**THEY KNEW WHAT IT MEANT**

**TO FOLLOW THE NAZARENE**

 **Acts 24:1-6, 14-15**: “And after five days the high priest Ḥananyah came down, with the elders, and a certain speaker – Tertullus. And they brought charges against Sha’ul before the governor. [2](https://biblehub.com/acts/24-2.htm)And when he was called upon, Tertullus began to accuse him, saying, `Having obtained great peace through you, and reforms being brought to this nation by your forethought, [3](https://biblehub.com/acts/24-3.htm)we accept it always and in all places, most excellent Felix, with all thanks. [4](https://biblehub.com/acts/24-4.htm)cBut in order not to hinder you any further, I beg you to hear us briefly in your gentleness. [5](https://biblehub.com/acts/24-5.htm)For having found this man a plague, who stirs up dissension among all the Yehuḏim throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Natsarenes, [6](https://biblehub.com/acts/24-6.htm)who also tried to profane the Set-apart Place, and whom we seized, and wished to judge him according to our law…’ ”

 **Acts 24:14-15**, Sha’ul’s defense: “And this I confess to you, that according to the Way which they call a sect, so I worship the Elohim of my fathers, believing all that has been written in the Torah and in the Prophets, [**15**](https://biblehub.com/acts/24-15.htm)having an expectation in Elohim, which they themselves also wait for, that there is to be a resurrection of the dead, both of the righteous and the unrighteous.”

 The title “Natzarim” simply referred to those who followed the Nazarene – the Messiah from Nazareth. The word comes from the root “natsar,” meaning a “branch.” Please refer to: “The Return of the Natsarim For the Last Days Exploits” Parts I and II, to understand who these people were, and to learn about a remnant like them that have returned in our day.

 Please have no romantic illusions about this foundational Messianic group of believers, discipled by the Apostles. The title “Natsarim” was a term used by the Pharisees in hate - referring to a people whom they despised, persecuted, imprisoned, tortured, and sadistically killed, because 1) the Natsarim worshipped the Divine Son of Yahuwah, Yahushua, who died for them and rose from the dead for them, and 2) they guarded the simple teachings and instructions for right standing in the Kingdom (Torah), which Yahushua spoke on Mount Sinai to those He called “My people.”

 The Natsarim adhered to the Tenach. They did not follow the Oral Law of the Pharisees, which later became known as the Babylonian Talmud. They did not follow the traditions of the Pharisees, or sages. Therefore, the Pharisee leaders could not control them. And, since they could not get them to deny Yahushua Messiah, nor control them, they worked at killing them, or getting others to kill them by lying about them.

 The term “Natsarim” was used by the Pharisees as a dirty word. Though Sha’ul was a “ringleader” of the Natsarim, in his defense, Sha’ul/”Paul” used the term “followers of the Way,” citing Messiah’s words in **John 14:6**: “I am the Way, the Truth, and the life, no one comes to the Father except through Me.”

 Sha’ul was a leader of those who were born again, Spirit-filled, and guarded the Covenant of Yahuwah/Torah. Like Messiah, the Natsarim were total aliens to Pharisees, whom Messiah and Yochanan/John the Baptizer called “seed of vipers,” citing their hybrid reptilian lineage. Phariseeism became Rabbinic Judaism in 133CE under Pharisee Rabbi Akiva. Akiva tuned Rome against the Natsarim. The Pharisees, and later the Roman Catholic Church, dedicated themselves to eradicating the Natsarim from the earth. Today, as I’ve written with documentation, the Roman Catholic Church is submitted to the goals of Rabbinic Judaism, from Vatican Council II, plus the Vatican owns a great deal of land of Israel.

 Refer to: “One World Religion! The Mystery Babylon We Never Imagined! The Vatican Bows!”/Mikvah of Israel, Our Eternal Inheritance (one of 23 articles exposing truth about who is controlling who).

 In 133 CE, Rabbi Akiva, who founded the religion of Rabbinic Judaism and elevated the Pharisee rabbis above Yahuwah Himself, and rabbis’ words above the Tenach (“Old Testament”), called the early believers “Talmudi Yeshua,” or “followers of salvation.” Like the title “Natsarim,” it was meant in derision.

 In my articles and podcasts, “The Return of the Natsarim For the Last Day’s Exploits,”/Mikvah of Set-Apartness, I give quotes of the early Greek and Roman founders of Christianity, who were vehemently against the Natsarim because they guarded the Torah as well as their strong their faith in Yahushua Messiah.

 Shocking as it might be, the Truth is that both religions of Christianity and Rabbinic Judaism, to this day, reject the Torah, both demote Yahuwah, and both demote or reject the real Hebrew Messiah. Rabbi Akiva presented Yahuwah as a fool, a silly buffoon--raising the status of rabbis’ words and ideas above His, joking about His stupidity, and His submission to the rabbis. Oh yes, it’s in their Talmud over and over. The Natzarim embrace both Yahuwah and His Torah (instructions and teachings for right standing in the Kingdom), and faith in Yahushua Messiah – the only brought-forth Son of Yahuwah, Deity.

 Rabbinic Judaism hates Yahushua, while much of Christianity demotes His connection to the “Old Testament.” Oh yes, Rabbis mock the Torah! They adhere to the Babylonian Talmud and Kaballah, a polytheistic form of Satanism. Refer to: “Exposing the Roots of Rabbinic Judaism and Its Link to Rome,”/Mikvah of Present Reality, and “Quotes That Forever Destroy Damnable Lies”/Mikvah of Israel, Our Eternal Inheritance. I simply share their own words.

