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"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."

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Editor's Note

As we release this issue, the world is still engaging the world-wide pandemic of the Corona Virus without any permanent solution. The Scientists, Specialists, Medics and Professionals in various fields are all burning the midnight oil searching and seeking for the much needed and awaited Solution to the pandemic. As the panic and distress continues, believers can find solace in the Almighty Father who is all powerful. Apart from his healing, he can also give the believers his peace amidst the setbacks arising from the pandemic.

John 14:27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

For us to overcome the wicked world and especially at this end of times, we must have divine intervention by connecting with the heavenly power. The foregoing is expounded in "THE POWER TO OVERCOME". It's high time we brought ourselves into sobriety and be awake and watchful since the prophecies points out to our redemption. There is a clear rationale on the same by Martin K. Makokha in "IN THE TWINKLING OF AN EYE". We have a timely admonition for the Messianic believers in relation to our interactions with the Worldly in "BE CAREFUL OF WINE, POWER, MONEY AND WOMEN" by Ezekiel G. Ngogoyo. Lawrence Mugambi reminds us we are a Chosen nation "SANCTIFIED AND SET APART FROM THE WORLD - HOW?". There are two classes of Messianic believers as outlined in "FIVE WISE AND FIVE FOOLISH VIRGINS WITHIN THE MESSIANIC CONGREGATION" by James N. Njenga. Lilian Charles encourages us to continue conveying "THE THIRD ANGEL'S MESSAGE". We have a very informative article about our words, "AS THE MOUTH TASTES MEAT" by Abigail Chepkoech. We have a new contributor who premier with "WHEN AM GONE". In my health corner we have "EPILEPSY". "MESSIAH AS A PACKAGE" continues..

As Messianic believers we are the one entrusted with the conveyance of the end of time message to the world, which gives a warning and hope. The former to the wicked and the latter to the righteous. Nevertheless, the former has an opportunity to repent and be counted with the latter.

Revelation 14:9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, if any man worships the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

Revelation 3:21 To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

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Shalom.

NOT TO BE SOLD. MATHEW 10:8 "...FREELY YOU HAVE RECEIVED, FREELY GIVE"

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THE POWER TO OVERCOME



By Peter Kings

Every day in both social and mainstream media, there are news of different crimes committed in different parts of the world. The crimes are a proof of some evil power working amongst the inhabitants of the world. Sometimes those people who commit the worst of the crimes like murder don't have any history of crime. Hence when they commit the crime of such magnitude, their families, colleagues, neighbors and even friends can't comprehend the reason that made them commit the crime. Those conversant with the Scriptures, know very well that there is an evil power working in the world as affirmed by Ephesians 2:2.

Ephesians 2:2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

In the afore-cited, the children of disobedience are controlled by the Spirit of the prince of the air. The Scriptures is very clear on what is disobedience. The Scriptures also give the difference between the children of Elohim and the children of the Devil as attested by 1st John 3:8-10.

1 John 3:8 He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil. 3:9 Whosoever is born of God doth not

commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God. 3:10 In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.

All inhabitants of the earth were created by Elohim, nevertheless every person is given a prerogative to choose who to obey, between Elohim and the devil. Consequently, whoever one chooses to obey and follow his directives; he becomes the father to him/her. Since the fall of man the Devil has been zealous to make sure that man continues in disobedience to the Creator. Elohim being merciful sent his only begotten son to change the status quo. Now the fallen man has redemption through the precious blood of the Messiah. The fallen man needs to accept Messiah and follow his directives which are his Father's. It's only through Messiah that we can have power to overcome the prince of the air, since Messiah set precedence when he overcame the Devil as outlined in Hebrew 2:14.

Hebrews 2:14 Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil.

Messiah knew the challenges his followers would face after his ascension to the heaven, hence he promised and gave them the much needed power to overcome the Dev-

il. It's via the heavenly power (Holy Spirit) that we are connected to the heaven and it's by the same power that we overcome the world and the Devil. Apart from giving us the power to overcome, the Holy Spirit comforts us from the darts and injuries caused by our battle (s) with the Devil. The aforementioned is best illustrated by John 14:16 and 26.

John 14:16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever; John 14:26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

When we receive this heavenly power (Holy Spirit) our duties as believers is to nourish, lest we grieve him and consequently depart from us and make us vulnerable to the advances of the Devil.

Ephesians 4:30 And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

It's by the same heavenly power that we are guaranteed of our inheritance.

Ephesians 1:13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, 1:14 Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

As we come to the close of ages, it's paramount to have the overcoming power which will help us to overcome this wicked world and stand undefiled as we receive our inheritance together with those who overcame in the ages before our age.

Hebrews 11:39 And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise: 11:40 God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect.

Let's pray for the heavenly power to descend to us, since Messiah has promised that Elohim will send it to those who earnestly pray for it.

Luke 11:13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

There are many promises to those who will overcome.

Revelation 2:7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

Revelation 2:11 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.

Revelation 2:17 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.

Revelation 2:26 And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:

Revelation 3:5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

Revelation 3:12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

Revelation 3:21 To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

May Elohim grant our prayers for the overcoming power to descend to us.

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In the Twinkling of an Eye

By Martin Makokha



In the recent past months the world has experienced what might have perhaps been a historic event of our times. In our country Kenya, it all started in March when the pandemic that had swept across China, Europe and other parts of the world was announced to have arrived. The first step was a ban on all public and social gatherings. This happened on a preparation day (Friday) when with a team of close to 80 Messianic University Students from Western Kenya were on an evangelistic mission in the lakeside city of Kisumu. We watched helplessly as our climax rally was called off due to the ban. In a twinkling of an eye an event that had taken some months to plan came to a stop as we tried to find other ways of accomplishing the task without breaking the government directives.

A stage had been set and in a few days later, schools, churches, entertainment joints etc were closed. Things we used to take for granted were quickly turning into a necessity, before the pandemic one could skip a church service and all would just be fine, after all there would be another service the following Sabbath. But the situation was different now, no services for the following week. This is when many realized the importance of congregational church services that for long we had taken for granted.

