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Recent Jerusalem News

The Sanhedrin (revived in 2004 as a rabbinic court initially made up of 70 members) made news a few years ago (2016) by appointing a high priest (Baruch Kahane) in preparation for a third Temple.

On December 11th, 2018, the day after the Jewish national holiday of *Hanukkah*, a ceremony with *kohanim* priests blowing silver trumpets was performed as a reenactment of a sacrificial offering outside of what is referred to as the Temple Mount area. A fire was lit on an altar in preparation for the third Temple to be built at that location. A symbolic portion of incense, not considered an actual offering, was burned upon a golden altar, separate from the main altar.



The main altar is made with large solid stone blocks with squared horns on each corner at the top, and a stone ramp leading to it as one semi-solid stone structure. This was all approved by the Sanhedrin as fitting for the actu-

al Temple. None having been put together using today's stone cutting methods, but rather to Scriptural procedure (Exod. 20:25; Josh. 8:31). It is on a portable platform able to handle the immense weight. It can be transported within hours, if need be. This is significant, because a tabernacle (as used in the Exodus) may be utilized for end-time prophecy to be fulfilled. The tabernacle includes a holy-of-holies section, just as a stone Temple would. See our mini study on *The Man of Sin* for further end-time events yet ahead of us.

A call by the Sanhedrin, at this event, to 70 nations was for them to join in the consecration of this sacrificial Temple altar. It should be noted that slaughtering of sheep has been done regularly each year at Passover gatherings in Jerusalem, but this is the first time a renewed symbolic sacrificial offering of a sheep (killed at another location) was brought readied to be burnt as a sacrificial offering. A small cut section of this animal was placed on the fire of the altar and burned up completely.

The Israeli government refers to such gatherings and peoples, as Temple advocates. They do not officially recognize them as governing bodies. And at this particular event, less than 200 were in attendance. Nevertheless, it is interesting to see a continued movement by these and others to be preparing for actual sacrificial and ceremonial aspects of the Levitical priesthood in Temple worship. Scripture reveals this will happen before Yahshua's return as King of kings.

In addition to the above, The Temple Institute in Israel, announced that on August 28th, 2018, "a perfectly red heifer was born in the land of Israel."

Yahweh's Assembly in Yahshua

Now learn this lesson from the fig tree:
As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near.
Even so, when you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door. Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened.

Matthew 24:32–34 NIV



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They added, "The red heifer candidate is being raised and specially cared for under the auspices of the Temple Institute's 'Raise a Red Heifer in Israel' program."

The significance of such an announcement is obvious to Bible students. The ashes of an unblemished heifer (Num. 19:2) are needed to purify the physical Temple, it's implements, and the people. "...to be kept by the Israelite community for use in the water of cleansing; it is for purification from sin," (Num. 19:9 NIV).

With other recent news from Jerusalem, such as the 70th anniversary this last year, we may want to open our eyes a little more to the news reports coming from there. Scriptural prophecies indicate Jerusalem will be crucial to end-time events.



King David's Sin and Punishment

In the 2 Samuel 12:1-7 narrative, King David in Verses 5-6, unwittingly pronounced the sentence of death upon the subject of the prophet Nathan's parable and required fourfold restitution of the stolen lamb as mandated by the TORAH in Exodus 22:1. The sentence of death and fourfold restitution was accomplished through David's posterity:

- 1. His infant son, by Bathsheba 2 Samuel 11:5, 12:19
- 2. His firstborn son Amnon, by Ahinoam 2 Samuel 2:2, 13:28-29
- 3. His third born son Absalom, by Maacah 2 Samuel 2:3, 18:14-15
- 4. His fourth born son Adoniyah, by Haggith 2 Samuel 2:4; 1 Kings 2:23-24

Sometimes people think in general that they can get away with sin, but sin has terrible consequences, especially for those who know Yahweh's Word and don't live by it. No one is exempt, not even a man after Yahweh's own heart, when he turns away from the correct way. Let's remember Yahweh disciplines those He loves. Proverbs 3:11–12 NASB, My son, do not reject the discipline of Yahweh or loathe His reproof, for whom Yahweh loves He reproves, even as a father corrects the son in whom he delights.

Question and Response

Question: From Genesis 1:14-19, these Scriptures tell us that the sun, moon and stars were created on the fourth day. Does the new moon come up on the fourth day of the month? When the moon was created on the fourth day, was it full or was it a crescent moon? How could there be a first, second, and third day, if the sun wasn't created until the fourth day? Is the Sabbath seven days after the fourth day? Are these scriptures inspired? Something is not right here.

Response: Light molecules called photons are said to be by some scientists, the first active molecules in creation. Dark matter has also been proven to be a physical aspect of creation. It helps prove the Genesis account. In addition, there is also the figurative light (good) and darkness (evil) which could be considered.

Of interest, we're told in Revelation that the sun and moon won't be needed in New Jerusalem. Yahweh and Yahshua will be the Light and Temple of it (Rev. 21:22-23). Can our finite minds grasp what is coming? Can our minds grasp all that has been? We could consider what Yahweh asked Job, Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell Me, if you have understanding, who set its measurements? Since you know. Or who stretched the line on it? On what were its bases sunk? Or who laid its cornerstone, Job 38:4-6 NASB.

The word yom in Hebrew is a 24-hour day, in context. It was Yahweh's exclusive right to set things in motion as he did. The weekly pattern of seven days is set by Him, and has been from creation. The new moon, while allowing us to figure the appointed times, did not (and does not) start the weekly pattern. The creation week is therefore special, just as The Eighth Day (Lev. 23:36) is and will be. We are told what we need to know, at this time, as sojourners on this earth.

