



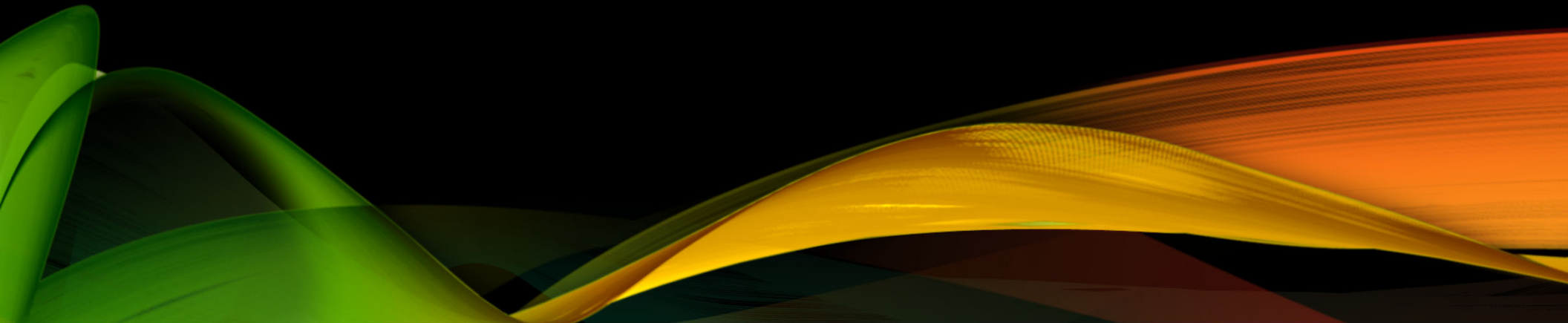
Coming Out of Babel

Saying Goodbye to the Beast System!

Part II

The Abrahamic Dilemma

Should I Go or Should I Stay?



Should Abram Leave Babel?

- We start to get an answer in Genesis 11:27:
 - Noah's firstborn son was Shem. He ruled over all the earth until he died.
 - One of Shem's descendants was Terach, the father of Abram.
 - The ruler of Babel at the time was Nimrod, son of Cush, son of Ham.
 - He was the world's first tyrant.
 - It is questionable as to whether he was legitimate.
 - According to the *Book of Jasher*, his family's inheritance was in Africa, not Palestine.
 - He sought to be an *elohim* over the people.
 - Abram's brother Haran defied Nimrod and was executed.
 - Since Abram knew he was next, he had two choices:
 1. Lead another revolt against the tyrannical Babylonian leadership.
 2. Leave Babylon...
 - Since he had a relationship with YHWH, he prayed for an answer.

Just What is a Tyrant?

• Tyrant –

1. a sovereign or other ruler who uses power oppressively or unjustly.
2. any person in a position of authority who exercises power oppressively or despotically.
3. a tyrannical or compulsory influence.
4. an absolute ruler, especially one in ancient Greece or Sicily.
5. Most tyrants are unelected...
 - **Synonyms:** [dictator](#), [autocrat](#), [despot](#)
 - [Wikipedia's List of Greek Tyrants](#)

Just What is a Tyrant?

- Which Presidential Candidate Got the Highest Pct. of Votes in any Election

1. Lyndon Johnson (D) 1964 - 43,129,040 / 187,277,378 = 24.120% of the population...
2. Joe Biden (D) 2020 - 81,283,501 / 336,997,624 = 24.112% of the population...
3. Ronald Reagan (R) 1984 - 54,455,472 / 232,766,280 = 23.395% of the population...
4. Richard Nixon (R) 1972 - 47,168,710 / 205,238,390 = 22.982% of the population...
5. Barak Obama (D) 2008 - 69,498,516 / 305,694,910 = 22.734% of the population...
6. George W. Bush (R) 2004 - 62,040,610 / 293,947,885 = 21.106% of the population...
7. Barak Obama (D) 2012 - 65,915,795 / 316,651,321 = 20.817% of the population...
8. George H.W. Bush (R) 1988 - 48,886,597 / 242,287,814 = 20.177% of the population...
9. Hillary Clinton (D) 2016* - 65,853,514 / 327,210,198 = 20.126% of the population ...
10. Ronald Reagan (R) 1980 - 43,903,230 / 223,140,018 = 19.675% of the population...
11. John F. Kennedy (D) 1960 - 34,220,984 / 176,188,578 = 19.423% of the population...
12. Donald Trump (R) 2016 - 62,984,828 / 327,210,198 = 19.249% of the population...
13. Jimmy Carter (D) 1976 - 40,831,881 / 213,270,022 = 19.146% of the population...
14. Al Gore (D) 2000* - 50,999,897 / 282,398,554 = 18.060% of the population...

