

The Name Of The Real Messiah

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Who Knows The Names?

Who has gone up into the heavens and come down?..... What is HIS NAME, and what is HIS SON’S NAME, if you know it? --Mishle/Proverbs 30:4.

Solomon, the wisest man of all time, enquires of us as to the Name of the Messiah, asking if we know it. Solomon obviously knew, but how? Furthermore, how can WE KNOW, unless we allow the Tanakh or “Old Testament” prophesies to unveil this important truth? Surprising to most, is that the name “Jesus” appears nowhere in the prophesies of the TaNaKh, and yet this fact may be verified with an average concordance. Therefore the question before us is whether “Jesus” is the Name of the real Messiah or not. If the name “Jesus” appears nowhere in the foundational writings of Scripture (Torah), or anywhere in the writings composed during the first 4000 years of earth’s history (Tanakh) for that matter, how can it be the name of the Real Messiah? And if “Jesus” is not His Name, what is it? These are all questions which we will endeavor to answer in this chapter.

Shemoth/Exodus 23:20,21. See, I am sending My Messenger before you to guard you in the way..... 21. Do not rebel against Him, because My Name is in Him.

The Messiah also says in:

Yohanah/John 10:25. “I have told you and you do not believe. The works I do IN MY FATHER’S NAME, they bear witness concerning Me.”

Because the Heavenly Father’s Name is in the Messiah, our first challenge is to discover the Name of the Heavenly Father, and as may be ascertained from numerous Scripture passages, some of which we have already covered in chapter three, this is not “THE LORD”. First however, we will see what the prefaces of the traditional Bible translations have to say on this matter.

The Bible Prefaces Speak

New International Version:

“In regard to the divine name YHWH, commonly referred to as the Tetragrammaton, the translators adopted the device used in most English versions, of rendering that Name as ‘LORD.’”¹

Revised English Bible:

“The divine name (יהוה or יהוה in Hebrew characters) was probably pronounced ‘Yahweh’, but the name was regarded as ineffable, too sacred to be pronounced. The Massorettes, therefore, wrote in the vowel signs of the alternative words adonai (‘Lord’) or elohim (‘God’) to warn readers to use one of these in its place. Where the divine name occurs in the Hebrew text, this has been signaled in The Revised English Bible by using capital letters for ‘LORD’ or ‘GOD’, a widely accepted

¹ New International Version - Preface

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practice.”²

Oops! But there is a problem with this “widely accepted practice” because the only Scriptural prohibition on using the Name is as follows:

Wayyiqra/Leviticus 19:12. *And ye shall not swear by my name falsely, neither shalt thou profane the Name of thy Elohim: I Am יְהוָה. KJV*

And there is one more “no-no” about using the Name, found right in the ten commandments! (Pay CLOSE attention here, because it’s NOT what you think!!!)

Shemoth/Exodus 20:7. *YOU DO NOT BRING THE NAME OF יְהוָה (YHWH / Yahweh) YOUR ELOHIM TO NAUGHT, FOR יְהוָה DOES NOT LEAVE THE ONE UNPUNISHED WHO BRINGS HIS NAME TO NAUGHT.* (Scriptures Translation)

This is how the Hebrew actually reads. Rephrased, it actually says “You shall not stop using it!”

New King James Version:

‘It is very likely that the Name was pronounced very much like ‘Yahweh.’ Comparisons with transliterations of the Name into other alphabets from very ancient times confirm this. The best argument for the spelling is that it is probably the historically accurate.’³

Revised Standard Version:

‘It is almost, if not quite certain, that the Name was originally pronounced ‘Yahweh’...’⁴

So we see that the Name of the Creator was bleeped out of the Scriptures due to **tradition**, through which men have made void the law of Yahweh. But what did יְהוָה say about this?

The Patriarchs Speak

Shemoth/Exodus 3:15. *And Elohim said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, יְהוָה, Elohim of your fathers, the Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Isaac, and the Elohim of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this is my name for ever, and this is my memorial unto all generations. KJV*

Debarim/Deuteronomy 6:13. *Thou shalt fear יְהוָה thy Elohim, and serve him, and shalt SWEAR BY HIS NAME. KJV*

Debarim/Deuteronomy 10:20. *Thou shalt fear יְהוָה thy Elohim; him shalt thou serve, and to him shalt thou cleave, and swear by His Name. KJV*

All of the Patriarchs knew יְהוָה’s name, and knew it well. As a matter of fact, Stephen was actually martyred for using it, but today, it seems that we have plumb forgotten about it!

Shemoth/Exodus 6:3. *And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, as El Shaddai (The Almighty), and by my name, יְהוָה, was I not known to them????* KJV.

Here יְהוָה asks us the question of whether the Patriarchs knew His name, and in Scripture He also provides the answer that “Yes, They did!”

² Revised English Bible - Introduction to the Old Testament

³ NKJ V, word study on Exodus 3:15 (New Open Bible)

⁴ Revised Standard Version - Preface

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❖ Adam And Chava (Eve) knew the Name.

