

THUS SPEAKS THE BIBLE

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BACK COVER

THUS SPEAKS THE BIBLE is yet another masterpiece from the superb pen of the medical man, Dr. Shabbir Ahmed, one of the most enlightened and widely read scholars today. He has to his credit 32 fascinating books published and translated in many languages around the world. Add to this his weekly newspaper columns and over ten thousand visitors a day to his website. He loves the pristine Islam for the love and benefit of the entire humanity while thrashing all distortions of the religion by the orthodoxy.

Read him with an open mind. You may agree or disagree with him. But his words are pearls and diamonds that can warm your heart, adorn your knowledge and decorate your mind. Trample them under your feet, and Ouch! - They will hurt.

- Malcom X, JR - Michigan

I admire and congratulate Dr. Shabbir Ahmed for serving humanity with the knowledge that is restricted to the brightest students of the seminaries, deacons, ministers, reverends, bishops and rabbis. He has done the job superbly, yet simply, for the common person. May God bless him for expiating the socially constrained souls like myself who must sacrifice their intellectual honesty at the altar of their heritage. Time is at hand for us to move on from dogma to reason. Amen.

- Reverend Bruce Hamilton, Ph. D
Harvard School of Divinity

Dr. Shabbir Ahmed, born in 1947, has spent most of his life healing the sick. But he is a physician who would rather address psyche as well as soma. In his medical career spanning over decades, Dr. Ahmed has compassionately treated patients in seven countries. At the intellectual and spiritual platform, no country in the world is without his illuminating books on very diverse subjects - humor, history, poetry, religion and politics. Dr. Ahmed has been repeatedly awarded for his services to humanity, but he takes delight only in the rewards he will continue to get from the Creator.

Shabbir's writings are enthralling! Once you pick any of his books or columns, it is hard to put them down. The man brings joy to millions of hearts every week, every day, and every year.

A widely traveled man currently residing in Florida, Shabbir spent his formative years in Pakistan and graduated in Medicine there. But he never stopped educating himself and to this day proudly calls himself 'a life-long student'.

Married to a lovely wife since 1971, they are the grateful parents of three magnificent children.

Best wishes to Dr. Shabbir Ahmed and his family.

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INTRODUCTION

What is the Bible? Bible is the name given to several collections of writings held sacred by the Jewish and Christian religions. It is also known as the Holy Scriptures. Both religions regard the Bible as inspired by God. They base many of their beliefs and customs on the teachings found in the Bible - *The World Book Encyclopedia 2000*

The purpose of this work

THUS SPEAKS THE BIBLE is an educational work about the most widely published book in the world. In addition to focusing on some crucial verses of the Bible, I respectfully present before the reader more than twenty small chapters on some interesting and thought provoking information. This work may elicit all kinds of responses: agreement, disbelief, astonishment, shock, thrill, and resentment. The author assures the respected reader of his sincerity of intentions and intellectual honesty while freely admitting his own fallibility.

A vast majority of people of any faith do not read the Bible from cover to cover. This is one reason why the book before the reader has been kept brief and reader friendly.

Literature on arguments and counter-arguments for and against the Scriptures abounds in all languages. The author has tried to keep it simple: THUS SPEAKS THE BIBLE, in other words - Let the Bible Speak for Itself.

This work may help the Jews, Christians and Muslims to see what they have in common, and where they differ. "Mankind is One Community", declares the Qur'an. Therefore, many of the brief notes given within brackets and in bold script are meant to highlight the Qur'anic standpoint on the Biblical verses and themes under study.

Many Muslims might discover as to how much of the Biblical doctrines they unintentionally follow in the name of Islam through fabricated traditions of Prophet Muhammad.

Hopefully, the vehement critics of Islam would reflect on their own Scripture, and then, open-mindedly examine the Final Word of God, the Qur'an. They will see that the Qur'an does not attack the Bible. Rather, it heals and corrects the human touch in it. Let not our Christian and Jewish friends feel alienated by this statement until they have examined the first few and the last few chapters. Mutual understanding can bring all of us mentally and emotionally close together and help us address the vicious problems marring the entire human civilization today.

The author has quoted from the Judeo-Christian scholars exclusively. A small percentage of these quotes have been translated from other languages into English, and some quotes have been paraphrased for easier understanding.

'BC' and 'CE' used in this book indicate 'Before the Common Era' and 'The Common Era', respectively. OT will indicate the Old Testament and NT the New Testament.

Muslims must respect and revere God and all the prophets mentioned in the Bible. Therefore, as a rule, any criticism in this work is directed only against the human touch in the Bible.

Special care has been taken not to alter the meanings when selecting verses or using dashes for the sake of brevity. However, nothing can substitute for the careful study of a scripture in its entirety.

Finally, despite all caution and vigilance, some errors might have remained in this work. Comments and criticism from any quarters will be whole-heartedly welcome, and any errors will be corrected in the second edition with deep gratitude.

Why use the King James Version?

Online King James Version <http://endprod.com/bible/> has been used for this work.

St. Jerome had translated the then available versions of the Bible, from Greek to Latin in 394 CE. That is the famous *Vulgate* which was accepted as the standard Roman Catholic translation in 1546 at the Council of Trent. *Vulgate* became the foundation for the popular English translation, the King James Version, done in 1611 CE.

With the discovery of other ancient manuscripts in 1881 CE, as mentioned in 'New Testament - Status', the KJV needed revision for:

The preface of the 1971 Revised Standard Version (RSV) states: "The 1611 King James Version Bible had grave defects. These defects were discovered when earlier versions of the New Testament were found than those which the King James Version was based on. These defects are so many and so serious as to call for revision of the English translation."

However, even the RSV of 1971 has not been universally accepted, and there are numerous versions of the Bible available today, for example, the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV), and the New American Standard Bible. In this milieu, KJV still remains one of the most popular and relied upon versions and its language is considered to be most magnificent.

An Un-edited Note from the French Episcopal Church:

"They claim that the Bible being the Word of God has not changed. They should answer which Bible has not changed. Hebrew Bible, Greek Bible, Latin Bible, English Bible, Jewish Bible, Catholics' Bible, Protestants' Bible, Mormon Bible, Watchtower Bible, Eastern Orthodox Church's Bible - which Bible are they talking about? All these Bibles individually and collectively have been changed and are still being changed. Jews call the Old Testament, the Hebrew Bible or *TANAK*. But their Bible has 24 books and some books have been divided into two parts to make up for a total of 39 books. Protestants also have 39 books but in a different order. The same Old Testament of Catholics has 46 books, while Eastern Orthodox Christians have 51 books in their Old Testament. Jewish version of the Bible is based on the Hebrew Masoretic text while Christians generally use the Greek (*Septuagint*) and Latin (*Vulgate*) versions as the basis of their Old

Testaments. Each group also has variations in the texts of their books as well as in the number of verses.

The New Testament is accepted by Christians only. It has 27 books: Four Gospels and then other books and letters named after various apostles. But Catholics add some verses in the Gospels that are not accepted by the Protestants. The Catholics as well as the Eastern Orthodox Christians acknowledge some books that are not accepted by the Protestants. As far as the ancient manuscripts of the Bible are concerned, it is known to the Biblical scholars that most of the manuscripts came from the fourth century CE down. These ancient manuscripts are essentially partial and their texts differ from one another very significantly.

M. M. Parvis in the *Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible* (vol. 4, pp. 594-595) says, 'The New Testament is now known to exist, in whole or in part, in nearly five thousand Greek manuscripts alone. Every one of these handwritten copies differs from the other one. It has been estimated that these manuscripts and quotations differ among themselves between 150,000 and 250,000 times. The actual figure is, perhaps, much higher. A study of 150 Greek manuscripts of the Gospel of Luke has revealed more than 30,000 different readings. It is safe to say that there is not one sentence in the New Testament in which the manuscripts' tradition is wholly uniform.'

Anyone can get hold of the *Good News Bible* and can see for oneself that in the 1300 pages of this modern English version, there are almost as many footnotes pointing to phrases, sentences and passages that are omitted from or added to various ancient manuscripts or versions. Many of these alterations are not unintentional scribal errors such as are expected in handwritten copies of a book. A careful study of ancient texts has convinced scholars that the variations found in them were very often intentional tampering with the texts. This tampering is still going on for various political, theological or ideological reasons. Under pressure of the Jewish organizations, many churches in America and Europe have begun rephrasing Jesus' criticism of the Jews in the Gospels. Feminists groups are urging the use of unisex language in the new versions. Homosexual groups have their own versions. All these changes are taking place before our own eyes. Of course, people can believe whatever they may wish."

The Modern Discoveries

The most recent example of the insecurity of the Church is their continued custody and secretive handling of the most ancient manuscripts:

- Naga Hammadi Texts discovered in Egypt in 1945.
- The Dead Sea Scrolls discovered in Qumran caves by the Dead Sea in 1947.
- The incredibly important large repository of Scriptures found in the Monastery of St. Catherine on Mount Sinai in 1976.

The first two of these took forty years to get partially published, an obvious indication of tampering. Yet, like the Gnostic gospels such as the *Apocalypse of Peter*, many of these texts claim that Jesus was never crucified. In fact, he was among the onlookers at the time of the crucifixion of the malefactors, and then quietly moved away to safety. The third one is still being "protected". The monks who hold the material have allowed only one Greek scholar to have a look with express permission from Vatican. (Dr. James Bentley - *The Secrets of Mount Sinai*) "The Pontifical Biblical Commission of Vatican tightly controls which scholars are allowed to have a look at those finds. The Commission issued a decree on the 21st of April /1964: "At all times the interpreter must cherish a spirit of ready obedience to the Church's teaching authority." (Rev. Jerald F. Dirks and Robert W. Mond)

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- *Introduction to Polyglot Bible*
- *Encyclopedia of Biblical Literature*
- *Valentine's Jewish Encyclopedia*
- *The Annihilation of Man* - Leslie Paul
- *Judaism as Creed and Life* - Joseph Sullivan
- *The Bible Unmasked* - Joseph Lewis.
- *Good and Evil* - Professor Joad
- *The Fall of the Idols* - W. R. Inge
- *Encyclopedia of Religion and Ethics*, Bible
- *Encyclopedia Britannica*, Gospel
- *Confessions Of A Skeptic* - Dr. M. B. Mail
- *The Cross and The Crescent* - Rev. Jerald F. Dirks
- *Sermons of Joseph Barber Lightfoot*, Bishop of England (1828-1889)
- *Pagan and Christian Creeds* - Edward Carpenter
- *The World's Sixteen Crucified Saviors* - Kersey Graves
- *Pagan Christs* - J. M. Robertson
- *A History of the Intellectual Development of Europe* - John William Draper
- *The Ancient Scriptures* - Prof. Thomas Broadway
- *The Early Church* - H. Chadwick
- *The Early Fathers and Paul's Doctrine* - Rev. Bryan Gold
- *The Dead Sea Scrolls Deception* - Michael Baigent

OLD TESTAMENT (39 Books)

1 Genesis 2 Exodus 3 Leviticus 4 Numbers 5 Deuteronomy 6 Joshua 7 Judges 8 Ruth 9 Samuel 1 10 Samuel 2 11 Kings 1 12 Kings 2 13 Chronicles 1 14 Chronicles 2 15 Ezra 16 Nehemiah 17 Esther 18 Job 19 Psalms 20 Proverbs 21 Ecclesiastes 22 Song of Songs 23 Isaiah 24 Jeremiah 25 Lamentations 26 Ezekiel 27 Daniel 28 Hosea 29 Joel 30 Amos 31 Obadiah 32 Jonah 33 Micah 34 Nahum 35

Habakkuk 36 Zephaniah 37 Haggai 38 Zechariah 39
Malachi

NEW TESTAMENT (27 Books)

1 The Gospel of Mathew 2 The Gospel of Mark 3 The Gospel of
Luke 4 The Gospel of John 5 Acts 6 Romans 7 Corinthians 1
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THUS SPEAKS THE BIBLE (Selected Verses)

THE OLD TESTAMENT (OT) BEGINS HERE:

OT 01 GENESIS

[From the creation of the heaven and earth, Adam and Eve, to the death
of Prophet Joseph]

Is God a super-human?

1:27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created
he him; male and female created he them. [With God taking physical
form, his Omnipresence is struck off right in the beginning]

God gets tired

2:2 And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made;
and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.
2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and
breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

What was the Forbidden Tree?

2:17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat
of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die. [But
Adam and Eve lived on for centuries afterward. The Qur'an refers to it as
the tree of division. Humankind must not divide like the branches of a tree
and be one community]

2:21 And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he
took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;

No question of women's rights

2:22 And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a
woman, and brought her unto the man. [Why did he not create her from
dust?]

2:23 And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh:
she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.

3:4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

3:6 And ----, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

3:8 And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden ----.

3:16 Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

Both had erred and God had accepted their repentance - Qur'an

3:19 In the sweat of thy face shalt thou [Adam] eat bread, ----. [Since humankind had fallen into schism for personal gains]

5:5 And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.

5:23 And all the days of Enoch [Idris] were three hundred sixty and five years:

Enoch goes up there

5:24 And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him.

Why are not women daughters of God?

6:2 That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose.

God repents and grieves. Is he not Omniscient?

6:6 And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.

God is not a man, ---- that he should repent - Numbers 23:19

6:7 And the LORD said, I will destroy ----; both man, and beast, ----; for it repenteth me that I have made them.

6:19 And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every sort shalt thou bring into the ark, ----; they shall be male and female. [Was it possible to gather millions of species?]

Did Noah's Flood affect other nations?

7:21 And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, ----, and every man: [Noah's Flood came only upon his people in the valleys of Tigris and Euphrates]

Noah gets drunk

9:21 And he [Noah] drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent.

9:22 And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brethren without.

9:25 And he said, Cursed be Canaan; ---- [Canaan cursed for his father Ham's doing!]

9:29 And all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years: and he died.

11:1 And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.

People scare God

11:4 And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; ----.

11:5 And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.

11:6 And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; ----.

11:7 Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, ----.

12:11 And it came to pass, when he [Abram] was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that thou art a fair woman to look upon:

Abram risks the rape of his wife

12:13 Say, I pray thee, thou art my sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake; and my soul shall live because of thee.

12:15 The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house.

12:16 And he entreated Abram well for her sake: ----.

Treat a bonded person as you please

16:6 But Abram said unto Sarai, Behold, thy maid [Hagar] is in thine hand; do to her as pleases thee. And when Sarai dealt hardly with her, she fled from her face.

16:15 And Hagar bare Abram a son: and Abram called his son's name, which Hagar bare, Ishmael.

Abram sees God

17:1 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect. [So Abram saw God]

16:16 And Abram was fourscore and six years old, when Hagar bare Ishmael to Abram.

17:5 ----, but thy name shall be Abraham; ----. [God confers special honor on Abraham because of Ishmael]

17:15 ----, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall her name be.

Ishmael, the forefather of the Arabs, is the firstborn of Abraham

17:20 And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee: Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly; twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation.

17:24 And Abraham was ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

Lot offers his two daughters for gang rape

19:8 [Lot said to his people] Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as is good in your eyes: ----.

19:26 But his [Lot's] wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt. [OK]

Lot gets drunk and impregnates his two daughters

19:31 And the firstborn [daughter of Lot] said unto the younger, Our father is old, and there is not a man in the earth to come in unto us after the manner of all the earth:

19:32 Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.

19:33 And they made their father drink wine that night: and the firstborn went in, and lay with her father; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.

19:34 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the firstborn said unto the younger, Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also; and go thou in, and lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.

19:35 And they made their father drink wine that night also: and the younger arose, and lay with him; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose. [He perceived not - Is that possible?]

19:36 Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father. [Can we recommend this kind of writing to our children?]

20:11 And Abraham said, ----; and they will slay me for my wife's sake.

Abraham married his sister

20:12 And yet indeed she is my sister; she is the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife.

The method of taking an oath

24:2 And Abraham said unto his eldest servant of his house, ----, Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh: [A frequently mentioned method in the Bible, of testifying. According to Merriam-Webster dictionary, the word, *testify* derives from the Latin *testis witness*. So, it involves the grabbing of another man's testes for making an oath. *The Scope of Christianity in Australia* - Mary Hobbs]

25:7 And these are the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived, an hundred threescore and fifteen years.

Jacob deceives his blind father

27:32 And Isaac his father said unto him, Who art thou? And he [Jacob] said, I am thy son, thy firstborn Esau. [Jacob tells a frank lie!]

Jacob marries two sisters together

29:25 And it came to pass, that in the morning, behold, it was Leah: and he [Jacob] said to Laban, ----? did not I serve with thee for Rachel? ----? [Rachel was beautiful]

29:27 Fulfil her week, and we will give thee this also ----.

Jacob wrestles with God and prevails

32:24 And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man [God] with him until the breaking of the day.

32:25 And when he [God] saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, ----. [He grabbed Jacob's testicles according to ancient readings. Prof K. U. Dean]

32:26 And he [God] said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me. [Jacob could have grounded God. Getting blessed by force?]

32:27 And he said unto him, What is thy name? And he said, Jacob. [God has to ask his name!]

32:28 And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.

Jacob sees God

32:30 ----: for I [Jacob] have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved. [Later we learn that none can see God]

34:2 And when Shechem ---- lay with her, and defiled her. [Dinah, daughter of Jacob from Leah]

Two men plunder the entire city

34:25 ----, when they were sore [from circumcision], that two of the sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brethren, ---- slew all the males.

34:27 The sons of Jacob came upon the slain, and spoiled the city, because they had defiled their sister.

34:28 They took their ---- that which was in the city, ----,

34:29 And all their wealth, and all their little ones, and their wives took they captive, ----. [Just two men did all this]

Jacob's son lies with his father's concubine

35:22 ----, that Reuben went and lay with Bilhah his father's concubine: and Israel heard it. Now the sons of Jacob were twelve:

35:28 And the days of Isaac were an hundred and fourscore years.

Judah commits adultery

38:2 And Judah saw there a daughter of a certain Canaanite, whose name was Shuah; and he took her, and went in unto her.

38:8 And Judah said unto Onan, Go in unto thy brother's wife, ----.

The Lord slays Onan for coitus interruptus

38:9 And Onan ----, when he went in unto his brother's wife, that he spilled it on the ground, lest that he should give seed to his brother.

38:10 And the thing which he did displeased the LORD: wherefore he slew him also.

Judah commits incest with his daughter-in-law

38:16 And he [Judah son of Jacob] turned unto her [Tamar, his daughter in law] by the way, and said, Go to, I pray thee, let me come in unto thee; (for he knew not that she was his daughter in law.) And she said, What wilt thou give me, that thou mayest come in unto me? [The parentheses are a later interpolation. And, at least Tamar knew it - Lord Headley]

38:17 And he said, I will send thee a kid from the flock. ----?

Slaying of grandsons!

42:37 And Reuben spake unto his father [Jacob], saying, Slay my two sons, if I bring him [Benjamin] not to thee: ----. [Reuben's sons would be grandsons to Jacob]

47:28 And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years: so the whole age of Jacob was an hundred forty and seven years.

47:29 ----: and he [Jacob] called his son Joseph, and said unto him, ----, put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh, ----; bury me not, I pray thee, in Egypt: [See 24:2]

50:26 So Joseph died, being an hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.

OT 02 EXODUS

[From the birth of Moses to the inhabitation of Israelites in Sinai]

1:1 Now these are the names of the children of Israel, which came into Egypt; every man and his household came with Jacob.

Moses, the deceitful killer!

2:12 And he [Moses] looked this way and that way, and when he saw that there was no man, he slew the Egyptian, and hid him in the sand.

4:22 And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD, Israel [Jacob] is my son, even my firstborn:

4:25 Then Zipporah [wife of Moses] took a sharp stone, and cut off the foreskin of her son, and cast it at his feet, and said, Surely a bloody husband art thou to me.

Amram marries his aunt

6:20 And Amram took him Jochebed his father's sister to wife; and she bare him Aaron and Moses: and the years of the life of Amram were an hundred and thirty and seven years.

7:10 And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, ----: and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh, and before his servants, and it became a serpent. [OK!]

7:19 ----, Take thy rod, and stretch out thine hand upon the waters of Egypt, ----, and upon all their pools of water, that they may become blood; ----.

8:6 And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and the frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt.

The so-called magic matches miracles

8:7 And the magicians did so with their enchantments, and brought up frogs upon the land of Egypt.

8:17 ----; for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, ----; all the dust of the land became lice throughout all the land of Egypt.

9:6 And the LORD did that thing on the morrow, and all the cattle of Egypt died: but of the cattle of the children of Israel died not one.

9:11 ----; for the boil was upon the magicians, and upon all the Egyptians.

9:18 ---- rain a very grievous hail, such as hath not been in Egypt ----.

10:13 And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, ----, the locusts.

10:22 And Moses stretched forth his hand ---- a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days:

10:23 They saw not one another, ----: but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.

Deception by a prophet!

11:2 ----, and let every man borrow of his neighbour, and every woman of her neighbour, jewels of silver and jewels of gold. [Borrow, never to return]

Holiness of the firstborn is a recurring theme in the Bible

11:5 And all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the first born of Pharaoh ----; and all the firstborn beasts.

God roams the streets and loves blood sacrifice

12:23 ----; and when he [Lord] seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, the LORD will pass over the door, ----.

A flagrant treachery

12:36 ---- so that they [the Egyptians] lent unto them [the Israelites] such things as they required. And they spoiled the Egyptians.

12:37 And the children of Israel journeyed ----, about six hundred thousand on foot that were men, beside children.

12:40 Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, was four hundred and thirty years.

The Lord literally fights

14:14 The LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace.

15:3 The LORD is a man of war: the Lord is his name.

15:8 And with the blast of thy [God's] nostrils the waters were gathered together ----.

16:4 Then said the LORD unto Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; ----. [OK]

God moves up and down

19:9 And the LORD said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto thee in a thick cloud, ----.

People see and meet with God

19:11 ----: for the third day the LORD will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai.

19:17 And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with God; --.

The Ten Commandments [needs cross-references]

20:3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me. [1]

2 20:4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, ----. [2]

20:7 Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; ----. [3]

20:8 Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. [4]

20:12 Honour thy father and thy mother: ----. [5]

20:13 Thou shalt not kill. [6]

20:14 Thou shalt not commit adultery. [7]

20:15 Thou shalt not steal. [8]

20:16 Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour. [9]

20:17 Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's. [10]

Selling daughters

21:7 And if a man sell his daughter to be a maidservant, she shall not go out as the menservants do.

Death penalty and its waiver for a slave owner

21:17 And he that curseth his father, or his mother, shall surely be put to death.

21:21 Notwithstanding, if he continue [to live before dying] a day or two, he shall not be punished: for he is his money. [This is of a master smiting and killing his slave]

Witches and witchcraft

22:18 Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live. [Witches exist only in fairy tales]

God, the homeless

25:8 And let them make me a sanctuary; that I (God) may dwell among them.

Ritualism against all reason

29:20 Then shalt thou kill the ram, and take of his blood, and put it upon the tip of the right ear of Aaron, ---, and sprinkle the blood upon the altar round about.

Work on Saturday and face death

31:15 ---: whosoever doeth any work in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death.

31:17 It is a sign between me and the children of Israel for ever: for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed.

Prophet Aaron makes the golden calf

32:4 ---, after he had made it a molten calf: and they said, these be thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

32:10 Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may wax hot against them, and that I [God] may consume them: ---.

32:14 And the LORD repented of the evil which he thought to do unto his people. [See Numbers 23:19]

Aaron makes thousands naked

32:25 And when Moses saw that the people were naked; (for Aaron had -- --:)

Punishment of apostasy

32:27 ---, Put every man his sword by his side, and go in and out from gate to gate throughout the camp, and slay every man his brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbour.

The mortals who saw God

33:20 And he [God] said, Thou [Moses] canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live. [But Abraham, Jacob, Ahab, Job, Samson's parents saw him. Genesis 17:1 and 32:24. Book of Judges 13:22. II

Chronicles 18:18. Job 42:5. Israelites saw and met God. Exodus 19:11. And whoever saw Jesus saw God. John 12:45]

34:14 For thou shalt worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God:

OT 03 LEVITICUS

[Commandments given to the Israelites in the Sinai Desert]

1:1 And the LORD called unto Moses, and spake unto him out of the tabernacle [tent] of the congregation, saying,

The importance and income of priests

5:13 ----: and the remnant shall be the priest's, as a meat offering.
6:7 And the priest shall make an atonement for him before the LORD: ----.
Rituals, and only the males feast
6:29 All the males among the priests shall eat thereof: it is most holy.
6:30 And no sin offering ---- shall be eaten: it shall be burnt in the fire. [A
flagrant waste of natural resources]
8:19 And he [Aaron] killed it [the ram]; and Moses sprinkled the blood
upon the altar round about.
8:21 And he washed the inwards and the legs in water; and Moses burnt
the whole ram upon the altar: ----.
9:24 And there came a fire out from before the LORD, and consumed
upon the altar the burnt offering and the fat: ----. [OK]
11:4 Nevertheless these shall ye not eat ---- the camel, ----; he is unclean
unto you.
11:7 And the swine, ----; he is unclean to you.
11:8 Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcase shall ye not touch; ----
. [The Qur'an does not go to extremes. It only forbids the eating of pork]
11:12 Whatsoever hath no fins nor scales in the waters, that shall be an
abomination unto you. [The Mullahs pronounce the shellfish detestable]
Becoming a mother is sin needing atonement
12:2 ---- If a woman have conceived seed, and born a man child: then
she shall be unclean seven days; ----.
12:3 And in the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.
12:4 And she shall then continue in the blood of her purifying three and
thirty days; she shall touch no hallowed thing, ----.
And she is unclean - girl 80 days, boy 40 days
12:5 But if she bear a maid child, then she shall be unclean two weeks, as
in her separation: and she shall continue in the blood of her purifying
threescore and six days.
12:8 And if she be not able to bring a lamb, then she shall bring two turtles,
or two young pigeons; ----: and the priest shall make an atonement for
her, and she shall be clean.
Priest will diagnose and treat leprosy
13:9 When the plague of leprosy is in a man, then he shall be brought unto
the priest; [not to a physician]
13:45 And the leper in whom the plague is, ---- and he shall put a covering
upon his upper lip, and shall cry, Unclean, unclean. [Keep crying in the
streets!]
Women with menstruation
15:20 And every thing that she lieth upon in her separation shall be
unclean: every thing also that she sitteth upon shall be unclean.
15:21 And whosoever touches her bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe
himself in water, and be unclean until the even.
15:29 And on the eighth day she shall take unto her two turtles, or two
young pigeons, and bring them unto the priest, ----.
15:30 And the priest shall offer the one for a sin offering, ----.

How to get rid of the collective sins of a community

16:21 And Aaron [or the priest in later generations] shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of a fit man into the wilderness:

16:22 And the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a land not inhabited: and he shall let go the goat in the wilderness. [Why, then, was Jesus required to give his life?]

Two sisters in wedlock

18:18 Neither shall thou take a wife to her sister, to vex her, to uncover her nakedness, beside the other in her life time. [Jacob married two sisters together. Genesis 29:27]

No cross-breeding, crop mixing or two fibers in a cloth

19:19 ---- Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender with a diverse kind: thou shalt not sow thy field with mingled seed: neither shall a garment mingled of linen and woollen come upon thee.

Trees require allegorical circumcision

19:23 ---- of trees for food, ----: three years shall it be as uncircumcised unto you: it shall not be eaten of.

Do not shorten your beard or scalp hair

19:27 Ye shall not round the corners of your heads, neither shalt thou mar the corners of thy beard. [Beard is nowhere ordained in the Qur'an. Ah! These Mullahs]

Death penalty for adultery and homosexuality

20:10 And the man that committeth adultery with another man's wife, even he that committeth adultery with his neighbour's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death. [The Islamic Mullahs seem to have gotten this non-Qur'anic punishment or stoning from here]

20:13 If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them. [What about the 'gay rights']

Burn alive!

