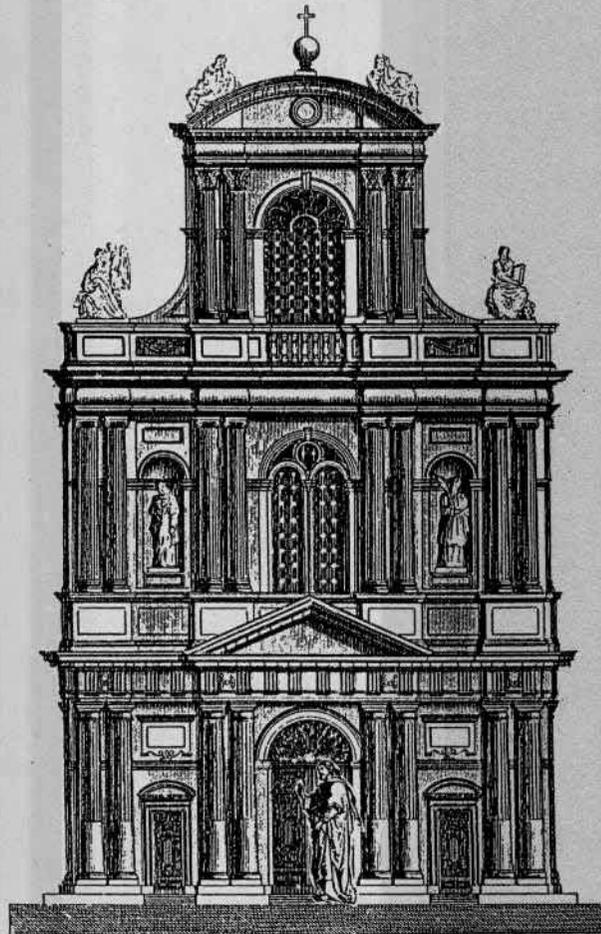


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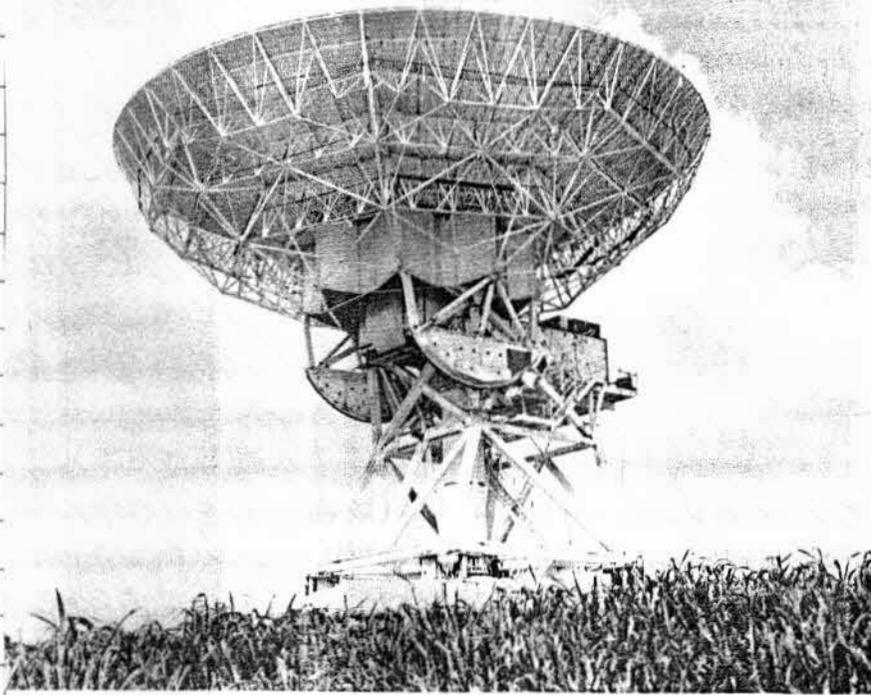
The purpose of this apologetics is an attempt to examine what is going on in the "church." I will use the word "church" because this word is more familiar to most people. The word is, ἐκκλησία - ekkleesia, better translated "assembly."

We have come to a period in which we are being greatly influenced by "feeling." Feeling, is the result of the impressions received through our 5 senses: sight, touch, taste, smell, and hearing. " --- Satan, the (one) leading-astray the total inhabited earth, " is very active; perhaps not so much individually, but collectively. (Rev. 12:9)

Satan has been quite successful during the past 1900+ years. I believe his major effort was made toward destroying the word of God. He has done this through various means: " --- out-of YOU yourselves men will-stand-up-for-themselves speaking things-having-been-and-still-TWISTED --- " (Acts 20:29:30); " --- evil MEN and wizards will-progress on the worse, leading-astray and being-led-astray. " (1 Tim. 3:13); " But the Spirit is-saying explicitly that in later seasons some will-depart of-the trust; paying attention to-misleading spirits and to-teachings of-little-demons in hypocrisy of-FALSE-WORDINGS; " (1 Tim. 4:1); " --- many ADULTERATING-FOR-FILTHY-LUCRE the word of-the God. " (2 Cor. 2:17); " And in covetousness with-FABRICATED WORDS they-will-merchandise YOU, --- " (2 Pet. 2:3). Until the invention of the printing press these things were not possible on a very large scale. Then came radio and now television. The greatest world wide communication became possible with the development of the satellites and the saucer-shaped antennas. →

Israeli postage stamp, June 6, 1972, tab, Ps. 19:4, "Their voice goes out through all the earth."





Israel's 30-meter dish-antenna.

← The whole inhabited earth is being led astray by false teachers in the church.

"--- among you there will be false-teachers, they who will introduce sects

of destruction, and denying the Despot having-bought them, ---" (2 Pet. 2:1)

False-teaching, at the start, is not easily detected. False-teaching must not be confused with "mistakes" made in teaching. As a person reads scripture he will correct his own mistakes. The idea that

"God loves everybody" is a beginning of false-teaching that sounds acceptable, but ← is contrary to scripture.

(see Apologetics 12)

The next step too, sounds very nice, that "all men are brothers and God is everybody's father; but that too is a lie.

← Since most people do not agree on doctrine, the next step is to find a place where there is agreement. How about "praising" the Lord? That sounds good; but the verb "to-praise" only occurs once in any "church" letter. Well,

I CORINTHIANS 14

25 And thus are the secrets of his heart made manifest; and so falling down on his face, he will worship God, and report that God is in you of a truth.



