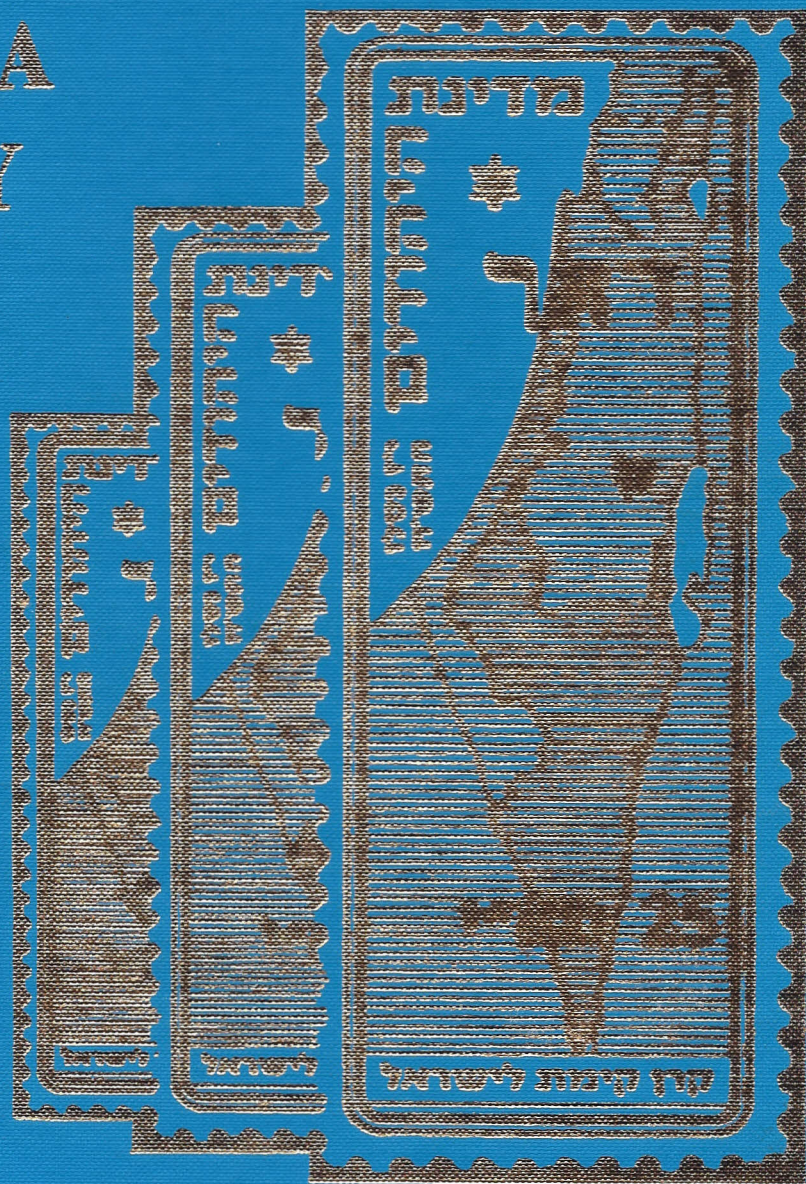


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THE PURPOSE

"The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God."
Ps. 14:1. There are about 3,000,000,000 people in the world and rare is the man who says he does not believe in any god at all. THE WORLD ALMANAC for 1964 divides the world's religions as follows:

Roman Catholic.....	558,221,000
Eastern Orthodox.....	138,513,000
Protestant.....	219,636,000
Jewish.....	12,867,000
Moslem.....	437,278,000
Zoroastrian.....	142,000
Shinto.....	59,788,000
Taoist.....	50,062,000
Confucian.....	334,549,000
Buddhist.....	155,265,000
Hindu.....	340,844,000
Others or none.....	676,007,000
TOTAL.....	2,983,172,000

The figure of 676,007,000 marked "others or none", includes all of those who worship idols in Africa, South America, and the rest of the world. Those who worship no god would be less than a tenth of 1%.

Are you honest? At least you like to think you are. Do you believe in a god? Perhaps, whether you believe in a god or not, you would consider answering some important questions on this subject.

What is the difference between a live man and a dead man? True, some physical failure may have caused his death but where did his life go? What was his life? Can you measure what we call the soul? Are you sure that when a man dies he's just dead and that's it? What makes you so sure? Can you PROVE that there is no hell? Maybe you feel that no one can answer these questions.

Look at the flowers, the trees, the birds, the animals, the snow, and the rain; who makes and controls all of these? Why does a sow have 8 to 12 or more little pigs in each litter and usually two litters a year? A good sow may thus have 24 little pigs each year. Suppose they only had one pig each year and that bears, lions, tigers, and other beasts of this sort each had 24 young ones per year. Thousands of such illustrations of God's wonderful control of the physical world could be given. No wonder man admits at least the existence of a Supreme Being or Creator. Admitting there is a Supreme Being, is it too hard to imagine that there might be some sort of continuance after death?

Consider some other questions for a moment. Is it not strange that all religions in their essentials are alike? All religions have good and evil, a good god and an evil god. All religions expect some continuance of life beyond death. Superstition! How do YOU know? Can you determine which religion is the true one? Many persons live for the present and as far as the future is concerned they say, "I'll take my chances". Still others say, "I'll do the best I can". Aren't you taking a big chance?

Not many people read the preface in a book. For this reason the preface in this book is the first chapter. It is important before reading this book that you know and understand its purpose. The questions we have raised can be answered and the answers proven. It is the purpose of this book to show:

1. There was and is an original source from which all religions stem.

2. All religions are alike in their essentials.

3. All religions are motivated by a real person known as Satan.

4. Religions are interlocked with each other to an amazing degree.

5. There is but one true faith.

6. God has established a physical proof of these things in the nation of Israel.

7. There is but one book that is absolutely true and without error, the Bible.

8. The greatest physical miracle of history is the world-wide dispersion of the Jews, their preservation through history, and their re-gathering into Palestine. Including also, of course, the barren waste of this land for 20 centuries and its sudden productivity to support God's people.

9. Satan is gathering the religions of the world into a great world church.

10. That the members of Satan's religious system will be plainly and physically marked, and what in all probability that mark will be.

Permit me now in this preface to state that as a graduate mechanical engineer, I believe sufficient facts exist to prove, beyond any shadow of doubt, the statements which I have given. Much, much more could be presented than is given, but I desire to take just a few highlights covering points of interest rather than to get so involved that my reader will become confused. I have tried to give pictures in abundance to make the proof visible. The postage stamps of the world are actually an amazing source of information. The postage stamps of Israel are the most striking ever issued by any government of the world. Israel usually issues postage stamps in small sheets. Attached to one row of stamps at the bottom or side is

what is called a descriptive tab. The stamps shown in this book have this descriptive tab attached. This tab is not part of the stamp nor is it necessary in mailing letters or packages. This tab often describes the stamp in some way or adds to its meaning. The stamps of Israel with their attached tabs seem to bring alive the history of the past, history in its making and events yet to come. The postage stamps of no other nation seem to literally "live" as do those of Israel. Do the nations always know and understand what they are putting on postage stamps? I wonder, for it seems that often the subjects on postage stamps seem to be beyond the realm of human control. As to this I leave you to your own conclusion but certainly if you study the stamps shown in this book you will wonder at the content of some of them. Read this book carefully, as it probably takes an approach which is completely strange to you and may you see, one God, and His Only begotten Son, Jesus Christ the Lord.



THE VIRGIN-BORN SAVIOR

The world today is being told, more than ever before, that all men are brothers and God is the Father of us all. There is a fast-moving trend to gather all so-called Christians into one great group. At the present, many protestant denominations are joining forces while at the same time there is an effort to join Protestants with Roman Catholics. The movement goes further than this, for many leaders feel that Buddhists, Hindus and others worship the same God through a different channel. In other words, we are all working to the same end but along different paths. Mutual help, love, compassion and understanding is what the world needs today. Over 3,000,000,000 human beings look bewildered, and their hearts are empty; but they continue in the way they were raised. Is there a clear explanation to this the major problem of the world today? After all a man's religion is the most important part of his life. It controls directly or indirectly all he thinks, how he lives, and offers him what hope he has for the future. Since man began on the earth, he has always believed in a life after death. The mummies of Egypt bear mute testimony to the proof of this statement. Household goods, chairs, tables, and jewelry were buried with the deceased. Toys were buried with children and even mummified pets like their cat. Truly the religions of the world form a great maze of confusion to any serious person.

Under the city of New York is a great labyrinth of passageways which will well illustrate our problem. Any week day morning you might descend any of hundreds of stairways that lead to the most complex underground railroad system imaginable, and down these stairways literally millions of people are pushing and fighting their way---some going home, some to work, some to school, some to church, some sad, some joyful, and some not really going anywhere but looking for a place to be warm and get out of the weather. This is a cross section of the great sea of humanity.

The trains all look alike, but which one do you take? Perhaps the average person in this great crowd cannot direct you, he simply knows he takes train E. Where does the E train go? He doesn't know. Someplace, three stations later he gets off, and so he doesn't care. Humanity for centuries has followed just such a maize in the religious field. I'm a Buddhist. I'm a Catholic. I'm a Baptist. Why? I don't know. I was just brought up that way, I guess. Don't you care to know? Not particularly. I leave well enough alone.

The trains have different names: E train, D train and B train. If in the heart of New York City you board one of the many trains, do you know where you will go? They certainly don't all go to the same place but they do all go to a dead end. The conductor will say, "All out; this is as far as we go." Some day your religion will say to you, "All out; this is as far as we go." These trains don't go anywhere but to a dead end, and then they go back and get some more people to bring to the same dead end. I'm afraid that if you think all religions lead to the same place, you are just as fooled as if you thought all trains led to the same place. But don't all religions look alike? Yes, they often appear quite alike and they do have

a common source. Have you ever realized how very much alike religions really are? It is absolutely amazing that all the world religions have so much in common. Of all the religions, there is actually but one that is true and real. Can it be proven? Can a person know for a certainty? Indeed you can, if you know how religions are marked, for religions are marked, you know, and they have various kinds of emblems and insignia that make it quite easy to determine the true from the false. Let us look first at the great labyrinth of religions and see how much they have in common.

Today, much controversy has been raised as to whether or not it is necessary to believe that Jesus was virgin-born. If one is to believe the Bible, there is, of course, no question of doubt. The question actually becomes a very simple one, "Do you or do you not believe the Bible?"

18 ¶ Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

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

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: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

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

22 Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,

23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

Matt. 1:18-23

The Bible plainly states that Jesus Christ was born of a virgin. In no branch of the Christian faith is as much emphasis placed on the virgin birth as in the Roman Catholic Church. Statues and pictures of a mother and child reputed to be Mary and Jesus, are found everywhere, and for the moment we need not comment further.

The question now may be asked, "Do other religions have such a virgin-born savior?" Let us turn first to ancient Egypt, for the Egyptians and their religion existed centuries before any part of the Bible was written. In Egypt they worshiped the virgin goddess, Isis and her son, Horus.



← ISIS & HORUS
Fig. 1

In India the Hindus worship the virgin, Devaki and her son, Crishna.



DEVAKI & CRISHNA ←

Fig. 2

Another mother worshiped in India was Indrani, the wife of the god, Indra. Here, you see this goddess holding a child on her lap.



INDRANI & CHILD →

Fig. 3

In ancient Babylon also, a goddess mother was worshiped. One of her names in Babylon was Mylitta and the child's name was Tammuz.



← MYLITTA & TAMMUZ

Fig. 4

The Greeks worshiped the goddess as Aphrodite and the Romans as Venus. So, you see, the Romans, Greeks, Babylonians, Indians, and Egyptians all worshiped a virgin mother and child long before Jesus Christ was born. These are just a few. This goddess mother has many other names: Cybele, Minerva, Diana, Juno, Maya, Ceres, Shing Moo, and Semiramis to mention a few more.

No wonder the idea exists that all religions are the same. It can very easily be shown that these virgin goddesses are connected to each other. At first glance it might seem that the oldest record of a virgin goddess and child must be the original and all of the other goddesses simply copies, but this is not the case. How then, you ask, did all of these ancient nations get the idea of a virgin-born savior

long before the Bible was written and centuries BEFORE Jesus was born? The Bible gives us some very important information with which to answer such a question.

➔ AND the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.

2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shī'-nār; and they dwelt there.

3 And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them throughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar.

4 And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top *may reach* unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.

5 And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.

6 And the LORD said, Behold, the people *is* one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.

7 Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.

8 So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city.

9 Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence

did the LORD scatter them abroad
upon the face of all the earth.

Gen. 11:1-9

Notice verse one. At that time the entire population was all speaking the same language and was gathered together in one place. On leaving this place called Babel or Babylon the people divided into their many nations and carried with them a promise of a virgin-born savior. But still, how could they know of a virgin-born savior so long before the Bible? We know that such a promise is in Gen. 3:15 although in rather a veiled form.

15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

← *Virgin*

← *Child*

Gen. 3:15

This promise was known to Adam and Eve and could have easily been well known to all those at the Tower of Babel. But I believe they had much more of the gospel than this. Notice WHY God created the sun, moon, and stars.

14 ¶ And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:

SIGNS →

Gen. 1:14

They were for seasons, days, and years, and to give light. But we have missed something; they were for SIGNS. In what way were they signs? Now, look again at Genesis 11:4.

4 And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.

Gen. 11:4

Do you notice that the Scripture says, "whose top may reach unto heaven"? The words "may reach" are written in italics and this signifies that they are not there in the Hebrew text. These ancient peoples were all expert astronomers and they were not so foolish as to think their tower could reach to heaven.

It has been thought by some that the outer surface stones on the Tower of Babel had pictures of the heavens----sun, moon, and stars. Thus perhaps the passage should read "whose top is of the heavens."

On most maps of the starry heavens you will see the outlines of many figures--a lion, a lamb, a bull, a woman, and many others. These figures are known as the Zodiac. People today connect the Zodiac with fortune telling, astrology, and horoscopes. This is but the corruption of what God once gave in the heavens to show the world the plan of salvation. Job refers to these signs in the heavens and uses the Hebrew word for "Zodiac" which is given in the King James' version as "Mazzaroth".

31 Canst thou bind the sweet influences of Pléi'-ā-dēs, or loose the bands of Ō-rí'-on?

32 Canst thou bring forth Māzz'-ā-rōth in his season? or canst thou guide Ārc-tū'-rūs with his sons? ← **Zodiac**

33 Knowest thou the ordinances of heaven? canst thou set the dominion thereof in the earth?

Job 38:31-33

THE ZODIAC

Very few people know anything about the real meaning of the Zodiac. No wonder, when all we hear is our horoscope and ridiculous predictions which never come true. But just because we have misused this great gift of God is no reason to assume it had no better purpose.

We must, first of all, consider a few facts about the Bible which you may or may not know. They are so important they have been set down item by item;

1. The Bible was given by God through the medium of the Jewish people.

WHAT advantage then hath the Jew? or what profit is *there* of circumcision?

2 Much every way: chiefly, because that unto them were committed the oracles of God.

Romans 3:1, 2

2. The New Testament began to be written about 50 A.D. The early church had no New Testament.
3. The Old Testament was started at the time Moses led the people out of Egypt. Before this time there was no Bible.

In books of the Bible written about 600 B.C. we find record of astrologers. The people in and around Babylon were particularly skilled in astronomy and its corrupt form which we call astrology.

13 Thou art wearied in the multitude of thy counsels. Let now the astrologers, the stargazers, the monthly prognosticators, stand up, and save thee from *these things* that shall come upon thee.

Isaiah 47:13

10 ¶ The Chäl-dē'-äns answered before the king, and said, There is not a man upon the earth that can shew the king's matter: therefore *there is* no king, lord, nor ruler, *that* asked such things at any magician, or astrologer, or Chaldean.

Dan. 2:10

The Israelites themselves were caught in the idolatry of sun-worship as we shall presently see. Paul in writing the epistle to the Romans says, "whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." (Rom. 10:13) Paul continues to explain that in order to call on the name of the Lord, people have to hear about the Lord. Paul then asks if it is true that everybody has heard.

18 But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.

Romans 10:18

Notice, as Paul continues writing as directed by the Holy Spirit, he says that they have heard. How? "Their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world." Whose sound and whose words? This is quoted from Psalm 19.

THE heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork.

2 Day unto day uttereth speech,
and night unto night sheweth
knowledge.

3 *There is* no speech nor language, *where* their voice is not heard.

4 Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,

5 Which *is* as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, *and* rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.

Psalms 19:1-5

In verse two it says, "night unto night sheweth knowledge." It could be said that this means that the stars, sun, and moon show the infinite knowledge of God in creation; but is this what it really means? It is further explained that the sun is the central figure and its path is likened to a bridegroom running a "race" or more properly a "course". In so many words it is explaining that the sun's course in the starry heavens is a type of the bridegroom's course through life. Remember these things for a moment, but let us follow another thought for a while.

One of these imaginary figures in the sky is called Aries. It is the figure of a lamb lying down. This constellation, as it is called, is identified by the three stars which are all in the head of the imaginary figure and form a small triangle. The usual question asked in ridicule is: "How do you make a lamb out of those three stars?" To ridicule the Zodiac does not show superior intelligence but rather ignorance. If these three stars were imagined as a lion on the star maps of Africa, and as a cobra on the star maps of India, and as a dragon on the star maps of China, and as an elephant on others, etc., we should be quite justified in saying that all of these things are just imagined and make no sense at all.

Such is not the case. On star maps all over the world these three stars are connected with the figure of a lamb and yet there is no possible way to imagine a lamb formed by these three stars. THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC MAGAZINE, "A Map of the Heavens," shows the lamb. Go to all the ancient star maps and you will still find a lamb. Why? Just as the virgin mother and child systems had one source in Babylon so the star maps have the same common source. These three stars always form the constellation, Aries.



ARIES ★ THE RAM

Some 3500 years ago when the Israelites left Egypt, they took the blood of a lamb and put it on the doorposts and lintels of their homes. This was the time of the Exodus when Moses led the people out of bondage.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying,

2 This month *shall be* unto you the beginning of months: it *shall be* the first month of the year to you.

3 ¶ Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth *day* of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of *their* fathers, a lamb for an house:

4 And if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take *it* according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb.

5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take *it* out from the sheep, or from the goats:

6 And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening.

7 And they shall take of the blood, and strike *it* on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it.

8 And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; *and* with bitter *herbs* they shall eat it.

Ex. 12:1-8

The great Jewish historian, Josephus, writing in about 70 A.D., says, "In the month of Xanthicus, which is by us called Nisan, and is the beginning of our year, on the fourteenth day of the lunar month, when the sun is in Aries, (for in this month it was

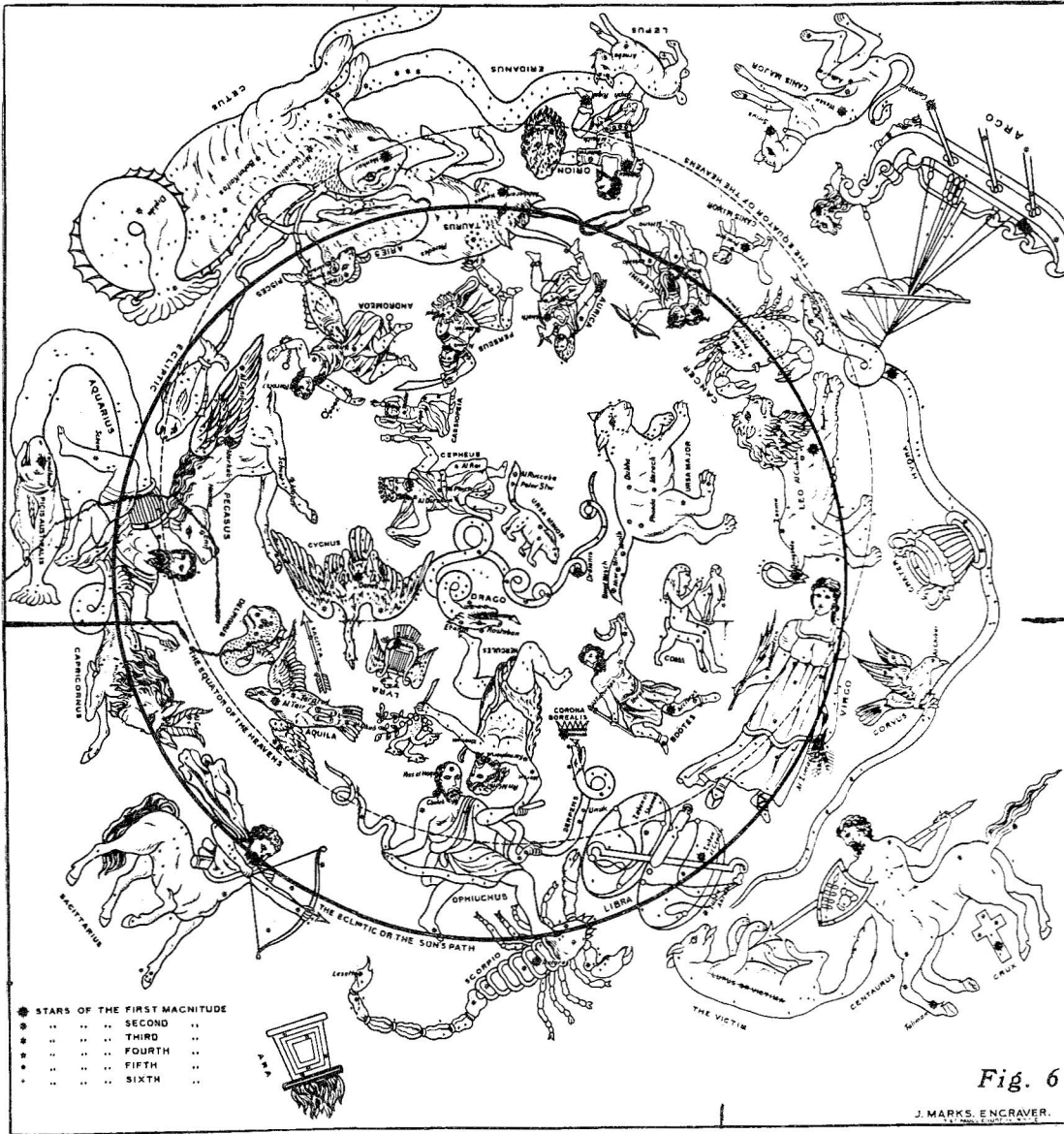
that we were delivered from bondage under the Egyptians), the law ordained that we should every year slay that sacrifice which I before told you we slew when we came out of Egypt, and which was called the Passover." Here, we begin to see that these imaginary figures are connected with world events. Aries, the lamb, is a picture of the lamb's dying first for Israel and later as "the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." John 1:29

The sun moves eastward in the course of the year along a path through these imaginary figures.

1. Aries, the lamb or ram
2. Taurus, the bull
3. Gemini, the twins
4. Cancer, the crab
5. Leo, the lion
6. Virgo, the virgin
7. Libra, the balance
8. Scorpius, the scorpion
9. Sagittarius, the archer
10. Capricornus, the goat
11. Aquarius, the water-bearer
12. Pisces, the fishes

Now, these figures form a great circle and tell a very important story. But with the figures in a circle, where in the circle does the story begin? Perhaps this circle of figures tells two stories. In the quotation from Josephus, the month Nisan is the beginning when the sun is in Aries, and so today, Aries is regarded by the nation of Israel as the beginning. The Bible says that Nisan was to be the beginning month.

And so it is the custom among nations today to begin with the constellation, Aries. But this was not

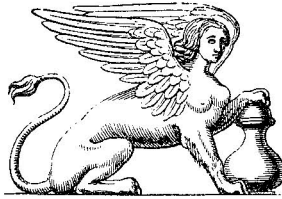


THE ZODIAC

or

MAZZAROTH *Job 38:32*

always the beginning. Many years ago another beginning was indicated. Rev.E.W.Bullinger in his book, THE WITNESS OF THE STARS, gives the Sphinx as the key to the Zodiac. The Sphinx has a woman's head and a lion's body. It is well known in both Egypt and Greece.



A GREEK SPHINX



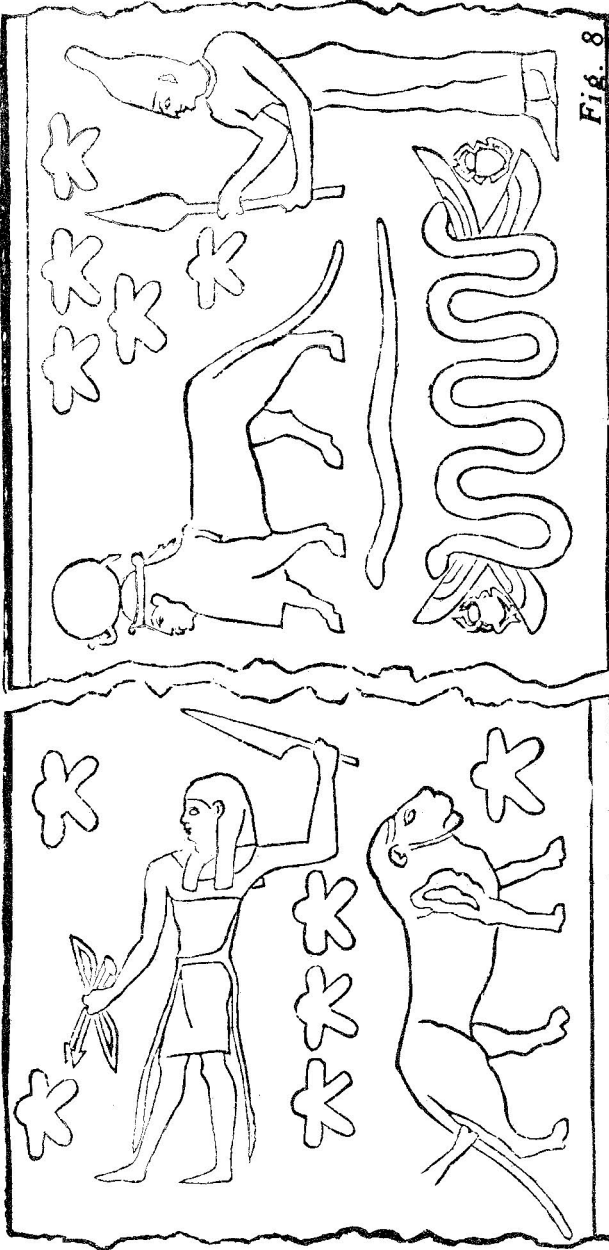
A SPHINX
on a
FARTHING



3-HEADED SPHINX
on a
COIN of TRAJAN

Fig:7

The word "sphinx" comes from a word which means "to bind tight together". Thus a sphinx binds the ends of the Zodiacal circle together. On the ceiling of the Portico of the Temple of Esneh, in Egypt, a sphinx is shown between the virgin and the lion.



