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Wine, Strong Drink and Drugs

Vow of a Nazarite

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ATTENTION

The only thing that separates us eternally from Jesus and God is blaspheme of the Holy Spirit, and rejecting the sacrifice and atonement for sin. God does not care about many manmade rules, and even rules in the OT and NT, etc. What he cares about is the condition of the heart, and why?

Many people go to heaven like the thief on the cross that probably his whole life gave no consideration to God and lived as he pleased stealing along the way. But he showed faith to Jesus on the cross, and was allowed into Paradise at that moment.

Eating and drinking does not define us, and does not keep us out of heaven just as keeping the feasts, or laws, but our actions reveal what is in the heart and who lives there. Do we walk in the flesh or spirit? What is our goal? He says in 1 Peter 1:16 13Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; 14as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance; 15but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, 16because it is written, “Be holy, for I am holy.”

17And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one’s work, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay here in fear; 18knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless, meaningless, futile, ineffective conduct received by tradition from your fathers.

Wine and related words have many meanings and can relate to blood, spirit, linked to judgment and more.

Rom 6:14 “For sin shall not have dominion, *power, control or command* over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.” Gal 2:21, 5:4

What I am trying to say is that this is a study that reveals Gods heart for us; the laws were given to protect us from ourselves, and to protect us from the schemes of the enemy. He introduces things like new laws for the country, or intoxicants that seem harmless, but they are intended as a stepping stone to a deeper agenda of slavery or destruction.

The research and study is intended to reveal certain information that will reveal truths that might not be as common or understood by many. Remember that the only way into heaven is through the key and door which is provided by Jesus.

Eph 2:8 “For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God” G5485 favour, thanks (for benefits, services, favors), recompense, reward, pleasure, delight, to be well, thrive, be joyful, and glad.

God’s grace to predestine us, to call us, and set us apart from the world, for the Lord Jesus knows who is coming, and who will not.

Rom 8:29 For whom He foreknew (at the beginning), He also predestined, *fated, destined, appointed, certain and unpreventable* to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the **firstborn** among many brethren.

30 Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called (*bid, to come and stand before him, to urge on, and command*); whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified. Ecclesiastics say to Love God and keep his commandments are the whole of the law.

There is no condemnation in Christ Jesus, and yet we have a foundation, by which we know what is holy or unholy, and the laws reveal to us what is unbecoming to God, does it condemn us? No! We are free in Jesus, but we are to go and sin no more.

Wine Word Dictionary

From Strong's Complete Dictionary of Bible Words from the Interlinear Bible (Hebrew, Greek, and English)

Wine, Winebibber, and Winepress

ACIYC - New Trodden Grape Juice, expressed new grapes

CABA - 5433+3196 – To become tipsy

CHEMER - 2561-Fermenting Wine

CHAMAR - 2562-Wine (fermented or not fermented?)

COBE - 5435-Wine (fermented or not fermented?)

ENAB - 6025-To bear fruit – the grapes

GATH – 1660 Winepress (Wrath, judgment, winepress)

GLEUKOS - 1098 Sweet wine; fresh juice

HAIMA – 129 Blood juice of grape/atoning blood of Christ

LENOS - 3025-Trough i.e. wine-vat

MAMCAK – 4469 Mixed drink offering or mixed wine

OINOPOTES – 3630 Tippler

OINOS – 3631 Fermented-drunk

OINOPHLUGIA – 3632 Drunkenness

PAROINOS – 3943 Tippling

PUWRAH – 6333 Wine-press, trough

RA APH – 7491 To drip

SHEKAR – 7941 Strong drink (liquor) intense alcoholic.

SHEMER – 8105 Settlings of wine/dregs

TIYROWSH – 8492 Wine, just squeezed out – grape juice not fermented (rarely)

YAYIN - 3196 Wine; when this word is used, it can be wine as in fermented or Unfermented as we have seen in the other words used for Wine in the Bible.

YEQEB – 3342 Wine vat Blood, Blood Guiltiness, and Bloodthirsty

DAM -1818 – Blood; juice; life

ENOWSH - 582/1818 Man; person; human

HAIMA - 129 – Blood

HAIMATEKCHUSIA - 130 Pouring of blood

HAIMORRHEO - 131 To have a hemorrhage

NETSACH - 5332 Blood (as if red juice)

Grape, Vine and Grapevine

BECER - 1154 Immature, sour (sinful) grapes

ENAB - 6025 Grape cluster

MADAR - 5563 Vine blossom

PERET - 6528 Stray or single berry

STAPHULE - 4781 Cluster of grapes

USHIYM - 891 To trample or thresh

Many words for wine or strong drink in the bible have multiple options for meaning and it does help to know the Hebrew or Greek words that apply. Also remember that some words are symbolic for deeper meaning like wine is spirit, or strong drink might be drugs or hard liquors.

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Much of the world tries to determine whether the wine used was alcoholic or non alcoholic, but my focus has been on other important doctrines such as the Vow of a Nazarite, and how that affects what we drink, or do not drink.

Leviticus 10:8-10 /8354Shathaw – banquet, drink, drunk, assuredly

John 2:1-11 - 3631Fermented, drunk/3184 Methuo [from3178] get drunk.

Numbers 6:2-8 - 3196 Yayin (root) effervesce; banqueting, wine7941 Shekar, intensely alcoholic liquor, strong drink

Amos 2:12-16 - 8248 Shaqah; cause to drink, drown, moisten, water 7937 Shaker/be filled with drink, abundantly, be merry, make drunk. 8354 Shathaw (above)

Mark 15:23 - 3631 Killayown [from 3615]; pining, destruction: consumption, failing.

Judges 13:7 - 3196 Wine/Yayin effervesces; banqueting, wine.

Isaiah 55:1-3 - 3196 Wine/Yayin effervesces; banqueting, wine.

John 4:13/14 - 4095 Pino, to imbibe, drink, (take in)

John 6:35 - 1372 Dipsao, to thirst for, 790 Homeless

Luke 13:26 - 4095 Pino, to imbibe, drink, (take in)

Matthew 26:2-28 - 4095 to drink (maybe wine, maybe water, maybe?)

Mark 14:23 - 4095 to drink SAAB

I Corinthians 10:3 - 14095 Pino/ to drink; 10:21, 3184Methuo/ drink well, be drunk

Proverbs 20 -7941Shekar/intoxicant, intensely alcoholic liquor, strong drink, strong wine.

I Peter 1:13 - 3525 Nopho/be sober, watch

Romans 13:13/14 - 3525 Nopho/ be sober, watch 3178

I Thessalonians 5:8 - 3525 Nopho/Sober

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INTRODUCTION

Leviticus 10:8 And the Lord spake unto Aaron, saying, 9) Do not drink wine nor strong drink, you, not your sons with thee, when you go into the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations (forever): 10) And that you may put difference between holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean;

If you drink wine, will you go to hell? No, however, God cares about the motives of your heart, revealed by the way you live. Is it pleasing to God, your behavior, your thoughts while you drink or take a drug? Do you drink to numb worldly problems?

Is it for social situations that you take a drink? Who are you pleasing? Yourself? Your Boss, Associates, or friends? Why not please God himself. Take the Nazarite Vow. Abstain from alcohol for a lifetime, from drugs for a lifetime. Walk clear headed and in your right mind.

Do not worry about appearing weird to those around you. Be different, and know that they will notice. If you drink as the world, cuss as the world, sleep around as the world, how you can be anything but the world. Where is the difference between the flesh and the spirit that which is holy, and that which is unholy? Be pure in Gods eyes, and not your own.

You will be truly blessed and so will your family for being in the Spirit and not the flesh (World/Egypt/Babylon/Sodom and Gomorrah)!

In the chapters of this book, I will try to lay a foundation why I think that drinking for the Christian, aka Ecclesia today or even in the past was not Gods original desire for man. Because man has become drunks and have committed horrible crimes while under the influence of some intoxicating or mind altering substance.

Wine in the past was used as medicine for the sick and the dying, just as certain drugs today lessen the aches and pains of a dying human, and just as drugs today calm a hysterical or depressed person. So too was wine used, and God said to do so. But do not be deceived that now wine is ok, so drink and be happy. God has heavy warnings not be enslaved, but rather to be filled with the Holy Spirit, and not wine or intoxicating substances.

As believers in Jesus, and ecclesia, i.e. church leaders we have been enablers to our children, families and society. Believing that drinking somehow was condoned by God. When in actuality it was never considered holy, but unholy and earthly, that it was never to be taken into the temple as part of worship. Catholics and Jews still use wine in their rituals, but I address those questions in the chapters that are to follow.

The Jews for one missed so much that God was trying to reveal to them, maybe because their hearts were continually darkened, and they never understood or wanted to understand what God was doing among them.

Their feasts were pointing to the Messiah and those same feasts would reveal that Jesus was in the feasts. Did they see it? Some did and became followers of Jesus; others called him a

blasphemer, and still do today. Are we as Christians missing something that God has tried to reveal to us in the New Covenant, and we are missing it?

Kids drink because their Christian parents do, and they feel justified. Then your kids take drugs and become thugs, and your heart is broken, and you wonder, why? God knew the trappings that the Devil would use to enslave people. He said do not be filled with wine, but with the spirit of God.

I will try reveal to you that we have taken a symbolic vow of a Nazarite, it is a lifelong vow, we are now set apart as Christians to walk a holy walk, we should not use wine anymore just like the Nazarite did not until his vow was finished, which could be a week, or a lifetime vow.

We as Christians are now the Temple of God, and as the Lord spoke to Aaron the priest, not to take wine into the congregation of meeting/temple, we are to not put wine into our temple our bodies.

FORWARD TO PARENTS

Dear Family the battle is raging for your children, and if you want to save your kids from destruction, open your eyes, know your enemy, put on your battle armor, and fight for your children, today! Tomorrow is too late!

We as parents or grandparents at one time may have had a certain amount of influence on our children, but the onslaught from TV, peers, school, authority figures, and the principalities, and rulers in dark places are winning the battle, and most of us are too busy getting ahead to notice.

I am sure you are thinking this does not pertain to you, because your kids are special, smart, they go to church, they know better and would never do anything like that. Wrong again! Whom are you deceiving besides yourself? One thing is sure, more and more children and young adults are having real problems and there is little help.

Children do not wake up one morning eight years old, and say, "I am going to be a loser, drug addict, and no one will be able to count on me when I grow up; because I am a slave to drugs and alcohol; someday I'll lie, cheat, and steal to satisfy my cravings. I will have to perpetuate the lie that I am still that a young innocent child who was honest, moral, and temperate, but not anymore!

Save your children from addictions and sexually transmitted diseases that children are getting today. Partly because of the lifestyles portrayed in the media. My grown children (back in 1992 when they were high school age) have told me for years that everyone they knew (90%) smoked, drank, and many take drugs; everyone sleeps around, and it is hard to find friends that don't, even among kids who attend church.

Drinking, leads to drugs; leading to sex, disease, and addiction. The pressure to dabble in all of these things can be so great that most of our children by College have given in to those pressures, and modified their belief system, or completely lost them.

Do you want to take a chance and hope all will be fine, or are you going to fight the good fight for this generation, and the next to follow them your Grand kids? I hope so; drastic decisions have to be made, and I pray you will make a drastic decision to fight hard for your kids. Put on the whole armor of God while using prayer as your heavy artillery.

Young Adults

If the law says that you must be twenty-one to drink, and drugs are illegal; that is exactly what God says as well. We are to follow the laws of the land unless they require you to go against God's laws according to His Scripture. Don't fall for Satan's trap, he is real and he has laid a trap to ensnare you, to make you a slave to wine, beer, liquor, or mind altering drugs, which all weaken your resolve, and convictions about what is right or wrong. Soon you find you are not the person you once were, and no longer are you sure you even believe what you once believed.

When you go to church and call yourself a Christian, aka Nazarene, your witness has become worthless and void, because you appear to be no different than anyone else. You are supposed to be a light in the darkness, and not the darkness itself, where there is no longer any difference between you and the world. Beware of the small deceptions of the Devil, he uses anything and everything to rob steel and destroy you, your life, and those around you.

Why do you want to drink? Jesus didn't drink (which I will prove later). He was sinless and without a blemish, the lamb of God who is set apart as holy, and so is every believer, our bodies are the Temple of God, and the holy spirit lives in our temple; if we have invited him there; we are not to allow that which was unholy (intoxicating wine) into our temples. What temple are ye?

Leviticus 10:8-10 Then the Lord spoke to Aaron, saying: "Do not drink wine or intoxicating drink, you, nor your sons with you, when you go into the tabernacle of meeting (congregation) lest you die. It shall be a statute FOREVER throughout your generations that you may distinguish between holy and unholy and between unclean and clean; and that ye may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which the Lord hath spoken unto them by the hand of Moses." This is a statute FOREVER!

The New Testament says that we are now that Tabernacle/Temple/Tent. So...Be Holy!

Drugs and Alcohol are vehicles of the Devil to enslave and destroy you. Only a few of the young adults of today are able to resist the temptation to be part of the so-called "in crowd," you know; those ones having all the fun, getting the girls and guys, living the high life or so goes the prophets to sell their lying goods to corrupt you.

Yes, there are a lot of hypocrites (*those who wear a mask*) in the church. I have found that too many Christians are lying, cheating on spouses, hurting their children sexually, verbally, and physically, false witnesses, drinking and taking drugs, slaves to drugs, and many are falling for the lies of the world not realizing how taken away they really are. We will pay the cost, in our families, lives, homes, nation, and our relationship with God. We will pay the cost! I believe soon. (2006).

God is going to lift his hand of protection on our Nation because of our sin, and judgment, persecution is to follow. First in the church, and I wonder why? I know that if God does not judge us “so called” Christians soon he will have to apologize to Sodom and Gomorrah for their destruction. For a non-believer it is a different kind of problem, not only destruction of their lives, but of their souls. We are a pathetic group of believers, and I must apologize for being a part of the problem. I hope this book will be a solution at least for individual salvation and holiness.

You need to behave as the word of God says, be honest, show love, do not drink and thereby is lead astray, instead be filled with the spirit, do not hurt your children or others, but love your wife or spouse. Do not sleep around, be faithful, stop looking at pornography; oral sex is not holy and pure behavior. Stand up for what is right, even if you are the only one that does.

As of 2017 Judgment has begun in the church and also the systems of the world, corporately and individually. Good things also have come and the things spoken by me in 2006 did come to pass in that we lost many of our children to intoxicants, the world, and the sexual revolution. Many hypocrites in the church and society are being revealed, and it is a time of judgment of the wicked. Many believers in the bible have been brainwashed, and blinded to the schemes of the devil Satan the dragon.

CHAPTER 1

The Bible Old and New Testament Inspired or Not?

The New Testament is hidden in the Old Testament, and the Old Testament is revealed (Fulfilled) in the New Testament. Jesus was the lamb for sacrifice and final atonement, and the law would become grace, because it was the teacher of what sin was, and that they could not perform it without fail. They needed the savior, and sacrificial Lamb of God to atone for their sins.

The Bible; Old Testament, and New Testament are a unified consolidated message system, it is alive, it transcends time and space, it is dimensional, and God wants Man to understand it to the best of our human ability, the message, and the creator of the universe is trying to reveal to us, at our limited earthly level.

In the beginning of creation and history God spoke everything into existence, so that God inspired everything including history, and we know this through prophecy. God speaks through the prophets about nations, leaders, kings, people, and countries, before they existed or were born. No other book ever written has does this, and God tells of their fate even before something happens. The only book that has the genealogy, history, archeology, prophecy, revealing the future before it comes to pass. And there is no other religious book even close to it. That Is inspired!

Either the Bible is the Inspired Word of God, as it claims to be or it isn't? You believe it all, or none of it. Is it meant for us today? Romans 15:4 seem to say so!

God Says in 2 Timothy 3:16 “ALL scripture is given by inspiration (divinely breathed/blow in-God's representative or vice-regent, of magistrates and judges) of God.”

2 Peter 1:21 “For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost, And are profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction for instruction in righteousness.” (*Same verse last part.*)

Romans 15:4 “For whatsoever things were written a fore time (the start of time) was written for our learning that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.”

Isaiah 42:9 “Remember the former things of old: for I am God...and there is none like me, declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done.

For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitness of his majesty.”

2 Peter 1:16 “The Revelation (revealing or unveiling) of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him.”

3) Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein.”

There are things that are not yet done; the book of Revelation and Old Testament prophecies helps to communicate this to us. The Bible is not only valid for today, but for the future as well, because it is the unveiling that is taking place. So if the whole bible is inspired, why is there so much confusion? I believe there is confusion because of two main reasons. First, is because of evil and the origin of evil; but just as powerful is that man tries to conform the truth to what suits him because his deeds are evil according to scripture.

The bible has a theme that runs throughout. The old becomes one with the new transcending original foundational boundaries into the better, which was spoken of beforehand through the prophets what was to come.

Genesis 40:8 “And they said unto him, we have dreamed a dream, and there is no interpreter of it. And Joseph said unto them, do not interpretations belong to God? Tell me them, I pray you.”

From the time we had the first bible or biblical manuscripts, until now we have always had the truth with us. In spite of religions that claim differently. God would have our desire to be like him, our goal in life should be to seek who he is, what he wants or desires for us to understand, what that means to us and our family as we practice what we preach.

We are to know that our maker is a just God, and desires righteousness, there is truth, and his truth is in his Word, which is also Jesus. Complicated? Yes, but if you want to know the truth, it is in his Word.

God says: John 1: 1-14 “In the beginning was the WORD, and the WORD/Jesus was with God, and the WORD was God. (Jesus was God) 2) The same (Word) was in the beginning with God. 3) All things were made by him (Word); and without him was not anything made that was made. 4) In him (God) was life; and the life was the light (Jesus) of men. 5) And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. 6) There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. 7) The same came (John) for witness, to bear witness of the Light (Jesus), that all men through him (Jesus) might believe.

8) He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light (*Jesus, the Word and God*). 9) That was the true Light (*Jesus*) which lighted everyman that cometh into world. 10) He (*Jesus*) was in the world, and the world was made by him (*Jesus, the Word*), and the world knew him not. 11) He came unto his own (Jews/the people), and his own received him not. 12) But as many (Jew or Gentile, etc.) as received him to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: 14) And the Word (God & Jesus) was made flesh, and dwelt among us, And we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

Gods Rules are for our Protection!



If God says something in his word it is true whether we believe it or not. Fire burns whether we believe it or not. The earth is round whether we believe it or not. We need to study the scriptures and learn, so that we can give an answer those who ask. We need to be informed from his word, not others.

God says: 12) If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall you believe if I tell you of heavenly things? 19) And this is the condemnation, that light (Jesus) come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. 20) For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved.

Man wants all the answers to his questions and problems now or else! Even if we have been given them through the scripture we would still choose to believe what each individual desires to believe. We do not need to answer all the questions before we believe, because there is always another question. We must have faith.

You will not be condemned because you do not understand all the important theological arguments that take place in the Bible. You are saved by the blood of Jesus, work of the cross revealed in the word of God which is God. And now you begin your adventure in learning and understanding of the more complicated deeper things of God's Word.

Do not get hung up on bits and pieces of things to do or not do, because he says not too! He looks at your heart, do you love him, is he your friend, are you trying to please him in everything you do? Do you have faith in all things he says? Do you pray, read his word seeking to know more? Do you have the one the scriptures talks about?