JOHN 1

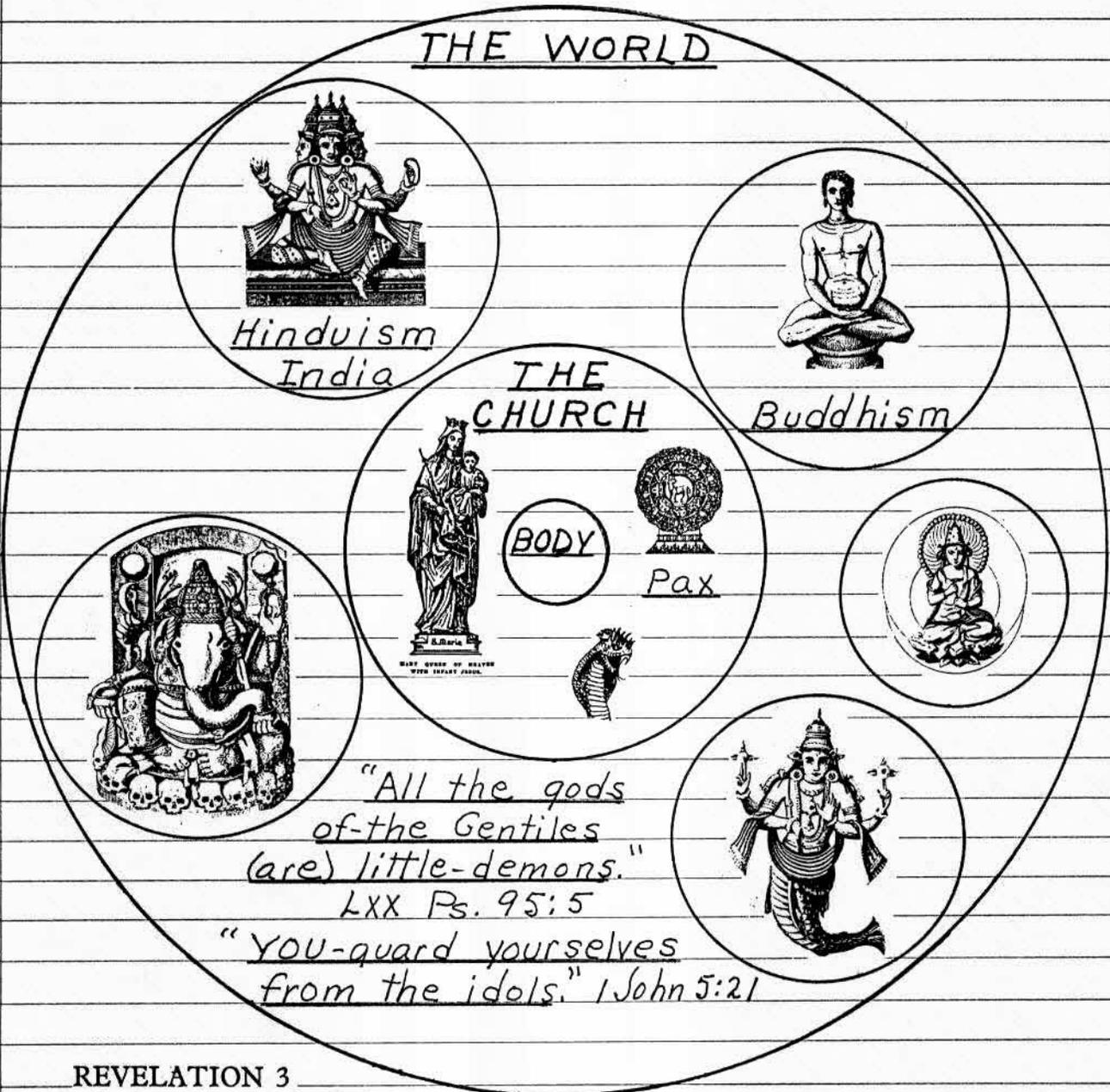
12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

ROMANS 15

11 And again, Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles; and laud him, all ye people.

at least we can "worship" together. "To-worship" occurs only once in a "church" letter. →

First; there is, "--- the church which is his body" (Eph. 1:22,23), "--- the little flock --- the 'church' of the God, which he-preserved-for-himself through (his) own blood." (Acts 20:28) Also 1 Cor. 12:13, Eph. 5, Col. 1 etc.



REVELATION 3

14 And unto the angel of the church of the Lā-ōd-i-cē-āns write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;

15 I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.

16 So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.

Then, there is the organized "church"; made up largely of unbelievers. Certainly this is not his "body."

Third, "the world" is full of religions.

Satan is leading the total world together into one church through "PAX", "peace", the daughter of Zeus, Irene.

4 By preaching LOVE, the Fatherhood of God, and the brotherhood of man; and praising and worshipping the Lord together, we now have a common ground on which all can work together for the best interests of all men. Doesn't that sound good? Now, no one teaches the Bible correctly, for that would bring in doctrine and upset the harmony. Music being another enjoyment for all, we now can sing throughout the praise and worship service and leave the Bible out altogether. But behind all this counterfeit front another Jesus is being presented. (2 Cor. 11:3,4) (See also Apologetics 6)

Who is Jesus? Most people connect Jesus with the nativity scenes of Christmas. Many people put up a Christmas tree and sometimes underneath the tree they put a manger scene with shepherds and wise-men, usually three. The Bible tells us the wise-men came to a house, not a manger; and saw the child, not a baby. The artists have given us many different pictures. People are so busy giving each other presents they seldom think any further. (Matt. 2:11)



Why doesn't the Bible give us an exact date for the birth of Jesus? I believe that when we emphasize the birth of Jesus we tend to lose sight of who Jesus really is. We need to understand 3 words: Jesus, Christ, and Lord. Jesus is the name given at the birth of the Savior, and is, so to speak, his earthly name. Before he was born in Bethlehem he created all things and also had the title "The Word."

JOHN 1

IN the beginning ^awas the ^{*}Word, and the ^bWord was ^cwith God, and the Word was ^dGod.

2 ^aThe same was in the beginning with God.