20:14 And if a man take a wife and her mother, it is wickedness: they shall be burnt with fire, both he and they; ----.

Bestiality

20:15 And if a man lie with a beast, he shall surely be put to death: and ye shall slay the beast.

20:16 And if a woman approach unto any beast, and lie down thereto, thou shalt kill the woman, and the beast: ----.

They remain childless!

20:21 And if a man shall take his brother's wife, it is an unclean thing: he hath uncovered his brother's nakedness; they shall be childless.

Stoning to death on mere conjecture

20:27 A man also or woman that hath a familiar spirit, or that is a wizard, shall surely be put to death: they shall stone them with stones: their blood

shall be upon them. [The priesthood has burnt alive countless people by this excuse. There is no such things as a familiar spirit, witch or wizard]

Beware the daughters of priests!

21:9 And the daughter of any priest, if she profane herself by playing the whore, she profaneth her father: she shall be burnt with fire.

21:13 And he [the priest] shall take a wife in her virginity.

Discrimination against the disabled

21:18 For whatsoever man he be that hath a blemish, he shall not approach [the altar]: a blind man, or a lame, or he that hath a flat nose, or any thing superfluous,

21:19 Or a man that is brokenfooted, or brokenhanded,

21:20 Or crookbackt, or a dwarf, or that hath a blemish in his eye, or be scurvy, or scabbed, or hath his stones broken;

Stone to death the apostate

24:14 Bring forth him that hath cursed [the Lord] without the camp; ----, and let all the congregation stone him. [Stoning or burning is not ordained in the Qur'an for any transgression]

Buy slaves

25:44 ----; of them [the heathen] shall ye buy bondmen and bondmaids.

Eat the flesh of your children, the furious Lord

26:29 [If the Lord became furious for disobedience] And ye shall eat the flesh of your sons, and the flesh of your daughters shall ye eat.

Price tag on men and women has a ratio of 5 and 3

27:3 And thy estimation shall be of the male --- shall be fifty shekels of silver, --.

27:4 And if it be a female, then thy estimation shall be thirty shekels.

27:34 These are the commandments, which the LORD commanded Moses for the children of Israel in mount Sinai.

OT 04 NUMBERS

[From the census of the Israelites to their entering of Canaan, ancient Palestine]

3:13 Because all the firstborn are mine; ----, both man and beast: mine shall they be: I am the LORD.

5:2 ---- put out of the camp every leper, and every one that hath an issue [menstruation or seminal emission], and whosoever is defiled by the dead:

A wife accused of adultery

5:21 Then the priest shall charge the [accused] woman with an oath of cursing, and the priest shall say unto the woman, the LORD make thee a curse and an oath among the people, when the Lord doth make thy thigh to rot, and thy belly to swell; [Did that ever happen?]

5:22 And this water that causeth the curse shall go into thy bowels, to make thy belly to swell, and thy thigh to rot: And the woman shall say, Amen, amen.

5:28 And if the woman be not defiled, but be clean; then she shall be free, and shall conceive seed. [Conception guaranteed]

Instantaneous leprosy

12:10 And the cloud departed from off the tabernacle; and, behold, Miriam became leprous, white as snow: ----.

Stoning to death for violating Sabbath

15:32 And while the children of Israel were in the wilderness, they found a man that gathered sticks upon the sabbath day.

15:36 And all the congregation brought him without the camp, and stoned him with stones, and he died; as the Lord commanded Moses.

Serpents and the antidote

21:6 And the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died.

21:9 And Moses made a serpent of brass, ---- when he [a bitten one] beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.

God repents and never repents

23:19 God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: ----? [See Genesis 6:6, Exodus 32:14]

All females except daughters out of inheritance

27:9 And if he have no daughter, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his brethren.

27:10 And if he have no brethren, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his father's brethren.

Wife needs husband's permission to make a vow or oath

30:13 Every vow, and every binding oath to afflict the soul, her husband may establish it, or her husband may make it void.

Moses becomes more tyrannical than Pharaoh!

31:7 And they warred against the Midianites, ----; and they slew all the males.

31:9 And the children of Israel took all the women of Midian captives, and their little ones, ----.

31:10 And they burnt all their cities ----.

31:15 And Moses said unto them, Have ye saved all the women alive?

31:17 Now therefore kill every male among the little ones, and kill every woman that hath known man by lying with him.

31:18 But all the women children, that have not known a man by lying with him, keep alive for yourselves.

31:51 And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold of them, even all wrought jewels.

Take the law in your own hands

35:19 The revenger of blood himself shall slay the murderer: when he meeteth him, he shall slay him.

36:13 These are the commandments and the judgments, which the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses unto the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by Jordan near Jericho.

OT 05 DEUTERONOMY

[Commands and events until the death of Moses]

1:30 The LORD your God which goeth before you, he shall fight for you, ----
;

2:34 And we took all his cities at that time, and utterly destroyed the men, and the women, and the little ones, of every city, we left none to remain:

7:2 And when the Lord thy God shall deliver them before thee; thou shalt smite them, and utterly destroy them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor show mercy unto them:

7:6 For thou [Israelites] art an holy people unto the Lord thy God: the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth.

Jews and their cattle shall never be infertile

7:14 Thou shalt be blessed above all people: there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle.

No pity

7:16 And thou shalt consume all the people which the LORD thy God shall deliver thee; thine eye shall have no pity upon them ----.

Kill the apostate family members

13:6 If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or the wife of thy bosom, or thy friend, which is as thine own soul, entice thee secretly, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, ----;

13:9 But thou shalt surely kill him; thine hand shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people.

13:10 And thou shalt stone him with stones, that he die; ----.

Kill the infidels

13:15 Thou shalt surely smite the inhabitants of that city [thy city that serves other gods] with the edge of the sword, destroying it utterly, ----, with the edge of the sword.

13:16 And thou shalt gather all the spoil of it into the midst of the street thereof, and shalt burn with fire the city, ----.

17:5 Then shalt thou bring forth that man or that woman [that worshipped other gods], ----, and shalt stone them with stones, till they die.

Is this about Prophet Muhammad?

18:15 The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me [Moses]; unto him ye shall hearken;

18:18 I will raise them up a prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.

A glimpse of the Biblical Jihad

20:10 When thou comest nigh unto a city to fight against it, then proclaim peace unto it.

20:11 ----, if it make thee answer of peace, and open unto thee, then it shall be, that all the people that is found therein shall be tributaries unto thee, and they shall serve thee. [Will be taken as slaves?]

20:12 And if it will make no peace with thee, but will make war against thee, then thou shalt besiege it:

20:13 And when the Lord thy God hath delivered it into thine hands, thou shalt smite every male thereof with the edge of the sword:

20:14 But the women, and the little ones, and the cattle, and all that is in the city, even all the spoil thereof, shalt thou take unto thyself; ----.

20:16 But of the cities of these people, which the Lord thy God doth give thee for an inheritance, thou shalt save alive nothing that breatheth:

21:11 And seest among the captives a beautiful woman, and hast a desire unto her, that thou wouldest have her to thy wife;

21:12 Then thou shalt bring her home to thine house, and she shall shave her head, and pare her nails;

21:13 ---- thou shalt go in unto her, and be her husband, and she shall be thy wife.

A stubborn son

21:18 If a man have a stubborn and rebellious son, which will not obey ----:

21:20 And they shall say unto the elders of his city, This our son is stubborn and rebellious, he will not obey our voice; he is a glutton, and a drunkard.

21:21 And all the men of his city shall stone him with stones, that he die: ----

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Hanging

21:22 And if a man have committed a sin worthy of death, and he be to be put to death, and thou hang him on a tree:

21:23 His body ---- bury him that day; (for he that is hanged is accursed of God;) that thy land be not defiled, ----. [Book of Acts 5:30 goes on to confirm that Jesus Christ was thus accursed?]

If a bride has no blood on the bed-sheet

22:13 If any man take a wife, and go in unto her, and hate her,

22:14 ----, and say, I took this woman, and when I came to her, I found her not a maid:

22:15 Then shall the father of the damsel, and her mother, take and bring forth the tokens of the damsel's virginity unto the elders of the city in the gate: [What shall become of the innocent damsels without hymen?]

22:17 [The damsel's father says] And, lo, he hath given occasions of speech against her, saying, I found not thy daughter a maid; and yet these are the tokens of my daughter's virginity. And they shall spread the cloth before the elders of the city. [Is that decent behavior?]

22:19 And they shall amerce him in an hundred shekels of silver, and give them unto the father of the damsel, ----: and she shall be his wife; he may not put her away all his days. [The poor damsel has no redress for such grievous slander]

22:20 But if this thing be true, and the tokens of virginity be not found for the damsel:

22:21 Then they shall bring out the damsel to the door of her father's house, and the men of her city shall stone her with stones that she die: ---- put evil away from among you. [Be suspicious and kill all sinners]

How to handle rape

22:23 If a damsel that is a virgin be betrothed unto an husband, and a man find her in the city, and lie with her;

22:24 Then ye shall bring them both out unto the gate of that city, and ye shall stone them with stones that they die; the damsel, because she cried not, being in the city; and the man, because he hath humbled his neighbour's wife: so thou shalt put away evil from among you.

22:28 If a man find a damsel that is a virgin, which is not betrothed, and lay hold on her, and lie with her, and they be found;

22:29 Then the man that lay with her shall give unto the damsel's father fifty shekels of silver, and she shall be his wife; because he hath humbled her, he may not put her away all his days. [Rewarding of the rapist]

The one with injured or severed genitals

23:1 He that is wounded in the stones [testicles], or hath his privy member cut off, shall not enter into the congregation of the lord.

An illegitimate child

23:2 A bastard shall not ----; even to his tenth generation ---- not enter into the congregation of the Lord. [Incidentally, David was in the 9th generation of Pharez who was the illegitimate son of Judah and Tamar. Genesis 38:16, 1 Chronicles 2:4, Ruth 4:17 on]

Usury

23:20 Unto a stranger thou mayest lend upon usury; but unto thy brother thou shalt not lend upon usury: ----.

Evict your wife from home

24:1 When a man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it come to pass that she find no favour in his eyes, because he hath found some uncleanness in her: then let him write her a bill of divorcement, and give it in her hand, and send her out of his house. [Evict not your wives from their homes - Qur'an]

Kill the thief

24:7 If a man be found stealing any of his brethren of the children of Israel, and maketh merchandise of him, or selleth him; then that thief shall die; and thou shalt put evil away from among you. [The Mullahs would only chop a hand]

The Qur'an confirms this beautiful law

24:16 The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers: every man shall be put to death for his own sin.

When would a woman spit on a man's face?

25:5 If brethren dwell together, and one of them die, and have no child, the wife of the dead shall not marry without unto a stranger: her husband's brother shall go in unto her, and take her to him to wife, ----.

25:9 [If he reuses] Then shall his brother's wife come unto him in the presence of the elders, and loose his shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face, ----.

A defending wife may have her hand chopped off

25:11 When men strive together one with another, and the wife of the one draweth near for to deliver her husband out of the hand of him that smiteth him, and putteth forth her hand, and taketh him by the secrets:
25:12 Then thou shalt cut off her hand, thine eye shall not pity her.

Incest cursed but

27:22 Cursed be he that lieth with his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen. [Yet, so many people in the Bible do it. Did Abraham and Sarah really have the same father as claims Genesis 20:12?]

Eating the flesh of children

28:53 And [besieged by enemy] thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters, ----:

28:63 ----; so the LORD will rejoice over you to destroy you, ----.

Sinai, Seir, Paran

33:2 And he said, The LORD came from Sinai, and rose up from Seir unto them; he shined forth from mount Paran, and he came with ten thousands of saints: from his right hand went a fiery law for them. [According to many Biblical scholars, Sinai refers to Moses, Seir in Syria to Jesus where he used to pray, and Paran to Prophet Muhammad's Mecca - Rev. H. Barnett]

34:7 And Moses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.

OT 06 THE BOOK OF JOSHUA

[The false geocentric theory - Prophet Joshua's utter destruction of Amalekites and other tribes in ancient Palestine - Events until the death of Prophet Joshua. Compare the narratives in the Book of Joshua with the concept of Jihad in the Qur'an which is ordained only against the attacking combatants and persecutors]

1:1 Now after the death of Moses the servant of the LORD it came to pass, that the LORD spake unto Joshua ----, saying,

Death for disobedience

1:18 Whosoever he be that doth rebel against thy commandment, ----, he shall be put to death: ----.

5:2 At that time the LORD said unto Joshua, Make thee sharp knives, and circumcise again the children of Israel the second time.

Plunder, looting, killing and pilferage

6:21 And they utterly destroyed all that was in the city, both man and woman, young and old, and ox, and sheep, and ass, with the edge of the sword.

6:24 And they burnt the city with fire, and all that was therein: ----.

7:24 And Joshua, and all Israel with him, took Achan the son of Zerah, and the silver, and the garment, and the wedge of gold, and his sons, and his daughters, ----, and all that he had: ----.

7:25 ----, and [all Israel] burned them with fire, after they had stoned them with stones.

8:8 And it shall be, when ye have taken the city, that ye shall set the city on fire: according to the commandment of the LORD shall ye do. See, I have commanded you.

8:18 And the LORD said unto Joshua, Stretch out the spear that is in thy hand toward Ai; for I will give it into thine hand. -----. [Ah! The incessant miracles]

8:22 ----: and they smote them, so that they let none of them remain or escape.

8:28 And Joshua burnt Ai, and made it an heap for ever, ----.

8:29 And the king of Ai he hanged on a tree until eventide: ----.

10:10 And the LORD ---- slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, ----.

10:11 ----, as they fled from before Israel, ----, that the LORD cast down great stones from heaven upon them unto Azekah, and they died: ----.

10:12 Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon.

Geocentric, instead of the correct heliocentric theory

10:13 And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. Is not this written in the book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day. [Countless people have been persecuted and burnt alive by the Church for saying that it is the earth that revolves around the sun! Where is the book of Jasher in KJV?]

10:20 And it came to pass, when Joshua and the children of Israel had made an end of slaying them with a very great slaughter, ----.

Back to destruction

10:39 And he took it, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof; and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and utterly destroyed all the souls that were therein; he left none remaining: as he had done to Hebron, so he did to Debir, and to the king thereof; as he had done also to Libnah, and to her king.

10:40 So Joshua smote all the country of the hills, and of the south, and of the vale, and of the springs, and all their kings: he left none remaining, but utterly destroyed all that breathed, as the LORD God of Israel commanded.

11:21 And at that time came Joshua, and cut off the Anakims from the mountains, ----: Joshua destroyed them utterly with their cities.

24:29 And it came to pass after these things, that Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died, being an hundred and ten years old.

OT 07 THE BOOK OF JUDGES

[Successive Israelite leaders called Judges and their strife against the foreign kings]

The Massacre goes on

1:1 Now after the death of Joshua it came to pass, that the children of Israel asked the LORD, saying, Who shall go up for us against the Canaanites first, to fight against them?

1:4 And Judah went up; and the LORD delivered the Canaanites and the Perizzites into their hand: and they slew of them in Bezek ten thousand men.

1:6 But Adonibezek fled; and they pursued after him, and caught him, and cut off his thumbs and his great toes.

1:19 And the LORD was with Judah; and he drave out the inhabitants of the mountain; but could not drive out the inhabitants of the valley, because they had chariots of iron. [The Lord was powerless against iron chariots!]

3:16 But Ehud made him a dagger which had two edges, of a cubit length; and he did gird it under his raiment upon his right thigh.

Deceit in the name of God!

3:17 And he brought the present unto Eglon king of Moab: and Eglon was a very fat man.

3:20 And Ehud came unto him; and he was sitting in a summer parlour, which he had for himself alone. And Ehud said, I have a message from God unto thee ---.

3:21 And Ehud put forth his left hand, and took the dagger from his right thigh, and thrust it into his belly:

The rampage continues

3:29 And they slew of Moab ----; and there escaped not a man.

4:4 And Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of Lapidoth, she judged Israel at that time.

Women are not behind

4:21 Then Jael Heber's wife took a nail of the tent, and took an hammer in her hand, and went softly unto him [enemy captain Sisera], and smote the nail into his temples, and fastened it into the ground: for he was fast asleep and weary. So he died.

A fairy tale

9:8 The trees went forth on a time to anoint a king over them; and they said unto the olive tree, Reign thou over us.

9:9 But the olive tree said unto them, Should I leave my fatness, ----?

9:10 And the trees said to the fig tree, Come thou, and reign over us.

9:11 But the fig tree said unto them, ----?

9:12 Then said the trees unto the vine, Come thou, and reign over us.

9:13 And the vine said unto them, Should I leave my wine, which cheereth God and man, and go to be promoted over the trees? [Does God enjoy wine?]

Samson and Delilah

13:5 For, lo, thou [Manoah's barren wife] shalt conceive, and bear a son [Samson]; and no razor shall come on his head: for the child shall be a Nazarite unto God from the womb: and he shall begin to deliver Israel out of the hand of the Philistines.

13:22 And Manoah said unto his wife, We shall surely die, because we have seen God.

15:4 And Samson went and caught three hundred foxes, ----. [OK]

15:16 And Samson said, with the jawbone of an ass, heaps upon heaps, with the jaw of an ass have I slain a thousand men. [OK]

16:1 Then went Samson to Gaza, and saw there an harlot, and went in unto her.

16:3 And Samson lay till midnight, and arose at midnight, and took the doors of the gate of the city, and the two posts, and went away with them, bar and all, and put them upon his shoulders, and carried them up to the top of an hill that is before Hebron. [OK]

16:4 And it came to pass afterward, that he loved a woman in the valley of Sorek, whose name was Delilah.

16:6 And Delilah said to Samson, Tell me, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength lieth, and wherewith thou mightest be bound to afflict thee.

[Read again]

16:12 Delilah therefore took new ropes, and bound him therewith, ----. And he brake them from off his arms like a thread.

16:16 ----, when she pressed him daily with her words, ----;

16:17 That he told her all his heart, and said unto her, ----: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any other man. [Read again]

16:19 And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man, and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him.

16:21 But the Philistines took him, and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison house.

[For the second edition: Who was the first-ever suicide bomber?

16:21 But the Philistines took him [Samson], and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison house.

16:22 Howbeit the hair of his head began to grow again after he was shaven.

16:23 Then the lords of the Philistines gathered them together for to offer a great sacrifice unto Dagon their god, and to rejoice: for they said, Our god hath delivered Samson our enemy into our hand.

16:24 And when the people saw him, they praised their god: for they said, Our god hath delivered into our hands our enemy, and the destroyer of our country, which slew many of us.

16:25 And it came to pass, when their hearts were merry, that they said, Call for Samson, that he may make us sport. And they called for Samson

out of the prison house; and he made them sport: and they set him between the pillars.

16:26 And Samson said unto the lad that held him by the hand, Suffer me that I may feel the pillars whereupon the house standeth, that I may lean upon them.

16:27 Now the house was full of men and women; and all the lords of the Philistines were there; and there were upon the roof about three thousand men and women, that beheld while Samson made sport.

16:28 And Samson called unto the LORD, and said, O Lord God, remember me, I pray thee, and strengthen me, I pray thee, only this once, O God, that I may be at once avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes.

16:29 And Samson took hold of the two middle pillars upon which the house stood, and on which it was borne up, of the one with his right hand, and of the other with his left.

16:30 And Samson said, Let me die with the Philistines. And he bowed himself with all his might; and the house fell upon the lords, and upon all the people that were therein. So the dead which he slew at his death were more than they which he slew in his life.]

The devastation goes on

21:10 ---- Go and smite the inhabitants of Jabeshgilead with the edge of the sword, with the women and the children.

21:11 And this is the thing that ye shall do, Ye shall utterly destroy every male, and every woman that hath lain by man.

Hunt for a wife

21:21 And see, and, behold, if the daughters of Shiloh come out to dance in dances, then come ye out of the vineyards, and catch you every man his wife of the daughters of Shiloh, and go to the land of Benjamin.

OT 08 THE BOOK OF RUTH

[Ruth was David's great grandmother. She was the widowed daughter in law of Naomi]

1:1 --- in the days when the judges ruled, that there was a famine in the land. ---.

1:4 And they took them wives of the women of Moab -- Orpah -- and -- Ruth: --.

1:6 Then she [Naomi] arose with her daughters in law, ---- that the LORD had visited his people in giving them bread.

2:1 And Naomi had a kinsman of her husband's, a mighty man of wealth, - ---; and his name was Boaz.

How to hunt for a husband

3:6 And she [Ruth] went down unto the floor, and did according to all that her mother in law bade her.

3:7 And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of corn: and she came softly, and uncovered his feet, and laid her down.

3:9 And he said, Who art thou? And she answered, I am Ruth thine handmaid: spread therefore thy skirt over thine handmaid; for thou art a near kinsman.

4:13 So Boaz took Ruth, and she was his wife: and when he went in unto her, ---.

4:17 And the women her neighbours gave it a name, saying, There is a son born to Naomi; and they called his name Obed: he is the father of Jesse, the father of David.

Pharez was the unlawful son of Judah and David was his 9th generation

4:18 Now these are the generations of Pharez: Pharez begat Hezron,

4:19 And Hezron begat Ram, and Ram begat Amminadab,

4:20 And Amminadab begat Nahshon, and Nahshon begat Salmon,

4:21 And Salmon begat Boaz, and Boaz begat Obed,

4:22 And Obed begat Jesse, and Jesse begat David. 23:2

A bastard shall not ----; even to his tenth generation ---- not enter into the congregation of the Lord. Deuteronomy 23:2. See Genesis 38:16

OT 09 THE BOOK OF SAMUEL 1

[Samuel, the last of the Judges - King Saul and the fight between David and Goliath]

9:2 And he [Kish, a Benjamite] had a son, whose name was Saul, a choice young man, and a goodly: ----: from his shoulders and upward he was higher than any of the people.

Carnage continues

14:32 And the people flew upon the spoil, and took sheep, and oxen, and calves, and slew them on the ground: and the people did eat them with the blood.

15:3 Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass.

15:11 It repenteth me that I have set up Saul to be king: ----. [God repents and never repents, as we have seen in Genesis 6:6 and Numbers 23:19]

Evil spirit from the Lord

16:14 But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD troubled him.

17:4 And there went out a champion out of the camp of the Philistines, named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. [About 10 feet]

17:34 And David said unto Saul, Thy servant [David] kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock:

17:35 And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered it out of his mouth: ----, I caught him by his beard, and smote him, and slew him.

17:36 Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear:

17:49 And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang it, and smote the Philistine [Goliath] in his forehead, that the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth.

18:17 And Saul said to David, Behold my elder daughter Merab, her will I give thee to wife: ----.

Dowry - 100 foreskins, David doubles it

18:25 And Saul said, Thus shall ye say to David, The king desireth not any dowry, but an hundred foreskins ----- of the king's enemies. ----.

18:27 Wherefore David arose and went, he and his men, and slew of the Philistines two hundred men; and David brought their foreskins, ----. And Saul gave him Michal his daughter to wife. [Merab was given to Adriel]
King Saul lies down naked

19:24 And he [Saul] stripped off his clothes also, and prophesied before Samuel in like manner, and lay down naked all that day and all that night. ----?

Saul is another Messiah

24:10 ---- I [David] will not put forth mine hand against my lord; for he [Saul] is the LORD's anointed.

25:1 And Samuel died; ----.

30:3 So David and his men came to the city, and, behold, it was burned with fire; and their wives, and their sons, and their daughters, were taken captives [by Amalekites]

30:4 Then David ---- wept, until they had no more power to weep.

30:5 And David's two wives were taken captives ----.

But the wounded Saul commits suicide

31:3 And the battle went sore against Saul, and the archers hit him; ----.

31:4 ----. But his armourbearer would not [slay Saul]; for he was sore afraid. Therefore Saul took a sword, and fell upon it.

31:12 All the valiant men arose, and went all night, and took the body of Saul and the bodies of his sons ----, and burnt them there.

31:13 And they took their bones, and buried them under a tree at Jabesh, ----.

OT 10 THE BOOK OF SAMUEL 2

[Events after the death of King Saul - King David's rule - Strife among Saul's sons]

1:1 Now it came to pass after the death of Saul, when David was returned from the slaughter of the Amalekites, ----;

3:6 --, while there was war between the house of Saul and the house of David, --.

3:7 ----: and Ishbosheth said to Abner, Wherefore hast thou gone in unto my father's concubine?

David takes revenge

4:7 For when they came into the house, he [King Ishbosheth son of Saul] lay on his bed in his bedchamber, and they smote him, and slew him, and beheaded him, and took his head, ----.

4:8 And they brought the head of Ishbosheth unto David to Hebron, ----.

4:12 And David commanded his young men, and they slew them, and cut off their hands and their feet, and hanged them up over the pool in Hebron. ----.

5:4 David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years.

The poor disabled are hated

5:8 And David said on that day, ---- and the lame and the blind that are hated of David's soul, ----.

5:13 And David took him more concubines and wives out of Jerusalem, ----.

The homeless Lord

7:5 ----, Thus saith the LORD, Shalt thou [David] build me an house for me to dwell in?

7:6 Whereas I [God] have not dwelt in any house since the time that I brought up the children of Israel out of Egypt, even to this day, but have walked in a tent and in a tabernacle.

7:12 --, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels --.

Son of God

7:14 I [God] will be his [David's] father, and he shall be my son. ----:

The ever-lasting kingdom that lasted two generations

7:16 And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.

David's scandal with Bathsheba

11:2 And it came to pass in an eveningtide, that David arose from off his bed, and walked upon the roof of the king's house: and from the roof he saw a woman washing herself; and the woman was very beautiful to look upon.

11:3 And David sent and enquired after the woman. And one said, Is not this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?

11:4 And David sent messengers, and took her; and she came in unto him, and he lay with her; ----.

11:5 And the woman conceived, and sent and told David, and said, I am with child.

11:15 And he wrote in the letter, saying, Set ye Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle, and retire ye from him, that he may be smitten, and die.

11:26 And when the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she mourned for her husband.

11:27 And when the mourning was past, David sent and fetched her to his house, and she became his wife, and bare him a son. ----.

12:11 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, ----, and I will take thy wives before thine eyes, and give them unto thy neighbour, and he shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun.

12:12 For thou didst it secretly: but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.

12:24 And David comforted Bathsheba his wife, and went in unto her, and lay with her: and she bare a son, and he called his name Solomon: and the LORD loved him.

Amnon rapes his own sister

13:2 And Amnon [son of David] was so vexed, that he fell sick for his sister Tamar; for she was a virgin; ---.

13:8 So Tamar went to her brother Amnon's house; ---.

13:11 And when she had brought them unto him to eat, he took hold of her, and said unto her, come lie with me, my sister.

13:12 And she answered him, Nay, my brother, do not force me; ---.

13:14 ---: but, being stronger than she, forced her, and lay with her.

15:16 ---- the king left ten women, which were concubines, to keep the house.

Absalom commits incest with his father's women

16:22 So they spread Absalom [another son of David] a tent upon the top of the house; and Absalom went in unto his father's concubines in the sight of all Israel.

Joab kills Amasa with a concealed sword

20:9 And Joab said to Amasa, Art thou in health, my brother? And Joab took Amasa by the beard with the right hand to kiss him.

20:10 ----: so he smote him therewith in the fifth rib, and shed out his bowels to the ground, and struck him not again; and he died. ----.

David breaks his promise to King Saul and executes his seven sons

21:9 And he [David] delivered them into the hands of the Gibeonites, and they hanged them in the hill before the LORD: and they fell all seven together, ---.

The smoking flying God

22:9 There went up a smoke out of his [God's] nostrils, and fire out of his mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it.

22:11 And he [God] rode upon a cherub, and did fly: and he was seen upon the wings of the wind.