After all of the above questions it is more about do you love him? Are these a part of your life and important to you? I would say what matters to him most are that you love him, follow him to the best of your human ability, and do not become a slave to anything.

God Says: Hebrews 11:1 "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." God himself says we do not understand heavenly things, let alone earthly things. Is everlasting, from everlasting? What does that mean? Seek to know, but remember you cannot graduate from the bible, you cannot exhaust his word, you will continue to learn, re-learn, and

discover throughout your whole life, and never even scratch the surface of what it contains within its human finite cover, that covers another world of reality. I do not care if your grandfathers, Fathers, Father were a preacher, we are truly limited, and you-they are not God.

In the lord's prayer it says "Thy Kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven...." we are to pray gods will be done on earth as it is in heaven? Does that mean that Gods will isn't done on earth? As of 2017 and earlier the Kingdom of Heaven is coming to earth, and God through Trump is overthrowing the kingdoms of this world, and giving them back to the people, and himself.

We cannot understand why God does everything that he does, or allows bad things to happen. We trust in his word because he sees things on a whole different playing field, he created everything, he maintains it, he knows what we do not, he lives in the heavens, and yet in our hearts. He is outside of time, so he knows who is coming to him ahead of time, before you were born, even before the earth was created, and who is not coming. Now that is seeing the future! He is not in the crowd watching the parade go by, he is above it, in it, everywhere, and sees it all at once.

If you, as mere human try to fit God into your little world you will misunderstand him; we do not have all the information, we are finite, and he is infinite (*having no limits or boundaries in time, space, extent, or magnitude*). While we try to figure out simple things, God is Eternal; computers however are complex, but still man has created them, they have a life cycle, God does not, we will die (our flesh) and our things will become worn, broken and discarded. He was before all, and he created everything? Maybe someday he will tell us how, but even then, we will probably not comprehend it.

Man is a beast, that is inhumane to man, without love and compassion, and our sins affect others. We can harm our families, and fellow man, or we can help them and show compassion. However, God will one day require a recognizing for the injustices that take place on this earth. Vengeance is mine saith the Lord, I shall repay. Someday! God is going to punish evil doings. Seems like from the election of Trump in 2016 God is doing just that and in 2020 it begins to unfold.

The New Testament is hidden in the Old, and the Old Testament is revealed in the New, it is an integrated (bringing together processes or functions that are normally separate) message system, not bound by time constraints, it lives, and breathes life into its readers transcending time and space.

Approximately 500 prophecies have been literally fulfilled already; documented history and archeology have proven this, and will continue to reveal more discoveries that verify the Bible as inspired and authentic as technology becomes even more advanced more discoveries are made. Search this out!

We do not follow cunningly devised, *created, fictitious, developed, and invented* fables, but eyewitness accounts and Historical documentation. Prophecy proves the Bible to be the inspired WORD OF GOD!

CHAPTER 2

Old Covenant and New Covenant - One and the Same

Luke 24:44 And he said unto them, These (are) the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and (in) the prophets, and (in) the psalms, concerning me (Jesus/Messiah).

II Corinthians 5:17 “Therefore, is any united with the Messiah he is a NEW creation- the OLD has passed; look, what has come is fresh and new.

The Jews continually broke Gods Laws and Commandments, because their hearts were far from God. However, even in the Old Testament he spoke of how he would one day make a new covenant not written on tablets of stone, but on the hearts of the Jews and his people, this better covenant was the fulfillment of the old covenant spoken of, the fulfillment of the one they awaited, Jesus the Messiah. With this new covenant we are no longer under the law, but under grace, a covenant of grace by the shed blood of the Lamb of God. Now his laws are written on the hearts and minds of men. No longer by works, or like under the law.

The OLD TESTAMENT and the NEW TESTAMENT are like a woven tapestry of one color; as the Old Testament has been woven into the New Testament, it has been meshed as one garment, or piece.

The Works that we do always seems to be a stumbling block to us as people. We try to be good enough, but in the end we cannot be. That is why Jesus died for each of us; he alone was good enough, righteous, without sin, and He took our place!

Gods Law will not be written on tablets of stone, but on the hearts! This would happen when Jesus came (Jer. 31:33).

The Old Covenant disappears into the New, while the New Covenant becomes everlasting. The same for our walk with our God we no longer have to sacrifice and shed blood of goats or a lamb to atone for our sins; it was done once and for all time through Jesus.

Jeremiah 31:31 “Behold, the days come, says Jehovah, that I will cut a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah, 32) not according to the covenant that I cut with their fathers in the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—which covenant of Mine they broke, although I was a husband to them, says Jehovah 33) But this shall be the covenant that I will cut with the house of Israel; After those days, declares Jehovah, I will put My law in their inward parts, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their god, and they shall be My people.”

We now have freedom to know that our good deeds so called, are the rewards we receive in heaven. The bible says: “Lay up Treasures in heaven”. Your good works shows your heart, our thankfulness to God, and his son Jesus for what he has done for you.

GOOD WORKS come from the FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT and evil are of the flesh:

Gal 5:19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, 20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, 21 Envy, murders, drunkenness, revellings (*partying, uproarious celebration and pleasure in others company*), and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such (*carry on, busy with, hard at it, diligent, occupied, industrious, perpetuate, sustained, unrelenting, unbroken and perpetual*) things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, 23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. 6:1 bear one another's burdens 6:10 Do good unto all men, especially of the faith.

Those whom do such things are not an occasional happening, but a habitual lifestyle. It is a way of living, and it is either holy, or not of the spirit of God, and will not inherit the kingdom of God.

We believers in God's Word, and YHWH Jesus should have good deeds because our hearts have becoming less fleshly and more spiritual; we desire to do good because we want to please our Lord. We do not do good works or deeds to impress the world, we do not do these deeds to make us more acceptable, it is not out of slavery, but freedom to do good works. Our deeds should be an example of a good Christ like walk and path of living. If we claim to be Christians but we having little or no good works, but evil deeds who are we fooling?

When we fail; Jesus the Christ paid our penalty at the cross, we are no longer condemned because of sin, but we are not to take advantage of this, otherwise this would show your immaturity in understanding what the grace of God is. Be thankful; "Go and sin no more."

God wants us to be pure and holy vessels, our body is his tabernacle or temple; He now lives within us, and we now have his Spirit (Holy Spirit). Whatever we put into our bodies/temples, either edifies and makes us more holy, or it makes us unholy, unclean, and defiled. Do not drink wine which is considered unholy and this was revealed to Aaron, and do not put it into the Temple of your body. However, abstain and keep your vessel pure, clean, holy, and your mind stayed on the things of God, and not of the flesh (sinful nature) and immoral behavior.

Luke 20:34 "But take heed to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that Day (*day of the Lord*) come on you unexpectedly

Jeremiah 11:6-8...Here the words of this covenant and do them.7) For I solemnly warned your fathers in the day I brought them up out of the land of Egypt, to this day, rising early and warning, saying, Obey My voice. 8) Yet they did not obey, nor bow down their ear, but each one walked in the stubbornness of their evil heart. And I will bring on them all the words (Jesus is called the Word) of this covenant, which I commanded them to do; but they did not do...10) They have turned back to the iniquities of their forefathers, who refused to hear My words. And

they went after other gods to serve them. The house of Israel and the house of Judah have broken my covenant which I cut with their fathers.

When we serve other gods, so called, usually it involves alcohol and drugs, sex free for all, and this reveals the Fallen Angel behind the scene religion of “Do what thou wilt.” In other words there are usually no boundaries of any kind. People continued to be deaf, continued to go back to old iniquities (sins) because they are weak, just as you and I, therefore God had a way that was perfect for sinful you and I. It was Jesus, the perfect sacrifice, the Lamb of God whose goodness replaced our evil sinful fleshly nature.

Ezekiel 16:60 But I will remember My covenant with you in the days of your youth, and I will raise up (Jesus rose from the dead, the new covenant) to you an everlasting covenant.

Hebrews 10:16 “This (is) the covenant which I will covenant to them after those days,” says (the) Lord: “Giving my laws on their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,”

Hebrews 12:24 And to Jesus the Mediator of a new covenant...

Jesus First Miracle was turning water into wine at the wedding in Cana, what is the real meaning Jesus was trying to convey through this miracle?

John 2:1-10 Mary said to him (Jesus), “They have no wine (spirit)” Jesus said to her, Woman what I have to do with thee; my hour has not yet come.” (*Meaning to reveal himself as Messiah-the King, ushering in the New Covenant through his blood, and send us the Comforter his Holy Spirit*). He told them when he left he would send them the comforter, which is the Holy Spirit.

The head waiter tasted the water which had become wine, called the bridegroom, and said to him, “Every man serves the good wine first (*symbolic of the fact that instead of serving the best wine first that they saved it for last*) Same goes for the Old Covenant (*poorer in quality-the Law*), it was first and the New covenant was last (*better in quality-Holy Spirit*) This scripture was really a parable testifying to his coming as Comforter in spirit, bringing with him a new covenant, and that his time to usher in the New Covenant, reveal who he was, declaring himself to be a the suffering servant, King and ultimately Messiah not yet fulfilled (*thru his death it was sealed*).

The comforter, i.e. Holy Spirit of God would come later at Pentecost and Christ’s last meal before he was crucified in sequence. When he was crucified the new covenant was sealed in blood. (*So on the surface it appears it was talking about wine, and yet it was a mystery of Christ revealed in the miracle itself*)

Hebrews 8:6-13 But now He has gotten a more excellent ministry, also by so much as He (Jesus) is a mediator of a better covenant, which has been enacted on better promises. 7) For if the first was faultless, place would not have been sought for a second. 8) For finding fault, He said to them, “Behold days are coming, says (the) Lord, and I will bring to fulfillment a new covenant (New Testament) on the house of Israel and on the house of Judah; 9) not according to the covenant which I made with their fathers in (the) day of My taking hold of their hand to lead

them out of the land of Egypt;” because they did not continue in My covenant, and I did not regard them, says (the) Lord...13) In the saying, “New,” He made the first old. And the thing being made old and growing aged (is) near disappearing. Romans 11:25-27

The new was a spiritual covenant where he wrote the laws on the inward parts of us, upon our hearts and in our minds.

Rechabites 1

Rechabites (rē'kubīts) [key], in the Bible, a family of Kenites that practiced asceticism (*self denying way of life, frankness, honesty and straightforwardness*). Organized by Jonadab, who helped Jehu purge Israel of the Baal cult, they drank no wine, built no houses, sowed no seed, planted no vines, and lived in tents. The Rechabites were apparently related to the Kenites.

Kenites – A Tribe, Rechab is a descendant of the Kenites Tribe. Son of Rechab is Jehonadab who refused drinking wine according to Jehovah, he was faithful to God. Kenizzites – An Edomite Tribe whose land was promised to Abraham. They were considered the same as the Kenites above. Gen 15:19/ Num 24:21-23

Just as in the Vow of a Nazarite. The Rechabites also abstained from drinking forever, etc.; there were different tribes of people that held to these statutes which came from God as the scripture says. God Apparently had spoken this statute to Rechab their father who passed it down to his descendants almost the exact same vow that a Nazarite had vowed.

Jeremiah 35:1-19 (Summary):

Summary: The word which came to Jeremiah from Jehovah in the days of Jehoiakim, Go to the house of the Rechabites...and give them wine to drink. And I brought them into the house of Jehovah, into the room of the sons of Hanan...And I (Jeremiah) set bowl and cups full of wine before the sons of the house of the Rechabites. And I said to them, Drink wine. But they said, we will not drink wine, for Jonadab, the son of Rachab our father, commanded us, saying, you shall not drink wine, you nor your sons forever.

Note: Almost word for word that was spoken to Aaron the priest.

And we have obeyed the voice of Jonadab, the son of Rechab our father, to all that he commanded us, to drink no wine all our days, we, our wives, our sons, and our daughters; Will you not receive instruction, to listen to my words? Says Jehovah. (Jonadab) commanded his sons not to drink wine, are done. And to this day they do not drink but obey their father's command. But I have spoken to you, and you did not listen to Me. And Jeremiah said to the house of the Rechabites. So says Jehovah of hosts, the God of Israel: Because you have obeyed your father Jonadab's commands, and have done according to all that he has commanded you...the son of Rechab, shall not have a man cut off from standing before Me all the days. End

The point of all this above by God was to show the faithfulness of the Rechabites. These scriptures show us that there were many individuals, and tribes, including Sampson, John the Baptist, Samuel, and Jesus to name a few who were set apart (Holy) unto God. Drinking no

wine, or in our generation drugs. At that time there must have been a strong understanding that wine, liquor, or other substances were not good, holy, right, or what God wanted man to partake in. God also was revealing that many did not listen to these commands. (See also I Ch 2:55, Jer. 35:6)

Jesus Has Set His Seal Upon Us and We Are Now His! We have his spirit (One) in a sense, and we are a holy vessel.

Acts 24:5 “For we (*Ananias and the elders, also Tertullus the governor against Paul*) have found this man (Jesus) a pestilent fellow and a mover of sedition (*incitement to rebellion, treason, rabble-rousing and troublemaking*) among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes...”

We as Christians are fulfilling the vow as a Nazarite; we are Nazarenes, we live it, and the laws are written on our hearts and in our mind. We now are the Tabernacle worshiping God in our Temple which is our bodies, and Gods holy spirit lives in us, teaching us and instructing us in his way, if we will listen. We have been called, as in; come out from among them (the world), be ye separated from old behaviors, old sins, and become a clean and holy vessel, separated unto God for holiness.

Math 5:17-18 “Do not think that I came to abolish (eliminate, stop, get rid of) the law or the prophets; I did not come to abolish, but to fulfill. 18) “For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass away from the law, until all is accomplished.”

Math 25:32 “And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats...” In 2020 this is exactly what is taking place and Donald John Trump Gods chosen and anointed deliverer and Messiah/Christ is doing just that. The bride is being selected, and separated out.

When Christ comes back again in all his glory those separated on the right shall inherit the kingdom prepared for them, those on his left will depart into everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels...

Eph 5:6-18 “Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.7) “Be not you therefore partakers with them.”

8) “For you were sometimes in darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light: 10) “Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. 11) “And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove (*rebuke, scold, reprimand, disapprove of, condemn, evaluate and expose*) them.

15) “See then that you walk circumspectly *watchfully, with awareness, cautiously*, not as fools, but as wise, 18) And be not drunk with wine, wherein is debauchery (*To corrupt morally, seduced, lead away from excellence or virtue, orgy, indulgence in sensual pleasures, debauchery, indulgence, and amusement*); but be filled with the Spirit;

Have you taken the Vow of a Nazarite? – Are you separated unto the Lord? Have you been called to be a Saint a believer in Jesus Christ? In other words have you been saved, have you accepted Jesus into your temple? If so you have been called, set apart and now you need to be holy.

Then live like it! Do not drink and party like the world! Do as John the Baptist, Sampson, Samuel and Other Nazirite's (JESUS); abstain from it! Choose to drink water, Soda, but refuse alcohol and drugs.

It was, and is a choice to take a vow of a Nazarite, and when we become believers we also will make, or have made that choice. How we live determines how we appear to others. Are you holy, or do you have one foot in the world and one foot in the heavens? What kind of witness to unbelievers are you?

Isaiah 55:1 Symbols in the Old Testament

“Woe, to everyone who thirsts, come to the water; and he who has no money, come buy grain and eat. Yes, come buy grain (*bread, which is food/nourishment-also represents people*), wine (*the spirit*) and milk without silver and with no price (*a gift*). (Like Christ) 2) Why do you weigh out silver for that which is not bread and your labor (works) for that which never satisfies? (*The cares of this world, eating and drinking*) Listen carefully to me and eat that which is good; and let your soul delight itself in fatness. 3) Bend your ear and come to me; hear, and your soul shall live; and I will cut a covenant everlasting with you...” (The new covenant in Christ)

John 4:13 Jesus answered and said to her, everyone drinking of this water will thirst again; (*speaking of the water at the well from the Earth*) 14) but whoever may drink (imbibe/take in) of the water (spirit) which I will give him will not ever thirst, never! But the water (spirit) which I will give to him will become a fountain of water (spirit) in him, springing up into everlasting life.

John 6:35 Jesus said unto them, I am the Bread of life; the (one) coming to me will not hunger, never; and the (one) believing into me will not ever thirst, never!

This is not bread you physically eat, or wine you actually drink, this is about spiritual things. You need to eat that your physical body should live; therefore, you must eat spiritual bread in order that your spiritual souls should live as well. The spirit is eternal, but bread that you buy at the store will perish. Quenching your thirst is survival! Christ is saying you will thirst for water again, but once you have the spirit your thirst is satisfied forever.

25) For I do not want you to be ignorant (of) this mystery (not revealed until now), brothers, so that you may not be wise within yourselves, that hardness in part has happened to Israel until the fullness of the nations comes in; 26) And so all Israel will be saved, even as it has been written, “The Deliverer will come out of Zion, He (Jesus/Messiah) will turn away ungodliness from Jacob. According to Kim Clement an important prophet; he says that Zion is America.

Is. 59:20, 2127 And this (is) My covenant (Jesus is the covenant, sealed by his blood) with them, when I take away their sins”

Hosea 2:18 And in that day I will cut a covenant for them with the beasts of the field, and with the birds of the sky, and the creeping things of the ground. And I will break the bow and the sword, and the battle out of the earth, and I will make them to lie down safely. 19) And I will betroth you to me forever. Yes, I will betroth you to me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in mercy, and in compassions. I will even betroth you to me in faithfulness. And you shall know Jehovah, i.e. the Lord (also stands for I AM and Yeshua).

Jesus is Lord the I AM, and Christ means Messiah or Anointed One, Called Out and below is the Hebrew and Greek word study regarding his being the Word made flesh and dwelt among us: Lord H3068 means *Jehovah*, the existing one, the eternal from the root H1961 *haya* to be, become, come to pass, exist, happen, fall out, arise, and appear, to be in existence H1933 to breath, H183 *'avah* to turn aside, to dwell, and lodge—I AM H1961 is the same Hebrew meaning, and Jesus in Greek 2424 means “Jehovah is Salvation” also Jehoshua is the root of Jesus, and is also H1961 meaning Yehovah the existing one, the one true God, also meaning LORD 6, 510 times in scripture.

This covenant is not separate from the New Covenant, just a further fulfillment on the earth during the Millennium, when everything that is good will reign. This is the time of the knowledge of God/Jesus throughout the earth for a thousand years. During this time, when all is perfect, man will still rebel because of a wicked heart and is ultimately dealt with at the end of the thousand years.

In the Bible there are three different types of covenants:

One is a two-sided covenant between human parties, both of which voluntarily accept the terms of the agreement. (I Sam. 18:3, 4; Mal. 2:14; Obad. 7).

Second is a one-sided disposition imposed by a superior party (Ezek. 17:13, 14). In this God “commands” a covenant which man, the servant, is to obey (Josh. 23:16).

Third is God’s self-imposed obligation, for the reconciliation of sinners to Himself (Deut. 7:6-8 Ps.89:3, 4).

