Coming Clean



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Ephsiyah-Ephesians 5: 25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Moshiach also loved the Yisraelite congregation, and gave Himself for it;

26 That He might set it apart and cleanse it with the washing of mayim by the word,

31 For this cause shall a man leave his abba and eema, and shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall be basar-echad. ⁱ

32 This is a great sod: but I speak concerning the Moshiach and the Yisraelite congregation. $^{
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In Yahshua's first advent, He fulfilled the torahs of a 'jealous husband,' and an 'adulterous woman,' as seen respectively in Bamidbar/Numbers 5 and Devarim/Deuteronomy 24. He died the penalty of an adulterous wife, which was prescribed as removal from the house due to uncleanness found in her. He was removed from the Father's house, in order to rescue His bride.

As seen in Tehillim/Psalms 48:1-2 and Yeshayahu/Isaiah 14:13, s.a.tan wanted the throne of heaven as YHWH's bride so to speak. Yisrael was to be YHWH's earthly bride, perfected through trials, in order to replace the first bride that engaged in wanton rebellion. s.a. tan as we know, has never yet engaged in any act of contrition, or repentance over his/her witchcraft. Unlike the first bride s.a.tan, Yisrael was not always in wanton and open rebellion, but often engaged in rebellion due to deception, or being deceived most often as a result of mixed worship before YHWH. Yisrael as a nation would often eat of the 'tree of the knowledge of good and evil.' A worship based on truth mixed with error and deception. In Beresheeth/Genesis 2:23-24, the husband and wife become one flesh, or basar echad. There is much hidden revelation in this first marriage in Eden that speaks of Yahshua's marriage and remarriage to the nation of Yisrael.

When Yisrael mixed paganism with true Yahwistic worship, she became naked as YHWH's covering, or shechinah/glory was removed, just as in Beresheeth/Genesis 2:25, Eve became naked. While Eve was in the transgression, so was Adam, as he made no attempt to cover Eve's nakedness with truth and a covering of righteousness. Yahshua, the second Adam, came to properly cover His bride from her nakedness, with garments without spot, or wrinkle, or any such blemish, after washing her with the regenerating power of His word.

At this juncture we must remember that it was the pre-incarnate Yahshua that actually gave His bride Yisrael the Torah and not the Father. As seen in Devarim/Deuteronomy 33: 2, 3, and Exodus 24:9-11, it was the body, or 'bone of heaven,' that actually gave Torah to the nation of Israel. So it was the Redeemer-YHWH, or Yahshua, as seen in Yeshayahu/Isaiah 54:5 who married Yisrael and thus it was Yisrael's sin against Yahshua, not the Father that resulted in her unfaithfulness. See Yeshayahu/Isaiah 63:8-9.

The events that unfolded in Shemot/Exodus 19:8 are a simple and clear wedding betrothal. The nation said 'we do,' as Moshe escorts the bride to the chuppah, or canopy as seen in Shemot/Exodus 19:18 where the smoke serves as the chuppah. The shofar announces the coming of the Bridegroom Yahshua to enter under the shechinah with His bride to cover her nakedness. Through time, the Scriptures tell us in numerous places that Yisrael 'uncovered herself' with spiritual harlotry and unfaithfulness, thus placing her in line for Yahshua's judgments. Lets see why Yahshua really had no choice but to die on this earth in the exact manner He did.

Numbers 5:

- 11 And יהוה spoke to Moshe, saying,
- 12 Speak to the children of Yisrael, and say to them, If any man's wife goes aside, and commits a trespass against him,
- 13 And a man lies with her carnally, and it is hidden from the eyes of her husband, and is kept secret, and she is defiled, and there was no witness against her, nor was she caught;
- 14 And the ruach of jealousy comes upon him, and he becomes jealous of his wife, and she is defiled: or if the ruach of jealousy comes upon him, and he is jealous of his wife, and she is not defiled:

According to the Torah if a husband merely suspects His wife of being unfaithful and jealousy arises in him, he is to pursue justice. Yahshua as seen in Shemoth/Exodus 20:5 is the jealous Husband.

5 You shall not bow down yourself to them, nor serve them: for I יהוה your Elohim am a jealous Elohim,

Yahshua who married Yisrael became jealous for His bride. In Shemot/Exodus 32:20, Yisrael drinks of the bitter waters of the melted powder of the golden calf,

20 And he took the calf that they had made, and burned it in the fire, and ground it to powder, and scattered it upon the mayim, and made the children of Yisrael drink of it.

This act of drinking bitter water as an adulterous woman, was supposed to test her fidelity as seen in Numbers 5: 24: And he shall cause the woman to drink the bitter mayim that causes the curse: and the mayim that causes the curse shall enter into her, and become bitter.

- 25 Then the kohen shall take the jealousy offering out of the woman's hand, and shall wave the offering before יהוה, and offer it upon the altar:
- 26 And the kohen shall take a handful of the offering, as a memorial offering, and burn it upon the altar, and afterward shall cause the woman to drink the mayim.
- 27 And when he has made her to drink the mayim, then it shall come to pass, that, if she is defiled, and has done trespass against her husband, that the mayim that causes the curse shall enter into her, and becomes bitter, and her belly shall swell, and her thigh shall rot: and the woman shall be a curse among her people.
- 28 And if the woman is not defiled, but is clean; then she shall be free, and shall conceive zera.