OT 11 THE BOOK OF KINGS 1

[David gets old and dies. Solomon becomes the king. His rule, death and the contention for his succession between Solomon's son Rehoboam and Solomon's servant Jeroboam - The book mentions Prophet Elijah (9th and 8th century BC) and ends with the demise of King Ahab]

1:1 Now king David was old and stricken in years; and they covered him with clothes, but he gat no heat.

A novel way of heating the enfeebled King David

1:2 Wherefore his servants said unto him, Let there be sought for my lord the king a young virgin: and let her stand before the king, and let her cherish him, and let her lie in thy bosom, that my lord the king may get heat.

2:10 So David slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David.

2:12 Then sat Solomon upon the throne of David his father; and his kingdom was established greatly. [9th century BC]

4:20 Judah and Israel were many, as the sand which is by the sea in multitude, eating and drinking, and making merry.

6:1 ---- four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, ---- that he began to build the house of the LORD.

8:1 Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, ----, that they might bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the city of David, which is Zion.

The Torah had been destroyed even before Solomon's time

8:9 There was nothing in the ark save the two tables of stone, which Moses put there at Horeb, ----.

Gold, silver, wisdom

10:10 And she [Queen of Sheba] gave the king an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and of spices very great store, and precious stones: ----.

10:21 And all king Solomon's drinking vessels were of gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon were of pure gold; ----.

10:23 So king Solomon exceeded all the kings of the earth for riches and for wisdom.

10:24 And all the earth sought to Solomon, to hear his wisdom, which God had put in his heart. [To the scribes, 'all the earth' meant the adjoining lands of Jerusalem]

10:27 And the king made silver to be in Jerusalem as stones, ----.

Solomon turns apostate

11:1 But king Solomon loved many strange women, ----:

11:3 And he had seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred concubines: and his wives turned away his heart.

His successors: The warring servant Jeroboam and son Rehoboam

11:28 And ---- he [Solomon] made him [Jeroboam] ruler over all the charge of the house of Joseph.

11:42 And the time that Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel was forty years.

11:43 And Solomon slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David his father: and Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.

12:11 And now whereas my father [Solomon] ---- hath chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

Contrary to God's promise, David's kingdom did not last

12:19 So Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day.

14:20 And the days which Jeroboam reigned [in Samaria] were two and twenty years: and he slept with his fathers, and Nadab his son reigned in his stead.

14:21 And Rehoboam the son of Solomon reigned in Judah ---- seventeen years in [the Judah with capital] Jerusalem, ----.

14:23 For they also built them high places, and images, ----.

14:30 And there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all their days.

15:12 And he [Rehoboam] took away the sodomites out of the land, and removed all the idols that his fathers had made.

How Prophet Elijah is fed

17:4 And it shall be, that thou [Prophet Elijah] shalt drink of the brook; and I have commanded the ravens to feed thee there. [OK]

17:22 And the LORD heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived. [Elijah revives the dead]

No freedom of religion

18:40 And Elijah said unto them, Take the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape. And they took them: and Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon, and slew them there.

Must be two men, not women, to bear witness

21:10 And set two men, sons of Belial, before him, to bear witness against him [Naboth]. ---- And then carry him out, and stone him, that he may die.

22:40 So [King Ahab, husband of Jezebel] slept with his fathers; and Ahaziah his son reigned in his stead.

22:41 And Jehoshaphat the son of Asa began to reign over Judah in the fourth year of Ahab king of Israel.

OT 12 THE BOOK OF KINGS 2

[Events concerning Prophets Elijah and Elisha; Elijah ascends to heaven in a whirlwind]

1:1 Then Moab rebelled against Israel after the death of Ahab.

1:8 ---- He was an hairy man, and girt with a girdle of leather about his loins. And he said, It is Elijah the Tishbite.

Elijah ascends to heaven

2:11 And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.

2:12 And Elisha saw it, ----.

Reincarnation and worshiping a human

2:15 ----, they said, The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha. And they came to meet him, and bowed themselves to the ground before him.

Elisha curses, and 2 bears tear apart 42 children

2:23 ---: and as he was going up by the way, there came forth little children out of the city, and mocked him, ---, Go up, thou bald head; go up, thou bald head.

2:24 And he turned back, and looked on them, and cursed them in the name of the LORD. And there came forth two she bears out of the wood, and tare forty and two children of them.

Elisha revives the dead, cures leprosy and blindness

4:35 Then he ---- went up, and stretched himself upon him [the dead child]: and the child sneezed seven times, and the child opened his eyes.

5:10 And Elisha sent a messenger unto him [Naaman, the leper], saying, Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, ----.

6:17 And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: ----.

Elisha afflicts with blindness

6:18 ----, Elisha prayed unto the LORD, ---, Smite this people, I pray thee, with blindness. And he smote them with blindness according to the word of Elisha.

She ate her son

6:28 ----? And she answered, This woman said unto me, Give thy son, that we may eat him to day, and we will eat my son to morrow.

6:29 So we boiled my son, and did eat him: ----.

He that pisses against the wall

9:8 ----: and I [God] will cut off from Ahab him that pisseth against the wall ----:

Dogs eat the flesh of Queen Jezebel

9:36 ---- Elijah the Tishbite, saying, In the portion of Jezreel shall dogs eat the flesh of Jezebel: [Jezebel, the wife of King Ahab, tried that the Israelites would worship Baal of Canaan, the god of rain and crops. Prophet Elijah opposed her]

Gift in a basket

10:7 And ----, that they took the king's sons, and slew seventy persons, and put their heads in baskets, and sent him them to Jezreel.

Jehu devastates Samaria, Baal, the altar and the priests

10:17 And when he [Jehu] came to Samaria, he slew all that remained unto Ahab in Samaria, ----.

11:18 And all the people of the land went into the house of Baal, and brake it down; ----, and slew Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars. ----.

13:20 And Elisha died, and they buried him. ----.

The dead Elisha's bones revive the dead

13:21 ----, as they were burying a man, ----: and when the man was let down, and touched the bones of Elisha, he revived, and stood up on his feet.

Lions kill those who fear not God

17:25 ---- they feared not the LORD: therefore the LORD sent lions among them, which slew some of them.

They eat their own dung and drink ----

18:27 But Rabshakeh said unto them, ---- hath he not sent me to the men which sit on the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink their own piss with you?

Babylonians come and ravage Jerusalem

20:17 Behold, the days come, that all that is in thine house, ----, shall be carried into Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the LORD.

20:18 And of thy sons ---- shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.

23:7 And he brake down the houses of the sodomites, ----.

23:20 And he [King Josiah] slew all the priests of the high places that were there upon the altars, and burned men's bones upon them, and returned to Jerusalem.

23:36 Jehoiakim was twenty and five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. ----.

24:1 In his days [586 BC] Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up, and Jehoiakim became his servant three years: ----.

24:13 And he [Nebuchadnezzar] carried out thence all the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house, ----.

24:14 And he carried away all Jerusalem, ----: none remained, save the poorest sort of the people of the land.

25:9 And he burnt the house of the LORD, and the king's house, and all the houses of Jerusalem, ---- with fire. [Including all scripture]

OT 13 THE BOOK OF CHRONICLES 1

[Solomon's genealogy till Adam, and David's marvelous kingdom]

1:1 Adam, Sheth, Enosh,

1:28 The sons of Abraham; Isaac, and Ishmael.

David was in the 9th generation of this incest

2:4 And Tamar his [Judah's] daughter in law bore him Pharez and Zerah. ---
 . [A bastard condemned until the tenth generation. See Genesis 38:16, Deuteronomy 23:2, Ruth 4:17 on]

The Holy War

5:22 For there fell down many slain, because the war was of God. ----.

David grabs the other king's crown

20:2 And David took the crown of their king [Hanun of Syria] from off his head, and found it to weigh a talent of gold, and there were precious stones in it; ----.

Doing census is sin

21:14 So the LORD [for doing census] sent pestilence upon Israel: and there fell of Israel seventy thousand men.

Solomon, son of God

28:6 ----, Solomon thy son, he shall build my house and my courts: for I have chosen him to be my son, and I will be his father.

They worship King Solomon disregarding the 10 Commandments

29:20 ----. And all the congregation ---- worshipped the LORD and the king.

29:28 And he [David] died in a good old age, full of days, riches, and honour: and Solomon his son reigned in his stead.

THE BOOK OF CHRONICLES 2

[The kingdom of Solomon - His apostasy and worship of idols - Then his incompetent warring successors - The king of Babylon Nebuchadnezzar invades Jerusalem]

1:1 And Solomon the son of David was strengthened in his kingdom, ----.

All the Kings?

9:23 And all the kings of the earth sought the presence of Solomon, ----.

9:31 And Solomon slept with his fathers, and he was buried in the city of David his father: and Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.

Rehoboam marries his own niece

11:18 And Rehoboam took him Mahalath the daughter of Jerimoth the son of David to wife, ----;

Recall the polygamy of Abraham, David, Solomon and others

11:21 And Rehoboam loved Maachah the daughter of Absalom above all his wives and his concubines: (for he took eighteen wives, and threescore concubines; and begat twenty and eight sons, and threescore daughters.)

12:13 So king Rehoboam ---- reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, ----.

The Civil War

13:1 Now in the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam [of Samaria] began [king] Abijah to reign over Judah.

13:6 Yet Jeroboam the son of Nebat, the servant of Solomon the son of David, is risen up, and hath rebelled against his lord [Rehoboam]

13:17 And Abijah [Rehoboam's successor] and his people slew them [the Samaritans] with a great slaughter: so there fell down slain of Israel five hundred thousand chosen men.

13:18 Thus the children of Israel [Samaritans] were brought under at that time, and the children of Judah [Jerusalem] prevailed, ----. [The House of Israel had divided into two warring factions: Judah in south and Israel of Samaria in north]

13:20 Neither did Jeroboam recover strength again in the days of Abijah: and the LORD struck him, and he died.

Polygamy again

13:21 But Abijah [the king] waxed mighty, and married fourteen wives, and begat twenty and two sons, and sixteen daughters.

There is no compulsion in religion - Qur'an

15:13 That whosoever would not seek the LORD God of Israel should be put to death, whether small or great, whether man or woman.

Do not seek treatment of disease

16:12 And Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign was diseased in his feet, until his disease was exceeding great: yet in his disease he sought not to the LORD, but to the physicians.

Ahab sees God

18:18 Again he [Ahab, king of the northern kingdom, Israel] said, Therefore hear the word of the LORD; I saw the LORD sitting upon his throne, and all the host of heaven standing on his right hand and on his left.

God becomes a lying spirit

18:21 And he said, I [God] will go out, and be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. ----.

Casting down the enemy from a hill

25:12 And other ten thousand left alive did the children of Judah carry away captive, and brought them unto the top of the rock, and cast them down from the top of the rock, that they all were broken in pieces.

The King burns his children as sacrifice

28:3 Moreover he [king Ahaz son of David] burnt incense in the valley of the son of Hinnom, and burnt his children in the fire, ----.

The horrible civil war goes on

28:6 For Pekah the son of Remaliah slew in Judah an hundred and twenty thousand in one day, ----.

28:8 And the children of Israel carried away captive of their brethren two hundred thousand, women, sons, and daughters, and took also away much spoil from them, and brought the spoil to Samaria.

Burnt offerings continue to please God

29:32 And the number of the burnt offerings, which the congregation brought, was threescore and ten bullocks, an hundred rams, and two hundred lambs: all these were for a burnt offering to the LORD.

34:1 Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem one and thirty years.

34:5 And he burnt the bones of the priests upon their altars, and cleansed Judah and Jerusalem.

36:6 Against him [King Jehoiakim] came up Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and bound him in fetters, to carry him to Babylon.

An eight year old child does evil

36:9 Jehoiachin was eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned three months and ten days in Jerusalem: and he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD.

OT 15 THE BOOK OF EZRA

[King Cyrus of Persia defeats Babylon in 538 BC and allows the surviving 50,000 Jews to return to Jerusalem. This return takes place sporadically during the next 140 years. Ezra the priest returns late in 457 BC]

1:1 Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, ----, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, ----,

1:2 Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, The LORD God of heaven hath given me all the kingdoms of the earth; and he hath charged me to build him an house at Jerusalem, which is in Judah.

4:24 Then ceased the work of the house of God which is at Jerusalem. So it ceased unto the second year of the reign of Darius king of Persia. [King Darius of Persia reigned from 522 to 486 BC]

Rebuilding the Temple of Solomon

6:14 And the elders of the Jews builded, ----, and finished it, according to the commandment of the God of Israel, and according to the commandment of Cyrus, and Darius, and Artaxerxes king of Persia.

6:17 And offered at the dedication of this house of God an hundred bullocks, two hundred rams, four hundred lambs; and for a sin offering for all Israel, twelve he goats, according to the number of the tribes of Israel.

7:1 Now after these things, in the reign of Artaxerxes king of Persia, Ezra, ----
Ezra finds no written scripture

7:6 This Ezra went up from Babylon; and he was a ready scribe in the law of Moses, ----.

7:10 For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the LORD, and to do it, and to teach in Israel statutes and judgments.

10:1 Now when Ezra had prayed, ----, there assembled unto him out of Israel a very great congregation of men and women and children: ----.

Put away your wives and children

10:3 Now therefore let us make a covenant with our God to put away all the [outlandish] wives, and such as are born of them, ----.

10:12 Then all the congregation answered and said with a loud voice, As thou hast said, so must we do.

OT 16 THE BOOK OF NEHEMIAH

[Nehemiah was a servant of King Artaxerxes of Persia. With the king's permission, he went to Jerusalem in 445 BC and helped Ezra rebuild Jerusalem]

1:1 The words of Nehemiah the son of Hachaliah. ----, as I was in Shushan the palace,

God has ears and eyes

1:6 Let thine ear now be attentive, and thine eyes open, that thou mayest hear the prayer of thy servant, ----.

Ezra writes the Scripture on hearsay

8:1 And all the people ---- spake unto Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had commanded to Israel. [See 'Old Testament: Status]

8:2 And Ezra the priest brought the law before the congregation both of men and women, ----.

13:25 And I [Nehemiah] contended with them, and cursed them, and smote certain of them, and plucked off their hair, ----.

13:26 Did not Solomon king of Israel sin by these things? ----: nevertheless even him did outlandish women cause to sin.

OT 17 THE BOOK OF ESTHER

[Esther was a Jewish lady who, in the 3rd century BC, became the Queen of King Ahasuerus of Persia and Media, in place of Queen Vashti]

1:1 Now it came to pass in the days of Ahasuerus, (this is Ahasuerus which reigned, from India even unto Ethiopia, over an hundred and seven and twenty provinces:)

1:2 That in those days, when the king Ahasuerus sat on the throne of his kingdom, which was in Shushan the palace,

1:3 In the third year of his reign, he made a feast unto all his princes and his servants; the power of Persia and Media, the nobles and princes ----:

1:9 Also Vashti the queen made a feast for the women in the royal house which belonged to king Ahasuerus.

1:10 On the seventh day, when the heart of the king was merry with wine, he commanded ----.

1:11 To bring Vashti the queen before the king with the crown royal, to shew the people and the princes her beauty: for she was fair to look on.

1:12 But the queen Vashti refused to come at the king's commandment by his chamberlains: therefore was the king very wroth, and his anger burned in him.

1:15 What shall we do unto the queen Vashti according to law, because she hath not performed the commandment of the king Ahasuerus by the chamberlains?

2:2 Then said the king's servants that ministered unto him, Let there be fair young virgins sought for the king:

2:3 And let the king appoint officers in all the provinces of his kingdom, that they may gather together all the fair young virgins unto Shushan the palace, ----.

2:5 Now in Shushan the palace there was a certain Jew, whose name was Mordecai, ---- a Benjamite;

2:7 And he brought up Hadassah, that is, Esther, his uncle's daughter: for she had neither father nor mother, and the maid was fair and beautiful; ---
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2:9 And the maiden pleased him, and she obtained kindness of him; ----.

2:16 So Esther was taken unto king Ahasuerus into his house royal ----.

2:17 And the king loved Esther above all the women, ----; so that he set the royal crown upon her head, and made her queen instead of Vashti.

8:17 And in every province, and in every city, ----, the Jews had joy and gladness, a feast and a good day. And many of the people of the land became Jews; for the fear of the Jews fell upon them.

9:5 Thus the Jews smote all their enemies with the stroke of the sword, and slaughter, and destruction, and did what they would unto those that hated them.

9:6 And in Shushan the palace the Jews slew and destroyed five hundred men.

9:10 The ten sons of Haman the son of Hammedatha, the enemy of the Jews, slew they; ----.

9:12 And the king said unto Esther the queen, ----? now what is thy petition? and it shall be granted thee: ----.

Even women have no mercy

9:13 Then said Esther, ---- let Haman's ten sons be hanged upon the gallows.

9:14 And the king commanded it so to be done: and the decree was given at Shushan; and they hanged Haman's ten sons.

9:16 But the other Jews that were in the king's provinces ---- slew of their foes seventy and five thousand, but they laid not their hands on the prey,

9:18 But the Jews that were at Shushan assembled together on the thirteenth day thereof, ---- they rested, and made it a day of feasting and gladness.

OT 18 THE BOOK OF JOB

[This is considered to be the most eloquent book of the Bible. Prophet Job was born around 1500 BC in the town of Uz by the east bank of the Dead Sea. We notice in this book, Prophet Job repeatedly uttering blasphemy, and thus, Satan winning his challenge to God!]

1:1 There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil.

1:2 And there were born unto him seven sons and three daughters.

1:3 His substance also was seven thousand sheep, and three thousand camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she asses, and a very great household; so that this man was the greatest of all the men of the east.

Father atones for sons, daughters left out.

1:5 ---- Job sent and sanctified them, ----, and offered burnt offerings according to the number of them all: for Job said, It may be that my sons have sinned, and cursed God in their hearts. Thus did Job continually.

2:1 Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the LORD. [Is Satan an extrinsic entity or simply the evil prompting from within a person - like selfish desire?]

2:3 And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, ----.

2:5 [Satan answered] But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face.

2:6 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, he is in thine hand; but save his life.

Satan causes physical disease

2:7 So went Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown.

2:13 So they [Job's three friends] sat down with him upon the ground seven days and seven nights, and none spake a word unto him: for they saw that his grief was very great.

3:1 After this opened Job his mouth, and cursed his day.
 3:11 Why died I not from the womb? ----?
 6:9 Even that it would please God to destroy me; ----!
 7:5 My flesh is clothed with worms and clods of dust; ----.
 8:1 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,
 8:2 How long wilt thou speak these things? ----?
 9:17 [Job says] For he breaketh me with a tempest, and multiplieth my wounds without cause.
 9:22 This is one thing, therefore I said it, He destroyeth the perfect and the wicked.
 10:16 For it increaseth. Thou [God] huntest me as a fierce lion: ----.
 10:20 Are not my days few? cease then, and let me alone, that I may take comfort a little,
 13:23 [Job goes on] How many are mine iniquities and sins? make me to know my transgression and my sin.
Even if born of Mary
 14:1 Man that is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble.
Women are unclean
 14:4 Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one.
 15:1 Then answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said,
 15:2 Should a wise man utter vain knowledge, and fill his belly with the east wind?
Was not Jesus born of a woman?
 15:14 What is man, that he should be clean? and he which is born of a woman, that he should be righteous?
 16:1 Then Job answered and said,
 16:2 I have heard many such things: miserable comforters are ye all.
 18:1 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,
 18:2 How long will it be ere ye make an end of words? [And stop whining] ----.
 19:1 Then Job answered and said,
 19:2 How long will ye vex my soul, and break me in pieces with words?
 19:7 Behold, I cry out of wrong, but I am not heard: ----.
 19:10 He hath destroyed me on every side, ----.
 19:21 Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, O ye my friends; for the hand of God hath touched me. [The Qur'an portrays Job as a model of patience and perseverance]
 21:17 ---- God distributeth sorrows in his anger.
 22:1 Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said,
 22:5 Is not thy wickedness great? and thine iniquities infinite?
The remote God
 22:13 And thou sayest, How doth God know? can he judge through the dark cloud?
 22:14 Thick clouds are a covering to him, that he seeth not; and he walketh in the circuit of heaven.
Son of man is a worm

25:6 How much less man, that is a worm? and the son of man, which is a worm?

30:21 Thou [God] art become cruel to me: ----.

Let the wife be raped

31:9 If mine heart have been deceived by a woman, or if I have laid wait at my neighbour's door;

31:10 Then let my wife grind unto another, and let others bow down upon her. [What would be her fault?]

31:40 ----. The words of Job are ended.

32:1 So these three men ceased to answer Job, ----.

32:6 And Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite answered and said, I am young, and ye are very old; ---- mine opinion.

32:7 I said, Days should speak, and multitude of years should teach wisdom.

32:15 They were amazed, they answered no more: they left off speaking.

Ransom is required for deliverance

33:24 Then he is gracious unto him, and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have found a ransom.

36:14 They [the hypocrites] die in youth, ----. [Read again]

37:10 By the breath of God frost is given: ----.

38:1 Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said,

The mythical Unicorn

39:9 Will the unicorn be willing to serve thee, or abide by thy crib?

Leviathan, the mythical sea monster

41:1 Canst thou draw out leviathan with an hook? ----?

41:19 Out of his mouth go burning lamps, and sparks of fire leap out.

41:20 Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, as out of a seething pot or caldron.

41:27 He esteemeth iron as straw, and brass as rotten wood.

41:29 Darts are counted as stubble: he laugheth at the shaking of a spear.

41:31 He maketh the deep to boil like a pot: he maketh the sea like a pot of ointment.

42:1 Then Job answered the LORD, and said,

Job sees God

42:5 I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear: but now mine eye seeth thee.

Sacraments save Job and his friends

42:8 Therefore take unto you [Job's friends] now seven bullocks and seven rams, and go to my servant Job, and offer up for yourselves a burnt offering; and my servant Job shall pray for you: ----.

42:9 So [the friends] ---- went, and did according as the LORD commanded them: the LORD also accepted Job.

42:10 And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.

42:12 So the LORD blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning: for he had fourteen thousand sheep, and six thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand she asses.

42:13 He had also seven sons and three daughters. [Would that compensate for the dead ones?]

42:16 After this lived Job an hundred and forty years, and saw his sons, and his sons' sons, even four generations.

42:17 So Job died, being old and full of days.

OT 19 THE BOOK OF PSALMS

[Ascribed to David, the Book of Psalms has 150 chapters with many more than a thousand verses. Most verses are so often repeated that to an impartial reader they appear redundant. A lot of the Psalms dwells upon showing the mighty King David as a despondent weakling imploring God to annihilate his enemies. Bishop of Caesarea, Eusebius Pamphili (260 - 339 CE), maintains that Psalms were never even conceived by David. *The History of the Church*]

2:6 Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.

God begets David

2:7 ---- Thou art my son; this day have I begotten thee.

2:12 Kiss the Son [David], lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, ---.

3:7 Arise, O LORD; save me, O my God: ----.

6:6 I am weary with my groaning; all the night make I my bed to swim; I water my couch with my tears.

8:4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, ----.

Man lower than the angels?

8:5 For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, ----. [Angels are forces of Nature to be harnessed by humankind]

The Lord needs a dwelling place

9:11 Sing praises to the LORD, which dwelleth in Zion [the hill]: ----.

9:20 Put them in fear, O LORD: ----. Selah. [Selah = Pause]

10:1 Why standest thou afar off, O LORD? ----?

13:1 How long wilt thou forget me, O LORD? for ever? ----?

Now the Lord goes back to heaven

14:2 The LORD looked down from heaven upon the children of men, ----.

14:3 ----: there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

18:4 The sorrows of death compassed me, ----.

The fiery flying God

18:8 There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, and fire out of his mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it.

18:9 He [God] ---- came down: and darkness was under his feet.

18:10 And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: yea, he did fly upon the wings of the wind.

18:15 Then the channels of waters were seen, and the foundations of the world were discovered at thy rebuke, O LORD, ----.

18:40 ----; that I might destroy them that hate me.

The Messiah David

18:50 Great deliverance giveth he to his king; and sheweth mercy to his anointed, to David, and to his seed for evermore.

21:9 ----: the LORD shall swallow them up in his wrath, and the fire shall devour them.

21:10 Their fruit shalt thou destroy from the earth, and their seed from among the children of men.

22:1 My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? ----? [Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? Mathew 27:46]

22:2 O my God, I cry in the day time, but thou hearest not; and in the night ----.

Son of God, son of man is a worm again

22:6 But I am a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, ----.

25:19 Consider mine enemies; for they are many; ----.

Not faith alone

25:21 Let integrity and uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee.

31:10 For my life is spent with grief, ----.

31:12 ----: I am like a broken vessel.

33:13 The LORD looketh from heaven; he beholdeth all the sons of men.

35:2 Take hold of shield and buckler, and stand up for mine help.

38:6 I am troubled; I am bowed down greatly; I go mourning all the day long.

38:10 My heart panteth, my strength faileth me: ----.

39:10 Remove thy stroke away from me: I am consumed by the blow of thine hand.

40:15 Let them be desolate for a reward of their shame that say unto me, Aha, aha.

41:5 Mine enemies speak evil of me, When shall he die, and his name perish?

42:3 My tears have been my meat day and night, while they continually say unto me, Where is thy God?

44:9 But thou hast cast off, and put us to shame; ----.

44:12 Thou sellest thy people for nought, ----.

44:22 ----; we are counted as sheep for the slaughter.

44:23 Awake, why sleepeth thou, O Lord? arise, ----.

44:24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face, ----?

50:22 Now consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear you in pieces, ----.

Being a mother is sin

51:5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

The long wailing and prayer to destroy the enemies continues

55:5 Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, ----.

55:9 Destroy, O Lord, and divide their tongues: ----.

59:13 Consume them in wrath, consume them, that they may not be: --
Selah.

71:6 ----: thou art he that took me out of my mother's bowels: ----.

88:3 For my soul is full of troubles: and my life draweth nigh unto the grave.

88:6 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit, in darkness, in the deeps.

The mighty king David laments at par with Job!

88:7 ----, and thou hast afflicted me with all thy waves. Selah.
 88:9 Mine eye mourneth by reason of affliction: LORD, I have called ----.
 88:15 I am afflicted and ready to die from my youth up: ----.
 88:16 Thy fierce wrath goeth over me; thy terrors have cut me off.
The firstborn Messiah David
 89:20 I have found David my servant; with my holy oil have I anointed him:
 89:27 Also I will make him my firstborn, higher than the kings of the earth.
 94:2 Lift up thyself, thou judge of the earth: ----.
 94:3 LORD, how long shall the wicked, how long shall the wicked triumph?
 104:26 There go the ships: there is that leviathan, whom thou hast made ---
 -.
 109:22 For I am poor and needy, and my heart is wounded within me.
 139:8 If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell,
 behold, thou art there.
 143:9 Deliver me, O LORD, from mine enemies: I flee unto thee to hide me.
 150:6 Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the
 LORD.

OT 20 THE BOOK OF PROVERBS

[Reported sayings and Wisdom of Solomon interspersed with the rational and the irrational. Many Biblical scholars, including Adam Clarke, reject the notion that this book has anything to do with Solomon]

1:1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;
 1:8 My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:
 3:13 Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, ----.
[But] in much wisdom is much grief. Ecclesiastes 1:18
 5:18 Let thy fountain be blessed: and rejoice with the wife of thy youth.
Solomon gets 1,000 wives and concubines - 1 Kings 11:3
 5:19 Let her be as the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts satisfy thee at all times; and be thou ravished always with her love.

A petty thief

6:31 But if he be found, he shall restore sevenfold; he shall give all the substance of his house.