Let’s put away the man and behavior of the old covenant, let’s put on the new covenant, be ye separate from the world in behavior, be holy for he is holy, if wine is considered unholy unto a Nazarite, and the Priests Aaron and his sons (in the tabernacle) for all generations. Isn’t that telling us how God would see us behaving for all our generations? I think so!

CHAPTER 3

Covenants of The Old Testament

Ark of the Covenant—When Mary Magdalene came to the tomb where Christ lay, he was gone but there were two angels sitting one at his head and one at the foot, just as in the Ark of the Covenant revealing that Jesus was the Mercy seat on the Ark which is solid gold for purity, and the bottom part of the ark was only part gold overlaying wood, partly pure just the same as the covenants. Some covenants are conditional on our response, others are Eternal and are not negotiable, they are Gods covenant that he will keep, and will make come to pass for His Glory!

EDENIC, God's promise of redemption (Gen. 3:15)

NOACHIAN, for the preservation of the race (Gen 9:9)

ABRAHAMIC, granting blessings through Abram's family (Gen 15:18)

SINAITIC, designating Israel as God's chosen people (Moses, and the Ten Commandments)
(Exodus. 19:5, 6)

LEVITICAL, making reconciliation through priestly atonement (Num. 25:12, 13 DAVIDIC, Messianic salvation promised through David's dynasty (II Sam. 23:5) New Covenant, The prophets foretold a New Covenant in Jer. 31:31-34, which would center on a person. In the New Covenant man is placed in right relationship to God through Christ (Isa. 42:6; 49:8, Heb. 7:22, 8:6-13; II Cor 3:6-18).

*The New Compact Bible Dictionary, 1967 by Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan, Edited by T. Alton Bryant)

Wedding at Canaan

TURNING WATER INTO WINE—The wedding at Cana and the wine story serve mainly one purpose which was to begin the revelation of Jesus. This is not about water becoming wine, but the revealing of the Messiah, the promised one, who would bring a better covenant, which was not first but last. The poor in quality covenant, was first, then the better covenant was last in Jesus.

John 2:1-11 And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there: 2) And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage.3) And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine. Note: this could say: "They have no Spirit."

4) Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? Mine hour is not yet come. 5) His mother saith unto the servants, whatsoever he saith unto you, do it. 6) And there were set there six water pots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece.

It was not time yet to reveal himself as Messiah the King, or to usher in the New Covenant, Holy Spirit and Comforter given, and New Testament-Oath-Testimony. Further Jesus came to be a sacrifice for sin as a lamb, but one day he would return to be the Lion that roars from the tribe of Judah. It appears that he is back, not revealed yet, and definitely roaring, boisterous, prosperous, and forceful as a King of other Kings in the world, and this would be Donald John Trump the Cyrus, and anointed by God.

7) Jesus saith unto them; Fill the water pots with water. And they filled them up to the brim 8) And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare it. 9) When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was: (the servants which drew the water knew) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom, 10) And saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse (: but thou hast kept the good wine until now. 11) This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.

The old covenant which was first was just a shadow of the things to come, imperfect, and poorer in quality. Where the new covenant was the fulfillment, and perfection of the old covenant under the law. The new covenant which was in Christ is better in quality, holier, no longer under the law, but in GRACE, the best which was saved for last, and a parable given at the wedding in Canaan.

Vow of a Nazarite

God uses earthly rituals, festivals, and laws of the past to give us a glimpse of the future, a hint of what was coming (New Covenant and Him), which were symbolic, continual feasts and worship that would help us to remember and recognize him. When he fulfilled these feasts, prophecies, laws, and rituals, their original intent and meaning should have been realized. They were given to us to recognize him when he came. In the New Testament Christ spoke in parables to hide the meaning from those who did not really want to know the truth.

Nazarite: Means dedicated (to set apart) for a deity or religious purpose consecrated (*made clean, sacred, complete, perfect*). Individuals take the vow, and not a group it is a personal vow. Just as salvation is individual and personal. It is you who are separated unto the Lord for eternity.

Numbers 6:2-8 And the Lord Spake unto Moses, saying, “Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: ‘When either a man or a woman shall separate themselves to vow a vow of a Nazarite, to separate themselves unto the Lord: 3) He shall separate himself from wine and strong drink, and shall drink no vinegar of wine, or vinegar of strong drink, neither shall he drink any liquor of grapes, nor eat moist grapes, or dried. 4) All the days of his separation shall he eat nothing that is made of the vine tree, from the kernels even to the husk? 8) All the days of his separation he is holy unto the Lord. 20)...and after that the Nazarite may drink wine.

In old testament times they drank wine, or whatever form the grape fermentation happened to be at the time, what alcohol content there was at different stages I do not know, and it would be conjecture to guess (2%, 6% 12%, 18% plus). What I do know is that if they separated themselves to be holy however long their vow was they abstained from their normal behavior,

and did those things that were considered to be holy, or they abstained from their daily behavior to be holy to God. To separate one self, is the same as to set apart from something. The word Pharisees in its Semitic form is “the separated ones,” in purity the beloved of God, and loyal to God.

You who are Called, Set Apart, and Separated

In Rom 1:1 It says “Paul, a slave of Jesus Christ, a called apostle, separated (*continual, far more exceeding, of one mine, set at one again*), to the gospel of God, which he promised before through His prophets in holy Scriptures 6) among whom are you also, called of Jesus Christ;

In the American Heritage Dictionary 2nd College Edition ‘Called’ means: To summon, to designate, to indicate a decision, to take out of circulation, to summon into military service, an invitation, a claim on a person’s time or life.

Separate means: To differentiate or distinguish between, to part often by decree, to come apart from, a garment that may be purchased separately, to become divided into parts. In the New T. Separate means called, set apart, and separated; in essence it means the same thing!

Psalm 4:3: But know that Jehovah has set apart the godly for Himself; Jehovah hears when I call to Him. Tremble and do not sin; speak within your own heart on your bed and be still. Selah.

Amos 2:10-12 The Lord spoke unto Israel of four transgressions that he would punish them for two transgressions are giving wine to a Nazirite, the other telling prophets not to prophesy:

10) In addition, I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and led you forty years through the wilderness, to possess the land of the Amorite. 11) And I raised up of your sons for prophets, and of your young men for Nazirite’s. Is it not even thus, O ye children of Israel? Saith the Lord.

12) But ye gave the Nazirite’s wine to drink; and commanded the prophets, saying, Prophecy not. 13) Sampson was a Nazirite (He had a lifelong vow)...

John the Baptist was a NAZARITE from the womb living a lifelong vow of purity. (*He drank no wine, nor strong drink, but was filled with the spirit*): The Angel spoke unto Zacharias that his barren wife Elisabeth shall bear a son, whose name would be John (John the Baptist).

...15) For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother’s womb. (*He was separated by God to himself; it was a lifelong separation in Gods eyes*)

The Nazarite Vow Involved the Following:

After separation (*from the fruit of the vine: Wine, Vinegar, Grapes, etc*) the man or woman presents a male lamb (*symbolic of Christ*) without blemish, a burnt offering for sin and a peace offering, he shaved his head (*hair covering the head is authority over him, he gives it to the lord*) for libations, presented this to the lord, the grain offering (*body, communion*) is eaten and is most holy, whoever touches priests become consecrated/set apart. The priest wears a linen robe. Whoever, touches (*as in fellowships with*) Christ becomes pure, or cleansed from disease. When we touch him with our spirit, we become washed and clean.

Mark 15:23 When Jesus was taken to Golgotha and crucified: “And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh: but he received it not.”

Why did Jesus refuse? Just as before Jesus was a Nazarite and his life was separated as a holy walk unto God, he refused for one reason to show he was separated from sin, and to take full punishment for our sin physically. Who knew no sin?

Just as in the Old Testament and now in the New Testament Jesus has brought a new covenant with him, and with it a better way. Paul in Romans 1:1-2 was separated unto God. Verse 2 says Which he (God) had promised afore by his prophets in the holy scriptures.

Samson was Judge of Israel, endowed with superhuman strength, after meeting with an angel who stipulates that their (*Manoah of the tribe of Dan*) son be a Nazarite, devoted to God from the womb (Judges 13).

Judges 13:7 “But he said unto me (*the barren wife*), Behold, thou shalt conceive, and bear a son; and now drink no wine nor strong drink, neither eat any unclean thing: for the child (Sampson) shall be a Nazarite (*consecrated/separated*) to God from the womb to the day of his death.”

In the New Testament Paul was separated, the apostles were separated, and he said we also are separated to God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 1:1 Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called (*kletos-invited, appointed*) to be an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God.

Called to be separated is the same as being a Nazarite, but except now it is given a new meaning within the context of the New Testament and/or New Covenant. It is no longer a vow that one takes for a period of time, it appears that it is being washed in the blood, those who are called unto salvation that are separated out to the Lord and are now his forever.

There are many scriptures that make mention of the calling, I will quote a few: Revelation 17:14 Says: “These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.”

1 John 3:1 & 3 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. 3) And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he (Jesus/God) is pure.

Just as a Nazarite committed himself unto the Lord to be holy, the same happens to us who believe, we commit our lives to the Lord, and strive to be like Jesus, to be Holy and acceptable, even though our righteousness are as filthy rags, Jesus paid our penalty. We never stop trying. We are now committed to be holy unto the lord, those of us who are saved and called by his name. Just as a Nazarite Vow. We are now to be holy unto the lord, separated from the flesh and the world, not for a week, or a month, but for eternity.

I Peter 2:21 For even hereunto were you called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: (and so on).

1 Timothy 1:9 “Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began. (Remember called is the same as separated, and appointed).

Under the Old Laws and Old Testament we read:

Hebrews 7:19: “For the law made nothing perfect, but the bringing in of a better hope did; by which we draw nigh unto God.” We draw close to God because the veil in the Temple was torn between the Holy of Holies, the partition between man and God. Jesus sacrifice on the cross tore the veil and now we have access to the father directly. Also, Jesus was the Highest Priest liaison between man and God after the order of Melchizedek (Melchisedech).

Hebrews 7:26 “For such an high priest (Jesus) became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens; 27) who needeth not daily, as those high priests (Aaron), to offer up sacrifice, first for his own sins, and then for the people’s: for this he did once, when he offered up himself:”

When one takes a Vow of a Nazarite he separates himself from those things that were considered sin to him. We also are separated from sin through the blood of Christ Jesus, by what he has done, and by the life we try live.

Exodus 33:16 “For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? Is it not in that thou goest with us? So shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth.” God Called Israel (America-Ephraim-N. Kingdom) to be his people.

I Chron 23:13 “The sons of Amram; Aaron and Moses: and Aaron was separated that he should sanctify the most holy things, he and his sons forever, to burn incense before the Lord, to minister unto him, and to bless in his name forever.”

This is O.T. but we are called to do this (*bless his name, burn incense is our prayers from our hearts, the altar*) in the N.T. as believers. The Old Testament was a shadow of the perfect that was coming, it was hinted to in the old testament scriptures, but until Christ came, the full meaning would not be clear.

Rev 5:12 “Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing.

God cares about our motives of our heart, and our worship of him, our prayers are as the incense that was burned in the temple which went up as a sweet savor to the Lord.

Math 2:23 And he (Jesus) came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.

Nazareth - In the bible Almanac by Paken Tenney White; wrote that Nazareth was a town in Palestine, the Temple/Synagogue was in Nazareth, Jesus Lived in Nazareth about 30 years. Early Christians in Nazareth show the cross on a mosaic floor to represent themselves. Nazareth is in the region of lower Galilee; it was Jesus' hometown and was a subdivision of the Northern Kingdom. Most of Jesus ministry was in the vicinity of the Sea of Galilee.

Nazirite's set themselves apart for God, just as Christians, i.e. Nazirite's are set apart for God; Christianity grew out of the Nazareth area. Nazareth as a city rejected Jesus the Christ at one point, but after the resurrection he returned to Galilee. Non-Believers called Jesus a Nazarene, and the followers of Jesus "The sect of the Nazarenes." Nazareth is a town in Galilee.

Just because we do not call ourselves Nazarenes today and just because we do not take the vow of a Nazirite as in the OT; God didn't want to take us back to the Old Testament, because he was fulfilling the New. He didn't want to lay the foundations of the Law, or the past vow of a Nazirite, God is concerned with the heart, and not the work it was the beginning of a new way under grace.

The intent of our actions, and not the enacting of the law. It is not of works of the law that we are justified, but by Jesus' work on the cross. It is grace we are saved, because of faith. If we say you must be a Nazarene to be saved, we take salvation away from Jesus. We are transitioning from the old life to the new life under grace, not under the law. Now we are called, separated, set-apart in Jesus, not an outward work we do, but an inward holy transformation.

Jesus Has Set His Seal Upon Us And We Are Now His!

We have his spirit (One) in a sense, and we are a holy vessel. We as Christians are fulfilling the vow as a Nazirite; we are Nazarenes, we live it, and the laws are written on our hearts and in our mind.

Acts 24:5 "For we (Ananias and the elders, also Tertullus the governor against Paul) have found this man (Jesus) a pestilent fellow, and a mover of sedition among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes..."

We now are the Tabernacle, worshiping God in our Temple which is our bodies, and Gods holy spirit lives in us. The Holy Spirit is teaching us and instructing us in his ways if we will listen. We have been called, as in; come out from among them (the world), be ye separated from old behaviors, old sins, and become a clean and holy vessel, separated unto God for holiness.

Math 5:17-18 "Do not think that I came to abolish the law or the prophets; I did not come to abolish, but to fulfill. For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass away from the law, until all is accomplished."

Math 25:32 "And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats..."

When Christ comes back again in all his Glory those separated on the right shall inherit the kingdom prepared for them, those on his left will depart into everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels. Glory can mean fame, recognition, status, esteem, triumph, admiration, success, brilliance, but also magnificence, wonder and splendor.

Eph 5:6-18 “Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of god upon the children of disobedience. 7) “Be not therefore partakers with them.”

8) “For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light:

10) “Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. 11) “And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove (*rebuke and expose*) them. 15) “See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, 18) And be not drunk with wine, wherein is debauchery (*To corrupt morally, seduced, lead away from excellence or virtue, orgy, indulgence in sensual pleasures, dissipation, amusement*); but be filled with the Spirit;

THIS IS NOT CHRISTIAN, IT IS NOT OK, AND IT IS DEBAUCHERY!!

Have you taken the Vow of a Nazarite? – Are you separated unto the Lord?

Have you been called to be a Saint, a believer in Jesus Christ? In other words have you been saved, have you accepted Jesus into your temple? If so you have been called, set apart and now you need to be holy.

Do not drink and party like the world! Live as John the Baptist, Sampson, Samuel and other Nazirite’s (JESUS); Choose to abstain from intoxicants and alcohol as Great leaders have. Kings are not supposed to drink according to scripture so that their judgment is right.

It was and is a choice to take a vow of a Nazarite, and when we become believers we also will make, or have made that choice. How we live determines how we appear to others. Are you holy, or do you have one foot in the world and one foot in the heavens? What kind of witness to unbelievers are you?

Isa 55:1 Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Symbols in the Old Testament

Woe, Alas (*crying out lamenting in despair after - to crave food and drink*), everyone who thirst, come to the water; and he who has no money, come buy grain and eat. Yes, come buy grain (*or bread, which is food/nourishment*), wine (*the spirit*) and milk without silver and with no price (*a gift-Like Christ*). 2) Why do you weigh out silver for that which is not bread and your labor (*works*) for that which never satisfies? (*The cares of this world, eating and drinking*) Listen carefully to me and eat that which is good; and let your soul delight itself in fatness. 3) Bend your ear and come to me; hear, and your soul shall live; and I will cut a covenant everlasting with you... (*The new covenant in Christ*)

John 4:13-14 Jesus answered and said to her, everyone drinking of this water will thirst again; (*speaking of the water at the well from the Earth*) 14) but whoever may drink (imbibe/take in) of

the water (*spirit*) which I will give him will not ever thirst, never! But the water (spirit) which I will give to him will become a fountain of water (spirit) in him, springing up into everlasting life.

John 6:35 Jesus said unto them, I am the Bread of life; the (one) coming to me will not hunger, never; and the (one) believing on me will not ever thirst, never!

This is not bread you physically eat, or wine you actually drink, this is about spiritual things. You need to eat that your physical body should live; therefore, you must eat spiritual bread in order that your spiritual souls should live as well. The spirit is eternal, but bread that you buy at the store will perish. Quenching your thirst is survival! Christ is saying you will thirst for water again, but once you have the spirit your thirst is satisfied forever.

CHAPTER 4

Tabernacle-Temple-Body

Our bodies are the Tabernacle (temporary dwelling), where God dwells according to the New Testament. Hinted and spoken about in the Old Testament.

Biblical Dictionary: Tabernacle – tent (temporary dwelling), Portable Sanctuary that served as a place of worship for the Israelites from the time of the wilderness wanderings until the building of the temple by Solomon. Typifying God dwelling with his people. They worshiped in the Tabernacle for 400 years.

The Ark of the Covenant was inside the Holy of Holies, which was where the presence of God was manifested between the wings of the Cherubim (Angels) just as Jesus tomb when he was gone the angels sat one at his head and one at his feet symbolically of the Mercy Seat of the Ark. The Ark of the Covenant is the original symbolic vessel that represented the two covenants, the Law and Grace, which also represented the body of the savior and Messiah Yeshua (Jesus).

Hebrews 8:3-5 “For every high priest is ordained to offer gifts and sacrifices: wherefore it is of necessity that this man has somewhat also to offer. 4) For if he (Jesus) were on earth, he (Jesus) should not be a priest, seeing that there are priests that offer gifts according to (the law): 5) Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, that thou make all things according to the pattern showed to thee in the mount.”

Hebrews 10:10)“For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the corners (building foundation) thereunto perfect.”

Everything in the O.T. is symbolic and a shadow, hint, suggestion, insinuation, and plan of the real that was to come. G644 The shade is cast by one object on another, and representing the form (*structure, composition, construction, foundation, groundwork, institution, and constitution*) of that object.

Same with new wine being put into new wineskins, i.e. Holy Spirit put into new bodies. The first wine served at a wedding is of better quality, and the cheaper served after everyone is intoxicated, and yet the parable of the Wedding in Canaan represents Jesus and the New Covenant coming last which was actually better, and not cheaper, and this was noted by the Bridegroom at the wedding in Canaan.

Jesus time had not come because all was still under the old ways, Old Covenant, until he died on the cross and sent the Comforter and Holy Spirit inaugurating the New Covenant by his blood and work on the cross. Many things in scripture are not as obvious as they appear at face value. Again Jesus was bringing new revelation that was not understood by most.

Solomon's Temple

TEMPLE – The place where something holy, or divine dwelt, the body of the holy person. Etc. The dwelling of God on Earth, the first Temple (Solomon's) became what the Tabernacle had been. Whether in the Tabernacle or Temple God was going to dwell among his people. In Exodus 25:8 it says “And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them.” In the New Testament Matt 12:6 Jesus claims to be greater than the Temple (the actual building).

John 2:19-22 “Jesus answered and said unto them, destroy this (his body) temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” Then said the Jews, forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up. But he (Jesus) spake of the temple of his body. When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them; and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said.”

1 Corinthians 3:16-17 “Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.”

2 Corinthians 6:16 “And what agreement hath the temple of god with idols? For ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.”

