Blaspheming the Name of Yehovah and What about Their Holy Days?

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Shabbat Shalom to the Royal Family of Yehovah,

Let's Get Real

<u>Diwali in 2018</u> started on Tuesday, the 6th of November and continued for 5 days until Saturday, the 10th of November.

Diwali (also called Lakshmi Puja, Laxmi Puja and Diwali Puja) is the **Hindu festival of lights**. It is celebrated in late Ashwin (September–October) and ends in early Kartika (October–November).

The main festival night of Diwali coincides with the darkest, new moon night of the Hindu Lunisolar month Kartika in Bikram Sambat calendar.

Diwali Puja symbolizes the victory of good over evil. The lamps are lit as a sign of celebration and hope. Diwali is one of the most popular holidays in Hindu countries.

<u>Chanukah in 2018</u> started on Monday, the 3rd of December and continued for 8 days until Monday, the 10th of December. All dates begin the day evening before.

Chanukah (also spelled Chanuka, Hanuka, Hanukka, Hannukah or Hanukkah) is the **Jewish Festival of Lights**, the Feast of Consecration, or the Feast of the Maccabees.

We are now about to begin the **third great festival of lights that the world celebrates called Christmas.** And many of the Hypocritical messed up Messianics that found every reason and excuse to keep the Festival of lights for Chanukah will now loathsomely condemn those evil pagans for keeping the Christian Festival of Lights called Christmas. These types of

Messianics are wannabe Jews and do everything Jewish just because the Jews do it and they keep the Sabbath. If you are one of those wannabe Jews then I make no apologies. You are to be following Yehovah and not a group of people or blindly keeping traditions that do not line up with Torah.

We are called to do a specific job. You were called by Yehovah to do a work. Are you doing that work? Are you supporting those that are doing that work? Or are you just another one of those self-righteous ones condemning others as pagans or false teachers but then doing the exact same festival by another name?

You were called to teach and find fellow disciples from all nations of the world.

Mat 28:18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Mark 16:15 And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.

Luke 24:45 Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

Are you doing that?

Why would anyone listen to you when you speak Heb-rish, That is English with a lot of Hebrew sounding words so that you sound (to yourself) Righteous. It is the same as those who are very Holy and speak sanctimoniously using the King James thee's and thou's to again sound Holy.

Those people who are now about to keep the Feast of Christmas are not the enemy. You and I, not that long ago, were keeping the very same Festival. Someone or some article or Yehovah Himself opened your eyes to understand His truths and thus began your return to the Torah.

We all have different ways in which Yehovah called us and yet overall they are similar. You have been called for a purpose. That is to get ready for the wedding and to invite others.

Mat 22:1 And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, "See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast." But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests. "But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. And he said to him, Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Notice that many are invited but only a few are chosen to be in the Wedding Feast. Again in the parable of the Ten Virgins, we see that all 10 were called and in the end, only 5 were allowed into the Wedding. They all had let their oil go very low and only 5 were prepared with backup or spare oil. The others had to go back out to get some and that takes time studying and reading and praying. Basically relearning the truth they did not learn because they were playing religion.

Right now we have many false teachers and some very prominent ones at that. Many thousands follow them, as do some of you.

They grow beards and put on yarmulkas and begin to dress like the Amish. They take on a Hebrew Sounding name. They can quote copious scriptures and condemn all those around them but they do not have the love of Yehovah in them. Their faith is shallow and if you do not dress like them or agree with the things they say then you are hated and cast out of their select group. You are called anti-Semitic and a hater of the Jews.

Mat 24:3 As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?" And Jesus answered them, "See that no one leads you astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and they will lead many astray. And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these are but the beginning of the birth pains.

"Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake. And then many will fall away and betray one another and hate one another. And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

If you are one of those doing this then stop doing it right now. All of us need to stop the hate we have towards those who do not yet know all that you know. It is the same as though you were reading the Torah for 10, 20, or 30 years and more and expecting a 3-year-old to understand and obey. And we know how trying a three-year-old can be and yet we still love them.

I have learned so much from Bro Aike in the Philippines and Bishop Telesphore in Burundi. Both of them walk into Christian Churches and Christian and Catholic groups and read the Torah and read the Gospels to them. And when they leave, and even when I was there with them and after I left, the whole church or the whole group began to keep the Sabbath and was eager to learn more about the Holy Days and how to keep them. They wanted to learn more. They did not understand the truth.

Read once again slowly read what it says in Acts.

