

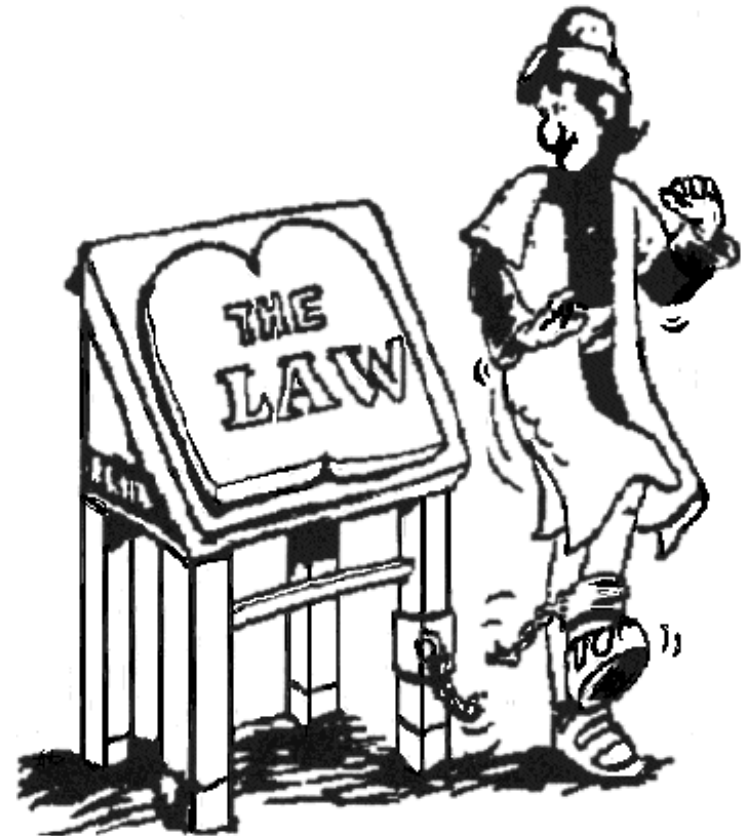
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THE CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE OF THE LAW:

(1) Law is in contrast with grace. Under the latter God bestows the righteousness which, under law, He demanded.

(Ex. 19:5; John 1. 17; Rom. 3.. 21,
NOTE: 10. 3-10; 1 Cor. 1. 30)

(2) The law is, in itself, holy, just, good, and Spiritual.

(Rom. 7 12-14)

(3) Before the law the whole world is guilty and the law is therefore of necessity a ministry of condemnation, death, and the divine curse.

(Rom.3:19; IICor.3:7-9; Gal.3:10;)

(4) Christ bore the curse of the law, and redeemed the believer both from the curse and from the dominion of law.

(Gal. 3:13; 4:5-7).

(5) Law neither justifies the sinner nor sanctifies a believer.

(Gal. 2:16; 3:2, 3, 11, 12).

(6) The believer is both dead to the law and redeemed from it, so that he is not

*“not under the law,
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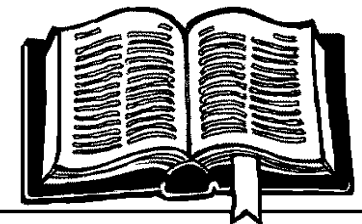
(Rom.6:14;7:4; Gal 2:19; 4: 4 -7;
1 Tim. 1:8-9).

(7) Under the new covenant of grace the principle of obedience to the divine will is inwrought. (Heb. 10. 16) So far is the life of the believer from the anarchy of self-will that he is “inlawed to Christ” (1 Cor.9:21;), and the new “law of Christ” (Gal. 6:2; 2 John 5) is his delight, while, through the indwelling Spirit, the righteousness of the law is fulfilled in him.

(Rom. 8. 2-4;Gal. 5. 16-18).

INSTRUCTION
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(2 Tim.3:16; Rom. 13. 8-10;
Eph. 6. 1-3; ICor. 9:8,9)



There are two kinds of "religions" one is Legal bondage, and one is Gospel Grace Which one do you live by, works or fruit?

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THE LAW IS A HARD TASKMASTER, IT SAYS DO THIS AND YOU WILL LIVE.	THE BLESSED GOSPEL OF CHRIST SAYS, LIVE, AND THEN YOU CAN DO.
THE LAW DEMANDS THAT PAYMENT BE MADE FOR WHAT YOU OWE.	THE GOSPEL SAYS, FORGIVENESS OF ALL SIN.
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THE LAW IS DEATH BECAUSE IT SAYS, "CURSED IS EVERY ONE WHO CONTINUETH NOT IN ALL THINGS WRITTEN IN THE BOOK OF THE LAW TO DO THEM."	THE GOSPEL SAYS. "BLESSED IS THE MAN WHOSE INIQUITIES ARE FORGIVEN, AND WHOSE SINS ARE COVERED."
THE LAW ROARS AT THE SINNER, THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH.	THE GOSPEL IS GIFT. "THE GIFT OF GOD IS ETERNAL LIFE THROUGH CHRIST JESUS OUR LORD."
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THE LAW SAYS DO, TO THE UNWILLING, UNCHANGED SLAVE OR BONDSERVANT.	THE GOSPEL SAYS DONE. THE GOSPEL WINS THE FREE-WILL, LOVING SERVICE OF A SON AND FREEMAN, IN A FILIAL RELATIONSHIP OF LOVE.
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THE LAW HAS A GREAT BIG "IF".	THE GOSPEL SAYS, "THEREFORE".
THE LAW WAS PUT INTO PLACE TO RESTRAIN THE CARNAL, OLD MAN OF SIN.	THE GOSPEL WAS GIVEN TO GIVE LIBERTY TO THE NEW MAN.
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THE MOSAIC LAW ~ SHOULD CHRISTIANS KEEP IT?

MINI-DESPATCH

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**From W.B. Howard,
Editor of Despatch magazine.**

The One World Church will join all in syncretism, the Noahide Laws of the Gnostic Jews are already playing a massive role in the set-up of the N.W.O.