LEO SPHINX VIRGO
 From the Portico of the Temple of Esneh


This is a clue to the understanding of the Zodiac for the story begins with Virgo, the virgin, and continues around the circle to Leo, the lion. The Sphinx is said to have proposed a riddle, "What creature goes in the morning on four legs, at noon on two, and in the evening on three?" The solution: "A man, who during his infancy creeps on all-fours, in his prime walks erect on two legs, and when old age has enfeebled his powers, calls a staff to his assistance, and thus has, as it were, three legs." Here again is a hint that the entire gospel was known but perverted by mythology for this is the course of the Bridegroom from His virgin birth to His return as the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, King of kings and Lord of lords.

23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

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 knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.

Matt. 1:23-25

 *THE INFANT*

5 Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And *Pilate* saith unto them, Behold the man!

John 19:5

 *THE MAN*

5 For *there is one* God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;

1 Tim. 2:5

9 ¶ I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment *was* white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne *was like* the fiery flame, and his wheels *as* burning fire.

Daniel 7:9

← THE ANCIENT
OF DAYS

It is not the purpose of this book to enter into a detailed study of the Zodiac, which has been so ably done by Dr. Joseph A. Seiss in THE GOSPEL IN THE STARS and by Rev. E. W. Bullinger in his fine book referred to above. I am completely convinced that the virgin goddesses have a common origin, and at one time the gospel was clearly revealed in the heavens. Later, we shall deal with further proof of the gospel in the stars. Psalms 19 likens the sun's path to a bridegroom running his course and Paul concurs in Romans 10:18 that everybody in his day had heard the gospel.

Men at the tower of Babel began to make gods and goddesses of these imaginary figures. God gave one of the 10 commandments to Israel against this very act.

4 Thou 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:

Ex. 20:4

Again, you will notice that the words "of any thing" are in italics and do not belong in the text. The Scripture reads, "or any likeness that (is) in heaven." Does this limit the making of idols to those in the fashion of birds, or does it include these imaginary figures which were known and worshiped by heathen nations long before the Bible was written?

Is it not more than a coincidence that the most common of all idols in the world is that of a virgin goddess with a child in her lap? The Roman Catholic Church, by far the largest of all of the so-called Christian religions, has such an idol as the center of all of its worship. There is such an original statue in the imaginary figures of the heavens and to this we now turn our attention.



THE ORIGINAL VIRGIN

While there are 12 constellations which make up the Zodiac, there are many more constellations than these in the heavens. Many constellations on modern star maps are of recent origin and do not appear on the ancient maps. Some few present-day constellations have been changed from their original picture.

One of these which has undergone considerable change is the one labeled on present-day star maps as "Coma Berenices". This constellation is represented as a woman's wig; its name means "the hair of Berenice". Berenice, the wife of Ptolemy III, King of Egypt, promised her hair to Venus if her husband returned home safely from a dangerous expedition. Her hair was hung up in the temple of Venus from whence it was later stolen. To comfort Berenice, Canon, an astronomer of Alexandria, said that Jupiter had taken it and made it a constellation.

Rev. E. W. Bullinger in *THE WITNESS OF THE STARS*, p. 35, gives the ancient Egyptian name for this constellation as Shes-nu, the desired son. Rev. E. W. Bullinger was able to procure an exact drawing of this constellation as it appeared on the Zodiac in the Temple of Denderah in Egypt which was built at least 4,000 years ago.

Here is a mother and child on an ancient star map. Dr. Seiss gives the Hebrew and Oriental meaning of Coma as "the desired, the longed-for." The Scriptures themselves speak of this Coming One.

COMA



THE DESIRED

7 And I will shake all nations,
and the desire of all nations shall
come: and I will fill this house
with glory, saith the LORD of
hosts.
Haggai 2:7

Beyond all doubt, the virgin goddesses, often with a child in the arms, have one common origin---the constellations of Virgo, the virgin; and Coma, the desired. Again we say, no wonder people are confused as to which is the right religion. Is there any way to be absolutely sure?

The idea of a personal devil, especially in the form of a serpent, is put by most modern religious leaders in the category of mythology. Here again it comes to a simple question: "Do you or do you not believe the Bible?"

NOW the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

3 But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

6 And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, and that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.

8 And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and

Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

9 And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where *art* thou?

10 And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I *was* naked; and I hid myself.

11 And he said, Who told thee that thou *wast* naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

12 And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to *be* with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.

13 And the LORD God said unto the woman, What *is* this *that* thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

14 And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou *art* cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:

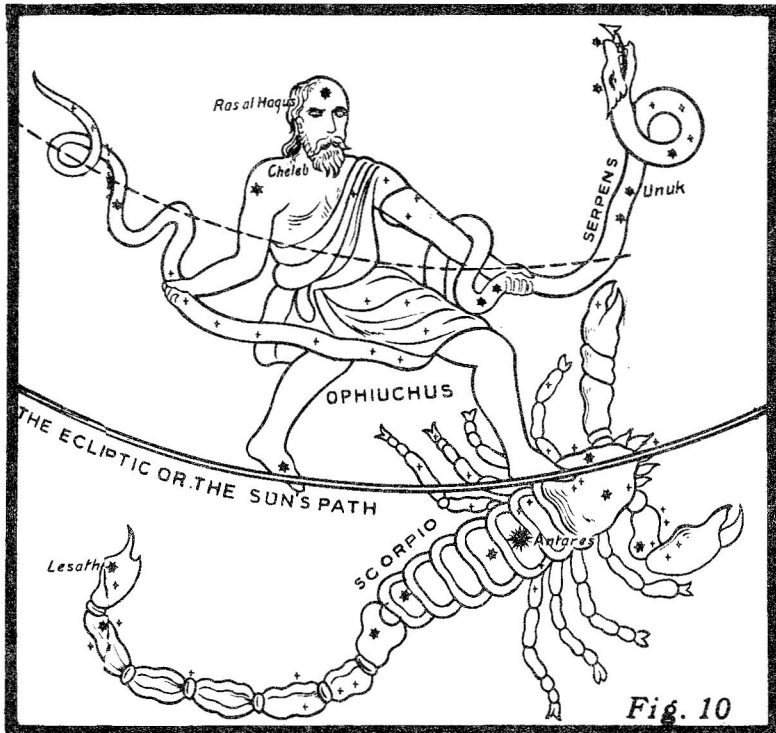
★ { 15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Genesis 3:1-15

God said, "I will put enmity between thee (Satan, the serpent) and the woman, and between thy seed (Satan's seed) and her (the woman's) seed." Here, we have a clear evidence of the virgin birth. Genealogy in Scripture is reckoned as of the man, never as of the woman. Consequently, this has always been

understood to refer to the virgin birth of Jesus. God goes further, "and it (the seed of the woman) shall bruise thy head, and thou (Satan) shalt bruise his (the seed of the woman) heel." The struggle is thus to be between a virgin-born child and the serpent (Satan). Consequently, when we see the mother-child deified and worshiped, we would expect the serpent to be despised and rejected. Our findings are quite to the contrary; the serpent is also made into a god and worshiped. This is one clear mark of a false system.

That the real truth was known and understood is without question. Near the constellation Scorpio you will notice another constellation called Ophiuchus. Ophiuchus is crushing the scorpion's head with one foot while holding his other foot up as though avoiding being stung in the heel by the scorpion's tail.

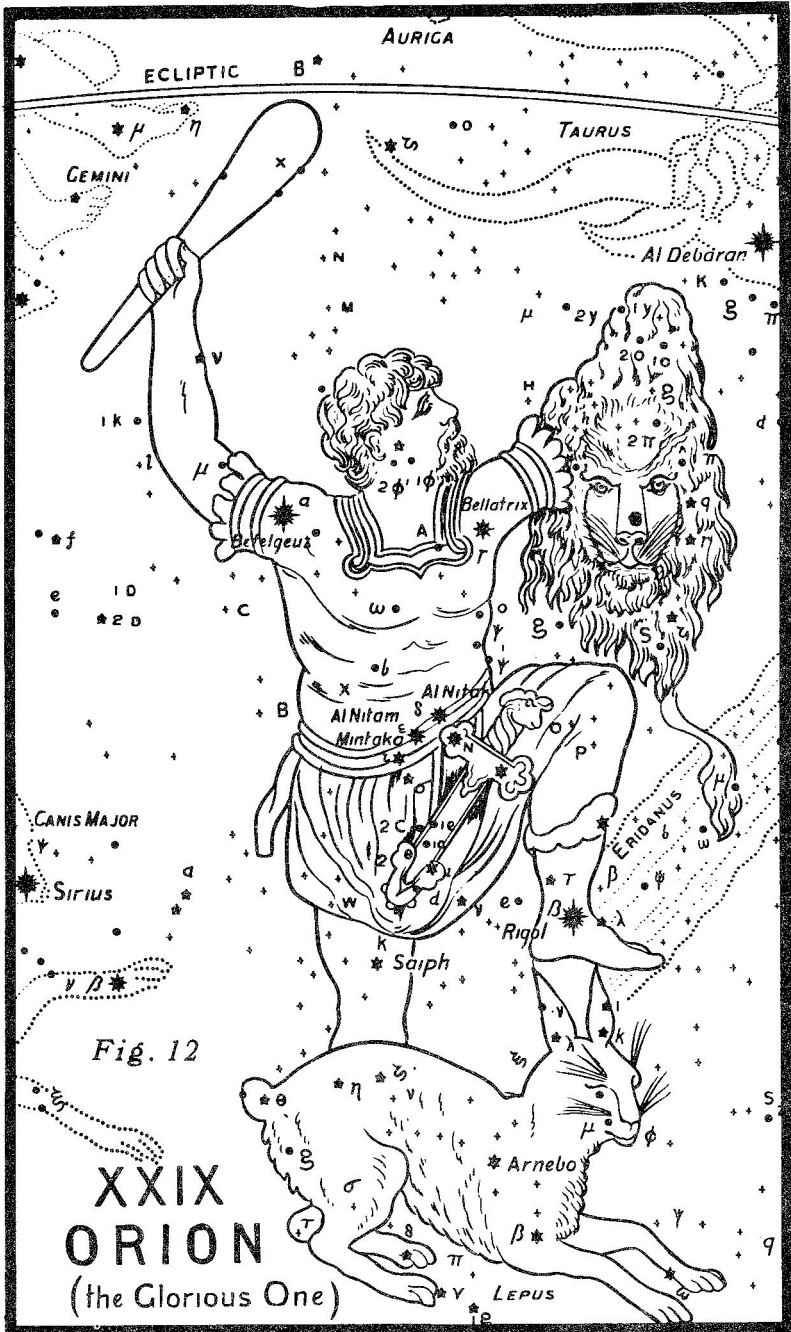


We also have the constellation Hercules with one foot about to crush the head of Draco, the serpent.



Fig. 11

There is still another. In the constellation called Orion, you will notice his foot is about to come down on the head of Lepus. Perhaps this is one of the most plain of all of the starry pictures. The Scriptures refer to the constellation of Orion.



9 Which maketh Ārc-tū'-rūs, Ō-ri'-on, and Plēi'-ā-dēs, and the chambers of the south.

Job 9:9

8 *Seek him* that maketh the seven stars and Ō-ri'-on, and turneth the shadow of death into the morning, and maketh the day dark with night: that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The LORD *is* his name:

Amos 5:8

Dr. Seiss in THE GOSPEL IN THE STARS gives some of the meanings of the star names in this wonderful constellation. Orion means "he who cometh forth as light, the brilliant, the swift". Betelguese, the bright star in his right shoulder means "the branch coming". Rigel, the bright star in his raised foot means "the foot that crusheth". In his left breast the star Bellatrix means "swiftly coming or suddenly destroying".

And then when you remember that the Bible says God calls all the stars by their names, you cannot longer remain ignorant as to the meaning of the imaginary figures in the sky.

4 He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by *their* names.

Psalms 147:4

Even in Egypt the truth was known, as we see by an Egyptian goddess piercing the serpent's head. True, it is the seed of the woman that is to crush the serpent's head, not the woman. This is one of the indications of a false system when credit is given to the woman rather than the Son. But in spite of this, it is easily seen that the serpent is evil.

Fig. 13



Egyptian Goddess

Here the god, Crishna of Hinduism, is crushing the serpent's head and we have a clear indication that the truth was known.



Fig. 14

Crishna

This truth is made very plain in the Scriptures. At one time during the wilderness wanderings the Israelites were being fatally bitten by serpents. God told Moses to make a brass serpent and put it on a pole. God further promised that all who would look at the serpent would not die. This pictured God's judgment for sin which was to fall upon His Son, and is explained more fully in the Gospel of John.

6 And the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died.

7 ¶ Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD, and against thee; pray unto the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people.

8 And the LORD said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live.

9 And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.

Num. 21:6-9



As Moses lifted up the serpent



even so must the Son of man be lifted up.

John 3:14

Fig. 15

Satan, true to form, changed all of God's truth to a lie and it wasn't long before men began to worship the serpent as being the bringer of light. In this connection the serpent was worshiped as the sun-god. Even Israel began to bow down and worship the brazen serpent.

4 ¶ He removed the high places, and brake the images, and cut down the groves, and brake in pieces the brasen serpent that Moses had made: for unto those days the children of Israel did burn incense to it: and he called it Nē-hūsh'-tān.

2 Kings 18:4

An ancient Phoenician coin shows the serpent as the sun-god.



Fig. 16

In Rome, also, the serpents were worshiped.



Fig. 17

All of the Israelites lived who looked at the brass serpent which Moses had made. The Romans worshiped Aesculapius, the god of medicine. The statue of Aesculapius in the temple at Epidaurus represented him as an old man leaning on a staff. A serpent is twined around the staff. Even today the serpent coiled around a staff is the emblem of the medical profession. On other occasions Aesculapius has the serpent coiled around his arm as is shown.



AESCULAPIUS

Fig. 18

Any missionary will tell you of the respect for the cobra in India. Many areas do not permit the killing of the cobra and yet it is responsible for thousands of deaths each year in India. The Egyptians wrote with hieroglyphics or what is perhaps better known as picture writing. Some of these pictographs are what are called determinants. They indicate what the word means. The determinant of a goddess is a serpent. Wherever the serpent is worshiped you can be assured it is the mark of a false system.

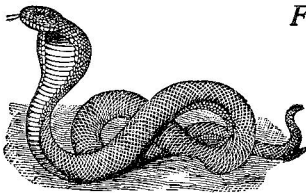


Fig. 19



Egyptian Cobra and Determinant

THE FIRST ISRAELITE

Wherever the serpent is worshiped or the goddess is worshiped as victorious over the serpent, you have a mark of Satan's system.

Thus far, we have shown that all religions have a common origin in the imaginary figures in the heavens. The skeptic doesn't really want to know, and the "intellectual" rejects all these things as myths and fairy tales. Many so-called "intellectuals and "scholars" of today are completely inconsistent with themselves.

So that you might better understand, let me give one example of modern inconsistency. In his book, BIBLE MYTHS AND THEIR PARALLELS IN OTHER RELIGIONS, Mr. T. W. Doane says on p.564, "We maintain that not so much as one single passage purporting to be written, AS HISTORY, within the first hundred years of the Christian era, can be produced to show the existence at or before that time of such a person as Jesus of Nazareth, called the Christ, or of such a set of men as could be accounted his disciples or followers". Mr. Doane's mind works in a very twisted and deceived manner. You see, Mr. Doane determines what is HISTORY.

By his definition, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, and the rest of the New Testament are not HISTORY. Even Clement who wrote A.D.30-100 or Ignatius, A.D.30-107, are not HISTORY. Why? Because Mr. Doane has decided that if it is a record of the

Lord Jesus Christ, it can't be HISTORY because he has already decided no such person existed. Such is the working of a warped mind. But wait... Mr. Doane on the same page, recognizes Josephus A.D. 40-70 as an HISTORIAN.

Josephus in ANTIQUITIES OF THE JEWS, Book 18, Chapter 3, Section 3, says, "Now there was about this time Jesus, a wise man, if it be lawful to call him a man; for he was a doer of wonderful works, a teacher of such men as receive the truth with pleasure. He drew over to him both many of the Jews and many of the Gentiles. He was Christ. And when Pilate, at the suggestion of the principle men amongst us, had condemned him to the cross, those that loved him at the first did not forsake him; for he appeared to them alive again the third day; as the divine prophets had foretold these and ten thousand other wonderful things concerning him."

What does Mr. Doane believe about this HISTORICAL statement? He believes this must have been inserted by a later Christian writer because no HISTORIAN could, of course, write about a man whom Mr. Doane has already decided did not exist. Josephus records another interesting statement concerning Seth, the son of Adam. Josephus records that Seth was a virtuous man and he had children of an excellent character. Josephus credits Seth, the son of Adam, and his children with a knowledge of the heavenly bodies. "They also were the inventors of that peculiar sort of wisdom which is concerned with the heavenly bodies, and their order." ANTIQUITIES OF THE JEWS, Book 1, Chapter 2, Section 3. Would Mr. Doane accept this as a testimony to the origin of mankind and a divine knowledge given to God's creation? Definitely not, because he has already decided all religions are myths. A great percentage of the men of the clergy have exactly this kind of approach;

they do not believe because they have already decided they won't believe.

I simply gave this example to show the stubborn heart of man. For nearly 2500 years after Adam, God regarded men as close enough to the source of light so as to need no other enlightenment. But then God gave a sign which would vindicate His Holy Name. God developed through a relatively short period of history, a sign which it would be impossible for any sane man to refute. Man could reject God's starry message as myth. Man could reject the virgin birth of His Son as copied from other myths. No one could tell by looking at Jesus that He was virgin-born. The only way we can know that, is because we believe the Bible. Man could even reject the crucifixion as the years rolled by, simply by saying that Jesus was a good man who was willing to die for a principle. Man could reject the resurrection, by saying the witnesses were under such a strain they "thought" they saw Jesus. Man could reject His ascension into heaven by claiming mass hypnotism or simply saying that those statements were added later to the Scripture to make it look authentic. Yes, man can explain away everything he doesn't want to believe, that is, nearly everything. God has given one sign, as proof of the truth that no men can explain away. What is that TRUTH, that sign that no skeptic, no, not even a fool, can explain away? The sign that proves that the Bible is Divinely given and that the Bible gives God's one and only way to salvation is, THE JEW.

You can explain away everything, but you can't explain away the Jew. Has the Jew existed for nearly 4,000 years? Yes. Does the Jew exist inspite of countless efforts on the part of man to exterminate him? Yes. Has any people ever suffered as the Jew? No. The Jews are a peculiar people; they are a race by Divine pronouncement; they have a religion by

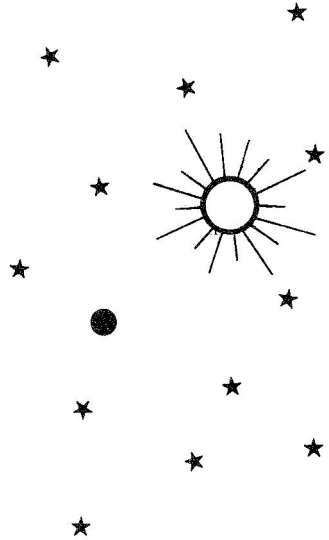
Divine institution; they have a Land by Divine grant; they have a Book by Divine authorship; they exist and will exist forever by Divine protection.

35 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, *and* the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts *is* his name:

36 If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD, *then* the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever.

37 Thus saith the LORD; If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, saith the LORD.

Jer. 31:35-37



Israel is as permanent as God's LAWS concerning the sun, moon, and stars. The word "ordinances" means "statutes" or "laws." What are God's LAWS concerning the sun, moon, and stars? God's LAWS for these bodies were given in Genesis 1:14-19.

God's LAWS concerning these bodies might be summarized as follows:

1. They are to give light.
2. They are to divide the light from the darkness.
3. They are to control the seasons.
4. They determine the length of days.
5. They determine the years.
6. They were to be FOR SIGNS.

In what way were the sun, moon, and stars a sign? The only SIGNS are the imaginary figures of the heavens. That Israel regards these signs as belonging especially to Israel, may be seen from a quotation from the Soncino Talmud, Vol.16, p.201, Berakoth 32b.

Resh Lakish said: "The Holy One, blessed be He, answered her: 'My daughter, twelve constellations have I created in the firmament, and for each constellation I have created 30 hosts, and for each host I have created 30 legions, and for each legion I have created 30 cohorts, and for each cohort I have created 30 maniples, and for each maniple I have created 30 camps, and to each camp I have attached 365 thousands of myriads of stars, corresponding to the days of the solar year, and all of them I HAVE CREATED ONLY FOR THY SAKE!'. This was written about 200-500 A.D.

The nations took these SIGNS of heaven and made them into gods.

HEAR ye the word which the LORD speaketh unto you, O house of Israel:

2 Thus saith the LORD, Learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them.

Jer. 10:1, 2



Draco

20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified *him* not as God, neither were thankful; but



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became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image → made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.

Rom. 1:20-23



Fish-God

God warned Israel, "Learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the SIGNS of heaven." The heathen took these imaginary figures and fashioned replicas of them out of wood and served these idols. God's promise to Israel is that if the sun, moon, and stars cease to give light then the seed of Israel will cease as a nation. Further, if the seasons, days, and years cease, Israel will also cease as a nation. Finally, if the SIGNS displayed by these bodies cease, Israel will cease as a nation. Today, the sun, moon, and stars still give their light. We still have summer, fall, winter, and spring.

Days and years are recorded on our calendars. On star maps all over the world, the constellations are shown as imaginary figures. Our newspapers show the horoscopes. The SIGNS in the heavens are still known and pondered by millions, but little is known of the gospel as it appears in the sky. Instead, these SIGNS dismay the nations and bring forth every expression from ridicule to fear. When God called Israel and separated to Himself those people known as the Jews. He established a physical, visible proof of the Scriptures which no man can refute.

We have used the Bible to prove that God chose Israel and we have used the Jew to prove that God wrote the Bible. This would normally not be sound reasoning, except for one thing: the Jew is a tangible

fact. You can SEE Jews in our midst. At any syna-
gogue you can HEAR the Jews speak in the Hebrew
language. If you go into many stores you can buy and
TASTE food that is peculiar to the Jewish people. If
you have a Jewish friend, you may FEEL his hands
and TOUCH his side. Even as Jesus said to Thomas,
"Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and
reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and
be not faithless, but believing". (John 20:27) The Jews
are a physical reality which you may verify through
your senses of sight, taste, hearing and touch. Where
did they come from?

For approximately 2000 years from Adam to
Abraham, God dealt with the Gentiles. Except for a
very few, the Gentiles rejected God. Then, one day
God called out one man who would listen.

NOW the LORD had said unto
Abram, Get thee out of thy
country, and from thy kindred,
and from thy father's house, unto
a land that I will shew thee:

2 And I will make of thee a
great nation, and I will bless
thee, and make thy name great;
and thou shalt be a blessing:

3 And I will bless them that
bless thee, and curse him that
curseth thee: and in thee shall all
families of the earth be blessed.

Gen. 12:1-3

Not only did God promise to make a great nation
from Abraham, but also He promised to give Abra-
ham and his seed a particular land.

7 And the LORD appeared unto
Abram, and said, Unto thy seed
will I give this land: and there
builded he an altar unto the
LORD, who appeared unto him.

Gen. 12:7

Abraham was a Gentile; he was not a Jew. Many sons were born to Abraham. By his wife, Hagar, Abraham had a son whom God called Ishmael.

11 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Behold, thou *art* with child, and shalt bear a son, and shalt call his name Ishmael; because the LORD hath heard thy affliction.

Gen:16:11

This son was the father of all of the Arabs. Many years later, Abraham's second son was born to his wife, Sarah. Abraham named this boy Isaac. A great many sons were born to his third wife, Keturah. These sons traveled eastward from Palestine, but Isaac remained with Abraham.

Isaac only had two sons born to his wife, Rebekah. These boys were twins. The older boy, Esau, became the father of the people known as the Edomites. Esau had little use for God. His brother, Jacob, on the other hand, was concerned with spiritual things. God, knowing the hearts of these boys long before they were ever born, loved Jacob but hated Esau.

THE burden of the word of the LORD to Israel by Malachi.

2 I have loved you, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, Wherein hast thou loved us? *Was* not Esau Jacob's brother? saith the LORD: yet I loved Jacob,

3 And I hated Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the wilderness.

Mal. 1:1-3

13 As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated.

Rom. 9:13

Long before God's Son became flesh and was born in Bethlehem, He walked this earth and dealt with men. Jacob was one of these men, for Jacob met God face to face. Jacob did not encounter God's Son in a dream or a vision but in a physical encounter. God in the second person of the Trinity wrestled with Jacob.

24 ¶ And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day.

25 And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, as he wrestled with him.

26 And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me.

27 And he said unto him, What *is* thy name? And he said, Jacob.

28 And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.

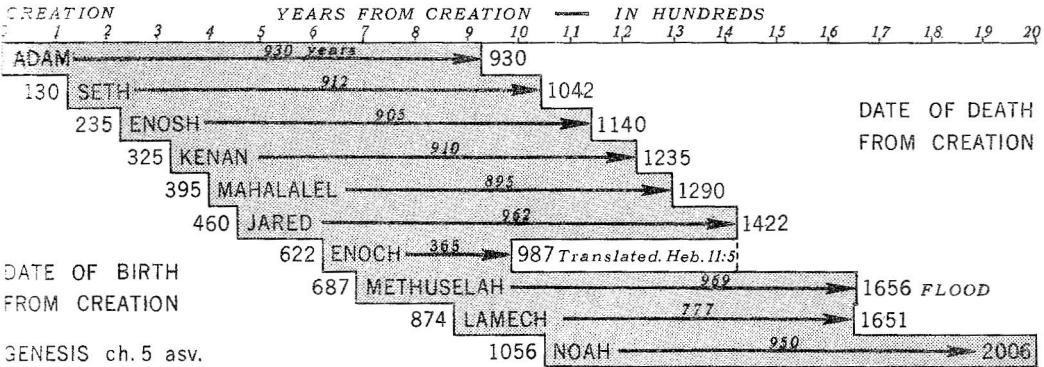
29 And Jacob asked *him*, and said, Tell *me*, I pray thee, thy name. And he said, Wherefore *is* it *that* thou dost ask after my name? And he blessed him there.

