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THE ACTED PARABLE OF:

JONATHAN AND THE TWO ROCKS

1 Samuel 14

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5 The forefront of the one *was* situate northward over against Michmash, and the other southward over against Gibeah.

Questions

1. What do the names of the two rocks mean ?
2. What do the names of the two cities mean ?
3. Who does Jonathan represent ?
4. Where is Jonathan?
5. What is the spiritual meaning of this Acted Parable ?

In order to determine the Spiritual meaning of this Acted Parable, we will :

1. Locate the Real Objects and Key words,
2. Determine their Spiritual and Literal meanings,
3. Substitute those meanings back into the Acted Parable and Paraphrase it.

1 Samuel 14

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5 The forefront of the one *was* situate northward over against **Michmash**, and the other southward over against **Gibeah**.

Using the Strongs Concordance and its Hebrew Dictionary :

Sharp # 8127 cliff

Name # 8034 character

Bozez

949 shining

948 to bleach, to be white, fine linen

Seneh

5573 thorn

5572 to prick, a bramble

Michmash # 4363 Hidden (NORTH) (under a bushel) Matt 5:15

Gibeah # 1390 Little Hill (SOUTH) (city set on a hill) Matt 5:14

① The *names of the two rocks :

*name # 8034 – CHARACTER

Rock

(# 949) BOZEZ – SHINING, WHITE, FINE LINEN

rock

(# 5573) SENEH – TO PRICK, A BRAMBLE, THORN

The **Bible** mentions **two rocks** :

Deuteronomy 32

31 For their **rock** is not as our **Rock**, even our enemies themselves being judges.

37 And he shall say, where are their **gods**, their **rocks** in whom they trusted.

1 Corinthians 10

4 And did all drink the same spiritual drink ; for they drank of that spiritual **Rock** that followed them ; and that **Rock** was **Christ**.

Thus, the two rocks represent “two gods”.

One **Rock** represents the **LORD** (CHRIST).

One **rock** represents **SATAN**.

Therefore :

The “**Rock**” **BOZEZ** represents the True God (CHRIST)
(shining, white, fine linen)

The “**rock**” **SENEH** represents the False God (SATAN)
(thorn, to prick, bramble)

② The two cities, as **far apart** as the compass directions of **North** and **South**, represent the “**actions**” of the two persons,

[NORTH] **MICHMASH** # 4363 HIDDEN

(hidden under a bushel)

[SOUTH] **GIBEAH** # 1390 LITTLE HILL

(city set on a hill)

GODS “**ACTIONS**” are always in plain view while **Satan**’s “**actions**” are secretive.

③ The two directions, **NORTH** and **SOUTH** represent the “positions” of the two persons.

NORTH – The “**rightful**” **position** of God as our ruler, which has been usurped by **Satan** (Isaiah 14 : 13).

The enemies of Gods people always came from the **North**. (Jeremiah 1 : 14, Jeremiah 4 : 6, Jeremiah 6 : 1)

North

mount Zion, on the sides of the <i>n</i>	<i>Ps</i>	48 : 2
in the sides of the <i>n</i>	<i>Is</i>	14 : 13
shall come from the <i>n</i>	<i>Is</i>	14 : 31
I have raised up one from the <i>n</i>	<i>Is</i>	41 : 25
I will say to the <i>n</i> , Give up.....	<i>Is</i>	43 : 6
and, lo, these from the <i>n</i> , and from.....	<i>Is</i>	49 : 12
the face thereof is toward the <i>n</i>	<i>Jer</i>	1 : 13
Out of the <i>n</i> an evil shall break.....	<i>Jer</i>	1 : 14
families of the kingdoms of the <i>n</i>	<i>Jer</i>	1 : 15
proclaim these words toward the <i>n</i>	<i>Jer</i>	3 : 12
<i>n</i> to the land that I have given.....	<i>Jer</i>	3 : 18
for I will bring evil from the <i>n</i>	<i>Jer</i>	4 : 6
for evil appeareth out of the <i>n</i>	<i>Jer</i>	6 : 1
people cometh from the <i>n</i>	<i>Jer</i>	6 : 22
commotion out of the <i>n</i> country.....	<i>Jer</i>	10 : 22
behold them that come from the <i>n</i>	<i>Jer</i>	13 : 20

④ The “**Valley**” (passage between two cliffs) represents a **decision**.

Joel 3 : 14 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision : for the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.

SUMMARY

(SPIRITUAL MEANING of the “ACTED PARABLE”

In the story or “acted parable”, Jonathan is on a **journey** to **fight** with his enemy.

As he travels, he must pass through a **valley** where the two rocks are.

Jonathan represents a **person** on the “journey of life”.

Each person must enter the “valley of decision” and they must **choose** between the “two rocks”.

They will either choose : the “rock BOZEZ” which represents the **pure life** (shining, white, fine linen) of **CHRIST**, the true Rock, or they will choose the “rock SENEH” which represents the **wicked life** (prick, thorn, bramble) of **Satan**.

The Hair of Thine Head is like Purple (Song of Sol 7:5)

“Thine head upon thee is like Carmel, and the hair of thine head like purple ; the King is held in the galleries”.

QUESTIONS

1. What are the real objects and key words in this text ?
2. What is the Spiritual meaning of each real object ?
3. What is the context of this verse in the setting of Chapter 7 of Song of Solomon ?
4. What does this verse mean Spiritually, since it can't be understood Physically or literally since no one has purple hair ?
5. What does it mean to be “held” in the “galleries” ?
6. What does “Carmel” mean ?

Song of Solomon 7 : 5

“Thine head upon thee is like Carmel, and the hair of thine head like purple ; the King is held in the galleries”.

Think about the Physical

Solomon is describing a beautiful woman in Chapter 7. In this verse : 5 he is concentrating on her head and the **hair** of her **head**. He says her head is like “Carmel” and her hair like “purple”.

No **real woman** has purple hair so it is a Spiritual Woman or Church he is describing ! (*ISA. 54 : 5,6 REV. 19 : 7,8*).

Locate Real Objects or Key Words

Real Objects

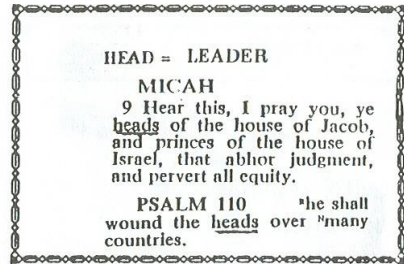
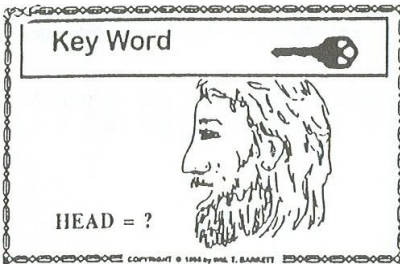
1. head
2. hair
3. purple

Key Words

4. held
5. galleries
6. Carmel

Determine their Spiritual Meaning

The “head” of the **Church** is **Jesus** (EPHESIANS 5 : 23)



Then, **Jesus** (the “head”) is pictured as being like “Carmel” so we need to know what the Bible means by “Carmel” as we compare the Scriptures and the Hebrew.

Carmel

1 Kings 18 : 19 says that “Carmel” is a mountain.

Joshua 15 : 55 says that “Carmel” is a town.

The Hebrew word for “Carmel” (# 3759, 3760 - KARMELE) means fruitful field or place and that it was a town and hill in Palestine.

The margin of the KJV Bible says that “Carmel” means **Crimson** or deep blood **red** (# 3758).

2 Chronicles 2 : 7 says that the Crimson (red) of the Sanctuary curtains are Karmiyl (# 3758) and the Hebrew letters and word spelling is very similar between # 3760 and # 3758.

Thus, the translators felt that the meaning of **Crimson** or **red** could be meant in this verse rather than the “standard” meaning of “fruitful place or hill” and so translated the Hebrew word “Karmel” into English as “**Carmel**”.

Thus “Carmel” could represent a mountain, a town, a fruitful place or the color Red. Before deciding which meaning to use let us go on and examine the rest of the context of the verse.

The “hair” of the head of the woman or “head” of the Church or of **Jesus** is described as being “like purple”.

hair (# 1803) – hair, something dangling (so the verse **is** talking about the “hair”) **purple** (# 713) - the color purple (so, it really means the color purple in Hebrew)

Thus, the translation is a good one.

It says that the “hair” of the woman is like the color purple.

The Spiritual meaning of the word “hair” is a covering.

1 Corinthians 11 : 15 “But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her : for her hair is given her for a **covering**”.

Another word for “a covering” is a garment.

(So, the “hair” or the covering or the garment of the head of the woman or the “head” of the **Church** is “**purple**”. In other words the Bible text is saying that “the garment of **Jesus** is **purple**”.

The color **purple** was the color worn by **Kings**.

Judges 8 : 26 “...and purple raiment that was on the Kings of Midian”.

(So, the verse is saying that the “head” of the woman or Head of the Church will be a **King** and will wear the **purple** garment of Royalty.

Purple was also the color of the **rich**.

Luke 16 : 19 “There was a certain **rich** man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen,...”.

Lets check and see if Jesus (the “head” or king) fulfilled these predictions.

Mark 15 : 17,18 “And they clothed him with **purple** and plaited a crown of thorns, and put it about his head, And began to salute him, Hail, **King** of the Jews !”.

(Yes, **Jesus** our **King** was clothed in **purple** !).

2 Cor 8 : 9 “For ye know the grace of our Lord **Jesus** Christ, that, though he was **rich**, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich”.

Isaiah 53 : 9 “And he made his grave with the wicked and with the rich in his death...”

Mat 27: 57-60 "...a rich man..named Joseph went to Pilate and begged the body of Jesus and when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his own new tomb which had hewn out in the rock.

(Yes, Jesus our King was rich and buried with the rich as predicted by the Bible).

The next part of the verse says "... the King is held in the galleries".

The word "held" (# 631 - to fasten in any sense, to bind, put in bonds, tie).

The KJV margin says "bound".

(So, the verse is saying the King was to be "bound" or "tied up").

Matthew 27: 2 "And when they had bound him, they led him away and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor".

(So Jesus was "tied up" or "bound" as a capture).

When a person died they were "bound" in graveclothes.

John 11: 44 "And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes and his face was bound about with a napkin...".

Mark 15: 46 "... and wrapped him in the linen, and laid him in a sepulcher which was hewn out of a rock, and rolled a stone unto the door of the sepulcher".

(So, the text is predicting that **Jesus** would be "bound" or "wrapped" in graveclothes.

Checking the word "King" (# 4428 - a king, Royal), it is a good translation and means "king".

The verse said "... the king is held in the "galleries".

Lets see what the word "galleries" means.

"galleries" (# 7298 – to hollow out, a channel, like a ringlet of hair).

There are 3 other places in the Bible that the word “galleries” is used. They all have a different Hebrew word (# 862), so we get not help there.

Our 3 choices then for the meaning of the word “galleries” in our text (to hollow out, a channel, a ringlet hair) all point to something being hollow or having a hole in it.

Thus, the text is saying that the king (Jesus) was held (bound) in the galleries (hollowed out place).

(So, the text is predicting that King Jesus would be bound in graveclothes and placed in a hollowed out tomb).

This actually happened as recorded in (*Matthew 27 : 57-60*) *57* “When the even was come, there came a rich man of Arimathea named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus disciple : *58* He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered. *59* And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, *60* And laid it in his own new tomb which he had hewn out in the rock : and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulcher, and departed”.

Now, returning to the word “**Carmel**” we find that word could mean : mountain or hill, town, fruitful place or the color red.

In the **context** of the rest of the verse :

1. The “covering” or garment of Jesus to be **purple**.
2. Jesus to be a “**King**”.
3. Jesus to be “rich” and buried with the rich.
4. Jesus to be “bound” and wrapped in graveclothes.
5. Jesus to be placed in a “hollowed out” tomb.

It seems clear that the meaning of “**Carmel**” as “**red**” is the best fit, since “**red**” is associated with **blood** and death which is the main subject of the verse,

2 King 3 : 22 “...as red as blood”.

Revelation 7 : 14 “... the blood of the Lamb”.

John 1 : 29 “...John seeth Jesus coming. unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God...”

SUMMARY

Thus this verse, *Song of Solomon 7:5* is a prophecy predicting the **death** of “**King**” Jesus, who would be “**tyed up**” or bound and tried in a court and then would shed His **blood** (red) and be **wrapped** or “bound” in graveclothes and placed in a “**hollowed out**” **tomb** (galleries) with the **rich**.

Song of Solomon 7 : 5

“Thine head upon thee is like Carmel, and the hair of thine head like purple ; the King is held in the galleries”.

Paraphrase

The Head of the Church, **Jesus** Christ, will shed His **blood** and the **covering** of Jesus will be the **purple** robe of a **King** : King Jesus will be **bound** in graveclothes and placed in a hollowed out **tomb**.

FULFILLMENT OF THE ABOVE PROPHECY :

Mark 15 : 1, 17, 46

Mark 15 : 1 “And straightway in the morning the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council, and bound Jesus, and carried him away, and delivered him to Pilate”.

Mark 15 : 17 “And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his head”.

Mark 15 : 46 “And he bought fine linen, and took him down, and wrapped him in the linen, and laid him in a sepulcher which hewn out of a rock, and rolled a stone unto the door of the sepulcher”.

A GOOD NAME IS BETTER THAN

A GOOD **name** is better than precious ointment ; and the day of death than the day of one's birth. (Ecclesiastes 7:1)

QUESTIONS :

- 1 What is the Spiritual significance of “**name**” ?

A person's Spiritual “name” represents his character.

Exodus 34 : 5 And the Lord descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the **name** of the Lord. **6** And the Lord passed by before him, and proclaimed, The Lord, The Lord God, **merciful** and **gracious**, **longsuffering**, and abundant in **goodness** and **truth**.

- 2 Does the Bible verse really mean that a “good **name**” is **better** than “precious ointment”, or is it simply making a **comparison** so that we will see the **value** ?

It is making a comparison.

Song of Solomon 1 : 3 Because of the **savour** of thy good ointments thy **name** is as ointment poured forth, therefore do the virgins love thee.

- 3 How can it be **better** to “**die**” than to be “**born**” ?

*It cannot mean Physical “**death**” but rather Spiritual “**death**”, or “**dying to sin**” or becoming “**converted**”.*

- 4 Is the verse speaking of Physical “**death**” or Spiritual “**death**” ?

*Spiritual “**death**”.*

- 5 Is the verse speaking of Physical “**birth**” or Spiritual “**birth**” ?

If a contrast is meant, then it is better to Spiritually “**die** to sin”, than to be Physically “**born**” into the world. If a comparison is meant, then the day of **Spiritual death** (dying to sin or CONVERSION) is like being Spiritually “**born**” again.

Ecclesiastes 7 : 1

A **GOOD name** (*CHARACTER*) is better than precious ointment (*PERFUME*) and the day of death (*SPIRITUAL DEATH* or **CONVERSION**) than the day of one's birth. (*PHYSICAL BIRTH*).

2. Locate **KEY WORDS**
in the verse
(usually nouns or real things)

name

ointment (precious)

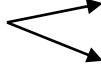
day of death

day of birth

day of Spiritual birth

3. Discover their
SPIRITUAL MEANING
(by using the Concordance
and **Bible Word Pictures**)

Character (Ex 34 : 5-7)

Spiritual  Holy Spirit
Righteousness
Literally : **Perfume** # 8081

Spiritual death = **Conversion**
(die to sin)

Physical birth

Spiritual birth = **Conversion**
(new man - new life)

4. RE-WRITE THE VERSE : Substitute the Spiritual Meaning of the Key Words back into the Bible verse and RE-WRITE it to discover what God is saying to us Spiritually !

PARAPHRASE

① A good Character (Spiritual **name**) is better than Physically smelling good (Physical **OINTMENT**) ; and the day of our **Conversion** (Spiritual **DEATH** to sin), is better than the day we were Physically **born**.

② A good Character (Spiritual **name**) is like a person filled with the **Holy Spirit** (PRECIOUS OINTMENT or OIL) who seeks to do **Righteousness** (PRECIOUS OINTMENT), and the day they were **Converted** or “**died to sin**” (Spiritual **death**) was the day they experienced the “**new birth**” (Spiritual **birth**) and began a new **RIGHTEOUS** life.

Bible Study of the "word" **Potter**

Strong's Concordance lists the following texts in this order:

- | | |
|-----------------|---------------|
| 1. Isaiah 41:25 | 5. Lam. 4 : 2 |
| 2. Isaiah 64: 8 | 6. Zech.11:13 |
| 3. Jere. 18: 4 | 7. Rom. 9: 21 |
| 4. Jere. 18: 6 | 8. Rev. 2: 27 |

Bible Quote

Isa 41:25

I have raised up one from North, and he shall come; from the rising of the sun shall he call upon my name: and he shall come upon princes as upon mortar, and as the potter treadeth the clay.

Isa 64:8

But now, O Lord, thou art our father; we are the clay, and thou our potter: and we are all the work of thy hand.

Jer 18:4

And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter; so he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make it.

Jer 18: 6

O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the Lord. Behold as the clay is in the potters hand, so are ye in mine hand, O house of Israel.

Own Words

1 Literal meaning

2 Spiritual meaning

- 1 The potter *treads the clay.
- 2 * tread or place the foot upon Spr. means to have power over.
1 Cor. 15: 24,25

- 1 The **Lord** is the **Potter** and we are the clay.
- 2 The Lord is our Father and He made us.

- 1 The potter made a vessel of clay but it became flawed so the potter made it into another *vessel.
*vessel=person Jer.18:3-6
- 2 The **Lord** made a man but the man made a mistake so the Lord made him into **another man**.

- 1 As the potter takes clay in his hand to form it, so the Lord can take His people and change them.
- 2 The **Lord** can change people.

Own Words

1 Literal meaning

2 Spiritual meaning

Bible Quote

Lam 4: 2

The precious sons of Zion, comparable to fine gold, how they are they esteemed as earthen pitchers, the work of the hands of the potter.

