A Different Gospel The Gospel of "God's Unconditional Love"

(When quoting scriptures, from the Rotherham Emphasized Bible New Testament, I will substitute the Hebrew words Yahoshua (yeh-ho-shoo'- ah) for Jesus, Yahweh and Elohim for God and the LORD and ruah for pneuma (spirit).)

Typing in the words, 'Unconditional Love,' on the internet produces a very wide response, much of which comes from the New Age¹ movement while a Christian perspective is only secondary. This should make us wonder which came first, the New Age teaching or the Christian teaching. This doctrine has spread like wildfire, through many good ministries, which is why it must be addressed. We have been severely warned to stay away from the 'Different Gospels' that absolutely will be proclaimed. One of these new Gospels, which I believe is one of the most dangerous, is the new doctrine, for this age, called, 'God's Unconditional Love or Loving Unconditionally.' Why is it so dangerous? The reason being that it is so beautiful; it appears as a message delivered by the messengers of heaven!² Some of the most beautiful things in life can be the most deadly. This new message is very enticing and alluring but never-the-less it is a counterfeit of Yahweh's ahab 3 (love), working to destroy the Christian Church from the inside out. Federal agents realize that the more detailed the counterfeit money is the more dangerous it becomes because it circulates unnoticed; good people embrace, exchange and give it away causing more and more damage. Different gospels that strike a pleasing cord for all to hear and enjoy are passed along in a similar way. These new pleasing works of art must be rigidly examined according to the written Word of Yahweh and not according to the feelings of the hearts and minds of good men. The prophet Aaron, anointed by Yahweh, was a wonderful godly man but never-the-less he was deceived when he was encouraged to create a 'Different Gospel,' which he did when he made a golden calf, greatly pleasing the people.⁴ In the book of Galatians, Paul extinguished the fire, which was caused by a different gospel, called circumcision. Likewise, we will endeavor to quench a new fire in our age by using the Word of Yahweh, the different gospel being, 'God's Unconditional Love.' This gospel's objective is to instruct Christians to accept workers of iniquity⁵ into their families and into the Christian Church, while still disagreeing with their iniquity. Shocking as this may sound, it is true, as you will see.

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¹ http://freedominlight.webs.com/aboutus.htm

² But, even if, we, or, a messenger out of heaven, announce a glad-message aside from that which we announced unto you, accursed, let him be! (Gal. 1:8)

^{3 0157 \(\}text{27}\) 'ahab \(aw\text{-hab}\)' or \(\text{27}\) 'aheb \(aw\text{-habe}\)' Yahweh has commanded man to 'ahab' him, \(\frac{\psi}{De}\) 6:5\) and the Psalms contain testimonies of obedience to that commandment. \(\frac{\psi}{Ps}\) 116:1\(Ps\) 145:20\) Conversely, Yahweh 'ahabs' men, especially his people Israel. \(\frac{\psi}{De}\) 4:37\(Isa\) 43:4\(Mal\) 1:2\} Yahweh also 'ahabs' other things, such as the gates of Zion, \(\frac{\psi}{Ps}\) 87:2\}\) righteousness and judgment, \(\frac{\psi}{Ps}\) 33:5\} and the holy temple. \(\frac{\psi}{Mal}\) 2:11\}

⁴ Ex 32:5 And, when Aaron saw it, he built an altar before it. And Aaron made proclamation, and said, A festival to Yahweh, tomorrow!

⁵ 05771 שון 'avown (#2Ki 7:9; Ps 51:5) aw-vone' perversity, depravity; The basic meaning of the verb, 'to bend, twist, distort;' Nu 15:31 Because, the word of Yahweh, hath he despised, and, his commandment, hath he broken, that person shall be, surely cut off, his iniquity [avon], is in himself.

First and foremost, let us search the scriptures, as did the Beroeans, whether this teaching is present in the Word of Yahweh. The result of our search is that nowhere in the Word of Yahweh is the phrase, 'unconditional love;' actually, the word, 'unconditional,' is never used in scripture neither is the word 'conditional' but we know from scriptures that Yahweh does impose commandments, which are conditions and he does give conditional promises to mankind; blessing accompanies obedience to Yahweh's commands; rebellion, however brings curses, the worst is being thrown into the Lake of Fire (Gen. 2:16-17, Deu. 28; Rev. 20:15).

