

Know (Be Intimate with) the Truth

³⁰ As He was speaking these things, many people put their trust in Him. ³¹ Then Yeshua said to the Judeans who had trusted Him, “If you abide in My word, then you are truly My disciples. ³² You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free!” (John 8:30-32)

Do you feel bombarded with information nowadays? Isn't it frustrating and hard to be able to discern who is telling the truth? Messiah Yeshua admonished us to “know the truth.” In the Hebrew language He spoke, to know the truth is to “yodea emmet.” The Hebrew verb *yodea* means to have intimate knowledge (to have intimacy): “²⁵ And Adam knew (*yodea*) his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth” (Gen. 4:25). We are therefore admonished to have intimacy with the truth so we can experience freedom.

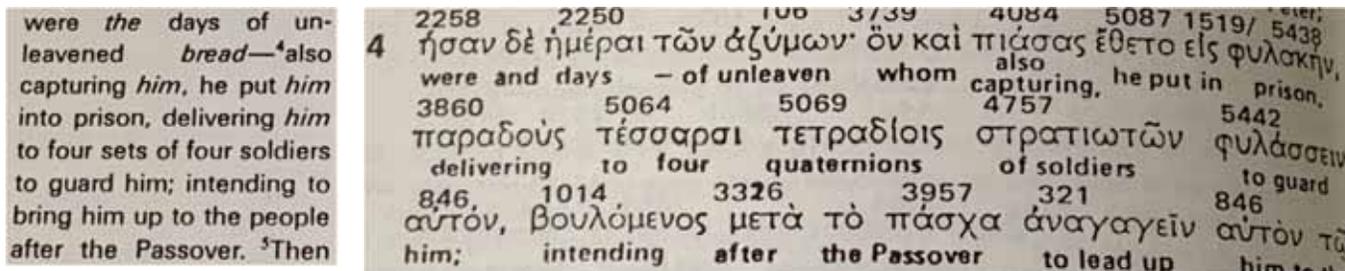
Today, people love lies and refuse to learn the truth. Our modern world does not love truth, as predicted by Scripture in (2 Thess. 2:9-13; 1 John 3:18-20; 1 John 4:1-6 and Zech. 8:19b). In fact, Scripture tells us what is truth: “¹⁷ Make them holy in the truth. Your word is truth. ¹⁸ Just as You sent Me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sakes I make Myself holy, so that they also may be made holy in truth” (John 17:17-19)

In a previous message (September 14, 2019) I shared that I want to be sought by the Father: “²³ But an hour is coming – it is here now – when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people as His worshipers. ²⁴ God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth” (John 4:23-24, emphasis mine). In fact, I want our congregation to be sought by the Father. I want us to be “found by Him” practicing Holy Spirit worship and living an integral life of truth. This is so fundamental to our KS ministry that I am compelled to remind us again today that there is freedom in Scriptural Truth (John 8:32).

To be sought by the Father is a better promise than the promise that we will find Him when “we search for Him with all of our heart” (Jer. 29:13). Both result in finding Him, but He has infinitely better resources at His disposal to accomplish the search. In fact: “⁷ Where can I go from Your Ruach? Where can I flee from Your presence? ⁸ If I go up to heaven, You are there, and if I make my bed in Sheol, look, You are there too. ⁹ If I take the wings of the dawn and settle on the other side of the sea, ¹⁰ even there Your hand will lead me, and Your right hand will lay hold of me. ¹¹ If I say: “Surely darkness covers me, night keeps light at a distance from me,” ¹² even darkness is not dark for You, and night is as bright as day— darkness and light are alike” (Psalm 139:7-12) You see He is Omniscient, Omnipresent and Omnipotent. Is it really possible that we can be sought by the Father? Yeshua said it and His words are trustworthy. We must become true worshippers who esteem and practice worshipping the Father in Spirit (the Holy Spirit) and in (with) truth. In fact to truly worship the Father we **MUST** do so in **Spirit and in Truth**.

The current Christian world is much like the Samaritan world in Scripture: “You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews” (John 4:22). They do not really know their Messiah as the one who is from the Jews. This is so sad!

I want to show you some places where venerable versions of the Bible contain Translation errors, which have led the Believing world into error. Here is Acts 12:4 in the Original Greek, the literal translation, KJV, NKJV, the TLV and the Spanish RVA. The Greek word is Strong's 3957, *Pascha*. Judge for yourselves:



“And when he had apprehended him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; intending after **Easter** to bring him forth to the people” (KJV). “So when he had arrested him, he

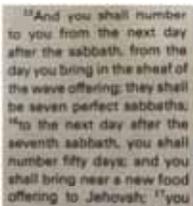
put him in prison, and delivered him to four squads of soldiers to keep him, intending to bring him before the people after *Passover*” (NKJV). “After seizing him, he put him in prison, handing him over to four squads with four soldiers each to guard him. He was intending to bring him before the people after *Passover*” (TLV). “Y habiéndole preso, púsole en la cárcel, entregándole á cuatro cuaterniones de soldados que le guardasen; queriendo sacarle al pueblo después de la *Pascua*” (RVA).