Acts 15:1 But some men came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved." And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and the elders about this question. So, being sent on

their way by the church, they passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, describing in detail the conversion of the Gentiles, and brought great joy to all the brothers. When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they declared all that God had done with them. But some believers who belonged to the party of the Pharisees rose up and said, "It is necessary to circumcise them and to order them to keep the law of Moses." The apostles and the elders were gathered together to consider this matter. And after there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, "Brothers, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe. And God, who knows the heart, bore witness to them, by giving them the Holy Spirit just as he did to us, and he made no distinction between us and them, having cleansed their hearts by faith. Now, therefore, why are you putting God to the test by placing a yoke on the neck of the disciples that neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear? But we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will."

And all the assembly fell silent, and they listened to Barnabas and Paul as they related what signs and wonders God had done through them among the Gentiles. After they finished speaking, James replied, "Brothers, listen to me. Simeon has related how God first visited the Gentiles, to take from them a people for his name. And with this the words of the prophets agree, just as it is written, "'After this I will return,

and I will rebuild the tent of David that has fallen; I will rebuild its ruins, and I will restore it, that the remnant of mankind may seek the Lord, and all the Gentiles who are called by my name, says the Lord, who makes these things known from of old.'

Therefore my judgment is that we should not trouble those of the Gentiles who turn to God, but should write to them to abstain from the things polluted by idols, and from sexual immorality, and from what has been strangled, and from blood. For from ancient generations Moses has had in every city those who proclaim him, for he is read every Sabbath in the synagogues."

The Council's Letter to Gentile Believers

Then it seemed good to the apostles and the elders, with the whole church, to choose men from among them and send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. They sent Judas called Barsabbas, and Silas, leading men among the brothers, with the following letter: "The brothers, both the apostles and the elders, to the brothers who are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia, greetings. Since we have heard that some persons have gone out from us and troubled you with words, unsettling your minds, although we gave them no instructions, it has seemed good to us, having come to one accord, to choose men and send them to you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, men who have risked their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We have therefore sent Judas and Silas, who themselves will tell you the same things by word of mouth. For it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to lay on you no greater burden than these requirements: that you abstain from what has been sacrificed to idols, and from blood, and from what has been strangled, and from sexual immorality. If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well.

Farewell."

So when they were sent off, they went down to Antioch, and having gathered the congregation together, they delivered the letter. And when they had read it, they rejoiced because of its

encouragement. And Judas and Silas, who were themselves prophets, encouraged and strengthened the brothers with many words. And after they had spent some time, they were sent off in peace by the brothers to those who had sent them. But Paul and Barnabas remained in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.

They don't have to know everything before they can come. They just have to want to learn and want to start to obey. It is that simple and the rest they will learn each week where ever the law is taught in every city by those teaching Torah, for it is read every Sabbath in the synagogues.

Are you Blaspheming the Name of Yehovah?

I want each of you to look at yourself. Not me or others but you examine yourself and see if you are blaspheming the name of Yehovah. You are to go amongst the nations and teach them the truth about Yehovah.

Isaiah 52:1 Awake, awake, put on your strength, O Zion; put on your beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city; for there shall no more come into you the uncircumcised and the unclean. Shake yourself from the dust and arise; be seated, O Jerusalem; loose the bonds from your neck, O captive daughter of Zion.

For thus says the Lord: "You were sold for nothing, and you shall be redeemed without money." For thus says the Lord God: "My people went down at the first into Egypt to sojourn there, and the Assyrian oppressed them for nothing. Now therefore what have I here," declares the Lord, "seeing that my people are taken away for nothing? Their rulers wail," declares the Lord, "and continually all the day my name is despised. Therefore my people shall know my name.

Therefore in that day they shall know that it is I who speak; here I am." How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the Lord has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God. Depart, depart, go out from there; touch no unclean thing; go out from the midst of her; purify yourselves, you who bear the vessels of the Lord. For you shall not go out in haste, and you shall not go in flight, for the Lord will go before you, and the God of Israel will be your rear guard.

When David sinned with Bathsheba he was blaspheming the name of Yehovah. When you sin, you are taking the name of Yehovah in vain because you are already betrothed to Him. You have already taken on His name. And when you sin, you scorn His name.

2 Sam. 12:13 David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord." And Nathan said to David, "The Lord also has put away your sin; you shall not die. Nevertheless, because by this deed you have utterly scorned the Lord, the child who is born to you shall die." Then Nathan went to his house.

Our sins, our lack of love, our hatred for our brethren blasphemes the name of Yehovah. We will pay a penalty for those sins.

Ezek. 36:19 I scattered them among the nations, and they were dispersed through the countries. In accordance with their ways and their deeds I judged them. But when they came to the nations, wherever they came, they profaned my holy name, in that people said of them, 'These are the people of the Lord, and yet they had to go out of his land.' But I had concern for my holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the nations to which they came.

