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The 3rd Month in the Third year of the third Sabbatical Cycle

The Third Sabbatical Cycle of the 119th Jubilee Cycle

The Sabbatical Cycle of Earthquakes Famines, and Pestilences

This is also the end of the Ninth week of this the Third Tithe Year for the Levite, the alien, the fatherless and the widow Deuteronomy 26:12

The 49th day of Counting the Omer

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Shabbat Shalom Brethren,

Earlier this winter I ran an article by Dr. Dave Perry on the covenants.

Dr. Dave Perry has a very interesting few and some things worth discussing. I promised him I would run his second article but have not been able to until this weekend of Shavuot. How appropriate.

The Promise Covenant and Error

To be like the 'Bereans' (Acts 17:11); You will need your Bible as I will not be reprinting what you need to look up anyway.

The Brit-ha-Dasha (New Testament) speaks of the 'spirit of truth' and the 'spirit of error' (1Jn.4:6). 1Jn.4:1 directs us to 'test the spirits' to know if they are of Yah (Ps.68:4). Whether realized or not; this directive to 'test' includes testing what is authentically the Set Apart (Holy) Spirit. How many have heard different ones say 'God told me' or 'the Spirit impressed upon me' this or that? The only way we can know if this is 'truth' or 'error' (or worse; contains error) is that this spirit impressed 'word' does not violate in any way the actual written 'Word' specifically the Torah 'instruction' of Yah.

The Bible reveals that ha-Satan is the 'father of lies' (Jn.8:44). An error is an inaccurate, partial or half-truth that has been mixed with an 'untruth' i.e. a lie. The best way to foist a lie and have it be believed is to mix it with 'truth'. A tangent to this is a 'truism' being part of the truth but not the whole truth. A 'truism' can have no other result than to open the door to inaccurate 'error'.

Ultimately error will never reveal itself as Truth or grow into Truth, it will either stay covertly static (as it is) or it will be revealed as untrue.

We that have come to faith in the Bible have to come to terms with the fact that Satan is at work in both the Jewish Assembly, the Messianic Assembly and the Christian Church alike (2Cor.11:15). With some pastors honest enough to reveal that; 'Satan does his best job from the pulpit'.

The area of 'covenant' is my passion; both the Messianic Assembly and the Christian Church do not spend much time or go into much depth on the subject. The Jewish Assembly is convinced they are correct and always have looked at the situation correctly – 2Cor.3:11-13 (among others) reveals otherwise. I have studied 'covenant' for some 15 years; one of the most misunderstood, misrepresented areas among presenters that venture to teach on the topic is the Promise Covenant of Gen.15. This; in my humble opinion, has led to many of the notions and misconceptions that are defended and in most cases have inoculated many against the truth of what these covenants actually reveal and the potential realizations that could be made.

I realize it is possible, but in most cases; in the majority of times when was the last time you ever heard in either the Messianic Assembly or the Christian Church about the 'Book of the Covenant'? I have actually had studied credentialed Church pastors ask directly and in various ways; "is that even in the Bible"? The 'Book of the Covenant' identified is from Ex.19:5 to Ex.24:8; that will be more significant later. The 'Book of the Covenant' and the 'Promise Covenant' are directly and inextricably tied together.

The 'Book of the Covenant' and the 'Promise Covenant' are part of a class of a distinct grouping of covenants identified as "the covenants of promise" at Eph.2:12; that specifically include 3 others (to learn more go to www.YahsSpiritofTruth.com).

The honest must consider all the biblical evidence; empirical, direct, peripheral, implied, objective, historic, textual and circumstantial. We must realize that there is target evidence and general evidence that must intersect the 'bullseye' of that same target.

If this is ignored; you who were once an honest seeker, will no longer be honest or seeking. For you have decided 'your truth', not being swayed by the details of actual truth. Biblically the majority have and will tend to continue to fit in this category (Prv.14:15; 18:15, Mat.7:13-14; 1Cor.10:12/2Cor.10:12).