30 And Jacob called the name of the place Pěn'-i-ěl: for I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.

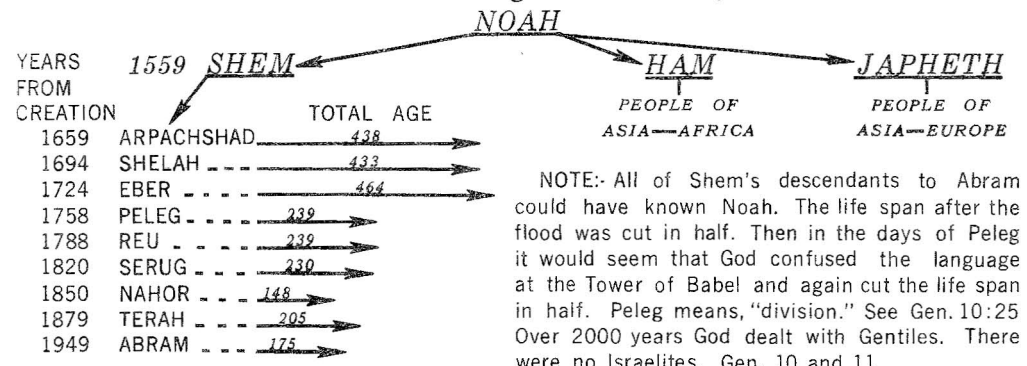
Gen. 32: 24-30

It was such a physical encounter that Jacob was physically injured. During this encounter God changed Jacob's name to Israel. Until this time there were

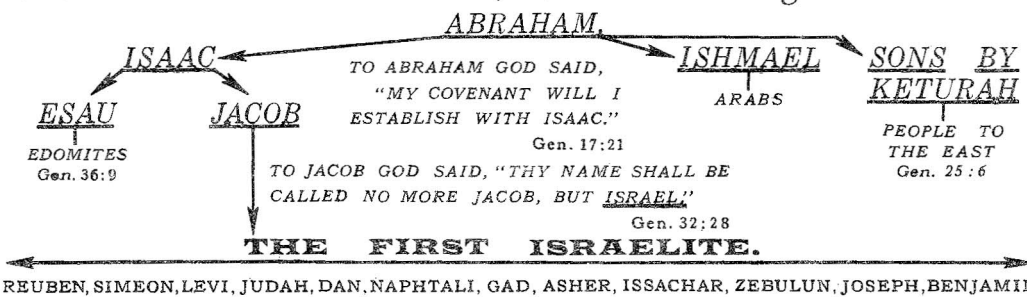
ISRAEL'S ORIGIN



1656 Years God dealt with Gentiles. There were no Israelites. Result:-The flood. "Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord." Gen.6:8



Then God called out one man, Abram. God changed his name to



JACOB'S 12 SONS THE NATION OF ISRAEL



no Jews or Israelites. Then, by Divine pronouncement, God, in effect, created the nation of Israel. To Jacob, or Israel, were born 12 sons from whom developed the tribes of the nation of Israel. The accompanying chart outlines this history. These boys together with their father went down into the land of Egypt. Here, for many years and under many hardships, God developed this family into a mighty nation numbering over 600,000 fighting men. These people were held in bondage by the Egyptians until God delivered them by a great series of miracles and led them out into the wilderness of Sinai. There was, as yet, no Bible at all.

THE JEW -- IRREFUTABLE PROOF

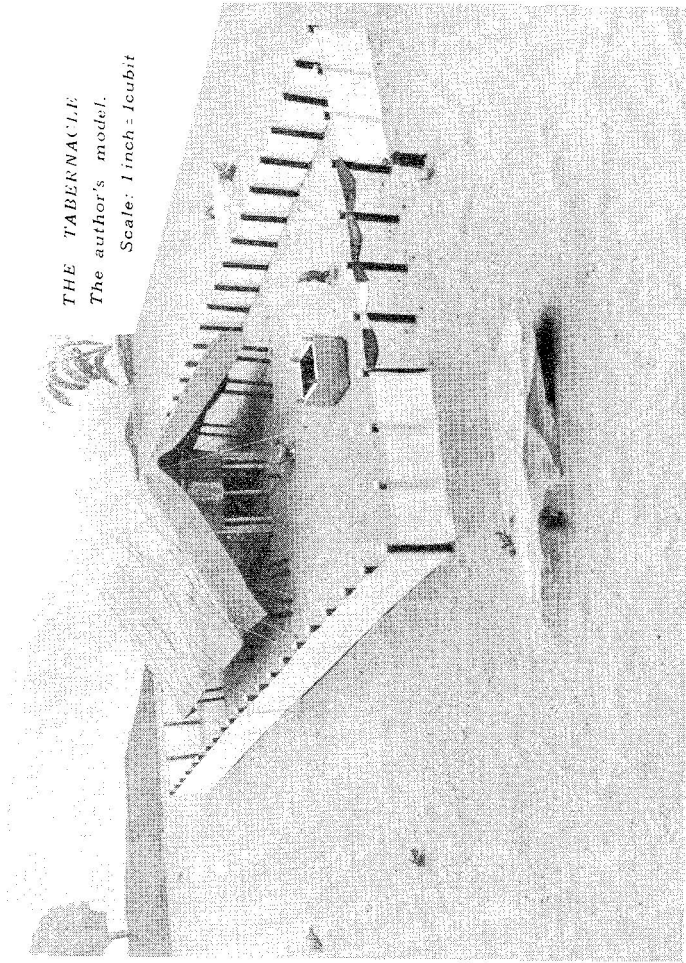
The Sinai Peninsula lies between Egypt and Palestine. An aerial photograph of this entire area was taken from the U.S. satellite, Tiros V. It was during forty years of Israel's sojourn in this sparsely settled land that God gave a complete picture of the plan of salvation. Here, God instructed Moses in the construction of what we call the Wilderness Tabernacle. The details of construction are recorded in the book of Exodus, beginning in chapter 25. This little structure was much different from the temples of Egypt with all of their idols. A fence 75 feet wide and 150 feet long enclosed a court. Inside this court was a small rectangular building 15 feet wide, 15 feet high and 45 feet long. Since this temple was to be used during the journey to Palestine, it was constructed so as to be readily portable. Forty-eight boards of shittim wood overlaid with gold formed three sides of the building proper. The entrance was closed by a hanging of blue, purple, scarlet, and white linen known as a veil.

The court was open to the weather but the board structure was protected by a tent. The tent was, in reality, a series of 4 tents, one above the other. The board structure was divided into two parts...called the Holy Place and the other the Holy of Holies. The furnishings were simple, indeed. In the court was a brasen altar, called the altar of sacrifice, and a brass vessel termed the brasen laver. Burnt offerings were



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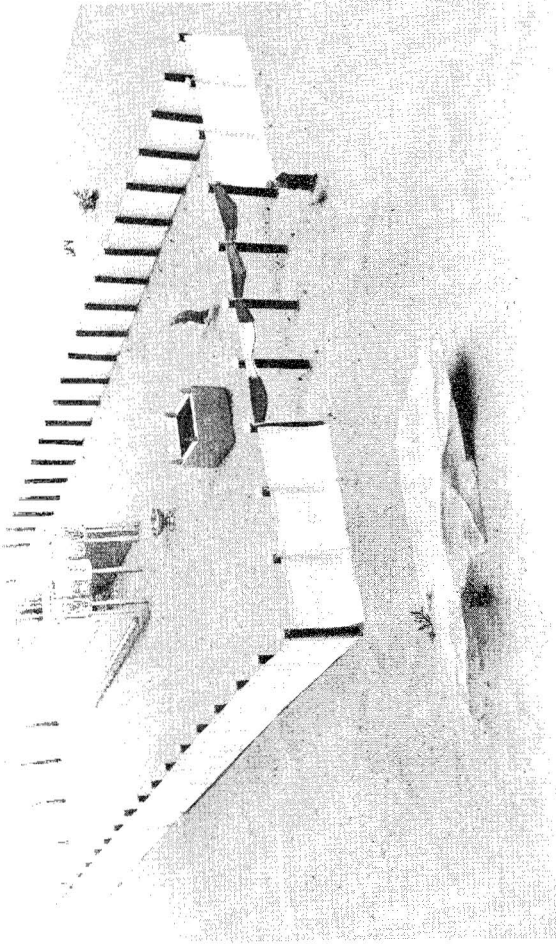
Fig. 21



*THE TABERNACLE
The author's model.
Scale: 1 inch = 1 cubit*

**THE TABERNACLE COMPLETE
with
COURT AND TENT COVERINGS**

THE TABERNACLE
The author's model.
Scale: 1 inch = 1 cubit



THE TABERNACLE
with the
TENT COVERINGS REMOVED

offered on the altar while the laver was used for diverse washings. Inside the Holy Place were three objects: a seven-branch lampstand, a golden altar of incense, and a golden table of shewbread. Within the Holy of Holies was the ark of the covenant.

Perhaps the most striking thing about this temple was its simplicity. Only the High Priest ever saw the ark of the covenant and then only once a year. The High Priest never worshiped the ark nor the cherubim on the ark. The lamp burned olive oil and was not an eternal flame but simply a light during the night. The table was to hold twelve cakes of unleavened bread. Incense was offered on the golden altar.

To the Gentile nations round about, the sun was the principle god. The nations had taken the imaginary figures in the stars and made images of them, thus perverting their true message. Such idolatry was an abomination to the Lord. These people knew God, but following their foolish hearts, turned away from Him to their idols.

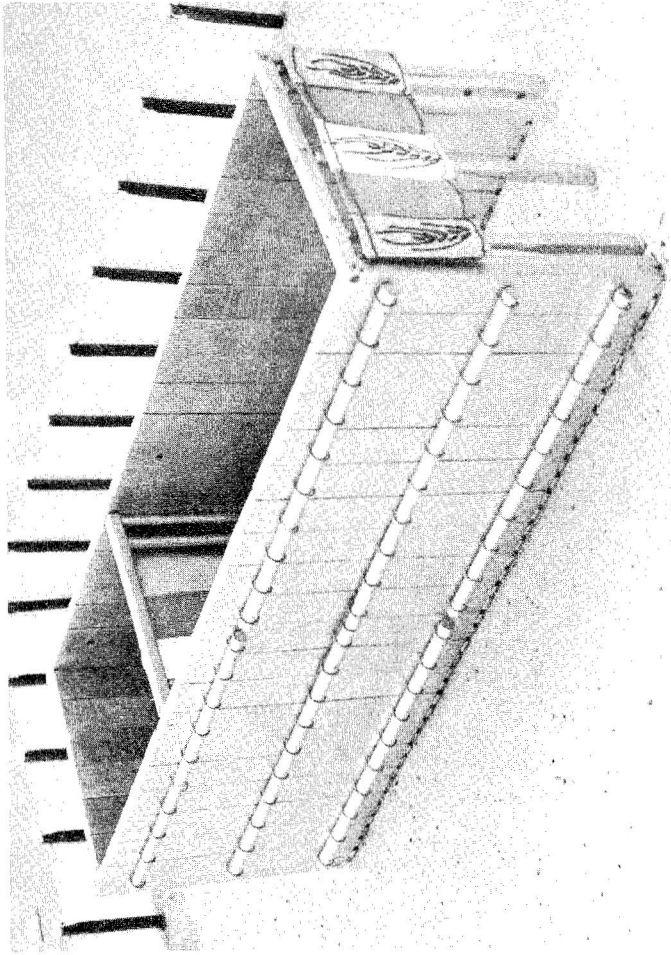
21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified *him* not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

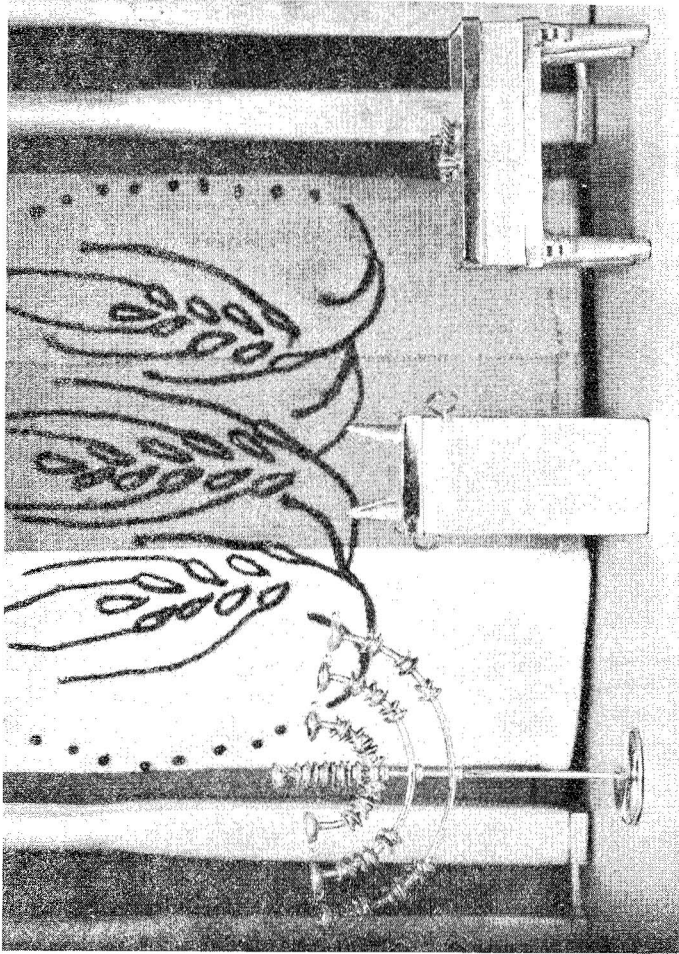
23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.

Rom. 1:21-23

The Tabernacle was directly opposed to this idolatry. When the Israelites made camp, the Tabernacle was placed so that the gate of the court was toward the East. This fact seems to stand out in the minds of



THE BOARD STRUCTURE
of the
TABERNACLE



LAMPSTAND — ALTAR — TABLE

of the
HOLY PLACE

many people without their realizing its importance and significance. All pagan sun-worshippers faced the rising sun and to them the East was very important. Here is shown one of the marks of difference between the true form of worship and that counterfeit propagated by Satan. By making the Tabernacle face East, the worshippers were facing West as they worshiped God. The worshippers had their backs to the sun. Notice what God showed Ezekiel in respect to facing East.

15 ¶ Then said he unto me, Hast thou seen *this*, O son of man? turn thee yet again, *and* thou shalt see greater abominations than these.

16 And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD's house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of the LORD, between the porch and the altar, *were* about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east.

Ezk. 8:15, 16

This is somewhat ahead of our study but it is well to inject this point here for it is very important. Any worship which deliberately faces EAST and makes this a point of issue, is quite clearly not of God but of Satan. Israel's worship was very simple and designed to give glory to the Lord. The entire drama of Israel's worship was, in effect, an acting out of God's plan of salvation. There is not sufficient space in this work to explain this subject more fully but it has been greatly elaborated upon in our previous work called, THE LAW PROPHESED.

At the end of forty years in the wilderness, God brought the nation of Israel into the land of promise and gave it to them for an everlasting possession. The hearts of the people of Israel were soon turned from God. God established a system of Judges but Israel would not be satisfied until a king had been given to them. The folly of man, Israel rejected God for a fleshly king.

4 Then all the elders of Israel gathered themselves together, and came to Samuel unto Ramah,

5 And said unto him, Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now make us a king to judge us like all the nations.

6 ¶ But the thing displeased Samuel, when they said, Give us a king to judge us. And Samuel prayed unto the LORD.

7 And the LORD said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.

1 Sam. 8: 4-7

After continued disobedience on the part of the people of Israel, God delivered them into bondage to Nebuchadnezzar, the King of Babylon, for seventy years. Still the people did not return unto the Lord with their hearts. Some 600 years later, A.D.70, God sent all those in the land of Palestine into a world-wide dispersion. God withheld the rain and the land of Palestine became a dry wasteland and the people, the Jews, became a wandering people without a home. Always a minority people, they have been cursed, beaten, and driven as cattle from place to

place, yet they remain a distinct people. Tortured, robbed, and murdered, they have been hated by all nations, hated by all peoples, but loved by God.

8 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; After the glory hath he sent me unto the nations which spoiled you: for he that toucheth you toucheth the apple of his eye.

Zech. 2: 8

The Jew is the one tangible PROOF that the Bible is the Word of God and all other religions and cults are false. It is the custom of most clergymen today to reject prophecy. For the most part, this is done very simply. Let me give you an example: Daniel, the prophet writing in Babylon long before Greece was a nation, wrote:

20 The ram which thou sawest having *two horns are* the kings of Mē'-dī-ă and Persia.

21 And the rough goat *is* the king of Grē'-ci-ă: and the great horn that *is* between his eyes *is* the first king.

Dan. 8: 20, 21

Greece is named; so the way the subject is handled in schools is to simply declare it was written by another writer after the Greek conquest. By one method or another, prophecy can be discounted to the point where there is no such thing as prophecy. This foolishness of men's hearts, permits them to then declare that the Bible CONTAINS the Word of God . . . not that it IS the Word of God. The next question is: which part of the Bible is the Word of God? The answer is that the religious leaders decide what is and what isn't the Word of God.

The Bible was complete and we have existing copies which date prior to 500 A.D. These manuscripts contain the prophecies concerning the Jew, which are in your Bible. Many of these prophecies have never been fulfilled but many are currently being fulfilled. We have records at least 1400 years old of prophecies being fulfilled today. This evidence is irrefutable proof of the truth of the Bible. God promised time and again that He would scatter Israel among the nations and lay the land waste. The word "heathen" in the King James' translation is the word "nations".

32 And I will bring the land into desolation: and your enemies which dwell therein shall be astonished at it.

33 And I will scatter you among the heathen, and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste.

Lev. 26:32, 33

27 And the LORD shall scatter you among the nations, and ye shall be left few in number among the heathen, whither the LORD shall lead you.

Deut. 4:27

64 And the LORD shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, *even* wood and stone.

Deut. 28:64

Now ask yourself: have the children of Israel (the Jews) been scattered among the nations of the world?

Has the land of Palestine been a wasteland for 1800 years? Your answer must be in the affirmative. Has any other people in the world ever remained as a nation while at the same time scattered among the nations? A little over 300 years ago, Englishmen came to America by the thousands. Are they still a distinct nation scattered within the United States? There have come Frenchmen, Germans, Italians, Jews, etc. Is the United States made up of separate national colonies? Of course not, each person lost his nationality and became an American, all except the Jew. The Jew remains a distinct nation. Why? If you, as a young man of 20 years were sent to France and told you would never return, you could marry a French girl and be very happy. If sent to Japan, you could marry a Japanese girl as many American soldiers did. This is not true of a Jew. He, normally, in France, Japan, Germany or any nation, would look for and marry a Jewish girl. You say, well, that's different. You are quite right; it is different. The Jews are chosen and separated by God and are proof of the truth of His Word. Then, look at another prophecy.

4 For the children of Israel shall abide many days without a king, and without a prince, and without a sacrifice, and without an image, and without an ē'-phöd, and *without tēr'-ă-phim*:

5 Afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek the LORD their God, and David their king; and shall fear the LORD and his goodness in the latter days.

Hosea 3:4,5

Even though the Jews are a scattered nation, have they had a king these 1900 years? No. Have they had a prince? No. Do the Jews offer their regular sacri-

fices? No, the Temple has been destroyed and until the Tabernacle or Temple is restored, there is no place Israel can offer a sacrifice. You will notice that one day after a long dispersion, the children of Israel shall return. Are they returning? Obviously. About 2,000,000 Jews are now back in Palestine. The Jew proves that there is prophecy in the Bible and literally hundreds of these prophecies are being fulfilled.

The Jew is a walking miracle. Many of the prophecies regarding the return of the Jews to the land of Palestine, can be proven by actual photographs and statistics but there is an even more convincing proof. Without doubt, everyone who reads these pages has at one time mailed a letter. In order to assure the letter being delivered it was necessary to purchase a little piece of paper called a postage stamp. Very few people pay very much attention to these little pieces of gummed paper; but they tell some fascinating stories of history, industry, nature, and many other such subjects. The postage stamps of Israel are no exception, but that is getting ahead of the story. The nation of Israel did not come into existence until 1948.

24 And they shall fall by the edge
of the sword, and shall be led
away captive into all nations: and
Jerusalem shall be trodden down
of the Gentiles, until the times of
the Gentiles be fulfilled.

Luke 21:24

Here, we have a statement made by Jesus to His disciples. Jesus prophesied the scattering of the Jews among all the nations, a prophecy literally fulfilled in A.D. 70. Jesus further promised that Jerusalem would be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles were fulfilled. Postage stamps bear

a testimony to the truth of this prophecy. Turkey, Italy, France, Austria, Russia, Great Britain and Jordan have all operated post offices in Jerusalem. During the First World War major changes took place in Israel.

The land of Palestine was now in the hands of the British Army. On January 15, 1918, the first postage stamp was issued for Palestine known as the Egyptian Expeditionary Force Issue.



Fig. 25

E.E.F. - Issue

It was not until 1920 that the next significant event took place in the field of postage stamps. To those who longed for the return of Israel and believed the Bible, and knew that one day God would put Israel back in their land, it was significant. The stamps which had been in print were now issued with what is known as an overprint. The postage stamps now had the word PALESTINE printed on the face. That in itself was not significant. But the word was printed in Arabic, English, and Hebrew, and that WAS important. Exactly 1850 years before in 70 A.D. the Roman general, Titus, destroyed the city of Jerusalem and took the Jews into captivity.

Now after these many years, Hebrew appeared for the first time on the postage stamps of Palestine. It brings to mind the verse in 2 Samuel 24 when David

was fighting the Philistines and wanted to know the will of the Lord. God told David that when he heard the sound of marching in the tops of the mulberry trees, it was a sign that the Lord was going out before him to smite the Philistines. The printing of the Hebrew word seemed to be the faint sound of marching which was soon to grow into a mighty roar as God leads the mighty re-gathering of His chosen people, the Jews.



Fig. 26

E.E.F. Issue
1920

A LAND BORN IN A DAY

The wandering Jew, persecuted and mistreated in every conceivable way, has always looked longingly to the day when he might return to his homeland. At the close of every Passover service, held once each year, they recite as follows:

"The following year grant us to be in Jerusalem.

"Blessed art thou, O Eternal, our God, King of the Universe, Creator of the fruit of the vine.

"Blessed art thou, O Eternal, our God, King of the Universe, for the wine, and for the fruit of the vine, and for the produce of the field, and for that desirable, good, and spacious land which thou grantedst our ancestors to inherit, to eat of its fruit, and be satisfied with its goodness. Have compassion, O Eternal, our God, upon us, on Israel thy people, upon Jerusalem thy city, on Zion the residence of thy glory, and upon thy altar and thy temple; rebuild Jerusalem, thy holy city, speedily, in our days."

This hope of a united Israel restored to their land burned in the heart of Theodor Herzl. Theodor Herzl was born in Budapest May 2, 1860. It was under his leadership that the Zionist Movement was originated. The first Zionist Congress was held in Basle in 1897

and Theodor Herzl became the first president of the Zionist Organization.

Jewish National Fund stamps were issued showing the Synagogue and birthplace of Theodor Herzl in Budapest and the casino at Basle which was the site of the first Zionist Congress. These were not postage stamps but propaganda stamps to promote the return of the Jews to Palestine.

JNF - STAMPS



Fig. 27

*SYNAGOGUE at BUDAPEST
Birthplace of Herzl*



Fig. 28

*CASINO at BASLE
Site of first Zionist Congress*

The Encyclopedia Britannica says of Theodor Herzl, "Holding that the only alternatives for the Jews were complete merging of intermarriage or self-preservation by a national reunion, he boldly advocated the second course."

It was in 1951 that the Nation of Israel honored Theodor Herzl by issuing a postage stamp bearing his picture on the occasion of the 23rd Zionist Congress. Dr. Theodor Herzl died July 3, 1904. The fiftieth anniversary of his death was the occasion of another postage stamp in his memory. Still a third stamp was issued in 1960 commemorating the 100th Anniversary of his birth.

MEMORIAL ISSUES

Dr. Theodor Herzl

Fig. 29

Fig. 30



1951



1960



Fig. 31

1954

Soon after the birth of Theodor Herzl another great Jew was born, Chaim Weizmann. Chaim Weizmann was born in Russian Poland, November 27, 1874. Dr. Weizmann was a great chemist. He discovered a process of synthesizing acetone and as a result of this work he was largely responsible for obtaining what is known as the Balfour Declaration. The Balfour Declaration was actually a very simple declaration written by Lord Balfour to Lord Rothschild and approved by the British Cabinet, November 2, 1917. It reads, "His Majesty's Government view with favor the establishment in Palestine of a National Home for the Jewish people, and will use their best endeavors to facilitate the achievement of this object, its being clearly understood that nothing shall be done which may prejudice the civil and religious rights of the existing non-Jewish Communities in Palestine or the rights and political status enjoyed by Jews in any other country."

Dr. Chaim Weizmann said in his autobiography, TRIAL AND ERROR, p.208, "While the cabinet was in session, approving the final text, I was waiting outside, this time within call. Sykes brought the document out to me, with the exclamation: 'Dr. Weizmann, it's a boy'".

This seems like a strange remark to be made at the approval of such a simple declaration. Yet, on further examination this remark seems quite appropriate, for we read in Isaiah 66:8: "Shall a land be born in one day?" (ASV)

Chaim Weizmann later became the first president of Israel and at his death in 1952, a special postage stamp was issued in his memory.

MEMORIAL ISSUE
Dr. Chaim Weizmann



Fig. 32

1952

God was setting the stage for the return of His chosen people to His land. The Zionist Organization was formed by Theodor Herzl in 1897. The Balfour Declaration was signed in 1917. With the end of World

War I some Jews began to return to Palestine but it was not until the terrible persecutions of World War II that great numbers returned. More than 6,000,000 Jews were murdered by the Nazis in Germany, Italy, Poland, Lithuania, Austria, Esthonia, White Russia, Ukraine, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Rumania, Bulgaria, Greece, Yugoslavia, France, Latvia, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Norway and Finland. Certainly the words of Moses were literally fulfilled.

64 And the LORD shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, *even* wood and stone.

65 And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind:

66 And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life:

67 In the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say, Would God it were morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.

Deut. 28:64-67

Then came the resolution of the United Nations General Assembly establishing the Jewish State in Palestine. This resolution, on the one hand established the State of Israel, but on the other hand, it actually partitioned God's land. Because the nations scattered the Jews and parted His land, God will judge the nations.

FOR, behold, in those days, and
in that time, when I shall bring
again the captivity of Judah and
Jerusalem,

2 I will also gather all nations,
and will bring them down into
the valley of Jě-hōsh'-ă-phăt, and
will plead with them there for my
people and *for* my heritage Israel,
whom they have scattered among
the nations, and parted my land.

Joel 3:1, 2

This date of November 29, 1947, is one of great significance in prophecy. An even more important date was soon to follow. Ever since World War I, Great Britain had controlled Palestine under what was known as the British Mandate. This mandate was to be concluded May 15, 1948. A few weeks before, fighting broke out between the Jews and the surrounding Arab states. Then came the most important date in modern times. On the Sabbath Eve (May 14, 1948) a declaration of the establishment of the State of Israel was issued by the People's Council.

The Sabbath (Saturday, May 15, 1948) the people of Israel obeyed the law of Almighty God and rested according to the commandment.