The World Council of Churches, the Roman Catholic Church, and many organisations of the United Religions are becoming increasingly Jewish in orientation, even embracing a Year of Jubilee, and planning to keep the Sabbath. CONSTANCE CUMBEY, has written in her book, **A PLANNED DECEPTION**, of the Year of Jubilee. Here is a quote from that book which shows the strange relationship between the New Age and the Old Testament religious laws:

"...a teaching which indeed did parallel the Aquarian teaching of the Age of Aquarius - the Old Testament Year of Jubilee, as well as the Feast of Tabernacles. The Year of Jubilee paralleled the redistribution of the world's wealth. The Feast of Tabernacles was the equivalent of the coming together

Christians must not return to the Mosaic Law as a basis for righteousness in the Church Age. It is a departure from the New Testament faith. Also the doctrine which teaches that the Mosaic Law should be used by the Gentile nations is NOT scripturally correct. This is mixing law and grace in a most unsound manner, a very dangerous doctrine, as the Reconstructionists are also doing the same.

The book, Harvest by Rick Joyner (a compromiser with the New Agers, by the way), stresses that Israel and the Church will become one loaf and take dominion over the planet, for example.

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Mackey further identifies Noah as the originator of a mystery religion known as the Arkite Worship.

"The influence of Noah on Masonic doctrine is to be traced to the almost universal belief of men in the events of the deluge, and a consequent establishment in many nations of a system of religion known to ethnologists as the 'Arkite Worship... Hence arose that system known to modern scholars as the 'Arkite Worship' in whose rites and mysteries, which were eventually communicated to the other ancient religions. There were always some allusions to the events of the Noachic flood - to the Ark, as the WOMB OF NATURE, to the eight persons saved in it, as the Ogdoad or sacred number - and to the renovation of the world, as symbolizing the passage from death to immortal life." 10.

Regarding Arkite Worship, the Watch Unto Prayer report A Sacred Assembly, explains the blasphemous Kabbalist doctrine that the Holy of Holies within the Jerusalem Temple is the "womb of nature" (Hat-hor) or Isis. It is from this Kabbalistic interpretation of Scripture that Freemasonry derived its initiation rite of the third degree, in which the Master Mason is baptized into the death of Osiris and resurrected to immortality.

Prince Adept, Albert Mackey, wrote that Masons are required by the Old Charges to obey the precepts of Noah

as "the Moral Law," i.e., "that religion in which all men agree."

"...(A) revision of the Old Charges...contained this passage: 'A Mason is obliged by his tenure to obey the Moral Law.' In the edition of 1738, Dr. Anderson has, without authority, completed the sentence by adding the words, 'As a true Noachida. ...the only religious laws which a Freemason is required to obey are those which are contained in the code that has been attributed to Noah. This sentiment is still further expressed toward the close of the 'Old Charges' where it is said that the Mason is obliged only 'to that religion in which all men agree,' excluding therefore atheism and requiring the observance of such simple laws of morality as are enjoined in the precepts of Noah." 11.

A History of English Freemasonry web site defines the Old Charges of Freemasonry as the moral "duties" of the Mason: *"These are parchment rolls up to nine feet in length or paper sheets formed into notebooks containing a legendary history of the mason trade and Charges reciting the duties of a mason to his God, his master, his craft and his fellows."*

Chabad Lubavitch explains that the children of Noah are the Gentiles:

"With respect G-d's commandments, all of humanity is divided into two general classifications - the Children of Israel and the Children of Noah. The Children of Is-

of the respectability and soundness of what I am writing).

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

"Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach [them], the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed [the righteousness] of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven."

(Matthew 5:19,20).

It surely does not mean that Christians must return to the Law of Moses - not the ceremonial law, or the moral law. A Christian does not enter the Kingdom of Heaven by keeping ANY law, CHRIST Himself filled up the law by His perfect substitutionary Life and death. By God's grace, HIS righteousness is imputed to our account. But, your righteousness refers to our own, progressive righteousness also, received from the Lord Himself (1 Cor. 1: 30-31). Our standard, in the Church Age, is much higher than the scribes and pharisees, it is the New in Christ Jesus,

not the old. The New Testament standard is the fullness of the Life of Christ - far superior to the Old Law. Jesus was the One Who exceeded the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees. He perfectly fulfilled the Law for us. His teaching by promulgating an ethic of love fulfils the Law, and in His death He fulfilled the Law by **"exhausting its sanctions."**

"And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. "

(Romans 8:10).

WHAT ABOUT MATTHEW 5:18?

"...till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle shall in way pass away from the law, till all things be accomplished."

Christ Jesus told His disciples that the law must be fulfilled in HIM. He brought His redemption to all who believe, they came from the place of servants under the Law to sons (Galatians 4:1-7).

In His death **"all things were accomplished"** and He established the **"law of Christ."** (Galatians 6:2).

Must Christians then keep the law? No, they are under Grace.

If we say we must keep part of the Mosaic Law, then we are obliged to keep THE WHOLE of it! Christ fulfilled all the ceremonial laws in Himself, they were but a shadow of Christ and His death. **Galatians 5:2,3** makes it very plain that we cannot continue on the law path any more, or we will end up as indebted to the Law.

"I, Paul, say unto you, that if you receive circumcision, Christ will profit you nothing. Yea, I testify again to every man that receiveth circumcision, that he is a debtor to do THE WHOLE LAW."

We are now in a new dispensation! The Church is a parenthesis between the Age of Law, and the Time of Jacob's Trouble. Not just in regard to being saved, but in regard to our Christian walk as well. We, in Christ, have God's nature indwelling us; the ten commandments are all repeated, excepting for the Sabbath keeping, in the New Testament instructions for the Church; we Christians have a much higher, more loving, Spirit-filled Life to manifest.

We Bible-believers cannot support the concept of the Reconstructionists who insist that the Mosaic Law (all of it) should be over the constitutions of the nations of the globe! We have mixed

in other days with Dominionists, and they intend to restructure society, enforcing the Mosaic Law, even to the stoning laws, the death penalty for disobedient children, the death penalty for adultery, they want to enforce the death penalty for women who have abortions, enforcing worship of God etc., etc.

We are neither **JUSTIFIED** by keeping the Law, or **SANCTIFIED** by keeping the Law. We must not teach salvation by law, nor sanctification by the law, bringing people again into bondage to law, when we are DEAD to it altogether!

Surely Romans 7 teaches this!

Just to mention verse 6 alone,

"But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead in which we were held, that we should SERVE IN NEWNESS OF SPIRIT AND NOT IN THE OLDNESS OF THE LETTER".