 In Roman Judea of the first century, in Jerusalem, the people saw crucifixion all the time. They saw bodies nailed to trees, dying or dead. It was an open execution area. They understood the death of Yahushua. They understood the horrors of the death itself, but also understood that He was not there for Himself, but for them, because of their sin. The crucifixions were done outside the city, most likely near the Antonio Fortress on the Mount of Olives as historians have noted. Much proof is given for that location. But, bottom line, the dead and dying were seen and heard. All the early believers in Yahushua as Messiah were of Judah or Samaria. They had all been Torah-guarders. They kept guarding the Torah, but realized that it spoke of Yahushua all the way through.

 The Natsarim knew that because they believed in the Savior from Nazareth, crucifixion may be their fate, too, or stoning by the Pharisees, or beheading by the Romans, or being burned at the stake, or killed by former friends and family members in some way.

 Like the Chinese believers today, and those in many countries today where to be a believer in Jesus is rewarded with death, they were under no illusions. They had no nice little protected religion to belong to that was fashionable and easy. Emperor Constantine took care of that in the 4th century with the creation of a “universal church” who believed like he did – a mixture of sun god paganism, Greco-Roman culture, and the worship of him as Pontifex Maximus. If all bowed to his beliefs and joined his “church,” there would be no persecution. His religion assimilated all pagan sun god religions into one, with the Greek Iesous (Yesu in Latin) as the prime dead and rising god, like Constantine’s god, Sol Invictus Mithra. Constantine said “we cannot have anything Jewish,” so he set forth to paganize everything. It was not Christians who were fed to the lions, or used as human torches at parties, or were beheaded, not – it was the Natsarim.

 From Nimrod, 5,000 years ago, religion had all subsequent sun gods die in the winter and rise again in the spring. From before the foundation of the world, after Yahushua was brought forth, the plan of salvation was made, and the Book of Life written. Yes, Satan knew the plan and started, after the Flood, to counterfeit it.

 All religion has its roots in the sun god worship of Nimrod, Semaramis, and Tummuz--the original “trinity.” Semaramis became known as the “queen of heaven” and the “mother of god.” Tammuz was known as the son of the sun god Nimrod/Gilgamesh.

 Yes, Satan knew the plan of Yahushua dying and rising, from the foundation of the world! He just didn’t know the timing. So, after the Flood he began to create a religion that would counterfeit Yahuwah’s plan. For there to be a counterfeit, there has to be a genuine to copy!

 The Natsarim would not bow to Constantine, nor to his pagan sun god-savior. It was the Natsarim who were tortured and executed for their faith from the first century onward. We see their “faith” manifested in our day, in **Revelation 12:17 or Revelation 14:13-14**. This is the time period we live in.

 The Natsarim were called by different names in the ensuing centuries, like the Waldensians and Anabaptists. They didn’t totally disappear. But, around 1995 CE, a major restoration began by the Spirit. Immediately, men took over to control it, creating the religion of “Messianic Judaism,” or the “Hebrew Roots Movement,” or “Messianic Ephraim.” Their assemblies took on different names. People began following various teachers. The religion of Christianity had grown senseless and boring. People lost faith in the Bible. I understand that! So, many got excited about this new religious adventure of “Hebrew roots,” not realizing that much if it had been infiltrated by the spirit of the ancient viper-seed Pharisees.

 Those embracing their new excitement of “Hebrew roots,” began throwing down the “Jesus” of Christianity. The real Yahushua was not presented, because so many teachers and their disciples of the new movement were not even born again, not filled with the Spirit, but Pharisee-spirited - spiritually dead. Today, the majority of the leaders of these movements are not truly born again, not filled with Yahuwah’s Spirit, spiritually dead, teaching things like Gamatria, which is “Jewish numerology” of the Kabbalah, and leading people into the pit of destruction by intellectualism and dead legalism.

 For the most part, the emphasis has been on keeping the letter of the Torah, not on sharing the salvation of Messiah. In 1962, I learned that everything in the Torah was prophetic of Messiah. Many years later, I wrote “Yahuwah’s Seven Appointments With Man”/Mikvah of the Covenant, about the Festivals. I taught it in many Christian groups, and they loved it.

 Many churchy Christians, not truly born-again, found this de-emphasizing of Jesus to be a breath of fresh air. The real true new birth taught by the Apostles from Messiah is rarely taught in western culture. Refer to: “The True New Birth”/Mikvah of Eternal Salvation.

 Many threw away Messiah for their new intellectual pursuits of Messianic “Hebrew roots.” There had been “Messianic Judaism” for a long time--Jewish people who believe in Messiah yet keep many Jewish religious practices. Then the true teaching of the two Houses (House of Judah, House of Ephraim/Joseph/Israel) came forward by those like Batya and Angus Wooten. Batya’s book *Who is Israel* was life-changing for me. However, the not-lost-anymore House of Ephraim, who are NOT GENTILES, ran with the knowledge and started the Ephraimite Movement. Yahuwah is not in any “movement”!!! Ephraimites became so enamored with Jews that they bought into following the traditions of the Pharisee rabbis of today, and by association with them, many have denied the Deity of Yahushua or denied Him altogether, and damned themselves.

 They were not told that Yahushua Messiah was in the Word from **Genesis 1:1** to **Revelation 22:21**. They were not told that Yahushua spoke creation into existence. They were not told that Yahushua spoke the Torah to the people from Mount Sinai - that it is all about His Bride, and life in the Kingdom. They were not told that Torah-guarding didn’t save. They were so drawn in by spirits of demonic Phariseeism, that their pride in religious observances made them critical of everyone else. Families and congregations split into three groups 1) Torah guarders, 2) Christians, or 3) seculars. Each group has taken their stance. For the most part there is no love shown by any group towards those outside their group. Religion has no real love. Parents and children separated along head-belief lines. There is none of the Spirit in any of it! Religion doesn’t like the Spirit of Yahuwah, though He demands our total submission. What a tragedy! Nothing is more controlling than religion! Nothing is more freeing than submission to the Spirit of Yahuwah!!!