The ways of a harlot

7:13 So she caught him, and kissed him, --- said unto him,
 7:16 I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved works, with fine linen of Egypt.
 7:17 I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon.
 7:18 Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning: ----.
 7:19 For the goodman is not at home, he is gone a long journey:
 7:20 ----, and will come home at the day appointed.
 7:21 With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, ----.
 7:22 He goeth after her straightway, as an ox goeth to the slaughter, ----;
It is the mother that suffers

10:1 The proverbs of Solomon. A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish son is the heaviness of his mother.

It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. Mark 10:25

10:15 The rich man's wealth is his strong city: the destruction of the poor is their poverty.

10:27 The fear of the LORD longeth days: but the years of the wicked shall be shortened.

--- and there is a wicked man that longeth his life in his wickedness. Ecclesiastes 7:15

11:21 --- but the seed of the righteous shall be delivered. [See Ezekiel 14:16]

Conceal your knowledge

12:23 A prudent man concealeth knowledge: ---.

Of usury and easy money

13:11 Wealth gotten by vanity shall be diminished: but he that gathereth by labour shall increase.

14:13 Even in laughter the heart is sorrowful; and the end of that mirth is heaviness.

A message to the Bible followers

14:15 The simple believeth every word: but the prudent man looketh well to his going.

Riches crown the wise

14:24 The crown of the wise is their riches: but the foolishness of fools is folly.

Works and labor are important. No intercession

16:26 He that laboreth laboreth for himself; ---.

Mothers don't matter

17:6 Children's children are the crown of old men; and the glory of children are their fathers.

Wine condemned

20:1 Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: ---.

21:17 He that loveth pleasure shall be a poor man: he that loveth wine and oil shall not be rich.

One who has gold, makes the rules

22:7 The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender.

23:4 Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom.

Wine thrashed again

23:31 Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, ---.

23:32 At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder.

A contentious woman

27:15 A continual dropping in a very rainy day and a contentious woman are alike.

Do not trust people

28:21 To have respect of persons is not good: for for a piece of bread that man will transgress.

Shame to mothers

29:15 The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame.

Law becomes a curse in the NT

29:18 Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.

Keep women subdued

31:3 Give not thy strength unto women, ----.

Wine and strong drink condemned again

31:4 It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine; ----:

31:5 Lest they drink, and forget the law, and pervert the judgment ----.

31:6 Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine unto those that be of heavy hearts.

A virtuous woman is impossible to find

31:10 Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies.

OT 21 THE BOOK OF ECCLESIASTES

[Admonitions of Ecclesiastes the priest, son of King David]

1:1 The words of the Preacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem.

1:2 Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities; all is vanity.

Do nothing

1:3 What profit hath a man of all his labour which he taketh under the sun?

Nothing new to come in the world

1:9 The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.

Everything is nothing but vanity

1:14 I have seen all the works that are done under the sun; and, behold, all is vanity and vexation of spirit.

Nothing can be corrected

1:15 That which is crooked cannot be made straight: ----.

In wisdom is grief

1:18 For in much wisdom is much grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow. [See Proverbs 3:13]

All is vanity

2:9 So I was great, and increased more ----.

2:11 Then I looked ---- that I had laboured to do: and, behold, all was vanity and vexation of spirit, and there was no profit under the sun.

2:15 ----, As it happeneth to the fool, so it happeneth even to me; and why was I then more wise? Then I said in my heart, that this also is vanity.

2:17 Therefore I hated life; because the work that is wrought under the sun is grievous unto me: for all is vanity and vexation of spirit.

Fatalism

3:14 I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it: ----.

Rejoice in vanity

3:22 Wherefore I perceive that there is nothing better, than that a man should rejoice in his own works; for that is his portion: ----

Cut a sorry figure

7:3 Sorrow is better than laughter: for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made better.

7:4 The heart of the wise is in the house of mourning; but the heart of fools is in the house of mirth.

Never share gifts

7:7 ----; and a gift destroyeth the heart.

----: but the years of the wicked shall be shortened. Proverbs 10:27

7:15 ----: there is a just man that perisheth in his righteousness, and there is a wicked man that prolongeth his life in his wickedness.

Not a single virtuous woman

7:28 ----: one man among a thousand have I found; but a woman among all those have I not found.

The best things to do

8:15 ---- a man hath no better thing under the sun, than to eat, and to drink, and to be merry: ----.

Is this anatomy or some allegory?

10:2 A wise man's heart is at his right hand; but a fool's heart at his left.

Of study

12:12 ----; and much study is a weariness of the flesh.

OT 22 SONG OF SONGS

[Can we read this to our sisters and children? The song is ascribed to Solomon. According to Rev. Ted Winston, this abomination must be expunged from the Bible]

1:1 The song of songs, which is Solomon's.

1:2 Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth: for thy love is better than wine.

1:3 ----, therefore do the virgins love thee.

1:4 Draw me, ---: --- we will remember thy love more than wine: ---

1:5 I am black, but comely, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, as the tents of Kedar, as the curtains of Solomon.

1:10 Thy cheeks are comely with rows of jewels, thy neck with chains of gold.

1:13 ----; he shall lie all night betwixt my breasts.

1:16 Behold, thou art fair, my beloved, yea, pleasant: also our bed is green.

2:3 ---. I sat down under his shadow ----, and his fruit was sweet to my taste.

2:6 His left hand is under my head, and his right hand doth embrace me.

3:1 By night on my bed I sought him whom my soul loveth: ----.

3:7 Behold his bed, which is Solomon's ----.

4:5 Thy two breasts are like two young roes that are twins, which feed among the lilies.

4:9 Thou hast ravished my heart, my sister, my spouse; ----.

4:10 ----, my sister, my spouse! how much better is thy love than wine! ----!

4:11 Thy lips, ----, drop as the honeycomb: honey and milk are under thy tongue;

4:12 A garden inclosed is my sister, my spouse; a spring shut up, a fountain sealed.

5:1 ----: eat, O friends; drink, yea, drink abundantly, O beloved.

5:2 ----, Open to me, my sister, my love, my dove, my undefiled: ----.

5:3 I have put off my coat; how shall I put it on? ----?

5:4 My beloved put in his hand by the hole of the door, and my bowels were moved for him.

5:10 My beloved is white and ruddy, the chiefest among ten thousand.

5:13 His cheeks are as a bed of spices, as sweet flowers: his lips like lilies, dropping sweet smelling myrrh.

5:14 ----: his belly is as bright ivory overlaid with sapphires.

5:15 His legs are as pillars of marble, set upon sockets of fine gold: ----.

5:16 His mouth is most sweet: yea, he is altogether lovely. ----.

6:3 I am my beloved's, and my beloved is mine: he feedeth among the lilies.

6:9 My dove, my undefiled is but one; she is the only one of her mother, ----.

7:1 How beautiful are thy feet with shoes, O prince's daughter! the joints of thy thighs are like jewels, the work of the hands of a cunning workman.

7:2 Thy navel is like a round goblet, which wanteth not liquor: thy belly is like an heap of wheat set about with lilies.

7:3 Thy two breasts are like two young roes that are twins.

7:4 Thy neck is as a tower of ivory; ----.

7:7 This thy stature is like to a palm tree, and thy breasts to clusters of grapes.

7:8 I said, I will go up to the palm tree, I will take hold of the boughs thereof: now also thy breasts shall be as clusters of the vine, and the smell of thy nose like apples;

7:9 And the roof of thy mouth like the best wine for my beloved, that goeth down sweetly, causing the lips of those that are asleep to speak.

7:10 I am my beloved's, and his desire is toward me.

7:12 Let us get up early to the vineyards; ----: there will I give thee my loves.

8:8 We have a little sister, and she hath no breasts: ----.

8:10 I am a wall, and my breasts like towers: ----.

8:14 Make haste, my beloved, and be thou like to a roe or to a young hart upon the mountains of spices.

OT 23 THE BOOK OF ISAIAH

[Considered one of the most eloquent books of the Bible, it shows Prophet Isaiah advising the kings of Judah and making prophecies perhaps in the 8th century BC. Quite a few verses in this book apparently foretell the advent of Prophet Muhammad. Much has been written on that subject. Here, just a few hints will be given]

1:1 The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

1:4 Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, ----.
Sacraments do not please God

1:11 To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me? saith the LORD: I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; ----.

3:16 ----, Because the daughters of Zion ----, and walk with stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet:

3:17 Therefore the LORD ---- will discover their secret parts.

3:24 And it shall come to pass, ----; and instead of well set hair baldness; ---
-.

5:25 Therefore is the anger of the LORD kindled against his people, ----, and their carcasses were torn in the midst of the streets. ----.

Ilmah in Hebrew = A maiden, not a virgin

7:14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

The Lord hires a razor

7:20 In the same day shall the Lord shave with a razor that is hired, ----.

The Wonderful Counselor and the Prince of Peace, [Islam = Peace] may easily refer to Prophet Muhammad

9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

11:1 And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:

Jesse = Ishmael. Encyclopedia Biblica, T.K. Cheyne, 'Names' # 52. Another Jesse, the father of David, had eleven children, David being the seventh. Interestingly, David's sister, Abigail was married to Jether, the Ishmaelite. 1 Chronicles 2:13-17

11:2 And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;

11:3 And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears: [Prophet Muhammad was an attentive listener - Qur'an]

11:4 But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth: with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

The Qur'an is acknowledged to be the most eloquent book ever by numerous Biblical scholars. The Prophet was a champion of the meek

11:5 And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.

11:9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

[Not a single aggressive war by Prophet Muhammad]

11:10 And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious. [Medina]

11:12 And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

The lost tribes of Israel had migrated to Afghanistan and Kashmir, and in time, embraced Islam. The Encyclopedia Americana, 'Lost Ten Tribes' vol XVII. These verses of Chapter 11 make us think of Prophet Muhammad, Mecca and Medina

21:14 The inhabitants of the land of Tema brought water to him that was thirsty, they prevented with their bread him that fled.

Tema is acknowledged to be Medina by numerous Biblical scholars

21:15 For they fled from the swords, from the drawn sword, and from the bent bow, and from the grievousness of war.

This could mean the migration of Prophet Muhammad from Mecca

21:16 For thus hath the LORD said unto me, Within a year, according to the years of an hireling, and all the glory of Kedar shall fail:

This seems to refer to the Battle of Badr one year after Prophet Muhammad's migration to Medina. Kedar = Descendants of Ishmael = The opposing Quraish Tribe of Mecca. Ref: *The Biblical Geography* by Bishop Armstrong

21:17 And the residue of the number of archers, the mighty men of the children of Kedar, shall be diminished: for the LORD God of Israel hath spoken it. [As did happen]

28:10 For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little:

This is how the Qur'an was revealed

28:11 For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.

29:12 And the book is delivered to him that is not learned, saying, read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I am not learned.

The last several select verses hint toward Prophet Muhammad. He was not learned

Isaiah walks naked for 3 years

20:3 And the LORD said, Like as my servant Isaiah hath walked naked and barefoot three years for a sign and wonder upon Egypt and upon Ethiopia;

Those who sit upon the wall

36:12 ---- the men that sit upon the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink their own piss with you?

True Monotheism without any semblance of Trinity

43:11 I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.

44:6 Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God.

49:1 Listen, ----; The LORD hath called me [Isaiah] from the womb; from the bowels of my mother hath he made mention of my name.

OT 24 THE BOOK OF JEREMIAH

[The inhabitants of Jerusalem kept turning to evil despite Prophet Jeremiah's best efforts. Rather, they persecuted him. The prophet then foretold of the Babylonian invasion]

1:1 The words of Jeremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the priests that were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin:

1:2 --- in the days of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, ----.

3:1 ----, but thou [Israel] hast played the harlot with many lovers; ----.

Husband wife relationship between God and the Israelites

3:8 And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also.

3:9 And it came to pass through the lightness of her whoredom, that she defiled the land, and committed adultery with stones and with stocks.

3:20 Surely as a wife treacherously departeth from her husband, so have ye dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, saith the LORD.

4:4 Circumcise yourselves to the LORD, and take away the foreskins of your heart, ye men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem: ----.

4:6 ----: for I will bring evil from the north, and a great destruction.

God deceives again

4:10 Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! surely thou hast greatly deceived this people and Jerusalem, ----.

4:13 Behold, he [God] shall come up as clouds, and his chariots shall be as a whirlwind: his horses are swifter than eagles. ----.

4:19 My bowels, my bowels! I am pained at my very heart; [Is this God saying?]

5:8 ----: every one neighed after his neighbour's wife.

5:15 Lo, I will bring a nation upon you from far, O house of Israel, saith the LORD: ----.

5:31 The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means; ---?

6:10 To whom shall I speak, ----? behold, their ear is uncircumcised, ----.

Burning own children alive

7:31 And they have built the high places of Tophet, ----, to burn their sons and their daughters in the fire; ----.

7:33 And the carcasses of this people shall be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth; and none shall fray them away.

Wives inherited

8:10 Therefore will I give their wives unto others, and their fields to them that shall inherit them: ----.

9:11 And I will make Jerusalem heaps, and a den of dragons; and I will make the cities of Judah desolate, without an inhabitant.

11:13 For according to the number of thy cities were thy gods, O Judah; --- - even altars to burn incense unto Baal.

11:22 ----, Behold, I will punish them: the young men shall die by the sword; their sons and their daughters shall die by famine:

13:19 ----: Judah shall be carried away captive all of it, it shall be wholly carried away captive.

13:26 Therefore will I discover thy skirts upon thy face, that thy shame may appear.

13:27 I have seen thine adulteries, ----. Woe unto thee, O Jerusalem! ----?

19:8 And I will make this city desolate, and an hissing; ----.

Eat the flesh of own children

19:9 And I will cause them to eat the flesh of their sons and the flesh of their daughters, ----.

23:10 For the land is full of adulterers; ----.

23:11 For both prophet and priest are profane; ----.

23:14 I have seen also in the prophets of Jerusalem an horrible thing: they commit adultery, and walk in lies: ----.

25:11 And this whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.

26:1 In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah came this word from the LORD, saying,

Jerusalem, a curse to all nations

26:6 Then will I make this house like Shiloh, and will make this city [Jerusalem] a curse to all the nations of the earth.

Another firstborn

31:9 ----: for I [God] am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

32:2 For then the king of Babylon's army besieged Jerusalem: ----.

[For details on the ravaging of Jerusalem and captivity of the Jews, the reader may directly study the Book of Jeremiah in the Bible]

51:7 Babylon hath been a golden cup in the LORD's hand, that made all the earth drunken ----.

51:11 ----: the LORD hath raised up the spirit of the kings of the Medes [Cyrus and Darius]: for his device is against Babylon, to destroy it; ----.

51:25 Behold, I am against thee, O destroying mountain, [Babylon] ----.

Human king crushes and devours God

51:34 Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon hath devoured me [God], he hath crushed me, ----.

52:10 And the king of Babylon slew the sons of [King] Zedekiah before his eyes:

52:11 Then he put out the eyes of Zedekiah; and the king of Babylon bound him in chains, and carried him to Babylon, and put him in prison ----

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OT 25 THE BOOK OF LAMENTATIONS

[Someone, probably Jeremiah, expresses his deepest sorrow after Jerusalem has been completely destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar in 586 BC]

1:1 How doth the city sit solitary, that was full of people! how is she become as a widow! ----!

1:3 Judah is gone into captivity because of affliction, ----.

1:15 The LORD hath trodden under foot all my mighty men ----: ---: the LORD hath trodden the virgin, the daughter of Judah, as in a winepress.

Jerusalem, as a menstruous woman

1:17 ----: Jerusalem is as a menstruous woman among them.

1:20 Behold, O LORD; for I am in distress: my bowels are troubled; ----.

2:2 The LORD hath swallowed up all the habitations of Jacob, and has not pitied: ----.

Lord the enemy

2:5 The LORD was an enemy: he hath swallowed up Israel, ----.

2:21 ----; in the day of thine anger; thou hast killed, and not pitied.

Mothers boil and eat their own children

4:10 The hands of the pitiful women have sodden their own children: they were their meat in the destruction of the daughter of my people.

5:5 Our necks are under persecution: we labour, and have no rest.

5:7 Our fathers have sinned, and are not; and we have borne their iniquities

The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: Ezekiel 18:20

5:22 But thou hast utterly rejected us; thou art very wroth against us.

OT 26 THE BOOK OF EZEKIEL

[Prophet Ezekiel conveys the Lord's commands, grievous threats and prophecies to his people. In 18:20 the Book highlights the cardinal principle that everyone is responsible for their own actions and no soul can bear the load of another. Chapter 23 is too lewd to be read to a sister or a child]

1:1 Now it came to pass in the thirtieth year, ---- and I [Ezekiel] saw visions of God.

1:5 Also out of the midst thereof [cloud] came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance; they had the likeness of a man.

1:6 And every one had four faces, and every one had four wings.

Greco-Roman and Hindu mythology

1:10 As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle.

Ezekiel, addressed as Son of man

2:3 And he said unto me, Son of man, I send thee to the children of Israel, - --.

2:9 And when I looked, behold, an hand was sent unto me; and, lo, a roll of a book was therein;

3:1 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, eat that thou findest; eat this roll, and go speak unto the house of Israel.

Eating a book

3:2 So I opened my mouth, and he caused me to eat that roll.

Bearing the iniquities of a nation

4:6 And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: ----.

Baking of bread in dung

4:12 And thou [Ezekiel] shalt eat it as barley cakes, and thou shalt bake it with dung that cometh out of man, in their sight.

4:15 [Ezekiel protested] Then he [God] said unto me, Lo, I have given thee cow's dung for man's dung, and thou shalt prepare thy bread therewith.

Cannibalism

5:10 Therefore the fathers shall eat the sons in the midst of thee, and the sons shall eat their fathers; ----.

5:11 ----; neither shall mine eye spare, neither will I have any pity.

Is God a temperamental, pompous and furious human tyrant?

5:13 Thus shall mine anger be accomplished, and I will cause my fury to rest upon them, and I will be comforted: ----

5:17 So will I send upon you famine and evil beasts, and they shall bereave thee: ----. I the LORD have spoken it.

6:7 And the slain shall fall in the midst of you, and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

6:10 ---- I would do this evil unto them.

7:9 And mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: ----.

8:16 ----, at the door of the temple of the LORD, ----, and they worshipped the sun toward the east. [Sun worship: Please see the chapter on Virgin Births]

13:4 O Israel, thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts.

God deceives prophets

14:9 And if the prophet be deceived when he hath spoken a thing, I the LORD have deceived that prophet, ----.

14:12 The word of the LORD came again to me [Ezekiel], saying,

Original Sin, Mediation, Blood Atonement strongly rejected

14:14 Though these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they should deliver but their own souls by their own righteousness, saith the Lord GOD.

14:16 Though these three men were in it, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters; they only shall be delivered, but the land shall be desolate.

Skyscrapers and high-rises condemned again

16:24 That thou [Jerusalem] hast also built unto thee an eminent place, and hast made thee an high place in every street.

Whoredoms and harlotries

16:28 Thou hast played the whore also with the Assyrians, because thou wast unsatiable; yea, thou hast played the harlot with them, and yet couldest not be satisfied.

16:29 Thou hast moreover multiplied thy fornication in the land of Canaan unto Chaldea; and yet thou wast not satisfied therewith.

16:32 But as a wife that committeth adultery, which taketh strangers instead of her husband!

16:33 They give gifts to all whores: but thou givest thy gifts to all thy lovers, and hirest them, that they may come unto thee on every side for thy whoredom.

16:35 Wherefore, O harlot [the nation], hear the word of the LORD:

16:37 Behold, therefore I will gather all thy lovers, ----; I will even gather them round about against thee, and will discover thy nakedness unto them, ----.

16:39 And I will also give thee into their hand, ----: they shall strip thee also of thy clothes, and shall take thy fair jewels, and leave thee naked and bare.

16:42 So will I make my fury toward thee to rest, and my jealousy shall depart from thee, and I will be quiet, and will be no more angry.

18:13 [He who] has given forth upon usury, and hath taken increase: ----; he shall surely die; his blood shall be upon him.

No soul shall bear the guilt of another. Therefore, no child will be born tainted with the sin of Adam and Eve - The Qur'anic theme

18:20 The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.

See the efficacy of direct repentance without a Mediator or Savior

18:21 But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

God gives evil commands!

20:25 Wherefore I gave them also statutes that were not good, and judgments whereby they should not live;

Women set apart for menstruation. The Qur'an calls it an inconvenience

22:10 In thee have they discovered their fathers' nakedness: in thee have they humbled her that was set apart for pollution.

Adultery and incest are recurring themes in the Bible

22:11 And one hath committed abomination with his neighbour's wife; and another hath lewdly defiled his daughter in law; and another in thee hath humbled his sister, his father's daughter. [Recall David and Bathsheba, Judah and Tamar, Amnon and Tamar etc]

Let us give verses 23:1-49 the fullest advantage of allegorical expression.

Yet, could such vulgarity be the Word of God?

23:1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

23:2 Son of man [Ezekiel] there were two women, the daughters of one mother:

23:3 And they committed whoredoms in Egypt; ----: there were their breasts pressed, and there they bruised the teats of their virginity.

Did Aholah and Aholibah beget children to God?

23:4 ---- Aholah [Samaria] the elder, and Aholibah [Jerusalem] her sister: and they were mine, and they bare sons and daughters. --

23:5 And Aholah played the harlot when she was mine; and she doted on her lovers, on the Assyrians her neighbours,

23:7 Thus she committed her whoredoms with them, ----.

23:8 ----: for in her youth they lay with her, and they bruised the breasts of her virginity, and poured their whoredom upon her.

23:10 These discovered her nakedness: ----.

23:11 And when her sister Aholibah saw this, ----, and in her whoredoms more than her sister in her whoredoms.

23:12 She doted upon the Assyrians her neighbours, captains and rulers clothed most gorgeously, horsemen riding upon horses, all of them desirable young men.

23:13 Then I saw that she was defiled, that they took both one way,

23:15 Girded with girdles upon their loins, --- all of them princes to look to, - --,

23:17 And the Babylonians came to her into the bed of love, and they defiled her with their whoredom, ---.

23:18 So she discovered her whoredoms, and discovered her nakedness: - ---.

23:20 For she doted upon their paramours, whose flesh is as the flesh of asses, and whose issue [seminal emission] is like the issue of horses.

23:21 Thus thou calledst to remembrance the lewdness of thy youth, in bruising thy teats by the Egyptians for the paps [nipples] of thy youth.

23:26 They shall also strip thee out of thy clothes, and take away thy fair jewels.

23:29 And they shall deal with thee hatefully, ----, and shall leave thee naked and bare: and the nakedness of thy whoredoms shall be discovered, both thy lewdness and thy whoredoms.

23:30 I will do these things unto thee, because thou hast gone a whoring after the heathen, and because thou art polluted with their idols.

23:34 Thou shalt even drink it and suck it out, ----, and pluck off thine own breasts: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD.

23:43 ----, Will they now commit whoredoms with her, and she with them?

23:44 Yet they went in unto her, as they go in unto a woman that playeth the harlot: so went they in unto Aholah and unto Aholibah, the lewd women.

24:2 Son of man, write thee the name of the day, even of this same day: the king of Babylon set himself against Jerusalem this same day.

26:7 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will bring upon Tyrus Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, a king of kings, from the north, ----.

26:10 --- the abundance of his horses their dust shall cover thee: thy walls shall shake at the noise of the horsemen, and of the wheels, and of the chariots, ---.

Did this ever happen?

30:26 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and disperse them among the countries; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

Repentance and corrective action, but no blood atonement

33:16 None of his sins that he hath committed shall be mentioned unto him: he hath done that which is lawful and right; he shall surely live.

33:19 But if the wicked turn from his wickedness, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall live thereby.

Gog Magog are the European nations - Rev. Bruce Hamilton

38:2 Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him,

38:14 Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, Thus saith the Lord GOD; In that day when my people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know it?

38:15 And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, thou, and many people with thee, all of them riding upon horses, ---, and a mighty army:

38:16 And thou shalt come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be in the latter days, --- that the heathen [generations outside Abraham's] may know me, ----, O Gog, before their eyes.

38:18 And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, that my fury shall come up in my face.

38:19 For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken, Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel;

38:20 So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence, ---.

39:1 Therefore, thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, ----:

39:6 And I will send a fire on Magog, and among them that dwell carelessly in the isles: and they shall know that I am the LORD. [Revelation 20:8]

43:23 When thou hast made an end of cleansing it, thou shalt offer a young bullock without blemish, and a ram out of the flock without blemish.

Future name of Jerusalem: The LORD is there.

48:35 It was round about eighteen thousand measures: and the name of the city from that day shall be, The LORD is there.

OT 27 THE BOOK OF DANIEL

[Prophet Daniel was taken from Judah to Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar. He interpreted the king's dreams and was appointed the governor. The Book includes Daniel's dreams about Jews and a claimed prophecy of the advent of Jesus which, of course, the Jews deny]

1:1 In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah came Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon unto Jerusalem, and besieged it. [586 BC]

1:19 And the king [Nebuchadnezzar] communed with them; and among them all was found none like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: ----.

1:20 ----, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and astrologers that were in all his realm.

1:21 And Daniel continued even unto the first year of king Cyrus. [538 BC]

2:1 And in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar

Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, ----.

2:2 Then the king commanded to call the magicians, and the astrologers, and the sorcerers, ----.

2:11 [They answered] ----, and there is none other that can shew it before the king, except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh.

2:13 And the decree went forth that the wise men should be slain; ----.

2:19 Then was the secret revealed unto Daniel in a night vision. ----.

2:28 But there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days. ----;

2:31 Thou, O king, sawest, and behold a great image. ----.

2:37 Thou, O king, art a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.

2:44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: ----.

But King Cyrus destroyed Babylon in 538 BC

2:48 Then the king made Daniel a great man, and gave him many great gifts, and made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon, ----.

3:4 Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O people, nations, ---,

3:5 That at what time ye hear the sound of --- all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up:

3:6 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

3:7 Therefore ----, all the people, the nations, and the languages, fell down and worshipped the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

3:25 He answered and said, Lo, I see four men [that were thrown in the fire for not worshipping the image] loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.

3:26 Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the mouth of the burning fiery furnace, and spake, and said, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, ye servants of the most high God, come forth, and come hither. ----.

3:30 Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, in the province of Babylon.

4:19 Then Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, was astonished for one hour, --.

4:22 It is thou, O king, that art grown and become strong: for thy greatness is grown, and reacheth unto heaven, and thy dominion to the end of the earth.

4:24 This is the interpretation, O king, and this is the decree of the most High, --:

4:30 The king spake, and said, Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and ---- my majesty?

A fairy tale phenomenon

4:31 While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, saying, O king Nebuchadnezzar, ----; The kingdom is departed from thee.

4:33 The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, ----, till his hairs were grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws.

4:37 Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, ----: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase.

5:1 Belshazzar the king [son and successor of Nebuchadnezzar] made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and drank wine before the thousand.

Another

5:5 In the same hour came forth fingers of a man's hand, and wrote over against the candlestick upon the plaister of the wall of the king's palace: - ---.

5:8 Then came in all the king's wise men: but they could not read the writing, ---.

5:10 ----: and the queen spake and said, ----:

5:12 ---- the same Daniel, whom the king named Belteshazzar: now let Daniel be called, and he will shew the interpretation.

5:13 Then was Daniel brought in before the king. ----?

5:14 I have even heard of thee, that the spirit of the gods is in thee, and that light and understanding and excellent wisdom is found in thee.

5:15 And now the wise men, the astrologers, ---- could not shew the interpretation of the thing:

5:17 Then Daniel answered ----.

5:18 O thou king, the most high God gave Nebuchadnezzar thy father a kingdom, and majesty, and glory, and honour:

5:22 And thou his son, O Belshazzar, hast not humbled thine heart, though thou knewest all this;

5:23 But hast lifted up thyself against the Lord of heaven; ----; and thou hast praised the gods of silver, and gold, of brass, iron, wood, and stone, -- --:

MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN

5:25 And this is the writing that was written, MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN.