What about verse 4?

"Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ, that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God."

had been done. Noah awoke and cursed Ham and his descendants and the Divine Presence looked down in pity, now from the fifth heaven. The Seven Commandments of the Children of Noah remained, as before the Flood, unheeded by all but a few, notably Shem and his grandson Eber, who established Houses of Study for the purpose of understanding and fulfilling the Noahide Laws."

The House of Bondage

In the guise of orthodox Jewry, the modern Kabbalists are taking both Jew and Gentile back to Egypt, the ancient house of bondage - a fact confirmed by Theosophist, H.P. Blavatsky, who traced the Kabbalah to the mystery religions of Babylon and Egypt: *"As is well known, the Kabbala never originated with the Jews, who got their ideas from the Chaldeans and the Egyptians."* 7.

The Secret Book of the Egyptian Gnostics presents an account of Adam and Noah that is quite similar to the Chabad Lubavitch. Author Jeanne Doresse revealed the existence of a sacred Book of the Cave of Treasures which syncretized the traditions of nascent Christianity with...Iranian and Jewish myths (Zoroaster)" including the "wisdom" or "mysteries" that were handed down from Adam to Seth to Noah:

"In The Book of the Cave of Treasures ...let us quote from it these lines, suppos-

edly spoken by the Magi: Adam imparted revelations to his son Seth ... he recommended his son Seth never to fail in justice as he Adam had done. Seth welcomed the teaching of his father with a pure heart and it was given to him to inscribe this WISDOM in a book and to teach it...And thanks to him, for the first time in this world, there was seen a book written in the name of the Most High. Seth bequeathed to his descendents the book thus written, and that book was handed down even to Noah...(who) took with him into the Ark the books of these teachings... He ordained in his turn that the generation that came after him were to repeat...the MYSTERIES in the books of Seth...These MYSTERIES and this narrative were handed down even to our fathers...who passed them on to us." 8.

3..Freemasons The True Noahides

In The History of Freemasonry, High Adept and Prince of Masonry, Albert Mackey, provides the sequel to the Egyptian/Kabbalist accounts of Noah:

"After Noah's emergence from the Ark, he is said to have promulgated seven precepts for the government of the new race of men of whom he was to be the progenitor...

[1] To do justice

[2] Worship God

[3] Abstain from idolatry

[4] Preserve chastity

[5] Do not commit murder

[6] Do not steal

[7] Do not eat blood." 9.

Scripture in regard to the Sabbath - a practice of the Pharisees which Jesus noted as well.

"When G-d charged Adam, 'And the L-rd G-d commanded Adam, saying: Of every tree in the garden you may surely eat. But from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you may not eat of it, for on the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.' (Genesis 2:16,17)

This single commandment contained the source of the Seven Noahide Commandments. And more, Adam was charged by G-d with the responsibility to teach the laws to future generations...

"It is a principle in Biblical analysis that when a verse states, 'And the L-rd spoke to Moses, saying...' it means that G-d taught Moses something and that He expected him to teach it to the Jewish people, or, as in the case of the Seven Commandments of the Children of Noah, to all of mankind. And so, Adam taught his children the Seven Universal Laws..."

"The clear proof that the descendants of Adam knew these laws and were expected to obey them by the Divine Judge and Father, was that 1557 years later, He brought the Great Flood as a punishment for mankind's failure in keeping these commandments. 'And G-d saw the earth and, behold, it was corrupted, because all flesh had corrupted its way on the earth.' (Genesis 6:12)

"And so, with a new world and a fresh start at building it in sanctity, G-d reaffirmed the original seven commandments that He had taught Adam. G-d blessed Noah and his sons and their wives and promised him that He would never again destroy the world as He had done, sealing the promise for all time by striking a covenant with Noah as mankind's father. The rainbow with its seven colors reflected the beauty and divinity of the Seven Commandments of the Children of Noah..."

"The Talmud states that in one opinion, the fruit of the tree of knowledge was the grape. What Adam had done was drink wine in a profane manner. It had been G-d's intention that Adam would wait until the Sabbath, which was to come in just a few hours, and then the fruit of the tree, the grape, would be used to sanctify the Sabbath and bear witness to the fact that G-d had created the world in six days and rested on the seventh. It is argued that Noah knew this deeper meaning of Adam's transgression and by planting a vineyard and using the wine for holy purposes, he could achieve the complete rectification of the sin. But Noah failed. He became intoxicated, and discovered naked by his youngest son Ham, who shamed him by calling Noah's other two sons, Shem and Japheth to see their father's drunken nakedness."

"Rasbi comments on this verse (Genesis 9:22) that Ham either castrated his father or had homosexual relations with him or both. Shem and Japheth respectfully covered their father with a garment, but the damage

No more works of the law, but a life in the Spirit under the law of Christ, fruit of the very Life of Christ lived out through us.

THE TEST OF THE GOSPEL IS GRACE.

ANOTHER GOSPEL - TAKE NOTE.

This fearful comment was made by Scofield, which must be said...

"If the message excludes grace, or mingles law with grace as the means either of justification OR SANCTIFICATION (Galatians 2:21; 3:1-3), or denies the fact or guilt of sin which alone gives grace its occasion or opportunity, it is another gospel, and the preacher of it is under the anathema of God."

The New Testament message on salvation and the Christian walk is very different indeed to the Old Testament. The book of Hebrews keeps saying "better things" than the old, doesn't it?

Hebrews 10 shows from verse 1 on to verse 18 that the new Christian way is better, right on to,

"I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds

will I write them".

(Read also Matthew 5:43-48).

Acts 15 does not stress a message that should go to the Churches to encourage Gentiles to begin to meditate on God's O.T. laws! As some are contending now, in these days of the Great Falling Away. Verses 19 and 24 clearly show that just the opposite was intended.

The discussion is, are the Gentile believers under the law, not for salvation, just are they UNDER THE LAW to live by it.

"Wherefore, my judgment (sentence) is, that we trouble not them, who from the Gentiles are turned to God; Forasmuch as we have heard that certain who went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, Ye must be circumcised, AND KEEP THE LAW, to whom WE GAVE NO SUCH COMMAND,"

The passage was about more than circumcision, it was about not being offensive to believing Jews, to show love and understanding toward them

(vv. 20-21; 28-29; Rom. 14:12-17; 1 Cor. 8:1-13).