The Christian world is not alone in their choice of translated words to promote their own beliefs. The Jewish world is also guilty. Consider *Lev. 23:11* in Hebrew, a literal translation, Bible-Ort, JPS, the KJV, TLV & RVA.

יָא וְהִנִּיף אֶת־הָעֹמֶר לְפָנָי יְהוָה לְרִצְוֹנְכֶם מִמּוֹצֵי־הַשַּׁבָּת יִנִּיפוּ הַכֹּהֲנִים׃

“Then he shall wave the sheaf before Adonai for your acceptance; on the *morrow after the sabbath* the priest shall wave it” (Literal). “He shall wave it in the motions prescribed for a wave offering to God, so that it will be acceptable for you. The priest shall make this wave offering on the *day after the first day of the [Passover] holiday*” (Bible.Ort). “And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you; on the *morrow after the sabbath* the priest shall wave it” (JPS 1917). “And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the *morrow after the sabbath* the priest shall wave it (KJV). “¹¹ He is to wave the omer before Adonai, to be accepted for you. On the *morrow after the Shabbat*, the kohen is to wave it” (TLV) “¹¹ El cual mecerá el omer delante de Jehová, para que seáis aceptos: *el siguiente día del sábado lo mecerá el sacerdote*” (RVA).

If the day of the offering is the day after the first Day of Unleavened Bread [Passover], then the day of the waving is fixed in the Jewish calendar as Nisan 16. But if the day is the day after the Shabbat, then the date varies year-by-year depending on the Jewish calendar (in this 2020 (5718) year it was Nisan 18). It worsens because the Counting of the Omer (50 days) begins on the Day they waved the Omer. Note the discrepancy:



ס טו ויספרתם לכם ממוצרת השבת מיום הבאכם את־עֹמֶר התנופה עֲבַל עֲבֹתוֹת תְּמִימוֹת תִּהְיֶינָה׃ טז עַד מִמּוֹצֵי־הַשַּׁבָּת הַשְּׁבִיעִית תִּסְפְּרוּ זְמַנְשֵׁם יוֹם וְהִקְרַבְתֶּם מִנְזֹחַ זֶדְשָׁה לַיהוָה׃

“You shall then count *seven complete weeks* after the day following the [Passover] holiday when you brought the omer as a wave offering, until the day after the *seventh week*, when there will be [a total of] 50 days. [On that 50th day] you may present new grain as a meal offering to God” (Bible.Ort). “And ye shall count unto you from the *morrow after the day of rest*, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the waving; *seven weeks* shall there be complete; even unto the *morrow after the seventh week* shall ye number fifty days; and ye shall present a new meal-offering unto the LORD” (JPS 1917). “¹⁵And ye shall count unto you from the *morrow after the sabbath*, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; *seven sabbaths* shall be complete: ¹⁶Even unto the *morrow after the seventh sabbath* shall ye number fifty days; and ye shall offer a new meat offering unto the Lord” (KJV) “¹⁵Then you are to count from the *morrow after the Shabbat*, from the day that you brought the omer of the wave offering, *seven complete Shabbatot*. ¹⁶Until the *morrow after the seventh Shabbat* you are to count fifty days, and then present a new grain offering to Adonai (TLV). “¹⁵Y os habéis de contar desde *el siguiente día del sábado*, desde el día en que ofrecisteis el omer de la ofrenda mecida; *siete semanas* cumplidas serán: ¹⁶Hasta el *siguiente día del sábado séptimo* contaréis cincuenta días; entonces ofreceréis nuevo presente a Jehová” (RVA)

The Truth Shall Make You Free

- The Truth About the Messiah and the Scriptures** (*it is all Jewish*)
- The Truth About Morality** (*A man’s morality dictates his theology, philosophy, behavior*)
- The Truth About Bitterness and Forgiveness** (*Matthew 18:35 “Forgive so you can be forgiven”*)
- The Truth About the Abundant Life in Yeshua** (*Jo. 10:10 Does the world see something worth living & dying for?*)
- The Truth About Authority** (*real power is influence and God always works with the ones under authority 1st*)
- The Truth about the way I am designed – Self-Acceptance:** “If you had the power to change anything about your appearance or family, would you make any changes?”
- The Truth about Torah and the Mitzvot**