Just What is a Tyrant?

• If a Tyrant is Someone Who Holds Office, But is Unelected – Are There any Modern Examples?

I. How About the United States:

- John F. Kennedy 1960 - 34,220,984 / 176,188,578 = 19.423% of the population...
- Lyndon Johnson 1964 – 43,129,040 / 187,277,378 = 24.120% of the population...
- Richard Nixon 1968 - 31,783,783 / 195,743,427 = 16.237% of the population...
- Richard Nixon 1972 - 47,168,710 / 205,238,390 = 22.982% of the population...
- Jimmy Carter 1976 - 40,831,881 / 213,270,022 = 19.146% of the population...
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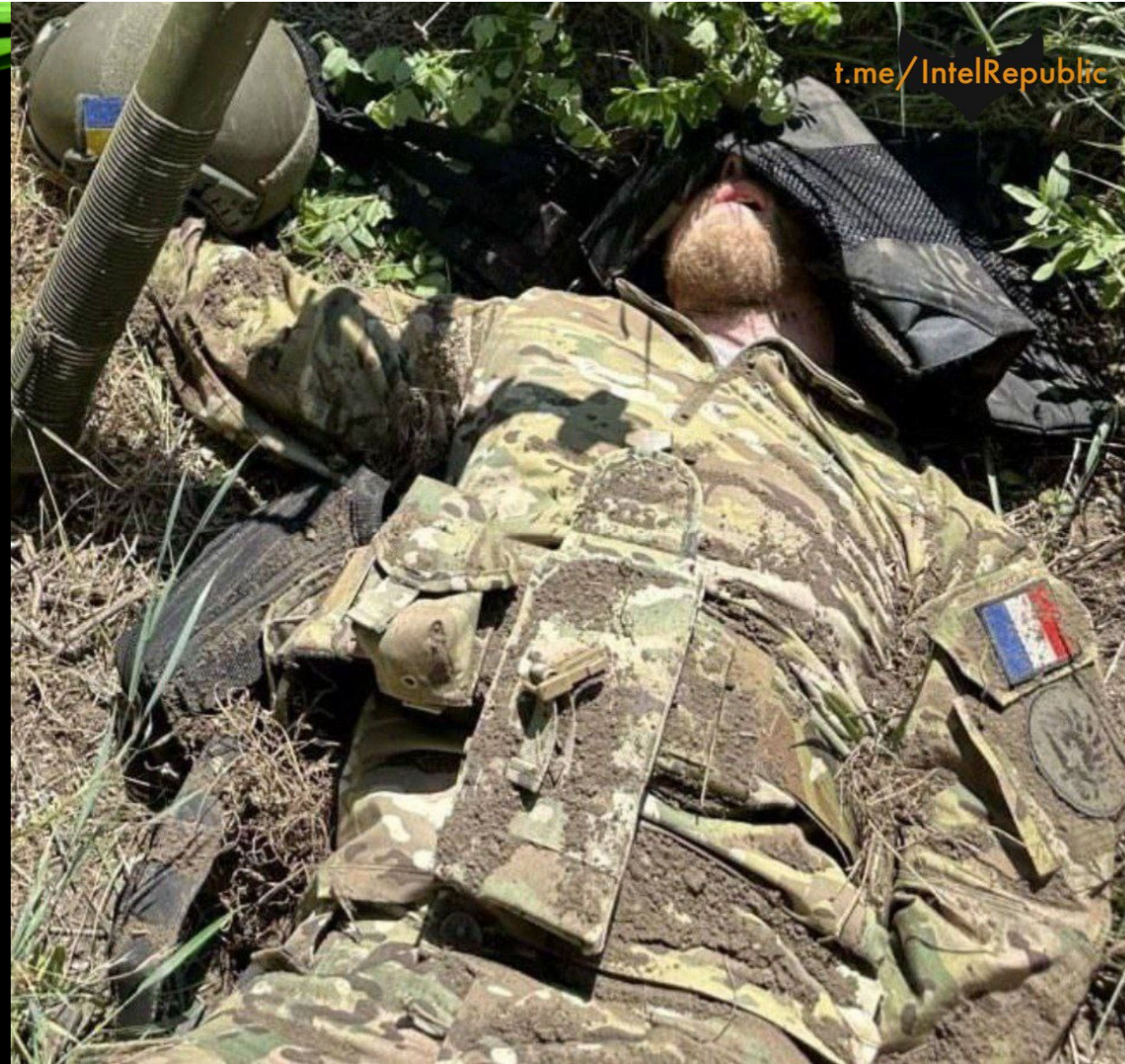
- I. Joe Biden – Won a very questionable election with 81 million votes!
 - Bill Clinton 1992 - 44,909,889 / 255,175,339 = 17.601% of the population...
 - Bill Clinton 1996 - 47,401,185 / 268,984,347 = 17.622% of the population...
 - George W. Bush 2000 - 50,456,002 / 282,398,554 = 17.867% of the population...
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- U.S. Presidents:
 - Joe Biden – Highly questionable election...
 - Gerald Ford – Rewarded for his work in the JFK Assassination.
- Great Britain
 - Rishi Sunak – Never won an election. No British Prime Minister has won an election...
- NATO
 - Jens Stoltenberg (Norway) – Appointed by Bureaucrats
 - Remember Vidkun Abraham Lauritz Jonsson Quisling?
- European Union
 - Ursula von der Leyen – Appointed by the European Council
- France
 - President Emmanuel Macron – Elected but his party is not controlling French Parliament. Therefore, he has no real power... Except to send French Soldiers to their death.