 Like the Pharisees, today’s religion-seekers gladly send Messiah to the stake in their own lives. They were not told **Leviticus 17:11**, that without the shedding of blood there is no atonement--no forgiveness of sin. So, many threw away their Lamb to follow the deceptions of Pharisaical intellectualism--the rules of the rabbis, and signed up for eternal death in the lake of fire.

 However, Sha’ul/”Paul” taught in His letters to the Messianic assemblies of the first century that Messiah Yahushua spoke creation into existence, gave the Torah from Sinai, and became the “chief cornerstone,” as Psalms tell us. The other Apostles never contradicted anything he said, but spoke well of him. Only the Pharisees spoke evil of him. They desperately want to get rid of him today. There is a Messianic movement now who is proposing that all of Sha’ul’s books in the “New Testament” be removed. Satan doesn’t give up easily!

 Into the Messianic Movement and its varying offshoots, came the same lies of the Pharisees spoke against Sha’ul, as recorded in *Acts*. Thus, the “hate Paul” movement began back in the 90s in earnest. Along with the “hate Paul” movement, came the hate Yeshua movement - the denial of His deity and His Person. Truly, “My people perish for lack of knowledge…”

 In my podcasts on the Book of *Acts*, especially the latter chapters, I show clearly that what the Pharisees did back then to try to stop the true Good News of the real Messiah by slandering “Paul,” they are doing exactly the same thing now.

 It has always been that if a man wants to be an Orthodox Jewish rabbi, he must prove his linage back to the ancient Pharisees. The satanic spirit of those ancient hybrid leaders, from Babylonian lineage, are with us today.

 Please refer to: “Ezra 8 and 9: Going to the Root of the Pollution of the Gene Pool of Priests and Levites by the Seed of the Vipers”/Mikvah of Israel, our Eternal Inheritance. It’s simple DNA-lineage.

 In **Matthew 3, 23, John 8**, both Yochanan the baptizer and Messiah refer to the Pharisees as “seed of vipers,” - reptilians. Yes! On one side they trace their lineage to Abraham, but on the other side to the hybrid Nephilim from Babylon.

 Many claiming to be Judah are from the nation of Khazaria in the 8th century, not Judah at all. This has been DNA-proven. Even Netanyahu knows this! Please refer to: Shocking Revelation! DNA Reality! `Harmless Noahide Laws,’ the Great Deception, Trump, Kushner, and the Mark of the Beast”/Mikvah of Israel, Our Eternal Inheritance. I wrote 23 articles on this subject. Learn all you can. Your future depends on it. Do not fall for the trickery!

 I do not speak against the Jewish people! I lived in Jordan 8 years, and then in Israel most of another 8 years. I love the people--Jews, Arabs, Palestinians, and Bedouin. I’m speaking against religious deceivers, just like Jude does in **Jude 1**.

Many Messianics are therefore denying the Deity of Yahushua and even denying Him as Messiah because of the same Pharisees satanic lies of the first century. **The true Natsarim know the Truth because they are not taught by man. They are taught by the Spirit of Yahuwah. They are truly born again. They are truly filled with the Spirit. They fully walk the path of the book of *Acts***, written by the Apostles Luke, who traveled with Sha’ul.

 The true Natsarim of today are like those the early assemblies. They are a remnant. They are the remnant of **Daniel 11:32**, the Bridal sealed/marked remnant of **Revelation 3:7-13; 7:1-8; and 14:1-5**. They are the hidden ones of **Revelation 12:17**, the protected ones.

 As time progressed, the great division of this “movement” of man, became the denial of the deity of Messiah and the emphasis on the “letter of the law” without Him. On the other side, a pure first-century type remnant has emerged. Yahuwah always has His remnant! They are few, but they are the **Revelation 12:17 and 14:13-14** people, the **Daniel 11:32** people who guard the Covenant and know Yahuwah. These will be the hidden ones, the martyrs, or the ones who go forth in the power of the Spirit as the translated remnant of **Revelation 3:7-13; 7:1-8; and 14:1-5**.

 This remnant has no illusions about the tribulation that is fast-coming upon us. They understand that to follow the Master means to prepare for martyrdom, or anything else He asks them to do. They understand “the great commission” and are moving in the **Acts 1:8** pattern as a lifestyle. They understand the crucified lifestyle, death to self, submission to the Master. They are under no illusions of comfort and ease. They have allowed the Spirit to train them. **The true Natsarim are back – hated with satanic hated by the powers of darkness!**

 As it was then, so shall it be - the 5th seal of the martyrs (**Revelation 5:9-12**).

The Babylonian Talmud speaks of beheading all those who will not reject Jesus/Yeshua/Yahushua as Deity. (**Revelation 20:6**) It also speaks of beheading those who guard the Torah but are not DNA-tested Jews by their mother’s lineage.

 Please refer to: “Rabbinic Judaism, Kabbalah, the Holy Serpent Messiah, and the Synagogue of Satan”/Mikvah of Israel, Our Eternal Inheritance, and “Beware of the Noahide Laws”/Mikvah of Present Reality. When you read the article “Quotes…” from the Babylonian Talmud, it will be easy for to see what they really believe and what they think of you. Wow, when you realize what they think of you, and have planned for you, then you’ll see today’s Pharisees in a whole new light.

 The Orthodox rabbis are open in saying that their messiah is a Nephilim, a “Holy Serpent,” the Nachash/serpent of the Garden of Eden, “Leviathan.”

