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Myth vs. Reality

How many of us have grown up in Christianity only to learn later on that this Jesus is a myth and he really doesn't exist because he doesn't do what his word says. His word says one thing and Christianity is another thing altogether. Paul said that what was in the first church would eventually be exchanged for a myth. 2 Tim 4:3-4 — "A time is coming when they will turn aside from the truth to myths." There was transformation of the first church into what we know as Christianity today. The time is coming when people will not tell the truth and will live as if God didn't exist. They believe in Jesus like they believe in Santa Claus — like it was a myth. But if you believed God existed and that He created you like Him, you would live totally for Him and for His purpose. But actually you say in your heart that God does not exist. That is what a fool does. He says he believes but he says in his heart (which shows in his actions) that there is no God. But the time is coming when some of the people in the edah won't endure in sound teaching, but will have itching ears to hear something gratifying to them and to hear teachings they like from gold tongue orators who train in a seminary. And so the truth will be turned into a myth, a man-made fiction, like a fable you learned as a child. [The couple who left were still reading fables to their children. The danger of this is that when they turn to the bible to teach their children stories from there, the children don't know the difference between the two. So then they cannot distinguish between truth and error. They believe in YAHSHUA the same as they believed in the myth.]

Nahaliel — Some people say with their mouth that He exists, but with their heart they say He doesn't. A man says he believes, but he doesn't obey — the works that come out of him are unbelief.

Lk 2:35 — Shimone knew that he would not see death until his eyes saw (v.26) the Messiah, the anointed one. (v.27). And when they brought the baby YAHSHUA to Him, Shimone, prompted by the Holy Spirit, took YAHSHUA in his arms and praised and thanked God. "...He is destined for the rise and fall of many. A sign that is to be spoken against." (v.34-35). Our Master YAHSHUA was to speak words that would pierce even Miriam's heart. "They will pierce through your own heart." And we learned in Mark 3 about how Miriam walked about 30 miles from one town to another because she heard that her son was saying strange things that they had not heard in Judaism before. It was being said that He had an unclean spirit (Mk 3:30). And then, Mark 3:31-35 is when the sword pierced her own heart. His mother was believing the reports about Him that He was establishing a sect apart from Judaism, by another spirit. And He said of the ones around Him, "here are my mother...". That is the new family.

This is the new family of God; here are His brothers and sisters. He established a new family on earth — a greater family. We are raising our children to love and respect their parents. The hearts of the fathers are being turned back to the children (which cannot happen in the world), so that there can be true families raised up in the new social order that God is establishing on the face of the earth. And if we see that happening, that is how we know we are in the restoration. It has to be restored, turned, reconciled back to that. Our parents lost us. They might have even disciplined us, but it wasn't good enough — it has to be a more profound sense of discipline to communicate to a child that your heart is turned toward them. (You know it when a person's heart is turned toward you and when it is not — you have that sense, that understanding. You know what it means.) Our Father's heart is turned toward us and so ours is turned toward our children. That is the miracle of the new social order — the way God intended children and parents to relate to one another. That is why we raise procreated children, not mistakes, but

deliberate pregnancies — working with God, creating children to be given to Him for His purpose, not for serving their ungodly parents in an ungodly way in an ungodly society, but serving their new family in the new social order, new society, which is another word for the kingdom of God here on earth. It is where we give preeminence to the king and declare His excellencies. Mal 3:18 explicitly declares that there will be a time coming when people will be able to distinguish between those who serve God and those who only claim to serve God — a demarcation. And those people who serve Him will speak to one another and they will be His special people and their lives will be prolonged and protected. He will preserve them. He will look on them as His special child who senses his father and is turned toward his father. [A youth who has sensed his father's heart turned toward him will naturally serve his father in his youthhood — after the parent has served him all of his childhood. At the time from the Bar Mitzvah, the age of accountability, the age of responsibility when the child turns toward his parents to serve them in every aspect of the parents' need. A parent desires a son who will serve him. It is what he lives for as he raises his child — that his child would serve him. So for the next seven years a youth serves his parents diligently — paying them back for all they have done, remembering his mother's birth pangs. This is the very word of God. People lose their children because they take this pain away. But in the restoration, your children will remember your birth pangs and pay you back totally. That is the day of restoration (Mal 3:1) and then a great fire comes to burn up all the hypocrisy and pretense and then, 4:6 — the last thing, that the father's hearts will be turned toward their children. That child knows he has been loved — he has been disciplined. He knows that you did not communicate hate, you did not hold the rod back from scouring away evil from his heart, so he knows he has been loved and his heart is more and more turned toward you. Then the next generation comes and their sins will be cut off so they won't be passed to the third and fourth generation — eventually producing a totally pure male child. We are going to be having celebrations for this entrance into youthhood — the age of accountability. The parents will stand right there with the child as all the proverbs are read, knowing that they did what was right in the eyes of God. It will be evident if they disciplined their child diligently and are able to stand in honor and true pride that they have done the will of their Father. The parents' heart was turned toward them in childhood and then, in youthhood, the child's heart will be turned back to the parents to serve them wholeheartedly until adulthood. He is going to openly declare His people as His special treasure, His special people. The whole world is going to know. This is the very prophecy our Master came to fulfill. He came to fulfill the law and the prophets. He came to establish us in order to fulfill it so that Mal 3 and Mal 4 can come true. He made the way for us to fulfill it through His Spirit in us. Christians say the law is already fulfilled so they don't have to keep it. That is ridiculous. He came to make a way that the law and the prophets could be fulfilled, and it is being fulfilled now.

Ha-emeq — When Yoneq was talking about Christmas yesterday, I was thinking about how there is this feeling about Christmas. It is this feeling. I was thinking about this a lot when Elad was here because for me, I was a really trusting child and I really believed there was a Santa Claus. There was this one special store where Santa Claus came IN PERSON! And I would go there and wait in line and my Imma would put me right on the lap of Santa Claus himself! And I was so scared, but I was there with him, the best person in the whole world. Because we weren't religious, we didn't go to church so, to me, this holiday was for this god, Santa Claus, and he was so good.

And then I remember hearing the first little jokes around that Santa Claus wasn't real. And I was so sad and I said, "No, it's not right. He is real. He is real." It was as if they were saying God

wasn't real. And I see that it was the same as if they were saying God wasn't real. And I finally came to the conclusion that God wasn't real. When I lost that faith in Santa Claus, it killed something — that child's heart to trust. I thought, "Everything is a lie then; then there's nothing good on the whole earth."

I saw that this is a way of deceiving a little child. And if a child has a sincere heart, it is the biggest fall they have. Then I saw his beard wasn't real — it was fake! Then I saw all the Santa Clauses on the street. "How was I ever so deceived?", I thought.

I saw how we have to reject that spirit of Christmas because that spirit is a murderer — because it deceives children. It is a holiday to deceive children and I hate that holiday. I'm thankful we don't have anything to do with that pagan holiday anymore. I'm thankful I heard his voice and somehow that little thing of faith in me came to life again even though it had been killed so long before.