The words of Apostle Paul to the Hebrews, “Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.” 10:25 would only be put into practice in a home set up as the conditions would not have allowed assembling in Church structures.

Roles were quickly taken with the man of the house becoming the preacher, assisted by the eldest son; mum's and daughters became praise and worship leaders. Many adapted very well with even some live streaming right from their sitting rooms. As days turned into weeks which turned into months so did the live streaming grew faint. Just like Apostle Peter who followed Messiah to the court with hopes of proving his faithfulness but only grew fainter to the point of denying Messiah, so did some who got tired along the way.

In the book of Acts we are meant to understand that the New Testament Church sprang from the sitting room. It was in the living

rooms of individual members that they met to worship and pray. They made it their custom to fellowship from house to house; we must take the New Testament Church to her origins.

It's only when the Church started to grow tremendously that they moved from living rooms but whenever a crisis ensued she returned to the roots- Living rooms. In his book "The Early Christian Church: Volume 1" Philip Carrington, notes that due to persecution worship Services took place in private homes.

Paul sends regards to the Corinthian Church from a church that used to meet in Brother Aquila's house;

"The churches of Asia send you greetings. Aquila and Priscilla, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord." 1 Cor.16:19.

You may argue that Aquila and Priscilla were renowned individuals and unlike you, thus justifying why you can't home church. But the above isn't the only home church. In other Pauline epistles we are meant to understand that such churches were common during that era. Even among believers whom little is mentioned, managed a home church;

"Salute the brethren which are in Laodicea, and Nymphas, and the church which is in his house." Colossians 4:15.

In the above verse, we find a less known believer named Nymphas who only appear in the above verse. Unlike Aquila and Priscilla nothing much is known of this beloved called Nymphas. The fact that Apostle Paul mentioned Nymphas, and sends him and the church in his house greetings means he wasn't a stranger among the Churches in Colossian. His home church was known to the larger

believer's family in Colossian.

Other verses with reference to home church include- Romans 16:5; Philemon 1:2; Acts 20:20.

The late Elder A.N.Dugger a Church of God historian in his book, "The history of the True Religion" writes, "Not having any church house at the time, they met for worship at the different homes." These events happened in the 18th century too just like it was in the 1st century with the apostolic church.

The Covid-19 pandemic to some extent came with some valuable lessons to the family of believers. We might have been so much used to congregational services in our assembly houses to the extent that we may not survive when such luxuries

are taken away from us. I hope we realized how change from normal to new normal just takes a twinkle of an eye, yes just in a twinkle you may find yourself alone. How prepared are you? How much of The Word is in your memory that in case the hard/soft copy Bible is taken away

you will still remain replenished? How long could you hold on? In the Bible Home Instructor we are told of children who could recite the whole book of Job and Psalms! Still we are told of those who memorized the whole Gospel Books! How much prepared are you? For indeed in the twinkling of an eye all that was written in the prophecies shall come to pass, Blessed is him whose lamp shall be lighting and in his reservoir has extra oil (Matthew 25:1-13)

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Be Careful of... WINE, POWER, MONEY AND WOMEN



By **Ezekiel Ngogoyo**

Proverbs 20:1, Proverbs 20:1,

The four are the main tools of all evil. When I write this message, I feel inspired to talk about the evil side of the four giants. Obviously if I were to look at the other side of the coin, no doubt I would have a lot to say concerning the positive role of a King, money, woman and wine. Indeed these were initially meant for good by the author of them all, God had all the good purpose for them, but they were abused, misused and used to perpetrate evil. Woman was meant to help man perfect humanity and livelihood, Wine for a sacrifice and happiness but not joy, Money to buy wealth and help the poor and the King (power) to safeguard mankind and enforce order and good works.

This article is very objective in exploring the deplorable power and negative impacts that the four have in man. I would hope and pray that you to look at this article critically, and assess and recall the circumstances that men have fallen in with any one, or all of the four. These are the tools used by the devil. The devil has not tools of his own. He uses man, valuables and assets of substance to execute his plans.

I wish to make quick reference as a backup resource for these elements.



Wine



Power



Money



Woman

'Wine' Proverbs 20:1 Wine is a mocker and beer a brawler; whoever is led astray by them is not wise.

Genesis 19:33-36. That night they got their father to drink wine, and the elder daughter went in and slept with him. He was not aware of it when she lay down or when she got up.....

Genesis 9:21 When he drank some of its wine, he became drunk and lay uncovered inside his tent.

Mark 15:23 Then they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it.

'King' or Power Proverbs 20:1 The King of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, whose names were Shiprah and Puah, **Vs 16** 'When you are helping the Hebrew women during childbirth on the delivery stool, if you see that the baby is a boy, kill him, but if it is a girl, let her live. **Vs 22** Then Pharaoh gave his order to all his people; every Hebrew boy that is born you must throw into the Nile, but let every girl live.



'Money' 1 Timothy 6:10 for the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

Mathew 26:15-16 'What are you willing to give me if I deliver him over to you?' so they counted out for him thirty pieces of silver. **Vs 16** From then on Judas watched for an opportunity to hand him over.

'Women' 1 Kings 21:5-10 His wife Jezebel came in and asked him, 'why are you so sullen? Why won't you eat?' **Vs 7** Jezebel his wife said, 'is this how you act as King over Israel? Get up and eat! Cheer up. I'll get you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite'. **Vs 10** Put two scoundrels opposite Naboth and get them to bring false charges that he has cursed both God and the King. Then take him out and stone him to death'.

Judges 16:4, 18 Sometime later, he fell in love

with a woman in the valley of Sorek whose name was Delilah. **Vs 18** When Delilah saw that he had told her everything, she sent word to the rulers of the Philistines, 'come back once more; he has told me everything'.

Genesis 3: 17 To Adam he said, 'because you listened to your wife and ate fruit from the tree about which I commanded you, 'you must not eat from'

'Wine' is wicked, 'the King' is wicked, 'Money' and 'Women' are wicked. All the children of men are wicked and such are all their wicked words. There is no truth in them in their unrighteousness also they shall perish.

As for the truth, it endureth, and is always strong, it liveth and conquereth for evermore.