8 Remember the sabbath day,
to keep it holy.

9 Six days shalt thou labour,
and do all thy work:

10 But the seventh day *is* the
sabbath of the LORD thy God:
in it thou shalt not do any work,
thou, nor thy son, nor thy daugh-
ter, thy manservant, nor thy
maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor
thy stranger that *is* within thy
gates:

Exodus 20:8-10

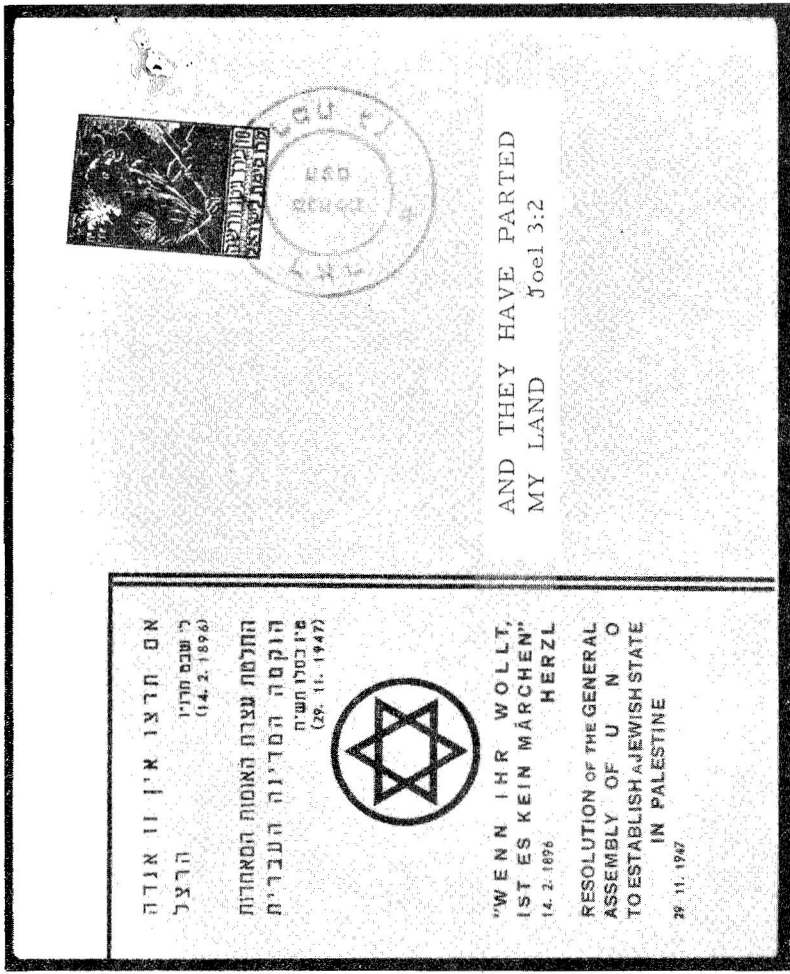


Fig. 33

On Sunday, May 16, 1948, the first day of the week the people of Israel were again established in their own land, and a land was born in a day. A postal cover was produced to tell the entire story. This cover bears a stamp of the British Mandate cancelled May 5, 1948. It also bears a stamp of the period between the postal service under the British Mandate and the postal service of Israel, known as the Interim Postal Service. The third stamp is that of the Jewish Postal Service, May 16, 1948, the first day of issue.

MAY 14, 1948 - FRIDAY

*Declaration of the Establishment of the State of
ISRAEL*

MAY 15, 1948 - SATURDAY - THE SABBATH

British Mandate ended

Israel rested

MAY 16, 1948 - SUNDAY

Israel began operations

A land was born in a day

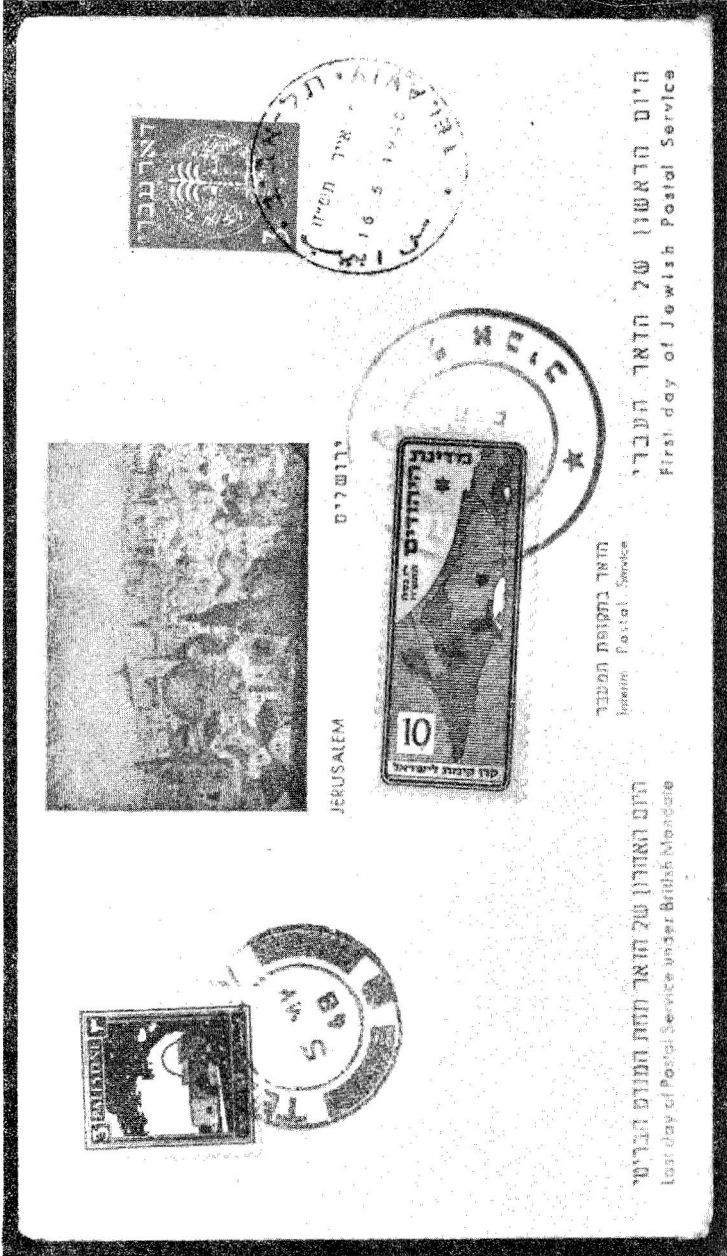


Fig. 34

POSTAL COVER SHOWING THE DATE OF THE BIRTH OF ISRAEL

A DOCUMENT OF PROOF

Declaration of the Establishment of the State of Israel

ERETZ ISRAEL was the birthplace of the Jewish people. Here their spiritual, religious and political identity was shaped. Here they first attained to statehood, created cultural values of national and universal significance and gave to the world the eternal Book of Books.

After being forcibly exiled from their land, the people kept faith with it throughout their Dispersion and never ceased to pray and hope for their return to it and for the restoration in it of their political freedom.

Impelled by this historic and traditional attachment, Jews strove in every successive generation to re-establish themselves in their ancient homeland. In recent decades they returned in their masses. Pioneers, *ma'pilim* and defenders, they made deserts bloom, revived the Hebrew language, built villages and towns, and created a thriving community, controlling its own economy and culture, loving peace but knowing how to defend itself, bringing the blessings of progress to all the country's inhabitants, and aspiring towards independent nationhood.

In the year 5657 (1897), at the summons of the spiritual father of the Jewish State, Theodor Herzl, the First Zionist Congress convened and proclaimed the right of the Jewish people to national rebirth in its own country.

This right was recognized in the Balfour Declaration of the 2nd November, 1917, and re-affirmed in the Mandate of the League of Nations which, in particular, gave international sanction to the historic connection between the Jewish people and Eretz-Israel and to the right of the Jewish people to rebuild its National Home.

The catastrophe which recently befell the Jewish people--the massacre of millions of Jews in Europe--was another clear demonstration of the urgency of solving the problem of its homelessness by re-establishing in Eretz-Israel the Jewish State, which would open the gates of the homeland wide to every Jew and confer upon the Jewish people the status of a fully-privileged member of the comity of nations.

Survivors of the Nazi holocaust in Europe, as well as Jews from other parts of the world, continued to migrate to Eretz-Israel, undaunted by difficulties, restrictions and dangers, and never ceased to assert their right to a life of dignity, freedom and honest toil in their national homeland.

In the Second World War, the Jewish community of this country contributed its full share to the struggle of the freedom and peace-loving nations against the forces of Nazi wickedness and, by the blood of its soldiers and its war effort, gained the right to be reckoned among the peoples who founded the United Nations.

On the 29th November, 1947, the United Nations General Assembly passed a resolution calling for the establishment of a Jewish State in Eretz-Israel; the General Assembly required the inhabitants of Eretz-Israel to take such steps as were necessary on their part for the implementation of that resolution. This recognition by the United Nations of the right of the Jewish people to establish their State is irrevocable.

This right is the natural right of the Jewish people

to be masters of their own fate, like all other nations, in their own sovereign State.

ACCORDINGLY WE, MEMBERS OF THE PEOPLE'S COUNCIL, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY OF ERETZ-ISRAEL AND OF THE ZIONIST MOVEMENT, ARE HERE ASSEMBLED ON THE DAY OF THE TERMINATION OF THE BRITISH MANDATE OVER ERETZ-ISRAEL AND, BY VIRTUE OF OUR NATURAL AND HISTORIC RIGHT AND ON THE STRENGTH OF THE RESOLUTION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY, HEREBY DECLARE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A JEWISH STATE IN ERETZ-ISRAEL, TO BE KNOWN AS THE STATE OF ISRAEL.

WE DECLARE that, with effect from the moment of the termination of the Mandate, being tonight, the eve of Sabbath, the 6th Iyar, 5708 (15th May, 1948), until the establishment of the elected, regular authorities of the State in accordance with the Constitution which shall be adopted by the Elected Constituent Assembly not later than the 1st October, 1948, the People's Council shall act as a Provisional Council of State, and its executive organ, the People's Administration, shall be the Provisional Government of the Jewish State, to be called "Israel".

THE STATE OF ISRAEL will be open for Jewish immigration and for the Ingathering of the Exiles; it will foster the development of the country for the benefit of all inhabitants; it will be based on freedom, justice and peace as envisaged by the prophets of Israel; it will ensure complete equality of social and political rights to all its inhabitants irrespective of religion, race or sex; it will guarantee freedom of

religion, conscience, language, education and culture; it will safeguard the Holy Places of all religions; and it will be faithful to the principles of the Charter of the United Nations.

THE STATE OF ISRAEL is prepared to cooperate with the agencies and representatives of the United Nations in implementing the resolution of the General Assembly of the 29th November, 1947, and will take steps to bring about the economic union of the whole of Eretz-Israel.

WE APPEAL to the United Nations to assist the Jewish people in the building-up of its State and to receive the State of Israel into the comity of nations.

WE APPEAL -- in the very midst of the onslaught launched against us now for months -- to the Arab inhabitants of the State of Israel to preserve peace and participate in the upbuilding of the State on the basis of full and equal citizenship and due representation in all its provisional and permanent institutions.

WE EXTEND our hand to all neighbouring states and their peoples in an offer of peace and good neighbourliness, and appeal to them to establish bonds of cooperation and mutual help with the sovereign Jewish people settled in its own land. The State of Israel is prepared to do its share in common effort for the advancement of the entire Middle East.

WE APPEAL to the Jewish people throughout the Diaspora to rally round the Jews of Eretz-Israel in the tasks of immigration and upbuilding and to stand by them in the great struggle for the realization of the age-old dream--the redemption of Israel.

PLACING OUR TRUST IN THE ALMIGHTY, WE AFFIX OUR SIGNATURES TO THIS PROCLAMATION AT THIS SESSION OF THE PROVISIONAL COUNCIL OF STATE, ON THE SOIL OF THE HOMELAND, IN THE CITY OF TEL-AVIV, ON THIS SABBATH EVE, THE 5th DAY OF IYAR, 5708 (14th MAY, 1948).

*Who hath heard such a thing?
Who hath seen such things?
Shall a land be born in one day?
Shall a nation be brought forth at once?*

ISAIAH 66:8 ASV

MAY 16, 1948



This is a Jewish National Fund Stamp showing the partition of Palestine as proposed by the United Nations. By printing the word DOAR, which means "post" on the face of the stamp it served as a postage stamp for about six days, until Israel became a nation.



Fig. 35

AN IRREFUTABLE MIRACLE

The Jew has always been proof that the Bible is the Inspired Word of God but never in history has the proof been as plain as in the present century. With the nation of Israel taking its place among world nations, literally hundreds of Bible prophecies have been brought to prominence. Prophecies uttered by the prophets of Israel--hundreds, yes, thousands of years ago--are now being literally fulfilled. The fulfillment of these prophecies is irrefutable proof of the Bible.

The world knows very little of what the Bible contains. Church leaders are surprisingly ignorant of the Scriptures but there is more than one way for God to make His Word known in these days. Millions of postage stamps have been issued by the nation of Israel which bear witness to the fulfillment and truth of Scripture.

God once delivered the Israelites from bondage and persecution in Egypt. This mighty deliverance was accompanied with great signs and mighty wonders. Water was turned to blood, the firstborn of the Egyptians died, the Red Sea opened to permit the Israelites to pass. These great miracles were long ago and have been forgotten by the people of this century. NOW...a greater miracle has already taken place. God has set His hand the SECOND time to deliver His oppressed people. Is the Bible so hard to understand? It is hard simply because of our ignor-

ance and unwillingness to believe what is written. In the following pages some plain Bible passages are shown with postage stamps of Israel. These passages and the stamps tell their own story, irrefutable proof of the Bible prophecies.



THE SECOND TIME



BY GOD'S HAND

11 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shi'när, and from Hä'mäth, and from the islands of the sea.

12 And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

Isaiah 11:11,12

A WORLD - WIDE



RE - GATHERING

24 For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land.

Ezk. 36:24

8 And the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with great terribleness, and with signs, and with wonders:

Deut. 26:8

Fig. 36



1950

Independence Day

The inscription reads:
With A Strong Hand and
with an Outstretched
Arm and with Great
Terror. Deut.26:8



BUT now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called *thee* by thy name; thou *art* mine.

5 Fear not: for I *am* with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west;

6 I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth;

7 *Even* every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.

8 ¶ Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears.

9 Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this, and shew us former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, *It is truth.*

10 Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I *am* he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.

11 I, *even* I, *am* the LORD; and beside me *there is* no saviour.

12 I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when *there was* no strange god among you: therefore ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I *am* God.

Isaiah 43:1,5-12

ISRAEL'S SEED

RE-GATHERED

Fig. 37



1950

Independence Day

The inscription reads: Freedom and Independence-- Ingathering of the Exiles.

And from the east will rise our sun too.

ISRAEL, GOD'S

WITNESSES

to the

TRUTH

4 Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself.

Ex. 19:4

9 ¶ Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD; awake, as in the ancient days, in the generations of old. Art thou not it that hath cut Rahab, and wounded the dragon?

10 Art thou not it which hath dried the sea, the waters of the great deep; that hath made the depths of the sea a way for the ransomed to pass over?

11 Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away.

Isaiah 51:9-11



Fig. 38 1960

World Refugee Year

The inscription reads:
World Refugee Year--
And I bore you on wings
of eagles-- Ex.19:4



1958
*Maritime
Issue
S/S Zion*



Fig. 39

One cannot help but notice that the SECOND re-gathering of Israel is compared to the FIRST. The FIRST time God redeemed Israel was from the Egyptian bondage. Isaiah 52:4 in the ASV reads, "For thus saith the Lord Jehovah, My people went down at the FIRST into Egypt to sojourn there". The reference to the second time is in Isaiah 11:11, "The Lord shall set his hand again the SECOND time to recover the remnant of his people". Emphasis is placed upon redeeming Israel by "His hand", and "outstretched arm". God's mighty act in parting the Red Sea for the passage of His people is referred to often. When God delivered His people the first time, it was from one country and they were brought out as a complete nation. The second recovery is from ALL COUNTRIES and FROM THE FOUR CORNERS OF THE EARTH, certainly a far greater miracle. The first time God led them into a land of plenty but the second time into a waste land which must be made to produce, a land which has been dry for centuries which must now be watered. Certainly the recovery of the Jews from the ends of the earth is the greatest physical miracle concerning a land and its people that the world has ever seen. The fact that this re-gathering of Israel which we are witnessing was prophesied hundreds of years ago is, indeed, a witness to the truth of the Scripture. That the nation of Israel regards this as a great miracle may be seen by the various Scriptures that appear on their postage stamps.



2 Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy;

3 And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north, and from the south.

Psalms 107:2,3

9 ¶ Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the LORD hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem.

10 The LORD hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Isaiah 52:9,10



8 Thus saith the LORD, In an acceptable time have I heard thee, and in a day of salvation have I helped thee: and I will preserve thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, to establish the earth, to cause to inherit the desolate heritages;

9 That thou mayest say to the prisoners, Go forth; to them that *are* in darkness, Shew yourselves. They shall feed in the ways, and their pastures *shall be* in all high places.

10 They shall not hunger nor thirst; neither shall the heat nor sun smite them: for he that hath mercy on them shall lead them, even by the springs of water shall he guide them.

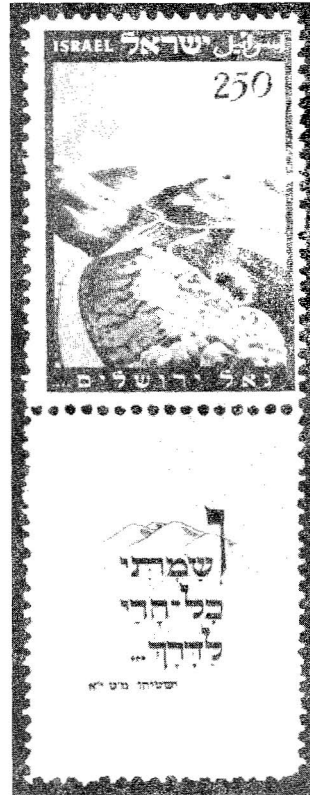
11 And I will make all my mountains a way, and my highways shall be exalted.

12 Behold, these shall come from far: and, lo, these from the north and from the west; and these from the land of Sinim.

Isaiah 49:8-12



Fig. 40



1949

Jerusalem Stamp

The inscription reads:
 ...He hath redeemed Jerusalem. Isaiah 52:9
 And I shall make mountains into highways. Isaiah 49:11

Israel certainly understands that they represent all of the dispersed tribes. There are no "lost tribes" of Israel. True, the Jews do not know from which tribe they have come but Israel compares the present return to the time when God delivered Israel from Egypt.



1952
Menora Stamp
Fig. 41

51 And when the tabernacle setteth forward, the Levites shall take it down: and when the tabernacle is to be pitched, the Levites shall set it up: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.

52 And the children of Israel shall pitch their tents, every man by his own camp, and every man by his own standard, throughout their hosts.

Numbers 1:51,52

The stamp depicts the emblems of the Twelve Tribes with the MENORA of the Second Temple in the center.

The inscription reads: And the Children of Israel shall encamp, each man at his camp and every man at his banner. Numbers 1:52

1956 - Tribes Stamps

Fig. 42

6 ¶ Let Reuben live, and not die;
and let *not* his men be few.

Deut. 33:6



The inscription reads:
May Reuben live. .Deut.33:6



Fig. 43



5 And he was king in Jě-shū'-
rūn, when the heads of the people
and the tribes of Israel were
gathered together.

Deut. 33:5



The inscription reads:
The Tribes of Israel to-
gether. Deut. 33:5

10 They shall teach Jacob thy judgments, and Israel thy law: they shall put incense before thee, and whole burnt sacrifice upon thine altar.

Deut. 33:10

Fig. 44 →

The inscription reads:
They shall teach Jacob
Thine Laws; and Thy Torah
to Israel. Deut. 33:10



9 Judah is a lion's whelp: from the prey, my son, thou art gone up: he stooped down, he couched as a lion, and as an old lion; who shall rouse him up?

Gen. 49:9

← Fig. 45

The inscription reads:
A Young Lion is Judah.
Gen. 49:9

16 ¶ Dan shall judge his people,
as one of the tribes of Israel.

Gen. 49:16

Fig. 46 →

The inscription reads:
Dan shall judge his people.
Gen. 49:16



21 ¶ Nāph'-tā-lī is a hind let loose: he giveth goodly words.

Gen. 49:21

Fig. 47 →

The inscription reads:
Naphtali is a speedy deer.
Gen. 49:21



19 ¶ Gad, a troop shall overcome him: but he shall overcome at the last.

Gen. 49:19

← Fig. 48

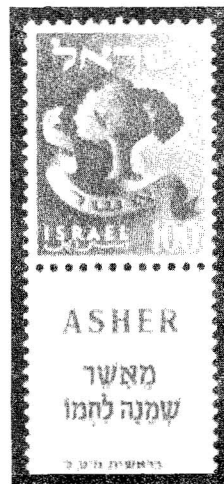
The inscription reads:
Gad, a troop shall troop upon him.
Gen. 49:19

20 ¶ Out of Asher his bread shall be fat, and he shall yield royal dainties.

Gen. 49:20

Fig. 49 →

The inscription reads:
Asher's, his bread shall be fat.
Gen. 49:20



32 And of the children of Issachar, which were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them were two hundred; and all their brethren were at their commandment.

I Chron. 12:32

Fig. 50 →

The inscription reads:
And the children of Issachar
knew the science of the
times. I Chron. 12:32



13 ¶ Zē-bū'-lūn shall dwell at the haven of the sea; and he shall be for an haven of ships; and his border shall be unto Zidon.

Gen. 49:13

← Fig. 51

The inscription reads:
And he shall be a shore for
ships. Gen. 49:13



13 ¶ And of Joseph he said, Blessed of the LORD be his land, for the precious things of heaven, for the dew, and for the deep that coucheth beneath,

Deut. 33:13

Fig. 52 →

The inscription reads:
Blessed by God is his Land.
Deut. 33:13



27 ¶ Benjamin shall ravin *as a wolf*: in the morning he shall devour the prey, and at night he shall divide the spoil.

Gen. 49:27

Fig. 53 →

The inscription reads:
In the morning he will devour his prey. Gen. 49:27



It is, indeed, of great significance that Israel emphasizes the keeping of the feasts of the Lord as established by Almighty God and recorded in Scripture.



1951

Festival Stamp

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, *Concerning* the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim *to be* holy convocations, *even* these are my feasts.

Leviticus 23:1,2

← Fig. 54

The stamp depicts the scrolls of the Law, called the Torah. It includes Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy.

1950

Fig. 55

Festival Stamp



The inscription reads: Joyous Festivals - -

Judah, Celebrate Your Festivals.

Nahum 2:1

15 Behold upon the mountains
the feet of him that bringeth good
tidings, that publisheth peace!
O Judah, keep thy solemn feasts,
perform thy vows: for the wicked
shall no more pass through thee;
he is utterly cut off.

Nahum 1:15

Actually, Israel at the present time cannot keep their feasts in accordance with the directions given in the Law of Moses. The feasts of Israel centered in the Tabernacle in the Wilderness and later in the great temples. Today Israel has neither a temple nor the Tabernacle and there can be no sacrifices offered without a temple. The best that Israel has been able to do is to quote Bible passages on postage stamps and at least indicate their praise of God at the time of their festivals.

1955 Festival Stamp →

The inscription reads:
Praise Him with timbrel
and dance, praise Him with
resounding cymbals.

Psalms 150:4,5

4 Praise him with the timbrel
and dance: praise him with
stringed instruments and organs.

5 Praise him upon the loud cym-
bals: praise him upon the high
sounding cymbals.

Psalms 150:4,5



Fig. 56

Fig. 57



← 1955 Festival Stamp

The inscription reads:
Sound the shofar on the new
moon, on the full moon of
our Festivals. Psalms 81:3

3 Blow up the trumpet in the
new moon, in the time appointed,
on our solemn feast day.

4 For this *was* a statute for Is-
rael, *and* a law of the God of Ja-
cob.

Psalms 81:3,4

1955 Festival Stamp →

The inscription reads:
 In the day of your gladness,
 and in your solemn days,
 and in the beginnings of
 your months, ye shall blow
 with the trumpets. Nu.10:10

10 Also in the day of your gladness,
 and in your solemn days,
 and in the beginnings of your
 months, ye shall blow with the
 trumpets over your burnt offerings,
 and over the sacrifices of
 your peace offerings; that they
 may be to you for a memorial before
 your God: I *am* the LORD
 your God.

Nu.10:10

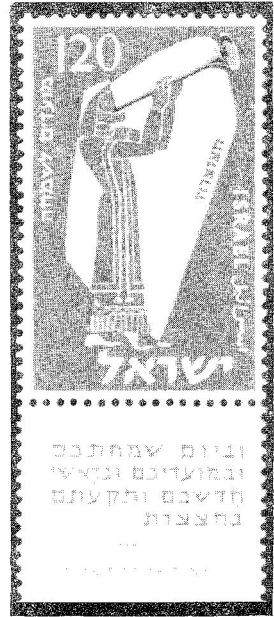


Fig.58

Fig.59



← 1955 Festival Stamp

The inscription reads:
 Praise Him with a harp.
 Psalms 150:3

3 Praise him with the sound of
 the trumpet; praise him with the
 psaltery and harp.

Psalms 150:3

1956 Festival Stamp →

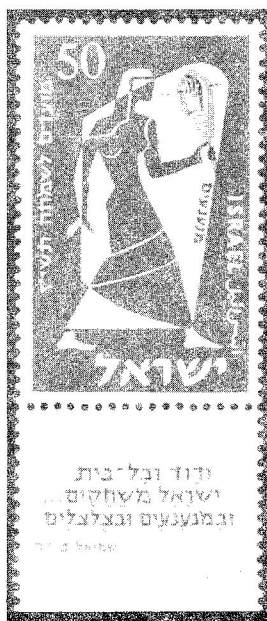
The inscription reads:
Praise Him with lyre and
harp. Psalms 150:3

3 Praise him with the sound of
the trumpet; praise him with the
psaltery and harp.
Psalms 150:3



Fig. 60

Fig. 61



← 1956 Festival Stamp

The inscription reads:
And David and the entire
House of Israel played...
with sistron and bells.

II Samuel 6:5

5 And David and all the house
of Israel played before the LORD
on all manner of *instruments*
made of fir wood, even on harps,
and on psalteries, and on tim-
brels, and on cornets, and on
cymbals.

II Samuel 6:5

1956 Festival Stamp

Fig. 62

The inscription reads:
And joy of heart as one
going with a flute.

Isaiah 30:29

29 Ye shall have a song, as in the
night *when* a holy solemnity is
kept; and gladness of heart, as
when one goeth with a pipe to
come into the mountain of the
LORD, to the mighty One of Is-
rael.

Isaiah 30:29



The land of Palestine which God gave to Israel when He redeemed them from Egypt was a productive land. Twelve men of Israel were sent by Moses to spy out the Promised Land. Only two of the twelve, Caleb and Joshua, were willing to trust God to deliver the land into their hands. The results of the spying out of the land and the advice of Caleb and Joshua are clearly shown on Israel's postage stamp. Just as it was a productive land then, so did God prophesy the wastes would produce again upon the regathering of Israel. The fulfillment of these prophecies is without refutation.

23 And they came unto the
brook of Eshcol, and cut down
from thence a branch with one
cluster of grapes, and they bare it
between two upon a staff; and
they brought of the pomegran-
ates, and of the figs.

24 The place was called the
brook Eschol, because of the
cluster of grapes which the chil-
dren of Israel cut down from
thence.

Numbers 13:23,24

3200 Years Ago

8 If the LORD delight in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it us; a land which floweth with milk and honey.

Numbers 14:8



The inscription reads:
Land that flows milk and honey. Numbers 14:8



1954
Festival Stamp
Fig.63

NOW!

