

Don't ask WWJD, Just DWYD (Do What Yeshua Did)

II Thess. 2:3 “Let no man deceive you by any means: for except there come a falling away first, and that the man of sin revealed...”

I Jn.3:4 Defines what sin is. “Whoever commits sin transgresses also the law (Torah) for sin is the transgression of the law (Torah).”

Mt.7:21-23 “Not everyone that says, “Lord, Lord,” shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that does the will of my Father which is in heaven.”

What is the will of the Father? Torah!

V.22 Many will say to me in that day, “Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your Name? And in Your Name cast out demons? And in Your Name done wonderful works?” v.23 And then I will profess unto them, “I never knew (Hebrew: have been intimate with) you: depart from me you that work iniquity (Torahlessness).”

Iniquity is defined as, “Lawlessness” (Torahlessness) Greek: Anomia. A= Anti, against or another. Nomia= law. (Strong's: 458)

The “Jesus” of Catholicism and Christianity is seen as a Leonardo Divinci painting, Hellenistic, Greco-Roman looking, toga wearing, longhaired, fair skinned, blue eyed, British speaking, zombified, hippy guru, rebel, who came and did away with Torah, and started a strange new religion. Like a bad, “Queer Eye for the Straight Guy” make over, they have turned Yeshua into something He is not.

It’s like calling Dr. Phil the Messiah yet painting him to look like Sigmund Freud, and taking, and reading Dr. Phil’s book and yet not doing one thing he said to do, and on top of that interpret what he has said to say something entirely different from what he meant.

This is NOT my Messiah! This is NOT the Jews’ Messiah! I hope that it is not YOUR Messiah. This according to II Thess. 2:3-12, is a description of the anti-Messiah! It is no wonder that the Jewish people will not accept this “Jesus” as the Messiah. And rightly so, because He is NOT! The Jews look at the Tanak (“Old Testament”) and it tells what their Messiah is supposed to be like, and they see the “Jesus” portrayed in Catholicism and Christianity, and immediately dismiss him. Why? Because the “Jesus” they see does not line up with the Torah.

Most Catholics and Christians today believe and claim that the Law has been abolished by the work of Christ on the cross. However, this “Christ” Himself, who died on that cross, said this about the Law.

Mt.5:17-20 “Think not that I am come to destroy the Law (Torah) or the Prophets: (Nevi'im) (Both are the Tanak or the “Old Testament”) I am not come to destroy but to fulfill.” The word fulfill in v.17 does NOT mean, to complete, as in to put an end to something. It DOES mean to fill up, to bring and render its full and complete meaning, to perform. In other words, Yeshua came to show us the true meaning of the Torah so we could live it out as He did. In Yeshiva, when Jewish students are learning to interpret Torah, in Yeshua’s day and now, a Rabbi would give a passage for the students to interpret and the students would go away and hash out the passage, and then would come back to the Rabbi, excited and full of zeal, and say, “Rabbi, this is what this passage means!” If they would give a wrong answer, the Rabbi would say, “No, you have abolished or made void the Torah by your interpretation!” Then the students would go and study the passage again and come back meeker and say, “Rabbi, we believe the passage means this.” If they were correct the Rabbi would say, “Well done, you have brought fulfillment to the Torah, you have given this passage its full and correct meaning.” I believe that this known custom is what Yeshiva was drawing from when He said this. V.18 For verily (Truly, Most assuredly) I say unto you, till heaven and earth pass...[Get up

right now and look out side. Is the sky still up there? Is the earth still out there?]. . .not one jot. . . (Jot is Yod in Hebrew, the smallest letter, looks like an apostrophe.) . . .or one tittle. . .(Tittle is the tiniest extension of the Hebrew letter Dalet, that differentiates it from another similar Hebrew letter, the Resh. It can also refer to the decorative flare on any given Hebrew letter.) . . .shall in NO wise pass from the Law (Torah) till ALL be fulfilled (performed fully).