THE BODY OF CHRIST MUST PREACH REPENTANCE & THE REMISSION OF SINS IN CHRIST'S NAME - BEGINNING AT JERUSALEM.

For those who hear the message of the return of the Messiah without the preaching of repentance and remission of sins there is every possibility that when the Antichrist appears on the world scene that they will embrace him as their Messiah. Sadly there are those who are calling the Lord Jesus Christ THE MESSIAH, when He is THE SAVIOUR of all men who turn to Him. He is NOT the Christians Messiah, He is Saviour and Lord to them.

That Jesus Christ is Ha Mashiach - the Anointed One - could have only one application - and that is to Israel, not to any gentile or gentile nation. The writings of the Old Testament Prophets, particularly Isaiah foretell of the promised Messiah. (Isa.7:14; 9:6&7; 11:1&2.) Note Isa.9:7 - the throne of David, also mentioned in Revelation 22:16.

To the Jew, He is their Messiah - the Son of God; to the Jew and Gentile believer in the Lord Jesus Christ's finished work on the Cross - we are His bride. Israel - in the main- is still looking for the appearing of their conquer-

ing Messiah, whereas we, as the Bride are looking for our Bridegroom.

We should never allow ourselves to be drawn back under the mantle of Jewish folly and still be looking for the Messiah.

In Romans 8:15

the Apostle Paul explains -

"For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father."

ABBA, FATHER - Paul employs these two words - Syriac and Greek - the one taken from the language in use among the Jews, the other from that of the Gentiles - to show that there is no longer any distinction between the Jew and the Greek, and that all believers, in every nation, may address God as their Father in their own language.

Therefore, if we are Australian, German, Russian, Indian or Jewish Christians, we are co-heirs with Christ, by adoption and certainly He is not our Y'shua Ha Mashiach, but in our language in which we were born - Jesus Christ, in the case of English speaking nations. The Anointed One has come to His own, but his own received him

made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus;

7 That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of god:

9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Matthew Henry thus described the marvelous salvation which God has provided for sinners - Jew or Gentile:

"Our Lord Jesus is our Redeemer, our everlasting Redeemer; he looked with compassion on the deplorable state of fallen mankind. at a vast expense he redeemed the heavenly inheritance for us, which by sin was forfeited into the hands of Divine justice, and which we could never have been able to redeem. He purchased a peculiar people, whom he would espouse to himself, though strangers and foreigners."

"Though he was rich, yet for our sakes he became poor; but he was abundantly recompensed by his Father, who, because he thus humbled himself, hath highly exalted him, and given him a name above every name. To this union Christ invites the perishing sinner. This

relation to the poor, despised believer, he avows and glories in. Let us then joyfully accept his salvation, look for all our happiness from him, and devote our selves to his service."

The Dawn of Civilization

If the Noahide Code of Universal Law is contrary to the Word of God, what then is its source?

The first two clauses of the U.S. Joint Resolution designating March 26, 1991 as "Education Day, USA, stated that the United States of America was founded upon "Seven Noahide Laws" which were the bedrock of society from the dawn of civilization:

"Whereas Congress recognizes the historical tradition of ethical values and principles which are the basis of civilized society and upon which our great Nation was founded;

"Whereas these ethical values and principles have been the bedrock of society from the dawn of civilization, when they were known as the Seven Noahide Laws;..."

Chabad Lubavitch in Cyberspace presents a fabricated History Of The Noahide Laws as having been given to Adam, Noah and Moses, and cites the Talmud and a Jewish sage, Rashi, as contributing to this mythology. You will note in the following Chabad Lubavitch passage a Talmudic extrapolation of

which found Jesus Christ guilty of blasphemy on the accusations of two false witnesses. Under the Courts of Law section of the Noahide Laws is stated: “A person may be convicting [sic] in a Noahide court on the testimony of a single witness, but only if the witness is known to be righteous.”

The Noahide Laws are termed The Path of the Righteous Gentile.

Who are the Righteous Gentiles?

Psalms 14 and 53 state emphatically that there are NONE (no not one):

...They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good. The LORD looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, and seek God. They are all gone aside, they are altogether become filthy: there is none that doeth good, no, not one. (Ps.14:1-3)

To those Jews who considered themselves righteous, the Lord Jesus Christ said, I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. **(Mark 2:17)**

And to those who strove to ease their burden of sin through obedience to the Law, He extended an invitation to come to Him for release from their bondage to sin:

Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. (Matt. 11:28-30)

The false doctrine of merited righteousness through observance of the Noahide Laws is an affront to the grace of God, who imputes Christ's righteousness to sinful men on the basis of faith alone. Ephesians 2:1-10 describes true salvation whereby God unites the believer with Jesus Christ, who enables him/her to overcome the power of sin:

1 And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins;

2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

3 Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

4 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,

5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace are ye saved;)

6 And hath raised us up together, and

not. (John 1:11), He has done the works His Father sent Him to do and is now seated in glory at His Father's right hand until the church is completed.

CHRISTIANS HAVE NO JEWISH ROOTS.

Judaizers will tell you that Christians have severed their Jewish roots. We could not sever our Hebrew/Jewish roots because we, as Gentiles - never had any. The covenant made with Abraham in Genesis 17 : 4-6 -

“As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations. Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee. And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee.”

Then in V.19 -

“And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac; and I will establish MY COVENANT WITH HIM for an ever-lasting covenant, and with his seed after him.”

Abraham was not a Jew or an Israelite - the first Jew was Isaac and only those who can trace their genealogy back to Isaac and Jacob can qualify as true Israelites. We, as Jew and Gentile Christians, have been adopted into God's family and have no need to sever any roots because that was accomplished at the Cross - old things have passed away - all things have been made new - new creatures in Jesus Christ.

Abraham was the first man of FAITH - and we are ROOTED in Christ through him.

“Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am.”
(John 8:58).

“As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the FAITH, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.”

(Colossians 2:6,7).

Abraham is presented all the way through the New Testament as a prototype of those who are saved by faith, and live by faith, not Law. The apostle to the Gentiles, Paul, stresses that “imputed righteousness” was received by Abraham though he was not yet cir-

cumcised (**Romans 4:9-12**). This happened long before the Mosaic Law was given (**Galatians 3:16-18**). Salvation and being made new in righteousness in Christ depends not on ritual or any law at all, but only on God's Grace which is received through FAITH.

