## **Newsletter for...**



## The Sabbath Part 2

In part (2) we will share with you some Scriptures that no religious organization will.

Let us go back to the Babylonian Exile. Now that we have your attention by mentioning the Babylonian Exile, we know you are asking, what does the Babylonian Exile have to do with Sabbath keeping? Get ready it will shock and astound you.

**For the answer**, we must turn to the writings of the Prophet Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) the name which the English translators of the bible in their typical misguided fashion erroneously substituted for the prophets name. We hasten to remind the reader that we must continue in His words, in order to come to the place of the knowledge of the Truth.

**Lamentations Chapter 1:3:** Judah has fled into Exile from oppression and endless slavery she lives among the Nations, but there she finds no rest, her pursuers have all overtaken her in the midst of her distress. KJV

**Verse 4:** The roads to Zion are mourning because no one comes to the festivals. Her gateways are all deserted.

**Verse 5:** Her foes have become the head; her enemies relax, for YHVH has made her suffer because of her many sins. Her young children have gone away captive before the foe.

**Note:** In verse 4 we are told no one comes to the festivals. Those Festivals, were commanded to be kept forever <u>in the land.</u> But the tribe of Judah and the tribe of Levi (the priestly tribe) were driven from the land for their many sins, (verse 5.)

Let's look at the Scriptures that say forever. In **Leviticus 23:4** we find the following words written: *These are the set feasts of YHVH, even holy convocations, which you shall proclaim in their appointed seasons.* In **verse 14** we read latter part of that verse: *it is a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.* KJV.

In **Deuteronomy 16:16:** Three times in a year all your males are to appear in the presence of the Lord your God. In the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles:

Now to **Deuteronomy 16:5** KJV: Thou mayest not sacrifice the Passover within any of thy gates, which the Lord thy God giveth thee. **Verse 6:** But at the place which the Lord

thy God shall choose to place his name in, there you shall sacrifice the Passover at even, at the going down of the sun, at the season that thou camest forth, out of Egypt.

**Note:** Those instructions above make it clear that no one can observe the Passover or any of the commanded festivals, in any other place, but the one chosen by the Most High. In the most simple terms then, there is no place to observe those festivals today, why? the *Chosen Place*, has been removed.

**Look**, search and see for yourself, there is no temple in *Jerusalem*, there are no Priests and the law of Moses is not the law of the land today.

**More proof** for the skeptics. From the pen of the prophet **Hosea KJV chapter 4** and **verse 6:** My People are destroyed for lack of knowledge; because you have rejected knowledge I will also reject thee, that thou shall be no priest to me: seeing that you have forgotten the Law of thy God, I will also forget your children.

**Here is proof** from the pages of your bible/the Scriptures, which clearly show us why there is no Temple in Jerusalem, no Priests and no law. They were violently removed by the Most High. He violently terminated the Priesthood, the Torah and the Law, at the Hands of the Roman General Vespasian and his Roman hoards. Why? For rejecting him in 70 AM/CE.

**Note:** First century Hebrew historian Josephus recorded the event, for those who would desire to have a detailed description of it. That was the fulfilling of the Prophecy from the Prophet Hosea above. Here is another series of scriptures that were fulfilled at the time of the Babylonian exile.

From 1 Kings Chapter 9 and verse 1: KJV: And it came to pass when Solomon had finished the building of the Lord, and the King's House, and all Solomon's desire which he had planned to do, Verse 2: That the Lord appeared to Solomon a second time, as he had appeared unto him at Gibeon. Verse 3: And the Lord said unto him, I have heard thy prayer and thy supplication that thou hast made before me: I have hallowed this house, which thou hast built, to put my name there forever; (Note: FOREVER) and mine eyes and my heart shall be there perpetually.

**Verse 4** And, if you wilt walk before me, as David thy father walked, in integrity of heart, and in uprightness, to do according to all I have commanded thee, and will keep my statutes and my judgment. **Verse 5:** Then I will establish the throne of thy kingdom upon Israel forever, as I promised to David your father, saying, there shall not fail thee a man upon the throne of Israel.

**Now to verse 6** and the perennial: But if ye shall at all turn from following me, ye or your children, and will not keep my commandments and my statutes which I have set before you, but go and serve other god's and worship them.

**Verse 7:** Then I will cut off Israel out of the land, which I have given them; and this house which I have hallowed for my name will I cast out of my sight; and Israel shall be a proverb among all people. And at this house **verse 8:** which is high, everyone that passes by it shall be astonished, and shall hiss; and they shall say Why has the Lord done thus unto this land, and to this house.

**Verse 9:** and they shall answer. Because they forsook the Lord their God who brought forth their fathers out of the Land of Egypt and have taken hold upon other gods, and have worshipped them, and serve them: therefore hath the Lord brought upon them all this evil.

**Back to Lamentations**, to prove once again that the law, the priesthood and the temple was removed at the time of the Babylonian Exile.

**Lamentations 2:6:** He has violently taken away his Tabernacle (Solomon's Temple), as if it were a garden. He has destroyed his place of assembly. The Lord has caused the solemn feasts and Sabbaths to be forgotten in Zion, and has despised in the indignation of his anger, the King and the Priest.

**Verse 9:** Her gates are sunk into the ground; he hath destroyed and broken her bars: her King and her princes are among the Gentiles, the **law** is no more; her prophets find no vision from the Lord.

**Comment:** Sabbath keeping has been removed by the Creator. In exodus 31 and verse 13 here is what we find. Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, saying Verily MY SABBATHS ye shall keep. He is the maker and proprietor of the Sabbath Day it belongs to him, he gives it and he takes it away at his discretion, not any man's.