The Promise Covenant of Gen.15 invariably among Jews, Messianics and even Christians is thought to be; therefore taught as, the unconditional covenant thus everlasting. This flatly is not so; despite the fact it has been reinforced continually without much variance for literally centuries to the point of being the uncontested axiom of foundational truth. This has led to many inaccuracies and misconceptions concerning physical circumcision, salvation mode (other than Jn.14:6), understanding of 'the' law, understanding of covenant class, word definition plays such as rendering 'new' of the New Covenant as meaning re-New-ed; to

actually mean (wink wink) 'exactly the same' and even misconceptions concerning the crucifixion of Yahshua to name but a few.

Hands-down; The intent of all biblical covenants is to attest to and insure an enduring agreement; thus an everlasting intent.

Since we are dealing with the Promise Covenant of Gen.15; we must deal with the event and the evidence of Gen.15. Yahweh's intent for the Gen.15 covenant was to be for all time and beyond – so much so that the real guarantee for Gen.15 (and all covenants of promise) is Yahweh's 'oath' at Gen.12. Gen.12 is the 'wrap around' covenant if you will. Explained; my use of 'wrap around' comes from a little known real estate maneuver that takes a new money loan (usually of a higher interest rate) and 'wraps it around' a pre-existing (more desirable) lower interest loan.

Gen.12 is the true (pre-existing) 'unconditional covenant'. Paul identifies the same at Heb.6:13 – Yahweh swears to Himself by Himself for there was "no greater" – AND – (what most miss) there was no 'death position' i.e. no 'death penalty' at Gen.12. We also have to understand that the only covenant that cannot be broken is one that 'we' (as fallible human beings) are not party to (Heb.8:8 'for finding fault with them ...'). {Search – Blood Covenant Death Position/Penalty on-line for thousands of entries.}

This is the pivot point of this 'error drama'. We must understand that a covenant is a formalized agreement. Therefore the 'oath' of Gen.12 is an autonomous (self) agreement Yahweh made to Himself. In other words, the Gen.12 'oath' is a covenant. Yahweh oathed (agreed / covenanted) to Himself 'to' bless Abraham AND his descendants; BEFORE Yahweh ever entered into covenant 'with' Abraham AND his descendants at Gen.15. Those that teach on Gen.15 usually teach the error that Abraham had nothing to do with the covenant because he was put to sleep – !Presto!; unconditional covenant – WRONG!

First of all at Gen.15:6 the uncircumcised Abram believed 'God' and it was counted to him as righteousness (Rom.4:3); right?

But at Gen.15:8 it's as if this same Abram said, 'I believe but could you sign on the dotted line'?

So – Yahweh is insuring His promises (His Gen.12 'oath' already made) to Abram (by the Gen.15 covenant) at the yet uncircumcised Abram's request (this is HIGHLY significant). Secondly at Gen.15:9-10 Abram cut the animals in half – How could anyone possibly do that without being covered in blood; the same blood that ratifies this so-called unconditional covenant? The birds are left whole – there is a huge reason for that to be explained later. Then at Gen.15:11 Abraham is tending this same pending covenant procedure scene. Sounds pretty involved in a dedicated way to me! Then at Gen.15:12 the same uncircumcised Abram was put to 'sleep'.

Paramount to superficial reasoning; the whole 'unconditional covenant' argument hinges on 'sleep' ('deep sleep' in some Bibles) from the Hebrew only meaning 'sleep' as in incoherently incapacitated i.e. conscientiously not there. The Hebrew can mean lethargy or to put into a trance like state. In this case cannot mean 'sleep' as we know it, for Gen.15:13 shows Yahweh speaking to Abram. We know that 'Yah' is not the 'author of confusion' (1Cor.14:33); there is no point to speak and demonstrate where there is no visual or audible conscious perception (Jn.8:56).

Much more substantial than the 'sleep' issue is the awareness of Gen.15:17. We usually hear that 'God walked through the pieces'; but what do the 'smoking furnace and the lighted lamp' represent? We have all heard that 'our "God" is a consuming fire' and we all know that Yahshua is the 'light of the world'. There has to be at least two parties to make this type of covenant. The covenant at Gen.15 is a two party agreement evidenced by the word 'and' at Gen.15:17 ('with'; in some Bibles). Yahweh the Father (the smoking furnace) is the party of the first part; the pre-incarnate Yahshua (Jn.8:56) is standing in for (in the place of / substitute for) Abram as the party of the second part – (still un-circumcised; name not yet changed to Abr'ah'am) AND his descendants (collectively v:18).