A Quick Look at the Love Gospel, the Gospel of John

Before we begin our in depth examination, let us take a look at some verses in John. It appears that many people have changed John 3:16, not in writing but in thought, to "For God so unconditionally loved the world..." Unconditional means, "not limited by or subject to conditions or stipulations; absolute, unlimited, complete." Let us examine some of the scriptures in the Gospel of John to see if this is the case. As we will see, the Gospel of John is full of conditions and consequences. John 3:36 states, "He that believeth on the Son, hath life age-abiding: whereas, he that yieldeth not unto the Son, shall not see life, but, the anger of Yahweh, awaiteth him." Does the concept of Yahweh's unconditional love also include the anger of Yahweh? In John 10:17, Yahoshua says, "Therefore, doth the Father, love, me, because, I, lay down my life, that, again, I may receive it." Why does the Father love his Son? The condition being that he is going to lay down his life. John 12:26 states a condition of how to be honored by the Father; "...If anyone, with me, be ministering, the Father, will honor him." It goes without saying that if one does not minister with Christ then honor will not come from the Father. Chapters 14 through 17 are loaded with the word 'if.' 'If' is a conditional conjunction used in sentences; "If ye be loving me, my commandments, ye will keep; And, I, will request the Father, and, Another Advocate, will he give unto you, that he may be with you age-abidingly (14:15-16)." Receiving the advocate is conditioned upon one keeping his commandments. Verse 21 states, "He that hath my commandments and keepeth them, he, it is that loveth me; and, he that loveth me, shall be loved by my Father, and, I, will love him, and will manifest, myself, unto him." One must ask oneself if Yahweh unconditionally loves all men the same regardless of their actions, then why the conditions in this verse? This verse states that if you keep his commandments, then you will be loved by Yahweh and Christ. Verse's 23 and 24 state this truth again by saying, "...If any man be loving me, my word, he will keep, and, my Father, will love him,—and, unto him, will we come, and, an abode with him, will we make. He that loveth me not, doth not keep, my word..." Do Yahweh and Christ abide in those who do not keep his word?

⁶ Ac 17:11 and, these, were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they welcomed the word with all readiness of mind, daily, searching the Scriptures,—whether these things could be so.

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Chapter 15 continues this discourse based upon conditions; "I, am the real vine, and, my Father, is, the husbandman. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit, He taketh it away... If one abide not me, he is cast out as the branch, and withered, and they gather them,—and, into fire, they cast them, and they are burned" (vs.1-2, 6). Does this scripture fit the doctrine that Yahweh loves unconditionally? Verse 7 declares a promise to those who meet a condition; "If ye abide in me, and, my sayings, in you, abide, whatsoever ye may be desiring, ask! and it shall be brought to pass for you." Do the same blessings come upon those who do not abide in Christ? Verse 10 declares the condition to be met in order to abide in Christ's love; "If, my commandments, ye keep, ye shall abide in my love,—just as, I, the Father's commandments, have kept, and abide in his love." One additional 'if' that is located in this chapter in verse 14; "Ye, are, friends of mine, if ye be doing that which, I, am commanding you." What does this verse say about those who do not keep his commandments?

John 16:27 stands in direct opposition to the doctrine of Yahweh's unconditional love for all of mankind by stating, "...the Father himself, dearly loveth you, <u>because</u>, ye, have dearly loved me, and believed that, I, from the Father, came forth." They were dearly loved by the Father because they had met the condition of dearly loving his Son. If Yahweh loves all mankind the same regardless of their actions. John 17:23 also does not make any sense in the world where God unconditionally loves all of mankind; "...That the world may get to know, that, thou, didst send me forth, and didst love them [his disciples] even as thou didst love, me."

