was not saying. (scrn 8)

2Co 3:5 Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God,

2Co 3:6 who has made us sufficient to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

Heb 10:16 “This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds,”

Heb 10:17 then he adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

Heb 10:18 Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.



Starting with second Corinthians chapter 3 verses five and six, Paul tells us that we are to be ministers of a new covenant. The problem that most people who are caught up in today’s newfound religion of “churchianity” have is that they do not understand what the new covenant even is. What is the new covenant according to the Bible in both the Old Testament and the New Testament?

Clearly according to Jeremiah chapter 31 in the Old Testament and

Hebrews chapter 10 in the New Testament the new covenant is all about God writing his law in the hearts and in the minds of his people. And then... and then... according to Hebrews chapter 10 verse 17... after he has written his law in the hearts and in the minds of his people then he will remember there's lawless deeds no more and not until.

In other words, until God's law is written in your heart and on your mind God will not forget your sins and your lawless deeds. And so, what is Paul actually saying here in second Corinthians chapter 3 verse six? He is saying that we are to be ministers of this new covenant that writes God's law across our hearts and in our minds! And not by the letter but of the spirit. Why the spirit? Because it is this spirit that dwells within us that causes us to be obedient to our Fathers spoken word.

Our Messiah... our Passover Lamb, who came to be the perfect unblemished human sacrifice... the only perfect human sacrifice that could possibly atone for the sins of mankind... came to break our stony hearts into peaces and to replace our stone cold hearts with a new heart of flesh that could understand the spiritual implications of the Law so that we could return to God's word and be his people once again so that he could once again be... our God. This is what Paul is telling us that we are ministers of. This new covenenat that has made it possible for God's people to return to God. Let's now proceed to **second Corinthians chapter 3 verses seven through nine (scrn 9)**

2Co 3:7 Now if the ministry of death, carved in letters on stone, came with such glory that the Israelites could not gaze at Moses' face because of its glory, which was being brought to an end,
2Co 3:8 will not the ministry of the Spirit have even more glory?
2Co 3:9 For if there was glory in the ministry of condemnation, the ministry of righteousness must far exceed it in glory.



What is this ministry of death carved in letters on stone that Paul is talking about? What was carved in stone by the finger of God? The testimony of God was carved in stone by the finger of God at Mount Sinai. Churchyanity knows these stones as the 10 Commandments. Are the 10 Commandments a ministry of death?

Is Paul now saying that it's okay to worship other gods? Is Paul now saying that we can take the name of the Lord our God in vain? Is Paul now telling us that we can forget the 7th day Sabbath of God? Is Paul now telling us that we don't have to honor our mother and her father anymore? Is Paul now telling us that it's okay to murder and it's okay to commit adultery and it's okay to steal and it's okay the bear false witness against your neighbor? Is this what Paul is telling us here in second Corinthians? Or is Paul making a contrast between sin and righteousness?

I ask you plainly... how difficult is it for us to see that Paul is contrasting sin which is the transgression of the law according to John... with righteousness? I ask you plainly... did our Messiah come to push

us farther away from his Father... or did our Messiah come to bring us back to his Father? Our Messiah tells us that it is impossible for one dot of his Fathers Law to become void until both heaven and earth pass away and all things are accomplished which does not happen until Revelation chapter 21 at the end of the 1000 year millennial reign of our Messiah. Is Paul preaching against our Messiah? I think not.

Paul is simply teaching God's people to become the spoken word of God in the flesh just like our Messiah had become the spoken word of God in the flesh. Paul is teaching the assembly at Corinth that the law written on parchment was the quintessential identification of sin which is the transgression of the spoken word of God. But now that our Messiah has come, that sin... that transgression that the law written on parchment pointed out as sin... has been forgiven. And therefore, because the new covenant that writes God's law across our hearts and in our mind has indeed been written across our hearts and in our minds, we have become the law the spoken word of God in the flesh. We are the law of God if... if... his Spirit truly does dwell within us.

If we truly believe in the only begotten Son of God and what he did for us and for our children and for our children's children, then our hearts should be broken. The stone cold heart should no longer reside within us. A new heart of flesh has been given to us. A true heart that feels remorse and shame. What did we just get done reading in Ezekiel chapter 36? (**scrn 10**)

Eze 36:31 Then you will remember your evil ways, and your deeds that were not good, and you will loathe yourselves for your iniquities and your abominations.



After seeing what sin has done to our Messiah and our King the Son of David Son of Abraham, how could we not loath ourselves for our iniquities and our abominations? Do you see why Paul calls the 10 Commandments a ministry of death carved in letters of stone? It was because man had transgressed the 10 Commandments of God that man deserved death and rightly so. And it was our Messiah that paid that death penalty so that we could return to his Father... not so that we could continue transgressing his word! **Hebrews 10:26-31 E4**

Heb 10:26 For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,

Heb 10:27 but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries.

