Review of Noah's Flood, God the Father & Jesus Christ

Refuting the problem of Judaism and false doctrine that Jesus was a created being Fred R. Coulter—December 28, 2019

Greetings, everyone! Welcome to Sabbath services!

Last week we went over the Flood of Noah, and we stayed dry! It took four days to have the chart typeset, and you will get it in the coming letter. {Note that it can be found on the website—truthofGod.org—along with the video sermon}

Review the Calculated Hebrew Calendar, which is based on lunar months and solar months. The Roman calendar that we have today is a solar calendar; it does not take into account any of the lunar months.

How do you reconcile so you can have the Calculated Hebrew Calendar, which is a lunar/solar calendar? *That's where the 19-year time cycle comes in!* It's not an invention plucked out of the air. It is a mathematical determination that the closest that the lunar months and the solar month come to near exactness is 19 years. The difference is two hours.

How do they compensate for the two hours? You do just like they do for the leap year in the Roman calendar! You collect a quarter of the year for three quarters, then you have a leap year, which we have this coming year—2020. strange as it is, there are five Sabbaths in this coming February. That's a very rare occurrence! That brings in an extra day with the 29th day, which reconciles the difference.

With the 19-year time cycle they take the two hours and do the same thing, and then they advance one day. That coordinates it and keeps it all going. In addition to that adjustment in the 19-year time cycle, there is a 247-year time cycle. This 247-year time cycle coordinates everything to bring it into balance again.

In the Calculated Hebrew Calendar there are 12 years that has a *common* year. The common year is 12 months. Then there are seven leap years, and the leap years have an extra month. As you look at your calendar car—a new one is coming soon—you see the things come along with a deficiency of 20 days. Then it's caught up.

That's because of the sequence of adding in the leap year. There are seven leap years and year 19 is always a leap year.

<u>Common year</u>—can have 353, 354, 355 days; all of that depends on the movement of the moon. Why? *The movement of the moon is very*

peculiar! Sometimes, after the setting of the old moon, before the first rising of the new moon it's less than 14 hours. Sometimes it is almost a day. That's just the way the moon operates.

Sometimes it's closer to the earth. A couple of months ago the moon was really big and was close to the earth. Sometimes it's far away from the earth. Sometimes the orbit is a little wobbly. In the Calculated Hebrew Calendar all of those factors are taken in.

One other thing: in observing the new moon, many times what appears to be the new moon is not the new moon on the calendar. Why? *Because sometimes from the new moon to the full moon is 13 days and some odd hours!* Therefore, you have to have a postponement so that you will have the full moon on the proper day.

Sometimes from the new moon to the full moon is almost 16 days. But on the calendar the full moon is on the 15th day of the 1st month, and the 15th day of the 7th month with a full moon.

Let me explain about the full moon: there's only one instance when the moon is absolutely full. In between it's waxing or growing toward it, and then waning from it. But viewing it on the earth it looks like a full moon.

It's very interesting that there are two days of full moon. Why is that? That's so that everywhere on earth those who keep the 15th of the 1st month and the 15th of the 7th month will be doing it on the full moon day!

When you look down on the earth from space, let's start with New Zealand: sunset comes and it's the Sabbath or the we could say the 15th day of the 1st month and they look west and that they see the full moon. The full moon goes around and it takes 24 hours to get clear around the earth, back to where it was, and then it's waning.

When I did the four videos on the calendar, there was an experiment down by two crews: one crew was high on a mountain and were watching for the new moon. Another crew was below them at a way lower altitude. The group that was at the high altitude saw the new moon 14 hours and some odd minutes after the old moon had set. Those in the valley at the same latitude did not see the new moon.

That's the problem with visualization!

If you're up high you may be able to see it. If you're down low, you may not be able to see it. But that doesn't mean that it didn't occur. If you wait until the next night then that's viewing the second night rather than the actual new moon.