With the truth, she does not accept person's favour or reward, but truth does the things that are just and refrain from all unjust and wicked things. In judgement the truth has no any unrighteousness, she is the strength, power, and majesty of all ages.

Wine is wicked, it misleads the great, the small, the rich and the poor, and both the Kings and servants.



'The King' (Power) is wicked by his power and might, his anger and his command. The innocent blood is shed. He commandeth the wise to be removed. He takes up the land of the poor. He bear rule over the sea and land. He overturns the rule of God to please his people and wickedly seize power from the righteous and faithful in order to have dominion over them. He bids people to make war one against the other, and they do.

'Money' is the source of evils as clarified in 1 Timothy 6:10. Money is associated with all evils. It is through money that evils are catalysed in the minds of people. Money is a symbol of power and authority.



Money brings pride to those who has it. There is a lot of betrayal when money gets involved in judgement. The betrayal of right and justice **Hebrews 13:5, Mathew 26:15.**

'Women' rules men, women rules wine and the power to rule money is commanded and directly by women. It is woman who bear men and nourishes them. It is women that plans and perpetrates most evils, read **1 Kings 21:5-10**. It is women who knows the perfect way to overcome the authority of the king, the power in wine and the ability in money **Genesis 19:33-36, 1 Kings 21:15.**

Men labour and toil and bring all to the woman. Do men not take sword and go to rob and to steal. And when they have stolen, robbed and spoiled he brings to his love. Many men have sinned, erred and perished for women-and some people become servants for the sake of women **Genesis 29:18, 20. And is it not by power that kings gape and with open mouth fix their eyes on women, more than they do on gold and silver. **2 Samuel 11:2.****

Men of God, depart from the four. Get free from wine, power, money and women. None of them has ever spared men from falling. **If you were a judge, which one would you justify, and which would you condemn, and which one would you quit first, which would you say it never mislead**

people to evil. All have caused men to fall, some to sin, some to be put in dungeon, some to be killed and put off even by God.

These four are the strongest adversaries of righteousness. They are the ones reckoned and recorded in the bible as having made many prosperous, famous and rich and popular people to fall. The great and the small have in history succumbed to any of the four elements.

Let us speak openly about the evils brought about by wine, power, money and women. Let us talk of the workable remedies and solutions to these. About women, Paul talked of marrying, other than burning. He recommend a man to have his own wife **1 Corinthians 7:9**. It is good for a man of God to live a moderate life and more importantly men should not be associated in immoral affairs with women, as women are weak, but strong to entice men to evils as Eve did to Adam. Anyone at risk of getting involved with evil of a woman can easily escape. Make reference of Joseph who had the Holy Spirit and was extremely God fearing man that he fled away from the evil wife of **Potiphar**.

Genesis 39:11-12 *One day Joseph went into the house to attend to his duties, and none of the household servants was inside. **Vs 12** She (the wife of Potiphar) caught him by his cloak and said, 'come to bed with me!' But Joseph left his cloak in her hand and ran out of the house.*

In respect to money, it is good to be content with what one has.

Love for power in a trap to pride and greed.

When money, power and wine are

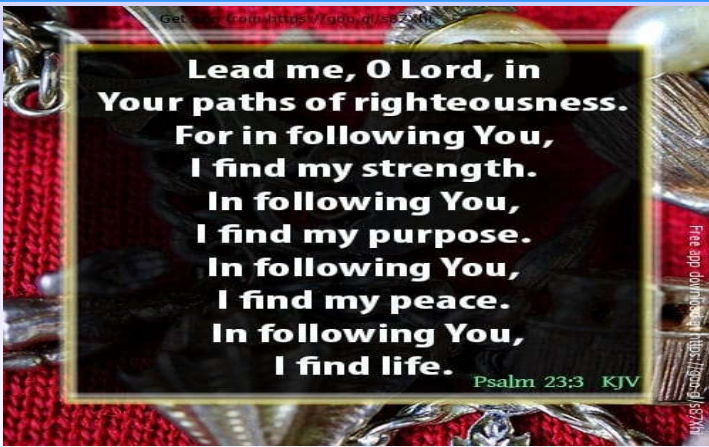
involved with men, it becomes very tricky and difficult for man to overcome.

And we all know from the bible that no one associated with any of this evils, who without repentance shall see the kingdom of God. Let all Godly men and women quite from these elements **Revelation 22:15.**

In my conclusion, I wish to **retaliate** that no one can fight the four giants without the powers of heavens. No one can overcome without the power of the Holy Spirit. In seeking holiness and righteousness we ought to evade and avoid by running away from them **James 4:7**. We also need to condemn those who does entangle with these vices **1 Corinthians 5:12-13.**

May our loving Father Elohim, our heavenly Father make us his righteous vessels and set us the perfect example for the world. The world is living in a very compromising life style, we should not do as the world is doing. We should be set apart people, who shall serve God in truth and spirit. Let us uphold the truth, speak it to all people and especially to our family and our Churches globally. Let us live in superfluity of the spirit, pleasing God and not men. Limiting and having the virtues of moral lifestyle as stipulated in the bible and obeying God's commandments. The Church should set a true example of living a moderate and honest live which is not permissive to world pervasion.

For in truth there is no one among those who have been born



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who has not acted wickedly, and among those who have existed there is no one who has not transgressed.

Let men and women of God remember to be true and faithful custodians of Elohim's vineyard.

This message is sent to all readers of this article and those who are living today. Those who look upon the heavens and those who look forward to eternal life. I wish to admonish all to pass this message to the Church, that wine, power, money and women are used by Satan the devil to overcome men. To overturn even the elect (the righteous) of the most High God.