Heb 10:28 Anyone who has set aside the law of Moses dies without mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses.

Heb 10:29 How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace?

Heb 10:30 For we know him who said, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay." And again, "The Lord will judge his people."

Heb 10:31 It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

And this is why Paul tells us that the ministry of the spirit has even more glory. And this is exactly why Paul tells us in second Corinthians chapter 3 verse nine that if there was glory in the ministry of condemnation the ministry of righteousness must far exceed it in glory! In other words... if there was glory in the 10 Commandments (and we know that there is because it was written by God), the ministry of righteousness which is the obedience of the 10 Commandments... must far exceed it in glory. Is that so hard to understand? Is that so hard to comprehend?

You see why the apostle Peter tells us that the writings of the apostle Paul are difficult to understand and that the ignorant and the unstable would twist them to their own destruction as they do the other Scriptures? And do you see why Peter tells us in second Peter chapter 3 verse 17 that knowing this beforehand we should take care that we are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose our own stability? What in the world could surpass the 10 Commandments of God? What could surpass the testimony of God? Obedience! Obedience to the ten commandments, obedience to the testimony of God!

Obedience surpasses the written commandment. When you live the law, you surpass the law. When you become the law made flesh, you surpass the written law. When the law is no more about what is written in stone and becomes the way that you walk and the way that you talk and live... You no longer need a written law on two tablets of stone because those 10 Commandments have become a way of life to you. They are written across your heart! Do you understand what Paul is saying here? Do you understand why the apostle John tells us that our Messiah became the word of God made flesh? Do you understand why our Messiah tells us to pick up our crosses and to follow him and to do as he did and to walk as he walked? Does anyone out there have the eyes to see and the ears to hear? I would like for us to listen very closely to exactly what the new covenant is all about and what it says about us all knowing God and not needing anyone to teach us about God any more. We can find this new

covenant in the Old Testament in **Jeremiah chapter 31 verses 33 and 34 (scrn 11)**

Jer 31:33 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Jer 31:34 And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."



Right here in Jeremiah chapter 31 verses 33 and 34 we find the promise of the new covenant that we also find in the New Testament in Hebrews chapter 10. And according to this promise, the new covenant is all about God writing his law within the hearts and the minds of his people so that he can once again be their God. And notice what he says in verse 34; no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother saying know Yehovah for they shall all know me. Why? How? Because his law, his Torah, his spoken word will be written across our hearts and in our minds!

You see, his people will become the 10 Commandments. His people will become his feast days, his people will become his precepts and his appointments. Our Messiah came to be our example. He became the spoken word of God made flesh and by doing so he has called us to also pick up our crosses and to follow him and to do as he did so that... we also can become the spoken word of God made flesh.

Once we naturally walk in his ways, once we naturally keep his seventh day Sabbath, once we naturally shun all other Gods, once we naturally honor our Father and our mother, once we naturally no longer murder, once we naturally no longer commit adultery, once we naturally no longer steal, once we naturally no longer bear false witness against our neighbor... those written instructions are no longer needed because they have become part and parcel of who we are! Those written instructions, those Commandments, those precepts, those appointments and feast days, all become part of our DNA. They become part of us. They become one with us, in us, and through us.

What Paul is teaching the new converts at Corinth is that they should no longer need a written set of instructions. They already know what sin is. They already know what transgression is. They have seen the cost of sin through the death of their Passover lamb. And therefore, because their stony hearts have been removed and they have been given a new heart of flesh, they should be in the process of becoming the law of God just like their Messiah became the law of God.

You see, this is all spiritual. It's about moving out of the carnal and away from the perishable and putting on the imperishable. It's about no longer obeying the flesh, but putting the spirit over the flesh. Listen closely to what Paul wrote in **Romans chapter 8 verses one through 11 E5**

Life in the Spirit

Rom 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Rom 8:2 For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus **from the law of sin and death.**

Rom 8:3 For God has done what the law, **weakened by the flesh,** could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, **he condemned sin in the flesh,**

Rom 8:4 **in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us,** who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

Rom 8:5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

Rom 8:6 For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

Rom 8:7 For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot.

Rom 8:8 Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

Rom 8:9 You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

Rom 8:10 But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

Rom 8:11 If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

The apostle Paul tells us right here in Romans chapter 8 that God condemned sin in the flesh in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who walk not according to the flesh but according to the spirit. And Paul continues to write that those who live according to the sinful flesh set their minds on the things of the sinful flesh but those that live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the spirit.

