"Deception"

Eternity and Your Ways Don Cole

Refer to the last page: "How to Interpret Scripture"

Your notes:

Today, I am challenging each of us to memorize and to fully understand Leviticus 10:10:

10" and to make a distinction and recognize a difference between the holy (sacred) and the common [unholy] (profane), and between the [ceremonially] unclean and the clean". (Lev 10:10 Amp)

We all know that none of the words in the Torah are void nor done away with because Yeshua died on the Cross. Yeshua did not disregard the Words of the Ancient of Days! Had Yeshua (YHVH) denied any of the Words, He would have denied Himself for He is the Word made flesh. (John 1:14) Yeshua spoke through Moses and the Prophets; the Words He spoke are from His Father.

And again from Jeremiah 15:19...

"Therefore, thus says the LORD [YHVH] [to Jeremiah], "If you repent [and give up this mistaken attitude of despair and self-pity], then I will restore you [to a state of inner peace] So that you may stand before Me [as My obedient representative]; And if you separate the precious from the worthless [examining yourself and cleansing your heart from unwarranted doubt concerning My faithfulness], You will become My spokesman. Let the people turn to you [and learn to value My values]— But you, you must not turn to them [with regard for their idolatry and wickedness]". (Jer 15:19 Amp)

We must not abandon YHVH as revealed in Ezekiel 22:26:

"Her priests [pastors, rabbis] have done violence to My law and have profaned My holy things. They have made no distinction between the holy (sacred) and the profane (secular), they have not taught [people] the difference between the unclean and the clean; and they hide their eyes from My Sabbaths, and I am profaned [defiled] among them". (Ezekiel 22:26 Amp)

Nobody can call themselves "saved" and disregard the Torah!

To <u>believe</u> YHVH is to <u>obey</u> YHVH. <u>He is the Word</u> made flesh. Remember, <u>our Messiah did only what the</u>

<u>Father wanted Him to say and do!</u> *Nothing less and nothing more.* We are His only creation; He gave us His Word so that we could be like the Father!!!

I love to talk about the character of God. For He is life, pure unadulterated life. Whatever we do, we cannot allow His Word to slip from our hearts nor from our actions. Before Yeshua started His ministry He explained:

"It is written and forever remains written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE BY BREAD ALONE, BUT BY EVERY WORD THAT COMES OUT OF THE MOUTH OF GOD." (Matthew 4:4 Amp)

Can we fathom that He wants us to be in His presence more than we want to be! The way to Yeshua is through obedience to His Word. He has already given to us His grace. Now is the time for us to walk the walk with a pure heart.

Now, I want to talk about our daily walk.

What is the difference between YHVH's Word and our daily walks, regardless of whether we're Bible teachers, politicians, or whatever vocation we may have?

Absolutely nothing! For everyone – each of one of us -- will stand before God!

I want to encourage you to continue reading YHVH's Word and also to read Saul Alinsky's book: "Rules for Radicals"

Why am I encouraging us to read this book? This evil book is not only the opposite of Scripture, it also has already greatly influenced our society. Alinsky influenced "community organizer" Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton.

In the front of Alinsky's book, we read that he dedicated his book to "the first radical known to man who rebelled against the establishment and did it so effectively that he at least won his own kingdom – Lucifer."

We need to be aware that anyone can be deceived. Did you know that Hillary went from being a Methodist and a Goldwater Girl to where she is today!

How did the United States elect Barak Obama to being president? Was our country deceived!

Today, we not only live in a world of lies but also of deeply ingrained deception. Everyone claims they are going to heaven because they are a "good person" and a Christian.

The Constitution of the United States

The Constitution of the United States is based on God's Word. Nevertheless, we are still fighting over the Constitution. Conservatives interpret the Constitution as "Original Intent;" that is what the founders' intention was when they wrote the Constitution. From other documents, written at the time of Constitution, we understand the founders' intentions were based upon the Biblical text.

On the other hand, Liberals contend that the Constitution is a "Living Document". However, if it were a "Living Document," then there would be no absolutes; it could change from day to day. Nothing has changed in the Word of YHVH; Yeshua never changes.

Torah-Observant Messianic Believers

Torah-observant Messianic believers never compromise His Word. We are a peculiar people; we are unlike the one-world constituents who claim their way is <u>the</u> way! In reality, the way that Torah-observant Messianic believers seek to follow is in fact YHVH's way.

Anything other than YHVH's Word is an open rebellion. The majority of these mini cults teach a counterfeit faith. Even Catholicism, Protestantism, and many major

theologies have a history of deviating from the Word of God.