3 ^aAll things were ^{*}made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

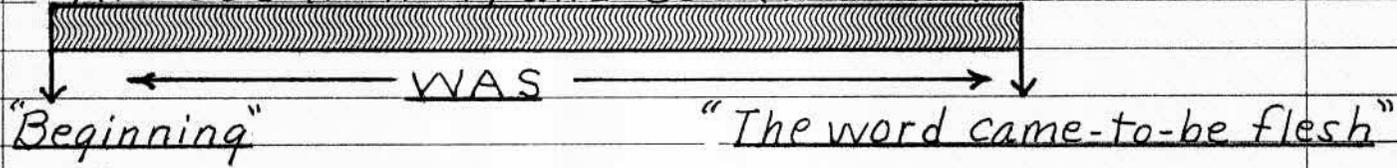
14 ^aAnd the Word ^bwas made ^cflesh, and dwelt among us, (and ^dwe beheld his glory, the glory as of the only ^{*}begotten of the Father,) ^efull of grace and truth.

vs. 14 "And the Word came-to-be flesh, and he tabernacled among us, and we beheld his glory, glory as only-begotten from (a) father, full of-favor and truth."

was (הָעַ - ēn, imperfect act. indicative), going on in past time.

1. The word was in beginning
2. The word was with the God (the Father)
3. The word was God (the Son)
4. This (one) was in beginning with the God.
5. The word came-to-be flesh

The God (Father) and God (the Son)



GENESIS 1

IN the ^abeginning ^bGod ^{*}created the heaven and the earth.

בְּרֵאשִׁית בָּרָא אֱלֹהִים אֶת הַשָּׁמַיִם וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ:
heavens the Gods created beginning In earth the and

The word ^{*}אֱלֹהִים elohim is really plural, more than one.

EXODUS 20

3 ^aThou shalt have no other gods before me.

In Exodus 20:3 "elohim" is correctly translated plural, "gods"; and "other" is plural to agree with it, *ים - , im, indicates plural.

GENESIS 1

26 And God said, ^aLet us make ^{*}man in our ^bimage, after our ^clikeness; and ^dlet them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

לֹא-יִהְיֶה לְךָ אֱלֹהִים אֲחֵרִים *עַל-פָּנַי:
me before other gods thee to be not Shall

27 So God created man ^ain his own ^bimage, in the image of God created he him; ^cmale and female created he them.

Continuing in Gen. 1: 26, 27, "God (elohim) (plural), said, Let us (plural) make man in our (plural) image (singular), after our (plural) likeness (singular) --- vs. 27 in his image, (singular), in the image (sing.) of God."

6 Who is God's "image" and "likeness"? Since

COLOSSIANS 1

12 Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:

15 Who is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of every creature:

16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

18 And he is the head of the body, the church; who is the beginning, the first-born from the dead; that in all things he might have the pre-eminence.

19 For it pleased the Father that in him should all fullness dwell:

Jesus shed his blood for the "church", his body; Jesus is clearly God the Creator.

The child born is Jesus; the son given, is God's son, born of a virgin.

ISAIAH 9

6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

7 Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

What do you have to believe to be saved? Let us reverse this question. If you are saved can you deny:

- ① That Jesus was born in Bethlehem? No!
- ② Can you believe Jesus had an earthly father physically? No!
- ③ Can you deny the virgin birth? No!
- ④ Or that he will sit on the throne of David? No!

2 CORINTHIANS 4

4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

5 For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.

"...the god of this age blinded the thoughts of the unbelieving with-reference-to the enlightenment of-the good-news of-the glory of-the Messiah, who is the image of-the God, not to-dawn."

Note some important word differences. On page 1, we had, "Satan, the (one) leading astray the total inhabited-earth." I believe he is "the god of this age"; not world. He blinded the "thoughts" not minds, of-the unbelieving. Christ should be translated, not transliterated; (Χριστός - Christos), translated is Messiah. As Messiah, Jesus is to rule upon the throne of David.

Note in vs. 5 "... BUT Messiah Jesus Jehovah..." Jehovah rather than Lord, there is no article, "the".

I cannot give a great deal of proof here that Lord, (κύριος - kurios) without the article, should be translated Jehovah. (See the course Jehovah, where all uses are considered.) Let me give one example. Even in the OT the King James seldom uses the word Jehovah, the American Standard Version of 1901 corrected this problem. Now note.

DEUTERONOMY 6 KJ
16 *Ye shall not tempt the LORD your God, *as ye tempted him in Mas'-sah.

This KJ translation makes Jesus

MATTHEW 4
7 Jesus said unto him, It is written again, *THOU SHALT NOT TEMPT THE LORD THY GOD.

ASV, 1901
16 *Ye shall not tempt Jehovah your God, *as ye tempted him in Massah.

misquote the OT where the word is Jehovah. This is a very major confusion.

GENESIS 19 ASV
24 Then Jehovah rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from Jehovah out of heaven;

Jesus in the flesh is Jehovah in the OT. In Gen. 19 we have two Jehovahs, two personalities of the God,

The first Jehovah in this passage is the Jehovah that appeared to Abraham, (Gen. 18:1) and ate, (with his two angels, Gen. 19:1) there in Mamre. The second Jehovah is the Father in heaven. (I have 4 Genesis courses covering these kind of things.) But let us go back to the NT. A great deal of emphasis is sometimes put on the idea

1 CORINTHIANS 12
3 Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

that you must know Jesus as L-o-r-d, especially by charismatics. "--- and not-one is-being-able to-say: Jehovah Jesus, unless in (the) Holy Spirit." All these things

are being twisted and misused by Satan in his leading astray through the help of poor translations; more often than not, translations done by false teachers.

As the Messiah, Jesus had to fulfill many OT prophecies, and to conform to the total law. Let us look at 3 of these in Matthew.

MATTHEW 1
23 *BEHOLD, A *VIRGIN SHALL BE WITH CHILD, AND SHALL BRING FORTH A SON, AND THEY SHALL CALL HIS NAME IM-MAN'-U-EL, which being interpreted is, God with us.

"Behold, the virgin will-have in womb and will-bring-forth

ISAIAH 7
14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; *Behold, a *virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Im-man'-u-el.

(a) son, and they-will-call his name Emmanuel."

8 Notice "they-will-call his name Emmanuel"; who?
As Matt. 1:21, 25, says, Joseph called him Jesus.

MATTHEW 1

21 "And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

24 Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife:

25 And he knew her not till she had brought forth her first-born son: and he called his name JESUS.

← Note the meaning of the word Emmanuel, "--- which being-translated is, the God with us."

"As that God was in Messiah reconciling (a) world to-himself---"

2 Cor. 5:19.

I believe "they-will-call" his name Emmanuel refers to the same time the names Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace (p.6 Isa. 9:6) will be used; that is, when he returns to rule the world.