(NOTE: This means we Christians do not keep/practice Jewish feasts or sabbaths, sacrifices or ritual).

Abraham is

"the father of all them that BELIEVE" (Romans 4:11),
and also **"the father of us all" (Romans 4:16).**

Yes, we Christians are the children of Abraham, but Abraham was not a Jew, he was the first man of FAITH that is why the scriptures say,

"they which are of FAITH, the same are the children of Abraham,"

and that

"they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham"

(Galatians 3:7,9).

LAW AND GRACE.

Few Christians are familiar with this topic. Those that have heard of law and grace tend to put it into the category of a stale theological subject. Nothing could be further from the truth! Law and grace is something that we are

living every day, whether we know it or not. Law and grace involves how we are approaching our entire Christian lives, and the effects are far-reaching and profound.

Let's clarify the issue. In the simplest of terms, this is what law and grace is all about:

LAW AND GRACE IS THE ISSUE OF GOD'S ACCEPTANCE.

In other words, on what basis is a man made acceptable to God? There are only three possible answers. Man is made (or tries to make himself) acceptable to God by law, by grace, or by a third, hybrid means called Galatianism.

Let's look at each of them in turn.

1... LAW.

Man is responsible to MAKE HIMSELF acceptable to God by his work. You are accepted by God according to what you do or don't do. You can easily identify law by the presence of a small two-letter word: **IF**. IF you do this, then God will accept you. Obviously the opposite must also be true: If you don't, He won't. God's special relationship with the nation of Israel, called the Old Covenant or the law, began with this condition:

"Now IF YOU OBEY ME FULLY AND KEEP MY COVENANT, then out of

glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. Lift up thine eyes round about, and see; all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side. Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee."

Lubavitch prophecies look for the messiah to arise from among their own leadership:

"The sect's early leaders prophesied that only seven rabbis would lead them, and before the death of the seventh, Messiah would come... The Lubavitcher's prime candidate for being the Messiah, Rabbi Schneerson, died in June of 1994. The powerful Orthodox/Jewish sect has been left in a quandary, since they had been claiming that the Messiah would appear in Jerusalem before Schneerson's death. While some Lubavitchers are actually still looking for Schneerson to soon be resurrected to prove his Messiahship, most others are looking elsewhere for the expected deliverer."

A link to the B'nai Noach, Light to the Nations, does not believe that Jesus fulfilled the criteria required of the messiah.

Again, no Scripture references are given for the mission of the anticipated messiah:

"According to the prophets of the Bible, amongst the most basic missions of the messiah are: to cause all the world to return to G-d and His teachings, to restore the royal dynasty to the descendants of David, to oversee the rebuilding of Jerusalem, including the Temple, in the event that it has not yet been rebuilt; to gather the Jewish people from all over the world and bring them home to the Land of Israel, and to reestablish the sanhedrin, restore the sacrificial system, as well as the Sabbatical year and Jubilee."

The Inner Dimensions website presents tables showing the correspondences between the Noahide Laws and the Sephirot or path of initiation taught in the Kabbalah, the book of Jewish mysticism. In other words, through observance of the Noahide Laws, the Righteous Gentiles ascend on path of initiation toward perfection.

"Every human soul possesses 10 sefirot, or spiritual powers. The first three are intellectual, while the remaining seven relate to the emotions. . . [T]he seven Noahide commandments correspond to the seven emotive powers of the soul. These, in turn, correspond to the seven major parts of the body...these seven commandments are arranged in the sefirotic structure familiar to students of Kabbalah. . ."

It is worth noting that the Noahide Laws will be administered by a restored Sanhedrin, the ruling body of the Jews

15. However, neither passage contains a these 7 commandments as a code of universal law, nor did God's purposes for giving these commands remotely correlate with the political agenda of the Lubavitch movement.

The Chabad Lubavitch in Cyberspace further states that God gave the 7 Noahide Laws at Mount Sinai with the intention that the Children of Israel should keep them and teach them to the Gentiles:

"...the Seven Universal Laws were given on Mount Sinai at the time when the Torah was given to the Jewish people...With the Giving of the Torah, the G-d of Israel chose the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob as His Chosen People, commanding them to fulfill the 613 precepts of the Torah. He also commanded the righteous of the other nations of the world to keep the Seven Commandments of the Children of Noah and commanded Moses and his people teach them how."

Why should Gentiles need to be taught by Jews?

"The Scriptures prophesy that the Gentiles would go to the Jews and ask to be taught by them. There are many things found in the Hebrew Scriptures which cannot be understood without learning their Jewish context."

B'nai Noach cites Zechariah 8:22, 23 and there are other Scriptural references to the Messianic period when the Gentile nations will come to Jerusalem. However, understood in their proper context and with the revelation of the New Testament, these passages pertain expressly to the millennial reign of Jesus Christ:

Zechariah 8:22, 23: "Yea, many people and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD of hosts; in Those days it shall come to pass, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you."

Isaiah 2:2,3: "And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem."

Isaiah 60:1-5: "Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his

all nations you will be My treasured possession. Although the whole earth is Mine, you will be for Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation." (Exodus 19:5,6).
(Sounds like a marriage vow doesn't it?)

2...GRACE.

God gives to man a standing of total acceptance as a GIFT through Jesus Christ. Man's work in no way contributes to God's acceptance of him. Once Jesus was asked:

"What must we do to do the works God requires?"

Jesus answered,

"The work of God is this: to believe in the One He has sent." (John 6:28,29).

BY FAITH AND FAITH ALONE A MAN RECEIVES THE GIFT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS IN CHRIST:

"It is because of Him that you are in Christ Jesus, WHO HAS BECOME FOR US wisdom from God - that is, OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS, HOLINESS, AND REDEMPTION"

(1 Corinthians 1:30).

Ephesians 2:8,9 is as direct a statement as you can find in the Bible:

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith -

and it is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast."

3...GALATIANISM

The attempt to mingle law and grace. Galatianism takes many forms, but sooner or later it always ends up in a meaningless contradiction:

God's grace has made it possible for man to WORK FOR His acceptance and forgiveness or God loves us unconditionally IF we keep all the rules.

Law is the realm of what you EARN by your performance. Grace is the realm of receiving a FREE GIFT.