That means that Yahshua as Abraham's proxy (stand in / substitute) was taking on Himself the 'death penalty' for Abraham AND his descendants if they (the said same) ever broke this Gen.15 covenant. Jer.31:32 is the empirical proof that they (the descendants) did 'break' this covenant. If you fast forward that to the cross, you can see that Yahshua was scourged and beaten beyond recognition basically resembling those halved animals at Gen.15, the exact 'death penalty' for breaking the Gen.15 covenant.

So – what does that tell you? What does the crucifixion of Yahshua evidence? There was a lot of ways to die that no bones would be broken (Ps.34:20); drowned, buried alive, heart-attack, lighting, asphyxiation, herbs, poison, etc. (or shed blood for that matter). What does that tell you about the Gen.15 covenant? The point is; would you die; in that way – by beating and crucifixion; basically resembling those halved animals if the covenant that demanded that kind of death had not been broken? No? Neither would Yahshua (Mat.26:39). The Gen.15 point (understanding as the ancients would) is that there would be no reason to put any of the covenant participants to death unless that covenant had been in fact broken – as in nullified i.e. null and void! This too was Grace!

We must realize that many things intersected at the cross; Yahshua's one death simultaneously satisfied several scripturally prophetic issues. Yahshua died the death of the 'adulterous bride'; He died the death of the 'rebellious son'; He died the death for the 'sins of the whole world' and He died the death for the breaking of the Gen.15 covenant. But most importantly; He died as the spotless lamb of YHWH; His (Yahshua's) Blood shed (by scourging and crucifixion) blood ratifying the 'New Covenant' (Mt.26:24, Mk.14:26, Lk.22:20 – Jer.31:3133/Heb.8:8-10; 9:12). **{Awareness – Gen.15:17 also presents a real problem for the 'oneness' proponents.}**

So – logically the intelligent question is; how did Abraham's descendants break the so-called unbreakable-unconditional Gen.15 covenant? Jer.31:32 holds the clue; v:31 says 'I will make a New Covenant', v:32 goes on to say, 'not like I made with your fathers' who I took out of "Egypt" even though my covenant 'they brake'. The only blood-ratified covenant that these 'fathers' were physically party to was the 'Book of the Covenant' (Ex.19:5-24:8). The 'Book of the Covenant' was the "inheritance" 'answer' (Gal.3:17-18) to the Gen.15 'promise'. They (the 'fathers') did 'brake' the "inheritance" covenant ('answer') in less than 40 days (Ex.32). Which may explain why these same 'fathers' never again circumcised their children (the much hailed covenant 'entrance' sign) for the next 40 years (Jos.5:5); raising a whole new set of speculations, questions and issues (Heb.7:11-13).

Gal.3:17 frames the situation in that the 'Book of the Covenant' "inheritance" (v:18) 'answer' was "430 years" (over 4 centuries) removed from the Gen.15 'promise'. You cannot break the 430 year removed 'answer' without breaking the 'promise' itself as well. In other words; you break the answer – you break the promise. Breaking the Gen.15 'promise' had consequences – a death penalty – that Yahshua (as the Gen.15 'lighted lamp') took in our place (as descendants of Abraham – Rom.4:16). Hence; Yahshua's crucifixion all by itself is the slamdunk proof that; 1] the Gen.15 promise covenant was in fact a two party covenant 2] that was broken (as in null and void) 3] requiring the death penalty 'condition' attached to the Gen.15 covenant to be carried out i.e. enacted – Hence the 'Crucifixion'. Therefore the Gen.15 'promise' as Abram's insurance (critical awareness) is a 'conditional' covenant.

All is not lost; YHWH has a plan – is still working that plan – is still blessing Abraham and his descendants (us) – because of His 'oath' at Gen.12 not because of Gen.15. You say HUH? Look again, all the promises of Gen.12 are restated at Gen.15, that means that the promises still stand in their original Gen.12 position. So; what's the difference? The main difference is that the Gen.15 covenant had the death position; secondly it gave Yahshua the covenant legal right and standing to die in our place – the Gen.12 oath did not. Hence the Gen.15 covenant was engineered to be broken for a purpose – Yahweh's plan of salvation purpose. Yahweh foreknew that it would be broken. Yahweh Himself declared it broken at Jer.31:32. Knowing exactly what it would cost Him (that is grace). The only covenant we cannot break is the one we are not party to. The only covenant YHWH is obligated to keep is one that has never been broken (Jer.31:32). We cannot break Yahweh's oath to Himself; neither will Yahweh break Yahweh's oath to Himself.