The Calculated Hebrew Calendar is worked out so that the 15th day of the 1st month and the 15th day of the 7th month always have a full moon—always! I've never seen it vary and I was baptized 60 years next October. Never miss!

Once you have the proper calculations, then you can go forward in time and be correct. What's important is that you can go backward in time and be correct.

When I did Noah's Flood and the chronology coming up with $2369_{B.C.}$ for the Flood was a chronology by Carl Franklin. When you do chronologies you can get the year almost accurately, but you can't tell in the year that you do in finding genealogies if it's a common year or a leap year. But the Calculated Hebrew Calendar will tell you. It was properly preserved.

I read the whole book Sanctification of the New Moon by Moses Maimonides. The western Jews—those Jews who escaped Palestine to get away from the war and the Muslims there—were in northern Spain and they preserved the text of the Old Testament and the Calendar.

Some people will not agree that God is able to cause the Jews—who were very rebellious and rejected Christ—to preserve the Calendar and the Old Testament. But they did, because God made them do it.

- Can God make people—even carnal people—do what He wants them to do? Yes!
- Can He make even enemies of God speak blessings to His people, because God wants them to speak blessings and not curses? That happened! The one who did that was Baalim!

It's not dependent upon human frailties and mistakes; it's dependent upon what God gave to the priesthood for calculating the times.

When they talk about observing the new moon, it's always balanced off with the calculations, which always prevailed.

One last thing on observing the new moon: The Muslims today have just a lunar calendar and don't take into account the solar events. So therefore, their Ramadan goes backward about ten days every year. The way that they determine when a month starts—and they can only do it because of

modern communications—with three locations where they have three experts watching for the new moon. They're in communication with each other as they're observing.

If one of them sees the new moon and the other two don't, then they postpone one day. If two of them see the new moon, they declare the day. What's the difference? On the earth, in different places it will appear at different times! It will appear in the West before it appears in the East.

What did they do before modern communication? They weren't spread around the world, so it was pretty much in the Middle East!

Now let's talk about the Flood of Noah. As I mentioned in the sermon *The Truth About Noah's Flood*, on our website we have the Calculated Hebrew Calendar, and whatever year you want you just plug it in and you get the whole calendar.

I asked Ron to send me a calendar with 385 days. It turned out to be that in 2014-15 was a leap year with 385 days. But in going through and trying to work out the chart, I found that that 385-day calendar had the release of everyone out of the ark on the Sabbath. So, I said that the months start on Monday, Thursday or Sabbath. The first one that I had was on the Sabbath. So, Ron sent me one that was on Thursday. I went through that and tried the 355 and 360 days.

You have to have everything match so when they come out of the ark on the 2^{th} day of the 2^{nd} month of the 2^{nd} year that's when everything comes together.

So, those dates didn't work. So, I went through and do it this way:

- 7 days they're in the ark before the rain comes
- 40 days of rain; that can't be part of the 150 days
- the second 150 days decreasing, you cannot have the 40 days.

Referring to Chart—Year 2369:

- ➤ 8th month—Heshvan—next to last day— 29th—is 150th day
- > 30th day—waters start receding, start 150 days
- day 32, 1st day of 10th month—Tebeth tops of the Mts. 0f Ararat are seen

When you consider the waters coming 18 feet higher than Mt. Everest, you've got almost six miles of water from sea level.

Mt. Ararat is 17,000 feet high and when they saw the tops of it, it was just below 17,000 feet, in other words on the 10th month, 1st day, they see them, but there is still 3.2 miles of water to go down. So, where does the 40th day go?

- ➤ 10th month, 1st day there's still 3.2 miles of water
- ➤ 10th month, 9th day, day 40 it's just below 3 miles

This means that it's about the 12,000 foot level on the mountains of Ararat.

This could not be the time when Noah starts sending out the dove and the raven. That has to go at the end.

What blew me away, because I just numbered the days, just like they were in the Bible and come to;

- Year 2—14th month—Nisan 1st month—2368 B.C.
- ➤ Gen. 8:13 the waters were drying up
- ➤ Day 150

Therefore, the 40 days had to be after that!