5:26 This is the interpretation of the thing: MENE; God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it.

5:27 TEKEL; Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting.

5:28 PERES; Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians.

5:29 Then commanded [King] Belshazzar, and they clothed Daniel with scarlet, and put a chain of gold about his neck, ---- that he should be the third ruler in the kingdom.

5:30 In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain.

5:31 And Darius the Median took the kingdom, being about threescore and two years old.

6:3 Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and princes, because an excellent spirit was in him; ----.

6:7 All the presidents of the kingdom, ----, to make a firm decree, that whosoever shall ask a petition of any God or man for thirty days, save of thee, O king, he shall be cast into the den of lions.

The lions' den

6:9 Wherefore king Darius signed the writing and the decree.

6:10 Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, ----.

6:11 Then these men assembled, and found Daniel praying and making supplication before his God.

6:16 Then the king commanded, and they brought Daniel, and cast him into the den of lions. ----.

6:22 My God hath sent his angel, and hath shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt me: ----.

6:24 And the king commanded, and they brought those men which had accused Daniel, and they cast them into the den of lions, them, their children, and their wives; ----.

6:28 So this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius, and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian.

Strange creatures

7:6 After this I [Daniel] beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it.

7:7 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, ----; and it had ten horns.

7:13 I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.

This is probably the kingdom that the Jews were expecting from Jesus

7:14 And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, ----.

But Jesus never attained the kingdom

7:18 But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.

8:1 In the third year of the reign of king Belshazzar a vision appeared unto me, even unto me Daniel, ----.

[We are skipping much of the long vision for brevity]

8:8 Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones ----.

8:10 And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them.

8:20 The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia.

10:2 In those days I Daniel was mourning three full weeks.

OT 28 THE BOOK OF HOSEA

[Hosea probably prophesied in the 9th century BC. This book tells about his warnings, admonitions to repent, and do good works. It makes abundant use of metaphors]

1:1 The word of the LORD that came unto Hosea, the son of Beer, in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of Israel.

Take a whore as wife

1:2 ---- And the LORD said to Hosea, Go, take unto thee a wife of whoredoms and children of whoredoms: ----.

1:3 So he went and took Gomer the daughter of Diblaim; which conceived, and bare him a son.

1:4 And the LORD said unto him, Call his name Jezreel; ----.

1:6 And she conceived again, and bare a daughter. --- Call her name Loruhamah: for I will no more have mercy upon the house of Israel; ---.

1:7 But I will have mercy upon the house of Judah, and will save them ----.

1:8 Now when she had weaned Loruhamah, she conceived, and bare a son.

1:10 Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea, which cannot be measured nor numbered; ---, Ye are the sons of the living God.

But the ten Samarian tribes of the House of Israel are lost to this day

1:11 Then shall the children of Judah and the children of Israel be gathered together, ----: for great shall be the day of Jezreel.

God's wife?

2:2 Plead with your mother, plead [O Hosea]: for she is not my wife, neither am I her husband: let her therefore put away her whoredoms out of her sight, and her adulteries from between her breasts;

2:3 Lest I strip her naked, and set her as in the day that she was born, ---.

2:4 And I will not have mercy upon her children; for they be the children of whoredoms.

2:8 For --- I, -- multiplied her silver and gold, which they prepared for Baal.

2:10 And now will I [God] discover her lewdness in the sight of her lovers, and none shall deliver her out of mine hand.

4:10 For they shall eat, and not have enough: they shall commit whoredom, and shall not increase: ----.

4:11 Whoredom and wine and new wine take away the heart.

4:13 They sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains, ----: therefore your daughters shall commit whoredom, and your spouses shall commit adultery.

God turns as a moth and as rottenness

5:12 Therefore will I [God] be unto Ephraim as a moth, and to the house of Judah as rottenness.

7:4 They are all adulterers, as an oven heated by the baker, ----.

9:14 Give them, O LORD: what wilt thou give? give them a miscarrying womb and dry breasts.

God no longer loves Israel

11:1 When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt.

11:2 ----: they sacrificed unto Baalim, and burned incense to graven images.

12:2 The LORD hath also a controversy with Judah, and will punish Jacob according to his ways; according to his doings will he recompense him.

13:16 Samaria shall become desolate; for she hath rebelled against her God: they shall fall by the sword: their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be ripped up.

OT 29 THE BOOK OF JOEL

[Prophet Joel advises his people to refrain from evil, and observe fasting]

1:1 The word of the LORD that came to Joel the son of Pethuel.

1:5 Awake, ye drunkards, and weep; and howl, ----.

1:6 For a nation is come up upon my land, strong, and without number, ----.

1:8 Lament like a virgin girded with sackcloth for the husband of her youth.

1:14 Sanctify ye a fast, call a solemn assembly, ----, and cry unto the LORD,
2:1 Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, ---: ----: for the day of the LORD cometh, ---
;

2:2 A day of darkness and of gloominess, ----: a great people and a strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, ----.

2:9 They shall run to and fro in the city; they shall run upon the wall, they shall climb up upon the houses; they shall enter in at the windows like a thief.

2:10 The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining:

2:12 Therefore also now, saith the LORD, turn ye even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning:

2:18 Then will the LORD be jealous for his land, and pity his people.

One True God and no Trinity

2:27 And ye shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am the LORD your God, and none else: ----.

2:31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD come.

3:3 And they have cast lots for my people; and have given a boy for an harlot, and sold a girl for wine, that they might drink.

The Lord dwells in the hill of Zion

3:16 The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, ----.

3:20 But Judah shall dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation.

3:21 For I will cleanse their blood that I have not cleansed: for the LORD dwelleth in Zion.

OT 30 THE BOOK OF AMOS

[Amos was a shepherd commissioned to prophesy in 783 BC. He warned the Israelites for their evil deeds and predicted the invasion by Assyrians as mentioned in 2 Kings]

1:1 The words of Amos, who was among the herdmen of Tekoa, ----.

1:2 And he said, The LORD will roar from Zion, ---.

The furious despondent Lord and his devouring fires

1:7 --- I will send a fire on the wall of Gaza, which shall devour the palaces ---.

1:10 --- I will send a fire on the wall of Tyrus, which shall devour the palaces ---.

1:14 --- I will kindle a fire in the wall of Rabbah, and it shall devour the palaces --:

2:2 But I will send a fire upon Moab, and it shall devour the palaces of Kiriath: ---:

2:3 ---, and will slay all the princes thereof with him, saith the LORD.

2:5 -- I will send a fire upon Judah, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem.

2:7 ---: and a man and his father will go in unto the same maid, ---:
 2:10 Also I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and led you forty years
 through the wilderness, to possess the land of the Amorite.
 2:13 Behold, I [God] am pressed under you, as a cart is pressed that is full -
 --.
 4:12 Therefore thus will I do unto thee, O Israel: ---.
 5:2 The virgin of Israel is fallen; she shall no more rise: ----.
 5:18 ---- the day of the LORD is darkness, and not light.
 5:21 I hate, I despise your feast days, and I will not smell --- solemn
 assemblies.
 5:27 Therefore will I cause you to go into captivity beyond Damascus, ---.

Music condemned

6:5 That chant to the sound of the viol, and invent to themselves
 instruments of musick, like David;
 7:11 For thus Amos saith, Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel shall
 surely be led away captive out of their own land.

The Lord curses Prophet Amos

7:17 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Thy wife shall be an harlot in the city,
 and thy sons and thy daughters shall fall by the sword, ----.
 8:2 And he said, Amos, ---- The end is come upon my people of Israel; I will
 not again pass by them any more.

God gets enraged with people of Israel

8:12 And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to
 the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the LORD, and shall
 not find it.
 9:8 Behold, the eyes of the Lord GOD are upon the sinful kingdom, and I
 will destroy it from off the face of the earth; saving that I will not utterly
 destroy the house of Jacob, saith the LORD.

OT 31 THE BOOK OF OBADIAH

[This Book consists of some prophecies by Prophet Obadiah about the
 town of Adom]

1:1 The vision of Obadiah. Thus saith the Lord GOD concerning Edom; We
 have heard a rumour from the LORD, ----.
 1:2 Behold, I have made thee small among the heathen: ---.
 1:4 Though thou exalt thyself as the eagle, and though thou set thy nest
 among the stars, thence will I bring thee down, saith the LORD.
 1:8 Shall I not in that day, ---, even destroy the wise men out of Edom, ---?

OT 32 THE BOOK OF JONAH

[This book relates the famous story of "Jonah and the Whale". Mathew
12:40 "For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so
shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the
earth." But a whale, living on planktons, has a throat too narrow to swallow
 even a chicken. The analogy is incorrect in that Jonah is reported to have
 gone alive in the whale's belly, and come out alive]

1:1 Now the word of the LORD came unto Jonah the son of Amittai, saying,
1:2 Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry against it; ---.
1:3 But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD, ---; and he found a ship going to Tarshish: ----.
1:4 But the LORD sent out a great wind into the sea, and there was a mighty tempest in the sea, so that the ship was like to be broken.

The superstition is self-evident

1:7 And they said every one to his fellow, Come, and let us cast lots, that we may know for whose cause this evil is upon us. So they cast lots, and the lot fell upon Jonah.
1:12 And he said unto them, Take me up, and cast me forth into the sea; so shall the sea be calm unto you: ----.
1:15 So they look up Jonah, and cast him forth into the sea: and the sea ceased from her raging. [OK]
1:17 Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.
2:1 Then Jonah prayed unto the LORD his God out of the fish's belly,
2:10 And the LORD spake unto the fish, and it vomited out Jonah upon the dry land.

3:2 Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee.
3:3 So Jonah arose, and went unto Nineveh, ----.
3:4 And Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and he cried, and said, Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown.
3:5 So the people of Nineveh believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of them.

Even the beasts are fasting, no eating no drinking

3:7 And he caused it to be proclaimed and published through Nineveh by the decree of the king ---, Let neither man nor beast, ---, taste any thing: ---:
3:10 And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of the evil, that he had said that he would do unto them; -- --.

Jonah displeased at his nation's repentance

4:1 But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was very angry.
4:11 And should not I spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more then sixscore thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also much cattle?

OT 33 THE BOOK OF MICAH

[Micah prophesied perhaps in the 9th century BC and admonished the Israelites. The king of his times listened to him and saved himself and his people]

1:1 The word of the LORD that came to Micah the Morasthite in the days of Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, which he saw concerning Samaria and Jerusalem.

1:3 For, behold, the LORD cometh forth out of his place, and will come down, and tread upon the high places of the earth.

1:4 And the mountains shall be molten under him, ----.

1:6 Therefore I will make Samaria as an heap of the field, ----.

1:7 ----: for she gathered it of the hire of an harlot, ----.

God goes around naked

1:8 Therefore I will wail and howl, I [God] will go stripped and naked: I will make a wailing like the dragons, and mourning as the owls.

1:12 ----: but evil came down from the LORD unto the gate of Jerusalem.

3:12 Therefore shall Zion for your sake be plowed as a field, and Jerusalem ----.

5:6 And they shall waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod in the entrances thereof: ----.

5:13 Thy graven images also will I cut off, and thy standing images out of the midst of thee; and thou shalt no more worship the work of thine hands.

6:4 For I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, ----;

7:12 In that day also he shall come even to thee from Assyria, and from the fortified cities, ----.

7:19 He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; ----.

7:20 Thou wilt perform the truth to Jacob, and the mercy to Abraham, which thou hast sworn unto our fathers from the days of old.

OT 34 THE BOOK OF NAHUM

[Prophet Nahum predicts the destruction of Nineveh]

1:1 The burden of Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.

1:2 God is jealous, and the LORD revengeth; the LORD revengeth, and is furious; the LORD will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth wrath for his enemies. [We have repeatedly read his wrath consuming his people, the Israelites]

1:3 ----: the LORD hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet.

2:4 The chariots shall rage in the streets, ----.

2:6 The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the palace shall be dissolved.

2:8 But Nineveh is of old like a pool of water: ----.

3:5 Behold, I am against thee, ---; and I will discover thy skirts upon thy face, and I will shew the nations thy nakedness, and the kingdoms thy shame.

3:19 There is no healing of thy bruise; thy wound is grievous: ----?

OT 35 THE BOOK OF HABAKKUK

[Prophet Habakkuk in Jerusalem sees a dream and, after warning his people, predicts Nebuchadnezzar's invasion]

1:1 The burden which Habakkuk the prophet did see.

1:6 For, lo, I raise up the Chaldeans, that bitter and hasty nation, which shall march through the breadth of the land, ----.

1:7 They are terrible and dreadful: ----.

2:15 Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that puttest thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness!

2:16 ----: drink thou also, and let thy foreskin be uncovered: ----.

3:1 A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet upon Shigionoth.

3:2 O LORD, I have heard thy speech, and was afraid: O LORD, revive thy work in the midst of the years, ----.

3:3 God came from Teman, and the Holy One from mount Paran. Selah. His glory covered the heavens, and the earth was full of his praise. [A possible allusion to Medina (Teman), Mecca (Paran) and the praised one, Muhammad. - Bishop J. B. Lightfoot]

3:19 The LORD God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' [female red deer] feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. ----.

OT 36 THE BOOK OF ZEPHANIAH

[Zephaniah prophesies during the times of the king of Judah, Josiah]

1:1 The word of the LORD which came unto Zephaniah ----, in the days of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah.

1:2 I will utterly consume all things from off the land, saith the LORD.

1:4 I will also stretch out mine hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem; ----;

1:8 ---- I will punish the princes, and the king's children, and all such as are clothed with strange apparel.

1:17 And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they have sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.

2:12 Ye Ethiopians also, ye shall be slain by my sword.

2:13 And he will stretch out his hand against the north, and destroy Assyria; and will make Nineveh a desolation, and dry like a wilderness.

3:8 Therefore wait ye upon me, saith the LORD, until the day that I rise up to the prey ----: for all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of my jealousy.

3:14 Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem.

God sings

3:17 The LORD thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; ----, he will joy over thee with singing.

OT 37 THE BOOK OF HAGGAI

[Prophet Haggai's advent took place around 522 BC during the reign of King Darius of Persia. He motivated the Hebrews to rebuild Jerusalem]

1:1 In the second year of Darius the king, in the sixth month, in the first day of the month, came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet unto

Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, saying,

1:4 ----, O ye, to dwell in your cieled houses, and this house lie waste?

1:7 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.

1:8 Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and build the house; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified, saith the LORD.

1:13 Then spake Haggai the LORD's messenger in the LORD's message unto the people, saying, I am with you, saith the LORD.

2:13 Then said Haggai, If one that is unclean by a dead body touch any of these, shall it be unclean? And the priests answered ----, It shall be unclean.

OT 38 THE BOOK OF ZECHARIAH

[Zechariah was a close companion of Haggai in the rebuilding of Jerusalem. Most of the Book consists of dreams and predictions. Prophet Zakaria of the Qur'an (Zacharias of the NT), father of John the Baptist (Yahya,) was a different person]

1:1 In the eighth month, in the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD unto Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo the prophet, saying,

1:2 The LORD hath been sore displeased with your fathers.

1:8 I saw by night, and behold a man riding upon a red horse, ----; and behind him were there red horses, speckled, and white.

1:10 ----, These are they whom the LORD hath sent to walk to and fro through the earth.

1:14 ---- Thus saith the LORD of hosts; I am jealous and for Zion ----.

2:13 Be silent, O all flesh, before the LORD: for he is raised up out of his holy habitation.

3:1 And he shewed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to resist him.

6:1 And I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came four chariots out from between two mountains; ----.

8:14 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; As I thought to punish you, when your fathers provoked me to wrath, saith the LORD of hosts, and I repented not:

9:6 And a bastard shall dwell in Ashdod, and I will cut off the pride of the Philistines.

14:2 For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; ----.

14:3 Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, ----.

14:4 And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, ----.

Only One Lord God in the OT

14:9 And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.

14:11 And men shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter destruction; but Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited. [For repeated destruction of Jerusalem thereafter, see 'Old Testament: Status']

OT 39 THE BOOK OF MALACHI

[Malachi is the last prophet of the Old Testament. His book mainly deals with the ingratitude of the Israelites]

1:1 The burden of the word of the LORD to Israel by Malachi.

1:2 I have loved you, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, Wherein hast thou loved us? Was not Esau Jacob's brother? saith the LORD: yet I loved Jacob,

1:3 And I hated Esau, ----.

4:5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD:

4:6 ----, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

[The Old Testament of The King James Version Ends Here]

THE NEW TESTAMENT (NT) BEGINS HERE: (Selected Verses)

NT 01 GOSPEL OF MATHEW

[According to many Biblical scholars, this Gospel was written some time between 61-100 CE in Greek. But no traces of the original are found. Its first copies are supposed to have existed in 173 CE. See 'New Testament: Status']

1:6 And Jesse begat David the king; and David the king begat Solomon of her that had been the wife of Uriah; [See 2 Samuel 11:2 on]

The myth of the virgin birth of Jesus should succumb right here

1:16 And Jacob begat Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ.

Who found her with child? Does God violate his own laws?

1:18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

To whom did Joseph narrate that dream?

1:20 ----, behold, the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

1:21 And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins.

A maiden, not a virgin, in the original. Jesus was never called Emmanuel

1:23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

Jesus was only the firstborn of Mary

1:25 And [Joseph] knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name Jesus.

2:23 And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.

[This is nowhere said in the OT]

3:1 In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea,

Jesus needs baptism!

3:16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: ---:

Even the Himalayas won't show much around

4:8 Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them;

4:9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. [Is devil a rival to God, or is it the selfish desire of humans?]

5:17 Think not that I am come to destroyed the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers. John 10:8

5:20 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. [Faith alone won't work, nor shall Atonement]

5:22 ---- but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire. [See 23:19]

5:25 Agree with thine adversary quickly, ----. [Even at the expense of Truth?]

5:29 And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee:

5:30 And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee: ----.

Law begins to get destroyed

5:31 It hath been said, Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement:

No divorce, no remarriage

5:32 But I say unto you, That whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.

Is God a gigantic man?

5:34 ---- Swear not at all; neither by heaven; for it is God's throne:

5:35 Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: ----.

Impossible commands 5:29-30-32-35-39-40-41

5:37 But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil. [Even the disciples did not follow this command]

5:39 But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

5:40 And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have thy cloak also.

5:41 And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain.

5:44 But I say unto you, Love your enemies, ----.

Is not God omnipresent?

6:9 After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, ---
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Gentiles are dogs and swine

7:6 Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.

7:21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

8:3 And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. [Does that pass reason?]

8:15 And he touched her [Peter's mother in law] hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them. [OK!]

Evil spirits and exorcism are nothing but superstition

8:16 When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick:

Son of man has an abode and does not have an abode

8:20 And Jesus saith unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head. [See John 1:39]

8:24 And, behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, ----: but he was asleep.

8:25 And his disciples came to him, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish.

8:26 And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.

9:27 And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, Thou son of David, have mercy on us.

9:29 Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you.

9:33 And when the devil was cast out, the dumb spake: ----.

Message restricted to Judah with Jerusalem alone

10:5 These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not:

10:7 And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.

10:8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: [17:20]

10:34 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. [See 5:39-44]

Jesus was an honored prophet of God

10:41 He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward; ----.

11:19 The Son of man came eating and drinking ----,

12:15 ----: and great multitudes followed him, and he healed them all;

One who believes in miracles is a fool, and the one who doesn't is an infidel - Talmud

12:30 He that is not with me is against me; ----. [Reflect upon the massive political impact of this statement]

No Signs?

12:39 But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas: [Yet, the 'signs' abound in the gospels]

Jonas went in alive and came out alive

12:40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

Would Jesus insult his mother?

12:47 Then one said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to speak with thee.

12:48 But he answered and said unto him that told him, Who is my mother? and who are my brethren?

Jesus had siblings

13:55 Is not this the carpenter's son? is not his mother called Mary? and his brethren, James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas?

13:56 And his sisters, are they not all with us? [See 'Mary among the Dubious Elite']

13:57 And they were offended in him. But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, save in his own country, and in his own house.

God runs the Universe with laws that never change - The Qur'an

14:25 And ---- Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea.

Eat and drink anything. Law demolished

15:11 Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man.

15:24 But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

Could Jesus be that rude?

15:26 But he answered [the Gentile woman] and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs.

The One True God is the God of all mankind - Qur'an

15:31 ----: and they glorified the God of Israel.

But Peter curses Jesus and denies him later

16:19 And I will give unto thee [Peter] the keys of the kingdom of heaven: This never happened

16:28 Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.

17:19 Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out?

Is there a single man of faith around?

17:20 And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this

mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

Only God is good. Depend not on a Savior other than him

19:16 And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?

19:17 And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.

This never happened. And Judas Iscariot betrayed and then killed himself

19:28 And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye [the 12 disciples] also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

21:11 And the multitude said, This is Jesus the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee.

People get downgraded in resurrection

22:30 For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven.

Why should a priest be called father?

23:9 And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven.

The angry man

23:19 Ye fools and blind: ----? [See 5:22]

23:33 Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?

This never happened

24:30 ---- and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

24:33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors.

24:34 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

Ten virgins

25:1 Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

Head or feet? See Luke 7:38

26:7 There came unto him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on his head, as he sat at meat.

Those filled with Holy Ghost flee

26:56 But all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled. Then all the disciples forsook him, and fled.

26:74 Then began he [Peter] to curse [Jesus] and to swear, saying, I know not the man. And immediately the cock crew.

27:2 And when they had bound him, they led him away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor.

Hanged himself or fell headlong? Acts 1:18

27:5 And he [Judas Iscariot] cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself.

There is no such thing found in the OT

27:9 Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was valued, whom they of the children of Israel did value;

27:24 When Pilate saw ---, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it.

Did Jesus carry his own cross? John 19:17

27:32 And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to bear his cross.

Was Jesus first slain and then hanged? Acts 5:30

27:34 They gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted thereof, he would not drink.

What was the Inscription?

27:37 And set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

THE KING OF THE JEWS - Mark 15:26

THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS - Luke 23:38

JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS - John 19:19

27:38 Then were there two thieves crucified with him, one on the right hand, and another on the left.

The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree. Acts 5:30 - Read again

27:46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, My God, Why hast thou forsaken me? [How would the Lord forsake his Son? - Or God forsake God!]

They never killed him and never crucified him. The Qur'an

27:51 And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;

27:52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,

27:53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

Alas, Jesus' opponents never saw these dramatic events

27:56 Among which was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of Zebedees children.

27:58 He [a rich man, Joseph] went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus.

27:59 And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth,

27:60 And laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone [alone] to the door of the sepulchre, and departed.

How many women came? See Luke 24:10 and 'Virgin Births'

28:1 In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.

NT 02 GOSPEL OF MARK

[This is reported to be the first ever Gospel written in 64 CE. Eusebius, in *The History of The Church* mentions its first ever discovery in the early fourth century. Many Biblical scholars maintain that this Gospel has no known author. - Origen 185-254 CE - Faustus, the bishop of Riez in Provence in the 4th century - *What Is Christianity?* Prof. B. W. Harnack]

1:4 John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins.

Jesus needs baptism

1:5 And there went out unto him all the land of Judaea, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptized of him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins.

1:9 And it came to pass in those days, that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized of John in Jordan.

How many were the demon possessed in a small town?

1:39 And he preached in their synagogues throughout all Galilee, and cast out devils.

Another law beautifully demolished

2:27 And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath:

Legion - a fairy tale

5:8 For he said unto him, Come out of the man, thou unclean spirit.

5:9 And he asked him, What is thy name? And he answered, saying, My name is Legion: for we are many.

5:12 And all the devils besought him, saying, Send us into the swine, that we may enter into them.

5:13 And forthwith Jesus gave them leave. And the unclean spirits went out, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the sea, (they were about two thousand;) and were choked in the sea.

The scribes are obsessed with miracles

6:41 And when he had taken the five loaves and the two fishes, he looked up to heaven, and blessed, ---; and the two fishes divided he among them all.

6:43 And they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments, and of the fishes.

6:44 And they that did eat of the loaves were about five thousand men.

6:49 But when they saw him walking upon the sea, they supposed it had been a spirit, and cried out: [But they had already seen so many miracles!]

Not only do miracles defy reason, they, by stunning the intellect, would serve as coercion in religion - *The Universal Laws*, Dr. Gordon McMillan

8:32 ---- Peter took him [Jesus], and began to rebuke him.

Peter, the patriarch of the Church

8:33 But ----, he rebuked Peter, saying, Get thee behind me, Satan: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but the things that be of men.

The disciples were non-believers. They fail to do things and flee

9:18 ---- thy disciples that they should cast him out; and they could not.

9:23 Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.

9:28 And when he was come into the house, his disciples asked him privately, Why could not we cast him out?

Let the priests treat epilepsy, stroke, leprosy, polio, fevers, schizophrenia

9:29 And he said unto them, This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and fasting.

Take up your own cross and depend not on a 'Savior'

10:21 ---- One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me.

10:25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

Can a rich man, then, enter into the kingdom of God or not!

10:26 And they were astonished out of measure, saying among themselves, Who then can be saved?

10:27 And Jesus looking upon them saith, With men it is impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible.

Could Jesus be violent?

11:15 And they come to Jerusalem: and Jesus went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves;

He curses a tree!

11:21 And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursedst is withered away.

No Trinity

12:32 And the scribe said unto him, Well, Master, thou hast said the truth: for there is one God; and there is none other but he:

Beware all clergy!

12:38 And he said unto them in his doctrine, Beware of the scribes, which love to go in long clothing, and love salutations in the marketplaces,

12:39 And the chief seats in the synagogues, and the uppermost rooms at feasts:

True Monotheism

13:32 But of that day and that hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father.

Eucharist - See 'The Crucified Saviors'

14:22 And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it, and gave to them, and said, Take, eat: This is my body.

14:23 And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them: and they all drank of it.

Bread and wine: Holy Communion, Eucharist, Sacred Meal, or Lord's Supper, denied by many sects of Christianity

14:24 And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many.

Would Jesus try to evade if his mission was atonement?

14:34 And saith unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death: tarry ye here, and watch.

14:35 And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him.

14:36 And he said, Abba, Father, all things are possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.

[Two separate wills]

14:37 And he cometh, and findeth them sleeping, and saith unto Peter, Simon, sleepest thou? couldest not thou watch one hour?

14:40 And when he returned, he found them asleep again, (for their eyes were heavy,) neither wist they what to answer him.

The Qur'an exonerates the disciples from such blames

14:50 And they all forsook him, and fled.

Jesus before the high priest Caiaphas

14:58 We heard him say, I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands.

14:61 ----. Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?

14:62 And Jesus said, I am: and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

14:63 Then the high priest rent his clothes, and saith, What need we any further witnesses?

'Rent his clothes' is a frequent, though weird, statement in OT & NT

14:64 Ye have heard the blasphemy: what think ye? And they all condemned him to be guilty of death.

Bar Abbas, son of father

15:15 And so Pilate, willing to content the people, released Barabbas unto them, and delivered Jesus, when he had scourged him, to be crucified. [It is Jesus Bar Abbas in many versions, meaning Jesus, son of father]

Gospels differ on the drink and the hour

15:23 And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh: but he received it not. [Not vinegar]

15:25 And it was the third hour, and they crucified him.

15:26 And the superscription of his accusation was written over, THE KING OF THE JEWS. [See Mathew 27:37]

15:37 And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost.

15:47 And Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses beheld where he was laid.

16:1 And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, ---- anoint him.

16:3 And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre? [Joseph, the rich had rolled it alone]

16:4 And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great.

16:9 Now when Jesus was risen early the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils.

16:14 Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, ----.

Can the Christian clergy provide practical evidence?

16:17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

16:18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

Did Mark witness this?

16:19 So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.