Understanding Yahweh's Ahab

Yahweh is ahab⁸ (1 Jn. 4:16)! Yahweh manifests his ahab by making his sun to arise on the evil and the good and he sends his rain to benefit the just and the unjust (Mt. 5:43) but he withheld his sunlight from the Egyptians and he has also withheld the rain from the unjust as he did to Ahab and Jezebel and as he will do it again in the book of Revelation (Rev. 11:6); rain is conditional.⁹ He also used rain to wipe man from off of the face of the earth, as he did in the days of Noah. Would it be righteous and just for Yahweh to prosper an individual by giving him rain (loving him unconditionally) when the man was raping children or sacrificing children to gods? He had the inhabitants of Canaan destroyed for such wickedness. Yahoshua instructed his disciples to "Be loving your enemies, and praying for them who are persecuting you: That ye may become sons of your Father who is in the heavens" (Mt. 5:43) but Yahweh also put to death Herod after he murdered James and Christ will put to death his enemies (Rev. 19:21; 20:9). Yahweh is ahab, so the Lake

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⁸ The Greek text says, agape, but Hebrew is the language of the prophets and not Greek. Christ showed us that the Greek word, agape, is what he used for the Hebrew word ahab. Christ said, "And, he, said unto him—Thou shalt love [agapao] the Lord [kurios] thy God [theos]—with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind" (Mt. 22:37), which is a quote of Deu. 6:5, which says, "Thou shalt therefore love [ahab] Yahweh thy God [elohim],—with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might." Ahab came first making agape a poor Greek substitute and love an even poorer English substitute. For more information, read our Statement of Beliefs.

⁹ Deu. 11:14-17; 28:24 etc.

of Fire must fit into our understanding of Yahweh's ahab. Wicked people will be tormented in the book of Revelation by Christ, who is the Lion of Judah, who is worthy to open the scroll and the seven seals, which will unleash the anger of Yahweh (Rev. 5). Ask yourself, does the book of Revelation agree with the present doctrine of 'God's Unconditional Love' for all men? Let us read Rev. 9:3-10:

"And, out of the smoke, came forth, locusts, upon the earth; and there was given unto them licence, as the scorpions of the earth have licence. And it was bidden them that they should not injure the herbage of the earth, nor any green thing, nor any tree,—but only the men who have not the seal of Yahweh upon their foreheads. And it was given unto them, that they should not slay them, but that they should be tormented five months; and, the torture of them, was as of a scorpion's torture, whensoever it smiteth a man. And, in those days, shall men seek death, and in nowise shall find it, and shall covet to die, and death fleeth from them. And, the likenesses of the locusts, were like unto horses prepared for battle; and, upon their heads, as it were crowns, like unto gold, and, their faces, were as the faces of men, and, they had hair, as the hair of women, and, their teeth, were, as of lions, and they had breastplates as breastplates of iron, and, the sound of their wings, was as the sound of chariots of many horses, running into battle; and they have tails like unto scorpions, and stings, and, in their tails, is their licence to injure men five months."

Is Unconditional Love equal to Unconditional Giving?

"Yahweh so <u>loved</u> the world that he <u>gave</u>... (Jn. 3:16)." Giving and loving are interconnected. There are some things that we could say Yahweh gives unconditionally to mankind, such as the rotation of our planet; the stars for navigation; the oceans for clouds; the atmosphere and the sun for plant life to name only a few. You have access to these gifts whether your works are good or evil. On the other hand, in Deuteronomy chapter twenty-eight, receiving from Yahweh is based upon conditions being met; works that are pleasing to Yahweh are rewarded and works that are displeasing are punished; blessings for obeying him and curses for disobeying him. Throughout the Word of Yahweh, receiving life age-abiding is conditioned upon obedience to what Yahweh says in his Word.

It is paramount to understand the word, 'love,' as Yahweh defines it and not how it is being used in society. Yahweh's word, which we translate love is ahab; "Thou shalt therefore ahab (love) Yahweh thy Elohim,—with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might" (Deu. 6:5); "...So shalt thou ahab (love) thy neighbour, as thyself,—I, am Yahweh" (Lev. 19:18, Mt. 22:37-40). Ahabing Yahweh is not a feeling or an affection but rather it is obeying his commandments as recorded in his Word. ¹⁰ In most cases, these same commandments, according to world opinion, are unloving, according to their usage of their word, 'love.' The last point is that Yahweh's ahab is an action verb. 1 John 3:18 says,

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¹⁰ 1Sa 15:22 Then said Samuel—Doth that which is pleasing unto Yahweh consist in ascending–offerings and sacrifices, So much as in hearkening unto the voice of Yahweh? Lo! to hearken, is, better, than, sacrifice. And, to give heed, than, the fat of rams; Ex. 20:6; Deu. 5:10; Neh. 1:5; Dan. 9:4; Jn. 14:21, 15:10; 1 Jn. 5:2-3