- ≥ 2nd year—2368—14th month of Flood, 1st month of year—Nisan—day 2 40 day count begins
- ➤ 15th month of Flood—2nd month—Iyar—day 11 is the 40th day
- ➤ 12th day of month, Noah opens window and let the dove and raven out, and they came back

Then Noah waited seven days!

➤ 19th of Iyar, Noah sent the dove again and it returned with an olive leaf

Noah waited seven more days!

- ≥ 26th day of Iyar, Noah send the dove out again and it didn't come back
- ≥ 27th day of Iyar, the land was dry and God let them all out of the ark
- if that leap year were 383 days, it would not have worked
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But 385 days, it came to the very day! Just by sitting down and going through the whole year, and numbering it all out.

I got an e-mail from someone—I'm glad I get e-mail and everyone keeps on you, which is good:

I recently obtained a Don Roth presentation of the calendar of Noah, which he figured 385 days.

It is not a word for word reprint, however, it was done by Carl Franklin and I did not know about Don Roth's article until just last week. I went on to explain to him, that I didn't take it from Roth. I didn't know him or anything about it until I just got it. When you're dealing with the same dates and the same number of days, if the math is correct it is undoubtedly the same.

Then he wanted to know how I figure the year of creation. That's a good question that everyone wants to know. So, first of all, I did not know Don Roth's calendar and what he says of creation. Secondly, before God re-created the things on the earth after the rebellion of Lucifer and the angels, the sun, moon and stars were already created long before.

We do not know exactly when the earth was created, but we find in the book of Job, chapter 38, that when God created the earth, the 'angels sang for joy.' So, how long after God finished the original creation of the earth, was it before the angels rebelled with Lucifer? We don't know!

However, since the earth and moon were created before there was a rebellion, the earth and moon were apparently moved out of their orbital relationship to whatever degree we don't know! After God renewed the surface of the earth for mankind on the fourth day, he set the sun, the earth and the moon in their proper relationship again.

The truth is, we do not know exactly when the original creation took place, nor do we know exactly when the rebellion took place, nor when the first flood took place or how long the earth was flooded completely.

That being said, the proper calculation of the Calculated Hebrew Calendar, once it was restored by God, we can go forward ad infinitum, we can do exactly the same thing accurately going backward ad infinitum.

When I started to do this Flood Chart, I did not know that 2369—the year that Carl determined was the Flood—was 385 days. So, when I asked Ron Cary to send 2369_{B.C.} and you see the results of it.

The year of the Flood was $2369_{B.C.}$ and you can see how that is verified by day-by-day numbering of the entire episode.

So, he wanted to know the day of re-creation by Carl and that's $4004_{B.C.}$ other than that I don't know anything else, but that's enough for us to determine what we need to know.

In Isa. 45 said that God created the earth for mankind, and He didn't create it in vain!

Is He talking about the original earth? Or Is He talking about the re-creation of the original earth for mankind? *The best we can determine is that* in the book of Jude it says that the angels 'kept not their original habitat.' So, they were on the earth. Was it that they were to help mankind and they didn't want to do it?

Once mankind went through the whole process of what God is doing with them, they would be over the angels. Is that why they rebelled? *I don't know!* Some of this speculation, but all of these things are interesting but very, very hard for us to figure out or determine.

If God originally created it for mankind, then why did He have the angels here, living here and what they were doing? So, phase one must have been for the angels! How God was going to work that out we don't know, but the rebellion and the flood that we find the earth flooded. It talks about creation in relationship to what God did the first seven days in creating and making the Sabbath and so forth.

So, we can't determine whether Isa. 45 is speaking of when the angelic realm was in control, and then they rebelled and God made it for man. We don't know how God made the division there, it doesn't tell us.