NT 03 GOSPEL OF LUKE

[Supposedly written at the end of the first century, but no existing canonical gospels predate the fourth century. See 'New Testament - Status']

1:3 It seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write unto thee in order, most excellent Theophilus,

1:15 For he [John the Baptist, son of Elisabeth and Zacharias] shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; - --.

1:31 And, behold, thou [Mary] shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus. [Not Emmanuel. See Mathew 1:23]

1:32 ---: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:

Jesus never received the throne of David

1:33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

Mary gets defiled by giving birth to Jesus

2:24 And [Mary got] to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said in the law of the Lord, A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons. [See Leviticus 12:5-8]

2:52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man. [God increases in wisdom and stature!]

Jesus was the son of Joseph and Adam was the son of God

3:23 And Jesus himself began to be about thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) the son of Joseph, which was the son of Heli, [Numerous Biblical scholars consider 'as was supposed' in parentheses a late interpolation]

3:38 ----, which was the son of Adam, which was the son of God.

4:22 ---- And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?

5:18 And, behold, men brought in a bed a man which was taken with a palsy: ----.

All physical illness caused by sin?

5:20 And when he saw their faith, he said unto him, Man, thy sins are forgiven thee. [The man arose and walked]

7:16 ----, That a great prophet is risen up among us; and, That God hath visited his people. [The visit here is obviously allegorical]

7:38 And [the sinner woman, Martha] stood at his feet behind him weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hair of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment.

7:45 Thou gavest me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss my feet.

The Church might have to delete this one too

9:27 But I tell you of a truth, there be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the kingdom of God.

10:4 Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes: and salute no man by the way.

But the disciples get persecuted and assassinated

10:19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. [This did not come true]

'Father' is everywhere. His will is always done in the entire Universe

11:2 And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

This is not Divine justice. See Ezekiel 18:20

11:50 That the blood of all the prophets, which was shed from the foundation of the world, may be required of this generation;

Sword, then fire, division, and hate

12:49 I am come to send fire on earth; ----?

12:51 Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, Nay; but rather division:

14:26 If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.

Kill my enemies

19:27 But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay them before me. [The Qur'an has no parallel to this statement regarding Jesus or any other prophet]

Al this never happened

21:27 And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

21:32 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled.

22:30 That ye [disciples] may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Buy a sword

22:36 ----, But now, he that hath a purse, let him take it, and likewise his scrip: and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one.

Two separate wills

22:42 Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.

22:43 And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him.

But the angel fails to strengthen him

22:44 And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

22:70 Then said they all, Art thou then the Son of God? And he said unto them, Ye say that I am.

23:1 And the whole multitude of them arose, and led him unto Pilate.

23:3 And Pilate asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answered him and said, Thou sayest it.

23:7 And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time.

Who bears the cross? The Gospels differ

23:26 And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus.

23:38 And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. [See Mathew 27:37]

Did Ascension take place the same day?

23:43 And Jesus said unto him [the supportive malefactor], Verily I say unto thee, today shalt thou be with me in paradise.

23:45 And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst.

23:46 And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.

24:10 It was Mary Magdalene and Joanna, and Mary the mother of James, and other women that were with them, which told these things unto the apostles. [How many, and which women? See Mathew 28:1]

24:19 ---, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet ---:

24:36 And as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.

24:37 But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit.

The disciples remain skeptical

24:38 And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled? And why do thoughts arise in your hearts?

24:39 Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.

Carried up or migrated?

24:51 And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.

24:52 And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy

24:53 And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God.

Amen.

NT 04 GOSPEL OF JOHN

[This last Gospel written by some unknown author around 95 CE differs greatly from the first three which are, therefore, called the Synoptic Gospels. John was never written by the disciple John, but ascribed to him for credibility. Some scholars think it was written by some John the Elder of Asia Minor who was never a disciple. Others ascribe it to Paul]

See Logos for Word - 'About the Mythical Jesus' - 'On the Pauline Doctrine'

1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Father must precede the son

1:2 The same was in the beginning with God.

In this Gospel, Jesus becomes the Creator of the world!

1:10 He [Jesus] was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.

The Old Testament was without grace, and false

1:17 For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

'That prophet' - Could it mean Prophet Muhammad? Deuteronomy 18:15

1:21 And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that prophet? And he answered, No.

Was he the Lamb or the Shepherd? 10:2

1:29 The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

1:32 And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him. [OK]

1:39 They came and saw where he dwelt, ---.

--- but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head. Mathew 8:20

1:45 ---, We have found him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.

'Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph' is not found in OT

2:11 This beginning of miracles [turning water into wine] did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.

Physical miracles should have made all Israelites believe in Jesus

2:19 Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.

2:20 Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days?

An incomprehensible parable

2:21 But he spake of the temple of his body.

Lifting a serpent is no match to Ascension

3:14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up:

How many only begotten sons does God have? - See 'Virgin Births' and 'The Messiahs and Sons of God'

3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

God, for the moment, is no longer anthropomorphic

4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

5:16 And therefore did the Jews persecute Jesus, and sought to slay him, because he had done these things [cured a man] on the sabbath day.

5:17 But Jesus answered them, My Father worketh hitherto, and I work.

For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed. Exodus: 31:17

5:22 For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son: [See 8:15]

Jesus truly an honored prophet

5:30 ---- because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.

Does this fit Paul?

5:43 I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.

Jesus shuns kingship

6:15 When Jesus therefore perceived that they would come and take him by force, to make him a king, he departed again into a mountain himself alone.

Moses was only playing games

6:32 Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven.

A truth worth reflecting

6:42 And they said, Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? how is it then that he saith, I came down from heaven?

6:49 Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead.

The disciples should have been immortal

6:50 This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die.

And those who uphold Holy Communion

6:51 I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: ---- [See 'The Crucified Saviors']

Some rational minds

6:52 The Jews therefore strove among themselves, saying, How can this man give us his flesh to eat?

6:53 Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.

6:54 Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day.

This is mental cannibalism - Rev. Bosworth Smith

6:55 For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.

Did Jesus come to guide or be eaten?

6:57 As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me.

6:66 From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him [And so do turn away now]

Would Jesus lie?

7:8 Go ye up unto this feast: I go not up yet unto this feast: ----.

7:9 When he had said these words unto them, he abode still in Galilee.

7:10 But when his brethren were gone up, then went he also up unto the feast, --.

7:38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. [Read again]

Some ancient Biblical editor seems to swoon at 7:38. Then he adds 7:39 in parentheses - Bishop Lightfoot

7:39 (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

7:40 ----, Of a truth this is the prophet.

8:15 Ye judge after the flesh; I judge no man. [See 5:22]

Two male witnesses required, and not women

8:17 It is also written in your law, that the testimony of two men is true.

8:28 ---- I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things.

8:44 Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. - ---. [Does it explain the metaphorical use of the 'Son of God'?]

8:51 Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death. [So, not a single man has kept Jesus' saying in two thousand years]

9:17 They say unto the blind man again, What sayest thou of him, that he hath opened thine eyes? He said, He is a prophet.

10:2 But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. [See 1:29]

All previous prophets were thieves and robbers?

10:8 All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: ----.

One in Purpose

10:30 I and my Father are one.

11:1 Now a certain man was sick, named Lazarus, ----.

11:23 Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.

A compassionate mortal

11:35 Jesus wept.

Why not a ram? See Leviticus 16:21

11:51 ----, he [Caiaphas] prophesied that Jesus should die for that nation;

12:8 For the poor always ye have with you; but me ye have not always.

[Wasn't Jesus coming back during that generation?]

Because the miracles were only allegorical and/or misreported by scribes

12:37 But though he had done so many miracles before them, yet they believed not on him:

12:45 And he that seeth me seeth him that sent me. [God is a Spirit. 4:24]

He never came and never will

14:3 And if I go and prepare a place for you [Peter], I will come again, ----.

Has anyone seen a believer?

14:12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; ----.

14:14 If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it

The clergy keeps disputing if the three persons in Trinity are equal or not

14:28 ----: for my Father is greater than I.

15:15 ----; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you. [Jesus did not make all things known to them. See 16:12]

Could this be Prophet Muhammad?

15:26 But when the Comforter is come, ----, he shall testify of me:

Latin Paracletos = Comforter. Greek Periclytos = The praised one. Aramaic Mawhamana = The praised one, which in Arabic means Muhammad

16:7 ----: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; ----.

16:8 And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

16:9 Of sin, because they believe not on me;

Jesus is not coming back

16:10 Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; ----.

16:12 I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. [See 15:15]

16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

See Deuteronomy 18:18. The Holy Ghost never did all this during Pentecost

16:14 He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you. [The Qur'an indeed glorifies Jesus magnificently and explains his true nature]

'One in purpose' elaborated

17:22 ----; that they [the disciples] may be one, even as we are one:

18:11 Then said Jesus unto Peter, Put up thy sword into the sheath: the cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it? [See Mark 14:36]

18:24 Now Annas had sent him bound unto Caiaphas the high priest.

19:5 Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the man!

19:17 And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha:

Nay, it was Simon who carried the cross. Mathew 27:32. Luke 23:26

19:18 Where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst.

19:19 And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross. And the writing was JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS. [See Mathew 27:37]

Acts 5:30 denies the cross and mentions his slaying and hanging on a tree

19:30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

What were the last words of Jesus on the cross?

Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?

Mathew 27:46

And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost. Mark 15:37

Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost. Luke 23:46

It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost. John 19:30

'He sighed with his breath' instead of 'he gave up the ghost.' Syriac Version

19:34 But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water.

20:1 The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, ----.

Was it someone else, then?

20:14 And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus.

20:15 ---- She, supposing him to be the gardener, ----.

Why does he let others touch him? Luke 24:39. John 20:25

20:17 Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto MY Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God.

Jesus should have now appeared to his persecutors, the Jews, the Romans, and the world would have been at his feet then and there

20:19 Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.

20:25 ----. But he [Thomas] said unto them, Except I ---- put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.

Physical body enters through the closed doors

20:26 And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you.

21:14 This is now the third time that Jesus shewed himself to his disciples, ----

21:24 This is the disciple which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things: and we know that his testimony is true.

21:25 And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen.

Some Biblical authorities consider the last two verses as later additions

NT 05 THE BOOK OF ACTS

[Supposedly written by Luke, the heavily influenced physician of St. Paul, to his pupil Theophilus - It relates the acts of Jesus' disciples and Paul. See the men filled with Holy Ghost disputing with one another]

1:1 The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,

1:2 Until the day in which he was taken up, ----:

Why did Jesus meet them in secret?

1:3 To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, ----.

Enoch and Elijah were also "taken up"!

1:9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.

Judas Iscariot, in Mathew 27:5, hanged himself!

1:18 Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out.

A man

2:22 ----, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God ----.

Vatican absolves the Jews in 1965. Now, rewrite the Gospel

4:10 Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, ----.

Was Jesus first slain and then hanged on a tree? See Deuteronomy 21:23

5:30 The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree.

They never killed him and never crucified him - Qur'an

6:11 Then they suborned men, which said, We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses, and against God.

All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers. John 10:8

9:26 And when Saul was come to Jerusalem, he assayed to join himself to the disciples: but they were all afraid of him, and believed not that he was a disciple.

9:27 But Barnabas took him, ----. [St. Barnabas later on has grievous differences with Saul and writes his own Gospel]

No Original Sin, no Mediation, no Atonement

10:35 But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.

Today's entertainers know better. Sorcery, witchcraft are fairy tales

13:6 And when they had gone through the isle unto Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew, whose name was Barjesus:

Door opens to dogs and swine

14:27 And when they were come, and had gathered the church together, ----, and how he [God] had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles.

15:7 And when there had been much disputing, Peter rose up, ----.

Law revoked to gain converts

15:10 Now therefore why tempt ye God, to put a yoke [of law] upon the neck of the disciples, which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?

Just these four things remain unlawful - rest of the law is rescinded

15:20 But that we write unto them, that they abstain from pollutions of idols, and from fornication, and from things strangled, and from blood.

15:37 And Barnabas determined to take with them John, whose surname was Mark.

15:38 But Paul thought not good to take him with them, ----.

15:39 And the contention was so sharp between them, that they departed asunder one from the other: and so Barnabas took Mark, and sailed unto Cyprus;

The matter was more serious. Paul had started preaching what the pagans in those towns wanted to hear. The dogmas of God-incarnate, physical Son-ship, the Lamb of God, the blood Atonement, and the Sacraments, instead of Law, all were the existing beliefs of the Sun-god cults. See 'The Crucified Saviors'

The world never worshiped goddess Diana

19:27 ----; but also that the temple of the great goddess Diana should be despised, and her magnificence should be destroyed, whom all Asia and the world worshippeth.

21:18 And the day following Paul went in with us unto James; and all the elders were present.

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NT 06 THE BOOK OF ROMANS

[This is Paul's letter to the inhabitants of Rome. It consists of good news to those who believe in Jesus as Son of God. Unfortunately, the letter abounds in irrational themes, confused expressions, contradiction of the previous scriptures, and in self-contradiction]

1:1 Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God,

Sin hard but believe harder - Martin Luther

1:17 ----: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

Homosexuals and sinners worthy of death

1:26 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:

1:27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, ----.

1:32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, ----. [For details, read 1:28 to 1:31]

Deeds

2:6 Who [God] will render to every man according to his deeds:

Where is the gospel of Paul? These letters?

2:16 In the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel.

Telling lies is OK for preaching!

3:7 For if the truth of God hath more abounded through my lie unto his glory; why yet am I also judged as a sinner?

Faith without deeds

3:28 Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law. [See 2:6]

God of Israel expands his jurisdiction

3:29 Is he the God of the Jews only? is he not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also:

Lawlessness is the way to go

4:15 Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, there is no transgression.

Free gift upon all men? See Ezekiel 18:20

5:18 Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life.

7:6 But now we are delivered from the law, ----.

7:8 ----. For without the law sin was dead.

God groaning to God

8:26 ----: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

The Merciful God

8:32 He that spared not his own Son, ----.

10:4 --- Christ is the end of the law --- to every one that believeth.

Submit to tyrants

13:2 Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God ---.

Nothing is unclean?

14:14 ---- there is nothing unclean of itself: but to him that esteemeth any thing to be unclean, to him it is unclean.

NT 07 CORINTHIANS 1

[This is Paul's letter to Corinthians advising them to resolve their mutual disputes and get united. It also tries (unsuccessfully) to explain some matters of creed. Paul openly admits that he changes his utterances to suit his audience]

A self-proclaimed apostle

1:1 Paul called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God,

1:19 For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, ----.

God's attributes do not wax and wane

1:25 Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men;

The Qur'anic law of just recompense

3:8 ----: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour.

3:14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. [Work]

The Qur'an invites people to deeply reflect upon its own verses

4:10 We are fools for Christ's sake, ----.

Against marriage

7:8 I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, It is good for them if they abide even as I.

7:28 ----. Nevertheless such [who marry] shall have trouble in the flesh: but I spare you.

7:34 ----. The unmarried woman careth for the things of the Lord, ----: but she that is married careth for the things of the world, how she may please her husband.

True Monotheism

8:4 ----, and that there is none other God but one.

This confession of St. Paul invites reflection

9:20 And unto the Jews I became a Jew, that I might gain the Jews; to them that are under the law, as under the law, that I might gain them ----;

9:21 To them that are without law, as without law, ---- that I might gain them that are without law.

10:11 ----, and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. [Did it?]

Women downgraded

11:3 But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.

11:4 Every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered, dishonoureth his head.

11:5 But every woman that prayeth or prophesieth with her head uncovered dishonoureth her head: for that is even all one as if she were shaven.

The Qur'an does not ordain head covering for any, although the Muslim clergy erroneously promotes it

11:6 For if the woman be not covered, let her also be shorn: ----.

11:7 For a man indeed ought not to cover his head, forasmuch as he is the image and glory of God: but the woman is the glory of the man.

11:8 For the man is not of the woman: but the woman of the man.

[Creation of the woman from Adam's rib is a Biblical theme which the Qur'an dismisses]

11:9 Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man.

11:14 Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him?

11:15 But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering. [So, why cover the head?]

Why these boisterous claims?

13:2 And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understanding all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.

14:34 Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience ---

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14:35 And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church.

It is indeed baffling to see the Evangelists blame the Qur'an about women's rights wherein no such ordinances are to be found

NT 08 CORINTHIANS 2

[This is another letter of Paul to Corinthians, full of repetitious, contradictory, and irrational pagan themes. In the first letter he advises simplicity of expression, but he fails to practice what he preaches]

1:1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, ----:

Moses insulted

3:13 And not as Moses, which put a vail over his face, ----:

3:14 But their minds were blinded: ---- the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which vail is done away in Christ.

Is Satan the god of this world?

4:4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds ----,

Believers described as virgins

11:2 ----, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

What a confession!

11:8 I robbed other churches, taking wages of them, to do you service.

Why does Paul need to pat his own back again and again?

12:11 ----: for in nothing am I behind the very chiefest apostles, ----.

NT 09 THE BOOK OF GALATIANS

[This is supposed to be a letter from Paul written in 57 CE to the residents of Galatia, a Roman province in Asia Minor. They were getting dissatisfied with the Pauline doctrine]

1:1 Paul, an apostle, ----;)

1:6 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him [Paul] that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:

1:19 But other of the apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother.

Paul suffers a huge clash of creed against the 'elders of the Church', James, Peter and Barnabas, and then musters the courage to assail the true disciples! The clash hinged on Paul being influenced by the Sun-worship cults. He gained strength through his ready acceptance among the cults, and for his deceptive tactics to gain converts. - The Universal Laws, Dr. Gordon McMillan

2:11 But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed.

2:13 ---- Barnabas also was carried away with their dissimulation.

2:14 But when I saw that they [the foremost disciples] walked not uprightly according to the truth of the gospel, I said unto Peter before them all, ----?

2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; ----.

3:1 O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, ----? [See Mathew 5:22]

Torah becomes a curse

3:13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law ----:

Moses was no more than a schoolmaster

3:25 But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

Jesus was made under the law of procreation

4:4 ----, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

Paul renounces the practice of Abraham, Moses, and even Jesus

5:2 Behold, I Paul say unto you, that if ye be circumcised, Christ shall profit you nothing.

Works and accountability

6:4 But let every man prove his own work, ----.

6:5 For every man shall bear his own burden.

6:7 Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

An irrational claim

6:17 From henceforth let no man trouble me: for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus.

NT 10 THE BOOK OF EPHESIANS

[Ephesus was an important trade center in present day Turkey. It housed the temple of goddess Diana (Acts 19:27). Paul preached his doctrine there for three years and won converts. This book tells of his activities and advice to his followers in Ephesus]

1:1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints ----:

Atonement and grace, not works

1:7 In whom [Christ Jesus] we have redemption through his blood, ----;

2:8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

2:9 Not of works, lest any man should boast. [See Galatians 6:4-7]

Wives to be as submissive to husbands as to God!

5:22 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.

Not a word in the Bible about emancipation of slaves

6:5 Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ;

NT 11 PHILIPPIANS

[This is a letter of Paul to the residents of Philippi, a town in Macedonia. Paul had been arrested here for preaching heresies and escaped in a mysterious manner (Acts 16:12 on). We find his letters loaded with repetitious themes to the point of becoming redundant]

1:1 Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons:

1:8 ----, how greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ.

Salvation is no freebee

2:12 Wherefore, my beloved, ----, work out your own salvation ----.

But Paul got persecuted and assassinated

4:13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

The saints are conforming to the whims of the royal authority

4:22 All the saints salute you, chiefly they that are of Caesar's household.

NT 12 COLOSSIANS

[Letter of Paul to the residents of Colosse, another town in Asia Minor]

1:1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timotheus our brother,

1:13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, ---- [See 'The Crucified Saviors']

Before the firstborn, then, the Godhead was not Triune

1:15 Who [Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

Actions count

3:25 But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and there is no respect of persons.

NT 13 THESSALONIANS 1

[Thessalonica was a town in Macedonia. Paul is writing to them]

1:1 Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians ----.

4:16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, ----:

The Rapture awaited by pagans antedating Jesus by 3,000 years

4:17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

The relentless wait with countless false prophecies by clergy

5:6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.

Unfortunately, the Christian history is replete with persecution

5:14 ----, be patient toward all men.

5:15 See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men.

NT 14 THESSALONIANS 2

[Similar themes as before]

1:1 Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

1:7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,

2:2 ---- the day of Christ is at hand.

NT 15 TIMOTHY 1

[Paul writes to his trusted student, Timothy, in Ephesus]

1:1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the commandment of God our Saviour, and Lord Jesus Christ, which is our hope;

1:2 Unto Timothy, my own son in the faith: ----.

Women hit again

2:9 In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;

2:11 Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.

2:12 But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence. [There should be no women teachers]

2:13 For Adam was first formed, then Eve.

Women have rights unto men as men have unto them - Qur'an

2:14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression. [The Qur'an holds both equally accountable and confirms the acceptance of their repentance]

A barren woman is doomed

2:15 Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.

No need to exercise

4:8 For bodily exercise profiteth little: ----.

The poor widow

5:5 Now she that is a widow indeed, and desolate, trusteth in God, and continueth in supplications and prayers night and day.

5:6 But she that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth. [She is in worse shape than the Hindu SATTI who is burnt alive with her deceased husband]

No personal counseling

5:20 Them that sin rebuke before all, that others also may fear.

NT 16 TIMOTHY 2

[This letter from Paul to Timothy relates some apostasies and prophecies]

1:1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, ----,

1:2 To Timothy, my dearly beloved son: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

2:8 Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my gospel:

NT 17 TITUS

[Titus frequently traveled with Paul on his missions. This letter too abounds in irrational narratives oft-repeated previously]

1:1 Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, ----;
--- thou shalt prepare thy bread therewith [dung]. Ezekiel 4:12-15

1:15 Unto the pure all things are pure: ----.

2:5 [Women] To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

2:9 Exhort servants to be obedient unto their own masters, and to please them well in all things; not answering again;

Paul shuns being questioned

3:9 But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and vain.

NT 18 PHILEMON

[Philemon too was a close companion of Paul]

1:1 Paul, a prisoner of Jesus Christ, and Timothy our brother, unto Philemon ---,

1:7 For we have great joy and consolation in thy love, because the bowels of the saints are refreshed by thee, brother.

1:20 Yea, brother, ----: refresh my bowels in the Lord.

1:25 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

NT 19 THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

[This is Paul's letter to Hebrews. The writer seems bent upon establishing Jesus as the "Begotten Son of God" and the "Savior" beyond all intellectual integrity. Incidentally, the Gospel of Hebrews was dropped from the NT]

1:1 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

Jesus 'made lower than the angels' negates his divinity

2:9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, ----; that he ---- should taste death for every man.

Of course, there was a time when Jesus did not exist

5:5 --- he that said unto him, Thou art my Son, to day have I begotten thee.

Who but a mortal would do all that?

5:7 Who in the days of his flesh, when he [Jesus] had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared; [Such strong prayer was denied]

Melchisedec beats Jesus on every count

7:2 To whom [Melchisedec] also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation king of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, king of peace;

7:3 Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; abideth a priest continually.

The faulty Old Testament cast away

8:7 For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.

8:13 ----. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

Judaism thrashed

9:8 ----, while as the first tabernacle was yet standing:

9:10 Which stood only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, imposed on them until the time of reformation.

Jesus is not living

9:17 For a testament is of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth.

Frank paganism

9:22 ----; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

OT thrashed again

10:4 For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.

Did the Pharisees give Jesus as the offering?

10:10 By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

On Divine chastisement

12:6 For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, ----.

12:8 But if ye be without chastisement, ----, then are ye bastards, and not sons.

12:29 For our God is a consuming fire.

NT 20 THE BOOK OF JAMES

[James, also called Jacob son of Joseph carpenter, was the real brother of Jesus. He held a position of honor among the close followers of Jesus and used to preside over their conferences in Jerusalem. Like Peter and Barnabas, James had sharp differences with Paul on the latter's invented doctrines. Paul does acknowledge James as the elder of the Church in the Book of Acts]

1:1 James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting.

1:18 Of his own will begat he us ----. [Note the allegory of "begotten"]

Faith alone is dead

2:17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.

2:20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

2:21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works, ----?

2:24 Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

2:26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

4:9 Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: ----.

5:8 Be ye also patient; ----: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

NT 21 PETER 1

[Peter, generally acknowledged as the 'canonical' patriarch of the Church, may be considered the first Pope. However, the term Pope was first adopted by the Bishop of Rome in 384 CE. This is Peter's letter to the residents of some towns]

1:1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia,

Jesus also begets

1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again ----,

Works

1:17 And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear:

Even the allegorical lamb sounds insulting to Jesus. 'The Crucified Saviors'

1:19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

Alas, the poor waiters!

1:20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,

Mankind is one community - Qur'an

2:17 Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king.

2:18 Servants, be subject to your masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the forward.

NT 22 PETER 2

[More of the same concepts ascribed to Peter]

1:1 Simon Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, ----:

Peter denied Jesus three times, and even cursed him

1:16 ----, but [we] were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

Angels, the forces of Nature, cannot sin

2:4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, ----;

3:13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

NT 23 JOHN 1

[It has been a matter of contention between ancient and modern scholars whether this is the John of the Gospel or not? The letter says the same things again and again]

1:1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, ----;

Blood is repeatedly declared unclean in the Bible. Metaphor? Still.

1:7 ----, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

Jesus atoned for the whole world. Why proselytize?

2:2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for our's only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

2:7 Brethren, I write no new commandment unto you, ----.

2:8 Again, a new commandment I write unto you, ----. [☺]

Seek eternal life, but forget not your portion in the world - Qur'an

2:15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

Antichrists and the last times in the generation of the disciples

2:18 Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.

3:4 ----: for sin is the transgression of the law. [Law becomes alive again]

3:8 He that committeth sin is of the devil; ---- [And no one is sinless]

God's seed? And, is he not a Spirit? John 4:24

3:9 Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

The LORD is a man of war. Exodus 15:3

4:8 He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

WHO SAW GOD?

4:12 No man hath seen God at any time. ----.

Abraham, Jacob, Ahab, Job, Samson's parents saw him. Genesis 17:1 and 32:24. Book of Judges 13:22. II Chronicles 18:18. Job 42:5. Israelites saw and met God. Exodus 19:11. And whoever saw Jesus saw God. John 12:45

5:7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. [See Logos in 'About the Mythical Jesus']

5:8 And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one. [Read again]

NT 24 JOHN 2

[This is claimed to be a letter of John to some lady. No novel ideas or concepts]

1:1 The elder unto the elect lady and her children, whom I love in the truth; ---;

1:7 For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.

Antichrist is the Catholic Church - Martin Luther

1:13 The children of thy elect sister greet thee. Amen.

NT 25 JOHN 3

[John addresses his close student Gaius in all admiration and encouragement]

1:1 The elder unto the wellbeloved Gaius, whom I love in the truth.

1:13 I had many things to write, but I will not with ink and pen write unto thee:

1:14 But I trust I shall shortly see thee, and we shall speak face to face. ---.

NT 26 JUDE

[Jude, as distinct from Judas Iscariot, is called Judas brother of James in Luke 6:16. He too was a son of Mary and Joseph carpenter, and thus, like James, was the real brother of Jesus. He was one of the twelve disciples]

1:1 Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, ----:

1:9 Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil ----.

With God being Love, Jesus being the Mediator, the Lamb and the Savior atoning for all mankind, there should be no need to look for mercy

1:21 Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

NT 27 REVELATION

[A long vision supposedly narrated by John of the fourth Gospel. This is one of the most difficult books in the Bible to comprehend. Even the greatest Biblical scholars have trouble understanding and explaining this fairy tale presentation. Dionysius, Bishop of Alexandria from 247-264 has this to say about the Book of Revelation: "Our predecessors rejected the book and pulled it entirely to pieces, criticizing it chapter by chapter, pronouncing it unintelligible and illogical and the title false. It is not a revelation at all, since it is heavily veiled by its thick curtain of incomprehensibility." *The History of the Church* by Bishop of Caesarea, Eusebius Pamphili, 260 - 339 CE]

1:1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:

1:3 Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, ---- therein: for the time is at hand.