Bereshith/Genesis 4:25. And Adam knew his wife again, and she bore a son and called his name Sheth.... 26. and to Sheth also there was born a son, and he called his name Enosh. Then it was begun to call on the Name of אֱלֹהִים.

❖ Avraham knew the Name.

Bereshith/Genesis 21:33. And Avraham planted a grove in Beersheba, and called there on the name of the אֱלֹהִים, the everlasting Elohim. KJV

❖ Yitshaq (Isaac) knew the Name and taught it to his sons.

Bereshith/Genesis 27:20. And Isaac said unto his son (Jacob), How is it that thou hast found it so quickly, my son? And he said (lying), 'Because אֱלֹהִים thy Elohim brought it to me.' KJV

So even though Jacob was telling softball sized whoppers, he still knew the Name, and apparently he thought that was all that mattered. Ahem -- that sounds remotely familiar to some of my experiences in "Sacred Name" circles today, but let's not go there now. "There is nothing new under the sun",⁵ said the writer of Ecclesiastes. Indeed, "...All things [seem to] continue as they were from the beginning...." (2 Keph 3:4)

❖ Yahweh revealed His Name personally to Jacob.

Bereshith/Genesis 28:13. And behold, אֱלֹהִים stood above it, and said (speaking to Jacob), I am אֱלֹהִים, Elohim of Abraham thy father, and the Elohim of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed. KJV

❖ The Psalmist Knew The Name.

Tehillim/Psalms 68:4. Sing unto Elohim, SING PRAISES TO HIS NAME: extol Him that rideth upon the heavens by his name YAH, and rejoice before Him. KJV

Truth Or Tradition?

MattithYah/Matthew 15:3. But He (the Messiah) answered and said unto them, Why do ye also transgress the commandment of Elohim by your tradition?..... 6. Thus have ye made the commandment of Elohim of none effect by your tradition. KJV

Mark 7:8. For laying aside the commandment of Elohim, ye hold the tradition of men..... 9. And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of Elohim, that ye may keep your own tradition. 13. Making the word of Elohim of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye. KJV

Tehillim/Psalms 119:126. It is time for thee, O אֱלֹהִים, to work: for they have made void thy law. KJV

Shemoth/Exodus 9:16. And in very deed for this cause have I raised thee up, for to shew in thee My power; and that My Name may be declared throughout all the earth. KJV

Let's take a look at one such time when אֱלֹהִים began to work through EliYah the prophet, and slew 400 of the prophets of Baal.

1 Melakim/Kings 18:21,24. And EliYah came to all the people, and said, 'How long would you keep hopping between two opinions? If אֱלֹהִים is Elohim, follow Him; and if Baal is Elohim, follow Him. And you shall call on the name of your mighty one, and I, I call on the Name of אֱלֹהִים. And the Elohim who answers by fire, He is Elohim.'

The question is, What was the name of THEIR elohim? Scripture gives us the answer and it is BAAL (I

⁵ Ecclesiastes 1:9

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Melakim/Kings 18:26). Now what is interesting is that the translators of our Bibles WOULD NOT TRANSLITERATE **יהוה** 'SNAME (render it in another language according to sound), and WOULD NOT TRANSLATE BAAL'S NAME (render it in another language according to meaning). Why the inconsistency? Because **יהוה**, when TRANSLITERATED into English is YHWH or YAHWEH, while Baal, when TRANSLATED into English, is "THE LORD." Here is the Brown's Driver/Briggs Lexicon words on this Hebrew name of "Baal", which confirms this.

*'Ba'al {bah'-al}, the same as 01167; TWOT - 262a. [Translated in the] AV [as] Baal 62, Baalim 18; [for a total of] 80 [times]. BAAL = 'LORD', [a] supreme male divinity of the Phoenicians or Canaanites..... [etc.]'*⁶

This is your proof and what is sad is that the translators RETAINED the name of the idol Baal but REJECTED the name of the true Mighty One of the Scriptures! This is doing a flip-flop from exegesis (translating the Scriptures according to what they say) to eisegesis (manipulating them into what WE WANT them to say). But again, what did יהוה say?

Yahweh Speaks

Debarim/Deuteronomy 4:2. Do not add to the Word which I command you, and do not take away from it, [but] guard the commands of יהוה your Elohim which I am commanding you.

Debarim/Deuteronomy 12:32. All the words I am commanding you, guard to do it - DO NOT ADD TO IT NOR TAKE AWAY FROM IT.

Mishle/Proverbs 30:4^b What is His Name, and what is His Son's Name, if you know it? 5. Every word of Eloah is tried; He is a shield to those taking refuge in Him. 6. Do not add to His Words, lest He reprove you, and you be found a liar.

It doesn't take too much logical deduction to figure out that this is exactly what we have done, nor to figure out the end result:

Kabal/Revelation 22:18. For I witness to everyone hearing the words of.....this book: If anyone adds to them, Elohim shall add to him the plagues that are written in this book, 19. and if anyone takes away from the words of this book....Elohim shall take away his part from the Book of Life, and out of the set-apart city, which are written in this book.