How could you ever mingle the two?

While there were some general purposes of the law of Moses, such as to provide civil laws without which no society can function, its most important purposes relate to leading men to salvation.

First...THE LAW DEFINES SIN.

Romans 4:15 says

"...where there is no law there is no transgression".

In other words, you can't break a law that doesn't exist. Policemen couldn't

pull you over and give you a ticket for speeding if the state did not have published and posted speed-limit laws. That’s why Romans 5:13 says:

“For before the law was given, sin was in the world. But sin is not taken into account when there is no law.”

Second... THE LAW CONVICTS MEN OF THEIR GUILT AND NEED FOR SALVATION.

The question is, Who will ever come to a Saviour? The answer: only someone who knows he needs to be saved. The major purpose for which God gave the law was to convince men of their lost condition so that they would be prepared to accept Jesus Christ as Saviour.

It is very surprising to many people to discover that **THE PURPOSE OF THE LAW WAS NEVER TO MAKE A MAN RIGHT WITH GOD**. All the law can do is to declare a standard and condemn a person for failure. It’s just like a mirror. A mirror can show you that your face is dirty, but it cannot wash your face for you.

Why did God give a law that would kill and condemn men, many people ask? He did it to kill and condemn.

When the law brings about death and condemnation, it is doing its job. That’s what it is SUPPOSED to do. Because God is cruel? No! Because it is a necessary ministry to bring us to the salvation given through Jesus Christ!

Galatians 3:23,24 says basically this:

“Before this faith came, we were held prisoners by the law, locked up until faith should be revealed. SO THE LAW WAS PUT IN CHARGE TO LEAD US TO CHRIST that we might be justified by FAITH.”

Once we have come to this point, what further role does the law have in our lives? None! It has done its job! Its purpose was to drive us to Christ, and it has done so. Now that faith has come, **WE ARE NO LONGER UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE LAW**. [See Galatians 3:25).

Question -

But aren't nine of the Ten Commandments restated in the New Testament?

The New Testament is full of commands. What is the difference between those and being under the law?

Answer -

What we have to realise is that a law is not just a command. It is always a command WITH A PENALTY

and their students. May the name of the wicked rot.” 6.

The Mishnah is the early Talmud or the forerunner of the Talmud. To the Mishnah the rabbis later added the Gemara (rabbinical commentaries). Together these comprise the Talmud. Scholars will claim that the Talmud is partly a collection of oral traditions given by Moses which had not yet been written down in Jesus’ time. However, Christ condemned the traditions of the Mishnah (early Talmud) and the Scribes and Pharisees who taught it, because the Talmud nullifies the teachings of Scripture. The warning of Jesus Christ about the traditions of men that make null and void the Word of God (Mark 7:1-13) is a direct reference to the Mishnah.

Likewise, the commands found in Genesis 9 and Acts 15 are not the equivalent of the 7 Noahide Laws of the Kabbalist/Lubavitchers, nor does the context in which these commands appear have any correlation to the radical agenda of the movement promoting the Noahide Laws. The information I will be posting on the Kabbalistic movements within Judaism does NOT implicate true orthodox Judaism as a component of the Antichrist religion. Rather, MYSTERY BABYLON of Revelation 17 will consist of the vast network of Mystery Religions cover-

ing the globe, of which many seek to identify with Judaism and Christianity as a covering for their sin.

In the course of this series, it will be seen that the Christian Church has been infiltrated by modern Judaizers who would commit believers to various obligations of their particular system of legalism. For those who would be His disciples, however, Jesus Christ enunciated the two greatest commandments which encompassed all the Law and the Prophets: “Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind... Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thy self.” (Matt. 22:37,39)

2..The Noahide Laws

Path Of The Righteous Gentile

One purveyor of the Noahide Laws, the B’nai Noach, defines the term “Noahide” as a Gentile:

“A bat Noach [daughter of Noah] or b’nai Noach [son/child of Noah] is a non-Jew (Noahide) who follows the Jewish laws specifically given by God for them.”

The Chabad Lubavitch, B’nai Noach and even some Messianic organizations identify the Noahide Laws with the command given to Noah in Genesis 9 and/or the Jerusalem Council in Acts

mud. Of these two, the Babylonian Talmud is authoritative for Orthodox Judaism, which regards it as divinely inspired... The superiority of the Babylonian Talmud is so great, that when people now talk about the Talmud, they always mean the Babylonian Talmud. The authority of the Babylonian Talmud is also greater than that of the Jerusalem Talmud. In cases of doubt the former is decisive."] 5.

The Noachide Laws - The Encyclopedia of Judaism

- (1) Civil justice [the duty to establish a legal system];
- (2) Prohibition of blasphemy [which includes the bearing of false witness];
- (3) The abandonment of idolatry;
- (4) The prohibition of incest [including adultery and other sexual offenses];
- (5) The prohibition of murder;
- (6) Also that of theft;
- (7) The law against eating flesh [a limb] cut from a living animal [ie., cruelty in any shape or form] (T.B. Sanh. 56A)

The Talmud also states the penalty for disobedience: "One additional element of greater severity is that violation of any one of the seven laws subjects the Noachide to capital punishment by decapitation. (Sanh. 57A)"

The Chabad Lubavitch in Cyberspace provides information on the Noachide Laws:

The Seven Noachide Laws - A Guide for Mankind In Depth Look at the Seven Noachide Laws

The Noachide Code And The Messianic Era Courts Of Law

It has been pointed out that the second Noachide Law which prohibits blasphemy will preclude the worship of Jesus Christ, who was once accused of this very crime by the Sanhedrin. Moses Maimonides (Rabbi Moshe Ben Maimon - 1138-1204), better known as the Rambam, is universally recognized for his preeminence as a Jewish philosopher and thinker. His influence remains unabated until the present time. Maimonides classic work, Mishnah Torah, opens with a section on systematic philosophical theology, derived largely from Aristotelian science and metaphysics.

Maimonides Mishnah Torah, in Chapter 10 of the English Translation, states concerning Jesus Christ:

"It is a mitzvah [religious duty; ARC], however, to eradicate Jewish traitors, minnim, and apikorsim, and to cause them to descend to the pit of destruction, since they cause difficulty to the Jews and sway the people away from God, as did Jesus of Nazareth and his students, and Tzadok, Baithos,

ATTACHED. For example, the speed law is not just

"You shall not drive over 50 klm in a built-up zone." It is 'You shall not drive over 50, and if you do, you will pay a fine of up to \$200."