Paul says and I quote, “for the mind that is set on the sinful flesh is hostile to God for it does not submit to God’s law, indeed it cannot. therefore... those who are in the flesh cannot please God. In other words, if you cannot submit to God’s law then you cannot please God says the apostle Paul.

Furthermore, the apostle Paul continues to tell us that we are no longer in the sinful flesh but in the spirit and if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in us than we no longer obey the sinful flesh. And Paul goes on to tell us in verse 10 that if the Messiah is in you although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. What is “righteousness”? Righteousness is the opposite of “lawlessness”! In

other words it is this spirit of God that kills the sinful flesh the disobedient flesh the flesh that transgresses his law. And Paul goes on to tell us in verse 11 that if the spirit of God that raised Yeshua from the dead dwells in you, he who raised your Messiah from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through the spirit that dwells in you. The same spirit that has written the law of God across your heart and in your mind not says I... But says the apostle Paul. **(scrn 12 show)**

Rom 7:22 For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being,

Rom 7:23 but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.

Act 21:23 Do therefore what we tell you. We have four men who are under a vow;

Act 21:24 take these men and purify yourself along with them and pay their expenses, so that they may shave their heads. Thus all will know that there is nothing in what they have been told about you, but that you yourself (Paul) also live in observance of the law.



The same apostle Paul who delights in the law of God. The same apostle Paul but also lived in observance of the law according to James and the elders in Jerusalem. **(scrn 13)**

What Paul Said About The Law of God...

Rom 2:13 For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the law who will be justified.

Rom 3:31 Do we then overthrow the law by this faith? By no means! On the contrary, we uphold the law.

Rom 7:12 So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

Rom 7:25 Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.

Rom 8:6 For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

Rom 8:7 For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot.

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Act 21:23 Do therefore what we tell you (Paul). We have four men who are under a vow;

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The same apostle Paul that tells us that it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God but the doers of the law that will be justified.

The same Paul that tells us that we do not overthrow the law by our faith but that we uphold the law.

The same Paul that says that he serves the law of God with his mind.

The same Paul that says that the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God because it does not submit to God's law.

The same Paul that James and the elders in Jerusalem tell us always lived in observance of the law.

Isn't it amazing what we find within the pages of our God breathed Scripture when we decide to sit down and read our God read Scripture for ourselves instead of letting someone else tell us what it says?

Once again, what we are reading about here in Numbers chapter 31 concerning this holy war against the Midianites has everything to do with the holy war that we are fighting today against the Midianites of our time. Those same hucksters who are attempting to lure us into the worship of another false god are alive and well today in our time. A lawless god that they have created for themselves. A lawless god who scratches their itching ears. A lawless god who knows no justice, has no 7th day Sabbath, no feast days, no appointments, nothing to teach us, nothing for us to remember, and teaches that do as thou wilt is now the whole of the law which comes straight out the devils bible itself written by the likes of Alester Crowley and Madam Blavatski.

This lawless god my friends is no god at all. This is nothing more than the devil dressing himself up as an angel of light along with his ministers who are nothing more than a carbon copy of the Midianites.

Listen closely to what Paul says in 2nd Corinthians 14 through 18 (scrn 14)

2Co 3:14 But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away.

2Co 3:15 Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts.

2Co 3:16 But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed.

2Co 3:17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

2Co 3:18 And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.



Why were there minds hardened? Because they did not believe in the Messiah! When the Torah is red available still lives over their heart because they still have that stony heart because they do not believe in the only begotten son of God the son of David the son of Abraham.

But when one turns to the Messiah, their Passover lamb, the veil is then removed. What veil? The condemnation of the law! Because the condemnation of the law still demands the death and multi-from them because they have not accepted the Messiah!

Paul clearly tells us in verse 17 that where the spirit of the Lord is there is freedom! Freedom from what? Freedom from the law? Freedom from the spoken word of God? No! Freedom from sin and transgression not freedom from the law! And this is exactly why Paul tells us in verse 18 that we all with unveiled face beholding the glory of the Lord are being transformed into the same image from 1° of gory to another for this comes from the Lord who is the spirit. What is it that the church thinks that they are being transformed into? A bunch of lawless devils!?

It is the spirit that writes the law of God across our hearts and transforms us into the spoken word of God made flesh just like our Messiah was transformed into the spoken word of God made flesh.

My hope and my prayer is that this study will give you something to take you your prayer closet and test through the fire of prayer. My hope and my prayer is that you can use this study to share with other in order to open their eyes and to unplug their ears. My hope and my prayer is that you will indeed take these things 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.

My hope and my prayer is that you will ask, seek, and knock on his door and on his door alone so that the proper door can be opened to you. And there is no doubt in my mind that if you will do these things, 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.