- If a Tyrant is Someone Who Holds Office, But is Unelected:
- They have no problem sending their soldiers to their death in Ukraine!
- A Russian hypersonic missile killed French Troops less than an hour after they arrived in Ukraine.



Here is Yah's Answer to Abram

- In Genesis 12, we read about Yahuah's call on Abram's life:
 - Then Yahuah said to Abram, "Get going out from your land, and from your relatives, and from your father's house, to the land that I will show you." (Genesis 12:1)
 - When you move out of Babel, you have to change your thinking (repent), and do things differently.
 - You have to be prepared to go to a place you have never been before, and you may not even know where this place is.
 - You will be given time to prepare!
 - Do things you have never done before.
 - You have to follow a new legal structure. (AKA the Torah)

Here is Yah's Answer to Abram

- In Genesis 12, we read about Yahuah's call on Abram's life:
 - 2) My heart's desire is to make you into a great nation, to bless you, to make your name great so that you may be a blessing.
 - 3) My desire is to bless those who bless you, but whoever curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth will be blessed." (Genesis 12:2-3)
 - Moving in the will of our Heavenly Father will be a blessing for you provided you are willing to repent and change your ways.
 - Your Heavenly Father will protect you if you repent.

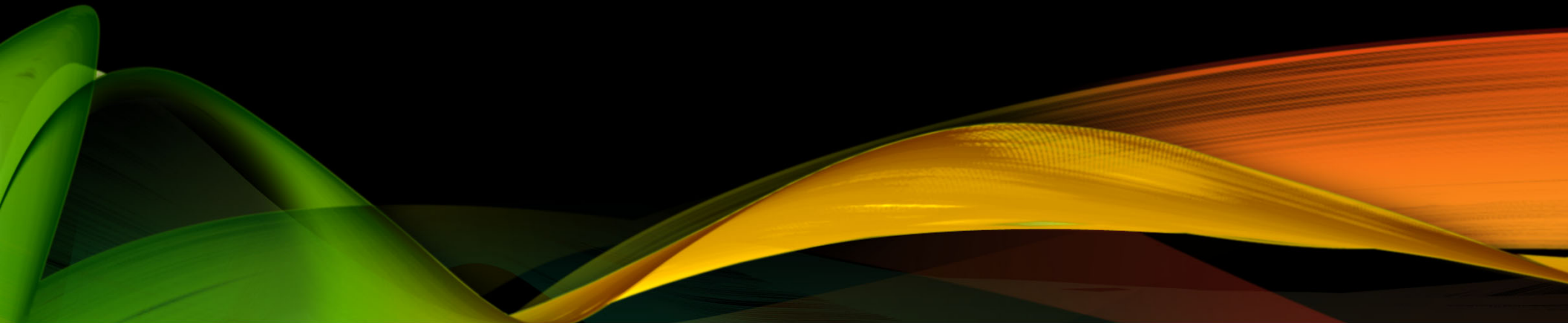


Here is Abram's Family (8 children)