We're covering a lot of things that people often ask questions about, and our answers of necessity are incomplete. We can speculate on it, but speculation is not fact even though it can be logical. Remember that *all logic is not Truth*, *but all Truth is logical!*

One of the groups out there is saying that God the Father was one of the Ones Who was on the earth and it wasn't Jesus Christ. In order to justify it—*because that's not the Truth*—you have to come up with something else.

John 1:1: "In *the* beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was... ['like'] ...God"—*that's what they're saying!*

That would require the addition of another Greek word, which is 'homoioo' and it's not there! The Greek is very clear!

"In the beginning was the Word..."

- Greek: 'en'—past tense for is, which is 'estin'
- this means He was there before the beginning!

"...and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

• The way that is in the Greek: 'kai theos en logos—"...the Word was God."

You can have in Greek sentences reading backward and they translate it in the English you have to put it the other way around. It does not have the definite article. This is the Greek signifies that 'logos' being 'theos' had all the qualities of God, that 'ho logos' *the God* had. This is why God had it written in Greek. The Greek is tremendous!

Verse 2: "He was in *the* beginning with God. All things came into being through Him, and not even one *thing* that was created came into being without Him. In Him was <u>life</u>, and the <u>Life</u> was the Light of men" (vs 2-4).

"the Life"—'he zoe'—a feminine gendered noun. That does NOT make Jesus a woman, because all proper nouns have articles: masculine, feminine and neuter. We covered that in John 14: the Comforter is masculine, but the Holy Spirit is neuter.

This is why they do a slight of hand and say that there is a third God, the Holy Spirit.

Verse 4: "In Him was <u>life</u>, and the <u>Life</u> was the Light of men. And <u>the Light</u> shines in the darkness, but the darkness does not comprehend it."

"...the Light..." is a neuter noun—'to phos' from which we get the English *photographic*. How do you get photo graphics? *With light!*

Verse 6: "There was a man sent by God, whose name was John. He came for a witness, that he might testify concerning **the Light**..." (vs 6-7)—concerning Christ!

- He's called the Word—'ho logos'—
 masculine
- *He is called* the Life—'he zoe'—feminine
- *He is called* the Light—'*to phos*'—*neuter*

Lesson #1: descriptive nouns do not change the gender of the main noun.

That's interesting and I can show you in John 14 that the word Father is spelled four different way, because of the different ways of conjugation and cases and so forth. But it's still Father. English is simple: Father is *Father* all spelled the same way. Not so in Greek.

Jesus is called: 'iesous' iezoe, ho zoe, iesoun'—all spelled differently. You have to be knowledgeable of the Greek in order to understand that that is telling us something.

- 'iesous'—nominative case
- 'iezoe'—of Jesus

- 'ho zoe—for Jesus
- 'ton iesoun'—to or toward Jesus

All of that is in the Greek, and it's all inner mixed and there is no definite way of the order of the verbs and nouns in a sentence. It's all how they are spelled, so it gets a little tricky.

You cannot have like they have here in the first part that 'logos en homoioo theos'—*like God*. Because the word isn't there!

What do you suppose this is setting up for? *That Jesus was a created being!* We are made in the image and likeness of God.

Let's go one step further. Remember what we covered when we first started with this heresy, that God the Father was the One Who was the God of the Old Testament. What did we discover in the Old Testament? *The Lord God and the Most High!*

Here in the New Testament the angel came and talked to Mary; Luke 1:30:"Then the angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, because you have found grace with God; and behold, you shall conceive in *your* womb and give birth to a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest... [Is that not the same as the Most High? Yes!] ... and the Lord God shall give Him the throne of David, His forefather'" (vs 30-32).

That agrees with John 1:1: "In *the* beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." *He was the Life and the Light! He was the Logos!*

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We had a discussion during the break and of all the details of what is right and wrong and this, that and the other thing, the most important thing is that you:

- love God
- love Christ
- love the Truth
- *keep the commandments*
- love your neighbor s yourself

Then what you have is the right perspective so you don't get carried away and run off on junkets of some of these things that come along like we're discussing now. Some of them are disgusting!