“Some understanding of Yeshua's words needs to be expressed. The terms 'destroy the law' and 'fulfill the law' are Pharisaic arguments. When someone disagrees with a Torah teacher they accused him of '*destroying the law*' even on a little point. Usually the teacher will respond that he is '*fulfilling the law*' by correctly interpreting it. Thus Yeshua was responding to those who disagreed with his teaching by saying that he was correctly interpreting or establishing the law and thus, 'fulfilling the law'. Yeshua said that not one jot (an apostrophe-like a Hebrew letter known as a yod) or a tittle (a Hebrew decoration atop the letter) would pass away until heaven and earth pass. Since Heaven and Earth are still here in its current form, I would say that the Torah is still in effect. Verse 19 is a sobering warning to those who teach others to break any commandment in the Torah. To teach others to break even the least of these commandments would result in being called the least in the kingdom of God. This is one example of what can happen when teaching others to break God's Torah. God did not say they will lose their

salvation, but they will still pay a price. God help those who are teaching others to break the larger Torah commandments. By the way the least of the commandments is mentioned in Deut 22:6-7. It was forbidden to take the mother bird and her offspring at the same time for food. Later this was also taught that you could not even take the eggs or offspring in front of the mother bird. This showed God's compassion to ease the anguish of animals when they lose their young. The last part of Yeshua's teaching here says that if you do and teach the Torah, you shall be great in the kingdom of God. Let us be careful not to condemn the Torah as so many have and teach it instead.

Remember that Yeshua was an observant Jew. He was sinless. If he violated any part of Torah he would not have been sinless and thus could not be the Lamb of God. Yeshua followed the Torah perfectly!” – Law vs. Grace by Rev. Allan Moorehead

V.19 Whosoever therefore shall break (Greek: to loose or destroy) one of the least commandments (according to the rabbinical sages of blessed memory, Deuteronomy 22:6 is the least of all commandments, concerning the disturbance of a birds nest), and teaches men so... (“Ah, go ahead, it’s alright, we’re not under the Law anymore, but under grace.”) ..he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall DO and TEACH; the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. V.20 For I say

unto you that except your righteousness ... (Not the righteousness of Messiah bestowed upon a believer, but YOUR righteousness, meaning your works!)... shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees... (Performing all the commandments with ALL your heart and mean it! Not only on the outside, but on the inside as well)... you will in no wise enter the kingdom of heaven. V. 20 of Matthew 5 mentions righteousness and connects it with works. Although we are not saved by works, but by faith in Messiah's sacrificial death in our place, we must prove, show, and back up our faith by our faith-full-ness to His Torah. Speaking of Torah, Yeshua said in John 5:46-47, "For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me, (The Living Torah) for he wrote about Me. But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe My words (Which are no different from the Written Torah)?"

John 14:15 "If you love Me, keep My commandments." Messiah and YHWH are one (Jn.17) so Yeshua's commandments are no different from YHWH the Father's. So Yeshua did not teach anything new, He just taught Torah, and taught us how to live it correctly.

James 1:22 "Be DOERS of the WORD (Torah) and not hearers only..." v25b "...a DOER of the word, this man will be blessed in his deed." (Deut.27-28) James 2:17-18 "Even so FAITH, if it hath not WORKS is dead being alone. Yes, a man may say, "You have

faith, I have works: show me your faith without works, and I will show you my faith BY my works.””

Yeshua and all the apostles were Torah observant, and because Yeshua was Torah observant, I don't have to ask myself, W.W.J.D.? I simply D.W.Y.D.! (Do What Yeshua Did!)