- Ishmael => 12 Dukes of the Ishmaelites
- Isaac => Jacob (12 Tribes) and Esau (12 Dukes of Edom)
- Six Sons of Keturah (Genesis 25:1-4)
 - Zimran
 - Jokshan => Sheba and Dedan => Assurim, Letushim, Leummim
 - Medan
 - Midian => Ephah, Epher, Hanoch, Abida, Eldaah
 - Ishbak
 - Shuah

W hat is Yah's Answer For U s?

Do We Leave or Do We Stay?



Here is Yah's Answer to Us

- Abram's call came in Genesis 12.
- Our call is in Revelation 18:4:
 - And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.
 - Chapters 17-18 discuss the end-time world system which the Book of Revelation calls Babel. Study last week's program.

Here is Yah's Answer to Us

- Unlike Abram's Call, Yah Gives Us Reasons to Leave Babylon:
 5. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and YHWH hath remembered her iniquities.
 6. Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double. (Revelation 18:5-6)

Here is Yah's Answer to Us

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7. How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow. (Revelation 18:5-7)
5. Sit thou silent, and get thee into darkness, O daughter of the Chaldeans: for thou shalt no more be called, The lady of kingdoms.
6. I was wroth with my people, I have polluted mine inheritance, and given them into thine hand: thou didst shew them no mercy; upon the ancient hast thou very heavily laid thy yoke. (Isaiah 47:5-6)

Here is Yah's Answer to Us

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7. And thou saidst, I shall be a lady for ever: so that thou didst not lay these things to thy heart, neither didst remember the latter end of it.
8. Therefore hear now this, thou that art given to pleasures, that dwellest carelessly, that sayest in thine heart, I am, and none else beside me; I shall not sit as a widow, neither shall I know the loss of children:
9. But these two things shall come to thee in a moment in one day, the loss of children, and widowhood: they shall come upon thee in their perfection for the multitude of thy sorceries, and for the great abundance of thine enchantments. (Isaiah 47:7-9)

Here is Yah's Answer to Us

- Unlike Abram's Call, Yah Gives Us Reasons to Leave Babylon:

10. For thou hast trusted in thy wickedness: thou hast said, None seeth me. Thy wisdom and thy knowledge, it hath perverted thee; and thou hast said in thine heart, I am, and none else beside me.
11. Therefore shall evil come upon thee; thou shalt not know from whence it riseth: and mischief shall fall upon thee; thou shalt not be able to put it off: and desolation shall come upon thee suddenly, which thou shalt not know. (Isaiah 47:10-11)

Here is Yah's Answer to Us

- Unlike Abram's Call, Yah Gives Us Reasons to Leave Babylon:

12. Stand now with thine enchantments, and with the multitude of thy sorceries, wherein thou hast laboured from thy youth; if so be thou shalt be able to profit, if so be thou mayest prevail.
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 47:12-13)

Here is Yah's Answer to Us

- Unlike Abram's Call, Yah Gives Us Reasons to Leave Babylon:

14. Behold, they shall be as stubble; the fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver themselves from the power of the flame: there shall not be a coal to warm at, nor fire to sit before it.

15. Thus shall they be unto thee with whom thou hast laboured, even thy merchants, from thy youth: they shall wander every one to his quarter; none shall save thee. (Isaiah 47:14-15)

Here is Yah's Answer to Us

- Unlike Abram's Call, Yah Gives Us Reasons to Leave Babylon:

8. Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is YHWH Elohim who judgeth her.
9. And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning,
10. Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come. (Revelation 18:8-10)

Here is Yah's Answer to Us

•Yah Gives Us Reasons to Leave Babylon:

I. The Babylon System is Corrupt

- Politicians use the system to enhance their personal wealth by taking bribes, laundering money, and perverting the legal system.
- Religious Leaders use the system to enhance their own organizations and derive power from their organizations.
- Blackrock, State Street, and Vanguard have consolidated most business organizations within their control mechanism. In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, they would have been considered "Trusts."
- Because these systems have no real power, they must resort to bullying, threats, and sanctions to assert their influence.