We're going to look at a number of Scriptures that tell us the difference between God the Father and Christ.

Hebrews 1:1: "God Who spoke to the fathers at different times in the past and in many ways by the prophets, has spoken to us in these last days by *His* Son... [that is through the New Testament] ... Whom He has appointed heir of all things, by Whom also He made the ages" (vs 1-2). *That agrees with John 1:1-3!*

Verse 3: "Who, being the brightness of His glory and the exact image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His own power..." Remember that Jesus said, the last thing He told the apostles in Matt. 28: All power and authority is given to Me in heaven and in earth! That means that God the Father gave it to Him!

"...when He had **by Himself** purged our sins..." (v 3).

The reason that Jesus came to purge our sins is that He was the Lord God of the Old Testament. He was the One Who made Adam and Eve. So, the best sacrifice is for the One Who created them to become flesh and never sin. That sacrifice can cover every human being.

If it was God the Father Who was working in the Old Testament, the Most High and *not the Lord God under the Most High*, then the Most High would have had to come in the flesh and be the perfect sacrifice.

"...sat down at *the* right hand of the Majesty on high; having been made so much greater than *any* of the angels, inasmuch as He has inherited a name exceedingly superior to them. For to which of the angels did He ever say, 'You are My Son; this day I have begotten You'?...." (vs 3-5).

That goes back to Psa. 2. The Son did not become the Son until He was impregnated into the womb of the virgin Mary.

"...And again, 'I will be a Father to Him, and He will be a Son to Me'? And again, when He brought the Firstborn into the world, He said, 'Let all the angels of God worship Him'" (vs 5-6).

There are quite a few things in John 1 that help us understand. As a matter of fact, I was looking at when I did the Gospel of John series; that will be 30 years ago. Maybe I ought to do it again.

John 1:12: "But as many as <u>received</u> Him..."

- to understand that He was the Son of God
- to understand that He forgives our sins

- to understand that He is our High Priest in heaven right now
- to understand that He will be our soon coming King when He returns

But you

- receive Him
- believe Him
- obey Him
- love Him

That's all in the word receive!

"...to them He gave authority to become *the* children of God..." (v 12). In the Greek there are two words for *child*:

- 1. 'huios'—singular, a son
- 'huio'—plural; offspring in general
- 'teknon'—*children* by the Father

That's why you receive the Holy Spirit as a begettal. That's why Peter said that 'you have been begotten again.' (1-Peter 1). Your first begettal was through your mother and father for physical life. Begotten again is receiving the Holy Spirit so you can become a 'tekna' child and all of them together are children—'teknon'—of God.

The Protestants have that from the *King James* as 'adoption.' *That's incorrect!* It should be sonship!

"...even to those who believe in His name; who were not begotten by bloodlines... [doesn't matter who you are] ...nor by the will of the flesh... [that it's all planned out] ...nor by the will of man, but by the will of God" (vs 12-13).

- What is the will of God? *His plan!*
- How has He revealed it? Through His Sabbath and Holy Days!

Verse 14: "And the Word became flesh..." *That's what they're going to end up with!* He was like God! He was flesh! And they will misinterpret it and go to Luke 1 and try and prove it that way.

"...and tabernacled among us (and we ourselves beheld His glory, *the* glory as of *the* only begotten with *the* Father), full of grace and truth" (v 14). *That's referring to the Transfiguration!*

"...full of grace..." is the mercy, truth and love of God! God's love for you to give you the Holy Spirit and all of that!

What is the Holy Spirit called? *The Spirit of the Truth!* We are sanctified, that is made Holy by the Truth. That's accomplished by the Holy Spirit by writing the laws and commandments in our heart and mind. That's why it's so important when we

cover all of these nitty-gritty details that we keep in mind the big picture!

Verse 52: "And He said to him, 'Truly, truly I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God descending to and ascending from the Son of man."

- What was it like with Jesus?
- Were there always angels all around?