Ironically, the Hebrew equivalent to "Lord God" does appear three times in the book of Joshua⁷. In Hebrew it is "Baal-Gad", and is the name of a Syrian town. *Baal*, of course, is equivalent to "Lord", and "Gad" is merely another form of "God", and can also mean "to have sex"⁸; the latter of which is still retained in the English "gadfly" or "gadding about". Brown's Driver/Briggs defines the name of the town as *'baal-gad = 'lord of fortune', a city noted for Baal-worship, located at the most northern or northwestern point to which Joshua's victories extended.*⁹ Strong's also provides some insight in their definition of: *'Baal Gad, lord of good luck'*¹⁰, and here it may be worthwhile to consider that the word, "luck", is derived from "Lucifer".¹¹ For reasons of their own, however, the translators didn't translate it, and your guess is as good as mine as to what those reasons were.

⁶ Brown's Driver/Briggs Lexicon, Heb. #01168

⁷ Joshua 11:17, 12:7, 13:5

⁸ Come Out Of Her My People, C.J. Koster, p. 53-57

⁹ H1171, www.blueletterbible.org

¹⁰ Strong's, Heb #1171

¹¹ Come Out Of Her My People, p.80-83

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All in all, it seems that this “Lord God” stuff is pretty popular, but what does Scripture have to say about doing things to “keep up with the crowd”?

Shemoth/Exodus 23:2. Do not follow a multitude to do evil, nor bear witness in a strife so as to turn aside after many, to turn aside what is right.

Now let’s hop back to 1 Melakim or Kings, and see just what the MULTITUDE of false prophets did with their idol, Baal.

1 Melakim/Kings 18:26. [They] called on the name of Baal from morning even until noon, saying, ‘O Baal, answer us!’ But there was no voice and no one answered. And they leaped about the altar they had made. 27. And it came to be at noon, that ELIYAH TAUNTED THEM and said, ‘Cry aloud, for he is a mighty one; perhaps he is meditating, or he is busy, or he is on a journey, or it could be that he is asleep and has to be awakened!’ (As we can see, even the prophets had a sense of humor! ☺) 28. And they cried aloud [saying ‘Baal, O Baal (a.k.a. lord, lord), answer us’].... 29. But there was no voice and no one answered, and no one paid any attention.”

Incredibly shocking is that EliYah will return again before the great and dreadful day of 𐤇𐤃𐤁𐤀 (Malakhi/Malachi 4:5), to announce the second coming of the Messiah, and what do you suppose that there will be a mountain-full of “Baal prophets” then as well. But you say, “Oh no, it couldn’t be.... We’re just too civilized to go hopping around calling on Baal and acting like animals.” But hold it a second, because the Messiah NEVER SAID that we’d be too civilized in several thousand years, and WHEN HE DID SPEAK, He assured us that **there would be a world-full of “Baal prophets” when He returns!** It’s right in Matthew chapter 7.

MattithYah/Matthew 7:22. **MANY shall say to me in that day, “LORD LORD (that is, BAAL, BAAL), have we not PROPHESED in Your Name, and cast out demons in Your Name, and done many mighty works in Your Name?” And then I shall declare to them, “I never knew you, depart from Me, you who work LAWLESSNESS.”**

YirmeYah/Jeremiah 2:8. The priests did not say, ‘Where is 𐤇𐤃𐤁𐤀?’ And those who handle the Torah did not know Me, and the shepherds (pastors, KJV) also transgressed against Me, and the prophets prophesied by THE LORD (Baal), and walked after matters that do not profit. 9. Therefore I still contend with you”, declares 𐤇𐤃𐤁𐤀, and with your children’s children I contend.”.

Hoshea/Hosea 2:16. ‘And it shall be, in that day’, declares 𐤇𐤃𐤁𐤀, ‘that you call Me ‘Ishi’ (my Husband), and no longer call Me ‘Baali’ (My LORD). 17. And I shall remove the names of the Baals from her mouth, and they shall no more be remembered by their name..... 23.and I shall say to those who were los ami (not my people), ‘You are ami (my people), while they say, ‘My Elohim’.

Now let’s look of the Strong’s Concordance definition of 𐤇𐤃𐤁𐤀’s Name, which the Bible translators have consistently changed to “THE LORD” or “Baal”.

Strong’s Concordance:

“יהוה, Yehovah, the Self-Existent or Eternal; Jehovah, Jewish national Name of God (sic).”¹²

The Strongest Strongs, 2001 Edition:

‘YHWH [or] Yahweh, the proper Name of the One true God (sic).... The Name pictures God (sic) as the One who exists and/or causes existence. [Translated in the KJV as] The LORD [a.k.a. Baal] (or some derivative over 7000 times).... [etc]’¹³

Noah Webster’s 1828 dictionary states the following concerning this “Lord” or “Baal”.