Again, can a believer deny the virgin birth? If he does, he is NOT a believer, but one of Satan's ministers. (2 Cor. 11:14:15) Can a believer deny the deity of Jesus? One who does is NOT a believer, but Satan's minister.

MATTHEW 2

3 When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

4 And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

5 And they said unto him, In Beth-lehem of Judea: for thus it is written by the prophet,

6 "AND THOU BETH-LEHEM, IN THE LAND OF JUDAH, ART NOT THE LEAST AMONG THE PRINCES OF JUDAH: FOR OUT OF THEE SHALL COME A GOVERNOR, THAT SHALL RULE MY PEOPLE ISRAEL."

The OT → prophecy of Jesus' birth-place

fulfilled.

← Consider the time covered in this prophecy. His birth, yes; but more important his 2nd advent to rule Israel.

Also in Micah 5:2 his eternal existence.

MICAH 5

2 But thou, *Beth-lehem Eph'-ra-tah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel: whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.

Can a believer deny the return of Jesus to rule the restored Kingdom of Israel? If he does he is a false teacher.

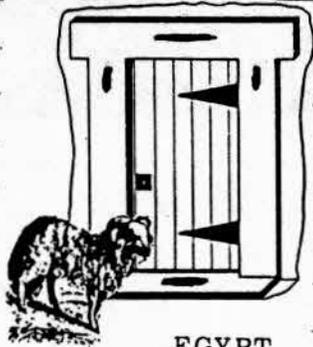
After the wise-men found Jesus, Joseph was told to take Jesus and his mother and to flee into Egypt. Herod was going to try to destroy Jesus. But why particularly Egypt, so far away? It says in the record, to fulfill another OT prophecy. But what a peculiar prophecy and still why Egypt? Let me show you absolute proof of Jesus' deity.

MATTHEW 2

13 And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.

14 When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt:

15 And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, "Out of Egypt have I called my son."



EGYPT

"(an) angel of - Jehovah"

HOSEA 11

WHEN Israel was ¹a *child, then I loved him, and ^acalled my ^bson out of Egypt.

Hosea applied directly to Israel; not Jesus. Yet the Holy Spirit takes this scripture, picks out only one little piece and applies it to Jesus; an enigma!

When God called Israel out of Egypt, God gave special instructions for keeping the Passover. (Ex. 12, 13) (see Hagadah, Apologetics 7)

Consider this amazing requirement. How can a Jewish father

EXODUS 13

8 And thou shalt ^ashow thy son in that day, saying, This is done because of that which the LORD did unto me when I came forth out of Egypt.

today, at the Passover, tell his son, that God brought him, personally, out of Egypt? Yet the Jewish Mishnah emphasizes this partic-

Pesachim 10:5 p.151

In every generation a man must so regard himself as if he came forth himself out of Egypt, for it is written, And thou shalt tell thy son in that day saying, It is because of that which the Lord did for me when I came forth out of Egypt.

ular. We need to turn to the book of Hebrews for the answer.

Abraham

Isaac

Jacob

Levi

Abraham paid tithes to this man Melchizedek. (The man casts the seed.)

Therefore, Levi was in Jacob, Jacob

HEBREWS 7

FOR this ^aMel-chiz'-ed-ek, king of Sa'-lem, priest of the most high God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him;

2 To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Sa'-lem, which is, King of peace;

9 And as I may so say, Levi also, who receiveth tithes, paid tithes in Abraham.

10 For he was yet in the loins of his father, when Mel-chiz'-ed-ek met him.

in Isaac, and Isaac in Abraham, and thus Levi is regarded as having personally paid tithes to Melchizedek. The same way, every Jewish father personally came out of Egypt in the loins of their fathers back through the centuries.

10 MATTHEW 5

17 ^aThink not that I am come to *destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill.

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

MATTHEW 26

17 ^aNow the ^{*first} day of the feast of unleavened bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare for thee to eat the passover?

18 And he said, Go into the city to such a man, and say unto him, The Master saith, ^aMy time is at hand; I will keep the passover at thy house with my disciples.

19 And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them; and they made ready the passover.

20 ^aNow when the even was come, he sat down with the twelve.

MATTHEW 1

18 Now the ^abirth of Jesus Christ was ¹on this wise: When as his mother Mary was ²espoused to Joseph, before they ³came together, she was found with child ^bof the Holy Ghost.

19 Then Joseph her husband, being a ¹just man, and not willing ^ato make her a public example, was minded to put her away ²privily.

20 But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: ^afor that which is ¹conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

MATTHEW 1

16 And Jacob begat Joseph the husband of ^aMary, ^bof whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ.

18 Now the ^abirth of Jesus Christ was ¹on this wise: When as his mother Mary was ²espoused to Joseph, before they ³came together, she was found with child ^bof the Holy Ghost.

LUKE 3

23 And Jesus himself began to be ^aabout thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) ^bthe son of Joseph, which was the ^cson of He'-li,

ISAIAH 48 ASV

16 ^aCome ye near unto me, hear ye this; from the beginning I have ^bnot spoken in secret; ^cfrom the time that it was, there am I; and now the Lord ^dJehovah hath sent me, and his Spirit.

Jesus reclined at the last Passover as the head of the family. In fulfilling the law he would narrate the story of the exodus from Egypt.

Jesus' disciples had come out of Egypt in the loins of their fathers.



God is called Jesus' Father. Joseph, the husband of Mary, was not a physical father of Jesus. Therefore, Jesus did not come out of Egypt in the loins of an earthly father.

To fulfill the law, the Father sent the child Jesus into Egypt and called him out personally. This is verified by the fact that the very same statement in Hosea 11:1 (p.9) concerning Israel is applied by the Holy Spirit to Jesus, in Matt. 2:15 (p.9) Thus proving the deity of Jesus.

Notice how scripture makes certain we understand that Jesus was not born of a human father, specifically Joseph.

I cannot digress to show the Trinity in the OT which is present throughout. Here is one verse. "I", the Son; the Lord Jehovah, the Father; and the Holy Spirit.

I referred to the fact that κύριος-(kurios), Lord in the NT, without the article, should be translated "Jehovah". (see page 7) Neither KJ nor ASV have ever done this. Notice a few verses consistently translated this way. Consider first, Talmud, Sanhedrin, p.663

R. Alexandri said: R. Joshua b. Levi pointed out a contradiction. It is written, in its time [will the Messiah come], whilst it is also written, I [the Lord] will hasten it!¹² - If they are worthy, I will hasten it: if not, [he will come] at the due time. R. Alexandri said: R. Joshua opposed two verses: it is written, And behold, one like the son of man came with the clouds of heaven;¹¹ whilst [elsewhere] it is written, [behold, thy king cometh unto thee . . .] lowly, and riding upon an ass!¹ - If they are meritorious, [he will come] with the clouds of heaven;² if not, lowly and riding upon an ass.