A new thing ↘
Fig.64



1950
Negev Stamp

18 ¶ Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old.

19 Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, *and* rivers in the desert.

20 The beast of the field shall honour me, the dragons and the owls: because I give waters in the wilderness, *and* rivers in the desert, to give drink to my people, my chosen.

21 This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise.

Isaiah 43:18-21



The inscription reads:
Because I give waters in the wilderness. Isaiah 43:20

1953 Stamp -
 Conquest of the Desert

THE wilderness and the solitary
 place shall be glad for them;
 and the desert shall rejoice, and
blossom as the rose.

Isaiah 35:1



Fig. 65

1956 Stamp
 Citrus Growers' Congress
 Jaffa Oranges

Fig. 66



8 ¶ But ye, O mountains of Is-
 rael, ye shall shoot forth your
 branches, and yield your fruit to
my people of Israel; for they are
 at hand to come.

9 For, behold, I *am* for you, and
 I will turn unto you, and ye shall
 be tilled and sown:

10 And I will multiply men upon
 you, all the house of Israel, *even*
 all of it: and the cities shall be in-
 habited, and the wastes shall be
 builded:

11 And I will multiply upon you
 man and beast; and they shall in-
 crease and bring fruit: and I will
 settle you after your old estates,
 and will do better *unto* you than
 at your beginnings: and ye shall
 know that I *am* the LORD.

Ezk. 36:8-11

1961 Stamp Afforestation

17 *When* the poor and needy seek water, and *there is* none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the LORD will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them.

18 I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water.

19 I will plant in the wilderness the cedar, the shittah tree, and the myrtle, and the oil tree; I will set in the desert the fir tree, and the pine, and the box tree together:

20 That they may see, and know, and consider, and understand together, that the hand of the LORD hath done this, and the Holy One of Israel hath created it.

Isaiah 41:17-20



Fig. 67

IRREFUTABLE PROPHECIES

In this world the lie seems to prevail over the truth. Why is the truth important? Pilot asked Jesus the question, "What is truth"? (John 19:38) That there is a God is a truth admitted by all mankind, from the savage in the jungle who worships sticks and trees to the best-educated person who worships in a great cathedral. Somehow man knows there is a God. "The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God." (Ps. 14:1) Even the atheist who says there is no God, in his heart knows better, for why must he then defy God? We need to know the truth about God for life hereafter is dependent upon our knowing and following the TRUTH.

Jesus said God's Word was TRUTH. (John 17:17) Jesus further stated that He, Himself was the TRUTH. (John 14:6) We have seen that religions have a common source but seem to have wide differences in their beliefs. Can all religions be true? Can all religions be more alike than we think? Do their underlying beliefs have anything in common? We need the answers to these questions if we ever hope to know the TRUTH.

The Bible offers a way to test the truth and to find actual proof of the truth, so there need be no doubt. In Isaiah 43:9 God requires that the nations be assembled and investigate to see if they have any long-range prophecies in their religions which prove them to be the truth. In other words, the various re-

ligions should have prophecies and miracles worked by their gods which would prove them to be gods. In the absence of such proof, God calls upon the nations to admit that His prophecies and miracles concerning Israel are adequate proof and therefore they should acknowledge "TRUTH."

9 Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this, and shew us former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, *It is truth.*

Isaiah 43:9

In this great chapter of Isaiah, God reminds the people of His first deliverance of Israel from their bondage in Egypt. (vs. 16, 17) Those to whom He is speaking He has called back from the East, West, North and South. (vs. 56) He has called back a people created for His glory. (vs. 7) This has happened in our day. The people of Israel which God is putting back into the Land of Palestine are not all aware of this great miracle. Isaiah 43:8 says, "Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears." This is the condition of Israel today.

Franz Delitzsch, the great Hebrew scholar in his commentary on THE PROPHECIES OF ISAIAH, points out that there are two subjects in verse 10, "ye" and "my servant". Now notice carefully what he says, "MY SERVANT" of that part of the nation which is so, not merely, like the mass, in virtue of divine vocation, but also in virtue of proved faithfulness to that vocation. Thus it would mean the kernel of the nation, which is in the mass, yet has not the nature of the

mass." The people of Israel are a witness to the truth of God's Word. Even though the masses are irreligious there is a small nucleus which clings to the Word of God as is evidenced by the constant appearance of Scriptural quotations on the postage stamps of Israel. No other religion has such prophecies and miracles to prove that THEY are true, therefore, let them acknowledge THE TRUTH. In 1950 Israel issued a postage stamp depicting Hebrew University at Jerusalem. Attached to the bottom row of these stamps was a tab showing an open Bible and on the Bible the words "Acquire truth". Under the Bible is the Scripture reference Proverbs 23:23. This, indeed, is the one place to acquire TRUTH.



Fig. 68

1950

Hebrew University

THE FACTS:

1. The Jews have been preserved in a world-wide dispersion for 25 centuries and yet remained a separated people.

2. This was prophesied as early as Moses wrote the Law.

32 And I will bring the land into desolation: and your enemies which dwell therein shall be astonished at it.

33 And I will scatter you among the heathen, and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste.

Leviticus 26:32,33

3. It was prophesied that the land of Palestine would be partitioned.

4. It was prophesied that the Land would be born in a day.

5. It was prophesied Israel would be re-gathered; this has already been shown.

6. It was prophesied that God would give waters in the wilderness.

7. It was prophesied that the desert would blossom as a rose.

8. It was prophesied that the fruit trees would produce once again.

9. It was prophesied that forests would be planted again.

All of these things have already been shown and there is abundant visible proof that these things have taken place in our day. There is a kernel in the nation of Israel that is concerned with Scriptural Truth. In 1882 one such group in Russia known as the BILU pioneered agricultural villages in Palestine. Their slogan was "O House of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk". In 1952 Israel issued a BILU stamp commemorating the 70th anniversary of the Bilu Movement. On this stamp was printed the slogan from Isaiah 2:5; notice the rest of the verse.



1952
Bilu Stamp

Fig. 69

5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and
let us walk in the light of the
LORD.

Isaiah 2:5

That these pioneers returned to a land that had been waste for centuries is verified by a postage stamp called, Year of the Pioneers. The bulletin of this stamp issued by Israel shows the following quotations from two of these early pioneers. "My hands are covered with blisters and bruises. I cannot straighten out my fingers." "The site was a bleak wilderness. Not a booth, no inn, no tree, no human being, nothing but illimitable sand-dunes and thorn bushes. Everywhere jackals, their mournful howling making the desert night hideous."



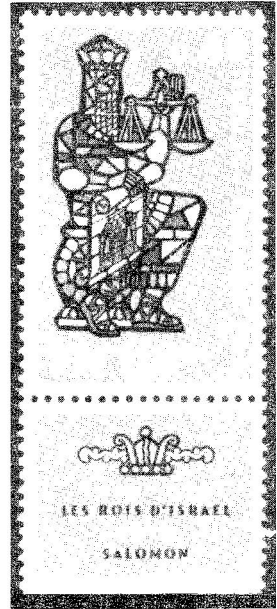
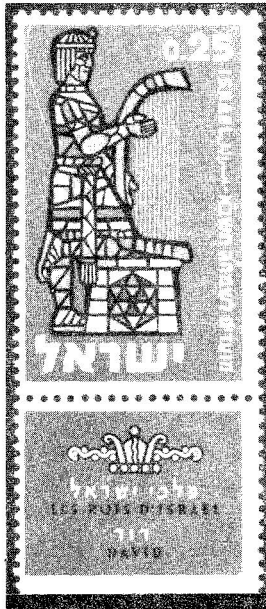
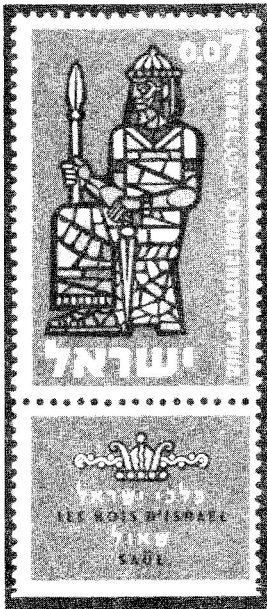
Year of the Pioneers Stamp

1963

Fig.70

The voice of tidings, behold, it cometh, and a great commotion out of the north country, to make the cities of Judah a desolation, a dwelling place of jackals. Jer.10:22 (RSV)

What other nation persecuted and exiled from their land, can picture their kings 2500 years later on postage stamps?



Israel can even look back beyond their kings to the time when God talked to Moses from the burning bush. Even as the bush was burning but did not burn up so Israel has gone through the fires of affliction and still exists as a nation. Israel issued a postage stamp in memory of the millions of Jews killed in Europe. This postage stamp shows a flame. The flames spell out; Sh'maa Yisrel, Hear, O Israel. The quotation is from Deuteronomy 6:4.

Holocaust and Resistance
Stamp
 1962

2 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush *was* not consumed.

Ex. 3:2

4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God *is* one LORD:

Deut. 6:4



Fig. 72

A pillar of fire led Israel in the wilderness and indicated God's presence in the Tabernacle. These things, too, are remembered on Israel's postage stamps for Israel has issued a Bezalel Jubilee stamp. This stamp commemorates the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the Bezalel Museum. Bezalel was one of those in charge of the construction of the Wilderness Tabernacle.



Fig. 73

Even the record of Jonah, the prophet, has found its way onto the postage stamps of Israel.

Festival Stamps

1963

3 But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tār'-shish from the presence of the LORD, and went down to Joppa; and he found a ship going to Tarshish: so he paid the fare thereof, and went down into it, to go with them unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD.

4 ¶ But the LORD sent out a great wind into the sea, and there was a mighty tempest in the sea, so that the ship was like to be broken.

Jonah 1:3,4

Bezalel Jubilee Stamp 1957

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 See, I have called by name Bēz'-ā-lēel the son of Ū'-rī, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah:

3 And I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship,

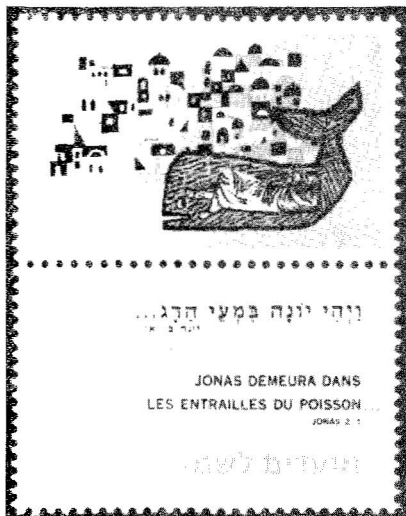
4 To devise cunning works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass,

5 And in cutting of stones, to set *them*, and in carving of timber, to work in all manner of workmanship.

Ex. 31:1-5

Fig. 74





17 ¶ Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

Jonah 1:17

Fig. 75

6 And the LORD God prepared a gourd, and made *it* to come up over Jonah, that it might be a shadow over his head, to deliver him from his grief. So Jonah was exceeding glad of the gourd.

7 But God prepared a worm when the morning rose the next day, and it smote the gourd that it withered.

8 And it came to pass, when the sun did arise, that God prepared a vehement east wind; and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted, and wished in himself to die, and said, *It is better for me to die than to live.*

Jonah 4:6-8

Fig. 76



While there is much in Israel's past, there is much more in Israel's future. The hope of Israel is in the fulfillment of God's prophecies. One of the most simple, literal, and straight forward prophecies is that recorded by the prophet Amos and illustrated on Israel's postage stamp.

Exhibition Stamp

Fig. 77 1958

The stamp reads:-

15 And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the LORD thy God.

Amos 9:15



Can anyone question the literal fulfillment of this prophecy? But there are still others by this same prophet equally as plain. Villages and cities had to be rebuilt. One of the most unusual periods during which 55 settlements were built is known as the "Tower and Stockade" period. This period is described quite fully in the bulletin issued by the Israel Philatelic Services in Jerusalem at the time of the "Stockade and Tower" stamps.

The "Tower and Stockade" period is a remarkable chapter of daring and determination in the annals of Jewish pioneering—1936 to 1939 were troubled years for the small Jewish community of Palestine, which was subject to the crippling economic and land restrictions imposed by the mandatory government, and to continuous hostile attacks from terrorists.

Under cover of night marauding Arab bands would set fire to outlying farm houses and fields; orchards were uprooted and pipes and wells damaged. The

Yishuv's answer to this challenge of destruction was construction----the building of more and more settlements throughout the country.

Fig. 78

"Stockade and Tower" Stamps-1963



The erection of these settlements was a triumph of planning and organization, for each "Tower and Stockade" settlement was built within a day. During twenty-four hours a bare patch of ground was converted into a secure encampment surrounded by a wooden stockade, with a searchlight, playing from the high watchtower in the centre, offering protection from guerilla bands.

A member of Kibbutz Massada, which was built in March 1937, describes the feverish preparation involved in such a planning: "A double wooden wall filled with sand so thick that no bullet could

penetrate it, a fourteen-meter tower with a projector on top, a dynamo, a double barbed-wire fence, and within this fort three cottages for the members, a dining room, and a kitchen.....and all this had to be completed within one day. Materials, men, machinery, lorries...the head whirls, but some inner voice whispers: 'We shall accomplish it!'"

The pioneers of the "Tower and Stockade" days created irrevocable political and economic facts. In the words of one of the settlers: "Although the soil had been paid for long ago, it was still not ours. Only when we are settled upon it, do we feel that we are safe."

Nir David was the first of the "Tower and Stockade" settlements. Its establishment marked the beginning of the revitalization of the once fertile Beisan valley which, during centuries of foreign rule, had degenerated into a marshy wasteland. In this period the map of Jewish settlement was altered considerably: Clusters of settlements appeared in the fertile Hula valley, in the hills of Ephraim, and on the plains of Acre. Simultaneously settlement began in the western area of Upper Galilee and elsewhere.

On the 21st of March, 1938, the ascent to Hanita, high in the lonely wooded hills of Western Galilee, took place. The lorries that brought the equipment for the new settlement could not climb the rocky terrain. Over 400 volunteers, some settlers from other villages, others city workers from Haifa, carried the tents and

building materials on their backs. Within twenty-four hours Hanita was erected. On the very first night the new village fought off the attack of Arab marauders. The settlers continued at their posts and Hanita--created out of the "blood, sweat, tears" of Israel's pioneers--remained to serve as the spearhead of the liberation of Western Galilee.

During the years of 1936 to 1939 a network of 55 "Tower and Stockade" settlements spread from Dan in the north to Negba in the south. These settlements played a decisive role in the difficult economic, political, and military struggles that followed.

The rebuilding of many specific settlements has also been commemorated by the issuance of postage stamps.

1959 - Jubilee Stamps Fig.79



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Fig. 80 DEGANYA

14 And I will bring again the captivity of my people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit *them*; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them.

Amos 9:14

Perhaps the most outstanding of all the new cities is Tel Aviv. Tel Aviv a few years ago was nothing but sand-dunes. In 50 years the Tel Aviv-Jaffa area reached a population of 380,000 souls, one of the fastest growing areas in the world. The postage stamp commemorating the 40th anniversary of Tel Aviv bears an appropriate Scripture giving God the glory.

Tel Aviv Stamp

1951

4 Again I will build thee, and thou shalt be built, O virgin of Israel: thou shalt again be adorned with thy tabrets, and shalt go forth in the dances of them that make merry.

Jer. 31:4



Fig. 81



All of these fulfillments of prophecy could not be possible were it not of God. Israel admits this by the very Scripture that is selected for their stamps.

The Word of God abounds with promises for the nation of Israel. The promises are so clear and plain and occurring as they do, by the hundreds cannot be refuted. One who claims to believe the Bible of necessity must believe in the restoration of Israel.

4 ¶ And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations.

Isaiah 61:4

3 For, lo, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will bring again the captivity of my people Israel and Judah, saith the LORD: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it.

Jer. 30:3

10 ¶ Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make *him* afraid.

Jer. 30:10

10 ¶ Hear the word of the LORD, O ye nations, and declare *it* in the isles afar off, and say, He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd *doth* his flock.

Jer. 31:10

THE BIBLE IS THE TRUTH

While we are living in the days when many of the promises of God to Israel are being fulfilled, numerous prophecies predict far greater blessings for Israel in the immediate future. Israel does exist as a physical nation and the once-barren wastes are again yielding their produce exactly as God promised. Israel has issued many postage stamps showing the produce of the land and many more showing the flowers of Israel.

8 A land of wheat, and barley, and vines, and fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of oil olive, and honey;

Deut. 8:8

1958 & 59 Festival Stamps



Wheat



Barley



Grapes



Figs



Olives



Pomegranates



Dates

Fig.82

Flowers of Israel on Postage Stamps

1959 - 63



Ultimately, the nation of Israel is to be the leading nation of the world. The final completion of many prophecies will not occur until the Messiah of Israel comes to rule over the nation but even now Israel looks forward to that time.

1960 - World Refugee Year



3 ¶ And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

4 But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken it.

Micah 4:3,4



Fig. 83

Human Rights Stamp

1958

18 ¶ Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I am the LORD.

Lev. 19:18



Fig. 84

Notice that the commandment engraved on the stone, pictured on the stamp, is not one of the 10 commandments. This commandment is one quoted by Jesus Christ. (Matt.22:39)

Man is planning to free the world from hunger by his own efforts. Man has always been deceived into thinking he is making progress upward and will achieve world-wide peace and happiness. This has been one of Satan's great deceptions. Israel relies on God's promise to answer the food shortage. "I will lay no famine upon you." Ezk.36:29. Notice, on the stamp, God's hand feeds the little bird. Just as God feeds the birds so will He feed Israel for you will notice the 12 kernels of grain in His hand representing the 12 tribes of Israel.



Freedom from Hunger

1963

28 And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.

29 I will also save you from all your uncleannesses; and I will call for the corn, and will increase it, and lay no famine upon you.

Ezk. 36:28,29



Fig. 85

Read Leviticus 25:23 and Amos 9:13 and study carefully the Jewish National Fund stamps. These stamps tell their own story.

50th Anniversary of Jewish National Fund Stamps
1951



13 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt.

Amos 9:13

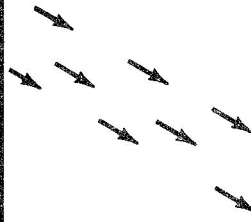


Fig. 86
On the Stamp



23 ¶ The land shall not be sold for ever: for the land is mine; for ye are strangers and sojourners with me.

Lev. 25:23

The postage stamps of Israel certainly verify the prophecies of Scripture. To one who does not believe the Bible, these stamps certainly prove beyond shadow of doubt that the greatest physical miracle ever known in history is now taking place. If these prophecies written centuries before and now being fulfilled are not sufficient evidence of the TRUTH of GOD'S WORD, nothing will be sufficient to sway their unbelief. Abraham answered the rich man in hell, "If they hear not Moses, and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead". Luke 16:31.

Anyone who claims to believe the Bible and denies the physical restoration of Israel and physical rule of Jesus Christ over an earthly kingdom had better re-examine his claim. Notice the parable of the fig tree.

32 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh:

33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, *even* at the doors.

34 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

Matt. 24:32-34



Fig. 87

13 The fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines *with* the tender grape give a *good* smell. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.

Song of Sol. 2:13

Festival Stamp
1952

Here, the Bible states that this is a parable. Sometimes in Scripture the fig tree represents Israel as in Joel 1:6,7. In this passage God tells of a nation coming against HIS LAND. God says, MY LAND, MY VINE and MY FIG TREE. The parable states, "When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth LEAVES". Now in the case of a fig tree the fruit comes before the leaves and the fruit is usually harvested in May. Israel's Festival Stamp of 1952 has the Scripture "The fig tree putteth forth her GREEN FIGS". (Song of Solomon 2:13) Israel became a nation in the land again May 14-16, 1948. The leaves follow the fruit.

Paul makes it plain to the Gentiles that they are grafted into a good olive tree but that the natural branches can be grafted in again. Is it not strange that Israel has issued a postage stamp which shows what they claim is "the symbolic design of a tree"?

50th Anniversary

JNF Stamps

1951



Fig. 88

22 Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, if thou continue in *his* goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.

23 And they also, if they abide not still in unbelief, shall be grafted in: for God is able to graft them in again.

24 For if thou wert cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and wert grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree: how much more shall these, which be the natural *branches*, be grafted into their own olive tree?

Rom. 11:22-24

Israel's blindness will soon be lifted and they once again will turn to Almighty God with all their heart. Then will come the promised millennial blessing already depicted on postage stamps of Israel.

6 The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.

7 And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

8 And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice's den.

Isaiah 11:6-8

Fig. 89 1962 Festival Stamps



But the final years of blessing will not come until God brings forth His Son to rule. Jesus Christ, God's Son, is often referred to as THE BRANCH. Perhaps the most prophetic postage stamp thus far issued is the Independence Day Stamp of 1958. The lights of the lampstand are all out. The light in the Old Testament represented the Law and later represented Jesus Christ as the Light of the World. Finally the light represented the gospel message of the church. Today, there is very little gospel being preached and we have entered the period of the SOCIAL gospel. Soon Jesus Christ, the BRANCH, will come again to this earth to rule.



1958
Independence Day Stamp
Fig. 90



The BRANCH of the Lord

2 In that day shall the branch of the LORD be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth *shall be* excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel.

Isaiah 4:2



A Righteous BRANCH

5 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.

Jer. 23:5



The BRANCH of Righteousness

15 ¶ In those days, and at that time, will I cause the Branch of righteousness to grow up unto David; and he shall execute judgment and righteousness in the land.

Jer. 33:15



My Servant the BRANCH

8 Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, thou, and thy fellows that sit before thee: for they *are* men wondered at: for, behold, I will bring forth my servant the BRANCH.

Zech. 3:8



Behold the man whose name is

The BRANCH

12 And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Behold the man whose name is The BRANCH; and he shall grow up out of his place, and he shall build the temple of the LORD:

Zech. 6:12

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Certainly, the heart of every true Bible believer must thrill with excitement as he sees all of these proofs of Scripture and the prophecies of old being filled so rapidly. The emblem of the State of Israel all alight encourages our hearts. As the flag of Israel flies around the world it is a sign of the TRUTH. We now know without doubt the Bible is the TRUTH and all other claimants to be the truth are false.



Fig. 91

Independence Day Stamp

1955



11 ¶ Then answered I, and said unto him, What *are* these two olive trees upon the right *side* of the candlestick and upon the left *side* thereof?

Zech. 4:11

Flag Stamp

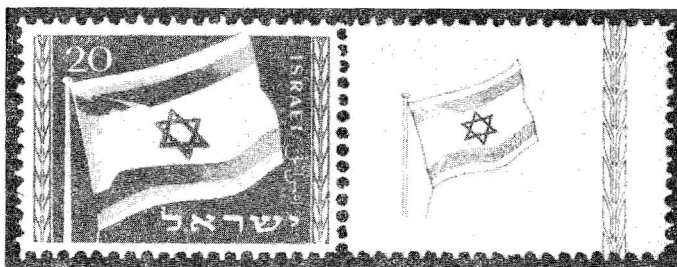
1949

4 Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth. Selah.

Ps. 60:4



Fig. 92



THE ZODIAC AND ISRAEL

Is it not strange that in these days constant attacks are being made within the organized church against the Word of God? If the Bible is not the Word of God, then what use is there for the organized church to exist? Perhaps the strongest attack on the Bible is directed against the first five books (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy) written by Moses. If Moses and his writings be discredited, there is little left in the Bible; for Jesus Himself said, "For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. BUT if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?" John 5:46, 47. For a person to SAY he believes in the New Testament and then reject the writings of Moses is, of course, in contradiction to the New Testament in which he SAYS he believes.

Perhaps a few specific cases may make this more plain. In Acts 7:44 we read, "Our fathers had the tabernacle 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". On page 1027 in Volume I of THE INTERPRETER'S BIBLE printed by the Abingdon-Cokesbury Press at Nashville, Tennessee, we read, "The tabernacle here presented never actually existed. It is a product of the priestly imagination, an ideal structure". Quite obviously this writer disbelieves the statement in the book of Acts as well as the Old Testament. This is

always the case; the person who does not believe the Old Testament never actually believes the New Testament for it is impossible to believe the New and not the Old.

Another example may be taken from this same source on page 861. Speaking of the book of Exodus, particularly in regard to Moses we read: "How far the STORIES of this book are founded on fact is a question which we cannot answer... There does seem to be evidence that there was a great leader called Moses in the early history of the Jewish people, and that some of the tribes of Israel were for a time in bondage in the land of Egypt". The name Moses occurs 80 times in the New Testament; this certainly is abundant evidence. Now read Hebrews 11:23-29.

23 By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw *he was* a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment.

24 By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Phâr'-āōh's daughter;

25 Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;

26 Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.

27 By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.

28 Through faith he kept the passover, and the sprinkling of blood, lest he that destroyed the firstborn should touch them.

29 By faith they passed through
the Red sea as by dry *land*; which
the Egyptians assaying to do were
drowned. Heb. 11:23-29

The pattern of Satan's attack is quite plain; attack the Tabernacle, this discredits Moses. Next, attack Moses, this discredits Jesus Himself and every one of the writers of the New Testament for every writer of the New Testament refers to Moses. Even the miraculous crossing of the Red Sea is being made into a sort of joke to help discredit the entire Bible. Recently, the Red Sea itself has come under attack as being nothing more than a reed marsh. It is argued that the crossing of the Red Sea was not as great a miracle as has been taught. It is stated that a strong wind often blew the shallow water off the reed marsh and thus the Israelites passed to the other side of the shallow reed marsh during one of these periods. The story is told of a professor who was explaining this miracle in this fashion. One of the students said, "Sir, you mean it was a reed marsh and not the Red Sea?"

The professor replied, "That's right".

The student asked, "Do you mean there was very little, if any, water there?"

The professor again replied, "That's right".

Then the student remarked, "But professor, what a miracle; all of Pharaoh's forces drowned on dry ground".

Indeed, that would have been a great miracle, but what is the true explanation?

One of the famous Dead Sea Scrolls known as The Genesis Apocryphon gives part of the answer. The Sea of Reeds, which is the correct name, is not some separate reed marsh but simply an ancient name for what today is known as the Red Sea. This is carefully

shown and explained by Mr. A. Dupont-Sommer on page 290 of his book, THE ESSENE WRITINGS from QUMRAN.

The Bible explains that "a strong east wind" parted the waters of the sea. (Ex. 14:21) Then as the wind ceased, a sudden fall in temperature caused the walls of water and the muddy bottom to freeze. (Ex. 15:8) The Israelites quickly passed to the other side. As the pursuing Egyptians entered the opening between these walls of ice, the ice began to thaw. The bottom became muddy and the chariots were beginning to get stuck. In desperation the horses tried to pull the chariots loose. The chariot wheels refused to turn, many came off. (Ex. 14:25) The Egyptian soldiers deserted their chariots and ran for safety but they, too, were stuck in the mud and the apocryphal book of Judith 9:8 as given in the Douay Version says, "The deep held their feet, and the waters overwhelmed them". Every man of the Egyptian army was drowned. (Ex. 14:28)

Even while this great miracle of the deliverance of the Israelites from Egypt is under attack, God is bringing to completion a still greater miracle. The Jews, scattered for 25 centuries, are being again put into their own land. But this great miracle like the miracle of old, finds its opponents within the organized church. Some clergymen deny Israel will be a nation again; others take the promises that belong to Israel and apply them to the church; still others give them some spiritual interpretation or else simply ignore them. Certainly the postage stamps of Israel which we have shown, together with the Scriptures are ample evidence of the truth of God's Word and the present-day fulfilling of God's prophecies of old. But God warned that such evil persons would creep into the organized church and this infiltration has been going on since the days when the church was formed.