Of the second coming! - Nay, it says the time is at hand

1:7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: ----.

1:14 His [Jesus'] head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire;

1:15 And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; ----.

1:16 And he had in his right hand seven stars: ----.

2:9 ---- I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogues of Satan.

Jezebel was King Ahab's Queen. They worshiped Baal - 1 Kings 16:31

2:20 ----, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

2:22 Behold, I [Jesus] will cast her into a bed, ----.

2:23 And I will kill her children with death; ----.

3:3 ----, I will come on thee as a thief, ---- come upon thee.

4:2 ---- and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne.

4:3 And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: ----.

4:5 And out of the throne proceeded ----, which are the seven Spirits of God.

4:6 ----: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind.

Greco-Roman mythology

4:7 And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle.

5:6 ----, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.

6:16 And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:

7:1 And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, ----. [Flat earth with four corners]

The chosen ones sealed on the forehead

7:3 Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.

144,000, a drop out of the ocean

7:4 ----: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

Blood makes white

7:14 ----, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

8:8 And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood;

All but the 144,000 doomed

9:4 ---- they should not hurt ----; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.

9:7 And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; ----, and their faces were as the faces of men.

9:14 ----, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates.

9:16 ---- the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: ----.

Jesus was no longer crucified in Jerusalem!

11:8 And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.

The Wondrous Woman and the great red dragon

12:1 And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

12:2 And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

12:3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.

12:4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.

12:5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

12:6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, ----.

War in heaven

12:7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

Serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, has his own angels

12:9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

The fairy tale goes on at length. This is only a glimpse

12:13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.

12:14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, where she is nourished ---- from the face of the serpent.

12:16 And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

13:1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

13:3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.

13:7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

13:8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

13:9 If any man have an ear, let him hear.

666 on some U.S. currency

13:18 Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six. [666]

Only 144,000 virgins attain salvation

14:1 And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, ----.

14:4 These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. ----, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.

14:8 And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.

One like unto the Son of man comes with a sharp sickle

14:14 And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle.

World War III

16:16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

17:1 ----, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:

17:2 With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.

17:4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, ----:

17:5 And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

The writers of the Bible seem to be obsessed with Babylon, probably because of King Nebuchadnezzar's devastation of Jerusalem in the sixth century BC

17:6 And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.

17:9 And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.

17:14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: ----.

17:16 And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.

18:10 Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.

18:11 And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more:

To the writer of Revelation, Babylon keeps her glory till the Dooms Day

18:13 And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men.

19:4 And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia.

Marriage of the Lamb

19:7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.

19:16 And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

Have a feast with flesh of men and horses

19:18 That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great.

19:19 And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.

20:5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

20:7 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison,

20:8 And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog, and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea.

20:9 ----: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them.

20:10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

New Jerusalem descends from heaven

21:2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Will anyone escape? Also see 22:15

21:8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

21:9 And there came unto me one of the seven angels ----, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.

21:12 And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel:

21:14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. [Including the betraying Judas Iscariot?]

The 'shortly' has prolonged to 2,000 years

22:6 And he said unto me, ---- shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done.

22:7 Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.

John worships the angel

22:8 ----. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things.

"The time is at hand" never will be - Rev. Bosworth Smith

22:10 And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.

22:15 For without are dogs [Gentiles?], and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

22:18 For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:

22:20 He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

22:21 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

The New Testament of KJV ends here.

OLD TESTAMENT: STATUS

With Some History

Prophet Moses was born around 1300 years BC. The existing first five books of the Old Testament (Pentateuch) are supposed to have been originally written by him although there is a tremendous amount of controversy among Biblical scholars concerning that claim. 'Moses said this and did that' is obviously some third person writing about him. Here is just one of the multifarious riddles as an example. How could Moses write of his own demise? But, here it is:

Deuteronomy 34:7 And Moses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.

Many historians believe that it was impossible to write the Scripture during the times of Moses. Writing material was simply non-existent except for the transient inscriptions on colored wax used for the royal decrees of Pharaohs, or the limited engravings on stone - Rev. H. Barnett.

Nearly five centuries went by. The House of Israel had divided into two clashing factions after Prophet Solomon's death in 928 BC. His mighty kingdom got split into a northern kingdom called Israel with its capital Samaria, and a southern kingdom called Judah with its capital Jerusalem. The two tribes of Benjamin and Judah inhabited the southern kingdom whereas the remaining ten tribes lived in the northern kingdom.

Assyrians (the ancient West Asian Empire) invaded the Samaritans and took them captive to their capital Nineveh in 721 BC. Since then, they have been so mysteriously scattered through history that they are still referred to as the lost tribes of Israel! Some surviving Samaritans intermarried with the Assyrians, and their progeny has been called Samaritans. Only about 500 of the Samaritans are surviving in the present day Israel.

The other kingdom, Judah, based in Jerusalem was invaded and completely devastated by the king of Babylon, Nebuchadnezzar, in 586 BC. He destroyed Solomon's Temple and took the two tribes captive to Babylon.

King Cyrus the Great of Persia, after defeating Babylon in 538 BC, allowed the surviving 5% (about 50,000 out of a total of one million) Jews to gradually return to Jerusalem. This reverse exodus took place over a period of 140 years.

Sadducees and Pharisees were the two major Jewish sects during the times of Jesus Christ. The latter are the only surviving sect of Judaism today, although there has been further schism among them.

Priest Ezra wrote 204 books on returning from Babylon to Jerusalem in 457 BC. No one knows the whereabouts of those 204 books. Ezra and his companions also rebuilt the Temple of Solomon to a much lesser grandeur.

The Greek Emperor Antiochus IV invaded Jerusalem in 168 BC, and destroyed the existing scriptures. He banished the practice of Judaism and dedicated the rebuilt Temple of Solomon to the Greek god Zeus. Now, the Roman General Titus invaded and completely destroyed Jerusalem in 70 CE and took away all rewritten or surviving scriptures with him. Josephus bin Matthias the Hebrew, was able to recover 22 books of the Old Testament from Titus, but today we see 39 books in it.

History records 313 years of the 'Age of Persecution' during which ruthless tyrants repeatedly destroyed the Old and New Testament scriptures and even killed Peter, his wife and some Popes. (*Commentary of Lardner including references to Bishop Eusebius*)

The first ever version of the Old Testament appeared before the world as late as 285 BC, (one thousand years after Moses) and that too in Greek, although Ezra's tongue was Hebrew, and possibly Aramaic. The original books of Ezra have been extinct, as already mentioned.

Jewish scholars tampered with the Hebrew Old Testament mostly in 130 CE. Their goal was to drop any hint to the coming of Jesus Christ. (Saint Augustine - as quoted in many commentaries of the Bible, such as Henry Westcott and Adam Clarke)

St. Jerome produced his famous *Vulgate* by translating the available Greek Bible into Latin - 394 CE.

The first 'canonized' Hebrew version of the Old Testament was produced in the 11th century CE! That is now considered defective and the second edition of 1705 CE is used instead. No Hebrew version of the Old Testament is available today that would belong to the 8th or the 9th century CE.

New Testament: Status

With Some History

- The New Testament was neither written by Jesus, nor by the disciples. Its writers remain obscure - Bishop Faustus of Riez, 4th century - Prof. B. W. Harnack - *What Is Christianity?*
- Jesus and his disciples spoke some dialect of Aramaic but the gospels were written in Greek! That should say it all. (Mary Hobbs - *The Scope of Christianity in Australia*)
- The gospels were not written by the disciples. Neither were they considered inspired by the Holy Spirit. Saint Justin Martyr refers to them as the 'Memoirs of the Apostles'. (B. Yusseff - *The Dead Sea Scrolls and the New Testament*)
- All four gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke and John openly contradict each other. (Earnest Renan - *Essay on Nationality*)
- I detected 30,000 contradictions in the New Testament. (Dr. M. B. Mail - *Confessions of a Skeptic*)
- Contradictions in the New Testament versions are too numerous to count. This is sufficient proof that it is not an inspired word. (A. Lukyn Williams - *Can the Bible Face Itself?*)
- The Golden Rule was plagiarized from *The Treatise on Morality* by Confucius of the 6th century BC. (Bishop Thomas Ward - *The Bible: Its Sources*)
- In 303 CE, the pagan Emperor Diocletian destroyed all Christian writings that could be found. This provided the orthodoxy, during Emperor Constantine's reign, to go ahead with the most crucial revision, editing, and rewriting as they saw fit. Constantine sanctioned the confiscation and destruction of all works that challenged the orthodox teachings. In 331, after eliminating the rest, he authorized and financed new copies of the Bible. (H. Chadwick - *The Early Church*)
- During the reign of the Christian Emperor Flavius Theodosius (379-395 CE), all writings contrary to the doctrines of the Roman Christianity were burned. (F. F. Bruce - *The New Testament Documents*)
- Again, all non-canonized literature was destroyed during the reign (425-454) of the Christian Emperor Valentinian III. (F. F. Bruce)
- Of the 5,000 extant versions of the New Testament, not one predates the fourth century. The New Testament of today is essentially a product of the fourth century editors and writers with modifications going on through this day. (Robert W. Mond - *What Christians and Muslims Should Know About Themselves*)
- We are generally familiar only with the four 'Canonized' Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. Encyclopedia Britannica points to the existence of 34 Gospels in the second century. It is astonishing to note that only one of these 34 was in Aramaic, the language of Jesus and his disciples, and the rest were in Greek! The only Aramaic Gospel ever is non-existent!

- The Gospels were edited and altered over a period of four centuries, and the canonization was a most insidious, secretive and mysterious process. It is impossible to state with the slightest degree of confidence as to who actually wrote them. (J. B. Lightfoot, Bishop of England, 1880)

How ancient are the oldest manuscripts of the Bible?

Codex Vaticanus, an incomplete version of the Bible in Greek originating from the 5th or 6th century, made inaccessible and resting in Vatican.

Codex Alexandria of the 5th century, also incomplete and in Greek, present in the British Museum.

Codex Sinaiticus, also incomplete, belonging to 350 CE - It was removed from Petrograd, Russia to the British Museum.

But, in short, only 4 of over 45 gospels found their way into the New Testament! Here is a partial list of those found today or described in the writings of early Church fathers, historians and Biblical scholars. The list includes the books found in the exceedingly important recent discoveries of the Naga Hammadi Texts of Egypt (1945) and the Dead Sea Scrolls of Qumran Caves (1947) - R. W. Mond and Rev. J. F. Dirks.

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| - The Gospel of Andrew | - The Gospel of Apelles |
| - The Gospel of Ebionites | - The Gospel of the Birth of Mary |
| - Gospel of the Four Heavenly Regions | - The Gospel of Hesychius |
| - The Gospel of the Infancy of Jesus Christ | - The Gospel of Mani |
| - The Gospel of Merinthus | - The Gospel of Nicodemus |
| - The Gospel of Marcion | - The Gospel of Bardesanes |
| - The Gospel of Bartholomew | - The Gospel of Eve |
| - The Gospel of the Hebrews | - The Gospel of Mary |
| - The Gospel of Perfection | - The Gospel of Matthias |
| - The Gospel of Judas Iscariot | - The Gospel of the Seventy |
| - The Gospel of Titan | - The Gospel of the Twelve |

Apostles

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| - The Secret Gospel of Mark | - The Gospel of Encratites |
| - The Wisdom of Jesus Christ | - The Gospel of Thomas |
| - The Gospel of James | - The Gospel of Phillip |
| - The Gospel of Peter | - The Gospel of the Egyptians |
| - The Gospel of the Nazoreans | - The Gospel of Truth |
| - The Gospel of Phillip | - The Apocalypse of Paul |
| - The Apocryphon (secret book) of John | - The Testimony of Truth |
| - The Secret Book of James | - Treatise on Resurrection |
| - The Letter of Peter to Phillip | - The Damascus Document |
| - The Apocalypse of Peter | - On the Origin of the World |
| - The Gospel of Mary Magdalene | - The Dialogue of the Savior |
| - The Habakkuk Commentary | - The War Scroll |
| - The Temple Scroll | - The Book of Thomas |
| - The Gospel of Barnabas | |

The Christian Church, after laying down its "Canonical" dogmas in 508 CE have conveniently swept aside anything which was at least as authentic as the Canon with the "one size fits all" term, APOCRYPHA. Books that were

part and parcel of early Christianity were dubbed apocryphal without any basis. (Prof. B. W. Harnack)

The Gospel of Barnabas

Pope Damasus 1 had a copy of the Gospel of Barnabas in his private library in 383 CE. In 493, Pope Gelasius 1 banished the reading or possession of the Gospel of Barnabas. This is sufficient proof that the Gospel was very much in existence in the early Christian history and only rediscovered at Amsterdam in 1709 CE, and at Vienna in 1738 CE. Both of these editions were in Latin. George Sale, the renowned translator of the Qur'an, had a Spanish version of the Gospel in 1784. Dr Hillman discovered another Spanish edition at Hudley in 1810. Also, in the early 18th century, J. E. Cramer, a counselor to the King of Prussia possessed the Gospel. In 1713 CE, Cramer gave it to Prince Eugene of Savoy. In 1738 this Latin manuscript passed from the prince to the royal library of Hofbibliothek in Vienna where it remains to date. Prior to that, Father Marino had stolen the manuscript of the Gospel of Barnabas from the private library of Pope Sixtus V in 1590.

Even more revealing is the fact that the Gospel was considered canonical by the Alexandrian Church until 325 CE. This information should be sufficient to dispel the possibility of any Muslim authorship of the Gospel of Barnabas.

This Gospel, now available in many languages, frankly denies Trinity, the divinity and Son-ship of Jesus, and blood Atonement. Though only as dependable as any other gospels, it completely demolishes the Pauline doctrine. Interestingly, it claims that it was Judas Iscariot, the betraying disciple, who was crucified instead of Jesus.

The Insecurity of the Church

The Pontifical grip on the Christian masses was so stern for centuries that anyone found in possession of the "non-canonical" literature could face crucifixion or being burnt alive! The Catholic Church has felt so insecure with the Holy Scriptures that it took them nearly two thousand years to allow the mass to be performed in any language other than Latin which very few people understood. (The Second Vatican Council of 1962-65)

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More About The Gospels

- It is imperative to blindfold the intellect before accepting the gospels. There is nothing in the gospels but insult to a seeking mind. (Julian Huxley - *Religion without Revelation*)
- The physical Son-ship of Jesus Christ is the greatest fiction of human history. (Lord Bishop of Canterbury Commission, England. 1910 CE)
- In Christianity, first an untenable and inexplicable belief system is laid down. Then the intellect keeps wandering in vain search for reason and logic. (Thomas Carlyle - *Lecture on, On Heroes and Hero Worship*)
- The resurrection of Jesus was witnessed only by Mary Magdalene, the same woman from whom Jesus had expelled seven demons. Many historians believe that she was his wife. (Dr. Marcus Dods - *Muhammad, Buddha and Christ*)
- Mankind needs to turn to God. Unfortunately, the gospel can provide no reliable guidance in that direction. (Henry Bergson - *Creative Evolution*)
- In the Christian Canons, you may find a reflection of sympathy for the oppressed. What you will not find is condemnation of oppression or the oppressor. (Rev. Dr. Falta D' Garcia - *The Confession of Tolstoy*)
- According to the Christian Doctrine women cannot enter Paradise. Question arose what would become of Mary. Saint Thomas Aquinas came up with an easy solution. Women will be converted into men. Others said that they will be made sexless. (Reverend Bosworth Smith - *Sermon of the Heart*)
- Countless innocent mortals were burnt alive on the altar of Christianity just because they proclaimed that the earth moves around the sun. You can preach only in the church that man came into existence only 7,000 years ago. (K. U. Dean - *The Origins of Christianity*)
- Isaac Newton taught the Gospel. If he truly believed in it he would never have been a scientist. (Lord Litton - *A Closer Look at Religion*)
- How powerless is the God of Christendom! He cannot forgive man without shedding the blood of his own son! (Vladimir Lenin - *The Development of Capitalism in Russia, 1900 CE*)
- The great paradox in mathematics is that God is one in three and three in one! (Friedrich Nietzsche - *Beyond Good and Evil*)
- References are found in the writings of early Church fathers like Ignatius, Polycarp, Justin, Irenaeus, Tertullian, and Hippolytus that the "Passion" or Jesus suffering on the cross was nothing but an illusion. (Elaine Pagels - *Beyond Belief*)
- We find 70 Gospels in history. Their rejection, save the current four, strongly betrays an attempt to bring some semblance of a Monolithic Church Doctrine. (Adrian Huxley - *Rebellion of the Conscience*)
- Jews crucified Jesus once. Christians shred him into pieces everyday during Eucharist [the Lord's Supper or Holy Communion]. (John Calvin)
- The Apocalypse of Peter clearly rejects the notion that Jesus was crucified. (Rev. Jerald F. Dirks)
- Pontius Pilate was canonized as a saint by the Coptic Christian Church. The Eastern Orthodox Church and the Coptic Christian Church, both,

canonized Procla, the wife of Pilate as a saint. There is every reason to believe that Pontius Pilate had freed Jesus Christ, and the man who was actually crucified was Jesus Bar Abbas (Jesus, son of the father). The aforementioned Churches knew that one of every fourteen males in those times was named Jesus, and the ancient Biblical literature, the Gnostic scripture, indicates that Jesus Christ was in the crowd watching the crucifixion of the malefactor, Jesus Bar Abbas or Jesus Barabbas whose full name has been in and out of the canon. Note what confusion his name might have caused. (Prof. P. Winters)

- In fact, reliable historical records show that the Roman Emperor assassinated Pontius Pilate for freeing Jesus. (Prof. P. Winters - *On the Trial of Jesus*)

- No trace of the Gospels is found until the third century. (Norton and J. F. Osterville - *Evidence of the Genuineness of the Gospels*)

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Virgin Births And The Crucified Saviors

On close examination of history, we find Jesus Christ in good company. Contrary to popular belief, Jesus shares some astounding similarities with many figures that were worshiped centuries before he appeared. Most definitely, the New Testament writers were influenced by the then circulating myths of the dying and reviving Sun-gods. Does Jesus represent the Sun-god? (*Christianity before Christ* - Kersey Graves)

Here is a brief resume of these Saviors:

Adonis - Syria

Apollo - Rome

Astarte - Carthage

Attis - Phrygia

Baal - Babylon

Bacchus - Greece

Balder - Scandinavia

Buddha - India

Hercules - Rome
Horus - Egypt
Jesus - Israel
Krishna - India
Mithra - Persia
Osiris - Egypt
Serapis - Alexandria
Yu - China

Osiris was the Sun-god born to Virgin Ceres.

Krishna - Lord Krishna (Chrish-na) of India was the 8th Avtar of India (1200 BC). His Virgin Mother had been overshadowed by the Holy Ghost (Naraan) of the Supreme God, Brahma.

Serapis of Alexandria was born to Virgin Isis.

Buddah was supposedly born to the married but Virgin Maya.

Mithra the Sun-god of Persia belonged to the Church of Nativity (He too was supposedly born through 'Immaculate Conception').

Attis of Phrygia was born to Virgin Nana.

Jesus was supposedly born to Virgin Mary through Immaculate Conception.

Hercules, a prominent mythical figure of the Sun-worship cult, was born to Virgin Prudence through Immaculate Conception.

Bacchus was the Only Begotten Son of Jupiter through Virgin Semele. We also find historical references to the Grecian Crucified Savior, Bacchus Son of Virgin Minerva.

The Sun-god Balder was called the Healer the Savior of mankind. Virgin Frigga conceived him of the All Father, Odin.

In China, the Sun-god Yu was born to Virgin Shing-Mon, like all others, through Immaculate Conception.

Born in Stables or Caves

The make-believe birth of Jesus in a stable is no co-incidence.

Astrologically speaking, at the time of the birth of the sun on Dec. 25th (as in the case of these 'Saviors' including Jesus), the constellation directly under the earth is that of Capricorn. This constellation is known as the Stable of Augeus, the famous Augean Stable in relation to Hercules.

(Burrit's Geography of the Heavens)

Now, with extremely slight variations, here are the astounding similarities:

All of them were supposedly born to Virgins.

Their date of birth has been claimed to be about the same i.e. Dec 25 which is related to the birth of the sun in Astrology. So is the birth of the Sun-god according to the Sun-worship cults, around Dec 25.

All of them were born in the isolation of caves, stables or barns.

They toiled in sweat and blood for humanity.

They were the "Alpha and Omega".

All of them were God-incarnates.

Most of them had twelve disciples.

Most of these figures were betrayed by one of their own disciples.

They were called Healer, Mediator, Light-bringer, Sin-Bearer, Savior, Deliverer, Anointed, and Messiah.
 All of them were called "the Lamb of God" that would carry the sins of mankind.
 They were vanquished by the "powers of evil and darkness".
 They washed the sins of humanity with their own blood.
 A "Passion" story is common to them.
 All of them rose again from the dead.
 They died on Friday before Easter Sunday.
 They rose from the dead on Easter Sunday.
 They had weeping virgins coming to their graves.
 Their graves were found empty.
 They mysteriously vanished from the earth going to the underworld or hell.
 Then they ascended to heaven.
 Churches and temples were built in their name.
 People were received into their religion by Baptism.
 All of them were commemorated by eating the God (Holy Communion, Eucharistic meals or Lord's Supper: "This bread is my flesh; eat it - This wine is my blood; drink it.")
 They were supposed to come back on earth once again. (None has)
 The birth of all Sun-gods was announced by a bright star. (In case of Jesus, see Mathew 2:9)

Further Points Of Interest

The three wise men following the bright star are called Magi in the Persian and Hindu paganism, and given different names such as 'The three enlightened, guided, bright, inspired, unique, high ones' in other cults. The origin of all the ancient Sun-gods is astrological, and not divine. (*Burrit's Geography of the Heavens*)
 The concept of Madonna and the Child most assuredly came from Alexandria where the Virgin Mother Goddess and the Child Redeemer Horus had been worshiped centuries before Jesus Christ.
 Virgin Mother suckling her Child is a very common figure in the Mithraic monuments.
 Goddess Hertha was commemorated as a Virgin with Child in the old Teutonic days.
 Zoroaster was born in 600 BC of Immaculate Conception to a Virgin by a ray from the Divine Reason. (*Malcolm's History of Persia*)
 Pagan literature (The "Sky" Scriptures) is full of such "Divine" mythologies and leaves no room for doubt about the origin of the Church mysteries. St. Jerome, Tertullian and other early Church fathers admit: "Mithraism and Christianity are identical in all but name." (*The World's Sixteen Crucified Saviors* - Kersey Graves)
 Jesus was only taken as a substitute for Apollo of Rome - The same Immaculate Conception and Virgin birth, the same Birthday, the same Baptism, the same Eucharist, the Passion story, the Lamb, the same

Descent into hell, Resurrection and Ascension, Atonement, the same Festivals, Easter-day merriments, hot cross-buns, eggs, "Sun-Day" the Day of the Sun, the same philosophy and phraseology. How many "sames" can I put in? (*Primitive Folk* - Elie Reclus)

Since the *Apologia* of Justin Martyr, the Christian clergy have been trying to dismiss these Sun-gods as representing the Devil, except Jesus.

Unfortunately for them, undeniable historical and archaeological evidence survives to date of the existence of these cults and their temples. Still, if all these Crucified Saviors are identical in every respect, and all of them predate Jesus by centuries, we will have to admit plagiarism by early Christians, or conclude that the Supreme God and the Devil are identical as well. (*The Sources of Christianity* - K. U. Dean)

Did Anyone See God?

Exodus 33:20 And he [God] said, Thou [Moses] canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live.

[But Abraham, Jacob, Ahab, Job, Samson's parents saw him. Genesis 17:1 and 32:24. Book of Judges 13:22. II Chronicles 18:18. Job 42:5. Israelites saw and met God. Exodus 19:11. And whoever saw Jesus saw God. John 12:45]

A Physical Impossibility:

As recorded in the gospels, all events, from the Last Supper up to the Crucifixion of Jesus, take place in one night. The agony in the Garden, the betrayal by Judas, the coming in of soldiers, Peter's three denials, Jesus brought before the chief priest Caiaphas, his edict, and the Sanhedrin (the Jewish Council), interview by Pilate and his washing of hands, going to the Hall of Judgment, the intermediate visit to King Herod and coming back again to Pilate, the dialogues, his trial at night, the uproar about whom to release, dressing up Jesus in purple, preparing a crown of thorns, his crowning, the scourging, the mocking, the preparation of a cross, the carrying of it by Simon, and the painful journey to Golgotha, Mount Calvary, the grabbing and nailing, the Passion, the breaking and not breaking of legs - all squeezed into one night - need a wild imagination to believe. (J. M. Robertson)

Was Jesus first killed and then hanged on a tree? The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree. Acts 5:30

Was Jesus a Black Man?

- Jesus was a black man. It is the Western White Supremacists who show him as a white man. Pictures and portraits of Christ by the early Christians always show him as black. According to the Bible itself, Jesus was black. Solomon 1:5 is proudly cited by the clergy as a reference to Jesus: Song of Songs 1:5 I am black, but comely, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, as the tents of Kedar, as the curtains of Solomon.

If Jesus stepped into a church today, he would, at the least, meet with frowns and vilifying gazes. (*Ancient Art and Mythology* 1870 - R. P. Knight)
- The fact of Christ's non-whiteness is borne out in the historical record, and in biblical scripture. Right off the bat, the Book of Matthew describes Mary

and Joseph fleeing to Egypt to escape the wrath of Herod. Egypt is in Africa, and is populated by brown-skinned people. For my money, this would be the last place on earth I would go to hide a white baby from an angry King.