WE are now His Temple; where His Spirit dwells. God Dwells in the Heavens, on Earth, in the Tabernacle a Body of flesh, in the Temple Building, Jesus is the Temple, and literally in our Hearts. Heaven cannot contain him and yet, he dwells in us, and fills Eternity at once. Amazing Stuff!

Our Body is the Tabernacle or Temple where God dwells according the New Testament, it is a temporary dwelling like a tent would be (Sukkot); someday we will receive our immortal bodies when we are raised from the dead. (1 Corinthians 15:35-58)

Some Scholars say that the actual Temple which was built by Solomon is fashioned after the human body, and the altars and chambers etc., are symbolic of our body the temple. The Heart is the Holy of Holies, fashioned after the Earthly Holy of Holies, which was fashioned according, and after the one in Heaven.

Nothing that has been done has been done randomly in the Bible, or on Earth!

So, let us remember that when God says something, he means it, and that we are to pay attention to everything, because it all has some meaning for us today.

Leviticus 10:8 And the Lord spake unto Aaron, saying, 9) Do not drink wine nor strong drink, you, nor your sons with thee, when you go into the tabernacle of the congregation (*G1577 – ekklēsia, assembly, Church—out from, forth from action being separated as a Nazarite, to call and bear a name or title of Messiah Yehoshua, to give command, and urge on*), lest ye die: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations (forever): 10) And that you may put difference between **holy and unholy**, and between unclean and clean;

If God commanded Aaron that bringing wine, or drinking wine in the temple tabernacle of meeting or of the congregation (i.e. the ecclesia) which is considered unholy, then bringing wine into our Temple Body is considered unholy. In spite of the reality that all things are lawful, but not all are good. The example is laid, and we are to take our Q's from the Nazarite like Jesus and even Donald J. Trump who chooses not to drink, encouraged his children not to drink while he raised them, and says that it causes problems, and I agree.

Realizing that we are the temple of the God, we realize that transition has taken place from the beginning of history until today. These transitions would take place just as they were spoken of, or prophesied.

John 4:20 "Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship. The Temple verse 21 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. 23) But the hour cometh and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. 24) God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth."

This was in the time of Jesus; when he spoke to the woman at the well. He knew that one day when he died, that his spirit would come (the Comforter), indwell, and empower every believer to worship him, in their spirit the new holy temple of God. Jesus claims to be the way, truth and the life.

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

God is dealing differently with man today then he did in the beginning. Knowledge has increased; access to knowledge is high tech, before Gods word was passed down from generation to generation by word of mouth, and then written in different forms. Now we have the Internet, TV, Radio, and Satellite communications.

The latest thing is that we are the Temple of the Lord Jesus who was the final sacrificial lamb for our sins, no more daily or yearly sacrifice like in the Old Testament, because Jesus was the sacrifice once only for past, present and future sins. We are under grace and not under the Law any longer, and we repent for our sins or wrongs because he asks us to. This is not a requirement to go to heaven, but of a humble heart that wants to please the Lord.

Hebrews 10:1-16 "For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the corners thereunto perfect. 3) "But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year. 4) "For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.9) "Then said he, Lo, I (Jesus) come to do thy will, O God. He (Jesus/God) taketh away the first (Law), that he may establish the second (Grace). 10) "By the which we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. 16) "This (is) the covenant which I will covenant to them after those days," says (the) Lord: "Giving My laws on their hearts, and I will write them on their minds;"

Old Testament reference is in Jeremiah 31:33-34.

In the New Testament, Jesus has taken away all our sins, and there is no more sacrifice, and by his blood grace is a gift, given to those who acknowledge that they are sinners. He wants us to be a living sacrifice for him.

Romans 12:1-2 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. 2) An be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

We can be a clean unspotted vessel, prepared as a spiritual sacrifice of the heart and life to him in response with our gratitude and love. We no longer look to the Old Testament alone, the New Testament is its fulfillment, and one is incomplete without the other.

Wine was something that was drank causing much sin and Jesus says do not be filled with wine, but with the Holy Spirit. The New Jerusalem that comes down from heaven had no Temple in it, but why? Also, when the temple was destroyed in 70 AD it has never been built again. Is this representative that it is now a spiritual temple? We will watch and wait because there is potential that Trumps Sons may build the one in the land of Judea, but it has not been built yet, and much is happening.

Revelation 21:22 “And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb (Jesus) is the Temple of it.” The earthly Temple was a temporary dwelling of God, the Heart and our bodies are a temporary dwelling of God. One day we will see him as he is, we all will be changed into spiritual bodies for flesh and blood is said not to inherit the kingdom of God. The new temple is us.

Is the body defiled with wine or drugs?

I do not think that God/Jesus today would even think that casual drinking, even one glass of wine was even appropriate for a believer if Leviticus 10:8-10 applies, and because we are not to be conformed to this world, BUT we are to be transformed from old ways to new ways, and from fleshly nature to spiritual nature.

Why does one drink? Does your behavior edify God? Does your reason for drinking, make you closer to God, or does it further the distance from him?

If I were to have a glass of wine every night after work, or beer because I needed to relax. Would God be pleased? Or, would the lord rather I looked to him for my peace and relaxation, by reading his word, praying, and finding rest and happiness in him. The Lord should be my help to deal with the difficulties of life, or should I trust in alcohol, a sedative to make my worries, and frustrations go away?

It is not condemnation to feel right about something, and we do many things that in heaven standards are sinful, but we should consider the outcome of different activities or substances and contemplate how good they are for us, and does it help or hinder us. Some have great problems with substances that alter the mind. So we must consider why God originally commanded to not bring wine into our bodies, including strong drink, etc., and instead he ask us to be filled with the Holy Spirit instead.

When your kids, family, parents, or peers see our behavior what is their impression? Does it affect them in a positive way, or in destructive ways, so just a little food for thought, and you will decide for yourself the beauty of choice.

Hebrews 7:19 For the Law perfected nothing, but a bringing in of a better hope, through which we draw near to God.

Math 5:17 think not that I come to destroy the Law, or the Prophets: I did not come to destroy, but to fulfill. 18) For truly I say to you, till heaven and earth pass, not one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

Donald Trump our President never drank or took drugs and never drank coffee either. Wow! I believe it is a great example to us for many reasons including that he is more than mere man or so this has been confirmed to me by many things including the holy angels.

I try to believe that every step we take towards holiness away from the world; the things of this world cannot hold sway, control, or influence over our lives. We cease to struggle because we are not deceived by the worldly trappings, voices and manipulation that comes from every source like TV, Movies, and even family or friends.

We decide what we will partake of, when, and why if at all. No amount of influence can shake our resolve because for one we are not under the influence of any intoxicant that takes it away. I think it simplifies our lives. We trust God for our joy, and life highs.

CHAPTER 5

Traditions of Men

I am under the impression that celebrating Christmas or even Easter if it is one of the only festivals that tries to glorify Jesus while others are not linked at all I believe that it still gives glory to God, and Trump likes Christmas, or at least saying Merry Christmas instead of Happy Holidays, because of this very reason. There is much symbolism in Christmas that can be considered biblical like lights, and gift giving as Jesus gave us the gift of life, etc.

When I grew up I assumed Christmas, and Easter were Christian Holidays, and they were in practice to me, and my family. However, I learned years later that the symbolism used in these holidays were predominantly occult and pagan. The Christianization of Pagan holidays began about the fourth century A.D. when the Roman Emperor Constantine, became (or feigned becoming) a Christian.

In order to consolidate his rule, he incorporated the pagan holidays and festivals into the church ritual - attracting the pagans, but he gave the holidays and festivals new "Christian" names and identities - thus appeasing the Christians. Over the centuries, this practice has continued until the present time where we find the two systems, Paganism and Christianity, almost indistinguishable.

Long before the fourth century, or the Christian era itself, a festival was celebrated among the HEATHEN, at that precise time of the year, in honor of the birth of the son of the Babylonian queen of heaven. Isis, the Egyptian title for the "queen of heaven," gave birth to a son at this very time, about the time of the winter solstice. The term "Yule" is the Chaldea (Babylonian) name for "infant" or "little child." God said not to pass your children through the fire, but the Yule log, or "little child" is burned symbolically in the fire on Christmas and originally the child was burnt alive; are these pagan rituals that existed long ago.

The Yule log was considered the dead stock of Nimrod or Tammuz, depending on the specific nation involved, and deified as the sun god, but cut down by his enemies; the Christmas tree is Nimrod revived - the slain god comes to life again. The Yule occultist colors are red and green.

Christmas was originally a pagan festival. The time of the year and the ceremonies, with which it is still celebrated, prove its origin. Easter is not a Christian name. It is Chaldean (Babylonian) in origin - the name Astarte, one of the titles of Beltis, "The Queen of Heaven." The worship of Bel and Astarte was introduced very early into Britain, along with the Druids, "the priests of the groves."

The high pagan observances influenced the Christian festival of All Hallows' Eve, Halloween, celebrated on the same date." Isis above was "The Queen of Heaven" in Egypt. The souls of the dead were supposed to revisit their homes on this day, and the autumnal festival (Halloween) acquired sinister significance, with ghosts, witches, hobgoblins, black cats, fairies, and demons of all kinds said to be roaming about.

It appears that many of religions, festivals, gods, symbols and holidays all seem to worship the same deities, just with other names covering the true origin and history of these things, unless we do our history and research. This confuses those of us who are not aware of how they all point to a single origin or entities (Demons).

There is so much we could cover, but our focus is on the “Traditions” that we keep, without knowing the true origins, or truth as it pertains to a Christian. So, we practice traditions that man, the church, or our kings and leaders initiate. We practice them in good faith that these holidays are Christian through and through; never questioning them, not really. Is it possible that just like other holidays, or traditions, maybe we do not have all the information on the use of wine, or other intoxicating substances?

I think we have always thought that wine is practically holy by itself, and yet, the bible clearly has said that it is unholy. We use it in our communions, at our feast tables, and at home. However, God says that we are the temple of God now, that whatever we join our bodies to, could be sin against our temple. We were set apart to be holy vessels to the lord. Should we defile it with an unholy substance? I think not!

When Jesus came and ushered in a New Covenant, he also said: “be filled with the spirit” of God, and not with wine. I think there is enough evidence that proves Jesus/Messiah/God is calling us to walk a holier walk with him, putting aside the past sins of the flesh; now we are under grace, under the spirit of God for salvation, and no longer performing rituals that are only a partial or shadow of the real thing, the actual fulfillment of partial rituals that were to sanctify or cleans the one practicing them (priests) for the people.

I believe the hardest thing for many is that all celebrations keep getting further and further away from the original meanings or intents of the people to celebrate, and are corrupted along the way actually losing and forgetting the reason why they are celebrated in the first place.

PHARISEES – One of the three (Pharisees, Sadducees, and Essenes) prominent societies of Judaism at the time of Christ. Pharisees were by far the most influential. “Pharisees” in its Semitic form means “the separated ones,” also known as the “Chasidim, meaning “loved of God” or “loyal to God” They wore distinguishing garb (clothing) so as to be easily recognized. They were highly respected by the Jewish masses.

TRADITIONS – Passing down of elements of culture (Socially transmitted behavior patterns, arts, beliefs, institutions and all other products of human work and thought of a community or population), way of life, customs, from generation to generation, followed continually. A body of unwritten religious precepts rule or principle imposing a standard of action or conduct).

Wine drinking has primarily become a tradition of men, God never ordained wine as something we should drink, and it is not to be drank within the temple, holy place, and this means our bodies, and it is not to be used for communion. Grape juice that is non alcoholic is probably what Jesus drank because he was a Nazarene a Nazarite and they took vows of abstinence even from grape juice or any part of the vine.

The debate still stands whether wine was fermented, or unfermented? How much alcohol content was there in it in ancient times, compared to now? Did they mix wine with water, or honey and to what extent? Was it grape juice? Throughout this book, I will answer some of these questions.

Wine is not considered holy, this was an eternal ordinance in Leviticus 10, and therefore using it to worship God is an error in understanding. God did originally speak of the vine and its produce wine, as a symbol to man of God's blessings upon him. Just like drought was his judgment. The grape, vine, and wine were to be symbols of spiritual things, just as Levin was used to raise bread and permeate the whole loaf; it was also used to symbolize Sin. That is why they were commanded to bake the bread for the offerings without Levin which is without sin.

When confronted about drinking, it is a timely thing for us to say: "Jesus drank wine," or "It was given to the sick, and the depressed." Nevertheless, our desire behind these statements could be a way to justify our actions, or reveal our ignorance in understanding.

Man has always tried to do some work, celebrate some feast, or other man made implement such as using prayer beads, wearing a certain dress, or confessing to an earthly Father, etc. Always trying to do good in outward ways. God says that no one is good, no not one, and all our good deeds are as filthy rags to him. Man could never be good enough to be righteous in Gods eyes. God says call no man Father, and yet we do. Not as in Father "Dad", but Father "Lord" as in Catholicism.

According to the bible, there is only one intercessor, or mediator between God and Man, and that is Jesus. Not the Pope or Priestly Father. In the past, the Levitical High Priest interceded on behalf of man, but confessions to him were not made. Jesus is now the only mediator or intercessor for us.

Man changes what God meant to be a way to find him into manmade ways that they can control; and instead of finding the true way to God, and into heaven, we bow to idols, celebrate festivals or feasts, and are preoccupied with the doing, rather than the worshiping with a clean heart?

Mark 7:3-13 For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, except they wash their hands oft, eat not, holding the tradition of the elders. 5) Then the Pharisees and scribes ask him (Jesus), why walk not the disciples according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashed hands? 6) He answered and said unto them, well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honoreth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me. 7) Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men? 8) for laying aside the commandment of god, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do. 9) Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition.

Instead, we think being at church every Sunday and dressing or worshiping a certain way, open the gates of heaven. Not so! If we place our focus on the things we do we will miss the point.

God wants us to find him with our hearts, and in a real and personal way, he sent his Son for that reason. It will not be through the Traditions of Men.

Jesus God will reside in our Temple “Us” and dwell there if we ask him. He does not force us. What kind of companion would you have if you forced people to like you, or love you? The minute you turned your back they’d curse you. God does not force but He leads us to him.

LUKE 13:25-28 “From (the time) when the Master of the house (Jesus) shall have risen up, and He shuts the door (to Heaven), and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. In addition, answering, He will say to you, I do not know you. From where you are. 26) Then you will begin to say, we ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.27) And He will say, I say to you I do not know you, from where you are. Stand back from me all the workers of unrighteousness! 28) There will be weeping and gnashing of the teeth when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, but you (Pharisees, and religious leaders spoken too) being thrust outside. (Ps. 6:8)

These religious leaders, and “So called” believers did the works of God, but they knew him not because their hearts were far from him.

John 2: 23 And he (Jesus) was in Jerusalem, at the Passover, at the Feast, many believed into His name, beholding the signs which He did.

Jesus healed on the Passover, which was against the Laws at that time, but Jesus was ushering in a new covenant, that the Law was made for Man, not the other way around. When Jesus was on the earth, Jews and Gentile became believers of Christ.

Those who did not, of which many were the religious authorities, councils and unbelieving individuals who wanted to keep their power in place, their prominence, their perceived wisdom in tack, and lead the lay people into blind obedience when they themselves were also ignorant of the prophetic scripture.

Had they admitted to being wrong they would look foolish to men, and since they have an agenda that they are working toward. Those who seek the truth WILL find it! Those who seek their own will be blind to the truth even if “HE” (Jesus) stood right in front of them doing miracles that no mere man could do of which Jesus did performed many miracles just as Trump has just different.

Therefore, man had come to a standstill believing in the old traditions, with false piety failing to notice the fulfillment of all scripture in Jesus. Either they are deceived by the prince of this world (Lucifer, etc.) or deceived by their own selfish motives.

John 5:10 Then the Jews said to the (one) having been healed, It is a Sabbath; it is not lawful for you to take up the cot...16) And because of this, the Jews persecuted Jesus and sought to kill Him, because He did these things on a Sabbath...38) Jesus said: “And you do not have His Word abiding in you, for (the One) whom that One (God) sent, this One (Jesus) you do not believe...42) but I have known you, that you do not have the love of God in yourselves.”

God cares about the Sabbath, in that it points to him, and by so celebrating the Sabbath we acknowledge him to the world, and ourselves. These feasts or celebrations do not save us. By faith in him he saves us.

John 7: 23 If a man receives circumcision on a Sabbath, that the Law of Moses is not broken, are you angry with me (Jesus speaking) because I made a man entirely healthy on a Sabbath?

The religious leaders saw Jesus as a threat to their way of life, and their puffed up pride made them think that there couldn't be anything more than what they already knew, yeah, they waited for the messiah but on their terms; like having an exclusive club where only certain elite people were allowed in, they could not grasp the concept of who Jesus was, or what he was accomplishing in their day. The same is taking place today in many ways especially where we are on Gods timeline, and who Trump is. We certainly do not want to miss what God is doing again!

Thinking them exclusive to Gods protection and love forever, the religious authorities and leaders of the day could not receive Jesus for who he truly was, and Jesus the Lord, I Am and more was bringing the new covenant (New Testament) he hinted at in the Old Covenant. However, because of arrogance, pride, and/or ignorance; liking things the way they were they did not want to change them. The religious leaders could not reconcile the Gentile and the Jew as believing in the same God, Messiah, or message as being one and the same.

Eph 2:15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace; 16)For through him we both (Jew and Gentile) have access by one Spirit unto the Father. 17) The Pharisees and religious leaders wanted the Messiah to conquer their oppressors (the Romans) and be king, so how could this Jesus be him.

Gods plan included all those who believed in him; Jew or Gentile it made no difference to him except that it was a true and undefiled religion of faith. The Pharisees could not comprehend or accept this, and each having his own agenda rejected their Messiah who this time around was the Lamb that took away the sins of the world. However, to those who believed, they become the sons and daughters of God, Jew and Gentile alike.

Many very zealous Jews come to believe in Jesus as the Son of God and their messiah, and many rejected him. The same is true today, and we would do it again if given the chance, but this time he is coming as the Lion to overthrow our enemies, and set up that kingdom they desired back in ancient times. Once again God does things his way, and it is his will that is done not ours.

Christ's death on the cross was a triumph, he came for that purpose, and He laid down his life for us on his terms, at anytime he could have stopped the whole trial, beatings, and crucifixion. Why would he? We all put him on the cross because of our sins that is why he died, so we could be washed clean by his blood. For there is no remission of sin without the shedding of blood. Why do you think he was called the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world? He was a sacrifice in our place.

John 2:16-17 And said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my house a house of merchandise. And his disciples remembered that it was written, The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up.

They were so busy with the temple worship, making profits from merchandise sold for atonement for sin, caught up in the things they were doing, they missed the one they were waiting for. In addition, the love of the works became more important than their love for their God.

John 9:16 Then some of the Pharisees said, this man (Jesus) cannot be from God, because He does not keep the Sabbath. Others said, how could a man, a sinner do such miracles? In addition, there was a division among them. Believers, unbelievers and those who were not sure.

Many Religious leaders today have their own agendas they actually are praying against the only real President that was not sold out to the New World Order and is based on my research the appearance of the Deliverer aka Christ or Messiah Yeshua. There are many today that have no clue what is really going on in our world, many are doing as the word said they would.