Ps.89:34 My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips (Gen.12). We must be willing to see what Psalms 89:34 does not say; this does not say 'our', it says 'my'. Yahweh does not mince or waste words. The Sovereign of All understands the conceptual difference between what is 'my', what is 'your' and what is 'our'; – go figure. This puts such verses that say 'your new moons; your feasts (which have been profaned making it 'your') my soul hates' in a very different light. The Gen.12 'oath' is a single party "My Covenant" (Heb.6:13); Gen.15 is a two party 'our covenant' evidenced in many ways. Some we have already dealt with; the rest will be exampled in the continuing.

When a covenant (including 'blood ratified') was made it included the exchange of some few items – mostly personal effects; in the case of Gen.15 it included the exchange of name – Abram became Abr'ah'am equal (in a family covenanted sense) to Y'ah'; it included the exchange of scars – circumcision will definitely leave a mark; so will crucifixion – it included the exchange of the First Born; Abraham was to sacrifice Isaac (his only covenant heir and 1st born) – Yahweh did sacrifice Yahshua (His only begotten and 1st born) – Interestingly Yahweh calls the nation of Israel (Abraham's descendants) 'My First Born' (Ex.4:22, Jer.31:9). Further; Yahshua – YHWH's only begotten came to us through the Israelite tribe of Judah thus being Abraham's progeny (offspring) also (Abraham's 1st Born {by covenant} in the sense of preeminence not sequence).

The conditional 'our covenant' scene depicted at Gen.15 is that the halved animals are placed in such a way that the forequarters are placed on one side; aligned with the hindquarters placed on the other, leaving an aisle-way in between. This walkway is extremely significant and has to be understood in the way that the ancients would have understood it. In the way that two men of that time making this type of a blood covenant with each other would have done and understood. Walking down this aisle-way (or some assert in a figure 8 pattern) signified two things; 1] agreement to keep the covenant being made. 2] on the pain of death if either party ever broke that covenant – in other words this type of blood ratified covenant had a provision; a 'death position', a 'death penalty', a 'condition' for the non-performance (i.e. breaking) of covenant.

Yahweh; sovereign of the universe could have chosen anything, mode or conveyance – therefore is responsible like no other; chose this situation – this type of covenanting procedure as His covenant vehicle; to be preserved in recorded history for all time and beyond. Now; ask yourself – Self; why would an unconditional covenant have a contingent condition to insure that this covenant was never broken? If it (the covenant at Gen.15) in fact could never be broken?

Yahweh wastes nothing – He had a reason and a plan.

Nothing caught Him by surprise. You will not find a contingent condition attached to Gen.12; thus Yahweh's Gen.12 'oath' is 'unconditional', guaranteed by Yahweh; and in a very real (albeit augmented) sense – Satan also; who's main goal is to thwart Yahweh – subvert His plan which includes showing Him (YHWH) as a liar violating His own Word (Ps.51:4) in any way or sense possible.

It is of more than passing interest to realize that we have had evidence of the conditional nature of Gen.15 all down through our lives for centuries. Who has not heard children say, "cross my heart and hope to die"? The crossing of the heart evidences the dividing of flesh; the 'hope to die' part directly evidences a 'death penalty'! This is the exact picture, to the letter of Gen.15 and is the only place in the Bible where this situation (of Yah blood-covenanting with a man) can be found.