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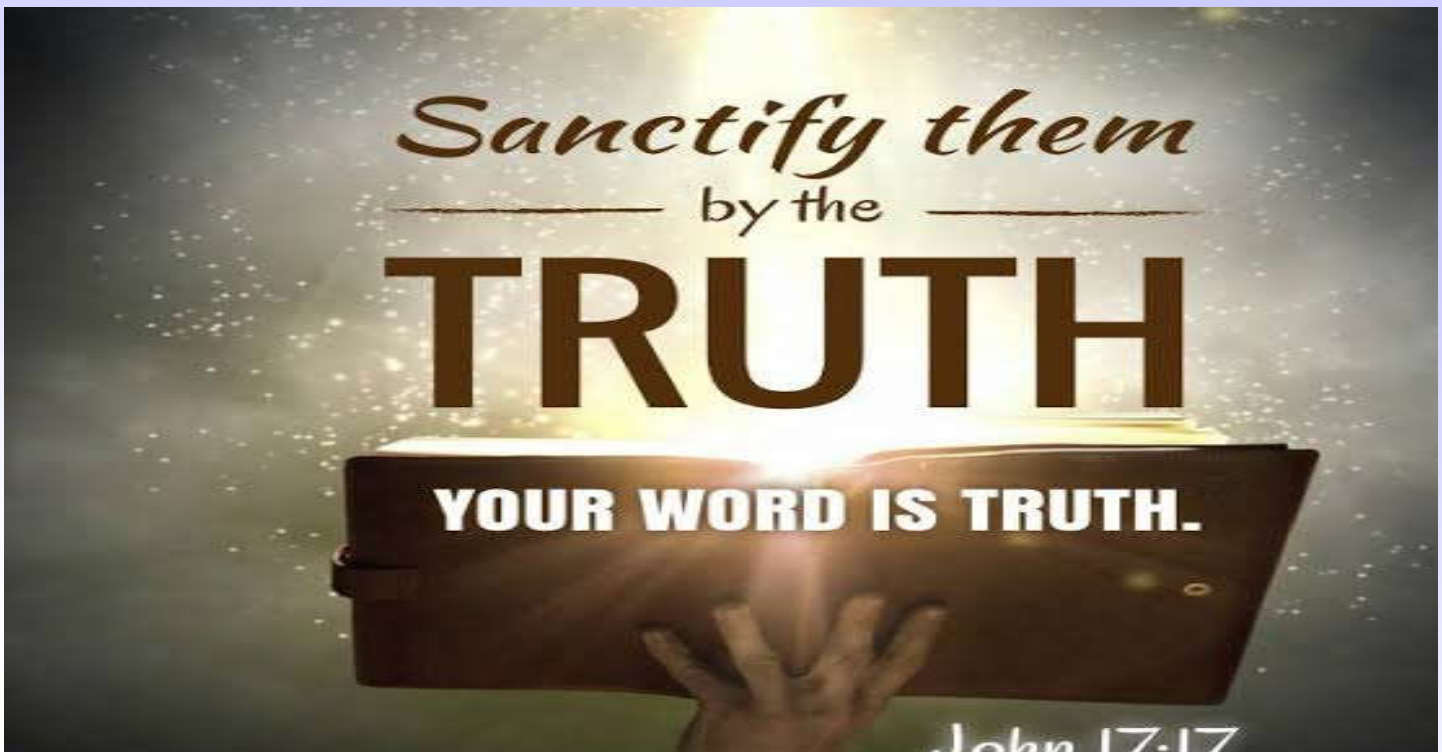
"Sanctify them through the Word. Thy Word is truth." - John 17:17.

Truth and error are very closely associated. They go side by side. **TRUTH** is the revelation of the **WORD** through the Holy Spirit. Error is the teaching of false prophets, void of the Holy Spirit. "Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light."

Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed into ministers of righteousness, "whose end shall be according to their works". - 2 Cor. 11:14, 15.

Just before the return of our Messiah there are to be many false prophets, or false ministers void of **TRUTH**. He said: "**There shall arise false Messiahs and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders insomuch that if it were possible they shall deceive the very elect**".-Matt. 24:24.

Then how shall we know the **TRUTH**, by which we were to be sanctified, or set apart from the world? This is a very important matter.



IMPORTANCE OF TRUTH

The word “**TRUTH**” repeatedly emphasized all through the Holy Bible as an essential qualification in being separated from the world, and standing in the narrow path of the saved. If you have a Bible concordance, and it will take a look at the “**TRUTH**” you will find it repeatedly almost three hundred times associated with the righteous.

The Holy Spirit, the Comforter which our Savior promised to send, and which He did send, was to guide His people into all **TRUTH**. - Note John 16:7 to 13.

“You shall know the **TRUTH** and the **TRUTH** shall set you free.” – John 8:32.

In the perilous of the last days, it says: “His **TRUTH** shall be thy shield and buckler.” – Psalms 91:4.

The Truth protects us, and shields us from the darts of the enemy, with whom every saved person has a battle. In Mathew chapter 4, we find the record where our Messiah was being tried

by Satan, and how Satan quoted scripture, just like false prophets do today, and also how the Savior answered Satan with scripture each time. It is therefore necessary; in following His Step to also know our Bible; that we may be shielded by **TRUTH**, from the false teaching of the enemy whose business is to destroy us.

Truth Established by Two or Three Witnesses

“In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established.” - 2 Corinthians 13:1.

Here we find the key that will unlock to us that precious pearl of **TRUTH**, and shield us from the deceptive attacks of the enemy to destroy us.

We are commanded to “Study to show thy-self approved unto Elohim a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of **TRUTH**”. - 2 Timothy 2:15.

The Holy Scriptures are given to us by thirty six holy men, speaking as they were moved by the Holy Spirit. Therefore it is necessary to have at least the testimony of two or three in order to establish the truth on any subject of the Bible. It is good to have more than two or three, then the



student of the Word can make a choice of the or three he considers the most pointed and the best, by which that particular doctrine or teaching may be established.

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With one of these books in your home you have the TRUTH right there on almost two hundred subjects. It is no man's pinion, but the Bible texts on the subjects printed right here for you from all of the best witnesses. Therefore you can find the truth, by which you are to be sanctified and set apart from the world through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

Pray for the Holy Spirit to Be Present

Some people will be surprised at just what the Holy Bible teaches on certain subjects about

which they have been misled and have not been taught the **TRUTH**. Therefore they should pray for the presence of the Holy Spirit to be with them, and cause them to **LOVE THE TRUTH**, and to accept and teach it to others.