In Shemoth/Exodus 36:27 we see that in addition to this bitter cursed water, Yisrael was also stabbed, or wounded in their sides (swollen bellies). After the sin of adultery with the golden calf, the cursed nation was then clearly pierced as seen in these verses

26 Then Moshe stood in the gate of the camp, and said, Who is on יהוה's side? Let him come to me. And all the sons of Lewi gathered themselves together to him.

27 And he said to them, This says יהוח Elohim of Yisrael, Put every man his sword by his side, and go in and out from tent to tent throughout the camp, and slay every man his brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbor.

So we see Yahshua' bride taking the test of the jealous husband and is found to have miserably fail the test, just as Yahshua had suspected. She became naked in the worship of the calf, drank bitter waters before the priest, and was wounded, or pierced causing her belly to swell with death and cursing. According to Yechezkel/Ezekiel 16:30-34, Yisrael's adultery was of the worst variety, as her stupidity didn't even allow her to receive payment, or benefit from her services, which she rendered for free to any and every false elohim. She had become scorned, cursed, naked and bitter in the world of nations. Now recall that in the 'law of a jealous husband' the adulterous woman, who had failed the test, would have all her sins and resulting curses placed in a book, later to be blotted out with the waters of cleansing by the priest himself.

Bamidbar/Numbers 5:23 *And the kohen shall write these curses in a scroll, and he shall blot them out with the bitter mayim:* iii

We see that through Yahshua's righteous jealousy that He washed his bride with the waters that flowed from His side, in addition to His kadosh/holy blood. Through the prophet Hosea and his ongoing challenges with Gomer his wife who was a habitual whore, YHWH displayed His future intention to redeem and take Yisrael back, over and over again, just as He commanded Hosea to do in Hoshea/Hosea 2:1-4, 3:1.

Yahshua the jealous Husband had to deal with a wife who had been:

- Stripped naked
- Pierced or stabbed
- Made hungry
- Received curses written in a book
- Laughed at and put to open scorn among the nations Yechezkel/Ezekiel
 23:32-32 This says the Master יהוה; You shall drink of your sister's cup deep and large: you shall be laughed to scorn and had in derision; it contains much mishpat.
- Separated from her husband
- Dying from the judgment of thirst Hoshea/Hosea 2:3
- Lest I strip her naked, and make her as in the day that she was born, and make her as a wilderness, and set her like a dry land, and kill her with thirst.

Since Scripture teaches that Yahshua literally became the sin of His wife (Corintyah Bet-Second Corinthians 5: 21), He had to execute a plan that would reverse all of these literal curses, by temporarily leaving His role as the jealous Husband, in order to become the willing adulterous bride on the cross. His identification with her was so complete, that during this redemptive loving act, He must personally experience all the literal events that befell her in her adulterous journey.

As we study the sacrifice of Yahshua on Golgotha from the Besorot/Gospels, we will be able to clearly see that all the cursed things that occurred to His wife in her earthly sojourn, He graciously and vicariously allowed to be done to Him. In becoming a righteous wife, He cleansed her by carrying her curses/sins, thus freeing her to marry Him in righteousness. Since Torah does not allow remarriage to the same bride (Devarim/Deuteronomy 24: 1-2), He literally had to turn her into a new bride, or new hu-man or new creation, so that He could become one flesh with her. In the renewal of the marriage contract, He had found the way to fulfill the 'law of a jealous husband' and a way to renew the bride without breaking Torah, which forbids taking the same woman back. What He took back was a "new creation," with a new nature, not the same old unfaithful bride.

Qoleseyah/Colossians 2:14 addresses this 'blotting out,' as Yahshua blotted out the curses, or broken parts of the Torah laws that were written in the book by Yahshua being the High Priest over Yisrael. He took that book, as required in the 'law of a jealous husband' and nailed that book of His bride's curses to His cross! That book was not the Torah itself, as some foolishly teach, but the book containing the specific curses and specific broken Torah laws of an unfaithful bride, recorded as commanded by the 'law of a jealous husband.' That very fact

that it is that book that was nailed to the cross and not the Torah itself, is further and clearer proof that Yahshua was not dying for a new gentile bride, but was cleansing and renewing His only bride by Golgotha's blood and precious cleansing water.

This is the sacrifice done "before YHWH," so that once again the nation of Yisrael can produce offspring/zera, or spirit filled and Torah committed children for YHWH in direct fulfillment of Bamidbar/Numbers 5:28. *And if the woman is not defiled, but is clean [or is made clean]; then she shall be free, and shall conceive zera.*

That in a nutshell is the very mystery spoken of in Ephsiyah/Ephesians chapter 5. The mystery being that every righteous marriage in the faith, is a declaration and manifestation of the righteous reunion of the Husband Yahshua and His eternal bride Yisrael!

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ⁱ There's the pashat, or literal understanding. Two people becoming one.

ii Mystery? Yes. The pashat/literal understanding is the two persons becoming one. The secret behind the literal is that in Yahshua the two individual houses become one. That is the mystery behind the uniting of man and woman. Yahshua and Yisrael become one in the remez, or hint level of understanding. But in the sod, or secret level as Yahshua marries Yisrael, both houses remarry each other, thereby establishing peace. That is also known as "the mystery" of the kingdom.

ⁱⁱⁱ Yahshua nailed the curse of Yisrael's unfaithfulness to His execution stake, as Yisrael corporately had violated the Torah of a jealous Husband. In so doing, Yahshua took the book with all Yisrael's violations and canceled the curses that resulted from Yisrael's unfaithfulness that were recorded in the book by the High Priest. That is referenced clearly in Colossians 2:14.