¹² Strong’s Hebrew #3068

¹³ Heb. #3068, The Strongest Strongs, 2001 Edition

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*'Baal, n. [Oriental, בעל, lord.] **An idol among the ancient Chaldeans and Syrians, representing the sun. The word signifies also lord (Lord), or commander; and the character of the idol was varied by different nations, at different times. Thus Baal Berith is supposed to signify the Lord of the Covenant; Baal Peor, or rather Baal Phegor, the Lord of the dead. Ps. cvi. Baal Zebub, the god of flies, &c.**'*¹⁴

***YirmeYah/Jeremiah 23:13.** I have seen folly in the prophets of Samaria (a.k.a. Ephrayim, assimilated Israel) declares **אֲנִי אֵלֹהִים** : **They prophesied by 'T HE LORD'**¹⁵ and led My people, Yisrael, astray.*

YirmeYah/Jeremiah 23:26.** 'How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies?,' [says **אֲנִי אֵלֹהִים**]. 'Yea, they are prophets of the deceit of their own hearts; 27. **Which think to cause my people to forget my Name.....as their fathers have FORGOTTEN MY NAME FOR 'T HE LORD.'

YeshaYah/Isaiah 65:11.** **You are those who forsake אֲנִי אֵלֹהִים**, who forget my set-apart mountain, **who prepare a table for GOD¹⁶ [declares **אֲנִי אֵלֹהִים**].

The Encyclopedia Americana includes some information concerning this pagan name of "God".

*'God (god) Common Teutonic word for personal object of religious worship, formerly applicable to super-human beings of heathen myth; on conversion of Teutonic races to Christianity, term was applied to Supreme Being.'*¹⁷

Hoshea/Hosea 13:1.** When Ephrayim spoke, there [used to be] trembling; he was lifted up in Yisrael, but **through THE LORD (a.k.a. Baal), he became guilty and died.

Hoshea/Hosea 2:13.** [Therefore thus says **אֲנִי אֵלֹהִים**], **"I will punish Yisrael for the days of THE LORD**¹⁸ **to which she burned incense and adorned herself with her rings and jewelry, and went whoring after her lovers, and FORGOT ME, declares אֲנִי אֵלֹהִים."

YirmeYah/Jeremiah 23:16.** Thus said **אֲנִי אֵלֹהִים** of Hosts, **Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you. They lead you astray. They speak a vision from their own heart, and not from the mouth of אֲנִי אֵלֹהִים.

The Name Of All Names

Returning to the Name of the Messiah, Philippians states that He has a Name which is above EVERY name.

***Philippians 2:9.** Elohim therefore has highly exalted Him and given Him THE NAME WHICH IS ABOVE EVERY NAME.*

This means that the Messiah's Name HAS TO include the Name "YAHweh", for He is given a Name ABOVE ALL OTHERS, which, of course, is the Name of the Father. If He is given a Name other than the Father's, it cannot be above all others, because the Father said:

YeshaYah/Isaiah 42:8.** **I am YAHweh, that is My Name, and My esteem I do not give to another, nor My praise to idols.

¹⁴ American Dictionary of the English Language, Noah Webster, LL.D., 1828 edition, under "Baal".

¹⁵ Strong's Heb. #1168: Baal; "master, owner, LORD". Other variations are Heb. #1171, "Baal-Gad" (i.e. "THE LORD GOD"); Heb. #1176, Baal-Zebub, (i.e. Beelzebub, Prince of Demons), etc. showing us where "replacement terminology" finds its roots.

¹⁶ Isa 65:11, Heb Text; Gad, God, Gudd, Gott are one in the same. See "Come Out Of Her My People" (C.J. Koster), p. 53-57

¹⁷ Encyclopedia Americana, 1945 Edition

¹⁸ A.k.a. Baal, Heb. #1167, 1168

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But Shaul (Paul) clarifies why His Name is above all names in the very next verse, as retained in the Aramaic Peshitta.

Philippians 2:10. ...That at the Name of YAHshua every knee should bow, of those in heaven and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, 11. and every tongue should confess that YAHshua Messiah is YAHweh,¹⁹ to the esteem of Elohim the Father.

Accordingly, the Messiah said:

Yohanan/John 5:43. I have come in My Father's Name and you do not receive Me. If another comes in his own name, him you will receive.

*'In understanding the Name of our heavenly Father, it is important to also understand the true Hebrew name of our Messiah and Redeemer... As Mosheh went to his people in the Name of יהוה (as do all prophets of יהוה), [the] Messiah came not only in the Name of יהוה, Yohanan (John) 12:13, but also bearing the Name of יהוה, Yohanan (John) 12:28. . . .'*²⁰

On the Name of the Messiah, the New King James Version states that:

*'It is true that many names beginning with 'Y' seem odd to our culture [but] all the names [beginning with 'J'] in English -- including Jesus -- were pronounced with a 'Y' sound, in the original.'*²¹

This produces yet another problem with the name "Jesus" or even "Jehovah", because there is no "J" sound even in Hebrew, and for that matter, the "J" types do not even appear in the Authorized Version (KJV) Bible of 1611.²² The reason for this is that the letter "J" is only about 500 years old. Now a small question I wish to ask you, which relates to the age of the Messiah. Quite simply, is the Messiah more that 500 years old? If your answer is "yes", how can "Jesus" be His Name? After all, it is a later invention.