Danger of Strong Delusion

It is of very great importance that we love the truth. In case one does not love the truth, and will not accept it when given to them by the mouth of all of these witnesses, they are in grave danger. In speaking of "that wicked" power of the last time to be destroyed we are told: "Even him whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders. And with **ALL DECEIVABLENESS** of **UNRIGHTEOUS** in them that perish, - because they receive not the **LOVE OF THE TRUTH** that they might be saved.

For this cause Elohim shall send them strong delusion that they should believe a lie that they might all be condemned who believe not the truth, "but have pleasure in unrighteousness". - 2 Thessalonians 2:9 to 12.

Remember we are sanctified and set apart from the world by **TRUTH**, mentioned nearly 300 times in the Bible as an essential qualification for salvation. Hence it is necessary that we love it, desire it, and search for it on every subject in the Bible, especially those subjects essential for salvation, over which millions are now being misled and deceived.

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Five Wise and Five Foolish Virgins

Messianic Congregants Context...



By James Njenga

The Lord is coming and this we are all aware. But is your congregation ready to meet Him? Just days before He suffered, Yahshua told us of some messianic believers that will have and maintain a form of godliness until the end and yet be shut out from the Kingdom. He told us in form of a parable – the ten virgins and their fate. Five of these were wise and made it to the marriage supper and five were fools and were shut out. The parable goes;

‘Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. 2 And five of them were wise, and five were foolish. 3 They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: 4 But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. 5 While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. 6 And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. 7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. 8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. 9 But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. 10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut. 11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. 12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not. 13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.’

[Matthew 25:1-13]

The Foolish Virgins

You certainly do not want to fit in this class. But you can only rule out this possibility if the Scriptures say so. Let’s carefully examine these virgins to know what they did (or did not) to the intent we may escape their damnation.

Our Lamps are gone out!

Verse 8 reads ‘**and the foolish said unto the wise, give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.**’

Lamp in the Scripture represent the Word of Elohim [Psa 119:105], and these women represent believers [2 Cor 11:2]. The Lord Yahshua is the bridegroom [2 Cor 11:2]. It must be noted all these women are virgins which signify they are all pure, waiting for the second coming of Yahshua Messiah for they all ‘**went forth to meet the bridegroom.**’

Now, coming to our text we see these foolish virgins said;

‘**...our lamps are GONE OUT**’ and this was during the midnight hours when there was a cry, ‘**the bridegroom cometh**’ [v.6]

These are believers that from the time there is a cry the Lord’s advent is nigh; they will not be walking in line with the Word – it would have ‘**gone out.**’

Lamp gone out – why?

Verse 8 reads ‘**and the foolish said unto the wise, GIVE US of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.**’

We see they asked oil from the wise virgins. They said ‘**our lamps are gone out**’ because they did not have enough of this oil to keep it burning! We read in verse 3 – 4;

‘**they that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: 4 But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.**’

It must be noted here; the wise virgins besides taking their lamps, took something extra;

‘**...But the wise TOOK OIL in their vessels with their lamps.**’

It was this ‘**oil**’ they had extra. And then we see this oil was carried in ‘**their vessels.**’ Vessels are our bodies [2 Tim 2:21, 1 Pet 3:7, 1 Thess 4:4] while oil represents the Holy Spirit [Rev 3:18, Acts 10:38; 1 John 2:27]. It is this oil that keeps the lamps burning – it is the Holy Spirit helps us maintain a walk in line with the Word. It was this power which the foolish believers failed to gather extra and their consistency to walk in line with the Word ceased.

Did they Initially had the Holy Spirt?

Let's read verse 8 again 'and the foolish said unto the wise, give us of your oil; for our lamps are GONE OUT.'

They say our lamps are 'GONE OUT.' It could not have 'gone out' had it not been burning. It could not have burned without oil affirming they had the Holy Spirit. Therefore, this is in reference to that believers which initially practice the Word for they had the power from the Holy Spirit but as that power got depleted, they failed to regather and their walk in the Spirit ceased.

And then in verse 4 we again read 'but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.'

So how did the Wise take this extra OIL?

We are told in John 3:34, Messiah was filled with Holy Spirt without measure. This does not mean He always stayed filled for the rest of His ministry; He still had to be RE-FILLED over and over. It was this way He maintained extra oil. So how did He refill Himself?

We are told;

Isaiah 40:31 'But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.'

That power was depleted as the Lord interacted with multitude and had to refill. There is a certain law that govern how to regather this power. It was while He 'waited' or tarried in prayers and praises before Elohim that He got His 'strength renewed' – strength to walk in line with the Word for the promise is;

'But they that wait upon the Lord...they shall walk, and not faint'

The word 'BUT' affirm the promise is not for all but for 'they that WAIT upon the Lord.' It is these that '...they shall walk – in line with the Word – and not faint – cease to practice it.

The Lord Waiting

Matthew 14:23 'And when He (Yahshua) had sent the multitudes away, He went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, He was there alone.'

Mark 1:35 'And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, He went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed.'

Luke 5:16 'And He withdrew Himself into the wilderness, and prayed.'

Luke 6:12 'And it came to pass in those days, that He went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God.'

Mark 6:46 'And when He had sent them away, He departed into a mountain to pray.'

It is evident these references prove it was the manner of the Lord to have a prolonged private communion with the Father.



Surely, the Lord must have wasted so much time praying this long. I mean after all He was the Son of Elohim. Was there any importance of Him praying at all!

Yes, He was the son of Elohim – yet He prayed that long! This should tell us prayer is not just a matter of importance but of necessity. If He did we surely need to. This was how He gathered extra oil in His vessel and left us an example to follow. The wise virgins after receiving the initial infilling of the Holy Spirit, followed the footstep of Lord – they tarried in prayers and praises before the Father to maintain that constant refilling. They had extra oil in their vessels to keep their lamps burning and did not walk in darkness. The foolish virgin did not practice this law unto their own damnation. We should keep in mind although these foolish congregants maintained their virginity until the time the Lord came yet they were rejected. This parable should alarm us of the danger awaiting those who have that form of godliness and do not walk in line with the Word – and the cause is prayerlessness!