The earliest renditions of Jesus, painted by the first Christians called Essenes in the catacombs of Rome, depict a person with brown skin. During the time of the Roman Emperor Justinian II, a gold coin featuring an image of Jesus was minted. This coin, which can be seen in the British Museum, depicts a man with demonstrably non-white features and tightly curled hair. Finally, there is the Book of Revelations, which bears out the crafting of the Essenes and the Roman coin-makers by describing Jesus as having hair like wool, feet the color of burnt brass, and who resembled jasper and sardine stones. Jasper and sardine stones are both brown, as is burnt brass. (*The Passion of the Americans* - William Rivers Pitt)

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Sermons of Bishop Joseph Barber Lightfoot

About the Mythical Jesus

- Jesus was a prophet to the Israelites alone. Throughout his life, the Gentiles did not concern him: they were the dogs and swine. Then came the make-believe resurrection and the master changes his mind! Yet, carrying his mission "to all nations" is a mistranslation from "to the tribes". It was Paul who, in his hopeless moments, after being rebuffed by Peter, Barnabas and James, turned to the Gentiles and began to incorporate heathenism into Christianity. (*The New Testament in the Original Greek* - G. Westcott and P. Hort)

- Therefore, in order to legitimize preaching to Gentiles, Mark chapter 16, verses 13-20 were added later. They are not found in the ancient scriptures including *Vulgate*. (*The Ancient Scriptures* - Prof. Thomas Broadway)

- The term 'Word' used in the Gospel of John is a wrong rendition of the Greek 'Logos'. Plato, the great pre-Christian Greek philosopher, coined this

term to mean 'thought and expression' and Philo explained Logos as 'expanding on Plato's thought'. (*First Intelligent Cause* - Herbert Spencer)

- The Ten Commandments have nothing to do with Jesus' teachings. He strongly assails them. (Joseph Barber Lightfoot, Bishop of England 1828 - 1889)
- If Jesus had lived in our days he would have been wiser. (Dr. Henson, Bishop of Durham, 1924 CE) [What! Can you say that again, your lordship?]
- I wish I could find one instance of Messiah showing love and kindness to his opponents in his entire gospel life! (*Dynamics of Human Behavior* - Claude Montefiore)
- But even more tragic is the character of Jesus that the gospels portray. (*Good and Evil* - Prof. C. M. Joad)
- The Jesus of the Bible and the Jesus of St. Paul are two different entities. Those who gave the name "heathen" to others became the same themselves. (*The Kingdom of God Is Within You*, Essay of 1894 - Leo N. Tolstoy 1828-1910)
- There is no miracle in Jesus' record the equal of which cannot be found in Hebrew literature. (*Essay on Nationality* - Earnest Renan)
- Miracles never happen but in times and countries in which they are believed and before persons disposed to believe them. (*Religion without Revelation* - Julian Huxley)
- Jesus never claimed a miraculous birth. He was no more than a son of God than any other man. (*Heathen Religion* - Rev. J. B. Gross)
- If Jesus had come to wash away man's sins with his blood, why do we find a change in all his movements after he hears of his arrest? (Canon Barnes, Canon of Westminster 1920)
- Ten sermons with a lot of miracles, a few prayers and a few curses! You may have your Messiah and leave me alone to write my book. (*The Clash of Doctrines* - Rev. M. J. Dennison)
- Belief with no action to confirm it is a dead letter. We cannot be guided by precepts which were never put into action by their own teacher. (*Plagiarism in the Bible* - Jules Masserman)
- If we believe the gospels, Jesus Christ most definitely had a bloody political agenda that was miserably foiled by the Jews. He comes with fire, sword and division, not peace. He wants his enemies to be brought and killed right before him. Mathew 10:34. Luke 12:49-51, 19:27, 22:36, and more. (*The Christian Religion* - F. C. Burkett)

On the Pauline Doctrine

- St. Paul, the principal founder of Christianity, confesses his guilt in his letter to Romans 3:7 - If through my falsehood, God's truthfulness abounds to His glory, why am I still being condemned as a sinner? (Prof. Thomas Broadway - *The Ancient Scriptures*)
- No honest Christian scholar can deny that Saint Paul forged the belief system of Christianity from the four thousand year old Persian legend of Mithra. In order to hide Paul's plagiarism, the Church burned the library of

Alexandria in 389 since that library preserved Mithra's original legend of which the Pauline doctrine is a carbon copy. (Kersey Graves - *Christianity before Christ*)

- St. Paul frankly admits that he became 'out of law' for those who were 'out of law'. He was a renegade Jew who did not believe in any commandments or obedience. Therefore, he never hesitated to preach whatever his audience would like to hear. He goes as far as declaring the Law "a curse". Paul did not speak for the Holy Spirit since he was an intellectual disciple, not of Jesus, but of the Greek philosophers Plato and Philo. (Alphonse Lamartine - *Papyrus, the Slave*)

- Reason and rationality aside, my reading of the Bible does not allow me to accept Jesus as God or the Son of God. He was a wonderful human being whom the gospels degrade as a violent and arrogant miracle-monger. Jesus of the Scripture who never practices his own preaching cannot be my Messiah. Historical Jesus is certainly not the Jesus of the New Testament. (Dr. Hastings Rashdall, the Dean of Carlisle 1915)

- Nietzsche became so disenchanted with the Pauline doctrines of trinity, blood atonement, and ascension that he blurted out, "I had to stain my hands with the blood of Christianity by crucifying it!" (*Beyond Good and Evil*)

- There is Unity and there is Multiplicity in God! Trinity is a mystery that none has understood and none ever will. The usual Evangelical apology: "You have to believe in it to grasp it!" Shall we put the cart before the horse? I have experienced that foolishness for three decades. (Rev. Bosworth Smith - *Sermon of the Heart*)

- Father created the Son, therefore, the Son is not the Father and the Father is not the Son. Consequently, God cannot be one. It is outrageous to think of Christianity as a Monotheistic religion. (Leo N. Tolstoy - *The Kingdom of God Is Within You*)

- Pauline Doctrine is nothing but propagation of a dogma. It does not concern itself with accountability through building moral character. Mere proclamation that Jesus was accused and crucified for the sins of mankind, takes one on the Mount Utopia of eternal life! If mankind were relieved of their higher obligations with such impunity, the planet would become a living pyre. (Bertrand Russell - *Lecture on Hopes for a Changing World, 1908*)

- What is the New Testament? Paul, Paul, and Paul who never met Jesus! (R. S. Menkin - *Analysis of the New Testament*)

- We do not find such terms in the Bible: Trinity, Rapture, even Bible!

- The name "Christians" was invented by the opponents of Christianity in Antioch, Syria around 50 CE for those who anointed themselves with fat and oil and thus remained physically unclean. Until then, they were called Nazarenes. (Rev. H. Barnett - *My Quest for the Master*)

- Saturday was the day of Sabbath. It was changed to Sunday so that everything would conform to the Sun-worship cult. Constantine kept the Pagan Church intact in all its traditions, rituals and mode of worship. It was

easy for the Christian missionaries to adopt the Emperor's creed, replacing the Sun-god, Apollo with Jesus Christ. (Dr. Jean Caldwell - *Sol Invictus, the Invincible Sun*)

- The dogma of Trinity is not unique to Christianity. Centuries earlier, Hinduism has had its own Trinity of *Brahma* the Creator, *Vishnu* the Sustainer, and *Siva* the Destroyer. Plato's Trinity: *Agathon* (The Supreme God or Father) - *Logos* (Thought and Expression) - *Psyche* (Spirit). (Prof. K. U. Dean - *The Teachings of Jesus*)

- Numerous Biblical experts and historical Councils have failed to explain the meaning of John 1:1. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." The concept of Trinity has remained an inexplicable 'mystery' even to the greatest Church leaders. (Lord Headley - *Three Great Prophets* 1925)

- A large early Christian sect had a "Trinity" of the Father, Son and Mother Mary. (Rev. Sean Valdosta - *The Unitarian Resurgence*)

- James, Peter and Barnabas in Jerusalem failed to deter Paul from preaching abroad his distortions of Jesus' teachings. Indeed, Paul's failure would have been surprising since the world around him was already primed with the myths of crucified begotten Sons of God. Moreover, St. Paul took them to an exceedingly pleasant trip of nostalgia riding on exactly their own ancient sacraments. (Jonathan Victor - *Saint Paul: The Founder of Christianity*)

- Paul was the true founder of Christianity. He entirely changed the simple message of Jesus as becomes obvious in the Book of Acts and in his letters, especially to Galatians. He calls the law a 'curse', and introduces such doctrines as Trinity, God-incarnate, the Lamb, and Atonement. Influenced heavily by Plato and Philo, and borrowing freely from the prevalent Sun-god cults of Mithra and Apollo, Paul conformed to their belief system in order to gain converts. He goes 'out of law' for those 'who are out of law'. He even wrote the last gospel in the name of John. (John Servatus - *The Unitarian Truth*)

On Biblical Teachings

- The Bible does nothing to uplift humanity. It is awfully apathetic, rather, very discriminatory and oppressive to women. (*Eclipse of the Intellect* - Lord Headley)

- The Biblical dogma of the Original Sin is the Original Evil. (*Confucianism and the Modern China* - R. F. Johnson)

- If I have been born tainted with the sin of Adam and Eve, then God has been very cruel to me. (*The Hindu India* - Mark Italy)

- The Bible is loaded with evil spirits, demons and exorcism. The reader feels as if the entire Israel was infested with evil spirits. The accounts of "evil spirits" put us to shame. Such hopeless superstitions reflect upon the ignorant minds of the Biblical times. The ignorant scribes, influenced by their uneducated environment, could not have done any better. (*Sermons* of Joseph Barber Lightfoot, Bishop of England. 1828-1889)

- For the redemption of humanity we will have to look toward the Koran, and not toward the Bible. (*Faith for Living* - Lewis Mumford)
- Our civilization is standing at dangerous crossroads. The Bible cannot provide workable foundations for the survival of mankind. (*The New World* - Lord Snell)
- The Bible cannot lead us to an international religion, nor can it unify all mankind. (*The Sane Society* - Ehric Fromm)
- If Eve was made from Adam's rib, the very question of women's rights cannot arise. (*Rebellion of the Conscience* - Adrian Huxley)
- About political and economic matters, the teachings of the Bible are sadly and pitifully ambiguous. Through the gospels you can support anything and prove it to be Jesus' teaching, whether it is slavery, torture, or even burning alive. (*Decadence* - Professor C. M. Joad)
- Children who die before being baptized will not see the Kingdom of God [and go to hell]. This is so because they have not been sanctified from the Original Sin. (*The Summa Theologica* - Saint Thomas Aquinas)
- If we allowed some of the legends of the Book of Genesis to remain, the coming generations would think that our intellectual standard was indeed very low. (Canon Barnes - *Canon of Westminster, 1910*)
- Baptism is a charm and magic that had been practiced in the Pagan world for two thousand years before Jesus. Eucharist is a carbon copy of the Hindu BHOG and other Pagan cults. Justin Martyr had to write his *Apologia* in vain defense of the Christian Sacraments. (*The Sources of Christianity* - Prof. K. U. Dean)
- The idea of the emancipation of slaves never occurred to the Biblical writers. (*Eclipse of the Intellect* - Lord Headley)
- If the moral code given in the Bible were implemented in a society, the end result is predictable - Sudden Death! (*Adventure of Ideas* - Professor A. N. Whitehead)

Mary Among The Dubious Elite

- "Mary was found with child of the Holy Ghost." Note the passive voice. We are not informed who found her in that state. Suspicious, is it not? Dreams and dreams! Shall we not conclude that Christianity is a dreamy religion? In order to avoid the impure channel of human conception, why did not Jesus Christ descend on the clouds by his first advent as well? (*Christianity before Christ* - Kersey Graves)
- Jesus was the first born of Mary. James, Joses, Simon and Jude (Judas) were his brothers, and he had sisters as well (Mathew 1:25.13:55-56). Yet, Mary remains a Virgin! The Christian clergy face a great dilemma here - claim all of them to be the 'begotten' children of God, or admit that Mary, Mother of God, indeed had carnal relations with Joseph carpenter. Jesus being 'Mary's firstborn' forcefully shuts off all apologies and devious interpretations in this matter. (*On the Trial of Jesus* - Prof. P. Winters)
- It is frank deception to call Jesus' siblings his stepbrothers and stepsisters. Such is claimed to save the Mother of God from sexual relations.

Undoubtedly, Jesus and his siblings were children of Mary and Joseph, the carpenter. There is no riddle here. Since Mary had been sent to the monastery against her will, she married Joseph secretly and Jesus was born according to the laws of nature. The Book of Islam is more realistic in this sense where it states that even God would not have a son without a consort. So, how could Mary have a son without a mate! (*The Unitarian Truth* - John Servatus)

- Futile attempts are usually made to prove Jesus' brothers as having, instead of Mary, some unknown mother. This is done to portray Mary as a virgin all her life to save the "Mother of God" against the indignation of sexual involvement. It is worth noting that she spent all her life with her husband as long as he lived. Finally, she was 'canonized' as the Mother of the Church in the 20th century. [*Pagan Goddesses* - Edward Hooper]

- Mary has been pushed into the elite but dubious company of Virgin Mothers by the New Testament writers. Hertha, Maya, Nana, Semele, Frigga, Shing-Mon, Ceres, Minerva, and Isis were only some of the Virgins sired by the Holy Ghost to beget their Sun-gods. (*The Origins of Christianity*- Prof. K. U. Dean)

The "Sky" Scriptures - Astrology

The most popular god of the ancient world was the shining life-giving sun. Therefore, Astrological phenomena were of paramount importance in all the Sun-worship cults during the times of Jesus, and even for 3000 years before him.

- Christianity has been borrowed from the Sky Scriptures of Paganism. Jesus gave his people a Sermon but not a Sacrament. The Church named after him was founded by Paul. All existing books of the Bible are translations of translations. Who translated them and when? This is a question that the brightest but honest Biblical scholars cannot agree upon, and this is a question that has confounded and misled Christians for 18 centuries. (*The Holy Fiction* - Dean Inge)

- Christian festivals did originally belong to the pagan world in their very form and shape centuries before Jesus. The 25th of December taken as Jesus' birthday is completely unfounded. The Greek Church celebrates Christmas on January 7th to date. Hot cross buns and eggs were eaten on Easter in ancient Egypt and Ireland, and Cross was a sign of life in the universal pagan symbolism. (*The Life of Christ* - Dean Farrar)

- If Mithraism had not been suppressed in Rome and Alexandria by the Christians with physical force, Christianity would have had no chance to flourish. (*Pagan Christs* - J. M. Robertson)

- The facts on the foundations of Christianity are not known to the Christian laity, but well known to their better educated clergy. The original readings of various Biblical texts are at sharp contrast with the Bible that the laity reads. They are almost identical with Islam. (*Nothing but the Truth* - Julian Huxley)

- All that was believed and taught about various deities in the Pagan world thousands of years before Jesus - in India, Egypt, Greece, Rome and Persia - has become incorporated in the pure and simple faith of Jesus. Such has been the impact of the almost universally dominating cult of Sun-worship. December 25th was considered in the "Sky Scriptures" to be the date of birth of the Sun. (*Decadence* - Prof. C. M. Joad)
- The Feast of Nativity of Mithra was originally held on Jan 6th. It was Pope Liberius who altered it to December 25th in the year 353 in order to compete for converts among Pagan cults such as those of Mithra, Baal, Horus, Osiris, Apollo, Bacchus etc. The rebirth of the Sun-god from a Virgin (Virgo) womb was a common factor to all legends of the ancient Pagan days. ---- Constellation of Aries means nothing but the He-Lamb. Is not the Church making the unsuspecting Christians worship the Sun-god? (*Bible Myths* - T. W. Doane)
- The Lamb always was a symbol of the Rising Saviour in ancient Pagan cults. It is easy to understand then, why the Church, under Archbishop Theophilus of Alexandria in 389 CE, was destroying every trace of Sun-worship in its original form. He ordered the burning of the invaluable Serapis Library of Alexandria and tortured that brilliant woman, Hypatia. She was a great exponent of Plato and the most influential teacher of the Sun-worship cult. (*Pagan and Christian Creeds* - Edward Carpenter, *Heathen Religion* - Rev. J. B. Gross)
- The language of the Zodiac speaks of 12 signs. The number of disciples being twelve is not co-incidental. It betrays the plagiarism from the ancient Sun-worship cults. Scorpion in those mythologies represented the Prince of Darkness or the Devil. In many instances, this devil enters the betraying disciple. The Lamb represented the God of Light, centuries before Jesus appeared. (*Pagan Christs* - J. M. Robertson)
- The Son-ship of Jesus Christ, Trinity, the Lamb of God and his blood sacrifice are not the teachings of Jesus. St. Paul spun the entire matrix from the ancient Pagan cults that believed in dying and resurrecting gods. (*The Theory of Good and Evil* - Hastings Rashdall)

Atonement

- Blood Atonement is the life-blood of Christianity, and unfortunately, this is the most irrational theme we are expected to own. Very evidently, the belief in Atonement falls to the ground when the Christian men, duly baptized, still have to "toil in sweat to eat their bread", and the women still have to go through the travails of labor. (*The Forbidden Blood* - Earnest Irving)
- Jesus clearly said, "Carry your own Cross" - that no one should depend on others to carry their loads. (*Evidence of Christianity* - Daniel Wilson)
- Look at the Sermon on the Mount. For salvation, it teaches a creed of faith that meant actions and not faith alone. (*Some Aspects of Christology* - Rev. A. J. Waldron)

- An innocent lamb must have shed blood for our salvation (*The City of God*, by Saint Augustine). Rebuttal by Rev. Hillman Straighter: Why not a Leviticus Ram (16:21) left in the wilderness carrying the entire community's sins?
- Man likes to shift his burden to others' shoulders. The dogma of Atonement has consistently but tragically befooled my Christian compatriots. (*Eclipse of the Intellect* - Lord Headley)
- Since God is just, he could not have forgiven mankind by mercy alone - (*The Summa Theologica*, by Saint Thomas Aquinas). How can justice be served by crucifying an innocent soul? (*The Dead Sea Scroll Deception* - Michael Baigent)

Where Is The Original Sin?

Deuteronomy 24:16 The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers: every man shall be put to death for his own sin.

Ezekiel 14:14 Though these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they should deliver but their own souls by their own righteousness, saith the Lord God. [The false concepts of the Original Sin and Blood Atonement are forcefully demolished here]

14:18 Though these three men were in it, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters, but they only shall be delivered themselves.

18:20 The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him. [No soul shall bear the guilt of another - hence no child will be born tainted with the sin of Adam or Eve]

18:21 But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die. [See the efficacy of direct repentance without a "Mediator Savior"]

18:22 All his transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him: in his righteousness that he hath done he shall live.

- We inherit the sin of Eve and Adam just as we inherit our color and features from our parents. (Martin Luther)

- (Nay) we do not inherit the Original Sin. It is transmitted to us from our father and our mother like a contagious disease. (John Calvin - Encyclopedia Britannica). How come Jesus remained immune to the contagion even if he was born only of his mother? (*Humanity at the Cross* - Dr. Bell van Baker)

The Old and the New Testament are replete, as the reader will notice in this book, with verses where faith alone is considered insufficient for salvation, and the works of every soul must be accounted for.

Was Jesus Sinless?

According to the Muslim Faith, absolutely yes! The Qur'an clearly portrays all prophets as sinless. Unfortunately, many Christian scholars, even of the caliber of W. A. R. Gibb, denounce the moral character of Jesus in ways that are better not repeated here. Admittedly, they base their opinions on the gospels.

Now see what the Gospels have to say about Jesus:

Mathew 3:16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: ---- (Baptized for what - remission of sins? *The Christian Religion* - F. C. Burkett)

5:29 And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee:

5:30 And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee: ----.

5:37 But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil. [Why would Jesus give impossible commands?]

7:6 Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you. [Dogs and swine indicate Gentiles]

10:34 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. [Would Jesus instigate violence?]

26:52 Then said Jesus unto him [Peter], Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword. [An obvious contradiction]

11:11 Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: ---

11:18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, ----.

11:19 The Son of man came eating and drinking ----,

19:17 And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God: ----.

23:33 Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?

5:22 ---- but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

23:19 Ye fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifieth the gift?

MARK 1:4 John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins. [And Jesus took the Baptism!]

7:26 The woman was a Greek, a Syrophenician by nation; and she besought him that he would cast forth the devil out of her daughter.

7:27 But Jesus said unto her, Let the children first be filled: for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it unto the dogs. [What discrimination!]

11:14 And Jesus answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit of thee hereafter for ever. And his disciples heard it. [Jesus curses a tree!]

11:15 And they come to Jerusalem: and Jesus went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves; [Would Jesus resort to violence?]

14:5 For it might have been sold for more than three hundred pence, and have been given to the poor. And they murmured against her. [The disciples are objecting to a harlot applying three hundred coins worth of perfume on Jesus' feet. Was he that indulgent and prodigal?]

14:6 And Jesus said, Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work on me.

LUKE 7:37 And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment,

7:38 And stood at his feet behind him weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment. [Does that sound modest?]

11:50 That the blood of all the prophets, which was shed from the foundation of the world, may be required of this generation. [This is what if not frank injustice?]

12:49 I am come to send fire on earth; and what will I, if it be already kindled?

12:51 Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, Nay; but rather division:

19:27 But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay them before me.

14:26 If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. [Where is the message of love?]

JOHN 2:3 And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine.

2:4 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? ----. [Would he not honor his own mother?]

13:4 He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. [Would Jesus get naked in public?]

13:5 After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girdled.

The Messiahs and Sons of God

We have explored the Anointed ones, Sons of God and Saviors in 'The Virgin Births'. But the Bible has its own list of Messiahs and Sons of God. Using a capital S or a small s for 'sons' has been a matter of whim for the translators. (Bishop J. B. Lightfoot)

Adam - Jacob - Ephraim - David - Solomon - Cyrus - Melchisedec

Genesis 6:2 That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose. [Adam and all men are sons of God]

Exodus 4:22 And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD, Israel [Jacob] is my son, even my firstborn:

Jeremiah 31:9 ----: for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim [son of Joseph son of Jacob] is my firstborn.

Psalms 89:27 Also I will make him [David] my firstborn, higher than the kings of the earth.

Isaiah 45:1 Thus saith the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, ---- [Lord's anointed = Messiah]

1 Samuel 24:10 ---- I will not put forth mine hand against my lord; for he [Saul] is the LORD's anointed.

1 Chronicles 22:10 He shall build an house for my name; and he [Solomon] shall be my son, and I will be his father; and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever.

Hebrews 7:1 For this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him;

7:2 To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation king of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, king of peace;

7:3 Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; abideth a priest continually. [Melchisedec beats them all]

WHAT THE BIBLICAL INSPIRATION CAN DO

This brief chapter is only a glimpse intended to help the reader further reflect if the existing Bible is the Word of God. For the sake of brevity and fairness, just a few abbreviated impressions, exclusively from the Judeo-Christian scholars, are being respectfully presented.

- As soon as the Western mind emancipated itself from the Church's suppression and Canonical rule, civilization to Europe came in leaps and bounds. (*Life of Mohammad* - Sir William Muir)

ON VIOLENCE:

- After the First World War, numerous ministers, bishops, reverends and Biblical scholars demanded that Psalms be expunged from the Prayer Book. "This human slaughter was, after all, only a materialization of some of the Psalms which are sung in the Church and which form a part of the Book of Common Prayer." (Signed by the Dean of Canterbury, Bishop of Salisbury, Bishop of London, Dean Inge, Rev. Sean Valdosta, Lord Headley, and other leading Church leaders from Europe, 1921) - *The Teachings of Jesus* - Prof. K. U. Dean

ON SCIENCE:

- Dogmatized Christianity placed an embargo on freedom of thought. In 1600, the educator Bruno was burnt alive by a fire *made slow* at the stake since the Church equated modern learning with magic. (*Three Great Prophets in the World* - Lord Headley)

- Christianity destroyed the scientific achievements of the Greco-Roman civilizations it had inherited. (Notwithstanding the great accomplishments of Muslims in the East), nearly two thousand years had to intervene between Archimedes and Newton in Europe. What a fearful blank! (*A History of the Intellectual Development of Europe* - J. W. Draper)

- Miracles, superstitions, persecution and suppression dispensed by the Church kept the European mind preoccupied at the expense of progress. (*My Quest for the Master* - Rev. H. Barnett)
- In the 18th century, Vanini had his tongue pulled out and was then burnt alive, for he believed in evolution. (Evidence of de Francon - *Tribunal of Toulous*)
- The Almighty will not allow men to live on the opposite side of the earth because they would not be able to see Christ at his second coming. (St. Augustine)
- The geometry of Euclid is useless and the geography of Ptolemy a blunder since they go against the Scriptures. (Bishop Eusebius)
- Animals which move have limbs and muscles. The earth has no limbs or muscles; therefore it cannot move. (Cardinal Barberi, 1700 CE)
- That wonderful lady Hypatia, the greatest exponent of ancient Greek philosophy, was assaulted by St. Cyril in 414, made to walk naked in the street and killed in the church with clubs. (Prof. K. U. Dean)
- Satellites are illusion of the Devil. There are no other planets since God makes nothing in vain. If there are other planets, how can they be inhabited without Adam, and how can they be redeemed by Christ Jesus? (Pope Paul V, 1616 CE)
- "Aim straight, my brothers. Long live the Modern School!" This is what Francisco Ferrar said before facing the firing squad in the 1909 Spain under 'Holy Inquisition' by the Church. His only crime was advocating education for the youth. (Lord Headley)
- The aged Galileo Galilei faced severe persecution from the Church for supporting Copernicus' Heliocentric theory (that the earth moves around the sun).
- In the 17th century, La Peyrere published his work 'Pre-Adamites' proving the existence of humans long before 10,000 years. The Church tortured him in prison for the rest of his life, 31 years.
- Father Clavius rebuked Copernicus and Galileo about the telescope, "To see the satellites, men would have to make an instrument that would create men."
- Pythagoras the Greek (580-500 BC) taught the heliocentric system of astronomy. Nicholas Copernicus rediscovered the fact and wrote his famous book, "The Revolutions of the Heavenly Bodies". It could only be secretly published after thirty years, in 1543. The book reached the gallant author only at his last breaths.
- This lunatic (Copernicus) wishes to reverse the entire science of astronomy, but Sacred Scripture tells us that Joshua commanded the sun to stand and not the earth. (Martin Luther, 1483-1546)
- Is there anyone so senseless as to believe that men and the trees on the other side of the earth hang upside down? (Bishop Lactantius)

OF WOMEN:

- Do you know that each one of you is Eve, the harbinger of sin? (Father Tertullian)

- You (women) are the devil's gateway. (St. Bernard)
 - Woman is the organ of the Devil. (St. Anthony)
 - Woman is a scorpion ever ready to sting. (St. Jerome)
 - Every woman is a poisonous wasp (St. Cyprian)
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IS BIBLE THE WORD OF GOD?

- The Old and the New Testaments cannot be considered the Word of God. They are nothing but a human effort to connect with God. They are books about Him and not from Him. (*The Annihilation of Man* - Leslie Paul)
- So, Pope Gregory 1, the Great had this to say in 590 CE: Ignorance is the mother of devotion. (*The Teachings of Jesus* - Prof. K. U. Dean)
- Question is often raised why the Jews and Christians take the irrational Bible as divine. Especially the Western mind has a lot to learn in this regard. Religion to them is a patrimony which they must respect because it has been inherited. (*Warfare of Science and Theology* - Andrew W. White)
- It is important to know what the Church ignores (and hides) and why. (*What Christians and Muslims Should Know About Themselves* - Robert W. Mond)
- The Protestants dropped 14 books from the Bible. (*Is Bible The Bible?* - Rev. Charles Darling - 1843 CE)
- The ablest Christian writers and chronologists differ to the extent of 3,500 years in fixing the time of every event in the Bible. (*Christianity before Christ* - Kersey Graves)
- All books of the Bible have been tampered with enormously. (*The History of the Church* - Bishop of Caesarea, Eusebius Pamphili, 260-339 CE)
- The New Testament scripture was picked at the Council of Nicea in 325 CE, and ratified no sooner than at the Council of Hippo Regius in 393 CE, the Synod of Carthage in 397 CE, and the Carthaginian Council in 419 CE. (*The Cross and the Crescent* - Rev. Dr. Jerald F. Dirks)
- But the Eastern Churches agreed with this proposed canon in 508 CE, only after the Syriac translation was modified catering to their demands. (*Is Bible God's Word?* - Joseph Webb)
- The Council of Nicea was convened by Emperor Constantine in 325 CE to formulate a uniform Christian doctrine. It began with 2,048 delegates

but 1,730 of them had to be turned out for grave disputes. The remaining 318 delegates failed to reach an agreement as to which ones of the 5,000 scriptural writings should be authorized by the Church. Eventually, all the writings were placed on the floor in a 'closed' room. One morning found some books and letters lying on the table. They were taken as holy and, thus, canonized! History is silent about the mysteries of those nights.

(*Historical Aspects of the Council of Nicea* - Rev. Isaac Boyle)

- The Old Testament has been subjected to human addition and deletions. Many of the stories in it are mere fiction. (*Valentine's Jewish Encyclopedia*)

- The ultimate selection of the books to be included in the Old Testament was a human, and not divine, decision. (*Judaism as Creed and Life* - Joseph Sullivan)

- Joseph Lewis opens his masterpiece book, *The Bible Unmasked* (1926) thus: This book is dedicated in all seriousness to rabbis, priests and ministers, in the hope that it may bring them to realize the fraud they are perpetrating by preaching the Bible as the Word of God, and as a moral and intellectual guide for the human race.

And this is where the author, Shabbir, respectfully ends his book.