Zeck. 9 ASV

9 ² Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy ³ king cometh unto thee; he is ⁴ just, and ⁵ having ¹⁰ salvation; ⁶ lowly, and riding upon an ass, even upon a colt the foal of an ass.

With this prophecy well known, note Matt. 21.

Matt. 21 ASV

21 ¹ And when they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and came unto Bethphage, unto ² the mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, 2 saying unto them, Go into the village that is over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose them, and bring them unto me. 3 And if any one say aught unto you, ye shall say, The Lord hath need of them; and straightway he will send them. 4 ⁴ Now this is come to pass, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through the prophet, saying,

5 ⁵ Tell ye the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, Meek, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

6 And the disciples went, and did even as Jesus appointed them, 7 and brought the ass, and the colt, and put on them their garments; and he sat thereon. 8 And the most part of the multitude ⁸ spread their garments in the way; and others cut branches from the trees, and spread them in the way. 9 And the multitudes that went before him, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the ⁹ son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna ¹⁰ in the highest. 10 And when he was come into Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, Who is this? 11 And the multitudes said, This is ¹¹ the prophet, Jesus, from ¹² Nazareth of Galilee.

(vs.9) " --- Hosanna [save, I pray] to-the son of-David; the (one) coming in name of-Jehovah (is) having-been-and-still-blessed; hosanna in the most-high (places)."

(vs.10) " --- all the city was-caused-to-quake, saying: Who is this?"

▶ Acts 10:36 " The word which he-dispatched to-the sons of-Israel himself-bringing-good-news, peace through Jesus Messiah; this (one) is Jehovah of-all."

SON

Matt. 22 ASV 36 Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law? 37 And he said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. 38 This is the great and first commandment.

Deut. 6 ASV 4 ⁴ Hear, O Israel: ¹ Jehovah our God is ² one Jehovah: 5 and thou shalt love Jehovah thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

" --- Jehovah your God"

FATHER →

← The stars indicate words not in Greek or wrongly translated. (vs.17) " --- the Spirit of-Jehovah." (vs.18) " --- even-as from Jehovah Spirit."

HOLY SPIRIT →

2 CORINTHIANS 3

17 Now ¹⁷ the Lord is, that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is ¹⁸ liberty.

18 But we all, with open face beholding ¹⁸ as in a glass ¹⁹ the glory of the Lord, ²⁰ are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as ²¹ by the Spirit of the Lord.

12 There is another clear reference to the person of the Holy Spirit in the NT. The KJ confuses the subject by translating the Greek word with two English words. Greek - παράκλητος, (parakleetos); English - "advocate", and "Comforter".

1 JOHN 2

MY little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, ^awe have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:

← Jesus Messiah is an ^a"advocate".
(advocate or comforter could be used, I will use advocate.)

JOHN 14

16 And I will pray the Father, and ^ahe shall give you another Comforter, that he may ^aabide with you for ever;

17 Even ^athe ^aSpirit of truth; ^bwhom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither ^aknoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, ^cand shall be in you.

18 ^aI will not leave you ^acomfortless: ^bI will come to you.

26 But ^athe Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will ^bsend in my name, ^che shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your ^aremembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

← και ἄλλον παράκλητον
and another ^a"advocate"

*"another" of the same kind ←

(vs.18) "I shall not let YOU be orphans, I-am-coming to YOU."

(vs.26) "But the ^a'advocate', the Spirit namely-the Holy, whom the Father will-send in my name, *that-(one) [masculine pronoun] will-teach YOU all-things, ---"

JOHN 15

26 ^aBut when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, ^bhe shall testify of me:

← "But at-the-time-that the ^a'advocate' might-come, whom I myself-shall-send to-YOU from the Father, the Spirit-of-the truth, which is-proceeding-out from the Father, *that-(one) [masculine pronoun] will-bear-witness concerning me."

JOHN 16

7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is ^aexpedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but ^aif I depart, I will send him unto you.

8 And when he is ^acome, he will ^areprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

← "---the ^a'advocate' will not come to YOU --- I-will-send *him [masculine pronoun] to YOU. (vs.8) And having-come *that-(one) [masculine pronoun] will-reprove the world---"

The Holy Spirit is "Him" (John 16:7), the 3rd personality of the Trinity. (see all masculine pronouns*)

The Father sends the Holy Spirit. (John 14:26)

The Son sends the Holy Spirit. (John 16:7)

The Holy Spirit, another advocate (John 14:16) like Jesus, "proceeds-out" from the Father on his own. (John 15:26)

You cannot believe the deity of Jesus Messiah without believing the Bible; how else would you know that Jesus is Jehovah?

God gave the entire Bible through the Jews. (Rom. 3:1) By filling the Bible with thousands of statements concerning the Jews, and then preserving the Jews as a race to carry out those statements, God gives us proof of scripture. (see also Apologetics 2) Can a person who is "saved" disbelieve the Bible? No!

LUKE 4

3 And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread.

4 And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, THAT MAN SHALL NOT LIVE BY BREAD ALONE, BUT BY EVERY WORD OF GOD.

GENESIS 2

7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

18 And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a help meet for him.

21 And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;

22 And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.

MATTHEW 19

3 The Pharisees also came unto him, tempting him, and saying unto him, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause?

4 And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning MADE THEM MALE AND FEMALE,

5 And said, FOR THIS CAUSE SHALL A MAN LEAVE FATHER AND MOTHER, AND SHALL cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?

MATTHEW 24

37 But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

38 For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark,

39 And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

Let us try some specific questions. Must a "saved" person believe in a real devil? Either he does, or he accuses Jesus of talking to himself and imagining a devil. Or, he accuses Luke of lying.

Can a "saved" person believe the theory of evolution?

To accept evolution you must disbelieve the Bible. Adam was alone till God made a woman from his side. How would you have evolution without a male and female? Further, you must disbelieve Moses, who wrote Genesis. You must also disbelieve Jesus who quoted from Genesis.

GENESIS 7

19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered.

20 Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered.

21 And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man:

22 All in whose nostrils was the breath of life, of all that was in the dry land, died.

23 And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark.

Must a person who is "saved" believe a universal flood?