The Folly of the Foolish Messianic Believers Not-ed!

'and the foolish said UNTO the wise (not unto Elohim), give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.'

It is evident from this text; their ignorance is exposed. They asked oil FROM the wise virgins and not from Elohim. The Church cannot GIVE this power to anyone; it comes from Elohim.

'If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father (not the Church) GIVE the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?'

[Luke 11:13]

There's yet more that can be extracted from this parable, but I trust that which we have examined is sufficient to tell in which class of virgin we fit in.

Verse 13 'Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.'

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Peace to you!

A Random Act of Recognition

Thumbs up to the Messianic Students Association of Kenya through the Charitable Office for gifting Elicose and her brother a house, household items and a chance to go to school without worrying about school fees.

Elicose and her brother are orphans who are solely dependent on well-wishers for a living.

Such are projects that show us that great things can be achieved when we come together with love, with whatever contribution one has, however small, regardless of affiliations or the so-called factions. For this is the purest of all religion - to help the orphans and the widows.

May Elohim bless you - MSA-K Family.



Third Angel's Message

By Lilian Charles

The Third Angel's Message is well explained Biblically in the book of Revelation 14:9-12..." And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, if any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the lamb: And the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever, and they have no rest, day or night, these worshipers of the beast and its image, and whoever receives the mark of its name. Here is a call for the endurance of the saints, those who keep the commandments of God and their faith in Yahshua." Generally, the Third Angel's Message is a present day message. The true gospel is all over the world preaching for people to get saved and come out of Babylon. Revelation 18:4..." Then I heard another voice saying, 'come out of her, my people, lest you take part of her sins, lest you share in her plagues;'"

Who will you Worship?

The Third Angel's Message demands a decision; It divides the whole world into two groups: On the one side stand for apostate believers who worship "the beast and his image" and receive "his mark on the forehead or on hand.", on the other side represent those who reject the authority of the beast; these are those "who keep the commandments of Elohim and the faith of Yahshua." And they are the chosen few who shall inherit the kingdom of Elohim. Mathew 5:3 ..." Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." John 10:33, Psalm 82:6; Romans 1:20, James 2:19, Genesis. 1:1 All these verses tell why



we worship Elohim the Creator who is in heaven.

Note the contrast between the opposing groups. Those who receive the "mark of the beast" follow convenient, man-made Ideas and practices. They are professed Christians who choose not to follow the Bible and the Bible alone. Elohim's faithful Christians, called "saints" in these verses, have their distinguishing characteristics or traits; patience, obedience to Elohim's commandments and the faith of Yahshua.

The faith of the church of Elohim teaches the true Gospel about who to worship by the believers, because there is no any other name under the sun that

has power than the name of The Father and His son Yahshua. Through His name we set a banner, in His name we will delight, get healed and saved. "Mathew 4:10...you shall worship the Lord your Elohim and Him only you shall serve," Messiah answered Satan during his temptation. The Church's Ministers go around all over the world teaching the true gospels, commandments and Church's doctrines. "Mathew 15:9... And in vain they worship Me, teaching the doctrines, the commandments of men."- See also Mark 7:7.

If we want to receive help from our Creator, we have to cry dearly to the Lord and worship Him faithfully. "Mathew 15:25...Then she came and worshiped Him, saying " Lord, help me!"

Truly, we should worship what we know. "John 4:22...you worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for Salvation is of the Jews." See also 1 Corinthians 8:6, Deuteronomy 6:4, Exodus 3:14, Exodus 6:3, Genesis 1:26,27,18:14; Isaiah 9:6, 43:10; John 1:1, 1:18, 14:28,20:28; Mathew 27:46, Psalms 139:13-15 and Revelation 14:12.

The deciding factor of worship.

Will you worship Elohim as described in the Bible or will you worship man-made ideas and practices? This is the questions that we need to answer with reference to the Bible.

Can the Bible Prophecy predict the future?

Prophecy shows reliability of scriptures, which do not come from men but are sent by God. 2 Peter 1:19-21... "We have also more a sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts: knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of Elohim spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.

The Bible Prophecy has important information about last days. Revelation 1:3 NKJV..."Unlike any other, only Elohim knows the future; Isaiah 46:9-10... Remember the former things, those of long ago; I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me. I make

known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say, 'My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please.'

Prophecies in the Bible foretold of the Messiah that would die to save his people from sins; Luke 24:46-47..." He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem."

There are so many verses that explain Messiah's birth, crucifixion, death and resurrection fulfilled the prophecies. All of Messiah's life was prophesied in Old Testament and was fulfilled in the New Testament. The family line (Shem and Jacob) was predicted, Genesis 9:26-27..." Let Him dwell in the tents of Shem; and let Canaan be his Servant," Genesis 35:11-12..."Be fruitful and multiply...nations shall come from you and kings shall come forth from you, and the land which I gave to Abraham and Isaac, I will give it to you...and to your descendants after you." Messiah will be a descendant of Abraham: Genesis 12:1- and Isaac Genesis 26:3-4, and from the tribe of Judah; Genesis 49:10.

These were fulfilled in the New Testament books of; Genealogy of Messiah the son of David; Mathew 1:1-2..."Messiah the son of Abraham". Paul emphasized that God specified one from Abraham's line would be the Messiah. Galatians 3:16..."Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made ...who is Messiah. Angel appeared to Mary announcing Yahshua's birth...descendant of David; Luke 1:31-32..." Lord God will give him the throne of His Father David." You can also go through these verses that fulfilled the prophecies about the birth of Yahshua in the Old and New Testament: Mathew 2:1, Micah 5:2, and Daniel 9:26.

SHALOM!!!

REGARDS...

MISS LILIAN CHARLES.

THANK YOU BELOVED BROTHERS AND SISTERS

IN MESSIAH. REVELATION 1:3

ACTS 2:23-16 AND ACTS 2:28-31

ROMANS 10:9 JOHN 5:24 & 20:31

WHEN AM GONE.