An Issue Of Seniority

The **Encyclopedia Americana** informs us that:

"The form of 'J' was unknown in any alphabet until the 14th century. Either symbol (J, I) used initially generally had the consonantal sound of 'Y' as in year. Gradually, the two symbols (J, I) were differentiated, the J usually acquiring consonantal force and thus becoming regarded as a consonant, and the 'I' becoming a vowel. It was not until 1630 that the differentiation became general in England.....

'It is one of the few permanent additions to those alphabets, made in medieval or modern times. More exactly, it was not an addition, but a differentiation from an existing letter, I, which in Latin, besides being a vowel (as in index), had also the consonantal value of 'Y' (as in maior, pronounced 'mayor').

'At a later state, the symbol 'J' was used for the distinctive purposes, particularly when the 'I' had to be written initially (or in conjunction with another 'I'). Either symbol used initially generally had the consonantal sound of 'Y' (as in Year) so that the Latin pronunciation of either Ianuarius or

¹⁹ Aramaic Peshitta. See "The Real Messiah, Please Step Forward", chapter 10.

²⁰ Hear the Banner Message, by Rav Tom Mitchell, <http://www.geocities.com/yahshuaohrhaolam/Banner.html>

²¹ New King James Version - Word study on Exodus 3:15 (New Open Bible)

²² "The Jj types are not used in the Bible of 1611...." (Oxford English Dictionary, under the letter J)

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*Januarius was as though the spelling was 'Yanuarius.' While in some words of Hebrew and other origin (such as Hallelujah or Junker), 'J' has the phonetic value of 'Y.'"*²³

From The New Standard Encyclopedia:

*"J, the tenth letter of the English alphabet, originated in the ancient Semitic consonant, yod.... Yod became the Greek vowel iota, or I. When the Romans adopted the alphabet, their letter I kept the Greek vowel sounds and in addition represented the consonant Y in early Latin. Later, in England, the letter I was given the additional sound of J. Coming most often at the beginning of a word, where the letter commonly extended below the line, the J sound became identified with the lengthened form of I. It was not until about the 16th century, however, that J was established as a separate letter."*²⁴

The New Book Of Knowledge:

*"J, the tenth letter of the English alphabet, is the youngest of the 26 letters. It is a descendant of the letter I and was not generally considered a separate letter until the 17th century. The early history of the letter J is the same as the history of the letter I. I is a descendant of the ancient Phoenician and Hebrew letter yod (Y) and the Greek letter iota. (I)"*²⁵

Random House Dictionary:

*"J: The tenth letter of the English alphabet, developed as a variant form of I in Medieval Latin, and, except for the preference for the J as an initial letter, the two ('J' and 'I') were used interchangeably, both serving to represent the vowel (i) and the consonant (y). Later, through specialization, it came to be distinguished as a separate sign, acquiring its present phonetic value under the influence of French."*²⁶

Encyclopedia Americana:

*"This letter 'J', from the first, represented in English the sound of 'dzh', in French that of 'zh'; in German and other languages, its value is that of the consonant 'Y'."*²⁷

What then is the Name of the Messiah? Here is where we will get into the prophecies of the Tanakh.

The Prophets Speak

YeshaYah/Isaiah 11:1. And a Rod shall come forth from the stump of Yishai (Jesse), and a BRANCH from His roots shall bear fruit: 2. The spirit of אִיכָר shall rest upon him, (see Yohanan [John] 1:32) -- the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of אִיכָר; 3. And shall make him breath in the fear of Yahweh (see Yohanan 20:22): and he shall not judge by the sight of his eyes, neither decide by the hearing of his ears: 4. But with RIGHTEOUSNESS He shall judge the poor, and shall decide with straightness for the meek ones of the earth: and He shall smite the earth with the Rod of his mouth (the Word), and slay the wrong with the breath of his lips. 5. And RIGHTEOUSNESS shall be the girdle of his loins, and trustworthiness the girdle of his waist.

²³ Encyclopedia Americana, under "J"; quoted in "The Missing J", by Yahweh's Assembly In Messiah. Refer to <http://yaim.org/Pages/missingJ.htm> for a detailed coverage of this topic.

²⁴ The New Standard Encyclopedia, 1971, Volume 6, J-1

²⁵ The New Book of Knowledge, Vol. 10, 1992 ed.

²⁶ Random House Dictionary of the English Language 1969, p 760, under "J"

²⁷ Encyclopedia Americana 1954, volume 15, p. 571, under "J"

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“The Branch” is understood to be a title of the Messiah in both Jewish²⁸ and Christian literature, and YirmeYah repeats the prophecy of this “Branch” twice for additional emphasis.