4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

5 I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not.

Jude 4, 5

In these days the mockery of the Word of God within the church is taking on a greatly increased blasphemous attitude. But the Word of God has given ample warning of these tendencies.

18 How that they told you there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts.

19 These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit.

Jude 18, 19

BUT there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

2 And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

2 Peter 2:1, 2

3 Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,

4 And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as *they were* from the beginning of the creation.

2 Peter 3:3, 4

12 Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

2 Tim. 3:12, 13

3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

2 Tim. 4:3, 4

High overhead, the sun, moon, and stars move ceaselessly in their appointed cycles. They are for "signs and for seasons". (Gen. 1:14) What are these signs? These stars make up what we know as constellations, imaginary figures, invisible forms. Man may change the Word of God, man may say the Tabernacle never existed but he cannot reach into the heavens and change the stars. Who made these invisible figures? Job said, God, ". . .maketh Arcturus, Orion, and Pleiades, and the chambers of the south". Job 9:9

God verifies this for God says, "Seek him that maketh the seven stars (Pleiades) and Orion. . . . The Lord is his name". Amos 5:8. Again God says, "Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these things, that bringeth out their host by number: he calleth them all by NAMES by the greatness of his might, for that he is strong in power; not one faileth". Is. 40:26. These invisible figures depend on the stars for their meaning and understanding and God settled that, too, for he both numbered and named the stars. "He telleth the NUMBER of the stars; he calleth them all by their NAMES". Ps. 147:4. Hundreds of ancient star names exist on the star maps of the world. A few of those star names in the constellation Orion are: Betelgeuz, Rigel, Bellatrix, Al Nitak, Mintaka, Saiph and Meissa. Yea! "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handy-work. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night SHEWETH KNOWLEDGE. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard. Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun, which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race". Ps. 19:1-5. Paul says these words were the gospel and the world has heard. (Rom. 10:18) These invisible things are perceived from the creation of the world by the stars which God has made. (Rom. 1:20) Isaiah says the time will come when these constellations won't give their light. What kind of light? Is it just physical light? Very little star-light ever actually reaches this earth. Could it be spiritual light? "For the stars of heaven and the CONSTELLATIONS thereof shall not give their light; the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine." Is. 13:10. God asked Job some questions. "Canst thou bind the sweet influences of Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion?

Canst thou bring forth Mazzaroth (12 signs - Zodiac) in his season? or canst thou guide Arcturus with his sons? Knowest thou the ordinances of heaven? canst thou set the dominion thereof in the earth?" Job 38:31-33. For the last two questions the Greek text reads, "And are you versed in the turnings of heaven? Or the things which come about under heaven with one purpose". Now we see that these ordinances of heaven are connected with the 12 signs known as the Zodiac and these, of course, are the invisible figures in the sky understood by the very stars which God numbered and named. These ordinances or statutes have dominion in the earth. One thing is definitely stated, and that is that these ordinances are a testimony of the permanency of the nation of Israel. "Thus saith the Lord, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The Lord of Hosts is his name: If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the Lord, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever." Jer. 31:35, 36. Again, God uses the permanency of Israel to be a testimony to God's having appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth. "Thus saith the Lord; If my covenant be not with day and night, and if I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth; Then will I cast away the seed of Jacob, and David my servant, so that I will not take any of his seed to be rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: for I WILL cause their captivity to return, and have mercy on them." Jer. 33:25, 26.

It is no wonder that Israel pictures the constellations of the Zodiac on postage stamps. One such stamp was issued in 1961 showing the constellations in a circle with a quotation on the tab at the bottom from the Soncino Talmud, Berakoth 32b. "I have created 12 constellations in the firmament."



1961

ZODIAC STAMP



Fig. 93

Israel issued a separate stamp for each of the 12 constellations. This was not the first time that the new nation of Israel had issued stamps with the signs of the Zodiac. An unusual sheet consisting of 4 triangular stamps was issued in 1957 on the occasion of the International Stamp Exhibition in Tel Aviv. Catalogue No.6 of the Israel Ministry of Posts says on page 37, "It depicts the floor mosaic of the ancient Bet Alfa Synagogue in the Yizrael Valley showing an allegorical illustration of the Sun surrounded by the twelve signs of the Zodiac".

Here is a definite connection between Israel and the Zodiac hundreds of years ago. The sun is pictured as a woman with a six-part crown. Pictured with the woman is a moon, stars and 4 grotesque figures. God's command to Israel in Exodus 20:4, 5 reads, "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven

image, or ANY LIKENESS that is in heaven above, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me".

1957 - "TABIL" SHEET



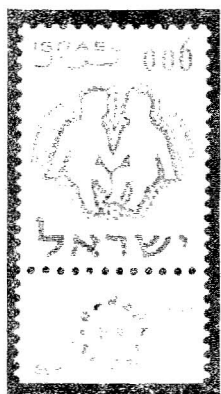


1961 ZODIAC STAMPS

Fig. 95

26 Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these things, that bringeth out their host by number: he calleth them all by names by the greatness of his might, for that *he is* strong in power; not one faileth.

Isaiah 40:26



4 He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by their names.

Psalms 147:4



Soon after coming out of Egypt, Israel began making idols. In the first few months in the wilderness the people of Israel made a golden calf. Perhaps the principle figures worshiped were the sun-images for we find many references to them. "And your altars shall become desolate, and your sun-images shall be broken; and I will cast down your slain men before your idols." Ezk.6:4 ASV. "And they shall not look to the altars, the work of their hands; neither shall they have respect to that which their fingers have made, either the Asherim, or sun-images." Is.17:8 ASV. Moses warned Israel not to make any figure, "lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun and the moon and the stars, even all the host of heaven, thou be drawn away and worship them, and serve them, which Jehovah thy God hath allotted unto all the peoples under the whole heaven". Deut. 4:19 ASV. Yet here on a postage stamp we see evidence of Israel's worship of the sun as the Queen of Heaven. The sun, moon and stars were allotted to all people that they might know the plan of salvation yet the mind of man has constantly rebelled and, "when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things". Romans 1:21-23.

Israel's great sin was centered around sun-worship. "The high places also of Aven, the sin of Israel, shall be destroyed." Hosea 10:18 ASV. Aven was called On or Heiliopolis in Egypt, the center of the worship of the sun-god Re. A Queen of Heaven was an abomination to God and yet Israel made cakes for the worship of such a queen.

17 ¶ Seest thou not what they do in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem?

18 The children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead *their* dough, to make cakes to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto other gods, that they may provoke me to anger.

Jer. 7:17, 18

The imaginary figures of the Zodiac, understood by the stars ever since creation, were meant to give out the gospel. Let us return for a moment to just one constellation, Orion, and see the star names and their meanings as given by Rev. E. W. Bullinger in THE WITNESS OF THE STARS.

Betelgeuz--the coming of the Branch

Rigel--(in Orion's foot)--the foot that crusheth

Bellatrix--quickly coming or swiftly destroying

Al Natak--the wounded one

Meissa--coming forth

Saiph--bruised

Orion itself means "coming forth as light" also "the strong one." Is not this a picture of Jesus, the Branch; whose foot crushes the head of Satan, who was wounded for our transgressions, whose heel was bruised, who is swiftly coming to destroy that old enemy, the Devil and Satan? Satan, who goes forth as a roaring lion, is indicated by the head and skin in Orion's left hand as he swings his club with his right. This is a picture of the victorious Christ. These wonderful heavenly signs were given to all people, yet loving darkness rather than light, the nations of the world have changed these things into the idolatrous practices of astrology.

At the start of this book we mentioned the marks of a false religion. The Jew and his history is proof that the Bible is the Word of God. A religion which uses any other book may quickly be branded as false. You may say that even though the Bible is proven to be the Word of God, that doesn't prove that the other religions don't have some books which are also the Word of God. It is of course the responsibility of religions based on other books to prove that their books are the Word of God. How should they prove this? God says, "Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this, AND SHEW US FORMER THINGS? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified". Isaiah 43:9. Do other religions have such a prophecy as that concerning Israel? A religion which rests on a book other than the Bible may be branded as false. Another mark of a false religion is its lack of prophecy.

SUN-WORSHIP

We have shown thus far that the gospel was once in the stars. It has been proven beyond question that Israel has been separated by God and is being used of God as a sign to an unbelieving world. God is proving first, that He is God and in addition that the Bible is His Word. Now all religions profess to believe in a god or gods. Can we prove, now that we know the Bible is the Word of God, which are true and which are false? We know that any religion not based on the Bible is false, because as shown above no religion can produce a record in their writings of such a miracle as we have in the preservation of the Jews and their re-gathering into the land of Palestine.

The starry heavens are a source of the truth but through the wickedness of man under the spell of Satan the truth was perverted into a universal lie. Paul in Romans chapter one to which we have referred so often says, "Who changed the truth of God into a lie". Rom. 1:25. It is not, therefore, surprising to find the SUN as the principle diety in much of the worship of the world. Sun-worship then is a clear sign or mark of a false system. Job knew the worship of the sun to be sin. For Job says,

26 If I beheld the sun when it
shined, or the moon walking *in*
brightness;

27 And my heart hath been se-

cretly enticed, or my mouth hath
kissed my hand:

28 This also *were* an iniquity to
be *punished* by the judge: for I
should have denied the God *that*
is above.

Job 31:26-28

Now the Egyptians worshiped the sun as their principle diety under the name Ra or Re. We find reference to this in the Bible. "He shall break also the images of Beth-shemesh (the house of the sun), that is in the land of Egypt." Jer. 43:13. You will remember that Joseph married "Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah priest of On". Gen. 41:45. On was the center of sun-worship in Egypt. Now the meaning of the priest's name, Poti-pherah, is given in Smith's, A DICTIONARY OF THE BIBLE as "he who belongs to Ra".

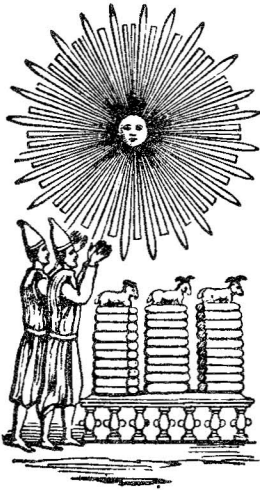


Fig. 96

SUN - WORSHIP

Two priests are offering a sacrifice to the sun. This representation is from a grotto in Upper Egypt near Babain. This illustration is from THE TWO BABYLONS by Rev. Alexander Hislop.

The worship of Baal became common among the Israelites and this worship, too, was connected with the worship of the sun. For Josiah purged Judah and Jerusalem, "And they brake down the altars of the Baalim in his præsence; and the sun-images that were

on high above them he hewed down". 2 Chr. 34:4 ASV.

We know that the Tabernacle of Witness used by the children of Israel was always pitched to face east. Solomon's and Herod's temples were also made to face east. Now the purpose of this particular arrangement was to make the worshipers face west and turn their backs on the rising sun. God was not the sun and the people were to worship God, not one of His creations. The Israelites soon turned their backs on God and following the pagan nations around them began to worship the sun. God took the prophet Eze-kiel and showed him what was being done in the temple.

15 ¶ Then said he unto me, Hast thou seen *this*, O son of man? turn thee yet again, *and* thou shalt see greater abominations than these.

16 And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD's house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of the LORD, between the porch and the altar, *were* about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east.

Ezk. 8:15, 16

Baal and Molock were both connected with sun-worship or fire-worship.

33 And they have turned unto me the back, and not the face: though I taught them, rising up early and teaching *them*, yet they have not hearkened to receive instruction.

34 But they set their abominations in the house, which is called by my name, to defile it.

35 And they built the high places of Bā'-āi, which are in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire unto Molech; which I commanded them not, neither came it into my mind, that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin.

Jer. 32:33-35

Many of the old religions still worship the sun and of course we are quick to call these people pagan. What about so-called Christian religions? Do any of these show any trace of such ancient idolatrous practices? When Jesus instituted what we know as the Lord's Supper, He took the regular unleavened bread of the Passover and broke it and gave it to His disciples, "And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat, this is my body". Matt.26:26. Is it not strange that among many so-called Christians today the bread used is a round wafer, often with three letters, IHS?

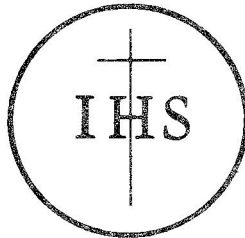


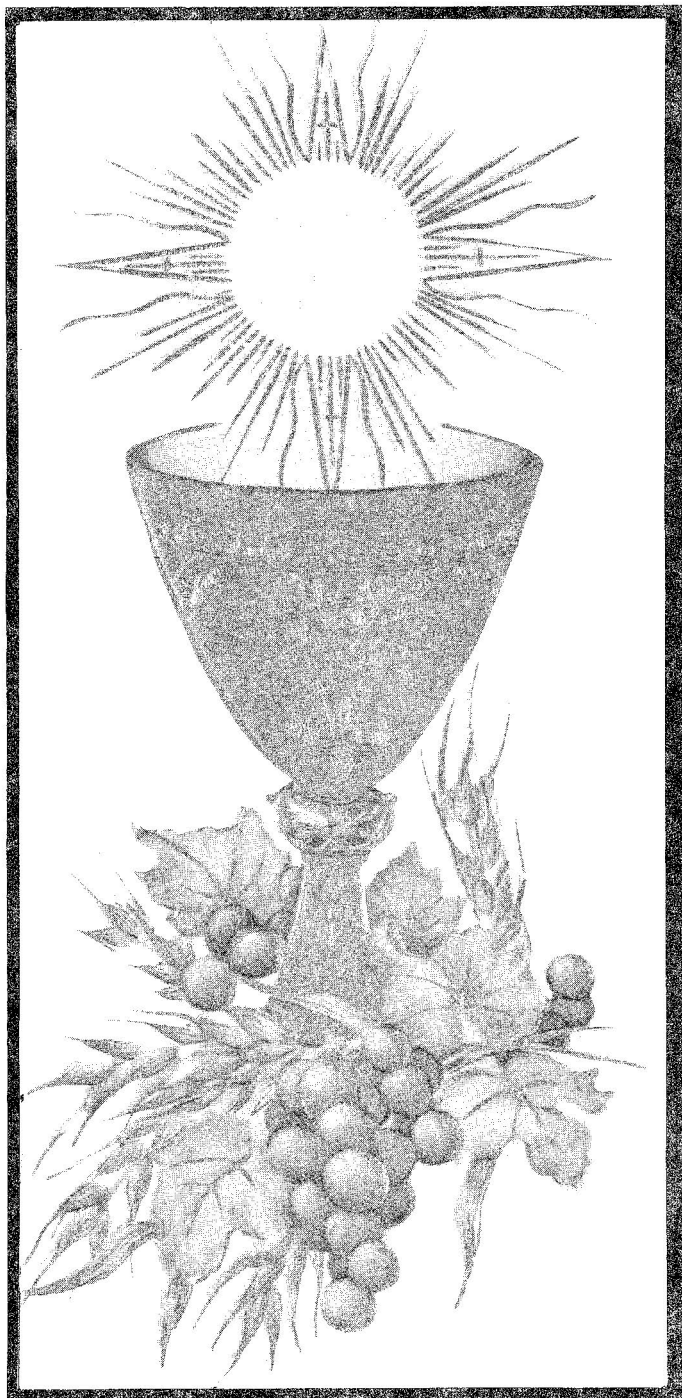
Fig. 97
THE ROUND WAFER

This round wafer is nothing more or less than the sun disc worshiped by the pagan worshipers of Egypt and other parts of the world centuries ago. What do these letters mean? Christian churches have long been giving various meanings to these letters which appear on pulpit cloths, communion tables, and elsewhere. In His Service, is one common explanation. In His Steps, and as one little boy said, "I Hate Sin," are still others. A better explanation in the Roman Catholic Church is, "Iesus Homium Salvator," or "Jesus the Savior of men". But the real and original meaning is quite different as Rev. Alexander Hislop shows in his book, THE TWO BABYLONS, p.164. The meaning to a Roman worshiper was "Isis, Horus, Seb" that is, "the Mother, the Child, and the Father of the gods," --- in other words, "The Egyptian Trinity." Lest there be any doubt that this round wafer represents the sun-god in the Roman church it is placed in an "ostensorium" for the people to adore.



Fig. 98

OSTENSORIUM



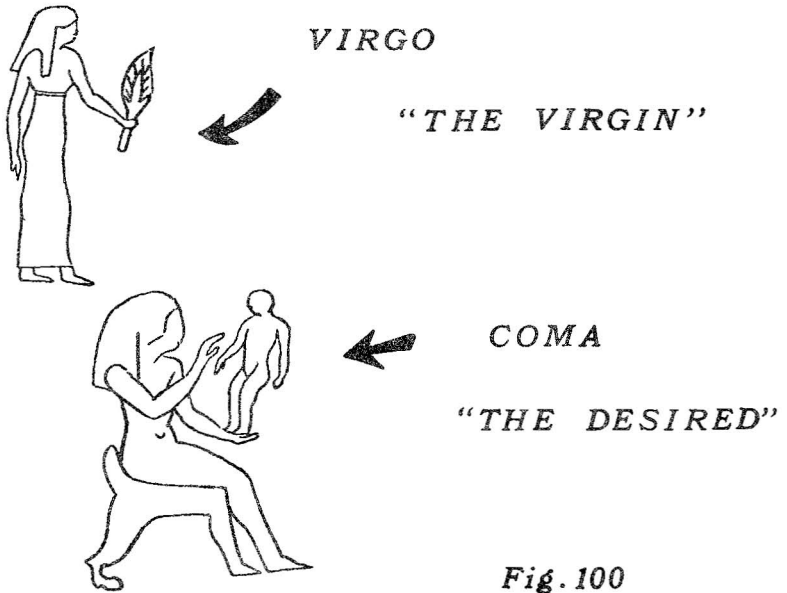
COMMUNION CARD

These ostensories are of various styles but always with some indication of the sun's rays.

It is quite common for Roman Catholic children to receive a card from their friends when they make their first communion. These cards are much like birthday cards, wedding greetings, etc. One such card is shown which clearly pictures the wafer as the sun. Certainly, without going into any further detail, we can see that sun-worship and sun-images are an abomination to God. Any religion, professing Christian or otherwise, which worships the sun is false. Another mark then of a false religion or worship is an image of the sun, or a turning to face the east (sun-rising) in any of its rituals.

THE VIRGIN OF THE ROMAN CHURCH

Again let us return to the Zodiac for another picture of the truth in the sky. The constellation Virgo together with the constellation Coma are the source of the "Virgin and Child" which are the center of nearly every religion as we have already shown.



2000 B.C.
DENDERA ZODIAC

In India she was Devi; in Buddhism she is Maya, mother of Buddha; in Hinduism she is Devaki, mother of Crishna or Vishnu; in China she was Shim-moo or Ma-tsoo-po; in Egypt she was Isis, mother of Horus; also in Egypt there was Nout, mother of Osiris; in Babylon she was Mylitta and the child was Tammuz; and the Etruscans worshiped Nutria. The Greeks and Romans had a great host of such virgins: Myrrha, the mother of Bacchus; or Ceres, the mother of Bacchus. There were the virgins: Cybele, Minerva, and Diana. The Germans worshiped the virgin goddess, Hertha. The Scandinavians worshiped the virgins Disa and Frigga. Then there was Semiramis and her son, Ninus; Isi and her son, Iswara; Fortuna and Jupiter; Irene and Plutus; Venus and Cupid; and so the list could be continued indefinitely. Quite often these "Mother and Child" figures are represented as black.

Now let us return to Ezekiel, chapter 8 where we found that the children of Israel were worshiping the sun. Here we find the women weeping for the child Tammuz on the north side of the temple where there was an Image of Jealousy.

14 Then he brought me to the door of the gate of the LORD's house which *was* toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz.

3 And he put forth the form of an hand, and took me by a lock of mine head; and the spirit lifted me up between the earth and the heaven, and brought me in the visions of God to Jerusalem, to the door of the inner gate that looketh toward the north; where was the seat of the image of jealousy, which provoketh to jealousy.

Ezk. 8:14, 3

This Image of Jealousy provoked God to jealousy. We have another passage where further idolatrous worship provoked God to anger. "The children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead their dough, to make cakes to THE QUEEN OF HEAVEN, and to pour out drink-offerings unto other gods, that they may provoke me to anger." Jer. 7:18. Here Israel is worshiping THE QUEEN OF HEAVEN which is the name given to all of these virgin mothers all over the world. You will notice, too, in Ezekiel they were worshiping Tammuz, one of these "virgin-born" sons. It would appear then that the image in the temple which was called the Image of Jealousy was in all probability a statue of Mylitta, the goddess mother and her child, Tammuz.

Certainly, we say, anyone who worships such a QUEEN OF HEAVEN, an idol of this sort, is a pagan. But again let us see if there is any such goddess in so-called Christian religions. We find that in all so-called Christian countries there is a "Madonna and Child" which we are told is Mary and Jesus but let us examine these things a little further. In Rev. 12:1 we read "And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars". Prophetically, this woman is the nation of Israel but we are not interested in that for the time being. From this Scripture the Roman Catholic Church has created a picture reputed to be the mother of Jesus.

In the Roman Catholic, Confraternity Edition of the New Testament published in 1950 by P. J. Kenedy and Sons you will notice a peculiar footnote in the way of explanation of this verse. "A woman: this woman IS NOT the Blessed Virgin, for the details of the prophecy do not fit her. The prophecy pictures the Church of the Old and New Covenants. The beams of the divine glory clothe her; the moon is beneath her feet; she is crowned with a crown of twelve stars,

and she must bring forth Christ to the world. By accommodation the Church applies this verse to the Blessed Virgin."

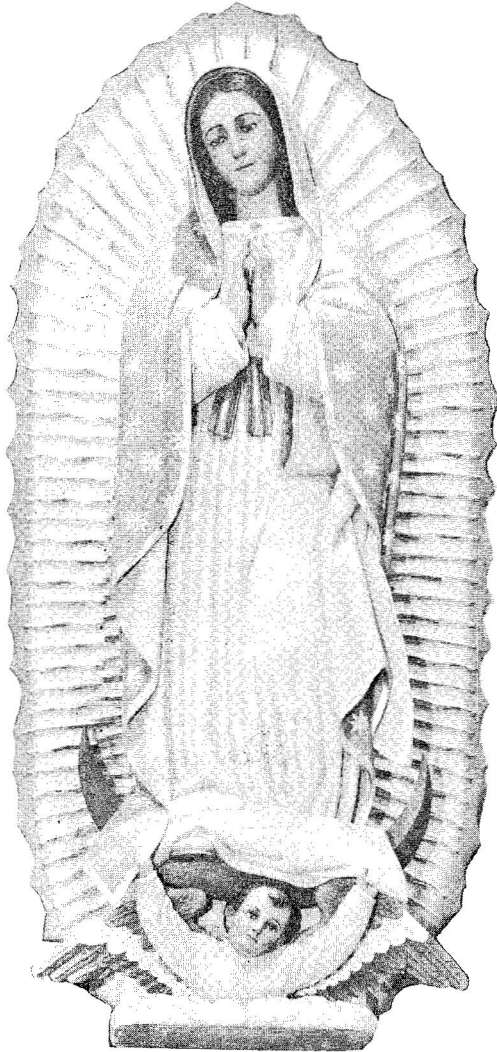


Fig. 101

THE LADY of GUADALUPE

The Roman Catholic Church admits this is not Mary, the mother of Jesus. Further, the church did not bring forth Christ to the world but rather Jesus Christ instituted the Church. For some convenient reason Rome has applied this verse to Mary. If you will notice carefully there is a little boy at the bottom of the picture holding the garments of the woman. This little boy has an unusual part to his body---- WINGS. Who is this little boy? Nowhere in Scripture do we find that angels have wings, so he is not an angel. But there is in ancient worship a little boy that does have wings. That little boy whose worship was inscribed on Persian monuments is known as Cupid.



Cupid on Persian Monuments

Fig.102

If you look up Cupid in Roman worship, you will find his mother was the celebrated Venus, familiar to many. Here, then, we have a statue, not of Mary, but of Venus and Cupid. Perhaps, you think this is stretching the truth. There is available in the United States a booklet, MARY OUR SWEET MOTHER, by Rev. Anselm J. Viano, published by the Society of Saint Paul. The cover picture is not that of a dark Jewish maiden with black hair as the mother of Jesus would be, but rather a woman with a fair complexion and golden hair. On page 7 of this booklet, the woman

is titled "QUEEN OF HEAVEN AND EARTH", certainly a title which provokes God to anger. Venus in Roman worship, was a golden-haired queen of heaven. The very contents of this book will make it plain that this "Mary" is NOT Mary the mother of Jesus. On page 17 we read a quotation from St. Bernardine, "At the command of Mary all obey, even God". And another quotation from St. Bernardine of Siena, page 22, "As the devil prowls about seeking whom he may devour, Mary goes about seeking whom she may save". Now compare the Bible statement.

15 This *is* a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.

1 Tim. 1:15

9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised (him) from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

Romans 10:9

Returning to the booklet quoted above, we read on page 55, Mary is quoted as saying, "In me is all hope for life and virtue. Come to me, everyone". Again read from the Bible.

4 But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared,

5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy (he) saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

6 Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;

7 That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Titus 3:4-7

Now returning to the Catholic booklet we read on page 59, a quotation attributed to St. Augustine: "By a woman came death, and by a Woman came life". It is not hard to see that this woman is NOT Mary the mother of Jesus.

21 For since by man came death, by man *came* also the resurrection of the dead.

22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

1 Cor. 15:21, 22

There is another booklet readily available, CON-
SECRATION TO MARY IMMACULATE, by Father
Gabriel Roschini and published by Pious Society of
Saint Paul in 1949 which will still further show that
the Roman Catholic Church is not referring to Mary
the mother of Jesus. On page 4 we read, "Mary is the
Queen of the Universe" and on page 5, "She is the
Mother of God and of the King of kings and therefore
a Queen; by a right of conquest, whereby She saved
us with Christ the Redeemer, from the slavery of
Satan, in virtue of her office of Co-Redemptrix of the
human race". Mary, the mother of Jesus, never
saved nor can save anyone. Mary herself needed a
Savior.