It is of supreme interest to realize that Father 'God' Yahweh had also gone through those pieces, laterally accepting that same 'death position'. Yahshua had accepted the 'death position' for Abraham and his Descendants. At the beginning of Yahshua's ministry, John the 'immerser' (baptist) made this most revealing statement – "behold the Lamb 'of' Yah ..." (John 1:29). When you realize the gravity of this situation it becomes paramount. Yahweh also accepted the same death position for the non-performance of covenant - the Gen.15 covenant had been broken (by the descendants) and no longer was valid to perform. But Yahweh had promised Abraham not only at Gen.12 but at Gen.15 also. Yahweh could no longer perform the Gen.15 guarantee He had promised to Abraham at Abraham's request. He could no longer make good because of the promise physically made – guaranteed by covenant 'with' Abraham at Gen.15 alone. Yahweh had also accepted the Gen.15 death penalty, that logically means that Father God Yahweh was on the hook to die. Even though Yahshua had stood in Abraham descendant's place; Yahshua was also Yahweh's kin; we were also made kin through this same covenant. Yahshua had the legal right to die for all parties – because of the covenant; and the law of the 'kinsmen redeemer' (Lev.25:25; 49). That means that Yahshua (also part of the 'Yah-head' for lack of a better term) was as much the Lamb 'for' YHWH as He was the Lamb 'of' YHWH (a HUGE Passover awareness). We receive the covenant blessing of Yahshua's sacrifice because we were (through Abraham) party to that same Gen.15 covenant; Father Yahweh was also party to that same Gen.15 covenant.

So – here it is again 'the death position' of Gen.15 a 'condition' that Yahshua accepted as Abraham's proxy; it was not for Yahweh's benefit but for ours. Again – all the promises of Gen.12 are restated in Gen.15, that means that the promises still stand in their original Gen.12 position. So; what's the difference? The Gen.15 covenant was the 'guarantee' requested by Abraham (Gen.15:8) granted by Yahweh; it contained the death position (prescribed and agreed to by Yahweh), the Gen.12 oath did not. Yahweh is a stickler for detail – plainly the 'guarantee' could no longer be 'guaranteed' via the Gen.15 covenant made 'with' Abraham at his request.

That does not preclude that Abraham and his descendants do continue to be blessed via the 'unconditional' Gen.12 'oath' – a 'vowed' covenant blessing 'to' Abraham (not 'with' Abraham).

As stated; Yahweh is a stickler for detail. We cannot intelligently ignore Yahweh's attention to detail. As you will remember; Abraham cut the animals in half; but the birds he left whole (Gen.15:10) – there is a huge reason for that. There was many prophesies concerning Yahshua's crucifixion; they all had to be fulfilled to the letter. One in particular was that no bones would be 'broken' (Ps.34:20) as stated Yahshua also had to die resembling the animals of the Gen.15 covenant. It is self-apparent that you cannot cut an animal in half without severing bones. That means that if the birds had not been left 'whole', then Yahshua along with dying for our sins in respect to all these other considerations would have had to also have been cut in half. We must be aware that there were options; granted, they were not good options – it still resulted in death; but there were options nonetheless.

For the Jews (generally) and the Messianic that teach the Jews still have a valid Sinai covenant (and with it a valid Gen.15 'Abrahamic' covenant); some key factors have to be either ignored, constantly over looked or explained away; at least in favor of the protected belief. Certainly everything I have presented thus far must be scrapped, to continue to believe what has always been believed. That basically is the notion asserted by proponents that 'new' (from 'chadash' 2318 & 2319) of the 'new covenant' or 'Brit-ha-Dasha' (from Jer.31:31-33) means only 're-New-ed' as in 'the same'. The problem is that can mean by definition both 'new' and 're-New-ed'. To accept to only mean 're-New-ed' (i.e. the same) necessarily requires that proponents of this notion ignore the verbiage ("not like") within the very 'proof-text' (Jer.31:3133) sighted.

2Cor.3:11-13 showcases the problem; v:11 speaks of 'remains'; we intelligently know that 'remain' cannot be 'remain' unless it was established before. Laterally there is no point to use 'remain' as an informational awareness unless something did not 'remain'.

They are both valid; this is not an 'either – or' situation as in Greek 'Step Logic'; it is a 'both – and' situation that is common in Hebrew 'Block Logic'. Further; for 'remain' to make sense there had to also have been casualties – things that did not 'remain'. This point is punctuated at v:13 in the word 'abolished'. Now the problem is laid bare; if we say 're-New-ed' as in 'the same', we are ignoring 'new' as in "not like" (some Bibles say 'not according to' – Jer.31:32). If we say conversely only 'new' (as in brand new) we are ignoring 're-New-ed' in the verbiage 'My Torah' (law – Jer.31:33, Gen.26:5) as in the same i.e. unchanged.