YirmeYah/Jeremiah 23:5. *“See, the days are coming”, declares יְהוָה, “that I will raise to David a BRANCH of Righteousness, and a Sovereign shall reign and prosper, and shall do right-ruling and righteousness in the earth. 6. In his days Yahudah shall be saved, and Yisrael shall dwell safely: And this is His name whereby He shall be called, יְהוָה TSIDKENU (or YAHWEH OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS).”*

YirmeYah/Jeremiah 33:15. *In those days, and at that time, I will make a righteous BRANCH sprout from David’s line, and he will do what is just and right in the land. 16. In those days Yahudah will be saved, and Yahrushalayim will live in safety: and this is the Name by which He²⁹ shall be called: YAHWEH Our Righteousness. NIV*

In both of these passages, YirmeYah clearly reveals the Name of the Messiah as “יְהוָה” or “YAHWEH”, and includes the descriptive phrase “Tsidkenu” or “our Righteousness”, in accordance with the passage in YeshaYah (Isaiah) 53 which deals with the “Suffering Servant.”

YeshaYah/Isaiah 53:11. *He would see the result of the suffering of His life and be satisfied. Through His knowledge, My Righteous Servant makes many righteous, and He bears their crookedness.*

“Yahweh Tsidkenu” or “Yahweh Our Righteousness” is the Name of the Father in the Messiah. How has the Messiah become our righteousness? Moving on towards the end of the Tanakh, we find an answer to this question in the writings of the prophet ZekariYah, where the full name of the Messiah is revealed.

ZechariYah/Zechariah 2:13. *Hush, all flesh, before יְהוָה, for He has roused Himself out of His set-apart dwelling.*

Remember that the Name of יְהוָה is in the Messiah. Therefore the arousal of יְהוָה from His dwelling may be referring to the Messiah’s first advent. This picture gets clearer in the next verse.

ZechariYah/Zechariah 3:1. *And he showed me Joshua, the high priest, standing before the Messenger of יְהוָה, and hashatawn standing at his right hand to be an adversary to Him.*

Hashatawn is, of course, the driving force behind the anti-messiah or beast power which opposes the Messiah, and here he is opposing Joshua the high priest.

ZechariYah 3:3. *And Joshua was dressed in filthy garments, and was standing before the messenger.*

The appearance of filthy garments brings to mind how the Messiah must have looked after His mock trial and cruel beating.

ZechariYah 3:4. *And He answered and spoke to those who stood before Him, saying, “Remove the filthy garments from Him.” And to him He said, “See, I have removed your guilt from you, and shall put costly robes upon you.”*

This brings to mind the Messiah’s bearing of our guilt on the stake when He became sin for us (2 Corinthians 5:21), and the latter portion of the verse calls to attention the resurrection of the Messiah, thereby the removal of the guilt, and the esteems which were prophesied to follow (1 Peter 1:10).

ZechariYah 3:8. *Now listen, Joshua the high priest, you and your companions who sit before you: for THEY ARE MEN OF SYMBOL (I.E. OF TYPE). For look! I am bringing forth my servant, the BRANCH.*

This is where the Messiah’s Name is prophesied.

Zechariah 6:12. *Thus said יְהוָה of Hosts, saying, “See the man whose name is The BRANCH! And from His place He shall branch out, and he shall build the temple of יְהוָה.” 13. It is He who is going to build the Temple of יְהוָה. It is He who is going to bear the splendour, and He shall sit and rule on His throne, and shall be a Priest on His throne, and the*

²⁸ The Messiah is recognized as “the Branch” in the Targum, the Jerusalem Talmud, the Pirqé de R. Eliez. c. 48, the Midrashim and more recently in a Hebrew language publication: THE NEW BIBLE DICTIONARY, by Dr. Zvi Raday & Prof. Chaim Rabin, Yavneh Publishing House Ltd. and Keter Publishing House, Jerusalem Ltd. - under the entry for Tzemach.

²⁹ Translated as “it” in the NIV, and as “He” in the footnotes.

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counsel of peace shall be between them both.

So the Scripture is saying: “Look at the man (Joshua) whose NAME is the BRANCH!”, whereby we see that the current High Priest of Judah in the days of Zechariah, that is Joshua (יְהוֹשֻׁעַ or Yahshua -- יהושע in modern Hebrew), has the name of the “BRANCH” or the coming Messiah.

יהושע³⁰ is actually composed of two Hebrew words, or rather, names, the first of which is *Yahu*, an in-between of the Divine Name, *Yahweh*³¹, and its shortened form, *Yah*.³²

waw - heh - yod

יהו

The second is *Hosha* or *Hoshea* (H1954), which is verified by Joshua’s identification as ‘*Hoshea, son of Nun*’ in *Debarim/Deuteronomy 32:44*, and means, ‘*salvation or saviour*’.³³

ayin - sheen - waw - heh

הושע

When combined together, these form the name יהושע or Yahshua, the prophesied Name of the Messiah in both the *Tanakh* (O.T.) and the *Brit Chadasha* (NT) (*MattithYah/Matthew 1:21*).

ayin - sheen - waw - heh - yod

יהושע

Therefore we see that the name YAHushua, or YAHshua in its shortened form, actually identifies the Messiah as the “Saviour Yah”³⁴, and is this not how the Messiah became “YAHweh Tsidkenu” or “YAHweh our Righteousness”; by descending to earth to SAVE? Furthermore, we see that the Name of YAHweh (YAH in its shortened form) is found in YAHshua (יְהוֹשֻׁעַ), and this is the Name which YAHWEH TSIDKENU or Yahweh our righteousness assumes as He fills the position of Messiah. Secular sources and Scriptural scholars all affirm the same.