- 1 The people of God, the work of the hands of the potter, are as valuable as gold to Him, but to others they are as worthless as clay pitchers.
- 2 When the Lord changes us we are of great value to Him but **worthless** to others.

Zech 11: 13

And the Lord said unto me, Cast it unto the potter: a goodly price that I was praised at of them. And I took the thirty pieces of silver, and cast them to the potter in the house of the Lord.

- 1 The potter himself was only valued at thirty pieces of silver by his own people.
- 2 The Lord Himself was **not** of great value to His people. They sold Him for 30 pieces of silver in His own Temple!

Rom 9: 21

Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honor, and another unto **dishonor**?

- 1 From the same lump of clay the potter has made vessels which will bring him honor and others that will dishonor Him.
- 2 The **Lord** has made us all. Some people will allow Him to change them and they will bring Him **honor**, but others will **not** allow Him to change them and they will bring Him **dishonor**.

Rev 2: 27

And He shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.

- 1 The potter will break into pieces some of the vessels he has made.
- 2 The **Lord** will **destroy** the **people** who bring Him dishonor.

Now go back and read the **Spiritual Meaning** of each verse and you will see the **STORY** that the Bible has been telling you. Then, turn the page and see the **STORY** that I have written.

Potter

The **Story** that the Bible tells us about the "Word" **POTTER**.

Literal Story:

The potter treads the clay.

The Lord is the potter and we are the clay.

The potter made a vessel of clay but it became flawed so the potter made it into another vessel.

As the potter takes clay in his hand to form it, so the Lord can take His people and change them.

The people of God, the work of the hands of the potter, are as valuable as gold to Him, but to others they are as worthless as clay pitchers. The potter himself was only valued at 30 pieces of silver. From the same lump of clay the potter makes vessels of which some will bring him honor and some will bring dishonor. The potter will break in pieces some of the vessels he has made.

Spiritual Story:

The Lord is the potter and we are the clay. The Lord has power over the people just like potter has power over the clay. The Lord made a man from the clay of the earth but the man made a mistake. Just as a potter can take the clay and make a new vessel out of it, the Lord can take a man that has made a mistake and change him into a new man. A person that God has changed is very valuable to Him, but to others he is as worthless as a clay pitcher. The Lord Himself was not of value to his own people. They sold Him for only 30 pieces of silver, the price of a slave.

Just as a potter takes the same lump of clay and makes some vessels that will bring him honor and others that will bring him dishonor, so the Lord has made all men from the clay of the earth and some men will bring Him honor and others will bring Him dishonor.

The Lord will rule over all men and He will destroy those who bring Him dishonor.

Aaron The High Priest Proclaims a Feast Day

Exo 32:1 And when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down out of the mount, the people gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and said unto him, up, make us gods, which shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.

Exo 32:2 And Aaron said unto them, Break off the golden earrings, which are in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring them unto me.

Exo 32:3 And all the people brake off the golden earrings which were in their ears, and brought them unto Aaron.

Exo 32:4 And he received them at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, after he had made it a molten calf: and they said, these be thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

Exo 32:5 And when Aaron saw it, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation, and said, to morrow is a feast to the LORD.

In order to understand this "Acted Parable" we will first think about the Physical:

A (physical) man made a (physical) image of a beast for the people to worship and then proclaimed a time to worship the (physical) image of the beast.

Now we will think about the **Spiritual**:

A (spiritual) man made a (spiritual) image of a beast for the people to worship and then proclaimed a time to worship the (spiritual) image of the beast.

Remembering what Paul said about all the things that happened to the children of Israel:

1Cor.10:11 "Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples(models) and they are written for our admonition upon whom the ends of the world are come.

We conclude then, that in the last days a similar event will happen. Thus:

A spiritual man will make a spiritual image for people to worship and will proclaim a time to worship the spiritual image.

We recall from the book of Revelation a warning message from God for those living in the last days:

Rev.13:9,10 "And the third angel followed them saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast or his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, the same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture.."

The similarity between the "Acted Parable" and this Bible verse is unmistakable. Therefore we need to carefully study the "Acted Parable" to see what we can learn to prepare us for the events of the last days.

The "Acted Parable" of Aaron the High Priest

EXO 19:1 In the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai.

EXO 19:2 For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come to the desert of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped before the mount.

EXO 24:18 And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and gat him up into the mount: and Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights.

EXO 31:18 And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God.

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We recall that God Himself gave Moses the "feasts of the Lord" that the children of Israel were to keep.

These are clearly listed in Leviticus 23. We will "Compare Scripture with Scripture" to see what we can learn.

Comparing Scripture with Scripture

LEV 23:4 These are the feasts of the LORD, even holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons.

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LEV 23:6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread.

LEV 23:24 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation.

LEV 23:25 Ye shall do no servile work therein: but ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

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LEV 23:38 Beside the sabbaths of the LORD, and beside your gifts, and beside all your vows, and beside **all** your freewill offerings, which ye give unto the LORD.

From Lev.23 :

We learn that **God** set the times for worship as:

Passover	14th day of	1st month
Unleavened bread	15th-21st day of	1st month
Blowing of trumpets	1st day	7th month
Day of Atonement	10th day	7th month
Feast of Tabernacles	15th-21st day	7th month
Sabbath	7th day	weekly

From Exodus:

We learn that Aaron(a man) set the time for worship as:

Ex.19:1,2 Israel in wilderness at Sinai 3rd month

Ex. 24:18 Moses into Mt. Sinai(40 days)+40 days

Ex. 31:18 ,31:1-4 Moses given 10 Com.

by God and while still in the Mt.

Aaron makes the image of the beast

Ex.32:5 Aaron proclaims "tomorrow is a feast to the Lord"

Therefore the timing of

Aaron's "day of worship" is

3rd month + 40days = 4th month

Summary

The only times for worship set by God were to occur during the 1st or 7th months or weekly on the 7th day of the week.

Aaron's proclaimed day of worship occurred during the 4th month. Thus, we conclude that Aaron set up his own "time of worship" thus changing the time of worship that God had established!

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God's Time of Worship

Ex.20:10,11

But the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

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The Image in the Bed

The “Acted Parable

Bible Verse : **1 Samuel 19 : 13-17** “And Michal took an image, and laid it in the bed, and put a pillow of goat’s hair for his bolster, and covered it with a cloth. And when Saul sent messengers to take David, she said, He is sick. And Saul sent the messengers again to see David, saying, bring him up to me in the bed that I may slay him. An when the messengers were come in, behold, there was an image in the bed, with a pillow of goat’s hair for his bolster. And Saul said unto Michal, why hast thou deceived me so, and sent away mine enemy, that he is escaped ? And Michal answered Saul, he said unto me, let me go ; why should I kill thee ?”

In order to understand this “Acted Parable” we will first think about the Physical :

A (physical) woman took a (physical) image or idol and placed it in a (physical) bed in order to (physically) deceive people. The (physical) “head” of the (physical) image was a (physical) goat.

Now we will think about the Spiritual :

A (spiritual) woman took a (spiritual) image and placed it in a (spiritual) bed in order to (spiritual) deceive people. The (spiritual) “head” of the (spiritual) image was a (spiritual) goat.

Remembering what Paul said about all the things that happened to the children of Israel : **1 Corinthians 10 : 11** “Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples (models) and they are written for our admonition upon whom the ends of the world are come”.

We conclude then, that **in the last days** a similar event will happen. Thus a (spiritual) woman will take a (spiritual) image and put it in a place of (spiritual) rest (bed) and this will deceive people.

COMMENTS :

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Locate **Key Words**
in the verse :
(usually nouns or “real things”)

Woman (she, Michal)

*Image (# 8655 - idol)

Bed (place of physical rest)

Goat

Bolster (# 4763 - head)

Deceived (# 7411)

Discover their
Spiritual Meaning
(by using the Bible Word Pictures
or a Concordance and Bible

False church - **Rev 17 : 1-6**

*something worshipped that looks
like something else

Sabbath (Place of spiritual rest)

Satan

Spiritual “head” - spiritual leader

Delude, deceive, betray

A **bed** has only **two functions** :

1. It is a place of **rest** (*Isaiah 57 : 2*)
2. It is a place of **relationship** (*Ezekiel 23 : 17*)

A physical **bed** would provide :


1. A place of physical **rest**
2. A place of physical **relationship**

A spiritual **bed** would provide :

1. A place of spiritual **rest**
2. A place of spiritual **relationship**

The Bible only speaks of God having one “place” of **rest**.
Hebrews 4 : 4,5 “For he spake in a certain place of the seventh day on this wise and God did **rest** the seventh day from all his work. And in this place again, if they shall **enter into my rest**”.


Thus, God’s one “place” of **rest** or His “bed” is the seventh day Sabbath.

Key Word 

Physical (BED)
Place of Physical

1. **BEST**
2. **RELATIONSHIP**
Between a husband and Wife.

(BED) = ?



BED = (SABBATH) Spiritual (BED)
Place of Godliness

(Spiritual)

Luke 11:7 "...my children are with me in bed..."

Ex. 20:11 "...the Lord rested the seventh day..."

Isa. 57:2 "...They shall rest in their beds..."

Ex. 20:10 "But the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord..."

Isa. 66:1 "Thus saith the Lord, where is the place of my rest?"

Ex. 20:8 "Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy."

IMAGE = An imitation
An idol— idols (-atry)

Im'age (im'ij), *n.*
(ari to imitate.) 1. An imitation or likeness of any person or thing,
2. A copy or counterpart.

8655. **עִבּוּד** 'ĕrāphim, *ter-aw-feme*
plur. perh. from 7495; a healer;
Teraphim (sing. or plur.) a family idol— idols (-atry); images, teraphim.


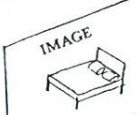

Key Word 


IMAGE = ?

BED = (SABBATH)
(restingplace)

*image - something worshipped that "looks like" something else. **Sunday** the "image" of **Saturday** (the Sabbath)

GOAT = Satan
(The Devil)


 Lev 16:21,22 "And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat... and the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities..."

Matt 25:33,41 "... Goats on the left." "... on the left hand, depart... into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil..."


HEAD = LEADER 

MICAH
9 Hear this, I pray you, ye heads of the house of Jacob, and princes of the house of Israel, that abhor judgment, and pervert all equity.

PSALM 110 "he shall wound the heads over "many countries."

Key Word 

WOMAN = ?
(Harlot, whore dressed in purple, red with gold, precious stones and pearls)



WOMAN = Satan's
(Whore) (Church system (false church))

REV 17:1-6 "... The great whore... with whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication... the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet... gold, precious stones and pearls. REV 2:20 "... That woman Jezebel which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and seduce my servants..."

What will the Main (Spiritual) thought be about ?

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PARAPHRASE :

A false church (woman) took a spiritual "image" or likeness of rest (**Sunday**) and put it in the place of God's Time of Rest(**7th day Sabbath**)(bed) in order to spiritually deceive people. The spiritual "head" behind this deception was **Satan** (goat).

CONCLUSIONS

This “Acted Parable” is warning us that in the Last Days a **Church** will attempt to **establish a time of worship** that will be different from the time of worship established by God.

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God’s Time of Worship

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The Defiled Bed

Genesis 49

1 And Jacob called unto his sons, and said, Gather yourselves together, that I may tell you *that* which shall befall you in the last days.

2 Gather yourselves together, and hear, ye sons of Jacob; and hearken unto Israel your father.

3 Reuben, thou *art* my firstborn, my might, and the beginning of my strength, the excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power:

4 Unstable as water, thou shalt not excel; because thou wentest up to thy father's bed; then defiledst thou it: he went up to my couch.

GENESIS 49

..... I may tell you that which shall befall you in the last days.

Keyword: last #319-the last or end, future

Thus, in this chapter of the Bible, God, reveals the future for us, because Israel's sons would not be living at the end of time or the "last days".

<p>Gal. 4: 28, 29 28 Now <u>we</u>, brethren, as <u>Isaac was, are</u> the <u>children of promise</u>. 29 And if <u>ye</u> be <u>Christ's</u>, then are <u>ye Abraham's seed</u>, and <u>heirs according to the promise</u>.</p>	<p>As Isaac was the "child of promise", so those that believe in Jesus (<u>Christians</u>) are the "children of promise". They are (<u>Israelites</u>) and they are "Abraham's seed" and heirs of the promises of God.</p>
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Thus, the "children of Israel" represent "the Church", meaning all Christian denominations. "Israel" represents Catholics, Baptists, Methodists, etc.

1 Cor. 10:11 "Now all these things happened unto them (children of Israel) for ensamples and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come."

Strong's' Concordance gives the meaning for ensample from the Greek as: a model for warning, a type, a figure
#5179 tupos(from # 5180 tupto)
#5180 tupto repeated blows

Thus, the characteristics of the "children of Israel" and events that happened to them, represent models of things to be repeated and spiritual events to happen to the Church in the "last days".

3 ¶ Reuben, thou *art* my firstborn, my might, and the beginning of my strength, the excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power:

Keyword: firstborn

The term "firstborn" had a dual meaning:

1. To be the oldest son or son born first. NUM 1:20
2. To be the one upon whom the blessings of God were especially given to. (GEN 48:18.20)

Thus, in this prophecy of last day events, "Reuben" represents a part of the "Church" that dates back to the beginning of the history of the church in chronological time.

"Reuben" also represents a part of the "Church" that would receive great blessings from God and because of these blessings would excel in strength and power.

The Bible, in the New Testament, tells us that in the beginning the Christian Church was filled with the power of the Holy Spirit as it went to all the world.

Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power , after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me.. unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Thus, in its beginning and in its purity, the Church was filled with the power of the Holy Spirit.

But soon, a change would take place in the Church!

4 Unstable as water, thou shalt not excel; because thou wentest up to thy father's bed; then defiledst thou *it*: he went up to my couch.

Thus, the Bible predicted that the Church would become "unstable as water"and would "not excel!"

Rev. 17:15 tells us that "water" represents people.
"..the waters which thou sawest,..are peoples.."

As people began to put their ideas instead of God's ideas into the Church, it began to CHANGE!

Gen.49:4 predicts that the Church would fall from power ("not excel") and gives the reason why!

"..thou shalt not excel; because thou wentest up to thy father's bed; then defiledst thou it.."

The Father's place of rest would be defiled by the Church!!!

The Spiritual "Bed" of the Bible

God (the Father) has a "BED" or (place of "REST"): Isa.66:1 Thus saith the Lord..where is the place of my rest? Lukel 1:7 ..my children are with me in bed..

In a spiritual marriage "relationship":

A (spiritual) "BED" plays an important role:

A (spr)BED provides: a place of (spr)REST

A (spr)BED provides: a place of (spr)Relationship

God's "BED" or the "Father's place of REST":

Ex.31:15 Six days may work be done; but in the seventh is the sabbath of rest, holy to the Lord..

God's "BED" or the "Father's place of Relationship":

Ex.31:16,17 ..keep the sabbath..for a perpetual covenant it is a sign between me and Israel forever:

Thus, the Bible has predicted that the Father's place of "rest" or God's "BED" (which is the 7th-day SABBATH), would be "defiled" or CHANGED by PEOPLE in the Church!!!
Gen.49:4

"..thou shalt not excel; because
thou wentest up to thy father's bed;
then defiledst thou it..."

Now, lets see what God thinks about that CHANGE.

1 Chr.5:1 Now the sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel, (for he was the firstborn:) but forasmuch as he defiled his father's bed, his birthright was given unto the sons of Joseph the son of Israel: and the genealogy is not to be reckoned after the birthright.

Thus, the birthright blessing of God was REMOVED from the CHURCH when it CHANGED or defiled the SABBATH and it was GIVEN to another part of the CHURCH that would come later represented by "Joseph".

Thus, the Bible has predicted:
the "defiling" or changing of God's 7th-day Sabbath by the Christian Church and that God's birthright blessing would be removed from the Church that made the change.

History clearly tells us that the Roman Catholic Church has "defiled" the Sabbath of the Lord by changing the day of worship from:
the 7th day(Saturday) to the 1st day(Sunday)

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The Hebrew word used for "defiledst"
in the above Bible verse is unique.
This is the only place in the entire Bible
that this word is used!!

Keyword: defiledst

Strongs # 2490 -to profane

(a person, place, or thing)

The "BED" was:

profaned (treated with irreverence,
made common or unholy,
desecrated and polluted,
put to an unworthy use,
made secular as opposed to sacred)

(Note: All meanings for the word profane
taken from Funk and Wagnalls
New Practical Standard Dictionary)

Remember that the "BED" represents

The Father's place of rest ,
God's 7th-day Sabbath

The False Church has a "BED" or (place of rest)
Rev. 2:20...thou sufferest that woman Jezebel,...to teach
and seduce my servants..

Rev. 2:22,23 Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them
that commit adultery with her into great tribulation...

The False Church wants us to:

"Remember" her Bed (place of rest)(1st day Sunday)

Isa.57:7 Upon a lofty and high mountain hast thou
set thy bed..

Isa.57:8 Behind the doors and posts hast thou
set up thy remembrance: for thou hast discovered
thyself to another than me, and art gone up; thou hast
enlarged thy bed and made a covenant with them; thou
lovest their bed where thou sawest it.

Our Creator God wants us to:

"Remember"His Bed (place of rest)(7th day Sabbath)

The 4th Commandment:

Ex.20:8-11 Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy.

Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:

But the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God:

..For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea,
and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore
the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

(The seventh day is Saturday not Sunday)

The Foxes Have Holes

THE FOXES HAVE HOLES AND THE BIRDS HAVE NESTS

DISCOVERING HIDDEN TREASURE

BIBLE VERSE:

MAT 8:19 And a certain scribe came, and said unto him, Master, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.

MAT 8:20 And Jesus saith unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have ests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head.

COMPARING THE SCRIPTURES:

In order to determine what it means to "follow thee whithersoever...." we will compare scripture with scripture using the keyword "follow".

Rev 14: 4 "...these are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth.."