Right and wrong are still right and wrong because that is a reflection of God's character, and He doesn't change. But the difference is this:

Under the law ***"the wages of sin is death"*** (Romans 6:23);

but

"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus"
(Romans 8:1).

That's one reason why the commands in the New Testament are not laws. The second reason is that we are not obeying those New Testament commands in order to be accepted by God. Under LAW, a man works in order to be accepted by God. Under GRACE, a man serves because he is ALREADY accepted by God!

Under law you never experience peace or rest in the Christian life. Why? Because your work is never done. A ***"spiritual restlessness"*** results, where you are always looking for the ***"something more"*** that will transform your Christian life into reality.

It's always around the corner: at the next seminar, in the next book, in finding that spiritual EXPERIENCE - never resting in Christ Himself who lives in you, who has already done it all, who has already given you everything you need.

Have you ever heard anyone say...

"I've had it! I quit! I am sick to death of the love and grace of God. I'm sick of other Christians loving and accepting me. I'm giving up this Christian life".

However, you couldn't count the number of Christians who have given up because of being under law, who have been broken by the crushing burden of trying to be good enough to earn God's acceptance, who have been mangled by the competition, the judging and the demands to conform to some group's standards.

The love of God in our hearts produces a response that is as irresistible as music to our bodies. Presenting our minds and bodies to an indwelling Lord who loves us perfectly becomes a joy. The Christian life doesn't feel unnatural when your mind is full of God's grace; it feels truly natural for the first time.

This isn't to imply that there's no struggle or no need to exercise our wills. The

flesh continues to set its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please (Galatians 5:17).

"But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh".

(Galatians 5:16).

Notice that it didn't say that the desires of the flesh will go away. As long as we live in fallen bodies, we will feel that influence. It also didn't say ***"Clean up the flesh, and then you'll be spiritual."*** It seems that vast amounts of Christian teaching is saying this very thing. It can never work.

You can work throughout your life and never get the flesh cleaned up. Christ didn't come to improve the flesh; He came to execute it and to give us new life. Trying to clean ourselves up is merely returning to the law - the ultimate exercise in futility. God's love working in our hearts deals with us on a level of sensitivity that neither the law nor self-discipline can ever reach.

The law requires punishment which is imposed on an offender for a crime or wrongdoing. It has retribution in view (paying someone back what he deserves) rather than correction - isn't that the case with our lawlessness today? More laws or putting society back

under the Old Testament Laws will not solve the problem.

Discipline on the other hand, is totally different. Discipline is TRAINING that develops self-control, character and ability. It is looking FORWARD to a beneficial result, is very PERSONAL, and is in continuous exercise.

As we see lawlessness abounding and escalating in the world today with all the cruelty, degradation and spiritual and physical poverty of mankind, the stage is set for the appearance of The Lawless One. He will bring in the ultimate slavery to the law in the mark of the beast.

There is nothing NEW about the message of God's grace. When it is shared straight and undiluted, it transforms lives in the same dramatic way as it did in the early days after Pentecost. The problem is not with the message, it is with US. WE have strayed away from the fullness of Christ into modernism, religion and legalism.

Reference/Source:

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Harvest House Publishers

- Eugene, Oregon.

Inner Dimension web site states: *"Ari is an acronym for 'The Divine Rabbi Isaac [Luria]' (1534-1572), who received and conveyed revolutionary new insights into the wisdom of Kabbalah."*

Rabbi Luria is identified by the Encyclopedia of Religion as the most influential of the Kabbalist/Theosophists: *"The success of Luria's thought was instantaneous: his theosophy was accepted unanimously . . . and his Qabbalah was regarded as superior to the Cordoverian system."* 2.

H.P. Blavatsky traces the Kabbalah to the ancient mysteries of Babylon and Egypt: *"As is well known, the Kabala never originated with the Jews, who got their ideas from the Chaldeans and the Egyptians."* 3.

The Secret Book of the Egyptian Gnostics claims that the sacred Book of the Cave of Treasures is alleged to contain the secret teachings that were written by Adam who, prior to his interment in Persia, transmitted them to Noah. According to the Gnostic tradition, "nascent Christianity" commingled with Zoroastrianism and the commands of Adam to Noah were preserved in Persia for the generations to come:

"The principle work in which ...all these traditions became syncretized was The Book of the Cave of Treasures...It puts all these revelations into the mouth of Adam as

the first of a long series of prophets, who predicts how the Magi will await the announcement of the Saviour, near this cave in which Adam himself will have been interred, and where the Treasures are concealed which the Magi will carry to Bethlehem...

"In The Book of the Cave of Treasures ...let us quote from it these lines, supposedly spoken by the Magi: Adam imparted revelations to his son Seth...he recommended his son Seth never to fail in justice as he Adam had done. Seth welcomed the teaching of his father with a pure heart and it was given to him to inscribe this wisdom in a book and to teach it...And thanks to him, for the first time in this world, there was seen a book written in the name of the Most High. Seth bequeathed to his descendents the book thus written, and that book was handed down even to Noah...(who) took with him into the Ark the books of these teachings... He ordained in his turn that the generation that came after him were to repeat...the mysteries in the books of Seth...These mysteries and this narrative were handed down even to our fathers...who passed them on to us." 4.

The Encyclopedia of Judaism locates the Noachide Laws in the Talmud Bavli, the Babylonian Talmud.

[NOTE: On the Babylonian Talmud (T.B.), the following statement is representative Jewish scholarship:

"There are two editions of the Talmud, the Jerusalem Talmud and the Babylonian Tal-

Whereas society is profoundly concerned with the recent weakening of these principles that has resulted in crises that beleaguer and threaten the fabric of civilized society;

Whereas the justified preoccupation with these crises must not let the citizens of this Nation lose sight of their responsibility to transmit these ethical values from our distinguished past to the generations of the future;

Whereas the Lubavitch movement has fostered and promoted these ethical values and principles throughout the world;

Whereas Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, leader of the Lubavitch movement, is universally respected and revered and his eighty-ninth birthday falls on March 26, 1991;

Whereas in tribute to this great spiritual leader, "the rebbe", this, his ninetieth year will be seen as one of "education and giving", the year in which we turn to education and charity to return the world to the moral and ethical values contained in the Seven Noahide Laws; and

Whereas this will be reflected in an international scroll of honor signed by the President of the United States and other heads of state: Now, therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That March 26, 1991, the start of the ninetieth year of Rabbi Menachem Schneerson, leader of the worldwide Lubavitch movement, is designated as "Education Day. U.S.A.". The President is requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved March 20, 1991.