Mat 24:37 “But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. 38 “For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark.

Today it is the same as back then, there was much sin taking place, including orgies, drinking, Fallen Angel mingling, and living recklessly as if there was no tomorrow, or the coming of a Just God to judge the world.

1 Peter 1:14 As children of obedience, not fashioning yourselves to your former lusts in your ignorance (lack of knowledge), 18) knowing that not with corruptible things, silver or gold, you were redeemed from your worthless way of life (Traditions) handed down from (your) fathers, 19) but with precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot, 20) who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you.

Col 2:8 Beware lest any man spoil, *destroy, indulge, ruin, weaken, harm* you through philosophy (*viewpoint, way of life, values*) and vain, *arrogant, narcissistic, self-important, and full of yourself* deceit (deception), after the tradition of men, after the rudiments (fundamentals) of the world, and not after Christ

The truth is more important than the tradition. From the beginning, man has chosen his own way ignoring Gods way. He has set his own beliefs and truths, as truth and we have been deceived.

God always anticipates the arguments of men in regard to understanding some precept in the Bible he knows that man and Satan the devil will try to deceive you. He has written of these things, and they are there for you to search them out to see for yourself.

Is wine allowable? Are all things allowed in moderation? Are all things profitable for us? If we continue to sin, are we free from the consequences? If our motives are selfish, will we be judged? If we lie about our motives to drink or commit adultery is God ignoring it?

If we do not take the whole council of God (his WORD), we deceive each other. God is watching, and he knows what your intentions are. It seems so obvious to some that drinking in the Old and New Testament was a thing God was not condoning, but warning about, and admonishing us to stay away from.

He never wanted Divorce, but because the hardness (resistance) of our hearts he allowed it, on account of adultery, and abuse also he said we are not held responsible or blamed for unbelievers actions towards us. He hates putting away, and there are many things that God would that we did differently including abstaining from drinking which leads many astray.

Personally I do not drink, but have and used to drink when I was younger in High School and in the Army. I agree with the reality that it can cause you to go the wrong direction, and also you are more vulnerable to predators that are lurking and awaiting the opportunity that intoxication can provide. It softens our resolve and can be more easily manipulated so looking back on those who drink, use drugs, and attend parties, frequent bars, and other venues to me it causes or can cause life altering consequences. DUIs for some can change their whole life, not to mention harming others because of your or my behavior.

John 1:17 For the Law was given through Moses, (but) grace and truth has come into being through Jesus Christ.

Eph 5:11 Have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them
18) And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation (*pleasure in, indulgence in*); but be filled with the Spirit,

Gods desire for us is to be holy, to stay away from things and people that are not, even though he came to save the lost he typically fellowshiped with believers and the apostles, yet, he spent time with unbelievers so he could share his love and message of salvation with them.

We have many reasons for drinking a sedative it helps one to relax, gives you inflated courage we may not otherwise have, and helps us to forget our problems. God wants us to look to him to solve our problems. We are to look to him for courage, and do what is right. He does not want us to give way to peer pressure, yet He does want us to find peace in him, and not with wine or other mind altering substances. We are the tabernacle and temple of God; we are not to unite our temple with that which is considered unholy.

Fornication, Adultery, taking drugs or drinking wine is sinning against our own bodies and temple, because whatever we do to our body/temple, we do unto God who dwells within it by his spirit. He said do not drink wine or strong drink when you go into the tabernacle, and obviously your are the temple and tabernacle of God, he warns "lest you die," because wine etcetera was not considered holy for out all generations.

Should we put wine into our tabernacle? I think not! I do not believe that drinking wine or taking drugs will send you to hell, but I do believe that if you are doing those things you are spiritually unaware, or unformed. If you are a mature believer or follower of Christ and the whole Bible, you will not sit back in comfort; you will change, and go a different direction if you find you are not doing what is a better way of living and a better example to those around you, who may stumble at your sinful way.

Today most crimes of murder, robbery, rape, physical and sexual abuse is done while under the influence of wine, strong drink, or some kind of drug. Most of the people that committed these crimes may have never committed them if they had been sober, and in their right mind. So you tell me, is it a good thing to drink, or is it destruction and confusion. Many can control their use, but those who cannot will not know until it is too late.

If you do not really care, remember this, there is a God whether you believe it or not, you will be accountable for what you do whether you think you will or not. Where will you spend eternity? If you do not care, are you a Christian? If you are, then why don't you care? You can be saved and be a sinner, we all are, but the question is, are you saved?

Eternity is not in jeopardy because one drinks, but because of the road and path one takes at some juncture. What does your life reflect to others, are you holy, are you an honest person with integrity?

God says to the sinner, go, and sin no more! That is the goal folks! Traditions of Men can be deceptively used by the Devil to keep you from growing into a solid believer. You make the choice, are you going to remain immature, or, are you going to grow and make an impact?

For me I understand the dangers of intoxicants of any kind, and a drink of wine at dinner is harmless as far as I am concerned. However, we must consider who is watching especially if it is children because they may not value one drink, but partake in a whole lot more.

I hope you choose to lead, grow, be an example, be a light in the darkness, and give God the glory by your actions. You will not be able to be these things if you look like the world and act like it.

WHAT DEFILES US?

Mat 15:11 "Not what goes into the mouth defiles a man; but what comes out of the mouth, this defiles a man."

The context is about washing hands before eating as to be defiling because of germs, disease, or other, and here is a summary in Hebrew and Greek what the above scripture is saying subtext:

God forbid should anything, in no way with intent and purpose/result of one mind to enter into an open place, a hollow thing, body or one in which an object can be hidden of food or spirit (evil), denoting entrance into, direction and limit: toward, for, among used of language and its

relations since thoughts of a man's soul find verbal utterance by his mouth, the "heart" or "soul" and the mouth are distinguished, and are the edge of a sword, this defiles G2840 also to make common, normal, customary to make (Leviticallly) unclean, render unhallowed, defile, profane denoting union by association, companionship, process, resemblance, possession, instrumentality, addition, but that which go forth, go out, depart of feelings, affections, deeds, sayings from the mouth of one to spread abroad, of a rumor this thing defiles a man, woman, them, they etc.

The intent revealed above is that whatever you have taken in spiritually whether good or bad will come out of your heart and soul; from your mouth and these things are what defile you. Also, who you are united with, either with the Holy Spirit of God or you are possessed or oppressed by evil spirits that can create the motives of your words and feelings. Which cause you to be clean or unclean?

Jesus responded to many things the Pharisees complained about that he was doing, and he would respond in a parable that even now is hard to comprehend. If taken only on the surface we may get a different meaning that might change our perception about being able to partake of anything like alcohol or drugs because these do not defile us, right? Not eternally, but there is a different meaning being applied, and we should consider it.

CHAPTER 6



Passover-Communion-Eucharist

Passover is our Communion-Eucharist at the “Last Supper.” Passover is observed on the 14th day of Nissan, and the next night the 15th is unleavened bread. Passover and unleavened bread is the “Feast of Salvation.” Just as Moses put lambs blood on the doorposts of their houses, Christ’s shed blood on the cross was symbolic of the “Lamb” of Gods blood being put on the doorposts of our hearts.

Christ was born in Bethlehem, meaning “House of Bread;” Jesus said I am the “Bread of Life”. The feast of Passover, and Unleavened Bread was a 7 day holy walk, just like the vow a Nazarite would take. This feast celebrates liberation from (Egyptian) bondage, and deliverance from death. (Exodus 12:7, 14, 15).

Christ was sacrificed on the 14th of Nissan which was Passover—as the Passover lamb. Passover was the beginning of the prophetic message that God was trying to communicate to his people, that by the shedding of a spotless lambs blood death would pass over, and by not eating leavened bread; unleavened bread would symbolize setting aside of 7 days to be clean. Leaven symbolized SIN or puffing up like pride. Whether they were aware of it at that time, or whether it was the beginning process of unveiling the message of Messiah/Jesus through these feasts.

They were to take in the lamb, the unleavened bread, with bitter herbs; they were to eat it with readiness. As we are to be always be watching, ready for his return or appearing.

Math 26:2-28 You know that after two days is the feast of the Passover, and the son of man is to betrayed to be crucified. 17) ...first day of the feast of unleavened bread...19) And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them; and they made ready the Passover. 26) And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and broke it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body.

27) And he took the CUP (*New Testament, G4221 portion and fate, drinking vessel to drink figuratively, to receive into the soul what serves to refresh strengthen, nourish it unto life eternal*), and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; 28) For this is my blood

of the new testament/covenant, which is shed for many for the remissions of sins. 29) But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth (from now on) of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.

- New H2537 *kainos* freshness, regenerated. Dictionary – New is (*most recent form*)
Cup H4221 *poterion*, lot or fate, 4221-poterion/fig. lot or fate, one's lot or experience, whether joyous or adverse, divine appointments, whether favorable or unfavorable, are likened to a cup which God presents one to drink: so of prosperity and adversity
Drink H4095 *imbibe*; take in, 1537-ek among, in the midst of, between, completions
Fruit H1081 *gennema*, offspring, generation, regenerate 1081-gennema/offspring, Regenerate and generation.
Vine H288 *ampelos*; as coiling about a support, possibly from vine, worker, or dresser. the time the vine symbolizes Israel, bearing useless fruit.

Let us rephrase Math 26:27: “And he took the portion, fate, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying take it in (*imbibe*) all of it; 28) for this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. 29) But I say unto you, I will not take it from now on of this generation, offspring, vine-dresser or base, until that day when I take it regenerated with you in my Fathers Kingdom.”

Mark 14:23 “And he took the CUP, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them: and they all drank of it. 24)

Verily I say unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit, produce of the vine, until that day that I drink it (new) in the kingdom of God.” (*Fruit of the vine indicates fresh grapes, therefore, unfermented*).

The fruit of the vine had to be unfermented grape juice because I do not believe if the Lord said that wine was unholy to Aaron, that fermented grape juice would have been the drink of choice, Christ would of requested what he had always requested most likely unfermented, because Christ was without sin just as Donald J. Trump request diet cola. Is wine sin I do not believe wine is sin anymore than I believe guns kill. I believe it is what we do with wine, or a gun that determines what it really means.

Let us rephrase Mark 14:23 as to what it could say: And he took the fate, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and they all took it in of it 24) Verily I say unto you, I will take in no more of this generation, until that day that I in completion, in freshness regenerated in the kingdom of God.

Now on the surface it seems it is talking about wine and bread. But really it is talking symbolically. The bread was symbolic of his body that would be broken from beatings for us, the cup was his fate, drinking was taking it in, and he would no longer be of this generation until the completion and regenerated in his kingdom, the kingdom of God.

1Cor 5:7 “Purge out therefore the old leaven that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us”...

The Passover is where the first Communion/Eucharist began to be practiced. Christ is saying that he is the Passover, ushering in a new covenant/testament. Like the woven garment or tapestry, weaving it together (the Old and New). He was telling his disciples that he would be with them no longer until we all will be new and regenerated in his Kingdom.

Woven Together the Old into the New—A Tapestry Becomes One

The WINE and the BREAD, remind us of what Jesus Christ has done two thousand years ago. Wine symbolizing his blood, and the bread was symbolizing his body. Christ is the Lamb that was to be slain, and instead of the door post of a house, we have the blood put on the door post of our hearts, and I believe the Holy of Holies and altar of prayer. Jesus says, “I stand at the door and knock, if anyone open up and let me in I will sup/fellowship with him and he with me.”

Passover has now become “communion” to us. After Passover is the feast of unleavened bread which is for 7 days, at the end is the feast of First Fruits (Resurrection) Easter to us which has pagan roots, Christ was the First Fruit, and we are next to be resurrected (G1453 collecting ones faculties, to arouse from sleep, to awake). Cor 15:23

Right now in 2020 it is called the #GreatAwakening, and during the first Covid stay at home which was during Passover there had previously begun a great awakening, and rousing of the people. Since we are in a two stage manifestation of Christ meaning Messiah, the first stage is an awakening of the sleeping and dead spiritually a kind of resurrection.

This is a time where the people of God and others are in Greek 1453 are to awaken transitively or intransitively, i.e. rouse literally from sleep, from sitting or lying, from disease, from death; or from obscurity, inactivity, ruins, nonexistence:—awake, lift up, raise again, rear up, stand, take up—any assembly, especially of the people relating to marketplace, public debating, etc. This awakening has to do with protests taking place of the people around America, and angering of the country or even the world.

In the Zohar 700 year old prophecy about the Messiah it prophecies that first would be the angering of the whole world before the terror of the Messiah so I believe right now we are experiencing this resurrection possibly once again. Is it the same as during Jesus day? I do not know but the words are the same. Just food for thought regarding the wine, symbolizing the blood, but also the Holy Spirit as well.

EUCCHARIST

Communion - is an act of sharing; as of thoughts or feelings. Fellowship! We share in Christ's fate, portion and take of his cup, by taking in his holy spirit, the right hand as a sign and pledge of fellowship and walking in his footsteps which right now in 2017-2020 is standing against ungodly laws, injustices, and tyranny just like the apostles did in Ancient Rome.

We partake of communion so that we never forget the sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross, and that Passover, lead to the Cross, and this leads to salvation of Jew and Gentile in the end times.

In the Zohar the Messiah/Christ is in the right (Republican Party), and must be elevated above the left according to the prophecy.

Communion/Eucharist means “Thanksgiving” These became the words the Church used to explain the remembrance of Jesus body and blood sacrifice. In Ancient times wine was mixed usually with some other liquid, sometimes it was mixed with 2 parts water to 1 part wine, possibly honey, spices, or milk.

In the book of Jubilees, xlix. 6: And all Israel was eating the flesh of the paschal lamb and drinking the wine. From this the Archbishop of Canterbury shortly before the World War formed a small committee that decided because Israel drank wine it must have been fermented.

The Hebrew word used here was supposed to be *yayin*, always ‘fermented wine’ and always mixed with water. However, wine mixed with water made it less intoxicating. The Jews made the temple into a market place, they practiced the law, but their hearts were far from god. They never were all that pleasing to God, they were always a wayward people.

Yayin H3196 can be fermented or unfermented, effervesce, intoxicating, unity, banqueting, it may relate to love Est. 7:8, bubbling up and fermenting.

Maybe, they forgot what God said to Aaron about wine? It’s not all that clear, because they new God did not approve of wine as holy, so why would they use unholy wine in a holy paschal, Passover? Possibly they were not aware of what God had spoken to Aaron (*the written word was not at your local book store*), or it was not fermented as the word (*Yayin*) would potentially lead us to believe, it could of just been a choice of the words. Did they use fermented wine? Maybe they did, maybe some did not. Hard to say for sure, it is conjecture at this point.

Perrar Fenton in 1907 London, made a statement in “The Bible and Wine”, p. 6 that, since in the preparation for the Passover “No kind of Fermented Food or Drink was allowed to be in even a private dwelling for seven days, “all Passover wine must have been un-intoxicating, and that Jesus, therefore, must have used unfermented grape syrup in the institution of the Communion/Eucharist. However, this was refuted by the committee.

Personally, I think Perrar Fenton was right, it only makes sense. Possibly, the Jews did their own thing, not taking into account the messages to Aaron the priest, Levites, Kings, and Nazirite’s, the warnings about wine being unholy as well as leading people astray.

I guess it does not matter whether it was fermented or unfermented the question is does it cause one to lose their moral character and launch them in a direction they may not otherwise of taken? To me it is like playing with fire you may get burned or burn others. Personally, I do not drink even though over my lifetime I have, and in my opinion based on my own personal experience it does cause you to relax your stance on what is right and wrong.

In the Bible “leaven” or ferment is the symbol of moral corruption (sin). The possible reason water was mixed with wine; other than it was symbolic of what was poured out of Christ’s side, when he was speared.

Wine was generally inspissated or boiled to thick syrup like I'mustvm" which was to thick or "strong" for drinking and had to mixed or mingled with water. Once boiled, it would no longer be alcoholic.

Dr. Norman Kerr in "Unfermented Wine a Fact" states – "If unfermented grape juice be enclosed in an air-tight vessel, and heated in boiling water fermentation will be rendered impossible". Also, Inspissated (thicken or congeal) grape juice boiled down to half, a third, or a fourth of its bulk, does not ferment for a very long period, and then only slightly and on its surface."

Christ would not lead us into temptation by using intoxicating wine, drugs is another problem altogether which leads you astray. Jesus would have used new wine, un-intoxicated, un-alcoholic. Christ was without sin, and wine was considered unholy.

We know today if wine, brandy or other alcohol was boiled, it would be un-intoxicating. The alcohol content dissipates, and by boiling it would expel the fermenting yeast germs. It seems that the Ancients used the inspissated (*condensed, boiled and evaporation*) principal method to preserve wine from fermentation.

In the Eastern Church it was difficult to keep wine in large clay pots because it turned into vinegar. The Roman Catholic churches today uses wine that is always fermented and mixed with water, grape juice is held valid, but never allowed by law.

Bishops, Rabbi's and Church Leaders go along with tradition, but tradition is not pleasing to God. Jesus wanted his people whom he called set apart unto holiness never leading them into temptation, holy vessels where God could dwell undefiled, pure, clean, moral and temperate. You are being filled with the spirit of God, rather than the spirits of wine, alcohol, or other mind altering substance, and we are encouraged to keep our minds on that which is good and holy.

Neh 18...ten day store of all sorts of wine...It seems that wine came in all sorts of stages from grape juice through to vinegar, the use of the name "wine" does not necessarily indicate that it was always fermented. If we look at scripture, God is consistently warning not to indulge in drinking wine. and new wine represented the Holy Spirit.

In Ancient times certain meats (pork, etc.), were not allowed to be eaten; this was then, but when Christ came he allowed meats because God had created them, and if received with thanksgiving they were sanctified by God through prayer. I Timothy 4:3-5

Just as wine in ancient times was used medicinally for those who were sick, dying, or severely depressed. We now have medicines prescribed by Doctors for the same. God said that the plants of the Earth were to be used for healing, wine was given to the sick: 1Ti 5:23 "Don't drink only water. You ought to drink a little wine (G3631 *oinos* must, or new wine, yayin-effervesce: sparkle, bubble, boil, vine) for the sake of your stomach because you are sick so often."

Remember to take the whole counsel of God, when you are trying to understand Gods message. From Old Testament times to New Testament times the old fades away, and all becomes new through Christ.

We normally go to the Doctor for pain and they prescribe pain killers, we usually do not drink a bottle of wine to deaden the pain. Back in Ancient times they had few options, God knew that it would help their infirmities, and he is a good God and cares about us.

Everything comes down to your personal decision as to what you believe God would desire of you, or what is moral or good for you. You must decide this; if you sin unknowingly you are better off then knowing something is sin, and continuing to do something which becomes sin to you.

The Encratites, who opposed the use of all intoxicating drinks, consistently communed with water. In the fourth century they could be put to death for this practice, however, it does show that many believed that wine was not appropriate as I do.

Wine is not holy, and using it in feasts or ceremonies would not be prudent and would be hypocritical. Taking the Passover (communion) bread and the cup in an unworthy manner would cause some to become sick, and it was not to be esteemed lightly. We were remembering Jesus sacrifice, and his broken bleeding body. We are to esteem it with reverence, thankfulness, and humility. Understanding its significance to each individually.