Life is a test by YHVH. Are we able to follow His Word or do we live a life of compromise?

Let us live a transformed life of steady growth. Let us commit ourselves to Yeshua's precepts, that we may enter the Father's presence!

Let us close with His precious Words of Deuteronomy 7:12

If you listen to these ordinances and keep them carefully, then the LORD [YHVH] your God will keep His covenant and the loving devotion that He swore to your fathers. (Deut 7:12 BSB)

Let us choose this day Whom we will serve!

"How to Interpret Scripture"

Three things to always apply when studying Scripture:

- 1. *Contextually* study Scripture within the context of the entire Bible.
- 2. *Literally* read Scripture literally what do the words actually mean.
- 3. *Historically* understand Scripture within its historical/chronological context.

The character of Yeshua according to His Word:

- 1. "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, & forever," [Heb 13:8; Malachi 3:6]
- 2. "God is not a man that He should lie," [Num 23:19; Heb 6:18]
- 3. Do not add or subtract from the Scriptures, [Deut 4:2; Rev 22:18-19]

Key Scriptures to Interpret the Bible

Matt 28:18-20 – this is after His resurrection.

¹⁸And Jesus [Yeshua] came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Acts 1:6-8 – after Yeshua's resurrection, He spoke to His disciples about the restoration of Israel.

⁶So when they ^{had} come together, they asked him, "<u>Lord [YHVH]</u>, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has

come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

John 4:22-24 Amplified Bible

²² You [Samaritans] do not know what you worship; we [Jews] do know what we worship, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³ But a time is coming and is already here when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit [from the heart, the inner self] and in truth; for the Father seeks such people to be His worshipers. ²⁴ God is spirit [the Source of life, yet invisible to mankind], and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

John 3:36 – the book of John stated that obedience is key to eternal life:

36Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.

James 1:25

25But he who looks carefully into the perfect law, the *law* of liberty, and faithfully abides by it, not having become a [careless] listener who forgets but an active doer [who obeys], he will be blessed *and* favored by God in what he does [in his life of obedience].

James 2:12

¹²Speak and act [consistently] as people who are going to be judged by the law of liberty [that moral law that frees obedient Christians from the bondage of sin].

1John 2:3-6 - the Apostle John asked, "Do you really know God?":

³And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. ⁴ Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, ⁵but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: ⁶whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked. [Note: Yeshua perfectly kept the Torah; likewise, we also need to &, thereby, stop sinning.]

James 2:19-24

19 You believe that God is one; you do well [to believe that]. The demons also believe [that], and shudder and bristle [in awe-filled terror--they have seen His wrath]! ²⁰But are you willing to recognize, you foolish [spiritually shallow] person, that faith without [good] works is useless? 21 Was our father Abraham not [shown to be] justified by works [of obedience which expressed his faith] when he offered Isaac his son on the altar [as a sacrifice to God]? 22 You see that [his] faith was working together with his works, and as a result of the works, his faith was completed [reaching its maturity when he expressed his faith through obedience]. 23 And the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND THIS TO [faith] WAS CREDITED HIM [by God] RIGHTEOUSNESS and AS CONFORMITY TO HIS WILL," and he was called the friend of God. ²⁴You see that a man (believer) is

justified by works and not by faith alone [that is, by acts of obedience a born-again believer reveals his faith].

John 12:47-50

47 If anyone hears My words and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge and condemn the world [that is, to initiate the final judgment of the world], but to save the world. 48 Whoever rejects Me and refuses to accept My teachings, has one who judges him; the very word that I spoke will judge and condemn him on the last day. 49 For I have never spoken on My own initiative or authority, but the Father Himself who sent Me has given Me a commandment regarding what to say and what to speak. 50 I know that His commandment is eternal life. So the things I speak, I speak [in accordance with His exact instruction,] just as the Father has told Me."

Timeline

Pre-30AD - Rabbinic tradition	30AD – Resurrection / Pentecost	40AD – Peter's vision & Cornelius (Acts 10)	50AD – Jerusalem Council (Acts 15)	325AD – Council of Nicaea
Oral LawCustoms of Moses	Outpouring of the Holy Spirit to <u>Jews only</u> who came up to Jerusalem for the Feast of Pentecost	 10 years after Pentecost Outpouring of Holy Spirit on Gentiles only 	 10 years after Acts 10 Jerusalem Council discussion about Gentiles' salvation & circumcision 	 Under the auspices of Constantine Only Gentile bishops were allowed – Jews could not attend