 Am I referring to the Jewish people worldwide - in Israel especially? **NO**! I am referring to the spirit of the Pharisees on the religious leaders. Christians are getting caught up “dialoging” with rabbis who hate Jesus with violent passion, who follow the satanic and polytheistic Kabbalah, and Christians pour money into their projects, trying to bring unity, yet how can darkness and light unify? **Please apply II Corinthians 6:14-21.**

 Messianic Rabbi Zev Porat is on the streets of Israel with his team members, almost daily, sharing the Word of salvation to Jewish rabbis and their followers. Some are beginning to see the Truth. Some are being born again. Support people like brother Porat. Pray that the light of Yahushua’s salvation comes to the Jewish people! Do not support those who hate you and your “Jesus”/Yeshua/Yahushua.

 The specialty of rabbis, who are worshipped as gods by their followers, is to subtly, with smiles and sweetness, seduce Christians to deny Messiah. Their tactics work well. They call it the “anti-missionary movement.” I’ve lost lots of friends to this most evil deception. Think! If a person knows Messiah personally, they won’t deny Him! And, no one can know Yahuwah or Yahushua/Jesus/Yeshua through religion! We have to come out from under the control of man and demons to seek and find the real Yahuwah, the real Yahushua!

 The true Natsarim know what it means to be saved from hell, set free for eternal life! They will not forfeit that for the sly arguments of the damned in religious garbs. They know that without Yahushua/Yeshua/Jesus they are eternally lost, and so is everyone else without Him. The blood of the Lamb of Yahuwah is the only way to have sins removed!

 For Christians to support the building of a third temple and the starting of animal sacrifices is blasphemy upon blasphemy against Yahuwah and His Son. “There is no other Name under heaven by which we must be saved, Kepha/Peter said in **Acts 2**. The true Natsarim are servants of the Master Yahushua, empowered by the Spirit of Yahuwah, and are forward-focused to the end. They sing the hymn right, “Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe,” with perhaps a slight change – Yahushua paid it all, all to Him I owe.”

 About 50 years ago, in England, a young woman named Jackie Pullinger was born again and baptized into the Spirit of Yahuwah, as was natural in the book of *Acts*. She began attending a home Bible study. Her spirit burned with the fire of the Spirit to lead others to salvation, but she did not know where to go to do it. She felt the call of the foreign mission field. After a meeting, she asked the man who led the Bible study if he knew of any way that she could share the Good News outside of England. He was young a naïve. He said, “well, you might get on a ship going around the world, and where the Spirit tells you to get off, you get off.” She did it!

 Jackie got on a ship and began sailing around the world. When the ship docked at Hong Kong, the Spirit said “get off,” and she did. She did not know where to go. However, the Spirit of Yahuwah led her to the most wicked area of Hong Kong where no police would go because of the murders, and drug trafficking, and prostitution. She followed daily what the Spirit told her to do.

 Through His instructions that horrible place became a place of peace and salvation. Many murderers, drug-addicts, pimps, prostitutes, and thieves came to her to find salvation in Jesus, deliverance from sin, and the in-filled of the Spirit.

 Jackie Pullinger knew what it meant to be saved! Most in third world countries, upon being born again, naturally begin sharing their faith with others, praying, praising, and laying hands on the sick to be healed. Jackie followed the Spirit’s leading and changed a large area of evil into a lighthouse for the Master. You can read her story in a small paperback book whose title is a term used by drug addicts: *Chasing the Dragon.* In 1994, I attended her meeting on a Sunday at Hang Fook Camp.

 I walked there from the train station. What peace. After the meeting, I ate with the people. A mountain of rice was poured out on a big long table. As people came through with their paper plates, a big heap of rice was put on the plate, and then another man put a ladle full of hot chicken broth on the rice. That was our lunch. Jackie preached that morning. I’ll never forget the message from **Genesis 3**. She knew what it meant to be saved! She could relate to others who knew what it was like to live in hell, and so they trusted her.

 The religious are detached from the reality of Yahuwah’s dimension. They think they are good, even better than others. Their beliefs are based on what seems right to them. They feel at home in their group, which serves as a social club, a rallying point. Their lives are little different than that of the world’s people. Their self-centered ambitions are the same, the controlling of others is the same, the emotional ups and downs the same, the mental anguish the same, the love of material possessions the same, the love of praise and adulation the same, the love of money the same, seeking security the same, ease and comfort the same, thus they feel comfortable. Nothing is more deadly than “the same.”

 Messiah told the Pharisees that the tax collectors and prostitutes – the sinners – would go into the Kingdom before them.

 **Matthew 5:20**, Messiah speaking to a crowd: “For I say to you, that unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you shall by no means enter into the reign of the heavens.”

 **Matthew 21:31-32**, Messiah speaking to Pharisees about Yochanan the baptizer: “said to them, “Truly, I say to you that tax collectors and whores are entering into the Kingdom of Elohim before you, [**32**](https://biblehub.com/matthew/21-32.htm)for Yoḥanan came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but tax collectors and whores believed him. And when you saw it, you did not repent afterwards, to believe him.”

 **Luke 19:1-10**: “And having entered, He was passing through Yeriḥo. [2](https://biblehub.com/luke/19-2.htm)And see, a man called Zakkai! And he was a chief tax collector, and he was rich, [3](https://biblehub.com/luke/19-3.htm)and he was seeking to see who יהושע was, but was unable because of the crowd, for he was small in stature. [4](https://biblehub.com/luke/19-4.htm)And having run ahead, he climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, because He was about to pass by. [5](https://biblehub.com/luke/19-5.htm)And as יהושע came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, “Zakkai, hurry and come down, for I have to stay at your house today.” [6](https://biblehub.com/luke/19-6.htm)And he hurried and came down, and received Him, rejoicing. [7](https://biblehub.com/luke/19-7.htm)And seeing it, they all grumbled, saying, “He has gone in to stay with a man who is a sinner.” [8](https://biblehub.com/luke/19-8.htm)But Zakkai stood up and said to the Master, “Look, Master, I give half of my possessions to the poor. And if I have taken whatever from anyone by false accusation, I repay fourfold.” [9](https://biblehub.com/luke/19-9.htm)And יהושע said to him, “Today deliverance has come to this house – since he also is a son of Aḇraham. [10](https://biblehub.com/luke/19-10.htm)“**For the Son of Aḏam has come to seek and to save what was lost**.”