- He was circumcised. Lk. 12:21
- He was dedicated and named at his circumcision. Lk. 2:22-24,39-40
- He kept the feasts. Lk. 2:4, 9:28-36 Jn. 10:22-23
- He was Torah trained. Lk. 2:46-52
- He was “mikvahed”. (baptized) Mt. 3:13-17
- He kept Sabbath. Lk.4:14-21
- He went to the Temple. Lk. 19:47
- He went to the Synagogue. Lk. 4:16,44
- He read and taught a portion of the annual Torah and prophetic reading cycle. (Parashat) Lk. 4:14-21

- He most likely prayed the ancient set of Jewish prayers, prayed 3x a day, and called the “Amidah” meaning, “To stand.” He refers to this very prayer in Mark 11:25-26, “When you STAND to pray....”
- He said the Shema the Jewish declaration of YHWH’s Oneness said every day by faithful Jews, from Duet. 6:4: Mark 12:29,30.
- He was a Rabbi. Lk. 10:25-28, Jn. 20:16
- He taught Torah. Lk. 24:44-45
- He wore tzitzit. (fringes) Lk. 8:43-44, Jn. 19:23-24
- He kept Torah. Jn. 15:10
- He taught us to live out Torah. Mt. 5:17-20, Jn. 14:15, Lk. 5:14
- He lived and died as a Jew. Jn. 20:6-8, 19:40
- He left as a Jew. Lk. 24:50-51
- He is returning as a Jew. Rev. 19:13,16

- He will reign forever as the Jewish Messiah. Rev.21:1-6, 22:3-5

There were two schools of Jewish thought. The school of Hillel and the school of Shami. Hillel was conservative. Shami was ultra conservative. Yeshua sided with Hillel and agreed with everything the Pharisees (which was from the school of Hillel) taught, except, on the issue of divorce, (Mt. 19:1-9) and the issue of tradition, oral torah, rabbinic law, which nullified the Torah. (Mk. 7:1-13) Yeshua even kept traditions except when it conflicted with Torah itself. (Lk. 2:52) During the “Last Supper” Messiah held a Passover Seder for His Talmidim (disciples) and made the *traditional* blessings over the tirosh (non alcoholic grape juice) and matzah, (for everything even the wine was without yeast or leaven) and followed the *traditional* order of the Passover Seder haggadah (the program and order of the Seder).

All of the apostles were Torah observant; all His followers were Torah observant as well. Let’s take a look. Acts 21:20 talks about how they were all ZEALOUS for the TORAH!

Jim Myers has this to say concerning the early Jewish believers in Messiah Yeshua, from his article, “Would Your Church Really Allow You To Be Like Jesus?” Found at: <http://www.biblicalheritage.org/Jesus/would.htm>

“The book of Acts provides us with some very valuable information. Acts 21:17-25 records Paul's return to Jerusalem and his meeting with the leaders of the "church." Keep in mind that these were the men who had been personally taught by and lived with Jesus. Their words provide us with some very enlightening information. The translation given below is based on a cultural and historical methodology. Your translation most probably reflects the doctrines of the Roman church and therefore may differ.

"You see, brother, how many thousands of Jews have become faithful (observant). All of them are zealous for the Torah (Law). They have been informed that you have taught the Jews of the Diaspora to not keep the Torah, that they should not circumcise their children or live according to the Jewish religion.... Take these men and do the following... so that everybody will know that there is no truth in these reports about your teachings, but that you yourself are living an observant lifestyle and keeping the Torah."

A quick summary provides us with some very significant information. Is your church producing the same results?

(1) Jews became more faithful (observant) Jews because of the message.

(2) They became zealous for the Torah (Law).

(3) They kept the Laws of Moses (the Torah).

(4) They circumcised their children.

(5) They lived according to the traditions (Jewish religion).

Notice that Paul did as he was requested - he wasn't teaching the Jews to abandon their religion. Paul was "under the law" and lived an observant lifestyle. How then could he have been the author of a doctrine that advocated rejecting the law?

I don't mean to linger on this point forever, but are you really getting the importance of this message?

(1) The message of the apostles caused Jews to repent and become observant Jews who practiced Judaism faithfully.