Scholars And Secular Sources Speak

Encyclopedia Americana:

“Jesus Christ --- ... Although Matthew (1:21) interprets the name originally Joshua (Yahshua),

³⁰ Strong’s, Heb #3091

³¹ Strong’s, Heb. #3068

³² Strong’s, Heb. #3050

³³ Strong’s, Heb #1954

³⁴ HosheaYah (H1955) means “Yah has saved”. Therefore when the order of the words composing the name are reversed to YaHoshea, the meaning is “Salvation of YHWH” or more specifically, “Saviour YAH”.

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that is, 'Yahweh is Salvation,' and finds it specially appropriate for Jesus (sic) of Nazareth....." ³⁵

Encyclopedia Britannica:

"...The same is true of the name Jesus. In the Septuagint it is the customary Greek form for the common Hebrew name, Joshua (Yahshua);" ³⁶

Catholic Encyclopedia:

"The Sacred Name ---- The word Jesus is the Latin form of the Greek 'Iesous' which in turn is the [faulty] transliteration³⁷ of the Hebrew Jeshua (Yeshua), or Joshua (Yahshua), or again Jehoshua (Yahushua), meaning 'Jehovah (rather, Yahweh) is Salvation'" ³⁸

Barnes' Notes:

"The name Jesus ---- In Hebrew it is the same as Joshua (Yahshua). In two places [Acts 7:45 and Hebrews 4:8] in the New Testament it is used where it means Joshua, the leader of the Jews into Canaan, and in our translation the name Joshua (Yahshua) should have been retained." ³⁹

Word Studies In The New Testament:

"Jesus. The Greek form of a Hebrew name, which had been borne by two illustrious individuals in former periods of the Jewish History --- Joshua, the successor of Moses, and Jeshua, the high priest, who with Zerubbabel took so active a part in the re-establishment of the civil and religious polity of the Jews in their return from Babylon. Its original and full form is Jehoshua (Yahushua), becoming by contraction Joshua (Yahshua) or Jeshua (Yeshua)." ⁴⁰

Average Analysis Speaks

The student of Scripture may readily ascertain that the name of the Messiah is **וְיֵשׁוּעַ** (a.k.a. Yahshua or Joshua), through casual reading of the 'New Testament' alone, for twice in the Latter Writings, and twice in the Apocrypha, is Joshua, the successor to Moses, mistakenly identified as "Jesus" in the KJV translation instead.

Acts 7:44. *Our fathers had the tabernacles of witness in the wilderness, as he had appointed, speaking unto Moses, that he should make it according to the fashion that he had seen. 45. Which also our fathers that came after brought in with **Jesus** [sic] (referring to Joshua, son of Nun, see margin note) into the possession of the Gentiles, whom [Elohim] drove out before the face of our fathers, unto the days of David. KJV*

Ibrim/Hebrews 4:8. *For if **Jesus** [sic] had given them rest (Referring to Joshua 22:4, [see margin note] and allegorically to the Messiah, who has the Name of Joshua [a.k.a. Yahshua]), he would not have afterward spoken of another day. 9. There remaineth therefore a rest (Hebrew, 'Shabbat keeping') for the people of [Elohim]. KJV*

1 Maccabees 2:55. ***Jesus (sic) for fulfilling the word, was made a judge in Israel;** 56. Caleb for bearing witness, before*

³⁵ Encyclopedia Americana, Vol.16, p. 41

³⁶ Encyclopedia Britannica 15th ed., Vol. 10 p.149, under "Jesus Christ".

³⁷ See "The Real Messiah, Please Step Forward"; Appendix C, Transliteration Study On The Name Of The Moshiah.

³⁸ Catholic Encyclopedia, Vol. 8, p. 374

³⁹ Barnes' notes on Matt. 1:21

⁴⁰ Word studies in the New Testament, by Marvin R. Vincent

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the congregation, received the heritage of the land.

Sirach 46:1. *Jesus [sic], the son of Nun, was valiant in the wars and was the successor of Moses in prophesies, who ACCORDING TO HIS NAME was made great for THE SAVING of the elect of [Elohim].... that he might set Israel in their inheritance. KJV (Apocrypha)*

In this last passage, the Messianic application is exceptionally clear, when only the Messiah's true Name is realized and lifted up to light.

The Depths Of Scripture Speak

Is Scripture silent on the Name of the Messiah from this point on? By no means. In YeshaYah (Isaiah) chapter 53, the prophetic passage of Messiah, the suffering servant, the phrase, "וְיִשׁוּעָה שְׁמִי" *shem?* or "Yahshua is my Name" is revealed by counting every 20th letter back from left to right beginning with the second י or ם (yod) in the word *Ya'arik* in verse ten.⁴¹ From the *pashat* level of interpretation onward through the secrets of *sod*, the Scriptures shout aloud concerning the Name of the Real Messiah.