 Most religious people are either afraid of sinners, or they look down their long noses at them, and want nothing to do with them. Messiah felt more comfortable with the sinners and common folk than He did with the Pharisees and scribes.

 No one can know Yahuwah and Yahushua through man’s religion. Religion says we’re good by our good deeds and works. Yahushua’s Spirit searches the deep things of our mind, emotions, and will, and determines who is righteous and who is not. In order to be truly saved, you must know that you are desperately helpless lost without Him. You have to know that there is no goodness in you. You must know the weight of your sin, and where it is taking you.

 **Luke 18:9-14**, the tax collector: “And He also spoke this parable to some who relied on themselves that they were righteous, and looking down on others: [10](https://biblehub.com/luke/18-10.htm) `Two men went up to the Set-apart Place to pray – the one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. [11](https://biblehub.com/luke/18-11.htm)The Pharisee stood and began to pray with himself this way, “Elohim, I thank You that I am not like the rest of men, swindlers, unrighteous, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. [12](https://biblehub.com/luke/18-12.htm) I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I possess.” [13](https://biblehub.com/luke/18-13.htm)But the tax collector standing at a distance would not even raise his eyes to the heaven, but was beating his breast, saying, “Elohim, show favor unto me, a sinner!” [14](https://biblehub.com/luke/18-14.htm)I say to you, this man went down to his house declared right, rather than the other. For everyone who is exalting himself shall be humbled, and he who is humbling himself shall be exalted.’”

 **Luke 7:47**: “For Yoḥanan the baptizer came neither eating bread nor drinking wine, and you say, ‘He has a demon.’ [34](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-34.htm)The Son of Aḏam has come eating and drinking, and you say, ‘Look, a man, a glutton and a wine drinker, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ [35](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-35.htm) And wisdom is declared right by all her children. [36](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-36.htm)And one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He went into the Pharisee’s house, and sat down to eat. [37](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-37.htm)And see, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that יהושע sat at the table in the Pharisee’s house, brought an alabaster flask of perfume. [38](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-38.htm)And standing behind, at His feet, weeping, she began to wet His feet with her tears, and wiping them with the hair of her head, and was kissing His feet and anointing them with the perfume. [39](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-39.htm)And when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he spoke to himself, saying, `This One, if He were a prophet, would know who and what kind of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner.’ [40](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-40.htm)And יהושע answering, said to him, `Shim‛on, I have somewhat to say to you.’ And he said, `Teacher, say it.’ [41](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-41.htm)`A certain creditor had two debtors. The one owed five hundred pieces of silver, and the other fifty. [42](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-42.htm)“And when they were unable to repay, he forgave them both. Which of them, then, shall love him more?’ [43](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-43.htm)And Shim‛on answering, said, `I suppose the one whom he forgave more.’ And He said to him, `You have rightly judged.’ [44](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-44.htm)And turning to the woman He said to Shim‛on, `Do you see this woman? I came into your house – you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has wetted My feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head. [45](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-45.htm)You gave Me no kiss, but she has not ceased to kiss My feet since the time I came in. [46](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-46.htm)You did not anoint My head with oil, but she anointed My feet with perfume. [**47**](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-47.htm)**Therefore I say to you, her many sins have been forgiven, because she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, he loves little.** [**48**](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-48.htm)**And He said to her, `Your sins have been forgiven**.’ [49](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-49.htm)And those who were sitting at the table with Him began to say among themselves, `Who is this who even forgives sins?’ [50](https://biblehub.com/luke/7-50.htm)And He said to the woman, `Your faith has saved you. Go in peace.’”

 The self-righteous do not see themselves as filthy sinners, hopeless and helpless, doomed to eternal punishment. To be truly born-again, a person has to repent of sin! They have to know they are hopeless and helpless without the Savior. But, so many think that by following man-made rules, they please a “God.”

 Here I share what Abba showed me this afternoon regarding religion. I saw a huge trash dumpster like those we have at my apartment complex. Choosing to cling to man-controlled religion is like those who climb into a dumpster and sit down in the trash. They get so comfortable in the trash that it brings them security and a good feeling of acceptance by all in the dumpster with them. Then one day a huge truck pulls up. Two huge arms come out to the front of it and pick up the trash can and dump its contents into the back of the truck. The people’s comfort is shaken so hard that they become disoriented. When things calm down, they assess their surroundings and realize they are back in the trash where they feel safe and secure once again. The truck travels some distance, then it stops. The big bed of trash begins to tip outward, and all the people fall out onto a platform along with the trash. Slowly a conveyer belt begins to move towards a raging furnace, and all ride along with the trash into the fire.

 Dear ones, this is how Yahuwah sees the religious – on a journey inside man-made Nephilim-Nimrod-rooted religion - from contentment in falsehood and control, deception and hypocrisy, to the final trip to the lake of fire.