Do you believe Moses, Peter (2 Pet. 2:5), and Jesus?

If the flood was limited so also will be Jesus' coming?

14 Hundreds more such questions could be raised and the Bible will require answers that do not suit most church members. Jesus will return to rule his people Israel, (p.8 also Millennium course) and to fulfill his covenant with Israel. (Covenants course). Most church members do not want teaching. Read what Paul wrote to Timothy.

2 Tim. 4:1 "I-am-emphatically-testifying-in-sight of-the God and Messiah Jesus, the (one) (in) future to-be-judging living (ones) and dead (ones), according-to his clear-appearing and his kingdom; (vs.2) You-preach the word, you-stand-by seasonably, unseasonably, you-reprove, you-rebuke, you-entreat, in all patience and doctrine. (vs.3) For (a) season will-be when they-will not tolerate the healthy teaching, BUT according-to their-own desires they-will-heap-on to-themselves teachers having-themselves the hearing itching, (vs.4) And on-the-one-hand they-will-turn-back the hearing from the truth, on-the-other-hand they-will-be-diverted upon the legends."

We have arrived at the season described in verses 3 and 4. The word of God has been badly adulterated. (2 Cor. 2:17) Scripture is being twisted. (Acts 20:29,30) False teachers are everywhere.

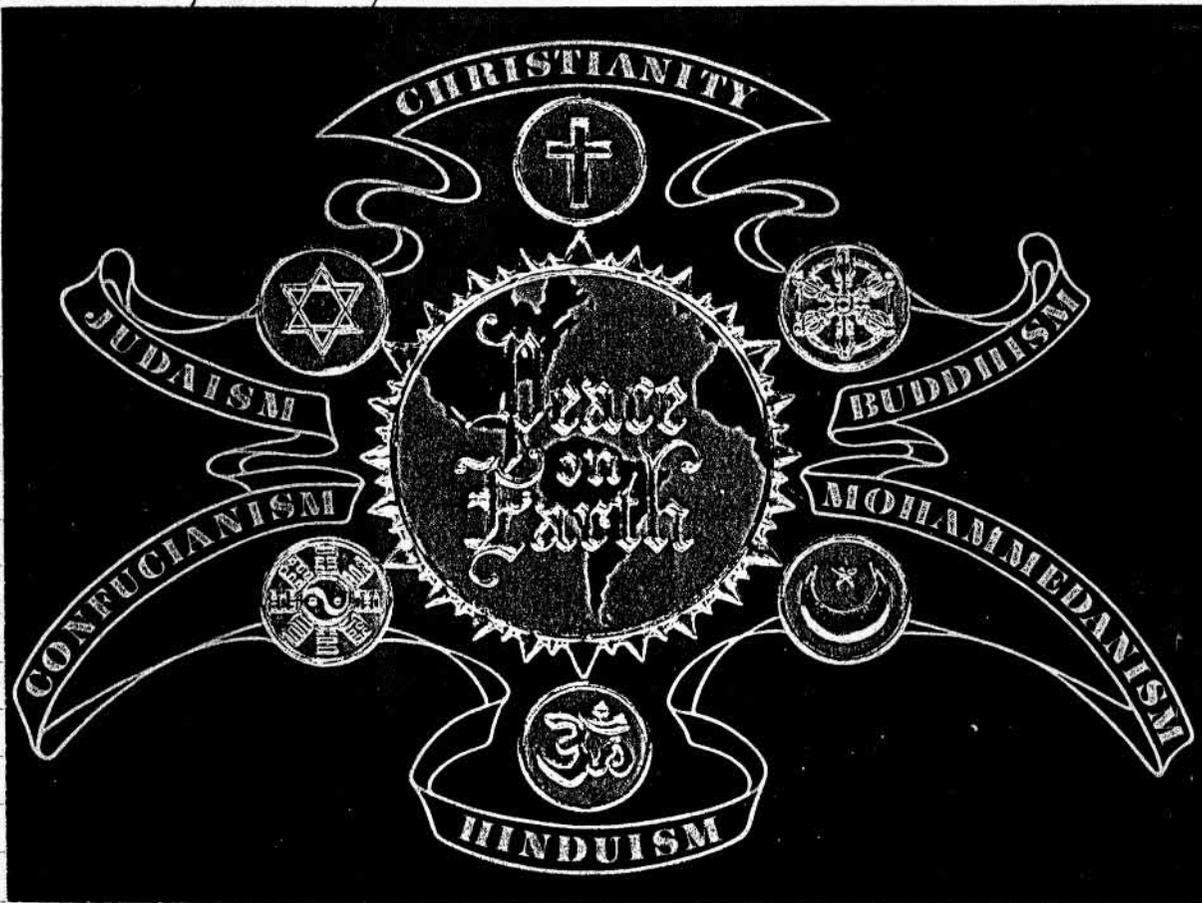
"--- the word of-the God (is) living and operational and more-cutting above every two-edged dagger---" (Heb. 4:12) But due to the adulterating of the word our defensive weapon against the methods of the devil looks more like this.



By disregarding the careful study of the word and substituting: music, worship, praise, and the social gospel, the "church" has opened its doors to the infiltration of all of Satan's religions. (p.4) Satan is indeed, "---leading-astray the total inhabited-earth." (Rev. 12:9)

Sometime ago a "Holiday Season" greeting card came into my possession. This card is a remarkable indication of how far religions are being interwoven already. The card does not print well because the colors are dark blue,

light blue, and gold.



Inside are the following statements.

† CHRISTIANITY

All things whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so unto them.

☆ JUDAISM

What doth the Lord require of thee but to do justly and love mercy, and walk humbly with thy God?

☾ ISLAMIC

Wherever you go, wherever you rest, may the peace of Good Allah keep you blest.

ॐ HINDUISM

As one may ascend to the housetop by ladder, rope, or bamboo, so there are many ways to reach God.

☸ BUDDHISM

Hatred does not cease by hatred, but only by love. This is an old rule.

☯ CONFUCIANISM

To be in one's own heart in kindly sympathy with all things; this is the nature of righteousness.

Hinduism and Buddhism particularly are the worship of idols. (see page 3) What does scripture say?