46 And Mary said, My soul doth
magnify the Lord,
47 And my spirit hath rejoiced in
God my Saviour. Luke 1:46, 47

But, again, quoting from page 9, "Mary is our blessed Ladder to God". On page 12 is a quotation in the encyclical of Pope Leo XIII, Octobri mense of 1891, "As no one can have access to the Father but through the Son, so likewise no one can have access to the Son but through the Mother". On page 14 of the same booklet, we find reference to the "Kingdom of Mary". It is not hard to understand that the pictures of the Madonna and Child are just reproductions of the pagan "Virgin Mother and Child" worship which turned men's hearts from God to idols.

Statues and pictures of a "Virgin and Child" are found everywhere in so-called Christian churches. There always comes the protest that these statues are not worshiped, but this has always been the pagan argument. Why, then, are these statues clothed with beautiful gowns, and special ceremonies held to crown the Queen of Heaven? In Acts 19:23-41, we read of the worship of the goddess Diana at Ephesus. Many statues were made of Diana and it was a lucrative business.

26 Moreover ye see and hear,
that not alone at Ephesus, but
almost throughout all Asia, this
Paul hath persuaded and turned
away much people, saying that
they be no gods, which are made
with hands:

27 So that not only this our craft
is in danger to be set at nought;
but also that the temple of the
great goddess Diana should be
despised, and her magnificence

should be destroyed, whom all Asia and the world worshipping.

28 And when they heard *these sayings*, they were full of wrath, and cried out, saying, Great is Diana of the Ephesians.

Acts 19:26-28

As the Ephesians cried, "Great is Diana of the Ephesians" so the Roman Catholic Church cries, "Hail, Mary". You say this Mary is not a goddess? Yet a person in Rome, another in New York, and still another in Manila, may pray to Mary at the same time. Obviously, she is regarded as being everywhere at the same time and able to handle thousands of prayer requests at once. These are the attributes of a goddess. Yes, Diana, Venus, and Mary of the Roman Church are one and the same. While God is using the postage stamps of Israel to His glory, the rest of the world is bringing the Queen of Heaven into prominence on their stamps.

THE QUEEN of HEAVEN



1939-Bolivia

Fig. 103

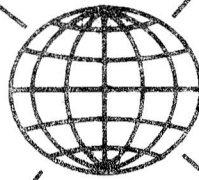


Portuguese
India - 1949



Philippines

Malta



Hungary

Portugal



Fig. 104

Here then we have another mark or sign of false religions. Whenever a woman is elevated with the titles "Mother of God" or "Queen of Heaven", we know such to be an abomination in the sight of the Lord. Also, whenever statues are made of such a woman it is a mark of a false system in direct violation of God's command which reads, "THOU SHALT NOT MAKE UNTO THEE ANY GRAVEN IMAGE". Exodus 20:4. Not only does the Bible prohibit the worship of such images but it prohibits the making of such images.

We read in Jeremiah 7:18 that the people provoked God to anger by making "cakes to the queen of heaven". These "cakes" were a special type of cake. Dr. Young's Concordance shows "cakes with marks on them". In United States such cakes with a cross on the top are sold during the period called Lent. These "hot-cross buns" are nothing more than the "cakes" recorded in Jeremiah, made to worship the Queen of Heaven.

The whole purpose of this book is to show that the miracle of the Jews' return to Palestine is proof of the inspiration of the Scriptures and to give some of the tell-tale marks of false systems of worship. Let us summarize these marks which have been given thus far.

1. The use of a book of authority other than the Bible.
2. The lack of prophecy as proof of their books being inspired.
3. The worship of a sun-image.
4. The deliberate facing east in worship.
5. The bread of communion in round form.
6. The use of the letters IHS.
7. The elevation of a woman as "Queen of Heaven".
8. The elevation of a woman as "Mother of God".
9. The making of statues of any sort in connection with worship.

10. The use of special cakes "to the Queen of Heaven".

These signs or marks may not all be present at once. Often times they are present through ignorance, but they always show that "the mystery of iniquity doeth already work". 2 Thess. 2:7.

THE SERPENT

Now, return again to the Zodiac where Satan also is represented. Three pictures from the starry heavens will be sufficient to show "the great dragon... that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world". Rev. 12:9. In Isaiah 27:1, we have a description that will fit these three pictures for there we read, "In that day Jehovah with his hard and great and strong sword will punish leviathan the swift or fleeing serpent, and leviathan the crooked or winding serpent; and he will slay the monster that is in the sea". ASV

The swift or fleeing serpent in the heavens is the constellation Hydra. The meaning of Hydra is given by Dr. Seiss as "the abhorred". Leo, the Lion, is about to land on the serpent. The Lion pictures Him who is the Lion of the tribe of Judah.

Fig.105



The crooked or winding serpent is pictured in the constellation Draco. His head is about to be crushed under the foot of Hercules. Dr. Seiss gives some of the meanings of the star names: Thuban, the subtle; Al Dib, the reptile; Rastaban, head of the subtle; Etanin, the long serpent; Grumian, the deceiver; El Ethik, the fraudulent; Gianser, the punished enemy. Hercules is a picture of Christ about to bruise the serpent's head. (Gen. 3:15)

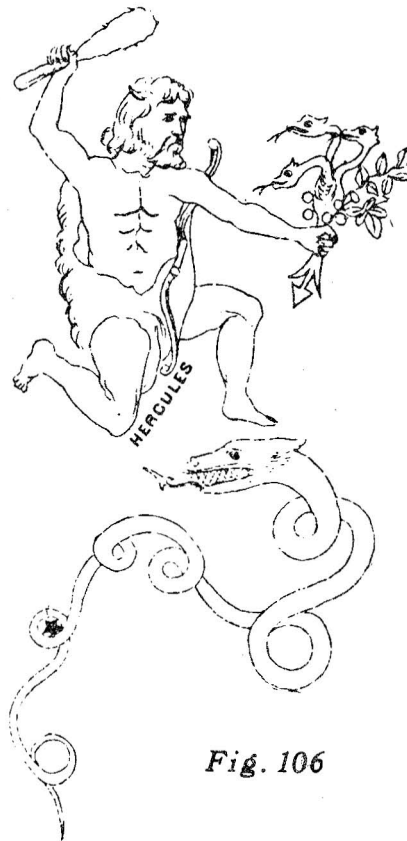
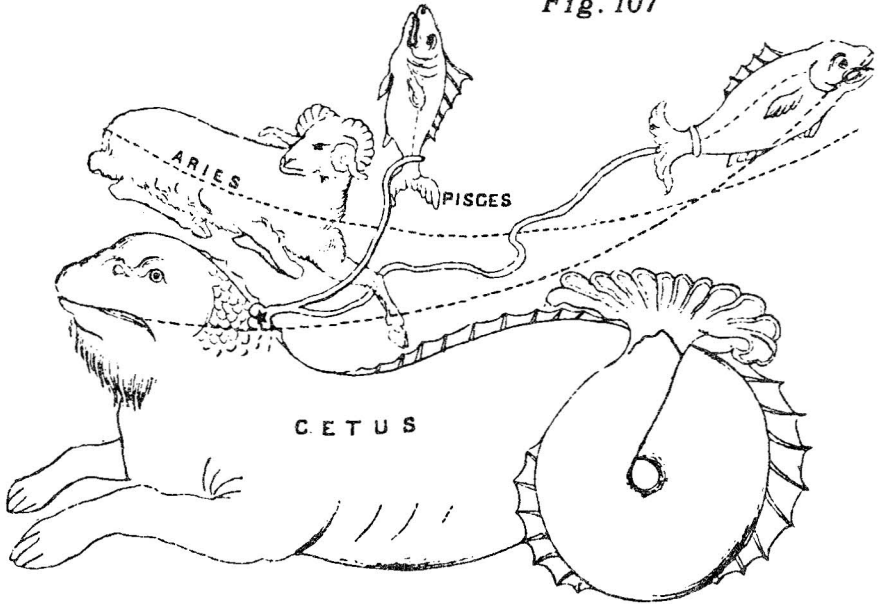


Fig. 106

DRACO

The sea monster is pictured in the constellation Cetus. Bands run from Cetus to both fish in the constellation Pisces, but the lamb Aries, holds the bands. Dr. Seiss gives the name of the principle star, Menkar, as meaning "the chained enemy".

Fig. 107



CETUS

Serpents are connected with nearly all religions. Sometimes the serpent is clearly evil, and other times the serpent is pictured as a god.

Let's return to Ezekiel, chapter 8, and notice that the worship of these "creeping things" was another of the many ways Israel had turned away from God.

9 And he said unto me, Go in, and behold the wicked abominations that they do here.

10 So I went in and saw; and behold every form of creeping things, and abominable beasts, and all the idols of the house of Israel, portrayed upon the wall round about.

11 And there stood before them seventy men of the ancients of the house of Israel, and in the midst of them stood Jā-āz-ā-nī'-āh the son of Shā'-phān, with every man his censer in his hand; and a thick cloud of incense went up.

Ezk. 8:9-11

A recent postage stamp issued by Ecuador, pictures the Queen of Heaven. Notice the brilliant sun-ray crown and the moon under her feet. Twined around the moon is a serpent. The head of the serpent may be seen below the lower left edge of the moon. It is that old serpent, the Devil, who supports a world-wide false religious system which changes God's truth into a lie. All religions are very much alike as they have had one common source and a common instigator, SATAN.



Fig. 108

Ecuador

THE CROSS

While there are many marks which indicate false religions, there is one more interlocked between the true faith and false religions than any other. Originally, this mark was not a Christian symbol at all. Centuries before Christianity, this mark was used in the worship of nearly every religion. This mark is the very familiar cross. The cross appears as a constellation in the southern sky and its ancient origin is well supported by Dr. Seiss.



Fig. 109

Southern Cross

In Egypt the cross is commonly shown on the monuments and is known as the Crux Ansata. This cross is the hieroglyphic symbol which means "life".



Fig. 110

Crux Ansata

Referring to the adorning of some of the tribes with which the Egyptians traded, Sir Gardner Wilkinson writes: "The girdle was sometimes highly ornamented; men as well as women wore earrings; and they frequently had a small cross suspended to a necklace, or to the collar of their dress. The adoption of this last was not peculiar to them; it was also appended to, or figured upon, the robes of the Rot-n-no; and traces of it may be seen in the fancy ornaments of the Rebo, showing that it was already in use as early as the fifteenth century before the Christian era."



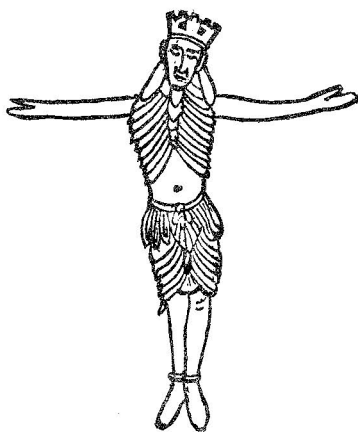
Fig. 111

Bacchus, the Babylonian messiah, was represented with a head-band covered with crosses.

Fig. 112



The god Crishna was represented as being crucified as shown by Mr. T. W. Doane. Writing concerning the illustration, Mr. Doane says, "It is surely Crishna crucified. It is unlike any Christian crucifix ever made, and... with the Yoni-Linga attached to the head, would probably not be claimed as such. Instead of the crown of thorns usually put on the head of the Christian Saviour, it has the turreted coronet of the Ephesian Diana, the ankles are tied together by a cord, and the dress about the loins is exactly the style with which Crishna is almost always represented."



CRISHNA

Fig. 113

The monk, Georgius, in his *TIBETINUM ALPHABETUM*, has given plates of a crucified god, called Indra, who was worshiped in Nepal. These plates are reproduced by Mr. T. W. Doane and are shown here.

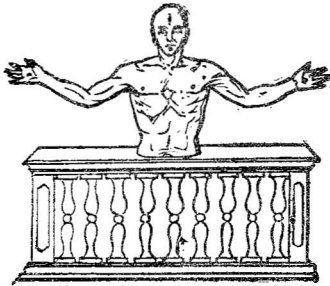
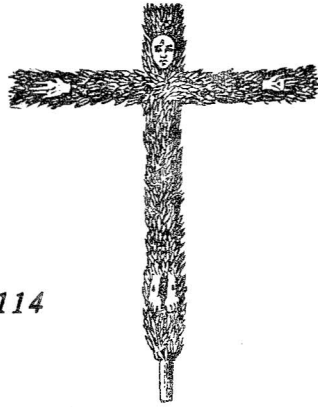


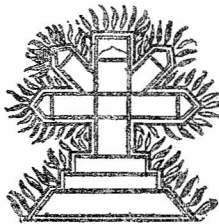
Fig. 114




INDRA

The Buddhists also respect the cross and one of their more common forms is reproduced here from Rev. Alexander Hislop's work.

Fig. 115



In the MORALS AND DOGMA of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry prepared for the Supreme Council of the Thirty-Third Degree, for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, and published by its authority, we read on page 292, "The vestments of the priests of Horus were covered with these Crosses ". Certainly these few illustrations, to which many more could be added, show the diffusion of the symbol of the cross among all pagan peoples.

During the early days of the Christian church, the cross was not venerated as it is today. As the years have passed and the church has become less and less spiritual and more and more worldly, the cross has become a sort of idol. This is not surprising, for the cross was rejected as a symbol by the early Christians. Mr. T. W. Doane quotes the early Christian, Minucius Felix, as follows: "As for the adoration of crosses which you (Pagans) object against us (Christians), I must tell you, that we neither adore crosses nor desire them; you it is, ye Pagans...who are the most likely people to adore wooden crosses....for what else are your ensigns, flags, and standards, but crosses gilt and beautiful. Your victorious trophies not only represent a simple cross, but a cross with a man upon it". This was written about 211 A.D. We are at once in considerable difficulty in determining when a cross is actually in memory of the cross on which Jesus was crucified and when it is an emblem of ancient pagan worship. Crosses and crucifixes (a cross bearing an image represented as Christ) are usually used in worship and are themselves an object of worship.

4 Thou 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 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God *am* a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth *generation* of them that hate me;

Ex. 20:4, 5

The Scripture is quite plain: the worship of these things is definitely forbidden. The cross and crucifix

are often carried in a procession and treated with great awe and reverence. Then, too, the cross is used in associations which label it as a pagan usage. For example, many crosses bear the letters...IHS. These letters had an ancient pagan meaning---Isis, Horus, Seb and certainly are a mark of a false system.

Sometimes the cross is not shaped anything like the cross on which Jesus was crucified. A Roman Catholic priest when celebrating a Mass, wears what is known as a chasuble. This chasuble is the outermost garment of the priest and is usually embroidered with various patterns.

Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary, 1963, gives a picture of what is called a "fiddleback" chasuble on page 141. Here, you will note the large cross is covered with small crosses of an entirely different shape and the letters IHS, in a circle. Is it not strange that the letters are there? Furthermore is it not surprising to find these little crosses are the same as those used on the garments of the priests of Horus? Even the sun-image itself is there. Thus, we have three marks of a false system all at once.

The proof of any religion must rest in prophecy. A religion whose god cannot forecast future events is, in reality, no god at all. No religions foretell events of the future as does the Bible. The Bible is filled with prophecies. Some have said that the Bible is one-third prophecy. The rise and fall of nations have been prophesied and history records their fulfillment. By far the most wonderful prophecy concerning world events is the dispersion and re-gathering of the nation of Israel. This prophecy we have been privileged to see fulfilled in our day.

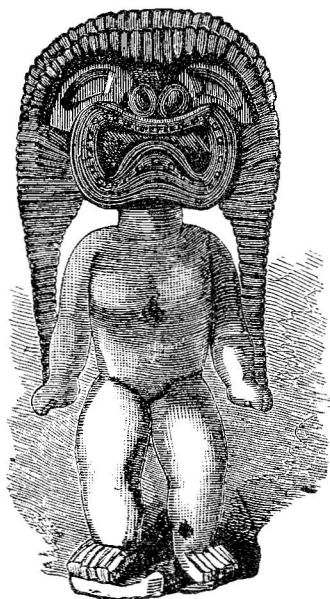
Thus, we can readily determine that any religion founded apart from the Bible is false and its origin lies in a distortion of the true message in the starry heavens as understood by the Zodiac.

We have not yet settled the problem of which religions are true and which are false. We have, however, eliminated such religions as: Buddhism, Confucianism, Mohammedanism, Zoroastrianism, Hinduism, and others of this kind. The Bible must stand or fall as a unit. It is impossible to maintain the position that the Bible CONTAINS the Word of God. This position would necessitate each individual's deciding what he would include as the Word of God or what he would exclude. The Bible does not contain, but in its entirety IS the Word of God.

There are many groups within what are classed as Christian religions. Some of these may readily be classed as false because they fail to receive the Bible as the Word of God. A distinction must be made between those who misunderstand the Word of God; those who deliberately misinterpret the Word; and those who essentially reject the Word. Among those religions often classed as Christian which reject the Word of God and substitute their own works are: Christian Science, Jehovah's Witnesses, Unitarianism, and Mormonism. A great host of so-called Christian religions deliberately misinterpret the Bible to establish their own religion. In fact, this misinterpretation is perhaps in some cases the result of misunderstanding the Bible. Misunderstanding which in turn is closely linked with misinterpretation may be or may not be deliberate. No matter how orthodox a religious system may seem, the adoration of the cross should be a warning sign to a true Christian.

IDOLS - PAST AND PRESENT

Religions are represented as myths to many young people now graduating from American colleges. Those who study various religions, are often taught these religions as if these religions stemmed entirely from ignorance and superstition. It is true that many hideous idols were worshiped by superstitious natives of many lands. However, time has not changed the world's worship. Superstitious natives still to this day worship the most repulsive idols.



IDOL of OCEANICA

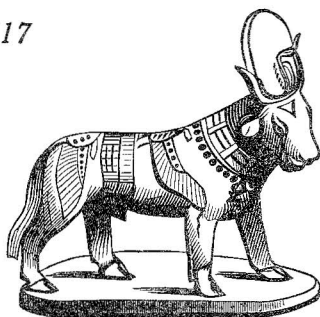
Fig. 116



*NEW ZEALAND
MOON - GOD*

Perhaps you would not consider worshipping such idols as these. Why not? We are taught that we have become more civilized. Does education and so-called advanced civilization make such a big difference? Take a look at the civilization and culture of Egypt some 4000 years ago. The Egyptians were not savages. They built the great pyramids, never equalled in history and were skilled in sculpture and many works of art. The ancient jewelry of Egypt was extremely delicate. Fine linen woven in Egypt 35 centuries ago is still available and of magnificent workmanship. Yet the Egyptians worshiped the goddess Isis as we have shown. They worshiped the bull-god Apis and a host of others. Mr. Frank S. Dobbins says in his book, *STORY OF THE WORLD'S WORSHIP*, page 101, "But let it be remembered, that the Egyptians never worshiped images or idols. They worshiped living representations of the gods and not lifeless images of stone or metal". The statues represented the animals which they worshiped and the priests understood the living animals as representations of the gods. Would you bow down to these gods?

Fig. 117



BULL-GOD, APIS

ONE OF THE FORMS
of the EGYPTIAN
GODDESS
ISIS



Fig. 118

THE EGYPTIAN
CAT-HEADED
GOD, PASHT

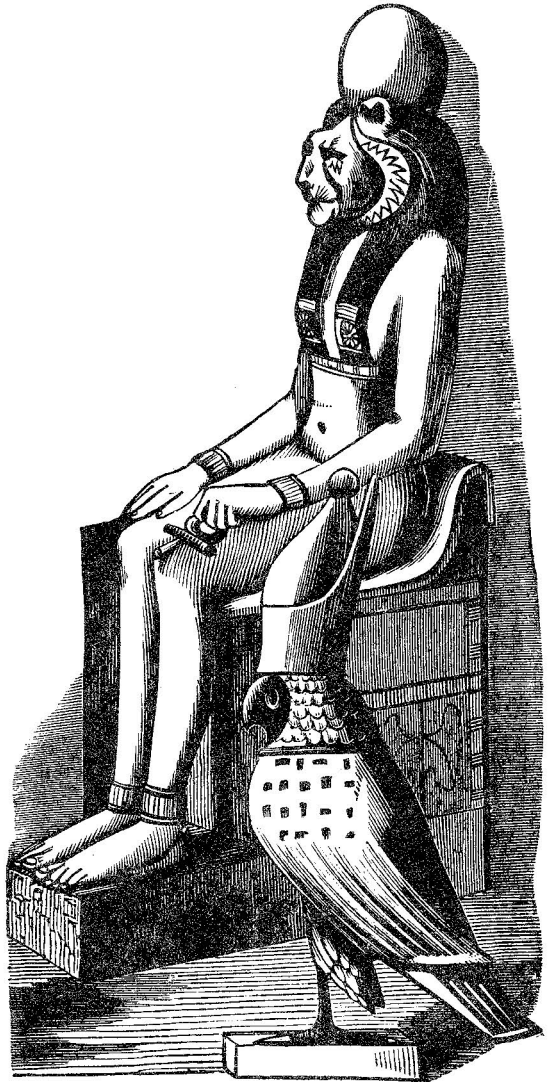
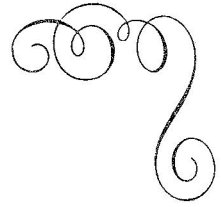


Fig. 119

The great temple of Diana of the Ephesians was a masterpiece of architecture. The Greeks excelled in sculpture, literature, and in many fields of the fine arts. Yet they, too, worshiped a host of gods and goddesses. There was Diana and Zeus whom the Romans called Jupiter. A great statue of Jupiter was at Olympia. According to general teaching, with the advance of civilization and education, idolatry should diminish. Does it? Would you care to worship these gods?



Fig. 120

DIANA OF THE EPHESIANS



JUPITER at OLYMPIA

Rome came on the stage of world history with further advance in many fields. Roman buildings have stood until the present day. We continue to marvel at Roman roads, arenas, baths, and aqueducts. But they, too, had idols to represent their gods. There was Janus, the two-faced sun god. Then there was Saturn, Mercury, and Minerva. The making of statues to represent the gods did not change with education and advances in civilization. These representations of gods were worshiped by the leaders...the best educated...and they went so far as to set themselves up as gods for the people to worship.

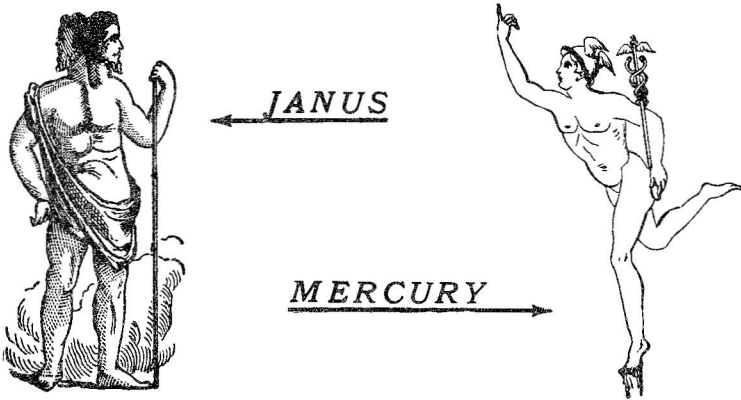
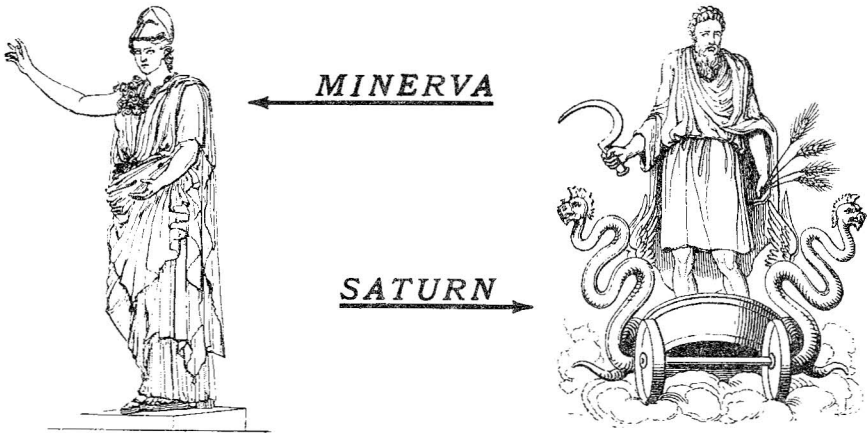


Fig.122



But, you say that today nearly 2000 years have passed since Rome ruled the world and we are making many advances; the educated person does not bow down to such idols anymore. But you should know better. Buddha is still worshiped, for today there is a Buddhist temple in New York City with a great gilt Buddha. Statues of Buddha are available all over the United States. Statues said to represent Mary and Jesus exist in almost every five and ten cent store. There are homes all across the United States in which there are little shrines where various gods are worshiped. Little statues of St. Christopher are on the dashboards of thousands of automobiles in United States. Why? Idolatry has not changed one bit in over 4000 years.

MARY?



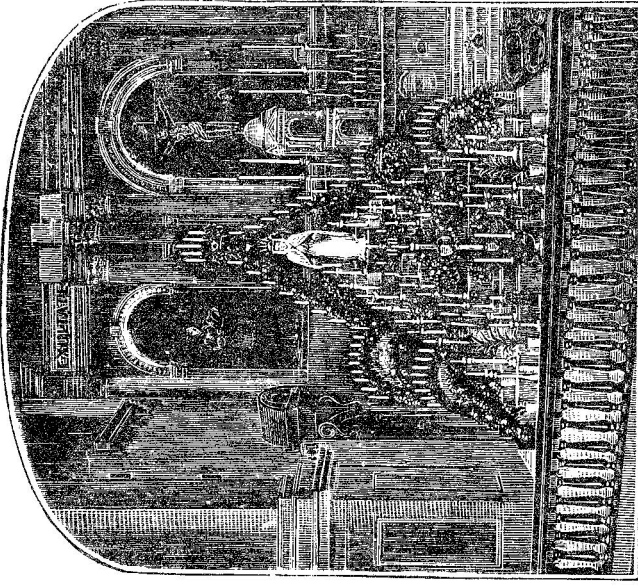
Fig. 123

THE JAPANESE GODDESS KWANON



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN
WITH INFANT JESUS.

A GODDESS
of the
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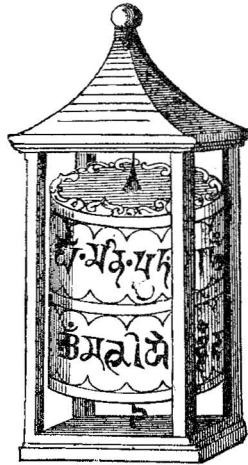
INTERIOR OF THE CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, BOSTON.

Fig. 124

Consider the matter of prayer. The argument still persists that the worshiper does not pray to the statue but to the god the statue represents. Is this true? Notice the methods of saying prayers. The Chinese may burn prayers instead of saying them. In Thibet they use prayer wheels, sometimes power-driven, to repeat prayers over and over for the worshiper.