1Kings 18: 21 "And Elijah came unto all the people and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? If the Lord be God, follow him; but if Baal, then follow him. And the people answered him not a word."

Isa 51:1 " Hearken to me; ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the Lord.."

Hosea 6: 3 "Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord..."

Matt 16: 24 "Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny self, and take up his cross and follow me."

1Peter 2: 21 "For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye follow his steps: who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth."

Conclusions:

1. To "follow" Jesus means: To do whatever Jesus does or says to do.
2. The scribes declaration to "do whatever Jesus says" is addressed by Jesus in the Acted Parable of the foxes and birds and his answer is pertinent to the scribes declaration.
3. Just as the scribe was not talking about physically following Jesus but spiritually following him, so also we would expect Jesus answer to concern spiritual things rather than just physical things.

MAT 8:20 And Jesus saith unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head.

THINK ABOUT THE PHYSICAL:

On the surface of the Acted Parable Jesus contrasts His situation with the situation of foxes and birds.

He says that both of them have something that He doesn't have.

Since Jesus specifically says that he "hath not where to lay his head" the main subject that he is talking about concerns sleep or rest.

In keeping with Jesus method of using physical things to represent spiritual things, we would expect then that Jesus is really talking about Spiritual Rest rather than physical rest.

Similarly, we would also expect the other physical objects (foxes, birds, holes, nests) in the Acted Parable to have spiritual meanings.

Thus: the physical fox = a spiritual fox
 the physical bird = a spiritual bird
 the physical hole = a spiritual hole
 the physical nest = a spiritual nest

The way to determine these spiritual meanings is not to speculate, but to let the Bible itself explain the meanings by comparing scripture with scripture.

THINK ABOUT THE SPIRITUAL:

We will first confirm that there is a connection in the Bible between Jesus statement to "lay his head" and physical rest and then we will determine if there is a relation between physical and spiritual rest.

Keyword: lay

Gen 28:10, 11 "And Jacob..took of the stones of that place, and put them for his pillows, and lay (#7901) down in that place to sleep."

#7901-to lie down for rest or sexual connection

This text shows us that it was common for men to use stones for pillows or stones for a place to "lay their head". Jesus could have always found real stones to lay his head on if he wanted to. This shows that it was not physical rest, but spiritual rest that Jesus had lost.

Keyword: **pillow**

Mark 4: 38 " And he (Jesus) was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow..."

Keyword: **sleep**

Matt 26: 45 "Then cometh he to his disciples, and saith unto them, sleep on now and take your rest:..."

John 11: 13 "Howbeit Jesus spake of his death: but they thought that he had spoken of taking rest in sleep."

The above texts show that the Bible uses the words sleep or rest or to "lay down your head" interchangeably. Thus the statement by Jesus could be paraphrased to say: "The Son of man hath not where to rest", and once again we must conclude that Jesus was talking about Spiritual Rest, and not just physical rest because he could always find a stone for his head to lay on.

Keyword: **rest**

Heb 4: 4, 9-11 "For he spake in a certain place of the seventh day on this wise, And God did rest the seventh day from all his works."

..."There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his. Let us labor therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief."

Thus, the Spiritual Rest of God and Jesus and his people is the 7th day Sabbath Rest that memorializes the finishing of Creation.

With this in mind, then in the Acted Parable of the foxes and birds, Jesus must be saying that His 7th day Sabbath rest would be lost!

On the next page we will examine the relationship of the foxes and birds and their holes and nests, to the lost Sabbath Rest of Jesus.

Keyword: **foxes**

Ezk 13: 3, 4 "Thus saith the Lord God; Woe unto the foolish prophets, that follow their own spirit and have seen nothing!
O Israel, thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts."

Thus, the Bible uses "foxes" to represent false prophets.

Keyword: **birds**

Prov 27: 8 "As a bird that wandereth from her nest, so is a man that wandereth from his place."

Lam 3: 52 "Mine enemies chase me sore, like a bird, without cause."

Thus, the Bible uses "birds" to represent men.

SUMMARY:

It is clear that in the Bible "foxes" represent false prophets and "birds" represent men. In Matt 8: 20 the context of the scripture and what the "birds" are doing (making a nest), parallels the action of the "foxes"(making a hole), and the "foxes" represent false prophets. Therefore, it is reasonable to assume that the "birds" in the verse represent wicked men.

Now let us examine what the Bible says about "holes".

Keyword: **holes**

Isa 7: 19 "And they shall come, and shall rest all of them in the desolate valleys, and in the holes of the rocks.."

Isa 42: 22 "But this is a people robbed and spoiled; they are all of them snared in holes.."

Thus "rest" and being snared or trapped is associated by the Bible with "holes".

THINK ABOUT THE PHYSICAL:

THE FOX MAKES A HOLE

When a real or physical fox digs a physical hole ,
he removes existing physical material in order to
make a place of physical rest for himself.

Thus, the Acted Parable presents the picture of
"spiritual foxes" or false prophets who have
removed existing spiritual material
or removed part of Gods Word in order to
make a place of spiritual rest for themselves.

THE BIRD MAKES A NEST

When a real or physical bird makes a physical nest,
it gathers physical materials like branches, grass, and mud
and puts them together in order to
make a new place of physical rest for itself.

Thus, the Acted Parable presents the picture of
"spiritual birds" or spiritual men (ministers) who have
gathered spiritual materials
and have put them together in order to
make a new place of spiritual rest for themselves.

Now, we will Summarize our findings and draw our Final Conclusions.

FINAL SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS:

We discovered that when the scribe declared to Jesus, "I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest", he meant that he would "do whatever Jesus said to do". We then concluded that Jesus response to him had to do directly with "following Him spiritually", or "doing what He says"!

By comparing what the foxes and birds had, to what Jesus did not have, we concluded that the foxes and birds had a place to rest, while Jesus had no place to rest.

Thus, Jesus response to the scribes declaration that he would "do whatever Jesus said to do" has to do with the "rest" of the "foxes and birds" and the missing "rest" of Jesus.

After examining the statement by Jesus that he "hath not where to lay his head" we concluded that since Jesus had the availability of real objects such as stones, pillows, etc to lay his head on, that he must be talking about spiritual rest rather than physical rest. By comparing the scriptures, we discovered that the "spiritual rest" of Jesus is the 7th day Sabbath Rest.

Thus, the response of Jesus to the scribes declaration that he would "do whatever Jesus said to do", concerns: the missing 7th day Sabbath Rest of Jesus and the spiritual "rest" that the "foxes and birds" have made for themselves.

By comparing the scriptures we discovered that the "foxes" represented false prophets and that the "birds" represented men.

Thus, the response of Jesus to the scribes declaration that he would "do whatever Jesus said to do", concerns: the missing 7th day Sabbath Rest of Jesus and the spiritual "rest" that the false prophets(foxes) and men(birds) have made for themselves.

Just as real foxes make real holes, so false prophets(foxes) have removed part of Gods Word(holes), and as real birds make real nests, so men(birds) have put together spiritual materials(nests), to make for themselves a spiritual "rest day". Thus, Jesus was challenging the scribe who had declared that he 'would do whatever He said' to see if he would really obey His Words(to keep the 7th day Sabbath Rest) or whether he would obey the words of men(to keep another "rest" day). Jesus is also challenging us to see if we will obey Him!

THE FOXES HAVE HOLES AND THE BIRDS HAVE NESTS

Matthew 8 : 20 "And Jesus saith unto him, the foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests ; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head".

Text Mat 8 : 20	ACTED PARABLE		RESULTS OF AND REASON FOR ACTION
	ACTOR	ACTION	
Physical Description	(PHY) FOX Sly, cunning, crafty	Make a (PHY) HOLE remove a part of an "existing" (PHY) material	To make a place of (PHY) rest, a part of an existing (PHY) material is removed to create a place of (PHY) rest
Spiritual Description	(SPR) FOX False prophet teaches lies, speaks his own words instead of God's words	Make a (SPR) HOLE remove a part of an "existing" (SPR) material (remove part of God's word)	To make a place of (SPR) rest remove a part of God's word to create a place of (SPR) rest
Physical Description	(PHY) BIRDS Wings, feathers, voice, sings beautifully	Made a (PHY) NEST (PHY) BIRD gathers (PHY) material (stick, grass) and (PHY) join them together using (PHY) mud (water, earth).	To make a new place of (PHY) rest
Spiritual Description	(SPR) BIRDS Men Trust Protection "sounds good" Voice (SPR) Birds Pastors	Make a (SPR) NEST (SPR) BIRDS (Pastors) gather (SPR) "material" (words of men) (sticks, grass) and (SPR) join them together using (SPR) "mud" (unholy spirit and worldly men) "water and earth".	To make a new place of (SPR) rest (sunday accepted by men)
	JESUS	No place to "lay His head" No (PHY) REST No (SPR) REST	Jesus place of (PHY) rest gone Jesus place of (SPR) rest gone (7 th day Sabbath rejected by men)

The Parable of:

“ The Forgotten Restingplace”

JEREMIAH 50:6

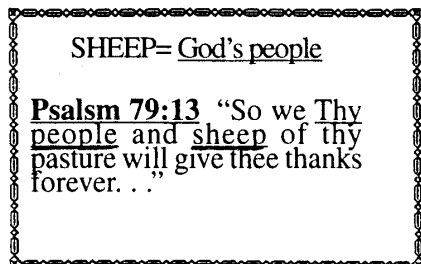
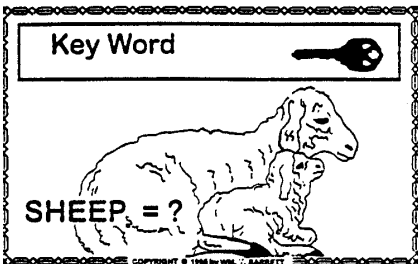
6 “My people hath been lost **sheep** : their **shepherds** have caused them to go astray, they have turned them away on the **mountains** : they have gone from **mountain** to **hill**, they have forgotten their **restingplace**.”

In this Parable the Lord has revealed **valuable truth**,
But once again it is hidden and can only be understood as we discover the Spiritual meanings of the *Real Objects* used in the Parable.

REAL OBJECTS and KEY WORDS


Sheep, Shepherds lost, astray
Mountain, Hill restingplace


Who do the “**sheep**” represent ?



THE “**SHEEP**” represent **GOD'S PEOPLE**

Who do the “shepherds” represent ?

Key Word 



SHEPHERDS = ?

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SHEPHERDS = Pastors
(Ministers)

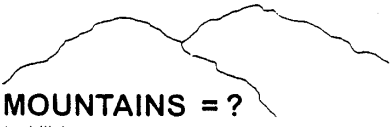
Jere 23:1 “Woe be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! Saith the Lord

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THE “*SHEPHERDS*” represent the *MINISTERS* OR *PASTORS*

What do the “mountains” represent ?

Key Word 



MOUNTAINS = ?
(or hills)

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MOUNTAINS = God's word
(Old & New Testament)


Joel 3:18 “. . . the mountains shall drop down new wine, and the hills shall flow with milk. . .”

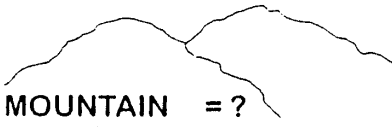
Heb 5:12 “. . . The milk of the word.”

Song of Sol 8:2 “. . . Instruct me: I would . . . drink wine. . .” Wine comes from the “mountains” (Doctrine) comes from (God's word) O.T. Milk comes from the “hills”. Basic gospe comes from Gods word N.T.

The “Mountains” or Spiritual High Place represents **God's Word** (The Bible).

What does the “hill” represent ?

Key Word 



MOUNTAIN = ?
or Hill

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Hill or MOUNTAIN = man's word

LUKE 3 4 As it is written in the book of the words of E-sai—as the prophet,
5 Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low;

ISAIAH 2 14 And upon all the high mountains, and upon all the hills that are lifted up, . . . ch. 30:25
17 And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, . . .

The “hill” or Spiritual low place represents **man's word** (words of a Minister).

What does it mean to “go astray”?

Key Word 


THE WAY = ?
(THE PATH - THE TRUTH)

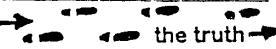
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THE WAY = Jesus

John 14:6 "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way . . ."

PSALM 25 ; 4 *Shew me thy ways, O LORD
teach me thy paths.
5 Lead me in thy truth,

Key Word 

THE WAY →  the truth →

Astray = ? 

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go Astray = (leave the true "way" or truth)

ISAIAH 53
6 ^aAll we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way;

II PETER 2
15 Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray,


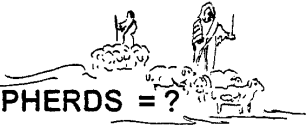
TO GO “ASTRAY” MEANS TO LEAVE THE RIGHT WAY OR THE “TRUTH” AND TO FOLLOW A PATH OF ERROR OR **FALSE TEACHING** THAT WILL RESULT IN BEING “**LOST**” !

What condition are the sheep in ?
THE “SHEEP” ARE **LOST** !

JEREMIAH 50 : 6 My people hath been **lost sheep** : their shepherds have caused them to go astray,...

Why are the sheep **lost** ?

JEREMIAH 50 : 6 My people hath been **lost** sheep : their **shepherds** have *caused them to go astray*,...

Key Word 	SHEPHERDS = Pastors (Ministers) Jere 23:1 "Woe be unto the <u>pastors</u> that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! Saith the Lord Jere 50:6 "My people hath been lost sheep: their <u>shepherds</u> have caused them to go astray. . ."
 SHEPHERDS = ? <small>COPYRIGHT © 1985 BY WML T. BARRETT</small>	

THE “**SHEPHERDS**” HAVE *CAUSED* THE SHEEP TO BE “**LOST**” OR TO GO ASTRAY!

THE **PASTORS** AND **MINISTERS** HAVE *CAUSED* GOD’S PEOPLE (SHEEP) TO BE **LOST** !

What is the “**job**” of a “**shepherd**” ?

PSALMS 23

THE LORD *is* my **shepherd** ; I shall not want.

2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures : he **leadeth** me beside the still waters.

THE “**JOB**” OF A SPIRITUAL **SHEPHERD** IS TO **LEAD** THE PEOPLE (SHEEP) IN THE RIGHT WAY OR THE PATH OF TRUTH.

How does a “shepherd” **lead** sheep ?

JOHN 10 : 2 But he that entereth in by the door is the **shepherd** of the sheep. **3** To him the porter openeth ; and the sheep hear his voice ; and he calleth his own sheep by name, and **leadeth them** out. **4** And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the *sheep follow him* : for they know his voice.

A shepherd **leads** his sheep with **his voice**.
Just as a sheep follows the voice of the shepherd,
Similarly, **people** follow the **voice** of their **Minister**.
They do what **he tells them** to do.

What have the **shepherds** done to the *sheep* ?

JEREMIAH 50 : 6 My **people** hath been lost sheep : their **shepherds** have *caused* them to go astray, they have turned them away on the mountains: they have gone from mountain to hill,....

The “shepherds” or **Ministers** have :

Caused the people to “go astray” or to leave the “right way” or the truth and to **follow false teachings** instead of the truth.

Caused the people to go from a “high place” (mountain) to a “lower place”(hill).

The people have gone from following God’s Word (high place) to following man’s word(lower place). They do what their Minister says to do instead of what God says to do.

What have the “sheep” forgotten?

JEREMIAH 50

6 My people hath been lost sheep : their shepherds have caused them to go astray, they have turned them away on the mountains : they have gone from mountain to hill, they have forgotten their **restingplace**.

The “sheep” have forgotten their “**restingplace**”.

A “*restingplace*” is something that would provide Physical Rest for Physical sheep and something that would provide Spiritual Rest for Spiritual “sheep” or people.

Let’s see what the Bible says about **Spiritual Rest**.

HEBREWS 4 : 3 Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left *us* of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it.

4 For he spake in a certain place of the seventh day on this wise, and God did rest the seventh day from all his works.

5 And in this place again, if they shall enter into my rest.

9 There *remainth* therefore a **rest** to the people of God. **10** For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his.

11 Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.

Thus, the Bible says that the **restingplace** of God is **His 7th day Sabbath** and He invites **us** to enter into **His Rest** with Him. Clearly, the “restingplace” of the “sheep” or God’s people is to be with Him in the Sabbath Rest.

The Bible verse we have been studying said that the “sheep” or people had **forgotten** their “**restingplace**”.

In other words this Bible Parable is predicting that the *7th day Sabbath Rest* of God’s people would be “**forgotten**” by them!!! Let’s see if this has happened.

The Ten Commandments (**Exodus 20 : 3-17**)

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|------|---|-----------------------------------|
| (1) | 3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me | <u>1</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (2) | 4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. | <u>2</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| | 5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them or serve them : for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God... | |
| (3) | 7 Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain. | <u>3</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (4) | 8 Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy | <u>4</u> MOST MINISTERS |
| | 9 Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work | DO NOT ACCEPT THE |
| | 10 But the <u>seventh day</u> is the <u>Sabbath</u> of the Lord thy God : in it thou shalt not do any work. Thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, that is within thy gates. | <u>7TH DAY</u> SABBATH |
| | 11 <u>For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth</u> , the sea and all that in them is, and rested the <u>seventh day</u> wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it. | |
| (5) | 12 Honor thy father and thy mother : that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. | <u>5</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (6) | 13 Thou shalt not kill | <u>6</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (7) | 14 Thou shalt not commit adultery | <u>7</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (8) | 15 Thou shalt not steal | <u>8</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (9) | 16 Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor | <u>9</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (10) | 17 Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor’s house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor’s wife, nor his manservant nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbor’s | <u>10</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |

Clearly the “shepherds” or **Ministers** have rejected the **7th day Sabbath Rest** and as a result the “sheep” or God’s people have **forgotten** their “*restingplace*”.

We have seen that the Bible's prediction has come true, now let's see if we can discover **what caused** the "sheep" or God's people to **forget** the 7th day Sabbath Rest.

We know from our previous study that it was the "**shepherds**" that caused the "sheep" to go astray and therefore to forget their restingplace. So, we would expect that sometime in the past the "Church" made this change. Lets see if we are right.