Conclusion

To summarize the importance of using the Messiah's REAL Name, I wish to quote Brother Brad Scott, of WildBranch.org. He says:

"The Messiah's name is Yahshua, so why not call him Yahshua? If you look up the word 'Jesus' or 'Iesous' you will find that these words mean nothing.⁴² Yahshua, on the other hand, comes from the Hebrew word [for] salvation. Should this mean something to those who follow him? Why is it that His name is such a trivial matter to some? I find it fascinating that in the last 6 months we have been stumbling all over ourselves to respectfully pronounce the 'Muslim' names of our enemies, with absolutely no desire to transliterate them to more common 'English' sounds. Osama bin Ladin's name is Osama bin Ladin, and so that is what we call him. We have made no attempts to change his name to Sam Layton or some such thing. The same is true of all historical characters. When discussing this issue with 'Christians' I am told that I am making a big deal out of His name. They say that God knows who we are talking about, and Jesus knows our heart. But let me pose this scenario. What do you think would happen if I prayed with those same people, and when the prayer ended I thanked God in the name of 'Pokeman'? I'll tell you what would happen, they would all throw a fit and accuse me of blasphemy. To which I would say, 'What difference does it make? Jesus knows who I am praying to!' My point here is that the name 'Jesus' has become the incantation of the modern church. There is little or no concern about polluting the name of יִשׁוּעָה, but a host of fits would be displayed over profaning the name of Jesus.

I suppose it is time to deal with some obvious questions that would arise. Many would ask if millions of people are going to hell because they did not know the 'correct' name. Well my answer to that is that I do not know. That is not my responsibility. This same question could be asked of those who hold that 'Jesus' is the only name under heaven in which man can be saved. What about those who never heard that name? I believe it is the mission of all of us who hold the scriptures as truth, to speak that truth. It is not my responsibility to pontificate on the destination of those who never heard that truth. The question I would ask is why would anyone reject the truth because they cannot

⁴¹ Jesus Is His Name, Yacov Rambsel (Frontier Research Pub) Isaiah chapters, pages 26-65, p 28,40

⁴² "The Real Messiah, Please Step Forward", Appendix C, Transliteration Study On The Name Of The Moshiaich.

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understand what happens to some hypothetical person who never heard that same truth. Is this the same attitude we would have about other areas of life? I think not! For example, if you were on a cruise, the ship sank and there were no life jackets. All different kinds of people were treading water just like you. Along comes a boat and throws you a life jacket and sails away. Are you logically going to refuse the life jacket because you cannot understand why they didn't throw the others a life jacket? I think not! You know what I would do? I would put the life jacket on and go save as many of the others as I could.”⁴³

My prayer is that you will find such a life jacket of knowledge in the pages of this book, and that, in **ጳጳጳ**'s strength, you will use that knowledge to save others.

2 Melakim/Kings 17:29. [For] every nation was making mighty ones of its own..... 33. They were fearing **ጳጳጳ** , and they were serving their own mighty ones (mixed worship), according to the ruling of the nations from among whom they had been exiled. 34. To this day they are doing according to the former rulings: **THEY ARE NOT FEARING ጳጳጳ** , (i.e. 'having a form of righteousness, but denying the power thereof')(2 Tim. 3:5) -- mixing worship is not truly fearing **ጳጳጳ**) nor do they follow their laws or their right-rulings: or the Torah and command which **ጳጳጳ** had commanded the children of Ya'aqob (Jacob), whose name He made Yisrael, 35. with whom **ጳጳጳ** had made a covenant and commanded them, saying, '**Do not fear other mighty ones**, nor bow down to them nor serve them nor slaughter to them; 36. But **ጳጳጳ** , who brought you up from the land of Egypt with great power and with an outstretched arm, Him you shall fear, and to Him you shall bow yourselves, and to Him you shall slaughter. 37. And guard to do forever the laws, and the right rulings, and the Torah, and the command which He wrote for you. And **do not fear other mighty ones**. 38. And do not forget the covenant that I have made with you, and **do not fear other mighty ones**. 39. But fear **ጳጳጳ** your Elohim, so that He delivers you from the hand of all your enemies.” 40. And they did not obey, but did according to their former ruling. 41. So these nations were fearing **ጳጳጳ** , and serving their carved images (false elohim - idols), both their children and their childrens' children. **As their fathers did, they are [still] doing [it] to this day.**

Acts 2:38. [Therefore] repent and let each one of you be immersed in the Name of **ጳጳጳ** Messiah for the forgiveness of sins.....

Acts 22:16. And now, why do you delay? Rise up, be immersed, and wash away your sins, calling on the Name of **ጳጳጳ** .

Mark 16:16. [For] he who believes and has been immersed, shall be saved, but he who does not believe shall be condemned.

Shalom b'Shem **ጳጳጳ** haMoshiach.

Peace in the Name of YAHshua the Messiah from Brother MattithYah. Shalom.

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⁴³ Brad Scott, Yeshua 'Revisited', Part 8, www.wildbranch.org/Archive/lesson59.html