I Will Put My Spirit Within You

"Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the Lord, declares the Lord God, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes.

Peter says the same thing.

2 Pet. 2:1 But false prophets also arose among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Master who bought them, bringing upon themselves swift destruction. And many will follow their sensuality, and **because of them the way of truth will be blasphemed**. And in their greed they will exploit you with false words. Their condemnation from long ago is not idle, and their destruction is not asleep. For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to chains of gloomy darkness to be kept until the judgment; if he did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a herald of righteousness, with seven others, when he brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly; if by turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah to ashes he condemned them to extinction, making them an example of what is going to happen to the ungodly; and if he rescued righteous Lot, greatly distressed by the sensual conduct of the wicked (for as that righteous man lived among them day after day, he was tormenting his righteous soul over their lawless deeds that he saw and heard); then the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials, and to keep the unrighteous under punishment until the day of judgment, and especially those who indulge in the lust of defiling passion and despise authority.

Bold and willful, they do not tremble as they blaspheme the glorious ones, whereas angels, though greater in might and power, do not pronounce a blasphemous judgment against them before the Lord. But these, like irrational animals, creatures of instinct, born to be caught and destroyed, blaspheming about matters of which they are ignorant, will also be destroyed in their destruction, suffering wrong as the wage for their wrongdoing. They count it pleasure to revel in the daytime. They are blots and blemishes, reveling in their deceptions, while they feast with you. They have eyes full of adultery, insatiable for sin. They entice unsteady souls. They have hearts trained in greed. Accursed children! Forsaking the right way, they have gone astray. They have followed the way of Balaam, the son of Beor, who loved gain from wrongdoing, but was rebuked for his own transgression; a speechless donkey spoke with human voice and restrained the prophet's madness. These are waterless springs and mists driven by a storm. For them the gloom of utter darkness has been reserved. For, speaking loud boasts of folly, they entice by sensual passions of the flesh those

who are barely escaping from those who live in error. They promise them freedom, but they themselves are slaves of corruption. For whatever overcomes a person, to that he is enslaved. For if, after they have escaped the defilements of the world through the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the last state has become worse for them than the first. For it would have been better for them never to have known the way of righteousness than after knowing it to turn back from the holy commandment delivered to them. What the true proverb says has happened to them: "The dog returns to its own vomit, and the sow, after washing herself, returns to wallow in the mire."

And the Apostle Paul also said the name of Yehovah is blasphemed because of our sins and our hypocrisy.

Roman 2:24 For, as it is written, "The name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you."

For circumcision indeed is of value if you obey the law, but if you break the law, your circumcision becomes uncircumcision. So, if a man who is uncircumcised keeps the precepts of the law, will not his uncircumcision be regarded as circumcision? Then he who is physically uncircumcised but keeps the law will condemn you who have the written code and circumcision but break the law. For no one is a Jew who is merely one outwardly, nor is circumcision outward and physical. But a Jew is one inwardly, and circumcision is a matter of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the letter. His praise is not from man but from God.

Blood on your hands?

Before I get sidetracked I am talking to you this week about Christmas.

Many of you are married to unconverted mates the same as I am. We have done great harm to our families which Yehovah is calling through us. I took my Christmas tree on Christmas day, the very first year I learned about Christmas; only telling my wife about it two weeks before Christmas, and took the tree and all the decorations still on it and threw it on the curb in the snow with the garbage.

My wife was furious and I was right and oh so wrong at the same time. That was 36 years ago now and my wife and none of my children have ever taken an interest in the things I teach or do until this year when my daughter came to Jerusalem with me. This self-righteous act of mine also was the basis for my wife and I almost getting divorced about 1000 times in our marriage which this year was our 40th anniversary. Right now I have a son who will not and has not spoken with me for almost a year now because of my beliefs.

I am reading how some of you will not go to your family's home during the holiday break because they set up a tree in their house. You will not eat the meal with the family because it is sacrificed to false gods. You have become isolated and alone and even the Grandchildren do not understand why you hate them so much. Some of you have children born on December 25 and will not celebrate with them because it might look like you're keeping Christmas.

How are you to witness to them the great things you have come to know about Yehovah if you do not and will not visit them during this time of the year? How can you go into all the world and preach the

gospel and not say boo to your own family? I am speaking to myself here and to you as well. How can you claim not to have their blood on your hands if you keep silent? I am referring to Ezekiel 33.