"Dear children! Let us not be loving in word, nor yet with the tongue, but in deed and truth." (For more information on 'Ahab,' read the article, 'A Time to Love;' Teleios Vol. 1) The manifestation of ahab is obedience to Yahweh, which can be manifested in giving and also in not giving; an example in giving is 1 John 3:17, which states, "But, whoso hath this world's goods, and beholdeth his brother having, need, and shutteth up his tender affections from him, how, is, the ahab (love) of Yahweh, abiding in him;" an example of not giving would be 1 Corinthians 5:11, which states, "But, now, I have written unto you not to be mixing yourselves up,—if anyone named a brother, be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or an extortioner, with such a one as this, not so much, as to be eating together." The first scripture agrees with the doctrine of unconditional love but the second scripture does not. The doctrine of the unconditional love of Yahweh paints a picture of Yahweh giving equally to every woman, man and child regardless of their performance, similar to the concept of Communism or along the lines of Socialism.

Good Works

It appears that the people who profess 'God's Unconditional Love,' also state that "There is nothing that you can do to make God love you more or less" or "Christianity is not do's and don'ts" or "God loves us no matter what we do or don't do." These statements all have something in common and that is the apparent disregard of Yahweh calling us to perform good works and that our works will determine whether we are pleasing to Yahweh and what our rewards will be. According to the scriptures, we are pleasing or displeasing to Yahweh according to our works. A person said, "Unconditional love is like a country with no laws and no government, which is all fine if everyone is peaceful and law abiding. In the wrong hands, though, you get looting and crime sprees, and let me tell you, the people who demand unconditional love are usually the ones who will rob and pillage and then blame you because you left your door unlocked." Deuteronomy states, "Observe and hear all these things which I am commanding thee,—that it may be well with thee, and with thy children after thee,—unto times age-abiding, so long as thou shalt do that which is pleasing and right in the eyes of Yahweh thy Elohim" (Deu. 12:28). Well, some might say that was the Old Testament but today we are saved by faith and not by works. Ephesians 2:8-9 says, "For, by his favour, have ye been saved, through means of faith, and this hath come to pass—not from you, of Yahweh, the free-gift! Not from works, lest anyone should boast." This is true but if we continue reading we discover, "His, in fact we are his workmanship, created in Christ Yahoshua upon a footing of good works, which Yahweh prepared beforehand, that, therein, we might walk. Colossians 1:10 states, "So as to walk worthily of the Lord, unto all pleasing, in every good work, bearing fruit, and growing in the personal knowledge of Yahweh." We are to be, "Putting to the test what is well-pleasing unto the Lord" (Eph. 5:10). 1 Corinthians 3:13-15 says, "Each one's work, shall be made, manifest...If, anyone's work, shall abide, which he built, a reward, shall he receive,— If, anyone's work, shall be burnt up, he shall suffer loss, but shall, himself, be saved—though, thus, as through fire" (1 Cor. 3:13-15). 11 2 Corinthians 5:10 proclaims, "For, we all, must needs be made manifest before the judgment seat of the Christ, that each one may get back the things done by means of the body, according to the things which he practised, whether good or corrupt." We have been called to perform good works.

Justice & Righteousness

"...I, am Yahweh, Executing lovingkindness, justice, and righteousness in the earth,—That, in these things, I delight, Declareth Yahweh" (Jer. 9:24). Yahweh ahabs righteousness and justice. 12 Yahweh's ahab can not be separated from justice and righteousness. It appears that the doctrine of 'loving unconditionally' disregards justice and righteousness. Ask a mother if she would agree to her child being put to death for committing premeditated murder? Most would not! This could be an example of the doctrine of unconditional love, which disregards justice and righteousness. Yahweh delights in justice and righteousness and would command, except under very rare circumstances, 13 that the person who committed murder be put to death because it is just and right.¹⁴ The justice, ahab and righteousness of Yahweh is exhibited in those who will not make Yahoshua their Lord by having them destroyed in the Lake of Fire. These people are his children, he being the Father (Creator) of all families. 15 He, as a Father, knows ever detail of their lives. They entered the world as innocent babies but chose to rebel against their Creator, as did Cain. It is impossible to reconcile the world's false teaching on 'God's Unconditional Love,' with Yahweh's righteous and just commandments, torments and punishments. This brings us to our next point.