Here is Yah's Answer to Us

- **Yah Gives Us Reasons to Leave Babylon:**

- 2. **The Money System has No Real Value**

- The Dollar is based up the trust people put into it.
 - The Pound, the Euro, and other western currencies are also without any basis in value.
 - The BRICS system currencies are based upon the value of precious metals and petroleum.

Here is Yah's Answer to Us

- **Yah Gives Us Reasons to Leave Babylon:**
 2. **The Religious System is Based Upon Materialism**
 - They insist that “godliness is gain.” That spirituality is the sum of the material items you have collected throughout your life.

Here is Yah's Answer to Us

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 2. **The Religious System is Based Upon Materialism**
 - Many church organizations now have “campuses” containing several buildings.

Here is Yah's Answer to Us

- **Yah Gives Us Reasons to Leave Babylon:**
 2. **The Religious System is Based Upon Materialism**
 - Their deity is named "Gawd" which is an *elohim* of fate and luck (See Isaiah 65:11).
 - The Bible is quoted to support the pastor's message that week. The verses quoted are usually taken out of context.

Here is Yah's Answer to Us

• Let's Look at Isaiah 65:11:

- But ye^{H859} are they that forsake^{H5800} the LORD,^{H3068} that forget^{H7913 (H853)} my holy^{H6944} mountain,^{H2022} that prepare^{H6186} a table^{H7979} for that troop,^{H1409} and that furnish^{H4390} the drink offering^{H4469} unto that number.^{H4507} (Isaiah 65:11)
- H3068 יהוה Yahuah
- H1409 גֹד Gimel-Daleth Proper name for Babylonian Deity called “God”
- H6186 מלא Consecrate
- H4507 מני Mani – a false idol representing “fate”

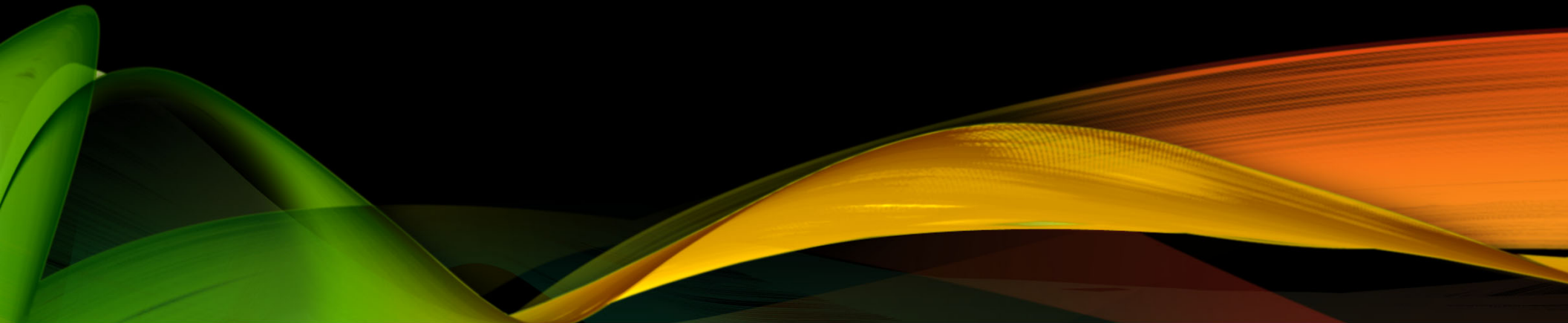
Time for a retranslation!!!