Ezek 33:1 The word of the Lord came to me: "Son of man, speak to your people and say to them, If I bring the sword upon a land, and the people of the land take a man from among them, and make him their watchman, and if he sees the sword coming upon the land and blows the trumpet and warns the people, then if anyone who hears the sound of the trumpet does not take warning, and the sword comes and takes him away, his blood shall be upon his own head. He heard the sound of the trumpet and did not take warning; his blood shall be upon himself. But if he had taken warning, he would have saved his life. But if the watchman sees the sword coming and does not blow the trumpet, so that the people are not warned, and the sword comes and takes any one of them, that person is taken away in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at the watchman's hand.

"So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

And some of you right about now are stressing out. You know the huge fight you had the last time and do not want to have it again. You hate and dread this time of the year. So do I. Keep reading.

First of all, the meal is just a family get together. Read what Paul says.

1 Cor 10:23 "All things are lawful," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful," but not all things build up. Let no one seek his own good, but the good of his neighbor. Eat whatever is sold in the meat market without raising any question on the ground of conscience. For "the earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof." If one of the unbelievers invites you to dinner and you are disposed to go, eat whatever is set before you without raising any question on the ground of conscience. But if someone says to you, "This has been offered in sacrifice," then do not eat it, for the sake of the one who informed you, and for the sake of conscience— I do not mean your conscience, but his. For why should my liberty be determined by someone else's conscience? If I partake with thankfulness, why am I denounced because of that for which I give thanks? So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. Give no offense to Jews or to Greeks or to the church of God, just as I try to please everyone in everything I do, not seeking my own advantage, but that of many, that they may be saved.

Why does Paul do this? Why am I asking you to do this? Read again the very last part, "That they might be saved" Bottom line.

1 Cor 9:19 For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.

What is Christmas about after all? It is supposed to be about the birth of Yehshua. But like the rest of the world and like we were and some of us still are to a certain degree, Satan has deceived them and us. So should you condemn them for being the same way you were not that long ago? No. You should want to help them and you can only do that by being there and letting them see just how NOT WERD you are.

This by no means is condoning the celebration of the Saturnalia Feast. Nor am I telling you to take part in the false worship of it.

When we go to my family or they come to our house, I am there and we talk and play and have fun and eat. But on Christmas morning when they gather around the tree, I do not join in. I stay in my room until it is over and then come out. My absence is noticed.

Waiting on Yehovah

While you are with the family and they begin to sing certain songs or talk about the meaning of this day, do not barge in condemning them all to hell. You will have successfully slammed the door shut this year. Rather wait in silence and listen for Yehovah to provide you that opportunity to talk.

Here is the song Oh Holy Night. Read the words

O Holy Night! The stars are brightly shining, It is the night of the dear Saviour's birth.

Long lay the world in sin and error pining.

Till He appeared and the Spirit felt its worth.

A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices,

For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.

Fall on your knees! Oh, hear the angel voices!

O night divine, the night when Christ was born; O night, O Holy Night, O night divine!

O night, O Holy Night, O night divine!

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming,
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand.
O'er the world a star is sweetly gleaming,
Now come the wisemen from out of the Orient land.
The King of kings lay thus lowly manger;
In all our trials born to be our friends.
He knows our need, our weakness is no stranger,
Behold your King! Before him lowly bend!
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Truly He taught us to love one another,
His law is love and His gospel is peace.
Chains he shall break, for the slave is our brother.
And in his name all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
With all our hearts we praise His holy name.
Christ is the Lord! Then ever, ever praise we,
His power and glory ever more proclaim!
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Now here is a conversation you could have about this song. You could talk about many of the Christmas songs to do this, I just picked this one for an example.

They are celebrating the birth of the Messiah. The same as you do. They are worshipping the Messiah the same as you do. OK well, not the same, but their intentions are towards the Messiah even though they have been deceived into something else just as you were. So, find the common ground and begin a conversation. Not an argument. I have had many of those. But seek to find some common ground. Send out a few fliers and if they are shot down right away or have a great deal of resistance then shut up.

But if and only if they are received with interest or in a positive light then and only then begin to share but stop after each little bit you share and wait for them to ask for more. If they do not ask or the conversation changes then shut up. Learn when to talk and when to be silent. And Pray Yehovah blesses your mouth so you can speak with those He is calling.

But you also need to learn what might be of interest to those you are talking to. And this can be used around the office or coffee cooler. But DO NOT ARGUE.

For example, did you know that the Birth of Yehshua almost a caused a major war between the Romans and the Parthian Empire? You can read about it in a recent article of ours The Magi Almost Caused a War and then once you know the facts talk about this subject. And if you forget the details and they are still interested then you can send them to the link to read it for themselves.