The doctrines of the Lubavitch Movement are derived from the Kabbalah, the source book of Jewish mysticism or Gnosticism. The Encyclopedia of Religion states that the Lubavitch Hasidic interpretation of the Lurianic system of Kabbalah is among those taught in traditional Jewish institutions:

"The dominant brand of Qabbalah in the modern Qabbalistic Yeshivot (traditional Jewish academies) is the Lurianic system. It is studied according to the interpretations offered by Moshe Hayyim Luzzatto, by Eliyyabuben Shelomoh Aalman, by Habad, the Lubavitch Hasidic Movement and by the Sefardic Qabbalists of the Beit El Academy in Jerusalem." 1.

The "Lurianic system" of Kabbalah was developed by Rabbi Luria (Ari). The

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1..The Lubavitch Movement

The highest judicial body of the United Nations, the World Court, is in the process of creating an International Criminal Court (ICC) which will soon exercise global authority without the encumbrance of a Bill of Rights or common law tradition. Increasingly supported by the U.S. and other governments, the U.N.'s Hague Tribunal is only lacking a set of general principles by which to administer international law.

"...the ICC's authorizing statute 'should be one of principle and not of detail...' [It

should] be a flexible statute based on principles which may be developed by the Court as circumstances require while still providing sufficient guidance to establish an international framework within which the Court can work... also... the ICC must be able to employ 'an element of compulsion' in order 'to redress gross violations of human rights and international law...'"

Scripture states that the Antichrist will change TIMES and LAWS:

And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws... (Dan. 7:25)

The New Age must inaugurate a new calendar in recognition of the new Christ. The opportune time for this transition would logically be the beginning of the new millennium which, according to the Greenwich 2000: Millennium website, "officially starts on 1 January 2001 (there was no year 0)."

This report will be concerned, however, with the other aspect of the Antichrist's administration. The imposition of international law is currently the objective of a worldwide, multicultural and politically-oriented religious network that is working diligently to hasten mankind's departure from the Age of Grace and return to "The Law." Indeed, according to dispensational theology, the

Age of Grace closes with the rapture of the Church, commencing the 70th week of God’s dealings with the nation of Israel and return to the Mosaic Law. (Dan. 9:27)

The many-faceted movement to enforce an international code of law is demanding that entire nations submit to a set of principles variously termed the Noahide Laws, the Moral Law, Natural Laws, Universal Laws, etc. This would normally not concern Christians, who are required under most circumstances to obey the laws of the higher authorities. However, this movement is not working exclusively outside the pale of Christianity, but is subtly seeking to establish its legal framework within the Church, which is not under Law but under Grace. (Romans 6:14) It therefore behooves believers to avoid the trap of always looking “out there” for purveyors of the traditions of men. We find in Scripture that the apostle Paul gave this warning to the elders of the Church of Ephesus:

Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood. for I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking

perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. (Acts 20:28, 29)

On March 4, Christian radio stations nationwide aired an address to the Council for National Policy by James Dobson, President of Focus on the Family. Expressing his determination to do whatever is necessary to restore the observance of “moral law,” Dr. Dobson reasoned that, since God created Wisdom before He created anything else, the Moral Law is the law of the Universe. The identical appeal for nations to be governed by “natural law” and “moral law” has historically been made by the Orders of Freemasonry.

The demand for international law is also emanating from the worldwide Lubavitch movement, the Unification Church of Sun Myung Moon (which has close ties to the Council for National Policy), and the many groups represented within the CNP, such as Christian Reconstructionists, Moral Re-Armament, Knights of Malta, Opus Dei, etc. The insidious legalism and Kabbalism of the Lubavitch movement has also entered the Church disguised as the Hebraic Roots of Christianity. It is the purpose of this series to examine a vast network of religious organizations and movements whose common cause is bringing Christians into spiritual bondage to the Mosaic Law and, by extension, the Babylonian tra-

ditions which were appended to the Torah.

THE LUBAVITCH MOVEMENT

On the University of Calgary web site, the pages of Associate Professor of Theology, Dr. Eliezer Segal, present much information about ancient and modern Judaism. One of the modern schools of Judaic philosophy is Chabad-Lubavitch Hasidism, which Dr. Segal describes as Kabbalist movement:

“The name ‘Chabad’ is a Hebrew acronym for the expression ‘Chokmah,’ ‘Binah’ and ‘Da’at’ — Wisdom, Intelligence and Knowledge. These Kabbalistic terms are central to the distinctive intellectual theology of the movement... The name Lubavitch refers to a town in Lithuania that was the centre of the movement for a brief period during the nineteenth century...Chabad Hasidism continued to be a major force among Russian and Lithuanian Jews from its inception...

“In 1940 the head of the movement Rabbi Joseph Isaac Schneerson moved to America from Russia. From the outset he expressed his determination to make the Lubavitch movement into an American religious movement (e.g., by abandoning the traditional European long frocks in favour of American-style dress).”

Chabad-Lubavitch is now an international movement with headquarters in New York. The American Friends of Chabad Lubavitch in Washington, D.C. coordinates activities for Chabad on Capital Hill, lobbies for Chabad causes, and runs study groups and social programs geared towards congressional staffers. In 1991, Chabad-Lubavitch in cooperation with President Bush established the observance of Education Day, USA *“to return the world to the moral and ethical values contained in the Seven Noahide Laws.”*

Public Law 102—14 (H.J. Res. 104): March 20, 1991 Education Day, USA Proclamation Joint Resolution to designate March 26, 1991 as “Education Day, USA”

Whereas Congress recognizes the historical tradition of ethical values and principles which are the basis of civilized society and upon which our great Nation was founded;

Whereas these ethical values and principles have been the bedrock of society from the dawn of civilization, when they were known as the Seven Noahide Laws;

Whereas without these ethical values and principles the edifice of civilization stands in serious peril of returning to chaos;