"--- YOU-be-fleeing from the idolatry." (1 Cor. 10:14)

"YOU-be not becoming being-differently-yoked to-unbelieving-(ones) ---" (2 Cor. 6:14) "BUT that what (things) the Gentiles are-sacrificing, they-are-sacrificing to-demons and not to-God, but I-am not willing YOU to-be-becoming partners of-the demons." (1 Cor. 10:20)

16 "--- YOU-come-out out-of (the) midst of-them and YOU-be-severed, Jehovah is saying, and YOU-handle not of-(an)-unclean-thing;" (2 Cor. 6:17)

Rather than obeying the Lord, the organized "church" has actually invited idolatry into the "church." Many pastors are Masons. Note the following statement from Morals and Dogma of Free masonry, published by the Masons, page 277.

The first Masonic Legislator whose memory is preserved to us by history, was Buddha, who, about a thousand years before the Christian era, reformed the religion of Manous.

Can a person be a good Mason and a

good Christian at the same time? No! (see How Should We Witness)

EXODUS 20

4 ^aThou shalt not make unto thee any *graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth:

5 ^aThou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: ^bfor I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, ^cvisiting¹ the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;

← Note the second commandment.

Anyone who has been a Roman Catholic knows that Roman Catholicism is idolatry. Yet, Roman Catholics are usually considered "Christians."

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Cardinal Johannes Willebrands, above left, is welcomed to the Lutheran Church in America convention in Toronto by the Rev. James R. Crumley, Jr., bishop of the LCA. Below, Boston Archbishop Bernard F. Law is greeted by an admirer after leaving an ecumenical doxology held at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church in New York. Archbishop Law is flanked by Bishop Methodios of Boston, left, and the Rev. Robert Polk, executive director of the New York City Council of Churches. See story, right, for coverage of the first of five international theological talks between Catholics and Baptists.



International Catholic/Baptist dialogues begin

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Catholic and Baptist clergy gathered in Berlin, West Germany, July 19-22 for the first in a planned series of five annual international theological talks aimed at promoting understanding and exploring existing prejudices between the two churches, the Vatican said.

The 12 participants discussed evangelism and evangelization, and "the difficulties and possibilities in giving a common Christian witness in the current world situation," according to a statement by the Vatican Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity.

A member of the secretariat who was co-secretary of the discussion, Msgr. Basil Meeking, said the talks were frank and helpful. He described the meeting as "exploratory," and said future talks would be longer and more specific on issues of concern.

"Because our traditions have been different, we have a bit of getting together to do," Msgr. Meeking said.

The talks covered a broad range of topics, the Vatican statement

said, including conversion, salvation, the common priesthood of all believers, the ordained ministry, baptism, Christian unity and faith. Future meetings are expected to focus on individual issues, as well as to identify prejudices and discuss them openly.

The overall goal of the sessions, the statement said, was to come to an understanding of similarities and differences in Baptist and Roman Catholic doctrinal, ecclesial, pastoral and mission concerns.

The meetings represent the first major international dialogue between Catholics and Baptists. However, national and local discussions have taken place.

Four of the participants in the West Berlin meeting, for example, are members of an ongoing dialogue between Roman Catholics and Southern Baptists in the United States.

The next session is slated for June 1985 in California.

Co-moderators of the talks are Auxiliary Bishop Bede Heather of Sydney, Australia, and David Shannon of the United States.

For more than 1900 years the organized "church" has gone further and further from the word of God. This is not something new; but the prophecies that it would, are recorded in the Scriptures themselves.

(See Revelation Translation and Commentary Vol. I, Apologetic 6) Recently, however, the formation of three entities as an aftermath of World War II have begun to bring the prophecies into a more clear focus.

1. The United Nations, Oct. 24, 1945
2. World Council of Churches, Aug. 1948
3. The State of Israel, May 14, 1948

The establishment of the State of Israel after nearly 1900 years, startled the world; but NOT the "church." The "church" had already become luke-warm and very few "church" members were even slightly stirred. The two World Wars had been the "beginning of birth-pains" of the restoration of the Kingdom to Israel. (See Apologetics 7, 14, 15)

REVELATION 3

14 And unto the angel of the church of the La-od-i-ce'-ans write; ^aThese things saith the A'-men, ^bthe faithful and true witness, ^cthe beginning of the creation of God;

15 ^aI know thy works, that thou art neither ^{*}cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.

16 So then because thou art luke-warm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew thee out of my mouth.

17 Because thou sayest, ^aI am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

18 I counsel thee ^ato buy of me ^{*}gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and ^bwhite raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and ^canoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

19 ^aAs many as I love, I rebuke and ^bchasten: ²be ³zealous therefore, and repent.

20 Behold, ^aI stand at the ^{*}door, and knock; ^bif any man hear my voice, and open the door, ^cI will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

and Jesus Messiah who is Jehovah of-all (p.11) now stands outside knocking. (vs.20)

One hundred years ago, (1884)

J.A. Seiss wrote the following paragraph (p.85) in, The Apocalypse.

And will it answer to say that all this is not largely and characteristically the state of things at this very hour? Can any man scrutinize narrowly the professed Church of our day, and say that we have not reached the Laodicean age? Is it not the voice of this Christendom of ours which says: "I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need in nothing?" And is it not equally the fact that this selfsame Christendom of ours is "the wretched, and the pitiable, and poor, and blind, and naked?" Did the "Mene, mene, tekel upharsin" of Belshazzar's palace better fit the ancient heathen than this modern Christian Babylon? Men talk of it as destined to glorious triumph. They proclaim it commissioned of God to convert the world. They point to its onward march as about to take speedy possession of the race for Christ and heaven. But "The Amen" hath spoken. "The faithful and true Witness" hath given His word: "I AM ABOUT TO SPUE IT OUT OF MY MOUTH."

Funk and Wagnalls Encyclopedia Vol. 25 →

I believe the "church" was spewed out (vs.16) in 1948

WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, international organization of Protestant, Anglican, and Eastern Orthodox churches, founded in 1948 for the purpose of promoting ecumenical fellowship, service, and study.

The founding convention and first assembly of the World Council were held in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, in August, 1948. Representatives of 150 denominations from 44 countries attended. The second assembly, held in Evanston, Ill., in August, 1954, was attended by 1242 delegates and accredited visitors representing about 168 million members of 163 denominations in 48 countries. A wide range of subjects was discussed. Among the resolutions adopted was one calling for abolition of all atomic, hydrogen, and other mass-destruction weapons of war.