You can also use this article to talk about the Magi coming two years after the birth when Jesus was two. That is why Herod killed all the babies two years old or younger.

Or what about the actual day He was born on. They will say no one knows for sure and then concede to December 25. But you can say you can know the actual day and know for sure using your Bible.

Here is another article proving this very thing. The Birth Day of Yehshua-The Feast of Yom Teruah.

Many expect to be raptured when the Messiah comes. You do know that the day the Messiah is going to come is the same day he came the first time. On a day and at an hour that no one knows in the exact same way a pregnant woman does not know the day or the hour of her birthing until it happens. This was the Day Yehshua was born on the Feast of Trumpets. Talk about it.

I was raised believing that all the animals around the manger knelt down and worshipped Jesus when He was born. And I was told they do this every Christmas. Then one year I decided to check it out. I stayed in the barn for hours Christmas eve watching to see if the Cows and the Pigs and the horses would kneel down at midnight. Why Midnight I do not know but I stayed there for hours watching and the barn is not exactly warm here in December in Canada. My Dad still laughs at me for doing that. If you want to know if they do or do not then I suggest you find yourself a barn and spend December 25 in there watching.

So then if the conversation turns to the manger, you could then talk about the importance of the manger for the Temple as this was the place where the lambs were watched by the shepherds to later be sacrificed at the Temple, just as Yehshua was. The shepherds were Levitical Priests not some ragamuffins in the field. Our article Migdal Eder-The Truth of Messiahs Birth can help give you all the details about this little-known subject. He was not born in any old manger but He was born in a very specific Manger that was for the Temple.

Now here is another conversation you can have. The very same day that the Messiah was born on is going to be the very same day that He comes back on. No, I am not saying Yehshua is coming back on Christmas Day. He is coming back on the same day He was born one, The Feast of Trumpets. Again our article The Return Of Yahshua can help you so that you can have a calm conversation with those Yehovah is calling if they are interested in talking about these things. Do not force the issue. Be patient and wait for your opportunity to share.

And if they object saying no man can know the day or the hour, then say exactly, and they are correct. Then you can explain what that means. Again it is the Feast of Trumpets.

Every single major event Yehovah does has been done on the Holy Days of Lev 23 and when people do not know them or understand them then they have no hope of knowing what is going to come in the future. And this describes all Christians who have done away with the law and now are rudderless in a sea of confusion.

Passover; the story of the Exodus and every single detail of this miraculous event was a prelude of the time when Yehshua was going to be killed just as the Passover Lambs were on this very same day Nisan 14th. Again this ties into the Manger and the Shepherds in the article above. Noah Abraham and Lot all kept this time of the year long before there was ever anyone known as a Jew.

The Wave Sheaf day is the day Yehshua ascended to Heaven with the captives that were dead and brought back to life at this same time.

The 7th day of Unleavened Bread is the day they crossed the Red Sea putting Egypt and sin out of their existence.

The Feast of Pentecost was the day the Ten Commandments were given and the on this very same day The Holy Spirit was given to the Apostles.

The Feast of Trumpets is the Feast that comes at a day or an hour that no man can know. And just like a baby being born you could not predict what day the mother was to give birth. No One Knows the Day or the Hour. This was the day Yehshua was born on and it is also the same day He is going to come back on. It was His birthday and this is why we shout for joy and blow the party horns which we call shofars. So keep the birthdays with your family.

Then we next have the very somber Day of Atonement. This is the day when God himself said he would die for our sins and put the blame back on the guilty one who caused it, Satan who is then led away by a strong man on this very day. This is when you are cleansed and your sins are forgotten.

After this, we have the Feast of Sukkot which is the wedding party for 7 whole days. The day we are to be married to the Messiah. All of Christendom awaits this day but does not know or understand it because they have done away with the laws that teach it.

And last comes the 8th Day Feast which shows us that on this Day Yehovah is going to come and dwell us.

You do not need to rattle off endless and copious amounts of scripture to them. All you need to do is to talk to them like real people one on one face to face.

1 Cor 3:1 But I, brothers, could not address you as spiritual people, but as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for it. And even now you are not yet ready, for you are still of the flesh. For while there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not of the flesh and behaving only in a human way? For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not being merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building.

You brethren, are just those who plant a seed or maybe bring some water. Nothing more. You cannot save anyone. You cannot call anyone.

John 6:44 No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. It is written in the Prophets, And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father.

Only Yehovah can call them and only Yehovah can open their minds to teach them. It is Yehovah who teaches them, not you nor me. We are just seed planters or waterers. So plant whatever seeds you can while you have time to plant them.