CHAPTER 7

Do Things in Moderation, or Lawful?

I Cor. 6:12 All things (are) lawful to me, but not all things profit. All things (are) lawful to me, but I will not be ruled by any.

In Greek the cumulative meaning of these words lawful, profit, and ruled are listed below:

Lawful (1832 *exesti* [third person], is a compound of 1537 ek, and 1510 eimi) a. *exesti* – being out in public, lawful. b. Ek – let, out in public, be lawful c. Eimi - I exist, am, have been, I was.

Profit 4851 *sumphero*, from 4862 & 5342 Contribute, advantage, be better for, be good, bring together, collect, and bear together.

Ruled 1850 *exousiazō*, from 1849 influence, power, and exercise authority upon, freedom, strength, and control.

1 Cor 10: should, or could say: “All things have existed, their out in public, and lawful, but not all things are good for me, or contribute to my well being, but I will not be influenced by them, I have freedom from them, strength over them, and control over them, and I can exercise power upon them.”

Many arguments have been made that if you partake of wine, liquor, drugs, or anything in moderation somehow the bible supports it. Generally speaking the book of Romans really addresses this (the Law vs. Grace). I will not cover it now, just know that in an unusual way, we are free from sin thru grace, however, once we have become believers in the messiah Jesus, and God, (one and the same); we are changed, and we are given a new heart. We should become new creatures, with new behaviors, and we turn from our old ways and sin.

Is heroine good for you?

Is drinking poison good for you?

Is driving on the wrong side of the road good for you?

Is jumping out of an airplane without a parachute good for you?

is hitting your child good for you?

Is road rage good for you?

Is eating all fat or junk food good for you?

Is stealing lawful for you to do in moderation?

Is fornication lawful for you at anytime?

(as long as you do these things in moderation?)

Of course not!

Maybe a little extreme, but you get the point; Not all things are good for us. If all things are lawful to us, should we do all things? No! because god knows the dangers even if we do not.

We should not do all things in moderation. So in his word, he gives us basic guidelines that work together with others; to verify exactly what he wants. It is for us to search out the matter.

Now we should be growing into mature believers, laying aside old ways, lusts, and habits; such as going to parties, frequenting bars, lusting after women/men, or pornography, cussing, tempers tantrums, lying, or cheating, etc). If you struggle with laying aside these old habits, then you are not in God's word enough; the enemy; still has more power over you, then you have given to God. Instead of wanting to do our will, we should want to do God's will.

So now become servants of the Lord, and not of ourselves, or our flesh. If we are no longer condemned and if we are truly one of his disciples (Nazarite) we should no longer be in the world as before.

The only way you are going to grow stronger, is to read the Bible, and that will give you the strength, with prayer to change. Going to church, and bible studies are not enough. You need to make the Bible, basically, the only book you will ever read; again (I know that is almost impossible, but that is how important reading it should be); his is the only knowledge that is going to matter or last. That is where you will get enough strength and discernment to know and have resolve to stay away from the sins that enslave you. You know what they are!

I Corinthians 10:23 All things are lawful to me, but not all things profit. All things are lawful to me, but not all things build up. 24) Let no one seek the thing of himself, but each one that of the other. 29) But I say conscience, not that of himself, but that of the other. For why is my freedom judged by another's conscience? 30) But if I partake by grace, why am I evil spoken of because of that which I give thanks? 31) Then whether you eat (2068 esthio -live, devour) or drink (4095 pino/pio- imbibe, take in), or whatever you do, do all things to the glory of God. (nothing about wine here) 32) You be without offense both to Jews and to Greeks, and to the church of God.

This doesn't speak of wine, but the lesson here is that, what you do can offend someone, so, be thoughtful of others beliefs in the sense that you want to be humble, and if it offends them abstain/stay away/do not eat/smoke (hopefully you don't put smoke into your temple)/tell jokes for the day or weekend, whatever the circumstance?

Never are we to do anything contrary to what God has commanded us not to do, in any case. Use your brains here, not your arrogance! It is not about our rights, it is about the respect of others, and not giving them a reason to dislike you or your God.

You may feel what you do is perfectly fine according to scripture, but it is offending the people you are staying with for the weekend. Stop! What you have been doing. It is for them, that you stop

He wants us to be filled with the spirit of God, and not with wine to get our high from his spirit and not the world. To be in our right mind. Thinking on that which is good, doing that which is acceptable to him. Pleasing him, and not ourselves.

I Cor 6:20 for you were bought with a price; then glorify god in your body, and in your spirit, which are of God.

Before when we were under the law and sin, we presented ourselves to unrighteousness, but now that we are in Christ a new creature, he wishes us to present ourselves to him, to grace, and no longer to our fleshly lusts.

Romans 9: 18-19 And having been set free from sin, you were enslaved to righteousness 19) I speak as a man on account of the weakness of your flesh. For as you presented your members (as) slaves to impurity and to lawless act unto lawless act, so now yield your members (as) slaves to righteousness unto sanctification. (remember sanctification, is also what a Nazarite does when he takes a vow, it is what a Christian does when he/she becomes a believer, we are set apart from the world now sanctified, unto a holy walk, sanctified in Gods sight)

Moderation is used in Philippians 4:5 is epieikes 1933, from 1909 epi & 1503 eiko: Epieikes – reasonableness within the bounds of common sense, not extreme, sound thinking, and suitability (given occasion)

Epi – superimposition (of time, place, distribution, order) towards, over, upon.

Eiko – verb resemble, be like

Philippians 4:5 Let your reasonableness be known to all men. The Lord (is) near.

This could say “Let your common sense and sound thinking be used at each given occasion (wedding, dinner, meeting, gathering, politics, and sports events), and known to all men.” (a good reputation)

We are to be a light in the darkness, a flower among the thorns, we may be among unbelievers or weak believers, but we are not to offend them, we are to show them a strong example of what it is to be Christ like. If you look and act like a thorn, you will not be accepted as a flower. Do not call yourself a Christian, and behave like you are a heathen.

Romans 8:5 For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh: but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. 6) For to be carnally minded (is) death, but to be spiritually minded (is) life and peace. 8) So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. 9) But ye are not in the flesh, but in the spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you.

Now if any man has not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. 13) for if you live according to flesh, you are going to die, but if by (the) Spirit you put to death the practices of the body, you will live.

So, if you continue to live ungodly after you have been saved, there is a chance that you are not really saved. That is why God says by their works ye shall know them. This is the evidence in his court. Your deeds tell him whether you are evil or good. Whether you believe or not. but you are not saved by those deeds, only through the blood that was shed, repentance, and acceptance in Jesus.

Your deeds are powerful statements of who you really are! Repentance does show that you are trying. God knows your motives; you can not fool the creator of the universe. You may fool your friends, family, associates and others, but in the end you lose!

What is the Intent of Your Heart?

Is your heart clean and pure? Or is it Defiled, Corrupt, Sinful and Rebellious?

In Rev 2:18-23 one report card to the church Thyatira is mostly a poor one and God says to them: "And to the angel of the church in Thyatira, write: These things says the Son of God, the (One) having His eyes as a flame of fire, and His feet like burnished brass: 19) I know your works, and the love, and the ministry, and the faith, and your patience, and your works, and the last more than the first.

20) But I have a few things against you, that you allow the woman Jezebel to teach, the (one) saying herself (to be) a prophetess, and to cause my slaves to go astray, and to commit fornications, and to eat idol sacrifices. 21) And I gave time to her that she might repent of her fornication. And she did not repent. 22) Behold I am throwing her into a bed, and into great affliction those committing adultery with her, unless they repent of their works. 23) And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches will know that I am the (One) searching the inner parts and hearts. And I will give to each of you according to your works.

One study I have done on Jezebel reveals the following: This means that within the church there are those who claim to love the lord Jesus, or at least say they are Christian or believers in the bible and God, and yet use charms, amulets, serpent charming or magic in the dark side for ornaments as a covering and decoration which means they are not walking in the Holy Spirit of God, and their works are related to witchcraft and manipulation.

Jezebel and the Serpent showed them-ladies and men how to do this. It is not about the outward, but the inner man, the hidden that is not corruptible, with a meek and humble spirit of the heart, and all related to Bel or Baal worship.

Jezebel in Hebrew H248 means: "Baal exalts" or "Baal is husband to" or "unchaste" infamous for idolatry and cruel persecution of the prophets. Jezebel is also the wife of Ahab which prophetically also represents HRC and Bill Clinton of today at the highest levels of authority, and in query. I believe God is asking in query, questioning why? Where? And what are you doing? One root H336 is related to the coasts, islands and Carmel.

What this means is that many are in the churches or call themselves the ecclesia of God and part of the Church, and yet are corrupted with pagan and occult practices, many involved with drugs, and alcohol. God is going to correct and judge these individuals; Did the alcohol and drugs lead the way, or the other way around? Did they get involved with both at the same time? I know that both can change your world view, and has for many people over the centuries.

God knows that the outward man, the one we see, that nice guy or gal, that is not the real person, usually the real person is at home with his or her family, either they walk the walk, or just talk the talk, and perform deeds for those to see, and deceive those around them.

I Peter 3: 3-4 Of whom let it not be the outward (act) of (adorning) of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; 4)but the hidden man of the heart, in the incorruptible (adornment/putting on) of the meek and quiet spirit, which is of great value before God.

I Thessalonians 2:4 but even as we have been approved by God to be entrusted (with) the gospel, so we speak, not as pleasing men, but God, the (One) trying our hearts.

I John 3:21 “Beloved, if our heart does not accuse us, we have confidence with God.” When we do not know that we might be sinning against God it is not imputed as sin, but if we know then we need to examine ourselves to see if we are of the faith in him.

Whatever our motive is to drink, party, be in the world, without considering that we cannot hide the intent of our hearts, God knows that when you drink, sleep around, etc that you are not fooling him. He knows why, and all the arguments will not be worth much when we face him, and he has the power to reveal those secrets of the heart. How will you stand?

You will not be able to pull the walls over his eyes. You will be accountable as to how many other people you lead astray with your lifestyle and behavior. Watch out! He is a god of love, but also of justice.

Parents who believe that drinking is ok need consider drinking before they have kids, or right now if they have kids already. To be an example and show them that you think it is not flattering beautifying, or befitting a Christian to be adorned like the world, but should be set apart in a upright and different manner that is different today than in ancient times, and that we need to be wise and put on the armor of God instead the works of the flesh.

Testament of King “JUDAH”

These writings, or perhaps a testimony, show a King “JUDAH” who was deceived by wine, and admonishes his children not to drink wine at all. It seems he revered God and his teachings; yet was deceived by it, and drank wine in those days, as we still do today.

Even though Levitical teachings in the bible show that it was unholy, however, it was permitted in certain situations, and under certain guidelines. Such as, no wine was to be in the Tabernacle or Temple, not to be drunk with it, when taking the vow as a Nazarite they abstained from it; sometimes a lifetime. Was it fermented or unfermented wine?

One Biography written between 107 and 137 B.C., by an intellectual giant of his day Judah wrote a Pseudepigrapha writing (anonymous) professing to be Biblical but not included in the Canon. Still this historical and closely related Biblical writing is of value as a warning for us today.

There are different testaments of the Patriarchs of the twelve tribes of Israel, i.e. Jacob, and many speak of how wine or drink causes man to error, and even sin sexually, because this causes their house to or themselves to fall into ruin, etc.

The Testament of Judah

The Fourth Son of Jacob and Leah) His tribe wandered in the wilderness with Moses.

1) And now I command you, my children, hearken to Judah your father, and keep my sayings to perform all the ordinances of the Lord, and to obey the commands of God.

3) Since I also gloried that in wars no comely (good looking) woman's face ever enticed me, and reprov'd Reuben my brother concerning Bilhah, the wife of my father, the spirits of jealousy and of fornication arrayed themselves against me, until I lay with Bathshua the Canaanite, and Tamar, who was espoused (married or given in marriage) to my sons.

4) For I said to my father-in-law; I will take counsel with my father, and so will I Take thy daughter.

5) And he was unwilling, but he showed me a boundless store of gold in his Daughters behalf; for he was a king.

6) And he adorned her with gold and pearls, and caused her to pour out wine for us at the feast with the beauty of women.

7) And the wine turned aside my eyes, and pleasure blinded my heart.

8) And I became enamored of and I lay with her, and transgressed the commandment of the Lord and the commandment of my fathers, and I took her to wife.

9) And the Lord rewarded me according to the imagination of my heart, inasmuch as I had no joy in her children. (The same happens today!)

10) And now, my children, I say unto you, be not drunk with wine, for wine turned the mind away from the truth, and inspires the passion of lust, and leadeth the eyes into error.

11) For the spirit of fornication hath wine as a minister to give pleasure to the mind; for these two also take away the mind of man.

12) For if a man drink wine to drunkenness, it disturbeth the mind with filthy thoughts leading to fornication, and heateth the body to carnal union; and if the occasion of the lust be present, he worketh the sin, and is not ashamed.

13) Such is the inebriated man, my children; for he who is drunken reverence no man.

14) For, lo, it made me also to err, so that I was not ashamed of the multitude in the city, in that before the eyes of all I turned aside unto Tamar, and I wrought a great sin, and I uncovered the covering of my son's shame.

15) After I had drunk wine I revered not the commandment of God, and I took a woman of Canaan to wife.

16) For Much Discretion (*prudence, caution, maturity, and responsibility*) needeth the man who drinketh wine, my children; and herein is discretion (*to make a decision about*) in drinking wine, a man may drink so long as he preserves (*protect from anything*) modesty (*keeping the body covered*).

17) But if he go beyond this limit the spirit of deceit attacked his mind, and it maketh the drunkard to talk filthily, and to transgress and not to be ashamed, but even to glory in his shame, and to account himself honorable.

17) He that committeth fornication is not aware when he suffers loss, and is not ashamed when put to dishonor.

- 19) For even though a man be a king and commit fornication, he is stripped of his kingship by becoming the slave of fornication, as I myself also suffered.
- 20) For I gave my staff, that is, the stay of my tribe; and my girdle, that is, my power; and my diadem, that is, the glory of my kingdom.
- 21) And indeed I repented of these things; wine and flesh I eat not until my old age, nor did I behold any joy.
- 22) And the angel of God showed me that for ever do women bear rule over king and beggar alike.
- 24) Observe, therefore, my children, the right limit in wine; for there are in it four evil spirits—of lust, of hot desire, of profligacy (low moral standards), of filthy lucre (gain).
- 25) If ye drink wine in gladness, be ye modest in the fear of God.
- 26) For in your gladness, the fear of God departed, then drunkenness ariseth and shamelessness stealeth in.
- 27) But if ye would live soberly (want to) DO NOT TOUCH WINE AT ALL, lest ye sin in words of outrage, and in fighting's and slanders, and transgressions of the commandments of God, and ye perish before your time.
- 28) Moreover, wine revealeth the mysteries (taps into the spirit world, evil mostly) of God and men, even as I also revealed the commandments of God and the mysteries of Jacob my father to the Canaanitish woman Bathshua, which God bade me not to reveal.
- 29) And wine is a cause both of war and confusion. (Wine alone, not how much).
- 30) And now, I command you, my children, not to love money nor to gaze upon the beauty of women; because for the sake of money and beauty I was led astray to Bathshua the Canaanite.
- 30) For I know that because of these two things (wine and money) shall my race fall into wickedness.

Even though in ancient biblical times wine was permitted, you were admonished to be careful in drinking it, and not to become a slave to it. Wine in the bible could mean intoxicating or alcoholic and non intoxicating or unfermented. Even then when one set themselves apart unto God as in the **Vow of a Nazarite**, they **did not drink wine** or anything that had to do with the vine.

Times have changed now, we are no longer under the law or old covenant as in olden days, but under the new law of Grace and the covenant of the New Testament. With grace comes a new way of living and behaving. No longer is it an eye for an eye, yet it is to love your enemies and pray for those who use and abuse you. Jesus says be filled with the spirit of God rather than the spirit of intoxicants that change and weaken us.

God did not originally condone putting away ones wife as in divorce, but because of the hardness of the hearts of the people back then, he had Moses make a provision that they could put away their wife for certain sins. Because of the hardness (*destitute of spiritual perception, violent, rough, offensive, intolerable, and harsh speaking or words-that the legs are broken and cannot STAND*) of ones heart, many receive not salvation, so is it a good thing to go against what God wishes of us? The Jews have, and have suffered terribly for it.

Proverbs 20:1 “Wine is a mocker (*babbles, sensesly in a strange language, speaks ignorantly, frivouse and impudent of moral piety, talks and acts foolishly*), intoxicating drink arouses brawling, and whoever is led astray by it is not wise.”

I should know this as well because if you ever are intoxicated with any substance you find you say many foolish things and believe them while intoxicated.

How many young men and women have given themselves over to wine, transgressed their own morals, broke their own laws of self government, and the girls became pregnant, the young men had no shame, took no responsibility, and had no pleasure in their children (#9).

This is happening over and over again, and the innocent children suffer and so do the single young unwed mothers; so do these young men and women, that watch TV, movies, and believe the messages that are sent; that it is fun, no one really gets hurt, and this is somehow hip and normal behavior? They had better think again, and again, and again. We are destroying our families, our lives, and our nation.

If we were to live only by the O.T. we would be doing sacrifices, following the laws and ordinances, and we would be under the law, we would not be saved because of the remaining sin that the High Priest had to atone for year after year, with washings etc.

Jesus made the way for us the gentile that is if you are a gentile to come to the father through Jesus, we are now adopted sons and daughters, however, it was not always this way.

The Patriarch Testament of Judah (This is from a different accounting with other information also included)

“And I knew that the race of Canaan was wicked, but the thoughts of youth blinded my heart. And when I saw her pouring out wine, in the drunkenness of wine was I deceived, and I fell before her—I therefore, being drunk at the waters of Chozeb, recognized her not by reason (because) of wine; and her beauty deceived me, through the fashion of her adorning. And I turned aside to her, and said, I would enter in to thee. And she said to me, What wilt thou give me? And I gave her my staff, and my girdle, and my royal crown; and I lay with her, and she conceived.

“And he decked her with gold and pearls, and caused her to pour out wine for us at the feast in womanly beauty. And the wine led my eyes astray, and pleasure blinded my heart; and I loved her, and I fell, and transgressed the commandment of the Lord and the commandment of my fathers, and I took her to wife. And the Lord rewarded me according to the thought of my heart, insomuch that I had no joy in her children.

“And now, my children be not drunk with wine; for wine turned the mind away from the truth, and kindled in it the passion of lust, and leadeth the eyes into error. For the spirit of fornication hath wine as a minister to give pleasures to the mind; for these two take away the power from a man. For if a man drink wine to drunkenness, he disturbeth his mind with filthy thoughts to

fornication, and excited his body to carnal union; and if the cause of the desire be present, he worketh the sin, and is not ashamed.

“Such is wine, my children; for he who is drunken revered no man. For, lo, it made me also to err, so that I was not ashamed of the multitude in the city, because before the eyes of all I turned aside unto Tamar, and I worked a great sin, and I uncovered the covering of the shame of my sons. After that I drank wine I revered not the commandment of God, and I took a woman of Canaan to wife. Wherefore, my children, he who drinketh wine needeth discretion; and herein is discretion in drinking wine, that a man should drink as long as he kept decency; but if he go beyond this bound, the spirit of deceit attacked his mind and worketh his will; and it maketh the drunkard to talk filthily, and to transgress and not to be ashamed, but even to exult in his dishonor, accounting himself to do well.