The deceiver

The adversary is a great deceiver. Deception is his method of operation. This should also inform us that he will dress up in the garments of the Christian ministry; "For, such as these, are false apostles, deceitful workers, transfiguring themselves into apostles of Christ. And no marvel! for, Satan himself, doth transfigure himself into a messenger of light! No great thing, therefore, if, his ministers also, are transfiguring themselves as ministers of righteousness..." (2 Cor. 11:13-15)! This method of the adversary allows him to work inside the Christian Church, working from the inside out. The kingdom of Israel and Judah fell from within rather than from without. False religious doctrine slowly separated them from Yahweh until Yahweh would no longer defend them. False doctrines are as microscopic parasites willingly received into a host, showing no symptoms at first. Over

¹¹ 2Co 5:10 For, we all, must needs be made manifest before the judgment seat of the Christ, that each one may get back the things done by means of the body, according to the things which he practised, whether good or corrupt.

¹² Ps 33:5 Who loveth righteousness and justice, With the lovingkindness of Yahweh, the earth is full.

Ps 89:14 Righteousness and justice, are the establishing of thy throne, Lovingkindness and faithfulness, go before thy face.

¹³ David, Bath–sheba and Uriah (2 Sam. 11)

¹⁴ Ex 21·12

For this cause, I bow my knees unto the Father,—From whom every fatherhood in *the* heavens and upon the earth is named, (Eph. 3:14-15)

¹⁶ 2 Cor. 11:3: Rev. 20:3, 8

time this tapeworm will reproduce growing and growing until it kills the host. Let me illustrate how the deceiver is using good Christian organizations to deceive Yahweh's children. (The organization I am presenting, Focus on the Family, is only to serve as an example of what thousands of Christian organizations are also doing.) The deceiver is using Focus on the Family, a well known Christian organization, to spread his deception.

They have an article on their website that is called, 'Responding in Love to an Adult Gay Child.' Before we begin to unfold the deception, let us read the commandment of Yahweh concerning brothers or sisters who have chosen to live in sexual immorality, homosexuality being included. 1 Corinthians 5:9, 11, 13 states, "I wrote unto you in my letter—not to be mixing yourselves up with fornicators...But, now, I have written unto you not to be mixing yourselves up,—if anyone named a brother, be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or an extortioner, with such a one as this, not so much, as to be eating together...Remove ye the wicked man from among, yourselves." 2 Thessalonians 3:6, 14 states, "Howbeit, we charge you, brethren,—that, in the name of the Lord Yahoshua Christ, ye be withdrawing yourselves from every brother—who, in a disorderly way, doth walk, and not according to the instruction which ye received from us... And, if anyone be not giving ear unto our word through means of this letter, on this one, set a mark—not to be mixing yourselves up with him,—that he may be reproved." Yahweh makes it very clear that we are not to associate with these individuals. (For more detail instruction, read the article, "Holy shall you be, because, I, am Holy" (When to Shun a Brother in Christ), in Teleios Vol. 2).

The doctrine of loving unconditionally is contrary to the Word of Yahweh, as we will Focus on the Family published on their website the following article, 'Responding in Love to an Adult Gay Child.' This article gives wicked counsel which is contrary to the Word of Yahweh. The article says, "Stephen Arterburn, best-selling author and respected Christian psychologist, says many parents of homosexual children withhold love and affection because they're afraid to appear approving of the gay lifestyle. The truth is that your child needs unconditional love and acceptance more than ever. Withholding love will only make a difficult situation worse. Remember that acceptance is not the same thing as approval. Acceptance means acknowledging what is true. It does not mean you must compromise your convictions about what constitutes right and wrong, nor does it mean you condone homosexual behavior and practices...Chances are your son or daughter wrestled long and hard with the decision to confess their homosexuality to you. They braced for judgment and rejection. That's why it's all the more important you let them know they are valued and loved as much as ever...You should feel comfortable stating your concerns about the morality, health risks and potential dangers involved with the gay lifestyle. But don't belabor things. It's especially important that whatever statements you make be couched in <u>love</u>. The important message remains: <u>I love you and accept you</u> —