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THE OBSERVANCE OF SUNDAY AND CIVIL LAWS
FOR ITS ENFORCEMENT. 139

"The **Sunday**, as a day of the week set apart for the obligatory public **worship** of Almighty God ; to be sanctified by a suspension of all servile labor, trade, and worldly avocations and by exercises of devotion, is **purely a creation** of the **Catholic Church**.

The day and the regulations have no logical basis except the authority of the Catholic Church.

In the primitive days of fervor and piety all days were so consecrated by exercises of devotion that no special command for the sanctification of the first day is traced.

This became gradually obligatory, although the command was not at first peremptory. The Council of Laodicea, in 364 A.D, defines : "That Christians must not Judaize and refrain from manual labor on Saturday, but work on that day ; and that, preferring the Lord's day, they must then rest, if this can be done, as becomes Christians".

The **Church** thus began by **calling her children** to **sanctify the first day of the week**, that on which God the Son rose from the dead, that, on which God the Father began the creation of the world, and God the Holy Ghost descended on the Apostles. **Constantine** lent the power of the state to **enforce** the **regulations** of the **Church**, and the civil law began to **enforce** the **spiritual decrees**. He commanded the Lord's day to be **observed by all** as a festival and **day of rest**.

Protestantism, in discarding the authority of the Church, **has no good reason** for its Sunday theory, and ought, logically, to **keep Saturday** as the Sabbath, with the Jews and Seventh-Day Baptists."

Thus, the **Catholic Church** is clearly *responsible* for accomplishing the change of the days of worship !

Men and women did **not** willingly change from the **7th day** to the **1st day**.

They were forced by civil laws of the government, enforcing the decrees of the Catholic Church, to *make the change* or suffer the penalty of the law !

According to the Catholic Church, “nothing in Scripture requires the change or justifies it”.

Most of the Protestant world has *accepted* the **change** of worship days from the **7th** to the **1st** day *without* having a **Biblical** basis for the change.

Now we are ready for a **final Paraphrase** of our Bible text.

THE LOST SHEEP
THAT HAVE FORGOTTEN
THEIR **RESTINGPLACE**

JEREMIAH 50

6 My people hath been lost sheep : their shepherds have caused them to go astray, they have turned them away on the mountains : they have gone from mountain to hill, they have forgotten their restingplace.

PARAPHRASE :

My people are **lost people** (sheep) !
Their **Pastors** and **Ministers** (Shepherds) have **caused** them to leave the **truth** and accept their **false teachings** (go astray).

They have **misled them** (turned them away) in the **churches**.

They have convinced the people to accept **their words** (hill) instead of **God's Word** (mountain).

They have told them to **forget** the **7th day Sabbath** (forgotten "restingplace") of the LORD and to "remember" instead the **1st day SUNDAY** !

The Parable of:

“ The Lost Piece of Silver”

LUKE 15

8 Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find *it* ? 9 And when she hath found *it*, she calleth *her* friends and *her* neighbours together, saying, Rejoice with me ; for I have found the piece which I had lost.

Comments:

In this parable a Physical woman has **lost** something of great Physical value to her. She spares nothing in order to recover what she has lost. This parable will then be about a Spiritual woman (church) that has **lost** something of great Spiritual value and must spare no effort until she has recovered what she has lost.

Lets take a moment and think about this parable.

Since the solution to the problem is to to use *Physical light* (candle) to search for the lost item, then the parable will be about using ***Spiritual light*** to find the missing item.

Since the solution to the problem also requires removing *Physical dust* (sweeping), then the parable will be about removing ***Spiritual dust*** in order to see the missing item.

Since the missing item is a piece of *Physical silver*, then the parable will be about recovering a piece of ***Spiritual silver*** that has been lost.

Since the piece of Physical silver was lost in the *Physical house*, then the parable will be about a piece of Spiritual silver that has been lost in the ***Spiritual house*** or Church.

Jesus always reveals **valuable truth** to us in His Parables, but once again it is hidden and can only be understood as we discover the Spiritual meanings of the *Real Objects* used in the parable.


REAL OBJECTS

woman, candle
silver, 10 pc of silver


KEY WORDS

light a candle, *darkness
sweep, *dust

Who does the “**woman**” represent ?

Key Word 

WOMAN = ?
(Pure, dressed in white)



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WOMAN= God’s church
(Pure) (True Church)

ISA 54:5.6 “Thy Maker is thy husband, the Lord of Hosts is His name. . .the Lord hath called thee, as a woman. . .and a wife . . .”


REV 19:7.8 “. . .the marriage of the Lamb is come and His wife. . .arrayed in fine linen, clean and white. . .”

THE “**WOMAN**” REPRESENTS THE “**CHURCH**”

What does the “**candle**” represent ?

Key Word 

CANDLE = ?



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CANDLE = GODS’ WORD
(The Bible)


Ps. 119:105
Thy word is a *candle unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

*Candle = Hebrew word
Lamp = English word

THE “**CANDLE**” REPRESENTS THE “**BIBLE**”
(God’s Word)

What does it mean to “light” a candle ?

Key Word 



LIGHT A CANDLE = ?


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LIGHT A CANDLE=Study the Bible to understand truth

Ps. 18:28
28 For thou wilt **light my candle**: the Lord my God will **enlighten my darkness**.

TO “**STUDY**” THE “**BIBLE**”(TO UNDERSTAND TRUTH)

What does “light” represent ?

Key Word 



LIGHT = ?

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LIGHT=TRUTH

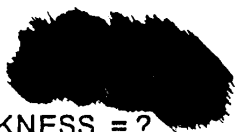
Ps. 43:3 “O send out thy **light** and thy **truth**...”

John 3:21 “ But he that doeth **truth** cometh to the **light**...”

“**LIGHT**” represents “**TRUTH**”

What does “darkness” represent ?

Key Word 



DARKNESS = ?
(Evening, night, black, **MIDNIGHT**)

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DARKNESS = LACK OF UNDERSTANDING (ERROR)

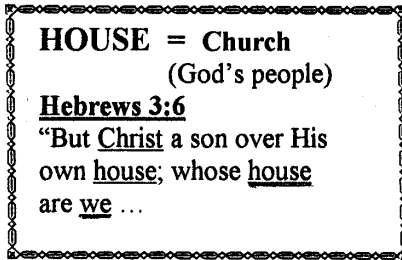
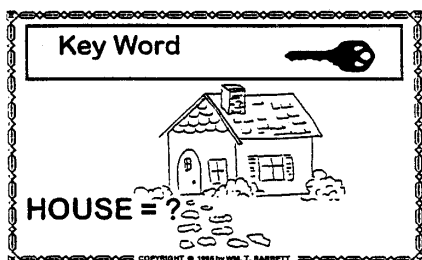
Ps. 82:5 “They **know not**, neither do they understand, they walk on in **darkness**....”

MIDNIGHT (Greatest Physical Darkness)
(Greatest Spiritual Darkness) or **ERROR**)

“**DARKNESS**” REPRESENTS “**ERROR**”

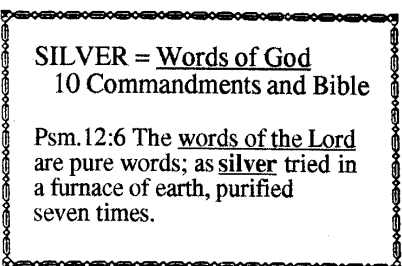
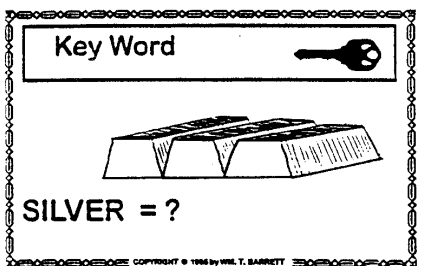
(Lack of Understanding)

What does the “**house**” represent ?



THE “**HOUSE**” represents THE “**CHURCH**”

What does the “**silver**” represent ?



THE “**SILVER**” REPRESENTS THE “**WORDS**” OF GOD
(THE BIBLE AND 10 COMMANDMENTS)

What does “**dust**” or “**sand**” or “**clay**” represent?

Job 10:9 “Remember..thou hast made **me** as the **clay**: and wilt thou bring **me** into **dust** again?”

Joshua 11:4 “...much **people**, even as the **sand** upon the seashore.”

“**DUST**” or “**SAND**” or “**CLAY**” REPRESENTS

MAN and the “**WORDS**” of MEN

Now that we know the Spiritual meanings of the Real Objects in the parable, we are ready to substitute those meanings back into the parable so that we can understand the Spiritual meaning of the parable.

We now know that the parable is really about the Church (woman) using the Bible(light) to discover part of God's Words(silver) that she has lost.

In order to discover the missing Words of God the Church must remove(sweep) the words of men(dust) that have been hiding part of God's Words(silver).

The parable also told us that it is the Church(house) itself that is responsible for losing part of God's Words(silver) because of its lack of understanding (darkness).

What we yet need to discover is **what Words of God** are missing? Since "silver" is the object that Jesus used to represent God's missing Words, we need to once again look at the Spiritual meaning of "silver".

Psalms 119:72 "The **law** of thy mouth is better unto me than thousands of gold and **silver**."

This Bible verse tells us that God's **Law(10 Com.)** is like **silver**. Now we know why there were **10 pieces of silver** in the parable! 10pieces=10Commandments.

The parable told us that **one** of the pieces of silver was **lost**. Thus, the parable is telling us that **one** of the Commandments of God would be **lost**! Now we need only to examine the 10 Com. to see *which* is **missing**.

The Ten Commandments (Exodus 20 : 3-17)

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|---|-----------------------------------|
| (1) 3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me | 1 ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (2) 4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. | 2 ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| 5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them or serve them : for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God... | |
| (3) 7 Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain. | 3 ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (4) 8 Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy | 4 <u>MOST</u> MINISTERS |
| 9 Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work | DO NOT ACCEPT THE |
| 10 But the <u>seventh day</u> is the <u>Sabbath</u> of the Lord thy God : in it thou shalt not do any work. Thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, that is within thy gates. | <u>7TH DAY SABBATH</u> |
| 11 <u>For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth</u> , the sea and all that in them is, and rested the <u>seventh day</u> wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it. | |
| (5) 12 Honor thy father and thy mother : that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. | 5 ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (6) 13 Thou shalt not kill | 6 ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (7) 14 Thou shalt not commit adultery | 7 ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (8) 15 Thou shalt not steal | 8 ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (9) 16 Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor | 9 ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (10) 17 Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbor's | 10 ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |

It is clear as we examine the 10 Commandments that the **one Law** or one Commandment that has been “**Lost**” is the **4th Commandment** which specifies which day that God says we are to worship him on.

Men's words(dust) have hidden God's Words(silver) and the Church has replaced the command of God to keep the 7th day(Saturday) holy with a command of men to

keep the 1st day(Sunday) holy.

History tells us exactly how and when this change was made by the Church.

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THE OBSERVANCE OF SUNDAY AND CIVIL LAWS
FOR ITS ENFORCEMENT. 139

“The **Sunday**, as a day of the week set apart for the obligatory public worship of Almighty God ; to be sanctified by a suspension of all servile labor, trade, and worldly avocations and by exercises of devotion, is **purely a creation of the Catholic Church.**”

“The Council of Laodicea, in 364 A.D, defines : “That *Christians must not Judaize and refrain from manual labor on Saturday, but work on that day ; and that, preferring the Lord’s day, they must then rest,* if this can be done, as becomes Christians”.

“The **Church** thus began by **calling her children to sanctify the first day** of the week, that on which God the Son rose from the dead, that, on which God the Father began the creation of the world, and God the Holy Ghost descended on the Apostles. **Constantine** lent the power of the state to enforce the **regulations** of the **Church**, and the *civil law* began to enforce the **spiritual decrees**. He commanded the Lord’s day to be observed by all as a festival and day of rest.”

Thus, we see from this historical document exactly how the change of worship days was made. Once the change was made, the churches have continued to promote the keeping of Sunday because it has become a “tradition of men” even though it cannot be solidly defended from the Bible.

The question now is “Can we still honor God by worshiping Him on another day than the day that He has specified that we should worship Him on?”

Let’s take one last look at the 10 Commandments and see if we can answer this question.

The Ten Commandments (**Exodus 20 : 3-17**)

(1) “Thou shalt have no other gods before me.”

This commandment is very plain. We are not to commit idolatry by worshipping another god.

(2) “Thou shalt *not make* unto thee any **graven image**, or **any likeness** of anything that is in heaven above or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth...”

This commandment is not as plain. Lets see what the Bible means by “**graven image**” by looking in the Concordance for other Bible texts using this word.

Exodus 32: 15,16 “And Moses turned, and went down from the mount, and the *two tables of testimony* were in his hand: the tables were written on both their sides: on the one side and on the other side were they written. And the tables were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, **graven** upon the tables.”

The 2nd Commandment told us:

(2) “Thou shalt *not make* unto thee any **graven image**, or **any likeness** of anything that is in heaven above or that is in the earth beneath,..”

An “**image**” is something made in the likeness of something else. The 4th Com. “**graven**” on tables of stone by God, specifies worship on the **7th day**(Saturday). The Church has made an “**image**” or “likeness” of God’s Com. by specifying worship on the **1st day**(Sunday) and enforced its “commandment” by Civil law.

By worshipping on **any other day** than what God has specified in the 4th Commandment, the Church *causes* people to commit IDOLATRY because they are worshipping an “**image**” of God’s Commandment which has been “**graven**” by man!!

Clearly, we have the answer to our question of ;
“Can we still honor God by worshipping Him on another day than the day that He has specified that we should worship Him on?

Jesus addressed the Church leaders of His day with a question. “Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition? For God commanded, saying, Honour thy father and mother...But ye say, “Whosoever shall say..honour not his father and mother, he shall be free.” Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition. ...But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.” Matthew 15:3-9

Now we see why Jesus has repeatedly warned us in his parables to base all our beliefs on **God’s Words** instead of **men’s words**. The last *blessing* of Jesus in the Bible is found in the last chapter of the Bible as He blesses commandment keepers. Rev. 22: 14-16 “**Blessed** are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. For without are dogs, and sorcerors, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie. **I Jesus** have sent my angel to testify unto you these things in the churches..”

Now it is time for our **final Paraphrase** of the Parable.

The **Parable** of: The Lost Piece of Silver LUKE 15

8 Either what woman having **ten pieces** of **silver**, if she lose one piece, doth not **light a candle**, and **sweep** the **house**, and seek diligently till she find *it* ? **9** And when she hath found *it*, she calleth *her* friends and *her* neighbours together, saying, Rejoice with me ; for I have found the piece which I had lost.

Paraphrase:

What Church(woman) having the **10 Com.**(10 pc /silver), if the Church(he) loses 1 Com.(1 pc), does not study the Bible(light a candle) and remove the teachings of men(sweep away dust) from the Church(house) and seek diligently until the Church(he) **finds** the **lost Com.**(it)?

And when the Church(he) has found the lost Com.(it), the Church(he) calls her friends and her neighbors together, saying, Rejoice with me; for I have **found** the **4th Commandment** which I had lost.

Summary:

We have seen how Jesus in the Parable of “The Lost Piece of Silver” has **warned us** that the “Church” would **lose one of the Commandments** and history has verified that it happened just as Jesus said it would.

The “**Good News**” is that in the same Parable, Jesus has also told us that the “woman” would **find the lost pc** of silver!! Thus Jesus has told us that **His People** would re-discover the **4th Commandment** and in turn would re-discover the **7th day Sabbath Truth!!**

“The Spring of Water Healed by Salt”

2 KINGS 2

19 And the men of the city said unto Elisha, behold, I pray thee, the situation of this city *is* pleasant, as my lord seeth : but the **water** *is* nought, and the **ground** barren. **20** And he said, bring me a **new cruse**, and put **salt** therein. And they brought *it* to him. **21** And he went forth unto the **spring of the waters**, and cast the salt in there, and said, thus saith the Lord, I have healed these waters ; there shall not be from thence any more death or barren *land*. **22** So the waters were healed unto this day, according to the saying of Elisha which he spake.

REAL OBJECTS	SPIRITUAL
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water	
ground	
new cruse	
salt	
spring	
* nought	
* barren	

QUESTIONS : What questions do you have about this text ?

- 1 Why was the water * nought ?
- 2 What was the source of the water ?
- 3 What was the result of having water that was * nought ?
- 4 What was the result of putting salt in the water ?

- 5 Why was the salt cast into the “spring” of the waters instead of just into the waters ?

- 6 What did the salt represent spiritually ?


- 7 What did the “water” that was * nought represent Spiritually ?

- 8 What did the “new cruse” represent Spiritually ?

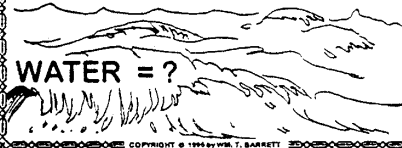
- 9 Why was it necessary to put the salt into a “new cruse” in order to heal the waters ?

- 10 What did the “barren” **ground** represent Spiritually ?

- 11 What did the “spring” of (bad water) represent Spiritually ?

Key Word 


WATER = ?




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WATER = People

REV 17:15 "... The waters, which thou sawest... are peoples."

Key Word 


VESSEL = ?




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VESSEL = Person

Jere. 18: 4-6 " And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter... Behold as the clay is in the potters hand, so are you in mine hand..

Key Word 


BROKEN VESSEL = ?



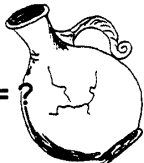
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BROKEN VESSEL = Dead Person
(Spiritually dead)

Psm 31:12 "I am forgotten as a dead man out of mind: I am like a broken vessel."

Key Word 


BOTTLE = ?
(Old)



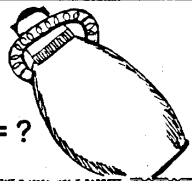
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BOTTLE = Unconverted person
(Old)

Jere 19:1,10,11 "Thus saith the Lord, go and get a potters earthen bottle... then shalt thou break the bottle... even so will I break this people... as one breaketh a potters vessel that cannot be made whole again.
Jere 13:12,13 "... saith the Lord... every bottle shall be filled with wine... behold I will fill all the inhabitants with drunkenness."