It would have to be by this! You know that on the Passover Day every detail had to be worked out by the angels and the part that Satan played with Judas.

Verse 18: "No one has seen God at any time..." How did Moses speak to God? He spoke to the one who was God, Who was with God! This is saying that no one has seen God the Father, the Most High, at any time! That covers everything in the Old Testament!

"...the only begotten Son, Who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared *Him*" (v 18).

Let's see that repeated again, and we will look and see exactly what we've been talking about here. God's greatest work is being done with His Holy Spirit in converting our mind. When there is sin, that's where it is, it's in the heart and in the mind! It's quite a thing! The more that you have the Spirit of God in your mind, the more it's going to reveal to you how much sin is buried in your mind. There's a lot of it! Why? Because you've grown up and have all these other things!

Plus, today, we have so much crashing in on us with television, e-mails, iPhones, iPads, Twitter, Facebook, whatever. All of that; everything crashing in on us! There are some people who can't stand to have it quiet. They get up and they turn on the music. Then they hop in the car and they turn on the music. The ones who are really messed up are the ones who have sound blast through your whole body. When one of those drive by in your neighborhood and it's booming and the whole neighborhood is vibrating.

After Jesus healed the man on the Sabbath and told him to pick up his bed and walk. His bed had to be like a sleeping bag, but the Jews exaggerated with their traditions what it means to not carry a burden. Would it be a burden to carry a knapsack or sleeping bag on your arm. The Jews found the man who was healed and said, 'Who told you to carry that?' Well the man who healed me said to 'pick up your bed and walk.' 'Who was it?' I don't know. Later he said that it was Jesus, so they found Jesus and here's the encounter because they wanted to persecute Him:

John 5:17: "But Jesus answered them, 'My

Father is working... [present tense participle] ...until now, and I work"—on the Sabbath Day!

- What work is God the Father doing on the Sabbath Day? *Spiritual work!*
- What work was Christ doing on the Sabbath Day? *Spiritual work!*
- Was He out building a building? No!

 - ✓ He was healing!✓ He was forgiving!

Verse 18: "So then, on account of this saying, the Jews sought all the more to kill Him, not only because He had loosed the Sabbath..."

In other words, the only way to keep the Sabbath is the way the Pharisees say, very strictly! But He loosed it! Some people think that that means destroyed the Sabbath or broke the Sabbath! But that's no so! He loosed it!

Remember the Pharisee, the doctor of the law? He asked Jesus which was the greatest commandment. Jesus said, 'Love God with all your heart, mind, strength and being, and your neighbor as yourself. The doctor of the law said, 'You answered correctly. But tell me, who is my neighbor?'

Then Jesus gave the parable of the man who was on the way up from Jericho to Jerusalem and beaten up by robbers and left to die. Here comes a priest, 'Oh, I can't get near that, because I'm going up to work at the temple. I can be unclean.' So, he didn't help the man. Here comes a Levite, 'I can't do that, I can't help him; I'm going to go do great things at the temple.'

So, here comes a Samaritan, which the Jews hated with a passion! What did he do? He picked the man up and put him on his beast of burden and took him to what we would call a motel, an inn back then, and told the person—after he had dressed his wound and put oil and wine on it. You might think about that in relationship to when you have a wound. He told the innkeeper, 'Here's some money and you take care of him and when I come back if I owe you anymore I'll pay it.

Then Jesus looked at the doctor of the law and said, 'Tell me, which one loved his neighbor?' Remember, the doctor of the law would not have gone over to help him. He said, 'I suppose the one who helped him.'

"...but also because He had called God His own Father, making Himself equal with God" (v 18). Then He caught them again in John 10.

So, after He made Himself equal with God, v 19: "Therefore, Jesus answered and said to them, 'Truly, truly I say to you, the Son has no power to do anything of Himself, but only what He sees the **Father do.** For whatever He does, these things the Son also does in the same manner. For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him everything that He Himself is doing..." (vs 19-20).

That shows you part of the communication they had back and forth. I imagine that they were constantly in touch with each other all the time.