“Observe therefore, my children, moderation in wine; for there are in it four evil spirits-of (1) lust, of (2) wrath, of (3) riot, of (4) filthy lucre. If ye drink wine in gladness, with shamefacedness, with the fear of God, ye shall live. For if ye drink not with shamefacedness, and the fear of God departed from you, then cometh drunkenness, and shamelessness stealeth in. But even if ye drink not at all, take heed lest ye sin in words of outrage, and fighting, and slander, and transgression of the commandments of God; so shall ye perish before your time.”

ISSACHAR 7. I am a hundred and twenty-two years old, and I know not against myself a sin unto death. Except my wife, I have not known any woman. I never committed fornication in the haughtiness of my eyes; I drank not wine, to be led astray thereby; I coveted not any desirable thing that was my neighbor's; guile never entered in my heart; a lie never passed through my lips; if any man grieved, I wept with him, and I shared my bread with the poor.

JOSEPH Therefore I remembered the words of the fathers of my father Jacob, and I entered into my chamber and prayed unto the Lord; and I fasted in those seven years, and I appeared to my master as one living delicately, for they that fast for God's sake receive beauty of face. And if one gave me wine, I drank it not; and I fasted for three days, and took my food and gave it to the poor and sick.

Wedding Covenant

In the beginning God gave Adam one wife, that is the example he laid down. It is man that chose many wives. But God meant for the marriage between one man and woman to be an example of how He is the husband and we the bride. We are only to have one God Father, and Groom. We individually have one God/Husband, and our earthly union is to be the mirror of our heavenly covenant with God.

Ephesians in the New Testament is written in such a way that we see It as pertaining to marriage between man and woman, but at the end the text reveals that it is talking about the church/ecclesia and Gods relationship and union.

There is much to glean from Ephesians regarding the marriage and roles that each one plays, but as Jesus brought a new way, in heaven it is different, and entering into the Messiah kingdom it also comes with many new not easily understood processes that are taking place right now.

What does the Millennium look like with no sin, and Jesus ruling as King of the world? What is it like to be glorified and having many children in a sinless environment? I have not experienced it but it will not be what we have known up until now.

Mark 10:2-9 And the Pharisees came to him, and asked him, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife? Tempting him. 3) And he answered and said unto them, What did Moses command you? 4) And they said, Moses suffered to write a bill of divorcement, and to put her away. 5) And Jesus answered and said unto them, For the hardness of your heart he wrote you this precept. 6) But from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female. 7) For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife; 8) And they twain shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain, but one flesh. 9) What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

Since the beginning God did not intend man to have more than one woman, but man did anyway, and King Solomon had many wives and concubines. What God intends and what man has done to fit him has been his downfall.

Based on my personal experience God is removing individuals from an old environment that was and is corrupted in many ways, and moving them into their destinies. Kat Kerr said many are being removed from even marriages, and not to go out and make it a license to divorce, but that this is what God is doing.

I look to Trump as an example to the times that we are in because of who he is, and how he responds to the corrupt, and lawless leaders or journalists. It represents a new way which is that we have entered into judgment and part of that judgment is the transition from the old into the new.

Drinking and drugs are still substances that the enemy will continue to promote because it is part of what the Fallen Angels taught man in the beginning that was not allowed, and it helped to corrupt mankind, and then began all the sexual promiscuity, corruption, and fall. I believe in many families this has also been one of the most foundational errors that has promoted the downfall of relationships of every kind.

Ephesians 2:12 “That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world: 13) But now in Christ Jesus ye (gentiles) who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ. 14) for he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; 15) Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace; 16) And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby: 17) And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh. 18) for through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.

Prov 20:1 God says wine is a mocker, Intoxicating drink arouses brawling, and whoever is led astray by it is not wise. Wine was not holy, not permitted in the tabernacle, symbolic of earthy fleshly joy, not heavenly spirit filled joy.

We cannot always change the past, but we can make a better future because with knowledge is power, and with the power to change many problems in our lives and society I believe it will become of better quality like the wine saved for the last, and a better covenant.

Eccl 11:11 Rejoice, O young man/woman, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment. 12) Therefore remove sorrow from thy heart, and put away evil from thy flesh: for childhood and youth are vanity. 13) moreover, that everyman who eats and drinks sees good in all his labor-it is the gift of God. (Man sees the good, but God judges it).

God was not condoning drinking or eating, but that there is one fate for all, you either get caught up in this world, or you seek after the next, and he has judged our motives already. One last thing—under the blood and grace of Jesus our robes are his righteousness and not our own. We can never do enough, or be good enough to bridge the gap from our holiness to his, without his holiness covering our sin.

My desire is to please him because I love him, and am thankful for what he has done for me, and who he is. I know in the end that he loves me, and no matter what I stand firm on his promises because of this. My works are rewards that I receive one day when they are tried and found to be gold and silver. I know that I cannot work my way to heaven whether I drink or eat I do all for him and try to walk holy if I possibly can.

CHAPTER 8



Right Mind

We are in a war, and it is a battle for our mind. We should be sober, in our right mind, and our thinking should not be altered by intoxicants. We need to be prepared as a soldier going to war, alert and watching for the enemy, Prepared to do battle at any moment.

Are You Ready for Battle?

When we take any mind altering substance whether it is a drug, wine, or some other mind altering substance, our mind changes, it weakens, and it loses its moral wisdom and resolve, we are not alert as we had been, now our enemy can overtake us easier.

Most crimes that are committed, or take place when people are indulging in alcohol and drugs, frequenting parties, casual drinking, doing social drugs, etc. Therefore, we as Christ's people should stop doing these things that alter our thinking, period!

Ephesians 4:17-23 This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, 18) Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: 19) Who being past feeling, have given they over unto lasciviousness to work all uncleanness with greediness?

Lasciviousness G766 - lust, lewd, exciting sexual lust, erotic, provoking lust, unbridled lust, excess, licentiousness, wantonness, debauchery, lasciviousness, immorality, vice, evil, corruption, depravity, outrageousness, shamelessness, insolence, disrespect, sleaze, vice, fraud, daring, of gluttony relating to the above.

22) That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man (old self), which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; 23) And be renewed in the spirit of your MIND; 24) And that ye put on the new man (new self), which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

Ephesians 5:15 see then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, 16) Redeeming the time, because the days are evil. 17) And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess (G810 debauchery, riot, unsavedness); but be filled with the Spirit; Do not get your high from wine, but from the spirit.

I Peter 1:13 Wherefore gird up the loins (private members, and spiritual girding) of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; 14 As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance: 15 But according to the Holy One who has called you, you also become holy in all conduct; (Literal Translation).

Gird up - Strap on your sword for battle, ready in the spirit, strength and power

Loins – Whenever we see loins this means ‘private’ members...readiness, godly life and character. Sober means to habitually stay away from liquor; to be temperate, not intoxicated, clearheaded, restrained, and living in abstinence, self-denial and discipline.

II Timothy 1:7 For God hath not given a spirit of cowardice to us; but of power, and of love, and of sound mind. Sound - G4995 self control, sober.

Rom 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. 3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.

Renewing G342 *anakainosis*, from 341; renovate, revive, new vigor, energy, strength and intensity-this in regard to the pleasing and perfect will of God.

II Corinthian 10:4-5 for the weapons of our warfare is not fleshly, but powerful to God to casting down strongholds. 5) Pulling down imaginations and every high thing lifting up (itself) against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought into the obedience of Christ.

Imaginations H3053 *logizomai* reasoning, conscience, conceit from 3049 logismos; to take an inventory, number, esteem, despise think on—Captivity G163 *aichmalotizo*, from G164; A PRISONER OF WAR, in your control. Thought G3540 *noema*, from G3539 the intellect, disposition, mind, exercise and heed, consider, perceive, think, understand.

Have you been drinking or taking drugs? Are your thoughts on that which is Holy, Pure, Decent, or are they on strange men and women, impure, I do not care attitude, worry about it tomorrow, what the heck, etc., attitude?

This is not Gods desire for us. So ask yourself; how much do you love God, and how much do you want to be like Christ? It is your choice!

Corinthians 10:5 could say: “Bring down any reasoning of conceit, think on, and take inventory of every high, or elevated thought that lifts itself up against the knowledge of God; you take into your control as a prisoner, every thought, intellect, and disposition and consider, heed, perceive, and bring it into obedience of Christ.” Your thoughts, weight them, and then make them be obedient to Christ and God; these are strongholds that we must take prisoner.

Strongholds are like a fortress, hard to war against, and penetrate. Be diligent and use wisdom when waging war on a Stronghold or castle. You have been given weapons for war, use them?

The Armor of God!

We are in a war, and it is a battle for our mind as much as anything. We should be sober, and in our right mind, not altered by intoxicants. We need to be prepared as a soldier going to war. Would you send someone who has had a drink or two, or rather someone who is sober and top mental awareness? If I were God I would prefer my soldiers to be sober and ready!

Luke 8:30 And Jesus asked him (the crazy man), saying, What is thy name? and he said, Legion: because many devils were entered into him. 33) Then went the devils out of the man (Jesus case them out), and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a precipice into the lake and was choked. 35) And they went out to see the (thing that) had happened, and came to Jesus. And (they) found the man, from whom the demons had gone out, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and of sound mind. And they were afraid.

In another chapter I will talk about research that has been done relating marijuana, is cocaine and other substances that launch individuals into mental illness and hearing voices. They attribute this to chemical imbalances from the substance abuse, but even those who only tried a substance once have had problems as well. I believe that these mind altering substances (alcohol, marijuana, cocaine, and crack) open the windows of the soul/mind. They allow their minds to be vulnerable to spiritual forces, etc. This crazy man, when he was healed was no longer naked, and was sitting in his right mind. How he got there we can only conjecture. Is this your hidden man?

CHAPTER 9

<https://www.pinterest.ca/kathyandfaye/addictionsall-types/>



DRUGS, METH, COCAINE AND PROBABLY WHATEVER THEY COULD GET A HOLD OF
(BEFORE & AFTER)

Drug and Alcohol Statistics Show link to Mental Illness

Today we are losing our kids (Christian or Other) to the world; many adults of the 60's have mental illness problems, and people wonder what to do about them.

I think this book provides information that can help parents, and youth to find a way to bypass all the trappings our enemy Lucifer, Satan, and his fallen angels (demons) have set in our path to destroy us. Alcohol and casual social drinking, and drug use are just a stepping stone into the world of mental illness and immorality. This comes with a huge price you should not be willing to pay.

We know that Beer, Wine, and other intoxicants are a problem, is it worth it today to partake of these things, when the future outcome is beyond our ability to comprehend. Young adults usually do not even think about the consequences of their actions, you are in the now generation, the gratification today attitude. Society, Schools, TV, Internet promote material (*Cars, Girlfriends or Boyfriends, Nice Cloths, in crowd, popular status, top athlete*) and fleshly (*Sex, parties, cheating and lying*) gratification.

Many drink wine with dinner or to unwind after work or at the end of the day to relax. The bible says do not let anyone judge you in meat or drinks, and I also agree with this, but I am presenting a side that many might not have considered. He also allows us to be free to choose anything, and no one thing that we do keeps us from heaven or away from the Lord. Only rejection of his gift

and Holy Spirit. I am presenting scripture and testaments of patriarchs of the traps related to intoxicants.

Christian parents are enablers of their children's behavior, even if they are "Awesome" parents. I should know, because as a Christian I thought that because my parents drank beer and wine, that it was ok for a Christian, and I am not the only one. My parents were not partiers, and they really only drank socially, a beer, or glass of wine at home. This will give kids in their mind; License to drink when and how they choose, not how your parents did it, but their own way.

That is why it can be a stepping stone into the wrong direction—youth do not follow the exact patterns of their parents, but they do create their own, based on their desires or understanding, once they begin to partake, the future becomes unpredictable, especially because "stuff happens."

Our youth at 12-30 yrs on average, usually do not have spiritual roots deep enough, or understanding (*no matter how bright your youth may be*) to cope with the pressures that are put on them, or the circumstances they find themselves in. Nor do they have a total grip on their beliefs at this crazy time in their life.

Kids have a way of convincing their parents that they are way more spiritual than their peers, or friends, and that they can be trusted. If you trust this as a parent "Big Mistake"! Generation after Generation of youth have come and gone, and one thing remains true, we as parents get duped every time, only to find out later in life they were not as innocent as we thought. Usually, when they confess their past behavior we were unaware of, or they become pregnant, etc. Not my strong daughter or son!

"Some people would rather buy a lie for comfort sake; Than know the truth because it comes with a price." Unknown

There are plenty of statistics out there that contradict others, but I will share some statistics that I have found, and you need to evaluate their accuracy based on common sense.

The following excerpts are from this website www.schizophrenia.com: The volunteers of this website have either personal experience, or rely upon schizophrenia researchers who help on an unofficial basis by answering their questions and occasionally providing feedback on different areas of the site.

Technology & Science Summary: Cannabis use 'trigger for schizophrenia'

By Kent Atkinson—Cannabis use as a teenager increases the risk of developing schizophrenia in later life, a study using research on New Zealand youths has revealed.

After carefully controlling for self-medication and other confounding factors, the British researchers found that those who had smoked cannabis three times or more before the age of 15 were much more likely to suffer symptoms of schizophrenia.

"We're not saying that cannabis is the major cause of schizophrenia," said Robin Murray of the Institute of Psychiatry in London, who led the study. "But it's a risk factor." (*Risk: hazard, peril, consequence, probability, and places a threat*)

In a newspaper article in the Ottawa Citizen (Canada), the researchers stated: "Cannabis use can trigger schizophrenia in people already vulnerable to the mental illness—and this fact should shape marijuana policy".

The link between marijuana use and schizophrenia is generally accepted in the psychiatric community. The problem is that the vulnerable population—mostly teenagers—generally isn't eager to absorb the message.

In a related article, the authors discussed the public policy implications of the marijuana/cannabis link to schizophrenia, saying:

The observational evidence and biological plausibility of the hypothesis that cannabis is a contributory cause of psychosis is at least as strong as evidence for causal relations between heavy alcohol and amphetamine use and psychosis. On public health grounds, there is a good case for discouraging cannabis use among adolescents and young adults. It remains uncertain how best to discourage use and at whom campaigns to reduce cannabis use should be targeted.

My Personal Observation and Comment: Above is just a sketch as to the research that has been done, however, it is common sense that alcohol, and cannabis/marijuana contribute to psychosis and schizophrenia because it changes the way the brain operates, and the individual goes into a different altered state of consciousness. So, if there is other contributing factors, mental illness can result.

Other contributing factors would be genetic (*currently manipulated for further control or corruption*), spiritual, or chemical deficiencies etc., either way the risk is still there, and anyone that has ever been drunk, or on mind altering substance such as (*marijuana or other*), have blackouts of memory, or their behavior has changed, the morals change resolve, and even take one off their current path onto another that is for the worse, etc.

This verifies to me that while for the moment partaking doesn't seem all that harmful, has the potential to be life changing in a bad way!

Drinking or taking other substances are "not worth the risk," not to mention the reality that this behavior is warned against in the bible, and morals which were solid when a person was not intoxicated suddenly under the influence is weakened or altered, and now are easily moved to do things otherwise the individual would not have done while in their right mind. Getting them involved with crime, abuse, and who knows what else might happen while one is not clear minded.

Mark 5:15 "And they come to Jesus, and see him that was possessed with the devil, and had the legion, sitting, and clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid."

Right Mind G4993/G4998/82/G5424: sober, self control, to curb ones passions, curbing ones desires and impulses, discreet, and temperate, to save, keep safe and sound, to rescue from danger or destruction one from injury or peril, to save from the evils which obstruct the reception of the Messianic deliverance, preserve, one who is in danger of destruction, to save or rescue. The mind and heart the mind the faculty, sense, and ability of perceiving and judging (right vs. wrong—moral behavior)

Today we should pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace, and be holy like Jesus, but if you look at the world because of drinking and drugs, we have evil prospering everywhere. So much hurt and problems come from the world and its vices! Why go there? God says whatever sin to you is, is sin to you! Whatever you feel is wrong for you, is.

Take heed the Bible says:

II Timothy 2:22 “Flee also youthful lusts; pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace, with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

I Cor 10:21 You cannot drink (take in) the cup (fate, portion) of the Lord and the cup of Demons (lot, fate, portion).

I Thess 5:8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate (armor) of faith and love; and for a helmet, the hope of salvation.

Luke 20:34 “But take heed (warning) to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down with carousing (*G8297 a debauch, lead astray, corrupt, change, modify, and ruin—to snatch out, to seize one away from God, or moral understanding, and by analogy a glut, boisterous, drunken merrymaking to take away from another what is his or what is committed to him, to take by force*), drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that day come on you unexpectedly.

Romans 13:13-14 Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry (drunken merrymaking), not in licentiousness (*lacking moral discipline, sexual restraint*) and lewdness (*lustful, obscene preoccupied with sex, and sexual desire, indecent*), not in fighting and envy.

Titus 1:8 ...be sober-minded (*correct thinking, not intoxicated, serious, self-disciplined or denying*), just, holy, self-controlled.

Eph 5:11 Have not fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them. 18) And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation (*G810 G1 a sense of privation, or union in a negative way, indulgence in pleasure an abandoned, immoral self-indulgent life*); but be filled with the spirit.

Unfruitful works of darkness, means this is vain behavior and unbecoming a Christian, we are not to be friends of this behavior. Take a vow of purity, the vow of a Nazarite; be set apart from sin, for Him, and be a clean vessel. It is a warning and I believe it applies to all of us, but some are more vulnerable than others like the youth.

The Ark of the Covenant is a Holy Vessel which represents Jesus the Messiah, Law under Grace and the mercy seat. Also, we are holy vessels, the temple tabernacle of God, and the Holy Spirit dwells within us, but other spirits may gain access through mind altering intoxicants. We are suppose to be one in the father, in Jesus and he in us. We need to walk holy and in our right mind in order to resist the flesh and live by Father Gods Holy Spirit which lives in us.

Dr. Andrew Campbell (Psychiatrist) from Sydney: *(I am going to summarize his comments about schizophrenia and drug use).*

“People who have smoked cannabis for years without showing any signs of psychosis, when suddenly they hit a wall, and at that point it’s a real crisis.”

Dr. Andrew is seeing a greater number of young people smoking cannabis which is emerging that it is highly addictive, especially because the drug is more concentrated then in the 70s getting a higher dose of drug. Fifteen to twenty percent of 15 and 16 year olds are using regularly. He says that he sees them in their mid-30s and they’ve had a ten year history of bouncing in out of the psychiatric hospitals, disabled by the cannabis use and the psychotic experience.

He says that various countries are reporting an increasing rate of psychosis in young men, seeing people who have smoked cannabis for years without showing any signs of psychosis, when suddenly they hit a wall, and at that point it’s a real crisis. He says the odds of getting a psychosis is doubled for long term cannabis use.

He is seeing a high association between cannabis and psychosis. 7 out of 10 young men when they first develop their psychosis, are using cannabis on a daily basis, 1 in 10 might’ve been using occasionally, and others might have never used cannabis but have identifiable reason for developing a psychosis. Cannabis seems to be the major drug that’s causing the problem.