http://www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting_roles/parenting-adult-children/responding-in-love-to-an-adult-gay-child.aspx (written by Roberta Rand Caponey)

that will never change." Can you imagine the messengers of Yahweh who were sent to destroy Sodom, giving the above message to Lot that we are to unconditionally love the sodomites and we are to say to them, 'We love you and accept you?' Notice how these Christian organizations use the adversaries word, 'gay,' rather than our Father's word, 'sodomite.' Where is the message that says, "Or know ye not that, wrong—doers, shall not inherit, Yahweh's kingdom? Be not deceiving yourselves:—neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor sodomites, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners—shall inherit, Yahweh's kingdom" (1 Cor. 6:9-10). This message is not proclaimed but rather the adversaries message of acceptance, unconditional love. The adversary has a desk at Focus on the Family, directing a portion of their ministry from the inside out! I stand in awe that the deceiver has pulled off such a masterful feat of deception by having his enemies, Focus on the Family and Christian psychologist's proclaiming his different gospel to Yahweh's children!

New Age

A New Age writer makes a statement concerning unconditional love by saying, "Nothing you become will disappoint me; I have no preconception that I'd like to see you be or do. I have no desire to foresee you, only to discover you. You can't disappoint me." Another New Age writer says, ""Unconditional Love is a dynamic and powerful energy that lifts us through the most difficult times. It is available at any moment by turning our attention to it and using its wonderful potential to free us from our limitations. It requires practice and intent to allow this energy to fully permeate our daily experience. It begins with ourselves, for without self-love, we cannot know what true love can be. In loving ourselves, we allow the feeling to generate within us and then we can share it to everyone and everything around us! That which we send out, returns to us in greater measure. If you have not thought about how you feel towards yourself, physically, mentally, and emotionally, or spiritually, we invite you to do so now. Begin the journey that changes everything. Begin the journey of unconditional love...The greatest power known to man is that of unconditional love." This doctrine of men is being proclaimed throughout the Church through teachers who replace the Word of Yahweh with the commandment of men.

Conclusion

'God's unconditional love,' is a 'Different Gospel,' and the people proclaiming it will be accursed, as promised in Galatians.¹⁹ Our duty is to ahab Yahweh and our neighbor, which is obeying his commandments as written in his Word. This included putting people to death and not helping those who rebel against Yahweh, those who are practicing wickedness, such as do fornicators, idolaters, adulterers, effeminate, sodomites, thieves,

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¹⁹ But, even if, we, or, a messenger out of heaven, announce a glad–message aside from that which we announced unto you, accursed, let him be! (Gal. 1:8)

¹⁸ 733 αρσενοκοιτης arsenokoites *ar-sen-ok-oy'-tace* 1) one who lies with a male as with a female, sodomite, homosexual; 1Co 6:9 Or know ye not that, wrong–doers, shall not inherit, God's kingdom? Be not deceiving yourselves:—neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor sodomites, 1Ti 1:10 fornicators, sodomites, man–stealers, liars, false–swearers,—and, if anything else, unto the healthful teaching, is opposed;—

covetous, drunkards, revilers, extortioners, disbelieving, abominable, murderers, sorcerers, and idolaters etc (1 Cor. 6:9, Rev. 21:8). The world will call this conditional love or intolerance or even hate but what matters is what Yahweh's proclaims is his Word. Christ said, "The world cannot hate you; but, me, it hateth, because, I, bear witness concerning it, that, the works thereof, are, wicked" (Jn. 7:7). We also are to bear witness against the wickedness that exists upon the earth. Let us follow in the foot-steps of Yahoshua (Joshua) by saying, "Now, therefore, revere ye Yahweh, and serve him, in sincerity and in truth,—and put away the gods which your fathers served beyond the River, and in Egypt, and serve ye Yahweh. But, if it be, a vexation, in your eyes, to serve Yahweh, choose ye for yourselves, today, whom ye will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served, that were beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye are dwelling,—but, I and my house, will serve Yahweh" (Jos. 24:14-15). Let us proclaim the Glad-Message that is only recorded in the Word of Yahweh, neither adding to it nor taking away from it!²⁰

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²⁰ Gal. 1:8; Deu. 4:2