 A very brief part of my testimony (1971-1984): Bottom line, to begin with, I know what it means to be “saved.” I was truly born again at age 6 and began sharing the Good News of salvation with friends and cousins. I taught the Bible and played the piano in a Mexican Baptist Church, went to Mexico on mission trips, and continued to evangelize from age 9. At age 17, Yahuwah called me to China by a very dramatic happening. I went to BIOLA University and graduated with a Music Major so that I might be acceptable with the Mission Boards as a college graduate. My goal was mainland China. In 1963, I learned how everything in the Torah pictured the salvation of Jesus, and so began my journey to Torah-guarding in the mid-1990s.

 Through the years, being so involved in the church, and so outspoken and strong in faith within the church and to others, I also took on the self-righteousness of religion without knowing it. Abba had to shake me very hard to loosen me from the stronghold of religion. During college years and after marriage, I worked with Open Air Campaigners preaching on the streets of Los Angles and Hollywood, and even with my husband and two other friends, preached on Skid Row in Los Angles, in Rescue Missions, jails, prisons, half-way houses, in parks, at apartment complexes, and everywhere I could preach. Abba opened many doors for me to minister in churches, some famous African American churches.

 In late 1965, in my Senior year at BIOLA, I learned that Mainland China was closed to foreigners. I had an open invitation to Taiwan, but I was so grieved about China, that I rejected it. I could have worked with other groups in Asia until China opened, but to my reasoning God had called me to Mainland China, and I had studied to go there. In my extreme despair, I allowed my life to be crushed by my own choices helped by the enemy. My friends were getting married. I had no direction. So, I stubbornly went against all the warnings from others who knew the mistake I was making in marrying someone I did not know. I fell prey to flattery. I really believe part of my testimony is in **Daniel 11:35**. I indeed stumbled. Yahuwah used it make me “white” in spirit. In my nativity, I did not know the depths of satanic evil I was entering. I did not know what I married into even existed. I’ve had a tremendous education allowed by Abba, because He saw my coming out of it!

 So, I went ahead and made a choice that led to mental, emotional, and near life-threatening destruction for the next 30 years of my life. Yet, I kept ministering a lot, because it was so natural to me. I was very involved in extensive open-air evangelism, and many forms of outreaches to the lost.

 I was very active at my church in Long Beach. I was 26. One night, before my “psychological reversal,” after teaching on the book of Revelation in our church’s Bible school that I helped found, I came out of the class and almost passed out. I had my first of three nervous breakdowns. I had to quit all of my work at the church – which was a lot. After that, no one called me, or came to see me even thought I had served with great fervor as a Bible teacher and pianist, outreach leader, pastor’s helper, etc. So, I was already weakened physically, mentally, and emotionally, before that night of my 5th anniversary.

 Satanic evil took me into a deep and horrifying phase of life beginning July 23rd, 1971, our 5th wedding anniversary. I came home from work; I had a full-time job. I was looking forward to our going out to dinner for our anniversary. But, upon getting home, He handed me a paper with a phone number. He said “call it; I have set up for a wife-swapping night.” I finally cracked mentally and emotionally. It led to a nervous breakdown. I had to stop all activities. But, that night of July 23rd, I had what psychologists call a “psychological reversal.” I went on to become everything opposite of what I was before. I went on to spend twelve years in vicious hate-filled rebellion against “God” - a “God” my Baptist Church did not tell me about – a Father, a Daddy, who loved me.

 My Baptist Church relegated Him to being the mean old God of the OLD Testament who ordered Joshua to kill men, women, and children. Years later I learned that my Daddy Yahuwah told Joshua to do that because the people were Nephilim, not human, and He was simply protecting His own people from intermarrying with them and so defiling the gene pool of Abraham, Yitzak, and Yacob. Do you see why now I seek truth with all my heart?

 I turned my bitterness and violent hate on “God,” whom I thought had sadistically deserted me. I thought horrible things about Him. I vowed to do everything I could to show Him how much I hated Him for not rescuing me from the terror I lived with. I never once thought I could get free from it. I was terrified more of loneliness. I grew up alone as an only child who had no counseling or instruction in reality.

 I worked hard at being wicked, but then with all my anger, bitterness, and hate, it was easy to be wicked. When word got out about me, the church people turned their back on me, and all my friends left me, except…

 Some even slandered me to my parents. No one else in my family wanted anything to do with me, however, my parents never gave up on me. They just prayed and believed I’d come out of it, and loved me.

 “Sinners” became my friends. I’d sit drunk on a barstool and preach about Jesus with tears. Those sitting on the bar stools near me agreed with me about how good Jesus is. My best friends were homosexual males and prostitutes. They were good to me. They loved me for myself. They took me in. They were kind. They never condemned me. I did not condone the homosexual lifestyle, but I never condemned them. However, the church people totally abandoned me – all of them.

 One day, in a rage, I even screamed at the Spirit to get out of me. I felt Him move in my belly like a baby in the womb. I stopped throwing things and was quiet. Yet, I returned to screaming. He never left me!!! I deserved to drop dead right there and fall into hell. He would have been justified in doing so. But He only let me know He heard me. I could not tell Jesus to get out of me, though I railed on Him for failing me. I yelled a lot “Jesus always fails,” in mockery of the Christians phrase “Jesus Never Fails.” It was His great mercy to never give up on me.

 In February of 1973, I was at the home of a homosexual man who was a dear friend, a Russian Orthodox priest actually. He really cared about me. He was fixing tea in the kitchen for me. Yahuwah spoke to my spirit to get the legal-sized pad of paper on my left and a pen to write. I did. He gave me a prophecy of my future calling and work for Him. It is on yellow legal-sized paper with red ink. I have it to this day. He confirmed my prophecy in the very month to a man in Sweden and Russia, saying to him that He was raising up Moses’ to deliver His people. The Swedish man gave the same prophecy to Steve Lightle. (*Operation Exodus*)

 In the midst of all that sin, Abba started off the detailed prophecy with: “You are Moses, deliver My people.” He went on to say that only His love could deliver people from the confusion of the enemy.