For those that will pounce on my use of "same i.e. unchanged"; my usage would be inclusive of all Torah (as in 'instruction') inclusive of all pivot points and evidence of pending future "till Shiloh come"/"Messianic" transition i.e. 'reformation' (Gen.49:10); "change" (Heb.7:11-13; 9:10) that have always been there (2Cor.3:13) in the accounts of Torah.

We must guard against the cafeteria mind-set of pick and choose; an enee-menee-mineemoe; I like this verse but this one's gotta go, mentality. It's cousin is no better; tic tac toe, I accept Yahshua, but Paul's a lying anti-law so and so (read Jn.16:12/Gal.1:11- 12; Heb.5:12-13). Plainly; It is the ignoring, diminishing or out-right denial of "Messianic reformation" (Heb.9:10) that identically tracks the Torah pronouncement account of Jacob/Israel (Gen.49:10) that facilitates the acceptance of the notion that there remains a valid covenant (involving both the Gen.15 Abraham, Gen.17 circumcision and Ex.19 Book of the Covenant) for 'the Jews' (more correctly – the House of Judah), laterally being valid alongside the New Covenant for non-Jews.

This two buses out of town notion flies in the face of Yahshua being the 'only' way (Jn.14:6). With some few actually coming from the Christian Church, finding the Hebrew roots of the Christian faith – becoming enamored with all the trappings and literature of either Rabbinic Orthodox, Conservative or Reform Judaism (usually through Messianic Judaism); in some (dare I say most) cases these 'few' go on to take the vow of Judaism turning their back on Yahshua and the New Testament in favor of this 'other way'.

'Messianic Reformation' is not solely a New Testament concept; Jacob (Israel) referenced its validity at Gen.49:10 (during the pronouncements on the 12 sons) in the words, "till Shiloh come" – 'Shiloh' by Hebrew definition is "an epithet of Messiah" clearly referencing a 'pivot point' i.e. a pending change, the apex of many changes (Col.2:14; Eph.2:15-16; Heb.7:11-13; 2Cor.3:11-13, etc.); that have always been evidenced in the Torah recorded by the hand of Moses at the mouth of Yahweh (Acts 15:19-21).

All sides of this issue have an inherent problem. For the Jews and Messianics that resist anything akin to new or change; saying 'there is no change' must square with all the Old and New Testament verses to the opposite. For the Christians that say 'it all changed'; they again must square with all the Old and New Testament verses to the opposite. Basically one group wants it all; the other group doesn't want it at all; but Paul lead by Yahshua (Gal.1:11-12) identifies a mid-position that includes awareness concerning proper understanding of the Melchizedek and Levitical Priesthoods, various Covenants and various Laws that can be proven by accounts and texts of Torah. What is crystal clear and self-apparent is that the Rabbi Sha`ul (alias the Apostle Paul) would've never gotten that knowledge from Rabbi School. He had to come across it as he said; at Gal.1:11-12 at the mouth of Yahshua (Jn.16:12). It is also as clear that none of the other writing Apostles (Mat., Mark, [Luke], John, Peter) gave the Torah Covenant evidence that Paul did.

In more than just a few cases; especially when it comes to the errors of Covenant and Law – Paul is an equal opportunity offender

So; Lets recap and let me clearly capsulize what is consistent concerning the Covenant and its 'Death Position' of Gen.15 and what it afforded the 'Yah-head' and 'Us' as Abr'ah'am's descendants through the uncircumcised Abram. It afforded the legal right for;