Key Word 


BOTTLE = ?
(New)



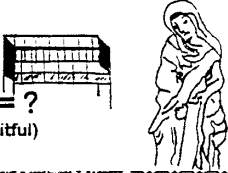
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BOTTLE = Converted person
(New)

Jere 19:1 "Thus saith the Lord, go and get a potters earthen bottle... : Jere 18:3,4,6 "Then I went down to the potters house... and the vessel he made of clay was marred... so he made it again another vessel... saith the Lord, behold as the clay is in the potters hand so are ye in mine hand....

Key Word 


BARREN = ?
(Childless, unfruitful)




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BARREN = No converts for Jesus

2 Pet 1:8 "... Neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Pet 1:23 "Being born ... again by the word of God." Gen 11:30 "... Was barren, she had no child."

Key Word 


SALT = ?



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SALT = Gods' People
Matt. 5:13 "Ye are the salt of the earth.

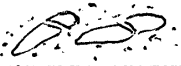
SALT = Gods' Law
Lev. 2:13 "...the salt of the Covenant."
Deut. 4:13 "...His Covenant.. even 10 Commandments."

Key Word 

... good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

SALT = ?
(without savour)
(without character)


Matt. 5:13




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"Christians" in name only, who do not keep Gods Law and so do not represent Gods' Character by their lives.

The character of salt is shown by its "savour" (#3471, #3474)
Lose savour--Become insipid
Insipid-- Characterless

Key Word 

SALT = ?
(with savour)
(with character)




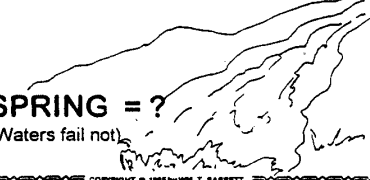
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Christians who represent Gods' Character by keeping His Law.

The character of God is shown by His Law.

God is	The Law is	God	Law
Love	Love	1 John 4:8	Rom.13:10
Eternal	Eternal	Gen. 21:33	Ps. 111:7,8
Unchangeable	Unchangeable	James 1:17	Matt. 5:18
Faithful	Faithful	1 Cor. 1:9	Ps. 119:86
Righteous	Righteous	Jer. 23:6	Ps. 119:172

Key Word 




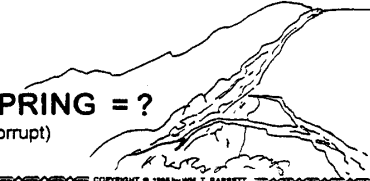
SPRING = ?
(Waters fail not)

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SPRING = People guided by the Lord

Isa 58:11 "And the Lord shall guide thee . . . and thou shalt be like a . . . spring of water, whose waters fail not."

Key Word 



SPRING = ?
(Corrupt)

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SPRING = A righteous man falling down before the wicked

Prov 25:26 "A righteous man falling down before the wicked is as a . . . corrupt spring."

GOOD GROUND = GOOD HEART

Luke 8 : 15 But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it and bring forth fruit with patience.

STONY GROUND (ROCK) = HARD HEART

Luke 8 : 13 They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy ; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away

Matthew 13 : 20 But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy received it, *21* Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while : for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word by and by he is offended.

Ezekiel 36 : 26 "A **NEW HEART** also will I give you, and a **NEW SPIRIT** will I put within you : and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh and give you an **HEART OF FLESH**" (soft heart).

2 KINGS 2

REAL OBJECT	SPIRITUAL MEANING
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19 And the men of the city said unto Elisha, ^{water} behold, I pray thee, the situation of this city *is* pleasant, as my lord ^{ground} seeth : but the **water** *is* nought, and the **ground** barren. 20 And he said, bring me a **new cruse**, ^{new cruse} and put **salt** therein. And they brought *it* to him. 21 And he went forth unto the **spring of the waters**, and cast the salt in there, and said, thus saith the ^{spring} Lord, I have healed these waters ; there shall not be from thence any more death or barren *land*. 22 So the waters were healed unto this day, according ^{* nought} to the saying of Elisha which he spake. ^{* barren}

water that was
* nought

“barren”
ground

People (Rev. 17 : 15)

The heart of a person (Luke 8 : 15, Matt 13 : 23)

6746 – tall container (“new”) Vessel converted person (bottle)

God’s Law, God’s Character, God’s people

(pure)- person guided by the Lord
(corrupt)- person fallen into sin

7451 – bad, evil, wicked,

7921 Miscarry, childless
lose children

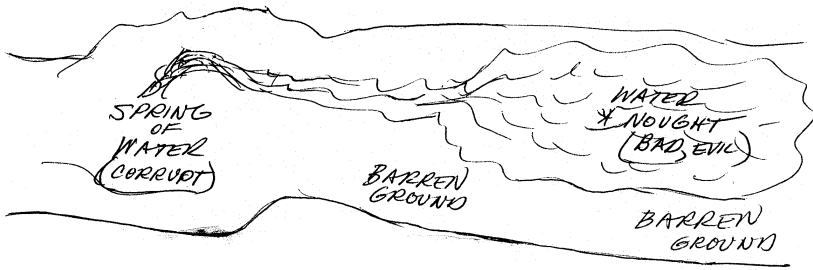
people who are evil
or wicked


The heart of a person
not producing **fruit**
or converts, children

QUESTIONS :


- 1 Why was the water * nought ? (* evil, bad, wicked)
Because there was **no salt** in the water
No **LAW** among the people.
No one to represent God’s **CHARACTER**
- 2 What was the source of the water ?
A spring producing **bad** water (Corrupt Spring)
A **RIGHTEOUS** man who has
FALLEN into **SIN** (Prov.25 : 26)

3. What was the result of having water what was * nought ?
Barren ground and death
(People **not** producing “FRUIT” or CONVERTS
and LOST SOULS)
4. What was the result of putting salt in the water ?
Water that was healed :
no death (NO LOST SOULS)
Fruitful ground (CONVERTED PEOPLE)
5. Why was the salt cast into the “spring” of the waters instead of just into the waters ?
Because the **source** of the problem was the spring.
It would have continued to spoil the rest of the water.
6. What did the salt represent spiritually ?
GOD’S CHARACTER, GOD’S LAW, GOD’S PEOPLE.
7. What did the “water” that was * nought represent Spiritually ?
EVIL OR WICKED PEOPLE
8. What did the “new cruse” represent Spiritually ?
A CONVERTED PERSON WHOSE HEART WAS
MADE “NEW” BY THE LORD
9. Why was it necessary to put the salt into a “new cruse” in order to heal the waters ?
God’s **LAW** (salt) can **only** be kept
by a **CONVERTED PERSON** (“NEW” CRUSE)
(See OLD and NEW Wine Bottles study).
10. What did the “barren” **ground** represent Spiritually ?
A person with an unconverted heart not producing any of the
Christian Virtues or making any Converts)
11. What did the “spring” of (bad water) represent Spiritually ?
A person who once kept God’s Law (RIGHTEOUS)
but who had fallen into sin.



Key Word 

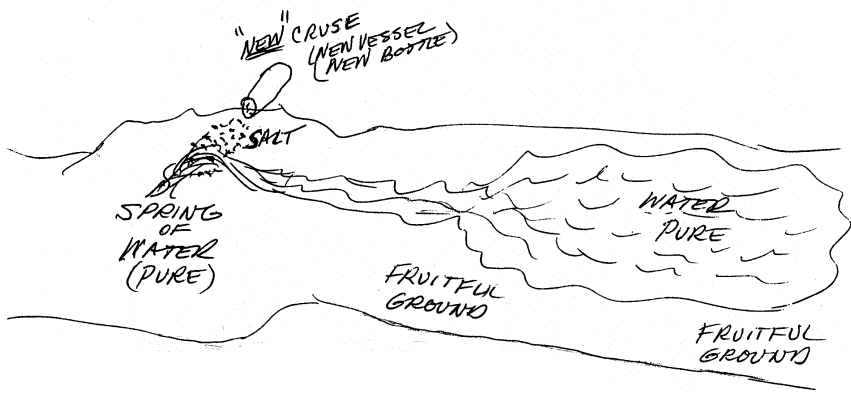
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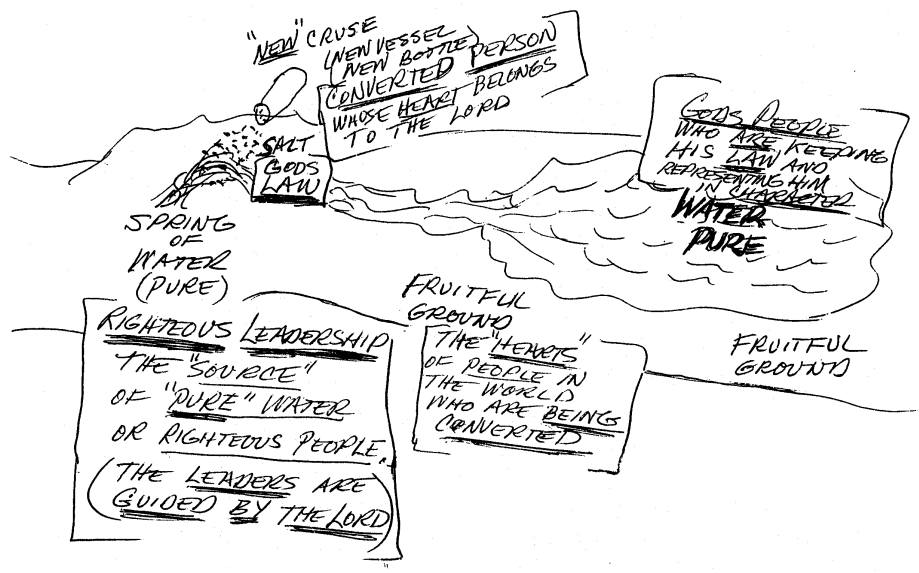
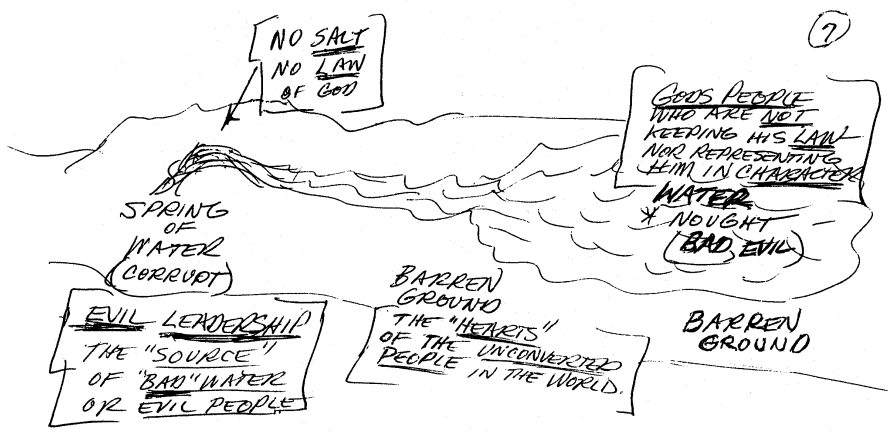
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PARAPHRASE :

“The Spring of Water healed by Salt”

The **leaders** of God’s people were **not obeying** GOD’S **LAW** of 10 Commandments.

They were setting a **bad example** for the rest of God’s people, who then followed their leaders example !

The **result** of this was that the unconverted people around them were **remaining unconverted** !!

Instead of being led to give their heart to the Lord by observing the **lives** of God’s people, as they obeyed God’s Law and represented Him in Character, instead, they could see **no difference** between the way they were living and the way Gods’ people were living !

When the **leadership** of God’s people began to keep God’s Law and to be **guided by Him**, then God’s people began to **follow** their leaders example and to **also** keep God’s Law.

As the **unconverted people** around them began to observe how God’s people were “**loving their neighbors as themselves**”, they began to notice the difference and began to ask questions. In a short time the Holy Spirit had given them “**new hearts**” and they too began to keep God’s Law and to “love their **neighbors as themselves**”.

"Jezebel"

Example: A Bible study of the word Jezebel.

Strong's Concordance lists the following texts in this order:

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| 1. I Kings 16:31 | 7. I Kings 21:7 | 13. II Kings 9:7 |
| 2. I Kings 18:4 | 8. I Kings 21:11 | 14. II Kings 9:10 |
| 3. I Kings 18:13 | 9. I Kings 21:14 | 15. II Kings 9:22 |
| 4. I Kings 19:1 | 10. I Kings 21:15 | 16. II Kings 9:30 |
| 5. I Kings 19:2 | 11. I Kings 21:23 | 17. II Kings 9:36 |
| 6. I Kings 21:5 | 12. I Kings 21:25 | 18. II Kings 9:37 |
| | | 19. Rev. 2:20 |

Bible Quote

Own Words

1. Literal Meaning
2. Spiritual

1. I Kings 16:31

"And it came to pass as if it had been a light thing for him ^(AHAB) to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, that he took to wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal King of the Zidonians, and went and served Baal, and worshipped him."

Jezebel, the daughter of a heathen king, married the king of Israel, Ahab, and Ahab began to serve Baal (the Sun god) and worship him.

2. The False Church (Impure woman) made a union (marriage) with the Civil power (king). The civil power began to promote worship of the sun.

2. I Kings 18:4

"For it was so, when Jezebel cut off the prophets of the Lord that Obadiah took an hundred prophets, and hid them by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and water."

1. Jezebel "cut off" the prophets of the Lord.

2. The False Church persecuted God's people.

3. I Kings 18:13

"Was it not told my lord what I did when Jezebel slew the prophets of the Lord, how I hid an hundred men of the Lord's prophets by fifty in a cave and fed them with bread and water?"

1. Jezebel slew the prophets of the Lord.

2. The False Church killed God's people.

Bible QuoteOwn Words

4. I Kings 19:1
 "And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword."
1. Elijah slew the prophets of Jezebel with the sword.
2. God's people can overcome the False church with the Bible.
5. I Kings 19:2
 "Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by tomorrow about this time."
1. Jezebel threatened Elijah with death.
2. The False church will again threaten God's people with death.
6. I Kings 21:5
 "But Jezebel his wife came to him, and said unto him, why is thy spirit so sad, that thou eatest no bread?"
1. Ahab would not eat bread and was sad and Jezebel asked why?
2. The False church will ask the Civil power why it does not want to get involved in understanding(eat) matters concerning the Bible(bread).
7. I Kings 21:7
 "And Jezebel his wife said unto him, Dost thou now govern the kingdom of Israel? Arise and eat bread, and let thine heart be merry: I will give thee the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite."
1. Jezebel reminded Ahab that he was the king over the people so he should eat bread and be merry. Jezebel promised that she would give Ahab the vineyard of Naboth.
2. The False church will promise the Civil power that she is able to solve the problem that the civil power has, and tells the civil power that it should become involved in religious matters.
8. I Kings 21:11
 "And the men of his city, even the elders and the nobles who were the inhabitants in his city, did as Jezebel had sent unto them, and as it was written in the letters which she had sent unto them."
1. Jezebel sent letters to all the elders and nobles.
2. The False church will send letters to the important people (Civil rulers) in the world.
9. I Kings 21:14
 "Then they sent to Jezebel saying, Naboth is stoned, and is dead."
1. They sent word to Jezebel that Naboth was stoned and dead.
2. The important people (civil leader) will do as the False church has asked and will put to death some of God's people. They will inform the false church they have done as she has asked.

Bible Quote

Own Words

10. I Kings 21:15
"And it came to pass when Jezebel heard that Naboth was stoned, and was dead that Jezebel said to Ahab arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give thee for money: for Naboth is not alive, but dead."
1. Jezebel told Ahab to take possession of Naboth's vineyard because he was dead.
2. The False church will tell the Civil power to confiscate the possessions of God's people who are put to death.
11. I Kings 21:23
"And of Jezebel also spake the Lord, saying, The dogs shall eat Jezebel by the wall of Jezreel."
1. The Lord spoke of Jezebel and said the dogs would eat Jezebel by the wall of Jezreel.
2. The Lord said that the Gentiles (dogs) would understand (eat) what the False church (Jezebel) was really like as they came into close contact (by) with the ten commandments (wall) of God. (Jezreel means "God has sowed or planted")
12. I Kings 21:25
"But there was none like unto Ahab, which did sell himself to work wickedness in the of the Lord, whom Jezebel his wife stirred up."
1. It was Jezebel who stirred up Ahab to work such wickedness.
2. It will be the False church that stirs the Civil power to work such wickedness.
13. II Kings 9:7
"And thou shalt smite the house of Ahab thy master, that I may avenge the blood of my servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the Lord, at the hand of Jezebel."
1. Because of Jezebel the house of Ahab would be smitten to to avenge the blood of the servants of the Lord.
2. Because of the False church judgements from God will come upon the Civil power, to avenge the death of God's people.
14. II Kings 9:10
"And the dogs shall eat Jezebel in the portion of Jezreel, and there shall be none to bury her. And he opened the door and fled."
1. The dogs would eat Jezebel in a part of Jezreel and she would be killed and no one would bury her. The one giving the message opened the door and fled.
2. The Gentiles (dogs) will understand (eat) that the False church has deceived them in the matter of God's Law (portion of Jezreel) and will destroy her. The truth about Jesus (door) will be revealed (opened) by God's messengers.