18 Digress a moment to the United Nations, for it is here the battle lines are being drawn. I can only give small portions from Funk and Wagnalls Encyclopedia. (Vol. 24)

Origin of the United Nations. The first public international document setting forth in general terms the aims and principles embodied in the Charter of the United Nations was the Atlantic Charter (q.v.), a statement issued jointly in August, 1941, by President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

The formulation of specific plans for the establishment of the United Nations as a permanent international organization was initiated after the promulgation in Moscow, on October 30, 1942, of the "Moscow Declaration", signed by the United States, the Soviet Union, the United Kingdom, and China. The signatories to the Declaration asserted that their united action would be continued for the organization of peace and security after the conclusion of World War II, and recognized the need for the establishment of an international organization dedicated to that objective.

REVELATION 13

11 And I beheld *another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.

12 And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, *whose deadly wound was healed.



"But concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, YOU-are not having need to-be-written; for YOU yourselves are-knowing-absolutely, exactly, that day of-Jehovah thus is-coming as (a) thief in (the) night. At-the-time-that they-might-be-saying: Peace and security, then sudden ruination is-standing-by-for-itself for-them as-altogether the birth-pain to-the (one) having in womb, and they-might not flee-out."

(1 Thes. 5:1-3)

In Rev. 13:11 nothing is said about a body. The UN is not really a nation and I believe this description fits the United Nations.



The official seal and emblem of the United Nations, adopted by the General Assembly on December 7, 1946, is a polar map of the world surrounded by twin olive branches. In the official U.N. flag, adopted on October 21, 1947, this symbol is emblazoned in white on a light blue field. The General Assembly has designated October 24, the anniversary of the final ratification of the Charter, as "United Nations Day", to be devoted to publicizing the aims and achievements of the United Nations throughout the world.

← The UN has a flag, the map of the world.
"--- Satan, the (one) leading- astray the total inhabited- earth." (Rev. 12:9)

Note also on the flag, the deceptive twin olive branches, which may well correspond to the two horns like to a lamb. Also the color is blue and white. The flag for the city of Jerusalem is also blue and white and on its center the emblem of the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli postage stamp was issued, Feb. 2, 1966.



← The lion of the tribe of Judah on a shield (of David?) of blocks of the wailing wall, and two olive branches (see Zech. 4). Above the shield, the word Jerusalem; "the foundation of peace" (?) (see Gesenius p. 367)

This emblem of Jerusalem is on the flag of Jerusalem in gold with a light blue outline. Any peace and security that is permanent waits for Jesus Messiah, who is Jehovah of-all, to sit on the throne of his glory.

Notice how in 1965 the UN is dominated by religious leaders in this closing session. → Through the UN the antichrist will have religious control through the World Council of Churches.

Through the Genocide treaty and the world court this can be achieved.

GENOCIDE (Lat. *gens*, "people"; "*cædere*", "to kill"), in international law, the crime of destroying, or committing conspiracy to destroy, a national, ethnic, racial, or religious group. It was thus defined in the *Convention on Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide*, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on December 9, 1948.

The preamble to the Convention declares that in all periods of history "genocide has inflicted great losses on humanity", and that it is the aim of the contracting parties to eliminate genocide through international co-operation. The first article of the Convention declares genocide a crime whether committed in time of peace or war. The second and third articles define genocide in detail. The fourth article establishes the principle that punishment for genocide shall apply to guilty "constitutionally responsible rulers", public officials, and private individuals. Article five of the Convention imposes on the signatory nations the obligation of enacting legislation to give effect to the provisions of the Convention and to provide suitable penalties for persons found guilty of genocide.

Other articles exclude genocide from the category of political crimes and explicitly deny to persons accused of genocide immunity from extradition; they also provide that persons accused of genocide shall be tried "by a competent tribunal of the State in which the act was committed", or by such international tribunal as may have the necessary jurisdiction.

← The U.S. has not yet passed this treaty. How would you like to be accused, from your preaching, of trying to destroy an idolatrous religion, and then be tried by Satan's court?

It is later than you might think.

END OF U.N. MEET Prayers for Peace In the Cow Palace

The 20th anniversary meeting of the United Nations ended in the Cow Palace yesterday with pomp, pageantry, and a mass prayer to God to grant peace to this strife-torn planet.

The afternoon convocation of Religion for World Peace produced a papal blessing from Pope Paul VI and a somber reminder from U.N. Secretary General U Thant that the man's ethics are in a shabby state.

Leaders of seven international religious faiths with more than two billion members addressed the convocation audience of 16,000 and added their prayers.

The solemn pageantry began with a processional of the 2,000 voice choir, the clergy, religious leaders, and leaders of ethnic groups down the aisle of the Cow Palace—usually the scene of political conventions, horse shows, and ice hockey matches.

Archbishop Joseph T. McGucken of San Francisco presided at the convocation.

Sharing equal honors were Rabbi Louis Jacobs of London; C. V. Narasimhan, U.N. Chief de Cabinet and spokesman for Hinduism; Dr. G. T. Malalasekera, founder and first president of the World Fellowship of Buddhists; Archbishop Iakovos, primate of the Greek Orthodox Church of North and South America; His Reverence Shaikh Hassan Maamoon, rector of Al Azhar University, Cairo; a representative of Moslemism; Bishop Prince A. Taylor, president of the Council of Bishops of The Methodist Church; and Archbishop Martin J. O'Connor, titular archbishop of Lao-dicea in Syria and representative of Pope Paul VI.

PAPAL MESSAGE

It was Archbishop O'Connor who delivered the Pope's message, elaborately penned

at the Vatican on a medieval scroll.

"If therefore men are sons of the same father and nations are part of the single great human family, all have the grave duty of promoting peace, seeking it, proclaiming it," wrote the pontiff.

Noting the evidence of global spiritual chaos was the U.N. secretary-general:

"I feel very strongly that the moral and spiritual advance today has not kept pace with the material progress.

"So much misunderstanding and suspicion in the world today is ideological," the secretary-general added.

"It has become almost an axiom that if one side comes forward, for example, in the field of disarmament, with what may be prima facie a reasonable proposal, the other side immediately looks for hidden snags and traps.

"The ideological intolerance of today is comparable to the religious intolerance which prevailed not so long ago. . . . Today, while perfect religious tolerance may not prevail, we are generally willing to concede that each one of us should be free to seek his spiritual goal in his own way.

"Perhaps we may also be able to develop, over the years, a similar approach to the goal of peace, and concede that the goal is more important than the means.

"But," said Thant, "the blood that was shed during the two world wars would be but a rivulet compared to the torrent that will flow if, by our own lack of wisdom and restraint, we should once again unleash the terrible forces of war in this nuclear age."