 I have been living the prophecy since 1985, for my life and my ministry. In 1984, He called me to the Office of the Prophet.

 **Yahuwah is not like man. He sees things from the beginning to the end, and He never let me go. He knew I’d come out it to know Him as my beloved Daddy! While the religious continued to condemn me, He never did. He never once condemned me! He never once raised His voice in anger at me. I was wild, self-destructive. However, He kept protecting me. He knew that my pain was because of things I could not live with. When I learned what He wanted me to learn, He took me out of it and treated me as if I had never sinned at all! I know what grace is! I know what it means to be “saved.” I know what mercy is! I know His love! Because I know, I have compassion on others. I have mercy and love.**

 My testimony is **Psalm 40:1-3**: “I waited, waited for יהוה; And He inclined to me, and heard my cry. And He drew me Out of the pit of destruction, Out of the muddy clay, And He set my feet upon a rock, He is establishing my steps. Then He put a new song in my mouth; Praise to our Elohim; Many do see it and fear, And trust in יהוה.”

 To hear my testimony via podcast, listen to Podcast V. It has a good ending. At the end of 2016, a few months before my former husband died, there was a marvelous restoration and healing of all the past between us. It was orchestrated by Yahuwah Himself. Our four children were so awed and thrilled with it!

 In 2003, the day before First Fruits in Jerusalem, I went into the Lion’s Gate and to the ruins of Bethesda (**John 5**). I’ve told this story so many times, so to cut it short, after 38 years of emotional suffering and horrible memories, Yahushua appeared to me there in Person, and removed all the hurt. It was there at those ruins that He healed a man who had tried to get healing for 38 years. I walked out of those ruins a totally free woman! HalleluYah!

 Have you wondered why I’ve felt so close to Sha’ul, and defend him the way I do? He did appear to me in Kampala, Uganda, in the “cloud of witnesses,” and literally saved my life. However, Sha’ul, like me, was slandered and lied about by Pharisee hypocrites, religious critics, and to his death they hated him because of jealousy. Because of what Yahuwah did for me, to set my feet on a rock and establish my going forward, former and present religious “friends” and ministry colleagues became jealous of me everywhere I went. I was lied about, slandered, and ostracized just for being led by the Spirit. To this day, people I once loved as close friends, want nothing to do with me because they believed the lies told about me by my husband from 1996. He had tried to kill me many times. In 1996, he tried again, and that is when I finally fled. The lies continued, and today few know the truth of what really happened.

 You can refer to *Touching the Eternal* if you want details, it’s published on Amazon. The life Abba led me into from 1996 on is a life of miracles. My story is a victorious one! HalleluYah! I got a new life.

 He gave me new friends. Then He took me to Jordan to live in 1999. Beginning in 1992, He took me on into 36 countries. Once in 1994, and twice in 1995, I got to China. In 1992, in watching the movie “The Inn of the Sixth Happiness,” which Abba used to call me to China in 1961. I asked Abba why He called me to China at age 17. He said: “China is your diving board. Once you dive off, then it’s the world.” And so it has been!

 Abba kept me from much harm during my years of rebellion. What mercy!

 So folks, what I write and podcast is from the Spirit of Yahuwah, from the depths of my spirit. I live everything I teach! I do not give you theology or doctrines, not do I rail on others, but try desperately to let people know when they are on the broad path to destruction so that they can repent and bypass what I had to learn the hard way. I cannot criticize anyone – as you see from my testimony. I remain humbly in awe of how incredible is the mercy and love of our Abba and our Beloved Savior!

 Later, I talked to an ex-Satanist friend and asked him if I had damned myself without hope when I told God to get out of me. He asked me: “What do you want to do now?” I said I want to give my life to God and serve Him. He said, well, are you on your way to hell with that desire? I smiled, “no.” I owe my precious Daddy Yahuwah and Beloved Yahushua everything! **The deep cavern of hate became a deeper cavern of my love for my Abba and the Beloved One who died for me**. My testimony has impacted many. **I know what it means to be “saved” -- twice**! Yet, our salvation is not finalized until we see the Master face to face in the resurrection of the just – **I Corinthians 15:51-58**)

 Sometime in 1984, Abba must have said, “it’s time she knew the truth about herself.” He had begun restoring me, giving me some good Christian friends. Then He gave me a dream. In it, I was in a basement, though only about 6 steps to the next floor. Everything was painted white. In it was a long hallway that went from the steps to the end of the long room. My right hand was holding my left hand tightly. I ran up and down the hallway screaming “The hand of God is upon me; the hand of God is upon me.” Finally, I stopped by the base of the stairs and looked down. I saw that it was my own right hand that held my left hand tightly. I stared at my hands. Then I said softly, “it’s my own hand.” Yahuwah then softly spoke to me with such love: “It’s always been your own hand.” All the years of blaming Him for what I had allowed in my own life by my own will. My cage door was always opened, but fear and loneliness kept me in the cage. I woke up. I repented with all my heart. My healing began, and restoration was fast. From the basement to the first floor was only six steps!

 I began taking my Bible to work. I was the secretary for a Catholic priest. He was gone that day. The phone rang. On the other end of the phone was a lady in the house next door. She said the Baptist minister who lived there had just shot himself in the head and died, and the blood was still on the ceiling. She said part of the family was Catholic, could the priest come over and minister? I said: “He is not here, but I am a minister, will I do?” She said “yes, please come.” I took my Bible over to the house next door, and ministered to the family for two hours, sharing the Good News and answering questions, and praying with them. I went back to the office of the priest, and sat down. Yahuwah spoke to me gently: “Welcome Home.”