(2) The apostles were causing Jews to become eager for the Torah and to pursue it with fervor. It is clear that they were not teaching them that "they were under grace and no longer under

the law." This one point is in complete opposition to most fundamental teaching of every modern Christian doctrine.

(3) The Jewish members of the early church continued to circumcise their children. In other words, they continued to see themselves as participants in the Abrahamic Covenant, just as every practicing Jew does today. Their children were Jews, not members of some new mystical religion that replaced Judaism.

(4) The Jewish members of the early church continued to practice Judaism. They did not switch to a new religion.”

Further examples of the Torah observant lifestyle of the apostles:

Kefa (Peter) – prayed Mincha (afternoon) prayers and he kept kosher. (Acts 10)

Rav Sha’ul (Paul) – said “I am (not was) a Pharisee...” He kept the traditions and customs of the Jewish people. (Acts 23:5-6, 28:17)

He made an offering after Yeshua’s death and resurrection. (Acts 21:17-26)

One day the temple will be rebuilt and sacrifices will resume. During the millennial reign of Messiah, everyone will keep the feasts. (Is.66:22-24) Yeshua said he didn't come for the ones who were already keeping Torah. He came for the ones who did not keep Torah. (Mt. 9:9-13, Mk. 2:13-17, Lk. 5:27-32) These are but a few examples:

Daniel 7:25 is giving a description of the Anti (against or another)-Messiah.

“He shall speak great words against the Most High (How? By speaking against His Words, His Torah!) and shall wear out the saints of the Most High and think to change TIMES (the Feast of the L-RD) and LAWS (Torah) (Forbidding Sabbath observance and Biblical Festivals, and enforcing Christianized pagan holidays, like Christmas and Easter just like the “Christian” Roman Emperor Constantine did! May his name and memory be erased!), and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of times.”

How many Catholics and Christians today are Torah observant? How many keep all of the Feasts commanded by YHWH in Leviticus 23? Almost none! Most Catholics and Christians keep Sunday, not Sabbath. Most Catholics and Christians go by a Roman solar calendar, instead of the traditional Hebrew lunar one. Most

Catholics and Christians keep pagan rooted holidays (Christmas and Easter etc.) instead of the Feasts of the YHWH.

The Anti-Messiah (Anti-Christ) is called the man of lawlessness or we could say, Torahlessness. (2 Thes. 2:3-12) Because of this, I believe many Catholics and Christians will be deceived. He will agree with the majority of Catholicism and Christianity and say that the Torah has been done away with. Remember, sin is anything against the Torah, (I Jn.3:4) Elohim's standards for holiness.

Matthew 24:24 tells that the Anti-Messiah (if it were possible will deceive the very elect!) will not show up with horns, pitchfork, pointed tail, with 666 blazing across his forehead. He could not fool anyone like that. No, he will look just like the "Jesus" of Catholicism and Christianity, working miracles, making peace everywhere, changing laws and holy day observances, making Temple worship to cease as if to say, "I am the Messiah. You don't have to sacrifice anymore, I'm here, and I have fulfilled it all!" (Mt. 24:15, Dan. 9:27; 12:11) All because Most Catholics and Christians believe today that most, if not all, the Torah was done away with in the death of Christ. NO! The penalty of death has been done away with, NOT the LAW itself! (Rm.7:7-13; 24-25)

Matthew 5:17-20 paints the TRUE picture of the Messiah, that non-believing Jews NEED and MUST see! Are you "Taking YHWH's Name in vain" by living like the Catholic and Christian "Jesus",

contrary to His Word, Thus Soiling His Name? Or, are you living like Yeshua, the Jewish, Torah observant Messiah? Will you, “Let your light so shine before men, that they may SEE YOUR good WORKS, and glorify your Father in heaven.” (Mt.5:16)

So, is “Jesus” the Anti-Christ? Well, that depends on how YOU present Him.

So what is the Jewish Messiah *REALLY* like? Let’s take a look...