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New Moon Report Website

A revised new moon website is now posted at newmoonreport.org, which should be more user friendly and aesthetically pleasing for those visiting to learn more about the Biblical calendar of Yahweh.

In addition, we now have a new moon reporting app for smart phones which are series 4 and above (e.g., Galaxy S4, iPhone 4). We pray that this will be better for those overseas who often have a phone more readily available to access the Internet than a regular computer.



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Twenty Minute Earthquake?

"Strange waves rippled around the world, and nobody knows why" was the headline of a National Geographic article by Maya Wei-Haas. The event occurred on November 11th, 2018, lasting a full twenty minutes, but was not felt by people. Scripture, of course, tells us of the day such things will be felt by everyone (Isa. 24:1-23).

Question and Response

Question: According to Mark 15:25 and John 19:14, what time was the Savior impaled?

Response: If we think about the Hebrew way of describing daylight hours, we see that daylight is 12 hours (John 11:9). Yahshua gives a breakdown of that time period in Matthew 20:1-6, with the 1st hour being day break or morning (around 6am); 3rd hour would equal 9am; 6th hour would equal 12 noon; 9th hour would equal 3pm, etc., down to the end of daylight around 6pm. However, this is not the only way to reckon the daytime hours. The Romans recorded times differently, though still recognizing a 12-hour day. They counted from midnight as the 1st hour. Some suggest John recorded Roman time, but that is unlikely.

In Mark 15:25 it says that He was put to the torture stake in the 3rd hour (Hebrew time, 9am; Roman time, 3am). It was recorded there as darkness from the 6th-9th hours, so we know Mark was using the Hebrew reckoning of daylight hours. At the 9th hour Yahshua died, was taken down and placed in the tomb somewhere, most likely, before the 11th hour. The apparent conflict found in John 19:14, we believe, is answered in the following source: "An early copyist has confused a Greek Γ —the letter that stands for three—with a Γ [digamma]—the letter that stands for six," *The Expositor's Bible Commentary*, by Zondervan Publishing House.

In Memoriam

Elder Roger Meyer, at age 83, died on November 27th, 2018. Roger is survived by his wife, Jeannette (Jan), of 57 years; his sons, James Meyer and Paul Meyer; his grandchildren, Nathan Meyer, Jason Meyer, Cashea Meyer and Granthem Meyer; and special friends Elder David and Carrie Brett.

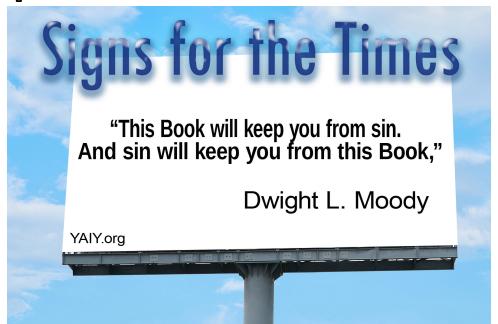
Note from Sister Jan:

I, along with my family, want to thank all of you for the prayers, concern, phone calls, messages and love sent to us when Roger passed away the end of November. After being married 57 years things have changed in my/our lives, but we know that Roger is asleep and waiting for Yahshua's return.

The last teaching moment (our grandchildren called it) given us shortly before he went to sleep was that we were to rejoice. Do not be sad. Thank you again for being there for us. Jan Meyer and family.



Signs for the Times





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"This Book will keep you from sin. And sin will keep you from this Book," Dwight L. Moody.

This presumes, however, that "this Book" is actually read, preached, and practiced and NOT, just sitting on the coffee table as a Record of Births, Marriages, and Deaths, or upon a shelf out of sight and out of mind, gathering dust!

Dwight L. Moody (1837-1885), to whom the above quote is attributed, was devoted to Chicago's indigent children in the late 19th century and was well aware of the transformative nature of the preached Scriptures. Its administrations of reproof, correction, instruction-in-righteousness, rebuke, and exhortation; renew the mind, making one wise unto salvation, and conforming one into the Image of Yahweh's Dear Son (Tit. 1:3; 2 Tim. 3:16; 4:2; Eph. 4:23; 2 Tim. 3:15; Rom. 10:29).

Indeed, regularly this Book must be given place, to "stir up your minds by way of remembrance," lest at any time you should sin and be again entangled, overcome and brought into bondage through having become a forgetful hearer instead of a doer of this Book (2 Pet. 3:1; 2:20; 19; Jas. 1:25; 22).

46th Roe vs. Wade Anniversary

1.4 Million Abortions A Year Who's Missing From Your Neighborhood?

Also in thy skirts is found the blood of the souls of the poor innocents, Jeremiah 2:34.

- > Abortion: 46 years of Roe v. Wade (January 22nd, 2019)
- > Abortion: The Supreme Court also legalized slavery
- > Abortion: The slope of the denigration of human life
- > Abortion: 64.4 million legal abortions; fully 20% of the current population of the United States
- > Abortion: A fatal choice murder in the womb one dead, one wounded
- > Abortion: 93% of women having one, later regret their decision
- > Abortion: A poverty to have chosen a child should die, so adults may live as they wish

- Religious Coalition for Reproductive Life

A champion of Human Rights for the foreign indigenous, even imposing economic sanctions upon their governments for alleged Human Rights Violations, the United States should do better first looking to Itself, lest Its own works suffer loss from a "Consuming Fire" (2 John 8; I Cor. 3:15; Heb. 12:29).