- 1] YHWH to guarantee His Gen.12 promise already made 'oath' to the uncircumcised Abram
- 2] YHWH to family with the uncircumcised Abram
- 3] YHWH to family with the uncircumcised Abram's descendants (us)
- 4] YHWH to exchange names with the uncircumcised Abram
- 5] YHWH to exchange the 'Firstborn' with the uncircumcised Abram
- 6] YHWH to change the uncircumcised Abram's name to Abr'ah'am
- 7] YHWH to command the yet uncircumcised Abraham to circumcise
- 8] YHWH to require Abraham to sacrifice Isaac (Abraham's Covenant Heir and Firstborn)
- 9] YHWH to rescue 'Isaac' and "provide himself a lamb" (a multi layered significance Gen.22:8)
- 10] YHWH to 'instruct' Abraham (Gen.18:19) to 'instruct' his (now YHWH's) descendants
- 11] Father 'God' YHWH (as the 'burning furnace') to legally have to die (a maneuver) (only for His 'guarantee' to Abram at Abram's request being broken [Jer.31:32])
- 12] Yahshua (as the 'lighted lamp') to poxy for Abraham and his descendants [us] (a maneuver)
- 13] Yahshua to legally have to die if the Gen.15 covenant was ever broken [Jer.31:32] (a maneuver)

- 14] Yahshua to legally die in the place of Abraham and his descendants [us] (a maneuver)
- 15] Yahshua to legally die in the place of ('for')YHWH as his next of kin 'goel' redeemer (a maneuver)
- 16] Yahshua to legally die for 'us' (as covenant family) as our 'goel' kinsmen redeemer also (a maneuver)

('goel' kinsmen redeemer {Lev.25:49}Hence – "the lamb 'of' Yahweh"; see #9)

- 17] Yahshua to resemble the 'halved animals' at Gen.15
- 18] Yahshua not to be cut in half (whole dove & pigeon Gen.15:9-10)
- 19] Yahshua to be the 'once for all', 'all in all' sacrifice (Heb.10:10; 1Cor.15:28; Eph.1:23, etc.)

That 'legal right' to die (an orchestrated maneuver) could have not happened without the 'breaking' of the Gen.15 covenant that required a death for the legal breaking of covenant. Therefore Gen.15 is a conditional covenant. The proof has always been there. What is so amazing is that 20] Yahweh had the legal right to declare the 'Book of the Covenant' (i.e. the answer 'Inheritance' [Gal.3:17-18] Covenant) 'broken'; knowing exactly what that meant (laterally breaking the Gen.15 Promise Covenant). Knowing it would cost Him Personally; in the death of His 'only begotten' hence 'firstborn' Son – Yahshua. When YHWH declared the answer covenant 'broken' (Jer.31:32); that put the required Gen.15 promise covenant 'death penalty' into motion – it had been freely and legally 'in covenant' accepted by YHWH and Yahshua – it had to be legally carried out, legally executed and legally fulfilled.

It was involved; it was complex – having to legally orchestrate and provide for all contingencies and considerations down through the centuries would be. It was part of the eternal salvation plan from the beginning (even before Jn.1:1). Only an eternal YHWH could have known enough and seen enough down through the annals of time to do such a thing from the beginning. We must realize that this 'maneuver' also had to 'fool' Satan (that knows more scripture than you or I); in that Satan would not have known fully what he was looking at, what to expect or how to respond. He (Satan) would never have allowed the crucifixion if he had.

YHWH was very shrewd, Satan knew what blood covenanting meant. Satan's whole thing is to kill and destroy. A blood covenant in many cases meant that the offender's whole family would be killed (please feel free to research this at the library or online).

But YHWH (Yahshua's father) went through the same covenant aisle way; meaning HE (YHWH) had legally accepted the same covenant death giving Him (YHWH) the legal right to legally send a next-of-kin family member (in this case Yahshua His own Son) as His (YHWH's) go'el kinsmen redeemer. If Yahweh had not indentured Himself to that same covenant with the same covenant death position, He (YHWH) would have had no legal covenant right (pursuant to that particular covenant) to send Yahshua as His go'el to die in His place for a covenant He (YHWH) would then not legally be participant party to. For then YHWH; a member of Yahshua's immediate family (just as members of other participant's family of other blood covenants of that time) could be put to death without a legal remedy; without a legal recourse. (Only those involved could do the killing; Satan not having that right committed murder.)

This is a huge awareness; YHWH and Yahshua both remain blameless. YHWH and Yahshua had to die (pursuant to the Gen.15 covenant) for different reasons. Yahshua stood in as Abram's proxy (substitute) this included Abr'ah'am's descendants. The descendant's did break the covenant answer which also broke the covenant promise. In other words Abr'ah'am's descendants did brake the covenant; Yahshua accepting that position had to die. Yahweh also had to die because of the Gen.15 covenant being his insurance to Abr'ah'am at Abr'ah'am's request was no longer valid because Abr'ah'am's descendants did brake the covenant.