Here is Yah's Answer to Us

• Let's now look at Isaiah 65:11:

- But ye are they that forsake YHWH, that forget my holy mountain, that prepare a table for Gawd, and that consecrate the drink offering unto Mani (the elohim of fate). (Isaiah 65:11)
 - It seems that the pastors of multiple churches have sold their souls and have caused their people to worship a false deities called *Gawd* and *Mani*.
- And in all things that I have said unto you be circumspect: and make no mention of the name of other *elohim*, neither let it be heard out of thy mouth. (Exodus 23:13)

Abram Leaves Everything Behind
The Trek to Canaan



Abram 's Response to Yahuah's Call

- In Genesis 12, we see Abram packing up everything including his nephew Lot:
 - 4) So Abram went, just as YHWH had spoken to him. Also Lot went with him. (Now Abram was 75 years old when he departed from Haran.)
 - 5) Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his nephew, and all their possessions that they had acquired, and the people that they acquired in Haran, and they left to go to the land of Canaan, and they entered the land of Canaan. (Genesis 12:4-5)

Abram in Canaan

- In Genesis 12, we read about Yahuah's call on Abram's life:
 - 6) Abram passed through the land as far as the place of Shechem, as far as Moreh's big tree. (The Canaanites were in the land then.)
 - 7) Then Yahuah appeared to Abram, and said, "I will give this land to your seed." So there he built an altar to Yahuah, who had appeared to him. (Genesis 12:6-7)



The Travels of Abram

- Abram builds his first altar:
 - And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, having Bethel on the west, and Hai on the east: and there he builded an altar unto Yahuah, and called upon the name of Yahuah.
 - And Abram journeyed, going on still toward the south. (Genesis 12:8-9)

Is the Trip Always Going to be Easy?

- Abram's trek to the Promised Land was not an easy one.
 - And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine was grievous in the land. (Genesis 12:10)
- The existing tribes that lived there were into idolatry and because of that idolatry, there were many curses there. For that reason, there was famine in the land.
- Abram felt that he had to visit Egypt to survive. He was NOT commanded by Yahuah to go there. Egypt was as bad as Babylon.

When You Leave Babylon...

Make Sure You are NOT Going to Egypt

- In Bible typology, Egypt is also a type for the world.
 - It gets easy to go from one worldly place to another.
 - Suddenly, you find yourself having to maneuver in the same way you did in the place you left.
 11. And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that thou art a fair woman to look upon:
 12. Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say, This is his wife: and they will kill me, but they will save thee alive. (Genesis 12:11-12)

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 13. Say, I pray thee, thou art my sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake; and my soul shall live because of thee.
 14. And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the woman that she was very fair.
 15. The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house. (Genesis 12:13-15)

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- In Bible typology, Egypt is also a type for the world.
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 - And he entreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and he asses, and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels.
 - And YHWH plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai Abram's wife. (Genesis 12:16-17)
 - Where have we seen plagues in Egypt before?
 - Abram did not understand that Yahuah would protect him and his wife in their sojourn.

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- In Bible typology, Egypt is also a type for the world.
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 - And Pharaoh called Abram, and said, What is this that thou hast done unto me? why didst thou not tell me that she was thy wife?
 - Why saidst thou, She is my sister? so I might have taken her to me to wife: now therefore behold thy wife, take her, and go thy way.
 - And Pharaoh commanded his men concerning him: and they sent him away, and his wife, and all that he had. (Genesis 12:18-20)
 - It was a major loss for the Egyptian economy not to have Abram and Lot there. Still, Pharaoh could not handle the plague potential.

The Return to the Promised Land

- When Abram and Lot return to the Promised Land apparently, the famine has past and they are doing well, almost too well.
 - And Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the south.
 - And Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold.
 - And he went on his journeys from the south even to Bethel, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Hai;
 - Unto the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first: and there Abram called on the name of YHWH. (Genesis 13:1-4)
- I would gather that both Abram and Lot were very hard workers and Our Heavenly Father blessed them in all they did. But it was not without difficulties.

The Return to the Promised Land

- Most people don't understand that one cow drinks 100 gallons of water a day. If you have large flocks, it is a major task to keep them fed and watered.
 5. And Lot also, which went with Abram, had flocks, and herds, and tents. (Genesis 13:5)
- We forget sometimes that Lot inherited his father's wealth. He had the benefit of both his father's upbringing and that of Abram.
 6. And the land was not able to bear them, that they might dwell together: for their substance was great, so that they could not dwell together.
 7. And there was a strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's cattle: and the Canaanite and the Perizzite dwelled then in the land. (Genesis 13:6-7)

The Return to the Promised Land

- This passage is a good model of how to settle disputes:
 8. And Abram said unto Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, and between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we be brethren.
 9. Is not the whole land before thee? separate thyself, I pray thee, from me: if thou wilt take the left hand, then I will go to the right; or if thou depart to the right hand, then I will go to the left.
 10. And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of Jordan, that it was well watered every where, before YHWH destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, even as the garden of YHWH, like the land of Egypt, as thou comest unto Zoar. (Genesis 13:8-10)
- Abram allowed Lot to choose which part of the land he wanted to have. We will find before long that he did not make a very good choice.
 - Sometimes, having the first pick can be a bad thing. Look at how many first overall picks sports teams have taken that have turned out to be “busts.”