"...And He will show Him greater works than these, so that you may be filled with wonder. For even as the Father raises the dead and gives life, in the same way also, the Son gives life to whom He will. For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son" (vs 20-22) because He came in the flesh and experienced all the temptations that we do!

He is the One to make the judgment. To whom do we give an account for our lives? Paul writes that we all come before the judgment seat of Christ to give an account for ourselves!

Verse 22: "For the Father judges no one..." [they're going to have trouble with this one!] ...but has committed all judgment to the Son so that all may honor the Son, even as they honor the Father. The one who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father Who sent Him" (vs 22-23).

What one problem does this reveal? that's 2,000 years old? that no one can solve? The problem of the Jews! They have rejected Christ and they think that they're honoring God and they cannot.

Look at how awful it has been. Read the book of Jeremiah, and you read what Jesus said when they rejected Him. So, the only thing you can do is have pity on the Jews. It would be great if many more of them would be converted. Remember how many of them were converted when everything first started? They were all Jews the first 12 years!

Verse 24: "Truly, truly I say to you, the one who hears My Word, and believes Him Who sent Me, has everlasting life and does not come into judgment; for he has passed from death into life."

That's why everyday the daily prayer is forgive us our sins as we forgive others! Sometimes it takes a while to complete the second part.

Verse 36: "But I have a greater witness than John's; for the works that the Father gave Me to complete... [to finish] ...the very works that I am doing, themselves bear witness of Me, that the Father has sent Me. And the Father Himself, Who sent Me, has borne witness of Me. You have neither heard His voice nor seen His form at any time" (vs 36-37).

What happens when you invent your own

religion?

Verse 38: "And you do not have His Word dwelling in you... [because they base everything on their traditions] ...for you do not believe Him Whom He has sent. You search the Scriptures, for in them you think that you have eternal life; and they are the ones that testify of Me. But you are unwilling to come to Me, that you may have life" (vs 38-40).

When we get all the Scriptures together referring to Jesus from the Old Testament to the physical life and testimony of Jesus Christ, it's going to be overwhelming.

Verse 41: "I do not receive glory from men; but I have known you, that you do not have the love of God in yourselves" (vs 41-42)—right back to what we're talking about! All the important details that we have mean nothing unless we have the love of God in us!

Verse 43: "I have come in My Father's name, and you do not receive Me; but if another comes in his own name, you will receive him. How are you able to believe, you who receive glory from one another, and do not seek the glory that comes from the only God?" (vs 43-44). That is because Christ could not be called God while He was in the flesh!

Verse 45: "Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father. There is *one* who accuses you... [present tense, showing that the Law of Moses apply and are binding] ...even Moses, in whom you have hope. But <u>if you believed Moses</u>, you would have believed Me; for he wrote about Me. And <u>if you do not believe his writings</u>, how shall you believe My words?" (vs 45-47).

Those Scriptures can tell you a lot. That means that Moses wrote about the Lord God Who became Christ. That also means that in order to understand the Scriptures...

Luke 24—this is after Christ's resurrection when He suddenly appeared when they were all gathered together and He ate the fish and honeycomb:

Luke 24:44: "And He said to them, 'These are the words that I spoke to you when I was yet with you, that all the things which were written concerning Me in the Law of Moses and in the Prophets and in the Psalms must be fulfilled.' Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures" (vs 44-45). That's the work of the Holy Spirit!

The key action that we have to have to even begin is the Sabbath. That's the key; that's where you start. If you're searching for God, especially on

the Sabbath, when you come to the conclusion that it says, 'Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it Holy, and you start keeping it Holy from sundown Friday to sundown Saturday, that's the first key to begin opening your mind.

Why? Because then the seven Spirits of God are looking to those who are seeking God, and will come help open your mind! It doesn't come because of study or theological degrees. It comes by the Spirit of God!

The whole Gospel of John talks more about Jesus Christ and what He Himself did than any of the other Gospels.