Some say that there is no increase in the rates of psychosis, but Dr. Andrew says that their not really counting very well, and data is usually ten years out of date. They need updated reliable figures.

He *Dr. Andrew* says “I think we’re going to see the legacy of a whole lot of disabled young people entering adult life with psychotic disorders and/or long-term motivational and organizational problems.”

He thinks that cannabis is actually changing the way the brain is wired, and it sneaks up on people, especially Youth. Amphetamines just speed things up.

He says: “Don’t use cannabis it is an insidious poison. It changes the way we function, and you don’t even know it’s happening until it is too late.”

SYMPTOMS: Why people take cannabis.

He says that it has the effect of making people feel good and relaxed, it leads people to take risky behavior, when people take it they feel great and powerful, they think they get brilliant ideas, and it changes people's musical taste (?) and appreciations, because it changes the way the brain focuses. It helps people to cope with problems.

However, some will hit a wall with their academic studies, and drop out, parents get concerned but they usually rarely take their Son or Daughter to see a psychiatrist or doctor, the kid says "Yes I will stop", and continue. It is disabling their lives, they feel lethargic, not able to think, they are irritable, and cannot remember things, they cannot focus, and often feel suicidal or have homicidal ideas, and they are emotionally unstable. Not to mention schizophrenia and psychotic episodes with potentially ongoing mental illness. One dose of amphetamine after daily cannabis use for five years, and they may hear voices or think they are God. So says Dr. Andrew Campbell

My perspective: Recently in 2005, a cop in our area told a mother whose son was using cannabis, that it is not really harmful. This is scary that our kids could be getting this kind of information. Parents too!

I would rather look at what is happening to the youth of today, and see that there is a problem with drugs and alcohol, and to take it very serious. Not believing what some authorities would have us to believe. This is Deception of the Devil.

COCAINE by Ben Goodman thru Macalaster College

Cocaine is a psychoactive drug (*having a significant effect on mood and/or behavior*) affecting the central nervous system. It stimulates an overabundance of emotional experiences. They can become euphoric *overjoyed, excited*, highly talkative, have feelings of extreme power and alertness, followed by bouts of severe anxiety, paranoia, and depression, which often lead to addiction, and further into obsession, passion, and fixation.

People who abuse these drugs (cocaine) regularly often exhibit psychotic behavior such as hallucinations, delusions of persecution, mood disturbances, and repetitive behaviors which closely resemble the symptoms of paranoid schizophrenia. Trained professionals have trouble telling the difference between a cocaine addict and schizophrenic unless they know the patient's background.

After years of addiction, if one was to get off the drug, it takes a year at least to not feel depressed because how it depletes the chemicals in the brain that affect how we feel. This should make us think twice before we allow our kids to go to parties etc. because at parties are drugs, and if your child gets started, what will be the end of them? Do not believe your child that tells you it is just a get together, or there are not drugs, there were drugs at parties in the 60's and before, and there are now.

Bureau of Justice Statistics 4/28/98 Crime:

Correction authorities supervised an estimated 5.3 million convicted offenders. About 2 million 36% had been drinking alcohol when they committed their conviction offense. The statistics are

much higher now, and if you'd like you can research them for yourself. I just gave an example that you can understand.

8 in 10 persons aged 12 or older has used alcohol at some time in their lives and half describe themselves as current users (4 of 10).

<u>AGE</u>	<u>ALCOHOL USE</u>	<u>EVER</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>
12-17 yrs	(High school Years)	41%	21%
18-25 yrs	(College Years)	90%	63%
35 or older		87%	53%

Non-offending behavior is not typically measured, there is little statistical information upon which to base any estimate of the likelihood of committing a criminal act.

Crime committed by people that have not been caught while under the influence of something cannot be measured, and is probably much higher. Victims of violent crimes reported; believed that 37% of the offenders were using alcohol or alcohol in combination with drugs.

Among spouse victims of violence, it was reported that 3 out of 4 incidents involved an offender who had been drinking, with a total of 81% involving substances of (alcohol, drugs, or both).

Rape and sexual assault	43%
Robbery	25%
Aggravated assault	35%
Simple assault	30%

These statistics do not include the unknown factor ranging from 16% to 36% in addition.

Dr. John Cionci, MD (January 2006) states: According to a Harvard University survey, that 44-70% of college students reported binge drinking. More than 60% of all injuries, vandalism, and problems with the police reported on campuses are caused by weekly binge drinkers.

88% of high school seniors have tried alcohol at least once by the time they graduate from high school; 2/3rds are regular drinkers and 2/5ths are frequent binge drinkers.

Alcohol kills more teenagers than all other drugs combined; Youth who drink are 7 times more likely to use other illegal drugs, than young people who never drink.

60% of college women, who have acquired sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS (Covid is Aids/HIV virus), were under the influence of alcohol at the time they had intercourse.

My conclusion is that drinking kills, destroys, causes mental illnesses, and moral decay. Doesn't the bible say that the devil seeks whom he can rob, steel from, and destroy? If wine is considered holy by some; why so much evil?

Note: The statistics were done back in 2006 when I began this book, but I believe that now because of the legalization of Marijuana the statistics are probably much higher. CC

The Devil Robs, Steals, and Destroys our Lives and Us Personally

What does Alcohol and Drugs do for you:

What Good do they do?

May make you popular
Gives you false courage
You could meet someone just like you
You could be seen as fun and outgoing
Take advantage of people, women
Sex could be better, if you remember
People will see you as part of the world
Try things you may not otherwise

Rob, steal, and destroy

May make you an addict
your morals get weaker
you get venereal diseases
Get in an accident driving
Get an DUI and lose your license to drive
Say things you do not mean
Lose your family and home
End up in prison
Commit crimes against your neighbor
Hangovers
Cause Marriage problems
Destroy Marriages through affairs
Lose your effective Christian testimony
Sexually assault someone
Lose people's respect
Become mentally and Hurt those you love

These things are not really good for us, if we take a realistic look. In I Peter 5:8 “Be sensible, watch, because your adversary (the) devil walks about as a roaring lion, seeking someone he may devour;”

Parents and youth need not even get started with casual use of any kind, and as parents you are by your actions will dictate what your children will partake of as well, but your control may be their out of control reaction to intoxicants. Teach your children that there is a difference between them and the world so that they can follow that example! If you enjoy it and do not think it wrong, so will your children, but the mischief they can get into out in the world is not worth the consequences you may have to deal with one day.

I know someone personally that as a twelve year old who was smoking pot, when he grew older, he started having psychotic episodes, and he also took other drugs along the way, which probably amplified the possibility that he could have mental problems. It is not worth it! And I believe that God would rather that we got our high from the Holy Spirit, that we handled our frustrations not with a glass of wine, but with the holy word of God.

Do you want your kids be holy vessels, set apart to the Lord, not tainted by the world? If they can stay away from the trappings of the devil (alcohol, wine, cannabis, and other drugs) they have a chance.



Marijuana, Intoxicating and Mind Altering Drugs

Online Article By Steven Bancarz on April 18, 2018 reveals information in the book of Enoch and Bible revealing the origin of drug use and it was from the Fallen Angels, and the use has its origins in the pagan and occult religions of today:

<https://reasonsforjesus.com/psychedelics-weed-drug-use-a-christian-perspective/>

Since coming out of the New Age movement, one of the most common questions I have received is what does the Bible say about psychedelics? Is it a sin to use them? As someone who has had some experiences with psilocybin (crystalline hallucinogen) mushrooms, has seen documentaries explaining the spiritual benefits these substances, and used to watch Terence Mckenna videos frequently and read his work *Food of the Gods*, I bring some level of person experience to the discussion of psychedelics and drugs as a whole...All of the Scripture and arguments we are going to look at here also apply to the use of other drugs as well, such as weed, meth, or cocaine.

“When describing the fall of angels and the knowledge they taught to mankind to pervert the human race, it reads “And all the others together with them took unto themselves wives, and each chose for himself one, and they began to go in unto them and to defile themselves with them, and they taught them charms (*sorcery, use of magic in Septuagint*) and enchantments (*lure, temptation, enticement, and hold*), and the cutting of roots, and made them acquainted, *familiar, habitual, recurring, and chronic and persistent*) with plants.” – Book of Enoch Chapter 7

Eze 13:20 ‘Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: “Behold, I am against your magic charms (*linked to Jezebel-and Baal*) by which you hunt souls there like birds. I will tear them from your arms (bosom, lap, garment, your strength), and let the souls go, the souls you hunt like birds.

Charms: band, fillet, covered amulets, false phylacteries (aid to prayers) used by false prophetesses, i.e. Jezebels in Israel to support their demonic fortune-telling schemes—to cover for clothing or secrecy, overwhelm, to cover with blood, to cover over sin, confide covertly, i.e. clandestinely, and secretly. Cover the darkness from our sight. H2459 fat of the heart, foolish.

Again in Chapter 8 we see that one fallen angel named “Semjâzâ taught enchantments, and root-cuttings (Armaros “cursed one”).” – Book of Enoch, Ch. 8 or Sect. I, Ch 8 #3.

Galatians 5:19-21 where it reads: “Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.”

The Greek word used here is actually “Pharmakeia”, which is where we derive the word “pharmacy” from. While it’s true this word means magic and witchcraft, it also means magic with drugs or simply, the administration of drugs. (*There are approximately 21 plants and probably more with psychedelic properties in them*).

PHARMAKEIA: the use of medicine, drugs or spells

Original Word: φαρμακεία, ας, ἡ

Part of Speech: Noun, Feminine

Transliteration: pharmakeia

Phonetic Spelling: (far-mak-i'-ah)

Definition: the use of medicine, drugs or spells

Usage: magic, sorcery, enchantment.

Resource Information: “the use of magic, often involving drugs and the casting of spells upon people” – Louw, J. P., & Nida, E. A. (1996). Greek-English lexicon of the New Testament: based on semantic domains (electronic ed. of the 2nd edition., Vol. 1, p. 544). New York: United Bible Societies.

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Armor of God

The Devil does not bother those who already belong to him. We are in a supernatural (unseen) spiritual battle against principalities, powers, and rulers of the darkness (demon hierarchy), and wickedness in high places.

Helmet of SALVATION Put on your helmet to Protect your mind from Satan’s deceit and lies, with Truth! A blow to the head can cause confusion, or be fatal. If we allow TV, Society, Government, or others to brainwash us in believing that what they tell you is true, without comparing it to God’s word, or sound evaluation based on his word; we are not protecting our head/mind from error, false doctrines, and blatant lies. Acts 4:12 4991 (sorteria: safety, rescue, and defense). Rather we buy into the hype! Taste, partake, be popular, do not be different, conform, it’s ok, everyone is doing it, it is fun and there are no consequences! Lies...Know the

truth inside and out (Bible), you will not fall for error, you will not receive a fatal blow to your head. You will not be deceived! And Fight with Power!

The Breastplate of Righteousness The breastplate covers our heart, and most vulnerable organs; (to deliver, and seek refuge in God), protecting us from the weapons of the Devil. According to I Thess 5:8 Love and faith are the breastplate and that is what Satan goes after. He tries to sabotage our faith, and make us bitter and angry, so love and faith is weak or non-effective. If he tricks you into doing things your heart knows are not according to God's will, how can you be righteous when Satan weakens your faith and your love for God because of guilt? You will say how can God love me if I am weak? Don't even let this happen. Protect yourself from being hurt and ineffective by living a righteous, just, holy, and upright life. Protect your heart from Satan's lies, with God's Word (the truth), thereby not giving into Satan's lies. Dwell in God's Word, and become righteous in the truth.

Belt of TRUTH The Belt (truth) holds the armor and everything else in place. John 14:6 Says: Jesus is the Truth. If you have Jesus, your position in Christ gives protection from Satan.

Shield of FAITH Prov 30:5 If your faith is small so is your shield. If you believe that God can win any battle, and that you have to give the battle to the Lord. If you are strong in your beliefs and convictions, not wavering. You do not dabble in the world, you know right from wrong, and you do not blur the lines. You do not allow your eyes to see sexual images, you have no TV because it is becoming exceedingly wicked, and you know that it is wrong, no matter how pleasurable TV is. Then your faith/shield is large, your protection is great! Read his Word, increase your faith by doing so, seek him earnestly and your faith will grow, and so will your shield that protects you, your refuge in God.

Sword of the SPIRIT The Sword is the Word of God, and the Word is Jesus. The word is your offensive weapon, using it against wickedness, to slay the Devil to stop his attacks against you. By using your tongue to speak god's word out loud in prayer or in rebuttal in response to his attacks. These attacks come through people we know, strangers, family, children, political leaders etc. Write to them, talk to them, rebuke them, and speak love to them from the scripture whatever is appropriate for the situation. The word, which is our sword. Ps 57:4 (2719 instrument, tool) Rev 2:16, Eph 6:17, Matt 10:34 (3162 machaira: judicial punishment, controversy and fight.) Speak boldly; pray using the holy spirit for power.

The shoes that give us stability, help us to STAND and aggressively oppose, and keep at bay the forces that would destroy us. Peace comes from shoes of PEACE knowing and not doubting on any point. Being confident in what you believe, why and what that means. Standing firm in your beliefs when opposition comes your way, especially when you do not understand what is happening. This is faith in action, which leads to peace that works with knowledge of God's word.

Praying & Fasting is your Heavy Artillery

Prayer has no boundaries, behind prison walls your prayers can go; into people's hearts and minds through the holy spirit your prayers can penetrate (this is a mystery but true). It will always win in the end (according to Gods will and desire in the situation), send angels to battle

for loved ones to change outcomes, to lift burdens, and heal sickness, it breakdown the strongholds of the devil, like heavy gunfire and bombing.

Pray out loud, speak boldly using Gods word gets through to people on the other side of the world. It delivers from evil. When there is no way, prayer can provide a way. God will send his angels to fight on your behalf if you ask. Use your heavy artillery, in your own strength you are fighting with Jell-O, or wet noodles, use the big weapons at your disposal. Fight with Gods weapons of power. Pray & Fast.

Eph 6:11-14 Put on the whole armor of God, which ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12) For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. 13) Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

Do not buy into the lies, misdirection, lusts, and brainwashing of this world. Behind all evil are the Devil, his deceptions, and his workers of iniquity (all walks of people). Who are these workers of iniquity? If we go through life not realizing that the devil has his tools, people, platforms, etc., and they are used in this earthly battle to enslave, and destroy us we are uninformed. Could alcohol and drugs tools of iniquity? I believe so, and by those works you should know? Look around you there is a spiritual world that is very real, you are either with God or against him, and there is no in-between. Who is the prince of this world? The Devil is, and perhaps he is deceiving you too.

Strong Drink

What exactly does strong drink mean in Hebrew and Greek the subtext of the words? This is what it says in the blueletterbible that I use extensively online.

Lev 10:9 Do not drink wine nor strong drink, you, nor your sons with you, when ye go into the tabernacle (Body) of the congregation (Believers), should you die: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations:

Strong Drink: Lev 10:9 H7941/7937 *Shekar*, i.e. strong drink, intoxicating drink, fermented (*to stir up, state or situation of extreme agitation, scheming, evolve, or develop in subject to something or commotion*), or intoxicating liquor, made from barley, or distilled from honey or dates often distinguished from wine, or to be or become drunk or drunken, be intoxicated, abundantly, were merry and happy (*Not created by the Holy Spirit*).

Cont: Shâkar, shaw-kar'; a primitive root; to become tipsy; in a qualified sense, to satiate, fill, quench, satisfy with a stimulating drink or figuratively, characteristically, representatively, typically, routinely influence:—be filled with drink abundantly, make drunken, be merry, to drink to hilarity. (Superlative of H8248.)

Metaphorically in the prophets the wicked are said to be drunken, since the rush by a kind of madness, upon their own destruction. To feast or banquet. With the addition and idea of pleasure H8354 also drinking iniquity as water. To banquet.

Banquet: G4224 carousing, partying, riotous behavior, and festivities, i.e. festivals?

1Pe 4:3 For the time past of our life may suffice us to have formed the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banqueting/carousing, and abominable idolatries:

Drink H8248 to give, furnish a portion to, let or make to, swill down, immerse—Drink in the Thesaurus means: swallow, down, imbibe, pick-me-up, thirst-quencher, and beverage.

The word drink can be about the holy spirit that has to do with taking it in as Jesus Christ is the bread and wine and he who drinks water from his well will never thirst again: figuratively, to receive into the soul what serves to refresh strengthen, nourish it unto life eternal. When Jesus came eating and drinking it is this figurative meaning from G4095.

Oct 03, 2018 · Why Donald Trump doesn't like alcohol. US President Donald Trump sips a glass of Diet Coke after making a toast during a lunch at the United Nations headquarters in New York. I find it interesting that Donald J. Trump the 45th President, and Chosen one of God never drank, or took any kind of mind altering drugs during his entire life according to him and others.

Since I believe that he may well be the appearance of the Messiah meaning Christ, Anointed One, Holy One, where he repented, and was abode, dwelling, habitat and housed by the Holy Messianic Spirit of God like Jesus at his Baptism then he would be an example to us of what the Bible really meant about alcohol or mind altering substances. Floor #66 in the Trump Tower has DJT sitting on a Gold Throne and a Stuffed Lion (*Tribe of Judah*) nearby. On floor 77 he has a piece of artwork representing a Gold Crown, DNA, Branch, Arm and the branches, etc.

CLOSING THOUGHTS

Rom 8:1 “There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.”

Were supposed to examine (*check, investigate, think about, scan, restraint, safeguard, rein, and test*) ourselves and see if we are of the faith (2 Cor 13:5). Self examination. In Yeshua we are not condemned by the law, or anything that man creates to keep us in bondage as slaves instead of free people. Do or do not do that is the question in all of life’s decisions. Some are life altering, and other decisions can affect us in wonderful ways.

Some choices can for a time potentially destroy us, but God is good, always forgiving when we make mistakes, and He brings us home to him once again. The whole of this book is to give a side to the scriptures, and reality of Satan’s devices to draw you away from God and moral integrity. We need to be aware of this in scripture and in the reality of our lives.

My personal belief based on my life is that I have on a daily basis made mistakes, or lived in a way that may not of been holy, and yet I know that Father God Yeshua my savior loves me still, and always directs my steps in the right direction. If I believe I have offended him or others, I ask him to forgive me, and try to live differently.

This is impossible! However in the bigger errors of life which can alter our life tragically, or mess it up for a time, he is always there guiding me back to him and not in condemnation because I belong to him. We are to work out our salvation in fear and trembling—I believe this is a respectful, and in awe that he is God.

Ecc 11:9 Rejoice, O young man, in your youth; and let your heart cheer you in the days of your youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment.

Ecc 12:13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty (obligation, job, undertaking, tax, charge and responsibility) of man. 14 For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

I am trying to reveal what I believe is a better way in general, not in condemnation, but a warning of potential dangers ahead that are impending, awaiting and looming snares laid for the unsuspecting individual who gets caught by the devices of Satan. Knowledge is power, and to know this information equips you to examine how you want to appear to your children, what message you want to give about your walk, and then settle it in your mind if it is something you want to partake of, and how much. Blessings!

1Th 5:21 “Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.”