Bible Quota

Own Words

15. II Kings 9:22
"And it came to pass, when Joram saw Jehu, that he said, is it peace, Jehu? And he answered What peace, so long as the whoredoms of thy mother Jezebel and her witchcrafts are so many?
16. II Kings 9:30
"And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it and she painted her face and tired her head, and looked out at a window.
17. II Kings 9:36
"Wherefore they came again and told him. (That all they could find of Jezebel was her skull, her feet and the palms of her hands) And he said, this is the word of the Lord, which he spake by his servant Elijah the Tishbite, saying, in the portion of Jezreel shall dogs eat the flesh of Jezebel."
18. II Kings 9:37
"And the carcase of Jezebel shall be as dung upon the face of the field in the portion of Jezreel; so that they shall not say, this is Jezebel."
19. Rev. 2:20
"Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols."
1. There will be no peace as long as Jezebel continues to practice her whoredoms and witchcraft.
2. There will be no peace as long as the False church continues to join herself in union (whoredom) with the Civil powers and continues to teach things which God's word forbids.
1. Jezebel painted her face and put up her hair and tried to make herself look attractive.
2. The False church makes herself look very attractive on the outside.
1. The prophecy of the Lord given by Elijah came true. The dogs did eat Jezebel in the portion of Jezreel and only her skull, feet, and hands were left.
2. The prophecy of the Lord concerning the False church will come true. She will be completely exposed. Her evil thoughts (skull), her evil actions (feet&hands) will be revealed by God's Law (portion of Jezreel) to the Gentiles (dogs) and they will destroy her.
1. The carcase of Jezebel was as dung on the ground so that she could not be identified.
2. The False church will be completely destroyed so that nothing will be left to identify her by.
1. Jesus does not want the church to allow Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess to teach and to seduce his people.
2. Jesus does not want the church to allow the False church to seduce and deceive people with her teachings.

The **Story** that the Bible tells us about the "Word" **JEZEBEL**.

Literal Story:

Jezebel, the daughter of a heathen king, married the king of Israel, Ahab, and Ahab began to serve Baal (sun god) and to worship him. Jezebel persecuted and killed the prophets of the Lord. Elijah then slew the prophets of Baal with the sword. Jezebel then threatened Elijah with death. Ahab was sad and would not eat bread and Jezebel wanted to know why. Naboth would not give the king his vineyard but Jezebel promised the king that she would give him the vineyard of Naboth. She sent letters to all the elders and nobles telling them to "set Naboth on high" and to then hire false witnesses against him. They did as she asked and then Naboth was stoned to death. Jezebel then told the king to take possession of Naboth's vineyard. The Lord said that "the dogs would eat Jezebel by the wall of Jezreel". There was no king more wicked than Ahab whom Jezebel had stirred up. Because of Jezebel the house of Ahab would be smitten with judgments by the Lord. There would be no peace as long as Jezebel continued to practice her whoredom and witchcraft. Jezebel painted her face and tried to make herself look attractive but it was to no avail because the prophecy of the Lord came true. The dogs ate Jezebel in the portion of Jezreel and only her skull, feet, and hands were left. She could not even be identified. Jesus does not want Jezebel to teach and seduce his people to commit fornication and to eat things sacrificed to idols.

The **Story** that the Bible tells us about the "Word" **JEZEBEL**.

Spiritual Story:

The False church(impure woman) makes a union (marriage) with the Civil power(king). The Civil power begins to promote the worship of the sun. The False church begins to persecute the leaders (prophets) of Gods people and to spiritually"cut them off". The leaders of Gods people fight back with the spiritual sword(Bible) and spiritually defeat the leaders of the False church. The False church will be very upset and a decree of death will be issued threatening Gods people. The Civil power does not want to get involved in religious matters(eat bread) but the False church tells the civil power to get involved. One church(Naboths vineyard) resists the Civil government and refuses to obey the governments wishes. The False church tells the Civil power not to worry because she will take care of the matter. The False church will send letters to the important people of the world telling them to make the Church that is resisting them, prominent in the eyes of the people and to accuse it of treason against God and the Civil government and to call for its destruction and the death of its people. Some of Gods people will lose their lives and their possessions will be taken. The world will understand what the False church is really like as Gods people reveal what the ten commandments(wall) say and testify with their lives. It is the False church that will cause the Civil power to work such wickedness and because of this, God will bring judgments upon the government and upon the False church. There will be no peace as long as the False church joins in union(whoredom) with the Civil power and deceives Gods people with her teachings (to commit spiritual fornication-worship on wrong day). God will completely destroy the False church.

The Breaking of The High Wall

EZEKIEL 13 9 And mine hand shall be upon the **prophets** that see vanity, and that divine lies...

10 Because, even because **they** have seduced my people, saying, **peace** ; and *there was* no peace ; and one built up a wall, and lo, others daubed it with untempered mortar. **11** Say unto them which daub it with untempered mortar, that **it shall fall** : there shall be an over flowing shower ; and ye, O great hailstones, shall fall ; and a stormy wind shall rend *it*. **14** So will I break down the wall that ye have daubed with untempered mortar, and bring it down to the ground, so that the foundation thereof shall be discovered, and it shall fall, and ye shall be consumed in the midst thereof : and ye shall know that I *am* the Lord. **15** Thus will I accomplish my wrath upon the wall, and upon them that have daubed it with untempered mortar, and will say unto you, the wall *is no more*, neither they that daubed it;

INTRODUCTION : THE WALL

One of the most fascinating “words” to study in the Bible is the word “**wall**”. This word “**wall**” is used interchangeably with the word “**hedge**” in the Bible.

A “**wall**” or a “**hedge**” is used by God to show His Protective Care for His people as the “**wall**” or “**hedge**” surrounds them. When the “**wall**” or “**hedge**” is broken down or removed, the **enemy** takes God’s people **captive** !

The entire “**wall**” does **not** have to be broken down or removed for the enemy to get to God’s people.

Only a “**gap**” or “**breach**” has to be made in the “**wall**” and then the **enemy** can attack God’s people.

If the enemy can **convince God’s people** that the “**wall**” is **not very important**, and can prevent them from keeping the “**wall**” in **good repair**, then he will eventually **defeat them** !

With this background let us now begin our study of **The “Wall”**.

Lamentations 2:18:

...O **Wall** of the Daughter of Zion...
let not the **apple** of thine eye cease.

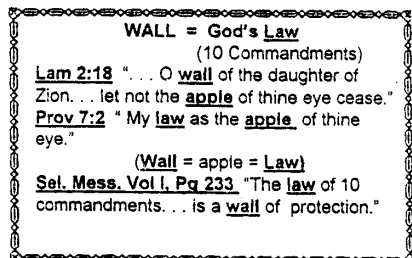
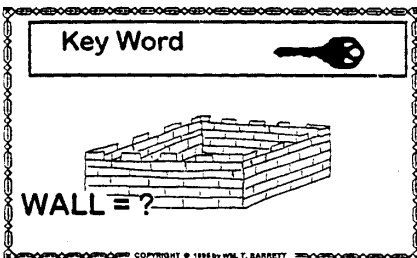
The “**Wall**” is the **APPLE**
Of thine eye

Proverbs 7:2

Keep my Commandments, and live
my **law** as the **apple of thine eye**.

The “**LAW**” is the **APPLE**
Of thine eye.

THE “**WALL**” = THE “**LAW**”



Isaiah 30 : 8 Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for the time to come for ever and ever : **9** That this *is* a rebellious people, lying children, children *that will not hear the law of the Lord* ; **10** Which say to the seers, see not ; and to the prophets, Prophecy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophecy deceits : **11** Get you out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us. **12** Wherefore thus saith the Holy One of Israel, because ye despise this word, and trust in oppression and perverseness, and stay thereon : **13** Therefore this iniquity shall be to you as a breach ready to fall, swelling out in a high wall, whose breaking cometh suddenly at an instant.

The **SIN** of “not hearing”
or NOT OBEYING GOD’S
LAW
is compared to :
A HIGH WALL
WITH
a “**BREACH**” in it.

Let’s see what the physical meaning of the word “**Breach**” means by using the Concordance :

BREACH... be to you as a *b* ready to fall..... Isa 30 : 13 # 6556 #6556 perets, *peh-rets* ; from #6555 ; a *break* (lit.or fig.) **breach**, breaking forth (in), x forth, **gap**.

Thus, a “**Breach**” is a break or gap or hole,

We previously learned that there is a “**Breach**” in the “**Wall**”.

Since a “breach” is a gap or **hole**, and the “wall” represents God’s **Law**, then a “breach” in the “wall” represents a “**hole**” in the “**Law**” or “**one commandment missing**” from God’s “**Law**”.

Now, lets discover the spiritual meaning of “breach”

1 Chronicles 13 : 10 And the anger of the Lord was kindled against Uzza, and he smote him, because he put his hand to the ark : and there he died before God. **11** And David was displeased, because the Lord had made a breach upon Uzza : wherefore that place is called Pē'-rēz-uzza to this day.

THE ACT OF A “MAN PUTTING HIS HAND ON GOD’S LAW”
(ARK) IS CALLED A “**BREACH**” BY GOD.

A MAN “PUTTING HIS HAND ON THE **ARK**”

REPRESENTS

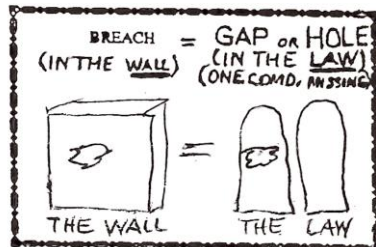
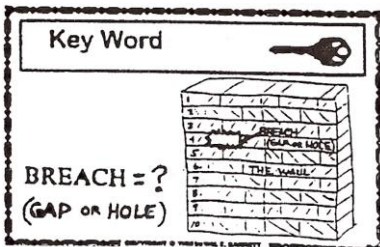
A MAN “PUTTING HIS HAND ON GOD’S **LAW**”

*Note: The ark
Contained the 2Chr 5:10
10 Commandments Law*

We previously learned that there is a “**Breach**” in the “**Wall**” and that the “**wall**” represents God’s Law.

Isaiah 30 : 13 Therefore this iniquity shall be to you as a breach ready to fall, swelling out in a high wall, whose breaking cometh suddenly at an instant.

We can conclude therefore that a “**WALL**” with a “**BREACH**” in it represents GOD’S LAW after a “man” has put “**HIS HAND** on it”.



Ezekiel 8 : 7 And he brought me to the door of the court ; and when I looked, behold a hole in the wall. **8** Then said he unto me, Son of man, dig now in the wall : and when I had digged in the wll, behold a door. **9** And he said unto me, **go in**, and behold the wicked abominations that they do here. **16** And he brought me into the inner court of the Lord's house, and, **behold**, at the door of the **temple of the Lord**, between the porch and the altar, were about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of the Lord, and their faces toward the east ; and **they worshipped** the sun toward the east.

THE "**GAP**" OR "**BREACH**"
OR "**HOLE**" IN THE "**WALL**"
THE "**GAP**" IN THE **LAW**
THE MISSING
COMMANDMENT

When a "hole" was made
In the "wall" or when
"one commandment" was
removed from the "**Law**"
God revealed to Ezekiel
that men would then be
worshipping the sun.

The implication is that the part of God's Law that is "**missing**" is the **4th Commandment** that tells us to **keep the 7th day Sabbath** holy.

THUS, THE **BIBLE SAYS**
THAT THE **DAY OF THE SUN**
WOULD REPLACE THE DAY OF GOD,
WHEN THE "**HOLE**" OR "**BREACH**"
WAS MADE IN GOD'S LAW (WALL) !

SUNDAY (1st DAY) WOULD REPLACE THE
SABBATH (7th DAY)

Let's compare scripture to learn more about this.

Ezekiel 22 : 25 *There is a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey ; they have devoured souls ;* **26** *Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things : they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed *difference* between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them.* **27** *Her princes in the midst thereof *are* like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, *and* to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain.* **28** *And her prophets have daubed them with untempered mortar, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, thus saith the Lord God, when the Lord hath not spoken.* **29** *The people of the land have used oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy : yea, they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully.* **30** *And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it : but I found none.*

It is the religious leaders that have **caused** the “**breach**” !

They do not want to keep the Sabbath !

They have told the people “**something**” that God has not said !
They have “**daubed** with **untempered mortar**” they have tried to “fill in the “**breach**” or “**gap**” in the “**wall**” (**law**) with “**something else**” **besides** the **4th commandment** (Sabbath)

PSALM 94 : 20 Shall the **throne of iniquity** have fellowship with thee, which frameth **mischief** by a **law** ?

This text tells us that **satan** (throne of iniquity) is behind the **mischief** against God's Law.

Ezekiel 13: The Breaking of the High Wall

because they have seduced my people, saying, Peace ; and *there* was no peace ; and one built up a wall, and, lo, others daubed it with untempered mortar : 11 Say unto them which daub *it* with untempered mortar, that it shall fall : there shall be an overflowing shower ; and ye, O great hailstones, shall fall ; and a stormy wind shall rend *it*. 12 Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not be said unto you, where *is* the daubing wherewith ye have daubed *it* ? 13 Therefore thus saith the Lord God ; I will even rend it with a stormy wind in my fury ; and there shall be an overflowing shower in mine anger, and great hailstones in *my* fury to consume *it*. 14 So will I break down the wall that ye have daubed with untempered mortar, and bring it down to the ground, so that the foundation thereof shall be discovered, and it shall fall, and ye shall be consumed in the midst thereof : and ye shall know that I *am* the Lord.

What causes the "breaking" of the *high WALL* ?

1. A "stormy wind"
 2. An "overflowing shower"
 3. Great "hailstones"
- } 3 Things

What does the "Stormy Wind" represent ?


What does the "overflowing shower" represent ?

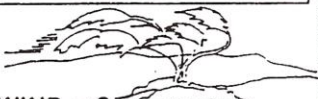
What do the "Great Hailstones" represent ?

What does the "Stormy Wind" represent ?

"Wind" represents "doctrine" (Eph. 4 : 14).


A "stormy wind" (angry), would represent angry, controversy over doctrine.


Key Word 



WIND = ?

WIND = Doctrine
EPH 4:14
"Be no more children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine by the sleight of men, & cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive."

Key Word 





WIND = ?
(strong, bolsterous,)

WIND = words of (strong, bolsterous,) false prophets
JOB 8. 13 "And the prophets shall become wind, and the word is not in them:
JEREMIAH 5
2 How long wilt thou speak these things? and how long shall the words of thy mouth be like a strong wind?"

What does the "overflowing shower" represent ?

The "latter rain" or Holy Spirit being poured out on the people. (Jer 3 : 3, Joel 2 : 23-29)

Key Word 



RAIN = ?
(Early & Latter)

RAIN = Holy Spirit
(Early & Latter)

Hosea 6:3 "Then shall we know... the Lord... He shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth."
Joel 2:28 "And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh..."
JERE 3 Therefore the "showers have been withholden, and there hath been no latter rain;

What do the "Great Hailstones" represent ?

Physical stones from heaven

Spiritual stones from heaven (10 Commandment Law)

GREAT STONES (from heaven)

Joshua 10 : 11


(tables of stone written with the finger of God) Deut 9 : 10

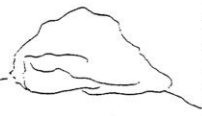
Ezekiel 13:14 So will I break down the wall
that ye have daubed with untempered mortar,
 and bring it down to the ground,
 so that the foundation thereof shall be discovered.

6 What does the “*foundation*” represent ?

What the “**WALL**” is **built on**

- or
1. (Rock) **God’s Word**
 2. (Sand) **Man’s Word**

Key Word 


ROCK = ? 


(True)

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ROCK = Christ
(True)

1Cor. 10: 4 “..They drank of that spiritual **Rock** that followed them; and that **Rock** was **Christ**.”


Key Word 

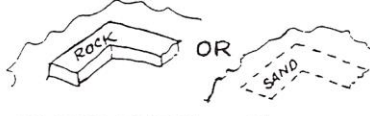
SAND = ? 

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SAND = People

Joshua 11:4 “And they went out, they and all their hosts with them, much **people**, even as the **sand** upon the **seashore** . . .”

Key Word 



FOUNDATION = ?

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WORDS OF CHRIST(The Rock)
Luk 6:47-49 1Cor10:4

OR

WORDS OF MEN(sand or earth)
Luk 6:49, Mat 7:26

FOUNDATION
 # 3247 bottom,
 # 3245 to sit down together
 take counsel, consult
 to set, to found

WORDS OF CHRIST (The Rock)
 Luk 6 : 47-49, 1Cor 10 : 4
 OR
WORDS OF MEN (sand or earth)
 Luk 6 : 49, Mat 7 : 26

7 When the high WALL is broken down, who are the ones that the Lord is especially angry with ?

The **false prophets** or religious leaders that have **deceived** the people by telling them **lies**.

Ezekiel 13:8: Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye have spoken vanity, and seen lies, therefore, behold, I am against you, saith the Lord GOD. **9** And mine hand shall be upon the prophets that see vanity, and that **divine lies**: they shall not be in the assembly of my people, neither shall they be written in the writing of the house of Israel, neither shall they enter into the land of Israel; and ye shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.”

8 What is the “**message**” of those the Lord is angry with ?

A **message** of “**PEACE**” for the people when the Lord said there will be **NO PEACE**.

Ezekiel 13:10 Because, even because they have seduced my people, saying, **Peace**; and *there was no peace*; and one built up a wall, and, lo, others daubed it with untempered mortar.

15 Thus will I accomplish my wrath upon the wall, and upon them that have daubed it with untempered *mortar*, and will say unto you, The wall *is no more*, neither they that daubed it;

16 *To wit*, the prophets of Israel which prophesy concerning Jerusalem, and which see visions of peace for her, and *there is no peace*, saith the Lord GOD.

PEACE	MESSAGE OF FALSE TEACHERS Jere 6 : 13-16
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Jeremiah 6

13 For from the least of them even unto the greatest of them every one *is* given to covetousness; and from the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely 14 They have healed also the hurt *of the daughter* of my people slightly, saying, **Peace, peace**; when *there is no peace*.

9 Who is the “**one**” that “**built up the WALL**” ?

The “**one**” that removed something from the “**Wall**”, therefore making it possible for “**others**” to “**daub**” the **Wall** or put something back in the **Wall**, that does not belong there !

10 What has been “removed from the **WALL**” that causes a “**hole**” or “**breach**” in the **WALL** and necessitates the “**daubing**” of it ?