Same 'brake' causing different reasons. This different reason gave YHWH the legal standing and right to send His go'el (Yahshua) in His (YHWH's) place.

Yahshua then had the singularly unique covenant standing and position (albeit dubious) to die for all parties concerned.

He (Satan) thought he had YHWH and Yahshua in a no win situation – he did not. Satan thought he would be rid of them and take over – but once he (Satan) had committed he had no legal complaint. It was not a take away; it was the plan. It had to work just that one way – that is the main reason why Yahshua could say that He (alone) was the 'only' way (Jn.14:6). That is the very reason why 'this cup' could not pass from Yahshua; for there was no other way (Mat.26:39; 42). YHWH wants desperately to extend salvation to all – YHWH is Love; YHWH is also the supreme Law giver and the supreme Law keeper. So; He has to extend all that is salvation in a legal way. A way that will not violate either; His Love, His Justice, His Mercy, His Law and/or His Covenant or His 'Oath'.

Conclusion – The 'death penalty' of Gen.15 is an integral part of YHWH's plan of salvation. It renders the 'promise covenant' of Gen.15 a 'conditional' covenant. That 'condition' (i.e. the death position) had to be executed and is the key component that cements many other components and issues together as covenantally and legally viable.

Ps.51:4 ' ... that you may be found righteous when you speak and blameless when you judge.' Realization – The Gen.15 'Promise' was laterally broken by the breaking of the 'Book of the Covenant' (Ex.19:5 – 24:8) 'Answer' ('inheritance' – Gal.3:17-18/Jer.31:32). Circumcision of Gen.17 was the subsequent (post Gen.15) entrance 'sign' to enter these same covenants (Gen.15 The 'Promise' & Ex.19:5–24:8 The 'Answer'). Once YHWH declared them 'broken' (through the "inheritance" – Gal.3:18; 'answer' – Jer.31:32) it rendered the circumcision entrance 'sign' null & void. That is Paul's point at Rom.2:25. It also renders all other 'Pauline' verses concerning physical uncircumcision as valid. Answer for yourself; what covenant was there left to circumcise into? These same two that YHWH Himself declared and evidences as broken?

You that have or will circumcise for conscience sake being convinced to do so; or those that did not have this information when that decision was made; (including those that will disregard all the evidence to the contrary and teach physical circumcision anyway); I am not nor will I ever assume to level an accusation against you in the direction of your salvation. I would warn however; that neither do you have the right to elevate yourselves and/or level an accusation

against those that do not share your belief; in the direction of their salvation or eligibility. YHWH is sovereign; you are not.

Medically physical circumcision is the healthiest for all concerned – male and female. That notwithstanding; physical circumcision is not (as in no longer) a New/reNewed Covenant salvation issue (2Cor.3:11-13). Acts 15 showcases the situation. I do realize that it is only the honest that are willing to be as Acts 17:11 instructs. Still we cannot personally (or listen to those that) play a version of Bible tic tac toe; I like this verse but this one's gotta go. We must realize that as in nature survival so it is in the Bible (2Pt.3:16) – there are 2 reasons why people get and stay lost; 1] no remembered awareness (a boulder, meadow, steam or etc. crossed before), 2] disregarding those things that would indicate direction. (river flow, shadow cast, Sunrise, etc.)

Three things I have learned in my life – 1] Repetition will never make a lie a Truth; 2] Volume will never make a lie a Truth; 3] Ignoring the details of Truth will never make you honest.

These 'details' in Scripture are in your Bible for a reason.

Prv.25:2 "It is the glory of YHWH to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings to search out a matter."

Gal.5:11 "And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? Then is the offense of the cross ceased? :12 I would they were even cut off (apokopto – amputate/emasculate) which trouble you."

The only circumcision that 'remains' (2Cor.3:11) is the one that really mattered – 'circumcision of the heart'.

(Gen.15:6 – the physically uncircumcised Abram and all those physically uncircumcised 'righteous' before)

Hebraically; If you want to know the future look to the beginning.

Study diligently; I can't exercise your senses for you – search your Bible and see if these things are so!

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