When am gone and I will not see again
 I will not be able to see the sky again like King David
 what I consider is beauty will fade below there 6 feet
 my thoughts will be buried
 friends and family will mourn
 after am gone all will be afraid of me
 who will continue my work where I left it



By Samuel Nderitu.

Who will play the piano, guitar when am gone
 when am gone who will go to send the third angel's message
 who will serve the visitors
 who will wash the brethren feet
 who will sacrifice all for Messiah
 when am gone who will do all this

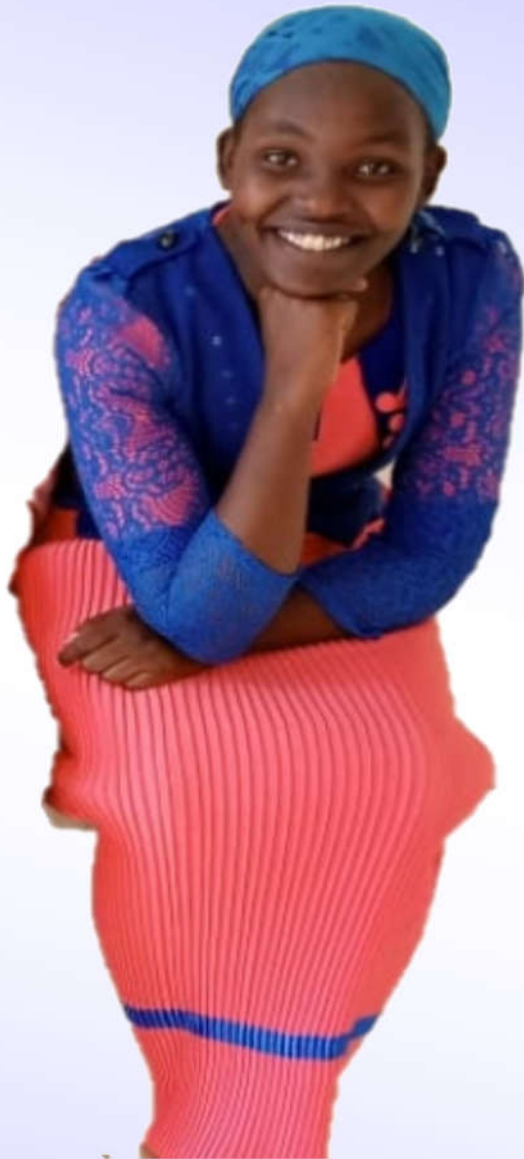
I wont be able to smile again
 I will not be able to sing again
 I wont praise Elohim again
 dust back to dust they shall all return
 who will continue with my work when am gone



No one will continue with your work
 everyone has their journey
 their talent
 their course
 so work today for Elohim
 use your talent cause all is given according to ability
 when you're gone you'll either rise in the first resurrection or the second
 work for Elohim its our course

AS THE MOUTH TASTES MEAT

By Abigail Chepkoech



People have different ways they got the gospel; others were preached to and received it as it was, others through mysterious visions, and others followed their parent's faith. Reading about Eliphaz's background, the people of his homeland (Teman-Edom) were outspoken for their great wisdom. He got hard and cold, speaking only from his one remarkable experience, not any real knowledge of Elohim. Bildad of Shuah-east of Palestine, had a religion that was based on what others said, his arguments being true but nothing new to his other friend. Zophar had strong personal religious ideas and so would not reason with anyone who did not agree with him.

Many, like Bildad, in good faith, we have received the gospel preached to us as it is. The people of Berea were most noble for their great inquiry of the scriptures. Acts 17:11.

Some teachings taught in our congregations invite certain reactions, some of different understanding of the scriptures. They at times cause splinter formations, if not well managed. During such stances, women are the most affected as they rely on teachers to clarify the points. Most get lessons from what they have heard from the teachers, but least from what they have read from the scriptures. Whereas the scriptures teach of humility and women keeping silent in congregations, it never forbids weighing teachings. The first person who impact knowledge upon a child is the mother. She teaches him to utter words, sing and to have good conduct. The women of the Bible taught children how to say simple prayers and of their origin and culture. Other churches with a few or no men are at times faced with a situation where women need to choose a teacher from amongst themselves.

The Bible, being our very accurate scale, gives light and answer to every man who wishes to understand it. Having women in our midst who read and understand the scriptures is of great importance to the whole church, that they too can challenge and impart some knowledge to people. Paul encourages the church not to be ignorant of their own faith, and learn the doctrines by which we are established.

Acts 17:23 For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.

Our faith is a choice made unto life. And if therefore we base it on what others say, we are at a risk of losing the faith and unto death.

2 Timothy 2:15

Study to shew thyself approved unto Elohim, a workman that needs not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Job 34:3

For the ear tries words, as the mouth tastes meat.

The three friends of Job, Eliphaz, Bildad and Zophar, all had wisdom from different backgrounds, but none solved Job's problem. Job 32:7 ...days should speak, and multitude of years should teach wisdom.

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Job 32:4 Now Elihu had waited till Job had spoken because they were elder than he.

Messiah as a Package

Egerton Chapter...

This issue of “Messiah as a package” is different from its precedents. Previously, “Messiah as a package” engagements have been implemented by different factions in the Messianic fraternity. This issue was mostly implemented by an organization of **Messianic Students under the umbrella of M.S.A.K {Messianic Students Association of Kenya}**. The organization brings together Messianic Students from various universities and higher institutions, for a noble task. Different universities have been hosting the organization’s forum and this time’s forum was hosted by Egerton University. The forum was concurrently held with an open air meeting co-hosted by the University and a local church {Belbur} near the same institution.