Since the “**WALL**” represents God's LAW of 10 Commandments, then to put a “**hole**” or **breach**” in the “**WALL**” means to remove one of the 10 Commandments of God.

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THE OBSERVANCE OF SUNDAY AND CIVIL LAWS
FOR ITS ENFORCEMENT. 139

The Sunday, as a day of the week set apart for the obligatory public worship of Almighty God ; to be sanctified by a suspension of all servile labor, trade, and worldly avocations and by exercises of devotion, is purely a creation of the Catholic Church.

In the primitive days of fervor and piety all days were so consecrated by exercises of devotion that no special command for the sanctification of the first day is traced.

This became gradually obligatory, although the command was not at first peremptory. The Council of Laodicea, in 364 A.D, defines : “That Christians must not Judaize and refrain from manual labor on Saturday, but work on that day ; and that, preferring the Lord's day, they must then rest, if this can be done, as becomes Christians”.

The Church thus began by calling her children to sanctify the first day of the week,

Constantine lent the power of the state to enforce the regulations of the Church, and the civil law began to enforce the spiritual decrees. He commanded the Lord's day to be observed by all as a festival and day of rest.

Protestantism, in discarding the authority of the Church, has no good reason for its Sunday theory, and ought, logically, to keep Saturday as the Sabbath, with the Jews and Seventh-Day Baptists.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IS THE “**one**” who caused the “removal” of God's commandment.

What **commandment** of **God** has been “**removed**” from the **10 commandment LAW** thereby causing a “**breach**” or “**hole**” in the **LAW**.

The Ten Commandments (**Exodus 20 : 3-17**)

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|---|-----------------------------------|
| (1) 3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me | <u>1</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (2) 4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. | <u>2</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| 5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them or serve them : for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God... | |
| (3) 7 Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain. | <u>3</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (4) 8 Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy | <u>4</u> ✗ MOST MINISTERS |
| 9 Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work | DO NOT ACCEPT THE |
| 10 But the <u>seventh day</u> is the <u>Sabbath</u> of the Lord thy God : in it thou shalt not do any work. Thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, that is within thy gates. | <u>7TH</u> DAY SABBATH |
| 11 <u>For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth</u> , the sea and all that in them is, and rested the <u>seventh day</u> wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it. | |
| (5) 12 Honor thy father and thy mother : that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. | <u>5</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (6) 13 Thou shalt not kill | <u>6</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (7) 14 Thou shalt not commit adultery | <u>7</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (8) 15 Thou shalt not steal | <u>8</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (9) 16 Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor | <u>9</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |
| (10) 17 Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor’s house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor’s wife, nor his manservant nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbor’s | <u>10</u> ✓ ALL MINISTERS ACCEPT |

{ THE **7TH** day **SABBATH** (4th Commandment) has been **REMOVED** from the **LAW** thereby causing a “**breach**” or “**hole**”. }

11 Who are the “others” that “daubed it” with untempered mortar ?

The “false prophets”
or
RELIGIOUS LEADERS

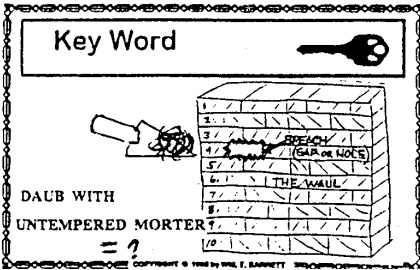
12 What does the “daubing” of the “WALL” represent ?

28 And her prophets have daubed them with untempered mortar, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord GOD, when the LORD hath not spoken.

DAUB WITH UNTEMPERED MORTAR	To say “Thus saith the Lord when the Lord hath not spoken” Ezekiel 22 : 28
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They have **told**
The people “something”
that God has not said !
They have “**daubed with untempered mortar**”

they have tried to “fill in the “**breach**” or “**gap**” in the “**wall**” (wall) with “**something else**” besides
the 4th commandment
(Sabbath)



DAUB WITH UNTEMPERED MORTAR =
TO SAY "THUS SAITH THE LORD WHEN THE LORD HATH NOT SPOKEN" Ezk 22:28
EZEKIEL 22
28 And "her prophets have daubed them with untempered mortar, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord God, when the LORD hath not spoken. Ch. 13:10

DAUBED # 2902 smear with lime (whitewash)	
UNTEMPERED # 8602 to smear, plaster or slime	
MORTAR # 2563 bubble up,, # 2560 to boil, to smear wth pitch, # 2564 bitumen (<u>black pitch</u>), slime pit	
DAUB WITH UNTEMPERED MORTAR	To put BLACK PITCH where there was a <u>hole or gap</u> and then to cover it up by smearing it with lime or whitewash

Example of “OTHERS” “**DAUBING THE WALL**” (WHITEWASHING)
POPULAR TEACHING (CHURCH OF CHRIST)

Dear Diane,

May 31, 2000

Thanks for your continued and excellent work in your Bible Correspondence Courses. This letter is in response to your observation about the ten commandments. The following is sent for your consideration with hope it will be helpful.

The ten commandments are a part of the law of Moses which was God’s law for the nation of Israel in the Old Testament days. We find the ten commandments listed both in Exodus chapter 20 and in Deuteronomy chapter 5. A close reading of these passages will show that this law was between God and Israel. This is the law which Christ fulfilled (Matthew 5 : 17). He took it out of the way, nailing it to His cross (Colossians 2 : 14-17).

It is often said that Jesus took only the ceremonial law away but left the moral part of the law. Of course, the Bible teaches just the contrary. He took all of the law out of the way and we are no longer under the law of Moses. In Romans chapter seven, Paul is discussing the fact that under Christ, we “become dead to the law by the body Christ” (Romans 7 : 3). In verse six he says “we are delivered from the law”. In verse seven he is very specific and identifies the law by one of its precepts namely “Thou shalt not covet”. Obviously, the ten commandments, of which “Thou shalt not covet” is one, are a part of that which we have been delivered from.

Well, does this mean that we can have other gods, or build idols, or take God’s name in vain, etc. Of course not. But the reason why is because the law of Christ, under which all people now live... forbids these things. In fact, some of the ten commandments are listed in Paul’s letter to the Romans (Romans 13 : 9). This makes them a part of the law of Christ. Some of the ten commandments have been made even stronger. For example, under the ten commandments, murder was condemned ; under the law of Christ, becoming angry which leads to murder is condemned (Matthew 5 : 21-22). Under the law of Christ adultery may be committed even in the heart (Matthew 5 : 27-28).

The one law of the ten commandments which is not part of the law of Christ is the Sabbath observance. Even those today who claim we ought to keep the Old Testament ten commandments do not keep the seventh day ; and those who do profess to keep the seventh day do not do so as the Old Testament teaches ; they have made new rules, which, of course, God prohibits.

I hope this will be of some assistance. I realize it sounds strange to many to say, we are not to keep the ten commandments today. However, once we see the true Bible teaching on the subject, we realize that we live under even a better law. The great principles which were so important to the nation of Israel have been made even greater for us under the law of Christ.

Thanks for studying. Please write again if further clarification is desired.

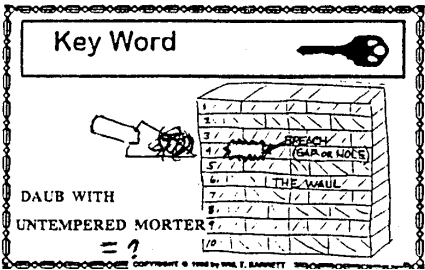
Sincerely,

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What does “daubing” the “WALL” Represent?

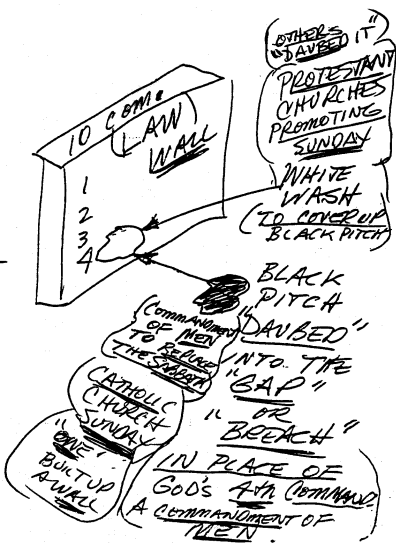
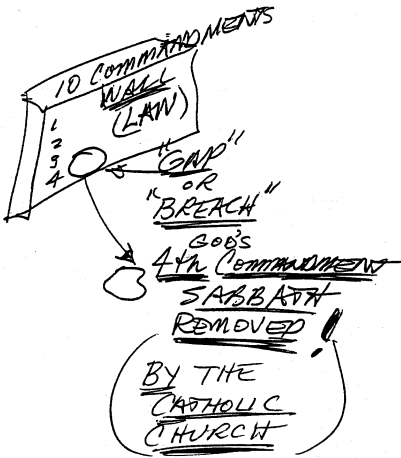
28 And her prophets have **daubed them with untempered mortar**, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, **saying, Thus saith the Lord GOD**, when the LORD hath not spoken.

DAUB WITH UNTEMPERED MORTER To say “Thus saith the Lord when the Lord hath not spoken” Ezekiel 22 : 28



DAUB WITH UNTEMPERED MORTER =
 TO SAY "THUS SAITH THE LORD WHEN THE LORD HATH NOT SPOKEN" Ezk 22:28
 EZEKIEL 22
 28 And "her prophets have daubed them with untempered mortar, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord God, when the Lord hath not spoken. Ch. 13:10

4th commandment removed – commandment of men substituted



They have **told** The people “**something**” that God has not said ! They have “**daubed with untempered mortar**”

they have tried to “fill in the “**breach**” or “**gap**” in the “**wall**” (wall) with “**something else**” besides the 4th commandment (Sabbath)

14 If someone were to try to “**replace**” the “missing” Commandment of God **back** into His Commandment LAW, what would **he** be **called** by God ?

Isaiah 58 : 12 And *they that shall be* of thee shall build the old waste places : thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations : and thou shalt be called, the **repairer of the breach**, the restorer of paths to dwell in.

Nehemiah 6 Now it came to pass, when Săn-băl’-lăt, and Tobiah, and Geshem the Arabian, and the rest of our enemies, heard that. I had builded the wall, and *that* there was **no breach** left therein ;

Isaiah 58 :12 And *they that shall be* of thee shall build the old waste places : thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations ; and thou shalt be called, the **repairer of the breach**, the restorer of paths to dwell in. **13** If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, *from* doing thy pleasure on my holy day ; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honourable ; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking *thine own* words.

Someone “**keeping**” the 7th day Sabbath of the **4th commandment** or advising **others to keep it** is called a “*repairer*” of the **breach** by God.

God has told us that He **will have men** who will **replace** what is “**missing**” from His “**WALL**” or “**LAW**”.

There **will be people** who will “**repair**” the “**breach**”

They will “**build the wall**” until there is **no “breach”** in it !

The “**repairer**” of the “**breach**” is one who keeps the **Sabbath Holy** !

MATTHEW 5

17 Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets : I am **not come** to **destroy**, but to fulfil.

18 For verily I say unto you, till heaven and earth pass one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

19 **Whosoever** therefore shall **break one** of these least commandments, and shall **teach men so**, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven : but whosoever shall do and teach *them*, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

JESUS DID NOT COME

TO DESTROY THE LAW !

HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE STILL HERE

AND SO IS THE LAW !

THOSE TEACHING THAT EVEN

ONE COMMANDMENT

(THE 4TH, 7TH DAY SABBATH)

CAN BE BROKEN

ARE IN BIG TROUBLE !

<p>EZEKIEL 13 9 And mine hand shall be upon the prophets that see vanity, and <u>that divine lies</u>... 10 Because, even because <u>they have seduced my people</u>, saying, peace ; and <i>there was</i> no peace ; and <u>one built up a wall</u>, and lo, <u>others daubed it with untempered mortar</u>. 11 Say unto them which <u>daub it with untempered mortar</u>, that it shall fall : there shall be an over flowing shower ; and ye, O great hailstones, shall fall ; and a stormy wind shall rend <i>it</i>.</p>	<p>14 So will I break <u>down the wall that ye have daubed with untempered mortar</u>, and bring it down to the ground, so that <u>the foundation thereof shall be discovered</u>, and it shall fall, and ye shall be consumed in the midst thereof : and ye shall know that I <i>am</i> the Lord. 15 Thus will I accomplish <u>my wrath upon the wall</u>, and <u>upon them that have daubed it with untempered mortar</u>, and will say unto you, the wall <i>is</i> no <i>more</i>, neither they that daubed it ;</p>
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PARAPHRASE

Ezekiel 13 : 9 I will make the False Prophets that have told lies and deceived my people, pay for what they have done. I will not let them be in the assembly of my people, nor in my church, nor shall they enter into the land that I will give my people.

Ezekiel 13 : 10 The reason is because they have seduced my people, giving a message of peace when there was no peace. Also, one of the false teachers is responsible for taking My Words that I wrote on Stone, My Ten Commandments (wall), and changed them by telling my people that I said something that I didn't say (built up a wall). Then, other false teachers have assisted him by hiding this change from the people in a "coverup" or "whitewash" of the facts (daubed with untempered mortar).

Ezekiel 13 : 11-13 Tell those men that have changed My Words into their words (daubed with untempered mortar) that "their commandments" (daubed wall) will not stand forever but will fall. I will cause the Holy Spirit (overflowing shower) to be poured out on the people and they will see that My Law on tables of stone (great hailstones) is different than your law and among the people there will be a great controversy over doctrine (stormy wind). This will cause the people to see the truth and your commandments, the "commandments of men" (wall daubed with untempered mortar) will no longer fool them (wall will fall).

Ezekiel 13 : 14-15 Yes, I will break down your "wall" of commandments that men have established, and when I do, everyone will be able to see that it has for its foundation only the words of men instead of the Words of God. Then, you false prophets and false teachers will be consumed in the midst and you shall know that I am the LORD.

The Parable of the Vineyard

ISAIAH 5 : Now will I sing to my well **beloved** a song of my beloved touching his vineyard. My well beloved hath a **vineyard** in a very fruitful hill : **2** And he fenced it, and gathered out the stones thereof, and planted it with the choicest vine, and built a tower in the midst of it, and also made a **winepress** therein : and he looked that it should bring forth **grapes**, and it brought forth **wild grapes**. **3** And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem, and men of Judah, judge, I pray you, betwixt me and my vineyard. **4** What could have been done more to my vineyard, that I have not done in it ? wherefore, when I looked that it should bring forth grapes, brought it forth wild grapes ? **5** And now go to ; I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard : I will take away the hedge thereof, and it shall be eaten up ; and break down the wall thereof, and it shall be trodden down : **6** And I will lay it waste : it shall not be pruned, nor digged ; but there shall come up briers and **thorns** : I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. **7** For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts *is* the house of Israel, and the men of Judah his pleasant plant : and he looked for judgement, but behold oppression ; for righteousness, but behold a cry.

WHAT QUESTIONS DO YOU HAVE ABOUT THIS BIBLE TEXT ?

QUESTIONS

- 1 Who is the “**beloved**” ?
- 2 What is the “**vineyard**” ?
- 3 What is the significance of having a “**tower**” in the midst of the vineyard ?
- 4 What does it mean to gather out the “**stones**” ?
- 5 What do the “**grapes**” represent ?
- 6 What is the significance of the “**winepress**” ?
- 7 What does the “**hedge**” represent and when it is removed, what happens ?
- 8 What does the “**wall**” represent and what does it mean for the vineyard to be “**trodden down**” ?
- 9 What do the “**thorns and briers**” represent and what is the significance if they are **not removed** ?
- 10 What does the “**rain**” represent ?

Key Word



Vineyard = ?

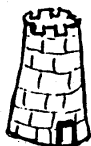
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Vineyard = Israel

ISAIAH 5

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tower = ?

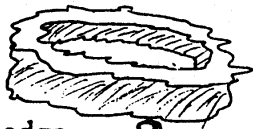
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tower = The LORD

PSALM 18:

2 The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.

Key Word



hedge = ?

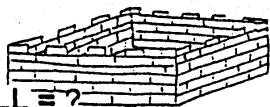
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hedge = blessings of God

JOB 1

10 Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land.

Key Word



WALL = ?

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WALL = God's Law

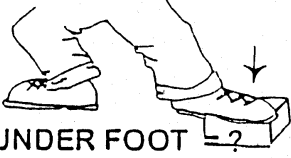
(10 Commandments)

Lam 2:18 "... O wall of the daughter of Zion... let not the apple of thine eye cease. Prov 7:2 "... My law as the apple of thine eye."

(Wall = apple = Law)

Sci. Mess. Vol I, Pg 233 "The law of 10 commandments... is a wall of protection."


Key Word 




PUT UNDER FOOT = ?

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PUT UNDER FOOT = HAVE POWER OVER
 I Cor. 15:24.25 "... When he shall have put down all rule and authority and power. For he must reign til he hath put all enemies "under his feet."


Key Word 




BE UNDER FOOT = ?

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BE UNDER THE FOOT = Be Subject To (Submit To)
 Psalms 8: 6 " Thou hast put all things under his feet."

Key Word 




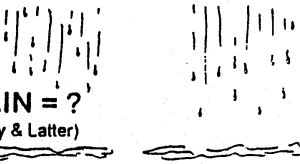
"crowd out"
 time that should be spent doing the Lord's work.

thorns and briars = ?

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thorns = Wicked people and Pleasures of the world
 NAHUM
 10 For while they be folden together^a as thorns, and while they are drunken as drunkards,^b they shall be devoured as stubble fully dry.
 isa. 5:12. the harp...the viol, the tabret and the pipe, and wine are in their feasts; but they regard not the work of the Lord..."


Key Word 

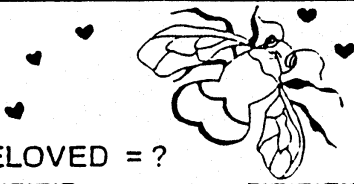


RAIN = ?
 (Early & Latter)

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RAIN = Holy Spirit (Early & Latter)
 Hosea 6:3 "Then shall we know... the Lord. He shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth."
 Joel 2:28 "And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh..."