John 8:12: "Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, 'I am the Light of the world; the one who follows Me shall never walk in darkness, but shall have the <u>Light of Life</u>." What is the Light of Life? It is the enlightenment of your mind with the Truth of God!

Verse 13: "Therefore, the Pharisees said to Him, 'You are testifying about Yourself; Your testimony is not true.' Jesus answered and said to them, 'Even if I testify about Myself, My testimony is true, because I know where I have come from and where I am going. But you do not know where I come from and where I go" (vs 13-14).

The birth of Christ was in Bethlehem. But the mother and stepfather Joseph[transcriber's correction] got there just before He was born. They left a little after 40 days later. Gone! When He started His ministry, where did He begin? He did one thing in Jerusalem to fulfill the prophecy that He would 'suddenly come to His temple' (John 2).

He came in there and what did He do? He made a scourge of cords and chased out all of the animals and threw over the moneychangers! Then He soon left, and most of His ministry was in Galilee and all around there. That's what bugged the leaders of Judaism more than anything else. He didn't come to them and align with them.

He came to the people whom they neglected. They sent to John to try and find out if it was he. *It wasn't!* Then when Jesus came and showed up, they didn't believe it. When He came back to the temple there (John 5 & 8) it was during the time of a Holy Day. Here in John 8 is right after the Feast of Tabernacles.

Verse 15: "You judge according to the flesh; I judge no one. Yet, if I do judge, My judgment is true, for I am not alone; but I and the Father Who sent Me. And it is written in your law that the testimony of two men is true. I AM *One* Who bears witness of Myself, and the Father, Who sent Me bears witness of Me.' Then they said to Him,

'Where is Your Father?'.... [because of all the rumors] ...Jesus answered, 'You know neither Me nor My Father. If you had known Me, you would also have known My Father'" (vs 15-19).

Verse 20: "Jesus spoke these words in the treasury while teaching in the temple; but no one arrested Him because His time had not yet come. Then Jesus said to them again, 'I am going away; and you shall seek Me, but you shall die in your sin. Where I am going, you are not able to come'" (vs 20-21). The Greek there is from dunamis': you don't have the power to attain it!

Verse 22: "Therefore, the Jews said, 'Will He kill Himself? *Is* that *why* He says, "Where I am going, you are not able to come"?".... [tie in John 1:1]: ...And He said to them, 'You are from beneath; **I** am from above. You are of this world; **I** am not of this world. That is why I said to you that you shall die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I AM, you shall die in your sins" (vs 22-24).

When He said that they knew that was a name of God, v 25: "Then they said to Him, 'Who are You?'...."

1-John 2:20: "But you have *the* anointing from the Holy One... [the Holy Spirit] ...and you have knowledge of all things... [obviously it doesn't pertain to everything in the world] ...*pertaining to salvation*. I did not write to you because you do not know the Truth, but because you know it, and *you understand* that not one lie comes from the Truth" (vs 20-21).

- Jesus always told the Truth
- the Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Truth
- the Word of God is the Word of Truth

Verse 22: "Who is the liar if it is not the one who denies that Jesus is the Christ?.... [that tells you about all of those *false* apostles] ...He is the antichrist—the one who denies the Father and the Son. Anyone who denies the Son does not have the Father either" (vs 22-23).

That's the problem of Judaism and false doctrine that God the Father was the One Who was the Lord of the Old Testament. You're denying that Christ was God before He became a human being.

Verse 24: "Therefore, let what you have heard from *the* beginning dwell in you; if what you have heard from *the* beginning is dwelling in you, then you will be <u>dwelling in the Son and in the Father."</u>

That's the problem with Protestantism, very seldom to you hear them talk about the Father. Everything is all about Jesus.

It's important that we cover these things so that we stay grounded! Remember, everything comes back to the fundamentals.

- love God
- love Christ
- keep the Sabbath
- keep the commandments
- keep the Holy Days

That's the framework on which everything we do is structured! We need to stay close to that!

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