We started planning for the mission some weeks before, to make sure that all logistics had been laid in place for a smooth engagement. It would have its challenges just like any other mission. Personally, I fell ill and was bed-ridden for almost a week, a few days to the commencement of the mission. The M.S.A.K officials, led by the current chairperson, came together for prayers for Elohim’s healing hand to be upon me. I was to spearhead the open air meeting. I thank Elohim for the recovery since I was able to commence the open air meeting from day one and as scheduled. As Messianic believers, our warfare is not of flesh as attested by 2nd Corinthians 10:4 “[For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through Elohim for the pulling down of strong holds:]. Satan is never happy when we embark to work on Elohim’s vineyard. He is always ready to suppress our input by all means, but we are not ignorant of this fact as affirmed in 2nd Corinthians 2:11 “Lest Satan should get an ad-

vantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices”

I thank Elohim for the grace he bestowed some of the students who availed themselves from the commencement of the open air meeting to the last day. This was in spite of their tight academic calendar. Since time was of essence, we decided to push ourselves to limit by having the message conveyed in the morning from 5 A.M to 8 A.M, followed by door-to-door engagements. Later, we would hold an open air meeting from midday until night. The morning engagement was done from our host’s house. The horn speakers were mounted outside the house then the messenger conveyed the message from within the house. The message was audible from quite a long distance. We even got immediate response, both positive and negative. The former response came from those people that felt the need of searching from the scriptures for more understanding on what was being conveyed. The latter came from the church leaders who felt intimidated by the message, since they do or did contrary to the Scriptures, and therefore feared for “their flock”. As a matter of fact, someone was sent to us, to communicate that we needed to halt the preaching or he would take Legal actions.

After the morning engagement, we would embark on door-to-door engagement. We would split into Teams, which involved positive ethnicity, that is, since we were many, we would include people of different ethnicity in each team. The area consists of different tribes of people because of its proximity to Nakuru Town. After the door-to-door engagements, we would report back to the

venue of the open air meeting and continue till dark. Due to intense engagements in the field, some teams could report as late as the time the open air meetings were being concluded. By virtue of being the programme coordinator of the open air meeting, my team used to report earlier at the open air meeting ground. The rest of the teams were not limited in terms of time. We would congregate at the evening and every team leader would give a report from the field work. It was amazing to find the Ladies being able to engage the locals by the supremacy of the scriptures. Unlike the church's settings, the door to door engagement allowed the Ladies to input and I realized most of them are actually conversant with the Scriptures.

In the open air meeting, people were keen as attested by their interaction with us. They would ask questions and others would write notes to us, requesting clarifications on different issues. We would do as Paul did. When he engaged the Corinthians, he never held back any input that would be profitable to them but instead he expounded to them everything as outlined in 2nd Corinthians 6:11 "O ye Corinthians, our mouth is open unto you, our heart is enlarged".

On Sabbath, we received reinforcement from different local churches around the area and Messianic

Students from various universities and institutions of higher learning.

While concluding the mission, we had three students baptized. The great commission was at work as attested by Mark 16:15-16. Baptism was part of the same as emphasized in verse 16 "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but that believeth not shall be damned". Most of what transpired during the mission is covered by other Articles in this issue, hence together with the rest of the input "Messiah as a package" is harmonized.

From the response in the ground, we might be having positive results from the mission, but all are in Elohim's hand since it is his prerogative to call and also maintain. As we come to the close of the ages, let's continue with the Message{3RD Angel's }. As we go on, let's be citing Mathew 10:7 "And as ye go, preach, saying The kingdom of heaven is at hand". Elohim will guide and equip as for the aforementioned.

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KU students leaving for Egerton



A typical Door-to-door Cell



Both the young and the old



What an attentive audience



Open air evangelism ongoing



A joyful song to Elohim



Another Door-to-door Cell



After a fruitful day: Among them, Belbur Messianic Brethren



...and not without fruits: 3 of them...



MSAK Officials : MSAK is the umbrella body



MUEU the hosts

Epilepsy



And it came to be on the next day, when they came down from the mountain, that a large crowd met Him. And see, a man from the crowd cried out, saying, "Teacher, I beg You, look at my son, for he is my only child. **"And see, a spirit seizes him, and he suddenly cries out, and it convulses him, with foaming, and scarcely leaves him, bruising him."** And I begged Your taught ones to cast it out, but they were unable." And Yahshua answering, said, "O generation, unbelieving and perverse, how long shall I be with you and put up with you? Bring your son here." And as he was still coming, the demon threw him down in convulsions. And Yahshua rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the child, and gave him back to his father. **(Luke 9:37 – 42)**

The symptoms described above are characteristic of an epileptic seizure. By definition, epilepsy is a disorder of the brain marked by recurrent episodes of sensory disturbance and/or loss of consciousness due to abnormal electrical activity in the brain. The movements are termed as convulsions or seizures.

The causes of this disorder are vast, ranging from birth trauma (of which the most severe form is called cerebral palsy) to effects of complications arising from infections especially affecting the brain such as Meningitis. Convulsions can also occur due to high fever, head injuries, stroke, dehydration and electrolyte imbalance among other causes.

A typical epileptic seizure includes one or more of temporary confusion, a staring spell, uncontrolled jerking movement of the arms and legs, loss of consciousness or awareness or cognitive or emotional symptoms such as anxiety and fear.

When a convulsion happens, there are serious complications that can occur to the affected individual. The tendency to hurt themselves due to the uncontrolled jerky movements is high. Safety should be the priority step to take. Make sure the patient is in a safe open place or bed. Turn them over into the recovery position to prevent aspiration. Put a wooden block in the mouth to prevent tongue bite. Hold the patient down and wait for the convulsion to stop. Normally most seizures last less than 5 minutes.

Should the seizure prolong, the attention of a doctor should be sought immediately. Other circumstances requiring the attention of a doctor include if breathing or regaining consciousness does not resume after the seizure, a second seizure follows immediately, high fever, pregnancy, diabetes or injury due to the seizure.

Complications arising from seizures include falling, drowning, car accidents, pregnancy complications and emotional health issues. Epileptic patients contribute to a huge percentage of accidental burns victims. Therefore it is always prudent to have a close companion near an epileptic.

There are a myriad of drugs that can treat epilepsy. The non-epileptic seizures are treated by addressing the cause. Surgical operations may be a necessity for some.

Epilepsy (disorder of the brain) should not be confused with mental illness (disorder of the mind). Epileptic patients require a lot of psychological support.



It is my hope that rather than ran away from a convulsing epileptic, as many do, you'd volunteer to offer help to prevent injuries that may be as a result of the convulsion.

3 John 1:2 Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

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