Key Word 



BELOVED = ?

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BELOVED = Jesus
 Mat 3:17 "This is my beloved Son..."

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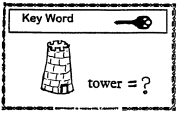
2. Think about the **Spiritual** :
Identify the **real objects**
in the verse :

3. Discover their **Spiritual Meaning** : (By using the **Bible Word Pictures**

BELOVED	JESUS
VINEYARD	ISRAEL
TOWER	THE LORD SALVATION
HEDGE	BLESSINGS OF GOD
WALL	GOD'S LAW (10 commandments)
TRODDEN DOWN	UNDER SOMEONE POWER
THORNS + BRIERS	WICKED PEOPLE
	PLEASURES OF THE WORLD
RAIN (WITHHELD)	(NO) HOLY SPIRIT
GRAPES	?
(WILD) GRAPES	?
WINEPRESS	?
STONES	?

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(JESUS)
- 2 What is the “**vineyard**” ?
(ISRAEL)
- 3 What is the significance of having a “**tower**”
in the midst of the vineyard ?
(?)
- 4 What does it mean to gather out the “**stones**” ?
(?)
- 5 What do the “**grapes**” represent ?
(?)
- 6 What is the significance of the “**winepress**” ?
(?)
- 7 What does the “**hedge**” represent and when it is removed, what happens ?
(BLESSINGS OF GOD) (GREAT HARDSHIP)
- 8 What does the “**wall**” represent and what does it mean for the vineyard to be “**trodden down**” ?
(LAW OF GOD) , (ENEMY HAS POWER OVER)
- 9 What do the “**thorns and briars**” represent and what is the significance if they are **not removed** ?
(?)
- 10 What does the “**rain**” represent ?
(?)



Use the sample of the Concordance below to *discover* the significance of having a “**tower**” in the midst of the vineyard.

TOWER

to, let us build us a city and a *t*
 down to see the city and the *t*
 his tent beyond the *t* of Edar
 peace, I will break down this *t*
 And he beat down the *t* of Penuel
 of the *t* of Schechem heard that
 that all the men of the *t* of
 men of the *t* of Shechem died also
 was a strong *t* within the city
 gat them up to the top of the *t*
 And Abimelech came unto the *t*
 of the *t* to burn it with fire
 horn of my salvation, my high *t*
 He is the *t* of salvation for his
 And when he came to the *t*, he took
a watchman on the *t* in Jezreel
 from the *t* of the watchmen to the
 from the *t* of the watchmen to be
 the watch *t* in the wilderness
 even unto the *t* of Meah they
 it, unto the *t* of Hananeel
 piece, and the *t* of the furnaces
 the *t* which lieth our from the
 the east, and the *t* that lieth out
 the great *t* that lieth out
 from beyond the *t* of the furnaces
 the *t* of Hananeel
 the *t* of Meah, even unto the
of my salvation, and my high *t*
a strong *t* from the enemy
 my high *t*, and my deliverer
 name of the LORD is a strong *t*
 Thy neck is like the *t* of David
 Thy neck is as a *t* of ivory
 thy nose is as the *t* of Lebanon
 And upon every high *t*, and upon
 built a *t* in the midst of it, and
 I have set thee for a *t* and a
t of Hananeel unto the gate of
 from the *t* of Syene even unto the
 from the *t* of Syene shall they
 O *t* of the Flock, the strong hold
 my watch, and set me upon the *t*
 from the *t* of Hananeel unto the
 a winepress in it, and built a *t*
 for the winefat, and built a *t*
 upon whom the *t* in Siloam fell,
 of you, intending to build a *t*

Gen 11:4
 Gen 11:5
 Gen 35:21
 Judg 8:9
 Judg 8:17
 Judg 9:46
 Judg 9:47
 Judg 6:49
 Judg 9:51
 Judg 9:51
 Judg 9:52
 Judg 9:52
 2 Sa 22:3
 2 Sa 22:51
 2 Kin 5:24
2 Kin 9:17
 2 Kin 17:9
 2 Kin 18:8
 2 Chr 20:24
 Neh 3:1
 Neh 3:1
 Neh 3:11
 Neh 3:25
 Neh 3:26
 Neh 3:27
 Neh 12:38
 Neh 12:39
 Neh 12:39
Ps 18:2
Ps 61:3
 Ps 144:2
 Prov 18:10
 Song 4:4
 Song 7:4
 Song 7:4
 Is 2:15
 Is 5:2
 Jer 6:27
 Jer 31:38
 Eze 29:10
 Eze 30:6
 Mic 4:8
 Hab 2:1
 Zec 14:10
 Mt 21:33
 Mk 12:1
 Lk 13:4
 Lk 14:28

WRITE YOUR DISCOVERIES

3 What is the significance of having a “**tower**” in the midst of the vineyard ?


COMPARING SCRIPTURE

2 KINGS 9 : 17 And there **stood** a **watchman** on the **tower** in Jezreel, and he spied the company of Jehu as he came, and said, I see a company. And Joram said, take an horseman, and send to meet them, and let him say, *Is it peace ?*

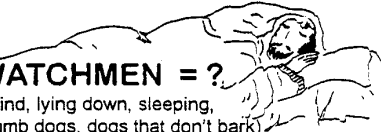
ISAIAH 21 : 6 For thus hath the Lord said unto me, go, set a **watchman**, let him **declare what he seeth**. **7** And he saw a chariot *with* a couple of horsemen, a chariot of asses, *and* a chariot of camels ; and he hearkened diligently with much heed : **8** and he cried, a lion : My Lord, **I stand continually upon the watchtower** in the daytime, and I am set in my ward whole nights : **9** and, behold, here cometh a chariot of men, *with* a couple of horsemen. And he answered and said, **Babylon is fallen, is fallen** ; and all the graven images of her gods he hath broken unto the ground.

EZEKIEL 3 : 17 Son of man, I have made thee a **watchman** unto the house of Israel : therefore **hear the word** at my mouth, and give them warning from me. **18** When I say unto the wicked, thou shalt surely die ; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, **to save his life** ; the same wicked *man* shall die in his iniquity ; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

PSALM 61 : 3 For **thou** hast been shelter for me, *and* a strong **tower** from the **enemy**.

Key Word 

WATCHMEN = ?
(Blind, lying down, sleeping, dumb dogs, dogs that don't bark)



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WATCHMEN = Pastors
(Blind, asleep, dumb dogs) (Who don't warn the people)

Isa 56:10,11 "His watchmen are blind: they are all ignorant, they are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down. . . greedy dogs. . . and shepherds that cannot understand. . . they all look to their own, everyone for his gain. . ."

CONCLUSION

The “**tower**” represents the **Lord**. His “**watchmen**” or ministers or priests are to “**stand on Him**” as their strength, rock and salvation !

The **Lord**, their “**tower**” would allow them to “**see**” the **enemy** and to then **warn** the **people**.

The “**tower**” allowed a “watchman” to **see** things he could not normally see.

4 What does it mean to **gather out** the “stones” ?

STONY GROUND

Mark 4 : 5 And some fell on **stony ground**, where it had not much earth ; and immediately it sprang up, because it had no depth of earth. **6** But when the sun was up, it was scorched ; and because it had no root, it withered away.

Ezk 11 : 19 And I will give them one heart, and I will put a **new spirit** within you ; and I will take the **stony** heart out of their flesh, and give them an heart of flesh. **20** That they may walk in my statutes, and keep mine ordinances, and do them...

CONCLUSION

The “**stony**” ground represents a **hard heart**, which is **not willing** to obey God.

The “**spirit**” in **that heart** is **not** God’s Spirit.

GOOD GROUND

Luke 8 : 8 And **other** fell on **good ground**, and sprang up, and **bare fruit** an hundred fold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

Throughout this parable in each case the “seed” fell upon “something” that represented the condition of a person’s heart. Example : stony ground.

Job 42 : 24 His **heart** is as firm as a **stone** ; yea as **hard** as a piece of nether millstone.

Stony ground = (hard) heart

Thus, **good ground** would again represent the **condition** of a **person’s heart**.

Good ground = (soft) heart

Ezk 36 : 26 A **new heart** also will I give you, and a **new spirit** will I put within you : and I will take away the **stony heart** out of your flesh and give you an **heart of flesh**. (soft heart)

CONCLUSION



The seed only produced fruit when it fell upon good ground

Thus the Word (seed) only produces the Christian Virtues (fruit) when it falls upon a “soft” converted heart (good ground).

CONCLUSION


When the “**stones**” were **gathered out** of the vineyard, that represented the Lord **removing** those with **hard “stony” hearts** from among His people. Only the Lord can look on the heart to see if it is “hard” (stony) or **unconverted** or whether it is “soft” (good ground) or **converted** !

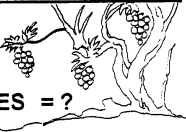
5 What do the “**grapes**” represent ?

<p>Key Word </p>  <p>Vineyard = ?</p>	<p>Vineyard = Israel</p> <p>ISAIAH 5</p> <p>7 For the <u>vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel</u>, and the men of Judah his <u>pleasant plant</u>; and he looked for judgment, but beheld oppression; for righteousness, but beheld a cry.</p>
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Since the “**vineyard**” represents Israel or “the Church”, we would expect that the “**grapes**” or fruit of the vineyard has something to do with the **people**.

Comparing Scriptures :

Key Word 




BRANCHES = ?
(With fruit)


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BRANCHES = People
(With fruit) (Who abide in Christ)

John 15:5 "I am the vine, ye are the branches:
He that abideth in me, and I in Him, the same
bringeth forth much fruit . . ."

Hosea 9 : 10 I found **Israel** like **grapes** in the wilderness ; I saw your fathers as the first ripe in the fig tree at her first time : *but* they went to Bā-āl-pē-ôr, and separated themselves unto *that* shame ; and *their* abominations were according as they loved.

Key Word 



FRUIT = ?

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FRUIT = Righteousness and Souls Won

Phil. 1:11 "...the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ.

Prov. 11:30 "The fruit of righteousness is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise."

Galatians 5 : 22 But the **fruit of Spirit** is : love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,...

Ephesians 5 :9 For the **fruit of spirit** in all **goodness** and righteousness and **truth**. Thus, "**grapes**" represent the **people** and what they are **like**. "**Good grapes**" having the "**fruit**" of the Holy Spirit or "**Wild**" **grapes** having the character of Satan.

Deuteronomy 32 : For their vine is of the vine of Sodom, and of the fields of Gō-mōr-rāh : their **grapes are grapes of gall**, their clusters *are* bitter : **33** Their wine is the poison of dragon, and the cruel venom of asps.

Jeremiah 8 : 13 I will surely consume them, saith the Lord : *there shall be no grapes* on the vine, nor figs on the fig tree, and the leaf shall fade ; and the things that I have given them shall pass away from them.


6 What is the significance of the "**winepress**" ?


Hosea 9 Rejoice not, O **Israel**, for joy, as *other* people : for thou hast gone a whoring from thy God, thou hast loved a reward upon every cornfloor. **2** The floor and the **winepress shall not feed them**, and the **new wine shall fail** in her.

Jeremiah 48 : 33 And joy and gladness is taken from the plentiful field, and from the land of Moab ; and I have caused **wine** to fail from the

winepress : none shall tread with shouting ; *their shouting shall be no shouting.*

“**Wine**” comes from the **winepress**. “**New wine**” is **true doctrine**.
If the “**wine**” is **not coming** from the **winepress**, then **truth** is **not** being taught.

Key Word 



WINE = ?
(OLD)


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WINE = False Doctrine
(Old)

Isa 28:7 "... They also have erred through wine and ... are out of the way..."

Isa 29:9 "... they are drunken but not with wine..."

PROVERBS 20:1
WINE is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

Key Word 



WINE = ?
(New)

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WINE - True doctrine
(New)

Song of Sol 8:2 'Instruct me: I would cause thee to drink of spiced wine

deut 32:14 "... Thou didst drink the pure blood of the grape:"

Thus, **one meaning** of “to **tread the winepress**” is to **teach doctrine** to someone.

6 What is the significance of the “**winepress**” ? (continued)

Isaiah 63 : 2 Wherefore *art thou* red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the winevat ? **3** I have trodden the winepress alone ; and of the people *there was* none with me : for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury ; and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment. **4** For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come. **5** And I looked, and there was none to help ; and I wondered that *there was* none to uphold :

therefore mine own arm brought salvation unto me ; and my fury, it up held me. **6** And I will tread down the people in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth.

The “grapes” or “people” will be trodden in the “winepress” by God in His anger and vengeance !

Lamentations 2 : 15 The Lord hath trodden under foot all my mighty *men* in the midst of me : he hath called an assembly against me to crush my young men : the Lord hath trodden the virgin, the daughter of Judah, *as* in a **winepress**. **16** For these *things* I weep ; mine eye, mine eye runneth down with water, because the comforter that should relieve my soul is far from me : my children are desolate, because the enemy prevailed. **17** Zion spreadeth forth her hands, *and there is none to comfort her* : the Lord hath commanded concerning Jacob, *that his adversaries should be round about him* : **Jerusalem** is a **menstruous woman** among them.

The people of the Lord have sinned against Him.


Revelation 14 : 18 And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire ; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth ; for her **grapes** are fully ripe. **19** And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God.


Revelation 19 : 15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations : and he shall rule them with a rod of iron : and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and **wrath of Almighty God**.

The harvest of the grapes will take place and those who have sinned against Him will suffer His wrath in the great “winepress” of the judgment !

The second meaning of “to **tread the winepress**” represents the **judgment** and **wrath** of God poured out upon the **wicked**.

9 What do the “**thorns and briars**” represent and what is the significance if they are **not removed** ?

Key Word 



"crowd out"
time that should be spent
doing the Lord's work,

thorns and briars = ?

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thorns = Wicked people and Pleasures of the world.

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10 For while they be folden together as thorns, and while they are drunken as drunkards, they shall be devoured as stubble fully dry.

Isa: 6:12 the harp...the viol, the tabret and the pipe, and wine are in their feasts: but they regard not the work of the Lord...

The “**thorns**” and “**briars**” represent **wicked people** and the **pleasures of this world**.

When **wicked people** are allowed to remain in the church, **they influence other people to do wrong**.


When God’s people allow the **pleasures of this world** to take up so much of their time that they do not have time to **study Gods’ Word**, they are being **choked** by “**thorns**” !!

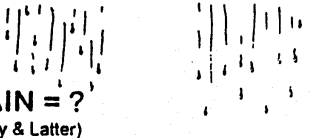
Even good things can take up too much time !

10 What does the “**rain**” represent ?

The “**rain**” represents the **Holy Spirit**.

The command to “**withhold the rain**” signifies the **removal of the Holy Spirit** from the people.

Key Word 



RAIN = ?
(Early & Latter)

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RAIN = Holy Spirit
(Early & Latter)

Hosea 6:3 “Then shall we know... the Lord... He shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth.”

Joel 2:28 “And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh...”

Jeremiah 3 : 3 Therefore the **showers** have been **withholden**, and there hath been **no latter rain** ; and thou hadst a whore’s forehead, thou refusedst to be ashamed.

ISAIAH 5 : Now will I sing to my well beloved a song of my beloved touching his vineyard. My well beloved hath a **vineyard** in a very fruitful

hill : **2** And he fenced it, and gathered out the stones thereof, and planted it with the choicest vine, and **built a tower** in the midst of it, and also **made a winepress** therein : and he looked that it should bring forth **grapes**, and it brought forth **wild grapes**. **3** And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem, and men of Judah, judge, I pray you, betwixt me and my vineyard. **4** What could have been done more to my vineyard, that I have not done in it ? wherefore, when I looked that it should bring forth grapes, brought it forth wild grapes ? **5** And now go to ; I will tell you what I will do to **my vineyard** : I will **take away the hedge** thereof, and it shall be eaten up ; *and break down the wall* thereof, and it shall be trodden down : **6** And I will lay it waste : it shall not be pruned, nor digged ; but there shall come up briers and **thorns** : I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. **7** For the **vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel**, and the men of Judah his pleasant plant : and he looked for judgement, but behold oppressions ; for righteousness, but behold a cry.

2. Think about the **Spiritual** :
Identify the **real objects**
in the verse :

3. Discover their **Spiritual Meaning** : (By using the **Bible Word Pictures**)

THE BELOVED

JESUS

VINEYARD

ISRAEL

TOWER

THE LORD (our strength and salvation)

WINEPRESS

JUDGEMENT + WRATH OF GOD

GRAPES

GOD'S OBEDIENT PEOPLE

WILD GRAPES

GOD'S DISOBEDIENT PEOPLE

HEDGE

BLESSINGS OF GOD

TRODDEN DOWN

UNDER SOMEONE'S POWER

THORNS + BRIERS

wicked people + pleasures of the world

RAIN (WITHELD)

HOLY SPIRIT (WITHELD)

GATHER OUT STONES

REMOVE UNCONVERTED PEOPLE

4. **Substitute the Spiritual Meaning for the Real Objects**

PARAPHRASE

I will tell you the story of **Jesus** (beloved) and His people Israel (vineyard). Jesus protected Israel (fenced vineyard). He removed the unconverted (gathered out stones), from their midst and left only those who were converted (choicest vine).

He offered his strength and salvation (tower) to them and expected that the leaders and teachers would watch and warn the people (tower).

He told them of the judgement to come (winepress). When the time of harvest came, he expected his people (grapes) to have the **fruits** of **the Spirit** (grapes) and to have won many converts (grapes).

Instead, they had become disobedient and wicked (wild grapes).

After doing all that he could for them, he finally removed his blessings (take away hedge) because His law (wall) that had protected them, was no longer kept (wall broken down).

He no longer removed wicked people (thorns not removed) from their midst and the people, following their bad example, spent their **time** on the **pleasures of the world** (thorns not removed), instead of **working for the Lord**.

Finally, the Lord removed His Holy Spirit from them (command no rain to fall), and said that **Israel** would be **under the power of** others (vineyard trodden down).