 How could anyone love me like that, with no condemnation? He never rebuked me. But, wow, I repented! I had spent twelve years self-destructing. How could He be so precious and gracious to me when I had been so evil towards Him and towards His Son? His love and mercy are mind-boggling! I have never gotten over the impact of His love – so powerful that He overlooked all of my hate and bitterness and sin, because He knew I’d come through it to the other side.

 So, you see, I can’t stick up a religious nose and criticize anyone else. I can’t hold negative emotions towards anyone else. I deserved hell. I dragged my children through all that. But He took loving care of them too. I’m so proud of them!

 I am extremely passionate about my Daddy with all my being. Now I know Him. Now I know the real Yahuwah – the Abba/Daddy who did everything we read about in the Bible because of His love for us, whom He knew before the foundation of the world and chose us to be His children!!!

 Stop and think about that! This is why self-righteous religion is so evil – because no one can know Him by man-made religion. With all my ministry and knowledge of the Word, I did not know the real Father and Son.

 Yahuwah had nothing good to say about the religious in the Tenach, and Messiah had nothing good to say about the religious when He was on earth. Do you understand now why I am so grieved at those who take Them so lightly? They do not know Them.

 My greatest fear is losing His Presence, and the Presence of my Beloved Savior. To not know Their Presence for a second would be an eternity. **I surely understand what it means to be saved! I deserved hell, but He gave me heaven**!

 Do you understand what it means to be saved? If so, your life is naturally given to the work of reconciliation – sharing the Good News “be reconciled to the Father God through faith in Jesus/Yeshua” … People who do not share the Good News of His salvation do not know what it means to be “born again,” saved. They do not know the heart of Yahuwah and Yahushua. You can’t keep Him to yourself!

 The depth of my love for my Abba and my Beloved Savior who NEVER FAILS, has caused me to totally abandon anything for myself, to give all to Him.

 The Natsarim understood what Yahushua did for them in His love. They knew what it meant to be saved. They were hated and killed, yet they stood firm in their faith.

 Today there is a remnant of that lineage of faith who will stand strong in their faith, too, even to death if need be. Are you part of “that” lineage? Just because someone believes in Yeshua and guards Torah does not mean they are like the early Natsarim. The early Natzarim lived a martyred life, dead to self. The word “martyr” means a “witness.” Are you dead to self? Are you a witness to the Master?

 This is how I could go to third world nations and live with the people and feel at home with them. I have no pride, no feeling of superiority. He surely humbled me! I just exude the love of Yahuwah and others feel that. When you know what it means to be saved out of the kingdom of darkness and transferred into the Kingdom of Light (**Colossians 1**), and what it cost Him to pay the price for your sin, then you can’t keep quiet about telling others of His love.

 Do you understand what it cost Yahushua to die for you? Do you realize that without Him your destiny is the lake of fire? Do you realize how wretched and filthy we are in our pride and carnality? The majority of His people are sitting in the trash dumpster, feeling safe and secure. Can you imagine how grieved Yahuwah is because of the apathy of His people toward Him, towards His Son, towards the lost?

 Do you understand that we are born again as servants of a new Master? Do you understand that submission to Yahushua as Master is true freedom? “If the Son shall make you free, you shall be free indeed,” He said in **John 8**.

 I think most of you know the theology of the new birth, but belief in theology doesn’t save anyone. Please read and pray over “The True New Birth”/Mikvah of Eternal Salvation. In a true new birth, the Spirit of Yahuwah does 40 things sovereignly within us to change us 100% into a new creation. “Old things are passed away, behold, all things become new.” (**II Corinthians 5:14**). We take on His righteousness, and He takes away our “filthy rags” as a servant of the flesh and of demons.

 Religion robs a person of the vibrancy of knowing that without the love of Yahuwah and Yahushua we have no hope. It robs a person of knowing Them as Persons with real personalities who want to talk to you and lead you into everlasting life – now and forever. Neither Messiah or “Paul” started any religion. Yahuwah is not the originator of “rabbinic Judaism,” or any “Judaism. It’s all man’s lies and deceit and jealousy that has started all these hate-rumors.

 Sit in Their Presence, quietly, along. Worship! Speak from the depths of your being, pour out your love on Them in thanksgiving for what They have done for you to rescue you. How grateful forever should we be to love us so much. Thus, we become like the early followers of the Nazarene. We are humble, for we realize that without Him we can do nothing. We are contrite. We are broken and tender of spirit, so that He can dwell with us (**Isaiah 66:1-2**) When you realize what salvation means, and how helpless we are without Them, it will change your whole outlook on life, and your attitude towards others. If He is that merciful to us, how can we judge and condemn and look down on others and be justified?

 I’m a real person. I know that I am only alive and have the relationship with Yahuwah and Yahushua that I do, because of Them.

 Take these things to Him in prayer. The reason why Christians and Messianics are so apathetic about sharing the Good News with others is because, in the free world of easy religion, most have no idea what it means to be “saved,” to be “born again.” It’s just easy believeism. They don’t really know Yahuwah and Yahushua.

 Ask Him to search you and show you if there is anything in your life that offends Him, and ask Him to take it away. Press in to seek Him with all your heart, as I wrote two days ago and podcasted two days ago “It’s the Glory of God to Hide; It’s the Glory of Kings To Seek and Find.” Please share this article with others!

 Be sure to listen to this beautiful song of worship: “Take Me In To The Holy of Holies” - Serious Worship with [Anita Fuentes](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5Cwindb%5CDocuments%5CAnita%20Fuentes) [**https://youtu.be/3b2qkWnzYhE**](https://youtu.be/3b2qkWnzYhE)

Love, shalom, Yedidah,

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