The Return to the Promised Land

- If Lot has been wise, he would have considered his situation more carefully.
 11. Then Lot chose him all the plain of Jordan; and Lot journeyed east: and they separated themselves the one from the other.
 12. Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelled in the cities of the plain, and pitched his tent toward Sodom.
 13. But the men of Sodom were wicked and sinners before YHWH exceedingly.
(Genesis 13:11-13)
- Sodom would eventually become a major problem for Lot and for his uncle.
- His choice of plains was a good choice. His cattle could graze to their hearts' content and water would not be an issue.

The Real First World War

- And it came to pass in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of nations;
- That these made war with Bera king of Sodom, and with Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of Admah, and Shemeber king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela, which is Zoar.
- All these were joined together in the vale of Siddim, which is the salt sea. (Genesis 14:1-3, Jasher 16:1-2)
 - The Book of Jasher said that one side had 800,000 men.

The Real First World War

- Twelve years they served Chedorlaomer, and in the thirteenth year they rebelled.
- And in the fourteenth year came Chedorlaomer, and the kings that were with him, and smote the Rephaims in Ashteroth Karnaim, and the Zuzims in Ham, and the Emims in Shaveh Kiriathaim,
- And the Horites in their mount Seir, unto El-paran, which is by the wilderness.
- And they returned, and came to En-mishpat, which is Kadesh, and smote all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites that dwelt in Hazezon-tamar.
(Genesis 14:4-7)
 - This could be said to be a preliminary operation... all of the enemies in these battles were *Nephilim*.
 - They could not have these giants joining in their next battle.

The Real First World War

- And there went out the king of Sodom, and the king of Gomorrah, and the king of Admah, and the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (the same is Zoar;) and they joined battle with them in the vale of Siddim;
- With Chedorlaomer the king of Elam, and with Tidal king of nations, and Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar; four kings with five.
- And the vale of Siddim was full of slimepits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, and fell there; and they that remained fled to the mountain. (Genesis 14:8-10)
 - This battle was clearly a rout...

The Real First World War

- And they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their victuals, and went their way.
- And they took Lot, Abram's brother's son, who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods, and departed.
- And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew; for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eschol, and brother of Aner: and these were confederate with Abram. (Genesis 14:11-13)
 - The kings made their first mistake. They had no reason to take Lot. He was not joined to Sodom their confederates in any way.
 - Likely after winning a battle, they were doing a little celebrating.

The Real First World War

- And when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he armed his trained servants, born in his own house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued them unto Dan.
- And he divided himself against them, he and his servants, by night, and smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which is on the left hand of Damascus.
- And he brought back all the goods, and also brought again his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people. (Genesis 14:14-16)
 - This has all the elements of a commando raid.
 - Small party with basic directives.
 - Identify the target and snatch him.

Meeting with Melchizedek

- And the king of Sodom went out to meet him after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that were with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which is the king's dale.
- And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of El-Elyon.
- And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of El-Elyon, possessor of heaven and earth:
- And blessed be El-Elyon, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all. (Genesis 14:17-20)

Be Careful About Who You Make Covenants With!

- And the king of Sodom said unto Abram, Give me the persons, and take the goods to thyself.
- And Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lift up mine hand unto YHWH, El-Elyon, the possessor of heaven and earth,
- That I will not take from a thread even to a shoelatchet, and that I will not take any thing that is thine, lest thou shouldest say, I have made Abram rich:
- Save only that which the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men which went with me, Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let them take their portion. (Genesis 14:21-24)
 - Abram was careful NOT to take anything that belonged to a Sodomite...
 - He was apparently aware of their homosexuality and how YHWH felt about it.
 - It is probably why he did not want any land that was near Sodom and Gomorrah when he and Lot partitioned their land.