A CHINAMAN BURNING PRAYERS

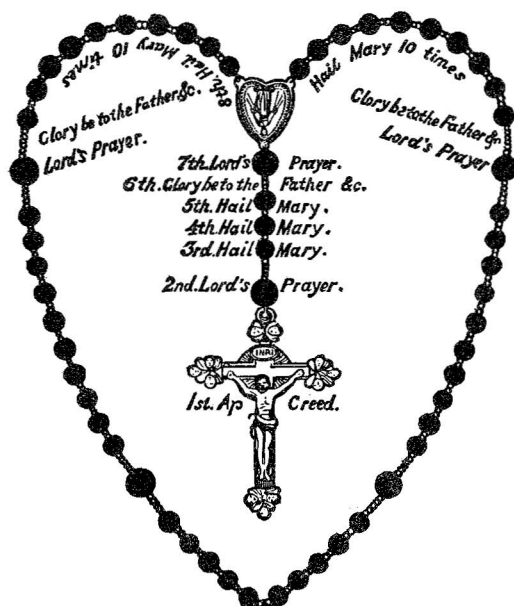


PRAYING MACHINE

Instead of saying prayers they set a machine in motion, each revolution counting as a prayer. The more prayers one says or turns, the more sure he is to get to Heaven. Sometimes the wheel is set so as to be turned by water or machinery, and these machine-prayers are counted as good as others.

Fig. 126

Buddhists use prayer beads and Roman Catholics use the same mechanical means for saying prayers. Why is idolatrous worship not eliminated by the so-called ADVANCE in education and civilization? It is NOT just the African native that worships sticks and stones BUT the highest government officials in the nations of the world. WHY? The answer is very simple...SIN. Do you know any child who must be taught to do evil? How is it that all mankind from the moment of birth, knows to do evil? The Bible says, "Wherefore, as by ONE MAN sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned". Rom.5:12.



ROMAN CATHOLIC ROSARY

Fig. 127

In the colleges today, much emphasis is placed on the study of philosophy and psychology. Webster's *DICTIONARY* gives for the meaning of philosophy, "a pursuit of wisdom: a search for truth through logical reasoning rather than factual observation". Philosophy is a Greek word and the meaning is shown in the Liddell and Scott, *LEXICON* as, "love of knowledge and wisdom, pursuit thereof, speculation, study". The philosophy in colleges today is the philosophy of men. The Bible warns, "Take heed lest there shall be any one that maketh spoil of you through his philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ: for in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily". Col. 2:8, 9 ASV. True philosophy, the pursuit of wisdom, the search for truth, **MUST** be the study

of the Bible for WISDOM comes from God and the Bible is TRUTH. The birth of the land of Israel in one day, May 16, 1948, after the nation of Israel had been scattered among the nations for centuries, is ample proof. Philosophy as usually taught in the colleges is, indeed, "his (the professor's) philosophy and vain deceit, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ". (Col. 2:8) Notice, too, that Webster's DICTIONARY says that philosophy is, "a search for truth through logical reasoning rather than FACTUAL OBSERVATION. Factual observation shows the nation of Israel to exist in the land of Palestine. Factual observation will show, as we have already shown, hundreds of prophecies in the Bible regarding the dispersion and re-gathering of Israel. Factual observation will show that such prophecies are beyond the capability of man. Factual observation will show that only God could have written the Bible.

Webster's DICTIONARY gives the meaning of psychology as "the science of mind and behavior". Factual observation would conclude that the person who made the mind would certainly know its behavior better than anyone else. Since factual observation shows that God gave the Bible and therein explained the behavior of the mind, His Creation, it is quite easy to see that true psychology must be based ON THE BIBLE. The Bible will give the answer to the continuance of idolatry.

12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

Rom. 5:12

9 ¶ The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

Jer. 17:9

21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified *him* not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.

24 Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves:

25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.

26 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:

27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.

28 And even as they did not like to retain God in *their* knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

Rom. 1:21-28

14 Therefore they say unto God, Depart from us; for we desire not the knowledge of thy ways.

Job 21:14

← IDOLATRY

GOD
GAVE
THEM
UP

THEREFORE

THE HARLOT SYSTEM

Just as the prophecies in regards to the nation of Israel were written centuries ago, so also were prophecies written in regards to a world-wide idolatrous religious system. That God hates this system and that He will ultimately pass judgment on this system, is stated in Revelation 17.

AND there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:

15 And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

Rev. 17:1,15

Here, God is about to reveal to John, the Apostle, the coming judgment of "the great whore". Now a whore or harlot is a woman given to prostitution. Obviously, from verse 15, this whore is not a single, physical woman for she sits on "peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues".

18 And the woman which thou
sawest is that great city, which
reigneth over the kings of the
earth.

Rev. 17:18

In verse 18 we are told that the woman is a city. God has seen fit to give these prophecies in a mystery form but with careful study the prophecy may be set forth in different terms. Why then was this prophecy written in this mystery form? Perhaps one reason may be that the Christians would have been even more severely persecuted had the prophecy been more plainly written. Many other possible reasons might be given; but regardless of the reasons, it was given this way and its understanding must be the result of careful study. This city reigns over the kings of the earth. This whore is not a literal woman: that is clear. In what way is she a city? A physical city cannot reign over anyone.

2 With whom the kings of the
earth have committed fornication,
and the inhabitants of the
earth have been made drunk with
the wine of her fornication.

Rev. 17:2

Notice that this woman has committed fornication with the kings of the earth and that the wine of her fornication has caused the inhabitants of the earth to have been made drunk. Quite obviously a physical city alone cannot commit fornication. Therefore, we may conclude that some one or some thing is in the city which CAN commit fornication and which can reign over the kings of the earth. Fornication is used in the Bible two ways: first, in a literal sense which, of course, this cannot be; and secondly in a spiritual sense. Jerusalem, Tyre, and Nineveh are all said to

have played the harlot. Fornication in this sense is unfaithfulness to God, a turning away to other forms of worship. This does not refer to the city itself but to the inhabitants and their form of idolatrous worship. The particular whore which is a city is further explained as John continues to write.

3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.

4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:

5 And upon her forehead *was* a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

6 And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.

Rev. 17:3-6

Here we are told that the woman sits on a scarlet-coloured beast. The woman is not driving the beast; she is not riding the beast; she is simply sitting on the beast. A name is on her forehead, "MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH". This city then, is Babylon the Great from which city all of the idolatrous religions have been derived. Nimrod built Babylon as well as Nineveh and established there a

great religious worship to turn people's hearts away from the one true God. The woman is seen to be sitting on a 7-headed beast. A beast in prophecy represents the civil authority. The woman is passively sitting on this 7-headed civil authority. The beast has been in existence for some time, for 5 of the heads had already fallen when John was writing. The false "Mother and Child" worship which has been the center of idolatry ever since Nimrod, has been supported by one civil power after another. The first civil power was that of Nimrod himself, and his great kingdom fell. The second great power was that of the Pharaohs of Egypt and that power likewise fell. Then came the Babylonian Empire under Nebuchadnezzar; it, too, fell. The fourth power was that of the Medo-Persian Empire and it fell like the others. Next on the stage of history was the Greco-Macedonian Empire and it was replaced by the Roman Empire.

It was the Roman Empire which was dominating the world when John wrote the Revelation of Jesus Christ. In each one of these 6 world empires, the "Mother and Child" formed a very important part of their religious system. From the original, there developed the rest of the world's religious systems, for the woman is called, "THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS". No wonder religions have so much in common. The original system of the "Mother and Child" worship exists presently in the Roman Catholic Church. Over the years the child has gradually drifted into the background and the mother has gained greater and greater prominence.

Rev. Stephen L. Testa in his LIST OF HERESIES shows that the worship of Mary under the title of "Mother of God" began at the Council of Ephesus in 431 A.D. Prayers directed to Mary began about 600 A.D. The "Hail Mary" was used as a complete prayer about 1568 A.D. The Immaculate Conception

(that Mary was conceived without sin) was proclaimed in 1854 A.D. Then in 1950 A.D. the dogma of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary was proclaimed by Pope Pius XII. Roman Catholic literature has already proclaimed Mary the "Queen of the Universe" and "Co-Redemptrix" of the human race, although these statements have not as yet been pronounced as dogmas of the Church.

There is a prophecy which may be of interest, recorded in THE SIBYLLINE BOOKS. This particular prophecy was written before 100 A.D., and is in Book III, lines 71-76. It may be found in THE PSEUDEPIGRAPHA of the OLD TESTAMENT by Charles. "But at whatsoever time the threatened vengeance of the Almighty God draws near, and fiery energy comes through the swelling surge to earth, and burns up Beliar and the overweening men, even all who have put their trust in him, then the world shall be under the dominion of a woman's hands obeying her every behest."

When we remember that the "Virgin" is the goddess of all paganism, it is easy to see that this worship of a virgin could be a common meeting ground for all religions. Perhaps this can be shown even more clearly by quoting from mythology the reply of the goddess, Isis, to the prayers of Lucius as given on page 387 of the MORALS AND DOGMA of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of FREE MASONRY. "The parent of Universal nature attends thy call. The mistress of the Elements, initiative germ of generations, Supreme of Deities, Queen of departed Spirits, first inhabitant of Heaven, and uniform type of all the Gods and Goddesses, propitiated by thy prayers, is with thee. She governs with her nod the luminous heights of the firmament, the salubrious breezes of the ocean; the silent deplorable depths of the shades below; one Sole Divinity under many forms,

worshipped by the different nations of the Earth under many titles, and with various religious rites." Such then is "THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS...With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication." Rev.17:5, 2.

A view of the workings of this "harlot system" as it was established in Solomon's Temple is given by the prophet Ezekiel. The "image of jealousy" was placed at the north gate and in secret they worshiped "every form of creeping things, and abominable beasts" and their idols were portrayed on the walls. Near the north gate were women weeping for Tammuz and the men had turned their backs on God and worshiped the sun.

God then showed Ezekiel a vision of His wrath poured out on the city of Jerusalem. Before God's wrath fell, God's servants were marked with a special mark on their foreheads. What was this mark? The Hebrew word here translated "mark" is the word "Tau". In A COMPLETE HEBREW and CHALDEE LEXICON by Benjamin Davies, we find the meaning of this word given as "a mark esp. in the form of a cross Ez.9:4; esp. signature Job 31:35...Hence, the name of the letter **Ⲛ**, which in its earliest form, represents a cross". In the Roman Catholic Translation of the Old Testament by Msgr. Ronald Knox, Ezk. 9:4 reads, "Make thy way, the Lord said to him, all through the city, from end to end of Jerusalem; and where thou findest men that weep and wail over the foul deeds done in it, mark their brows with a cross".

Now, Satan plans to use a mark on the forehead of all of his worshipers in the great Anti-Christ System.

What mark would be more acceptable to the "great harlot religions" than the cross? It has been the mark of these false religions since very ancient times

as we have shown and was used as a mark on the forehead of those initiated into the ancient mysteries. In the MORALS AND DOGMA of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of FREE MASONRY we read concerning the initiation into the ancient Indian Mysteries, "Then a new name was given him, and he was invested in a white robe and tiara, and received the signs, tokens, and lectures. A cross was marked on his forehead, and an inverted level, or the Tau Cross, on his breast". From the same source in regards to the initiations among the Goths we read, "He was marked with the sign of the cross, and a ring was given to him as a symbol of the Divine Protection". BIBLE MYTHS by T. W. Doane has this to say, "The Buddhists, and indeed all the sects of India, marked their followers on the head with the sign of the cross". Also, "The Persian Magi introduced the worship of Mithra into Rome, and his mysteries were solemnized in a cave. In the process of initiation there, candidates were also administered the sacrament of bread and wine, and were marked on the forehead with the sign of the cross".

**16 And he causeth all, both small
and great, rich and poor, free and
bond, to receive a mark in their
right hand, or in their foreheads:**

Rev. 13:16

Not only was the cross revered and worshiped as we have shown but it was used as a mark on the forehead of the worshipers in these ancient harlot systems. The cross is the mark of the most vile of pagan rites and at the same time is professed to be the symbol of the Christian faith. The Roman Catholic church makes the cross on the forehead of its parishioners every Ash Wednesday. We read in the Roman Catholic publication for children, ALL FOR JESUS



Fig. 128

ASH WEDNESDAY
A STAMPED CROSS

by Sister M. Agnes Therese as follows, "Tomorrow your mothers and daddies will go to church. They will go up and kneel at the Communion railing. The priest will come down to them. In his left hand he will carry a little dish. That little dish will be filled with blessed ashes. The priest will go along the railing. He will make the Sign of the Cross with the blessed ashes on each person's forehead". The Roman Church has recently resorted to printing the cross on the forehead. Notice God's command to Israel.

28 Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor print any marks upon you: I am the LORD.

Lev. 19:28

Rev. Frank Young of Garland, Texas, went to Nogales, Mexico, on Ash Wednesday in 1960 and there photographed many Roman Catholics wearing the stamped cross. Rev. Young supplied us with the photograph of a young boy wearing a cross on his forehead.

We see that it is not a Christian World in which we live but a thoroughly pagan world where the harlot system dominates all mankind. Far less than 1% of the world's population is truly Christian. The beautiful gospel message of the stars has been corrupted to form idolatrous religions. Even the Bible has been used to support these idolatrous practices and today humanity, ignorant of the Bible, are being prepared for the great Anti-Christ system. In spite of all of these things God has preserved the Jew as a testimony to the truth of His Bible.

The plan of salvation is not one of superstition, not one of works, but a simple faith in the Lord Jesus Christ who came from Heaven to die on the cross for the sin of the world. The pardon has been offered but

to be a pardon it must be received. It does not involve doing anything; it does not involve certain ritual and form but a simple trusting of the Lord Jesus through faith believing. The world's religions do lead to an end and that end is a real HELL. No wonder the cry today is tolerance..go to the church of your choice. But there is a war on, a war between Jesus Christ and Satan. It looks as if Satan is about to win, but the outcome of the war has already been settled. The victory has already been achieved. On the cross, God's Virgin-Born Son, cried "IT IS FINISHED". (John 19:30).

10 And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;

11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

Acts 1:10,11

7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,

8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

10 When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.

2 Thess. 1:7-10

CONCLUSION

In this last chapter, let us look again at Isaiah 66 verses 7 and 8 in the ASV where these verses are more accurately translated. "Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man-child. Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things? Shall a land be born in one day? shall a nation be brought forth at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children."

Notice in these two verses we have, as it were, two childbirths. The first "she travailed..was delivered of a man-child" and the second "Zion travailed ...brought forth her children". Who is "she"? Who is "Zion"? Who is the "man-child"? Who are "her children"? Both of these are figurative births as seen from the verses themselves. After the deliverance of the man-child we read, "Who hath heard such a thing?"

In other words, this delivery is very unusual. "Who hath seen such things? Shall a land be born in one day? shall a nation be brought forth at once?" "Such things" seems to refer to these two deliveries. The man-child, in the singular, is the land. "Nation" is a collective noun and seems to be the children brought forth by the travail of Zion. Zion is used to refer to Jerusalem but it also refers to Israel as may be seen in Is.28:16 and Is.59:20. It is not strange then that when Mr. Sykes brought the Balfour Declaration to Dr. Chaim Weizmann that he exclaimed, "It's a

boy". Finally on May 16, 1948, The Land of Israel was again reckoned among the nations. Zion is Israel and it is certainly fitting that it was the Zionist movement which brought forth the nation, the children of Israel, from their dispersion among the nations. Can you find prophecies like this anywhere else? Such a great miracle has never occurred before. Now notice how this was portrayed on postage stamps.



Fig.129

Jewish National Fund Propaganda Stamp

Partition Map as proposed by U.N.O.

Issued for postage May 9, 1948

"Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man-child." It was in 1917 that the Balfour Declaration was signed and Israel had not yet suffered as severely as she was

to suffer in the following years. The propaganda map stamp of Palestine, later to become a postage stamp, is evidence of a land born in a day.

It was during World War II that Israel suffered as they had never suffered in all their history. Six million Jews exterminated by indescribable tortures, such atrocities had never been heard of or witnessed by the Jewish nation. Israel issued a postage stamp in memory of these Martyrs. Notice the 6 candles on the stamp for the 6 million. Then notice the burning star. God talked to Moses from a burning bush which did not burn up. (Ex. 3:1-6) So the burning Star of David depicts the suffering of the Jews and yet for all this the nation of Israel is not destroyed. A miracle? The greatest the world has ever witnessed. The Scripture on the stamp is from the 42 Psalm.

Holocaust and Resistance Stamp

Fig. 130



AS the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God.

2 My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God: when shall I come and appear before God?

3 My tears have been my meat day and night, while they continually say unto me, Where is thy God?

4 When I remember these things, I pour out my soul in me: for I had gone with the multitude, I went with them to the house of God, with the voice of joy and praise, with a multitude that kept holyday.

Ps. 42:1-4

But out of this travail, the children of Israel were brought forth and once again the Land of Israel took its place among the nations. The postage stamps show the return of the boys and girls. On one a little girl disembarks from a ship, on another a little boy has arrived by plane. The children again in the land, care for their flocks, water their gardens, fashion their pottery and survey their land.

YOUTH IMMIGRATION STAMPS

Fig. 131



Certainly this is a great miracle but to see the Scripture carried to the world on postage stamps is almost a miracle by itself. But this is not all. TWO witnesses are required to establish any fact. God used Egypt to issue a postage stamp showing part of the partition of the land as we have referred to in Joel 3:2. This postage stamp shows the part of God's land now held by the United Arab Republic.

EGYPT

1957

2 I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jē-hōsh'-ā-phāt, and will plead with them there for my people and *for* my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land.

Joel 3:2

23 ¶ The land shall not be sold for ever: for the land is mine; for ye *are* strangers and sojourners with me.

Lev. 25:23

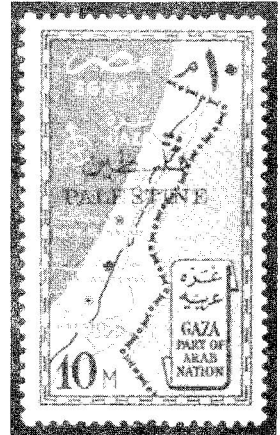


Fig. 132

Partition Map

God does not intend the Arabs to be in possession of Palestine for it was given to Israel. But the Arab, too, is a direct fulfilment of God's prophecies. The Arabs are descended from Ishmael, the son of Abraham. Notice God's promise to Hagar.

10 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, I will multiply thy seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbered for multitude.

11 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Behold, thou *art* with child, and shalt bear a son, and shalt call his name Ishmael; because the LORD hath heard thy affliction.

12 And he will be a wild man; his hand *will be* against every man, and every man's hand against him; and he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren.

Gen. 16:10-12

God promised Hagar her seed would not be numbered for multitude, and the Arabs number in the millions. God promised that Ishmael would be as a wild ass among men. The Arabians are Mohammedans. They are a wild nomadic race different from all other peoples. God promised that Ishmael would be against every man and every man would be against him. To this day the Arabs are against everyone else and nation after nation has tried to conquer the Arabians without success. Finally, God promised that Ishmael would dwell in the presence of his brethren. Now the Jews are brethren to the Arabs for Jews also came from Abraham through Isaac and Jacob. For thousands of years the Arabs have dwelt in the presence of the Jews. While they are to dwell in the presence of the Jews, they have not been given Palestine. God has thrust them out of the land of Palestine to make room for His people, Israel. Even this is depicted on postage stamps. The United Arab Republic has issued two stamps which very graphically show the Arabs outside of a barbed wire fence looking and pointing back to the land from which they have been evicted. Still, however, many Arabs elected to remain in Israel and

to this day, Ishmael dwells in the presence of his brethren. It is these prophecies, and there are many more, which PROVE BEYOND QUESTION that the Bible is the Word of God.

UAR World Refugee Year 1960



Fig. 133

UAR Palestine Day 1961



Fig. 134

Without having gone into great detail, we have shown a little of the similarity of nearly all religions. Nearly all religions have a virgin-born savior and in many religions, this savior is said to have risen from the dead and ascended into heaven. The Egyptians, Persians, Greeks, Romans and many others have teachings so similar to those given in the Bible that many critics have classed all religions as myths.

We have shown that the original source of these religions was the Zodiac. Admitting this fact, however, does not prove that the Christian faith is true, but would, in reality, as some have claimed, simply prove that Christianity was just another of the great religious myths, but the Jew is proof that the Bible is the TRUTH.

At best, this is a very complicated subject and it has been our purpose to show the main points of this subject without becoming involved for most readers. Before we can conclude the subject properly, it will be necessary to determine what we mean by the name "Christian".

"Oh!" you say, "That is easy; a Christian is one who follows Christ."

The interlocking of the false religions with the true faith has become so involved that such a simple statement is by no means the answer.

The word "Christ" in the Greek language has two distinct meanings; the first meaning of the word "Christ" is the Anointed One, the Messiah. This term then, can be used to apply to any anointed person as for example, Christ Buddha or Christ Krishna. In the translation of the Old Testament into Greek this term is applied to the High Priest of Israel called, the Priest the Christ, or the Anointed Priest. The second way the word is used is as a personal name of Jesus of Nazareth. We will use the word Christian to mean a person who has been "born again" and been made a "new creature" in Christ Jesus.

"Oh!" you say, "You mean Methodists, Baptists, Catholics, Presbyterians and all the other denominations in the United States."

"No, that is exactly the point I am trying to make clear." There are literally hundreds of so-called Christian denominations. There may be some Christians in each of these.

How do you tell a true Christian from a professing Christian? That is not easy, but there are certain things you would expect of a true Christian. First, a true Christian believes the Bible is the inspired Word of God for this is the only source of his faith.

8 For by grace are ye saved
through faith; and that not of
yourselves: *it is* the gift of God:

9 Not of works, lest any man
should boast. Eph. 2:8, 9

17 So then faith cometh by hear-
ing, and hearing by the word of
God. Rom. 10:17

Then, we expect a true Christian to study the Word of God, to spend time in prayer, and to keep His commandments.

15 Study to shew thyself ap-
proved unto God, a workman that
needeth not to be ashamed, right-
ly dividing the word of truth.

2 Tim. 2:15

17 Pray without ceasing.

1 Thess. 5:17

3 And hereby we do know that
we know him, if we keep his com-
mandments.

1 John 2:3

Many people go to church; many have joined the Baptist Church, the Methodist Church, the Roman Catholic Church, the Nazarene Church, the Church of God, or some other like denomination but very few are actually "born again" or "new creatures" "in Christ Jesus.

We have shown that the Bible is the Word of God and that the greatest physical miracle of the ages is currently being brought to pass as a proof that the Bible is the truth. Notice God's second commandment given in Exodus 20.

4 Thou 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 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God *am* a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth *generation* of them that hate me;

Ex. 20:4,5

Here, we find one major difference between the true and the false. False religions are manifested at once if they have images and bow down and serve such images. Buddhists and Hindus have and worship such idols. Rome, Greece, Persia, Egypt and Babylon all worshiped a myriad of idols. These religions are all false. What about the so-called Christian religions? The Roman Catholic Church is a great idolatrous system and is false.

The Protestant Churches are being drawn together in the World Council of Churches. Formal worship services are replacing the preaching of the gospel. The veneration of the cross may be seen in many Protestant denominations. In many formal churches of various denominations when the pastor prays, he turns to face a cross. The letters IHS are on pulpit cloths and communion tables. The round wafer is being used in many churches for the communion service. Idolatrous pictures are becoming almost commonplace in Protestant churches. These are just a few of the signs of a false system. Most of the pastors in Protestant churches no longer hold the Bible to be the Word of God.

If we use the definition of the word "Christian" which we have given, is it possible to be a Christian and deny the Virgin-Birth of Jesus Christ? The answer is, NO. Is it possible to deny the existence of the Tabernacle as is done in THE INTERPRETER'S BIBLE, and be a Christian? The answer is again, NO. Is it possible to deny that there was a Moses and be a Christian? The answer is again, NO. A Christian may misunderstand and misinterpret the Bible but he will not deny any part of the Bible for the Bible is THE WORD OF GOD.

All apostates, those who rebel against known truth, are being gathered into the harlot system of Satan. These harlot systems will soon control the world and all of their adherents will be marked with a mark on their forehead. What mark is more likely than the mark which has been used in all the ancient mysteries of this harlot system, the CROSS. But they will be without excuse, for the gospel has been proclaimed in the stars since the beginning of time and as if God is giving the world one last chance, it is being proclaimed by the Zodiac postage stamps of Israel. A letter was sent to me from Israel and the envelope

is shown here. The stamps on this envelope were the choice of the sender not mine. You will notice the stamp depicting Virgo, the Virgin, and another depicting Aries, the Ram or Lamb. How do you read these Zodiac signs? Remember the gospel was in these invisible signs. The sphinx (the woman's head on the lion's body) is the key. Begin at the Virgin and read around the circle of the Zodiac until you come to Leo the lion. We have just two stamps of the Zodiac on this cover, I read, "Behold the Virgin-Born Lamb of God".

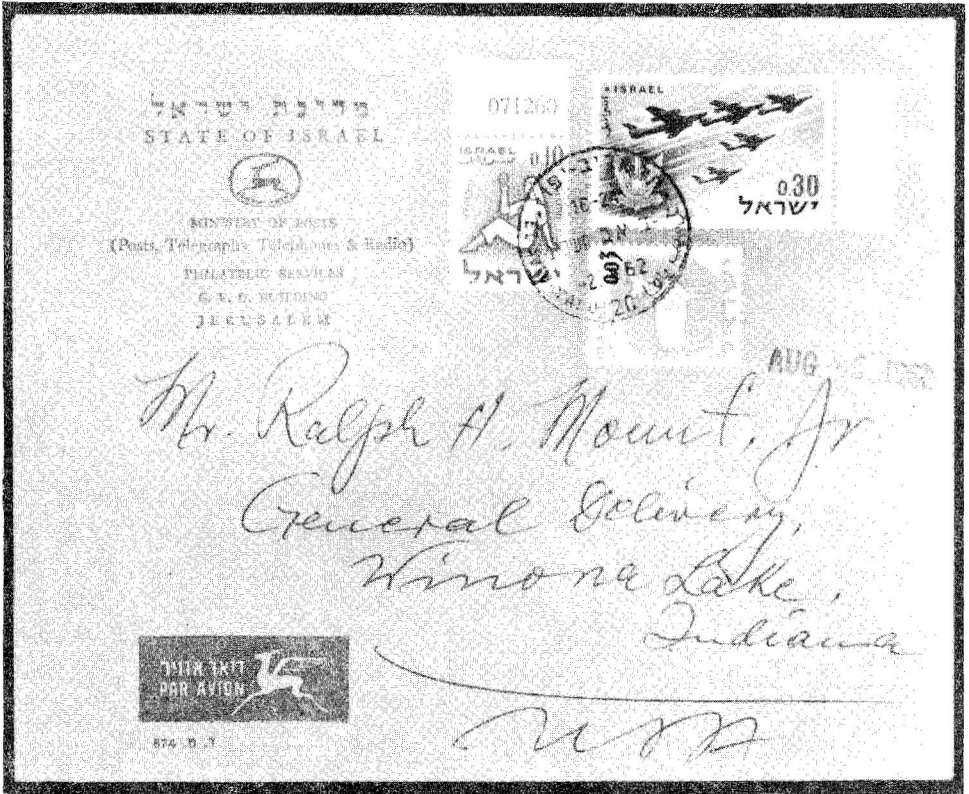


Fig. 135

AIR MAIL COVER

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