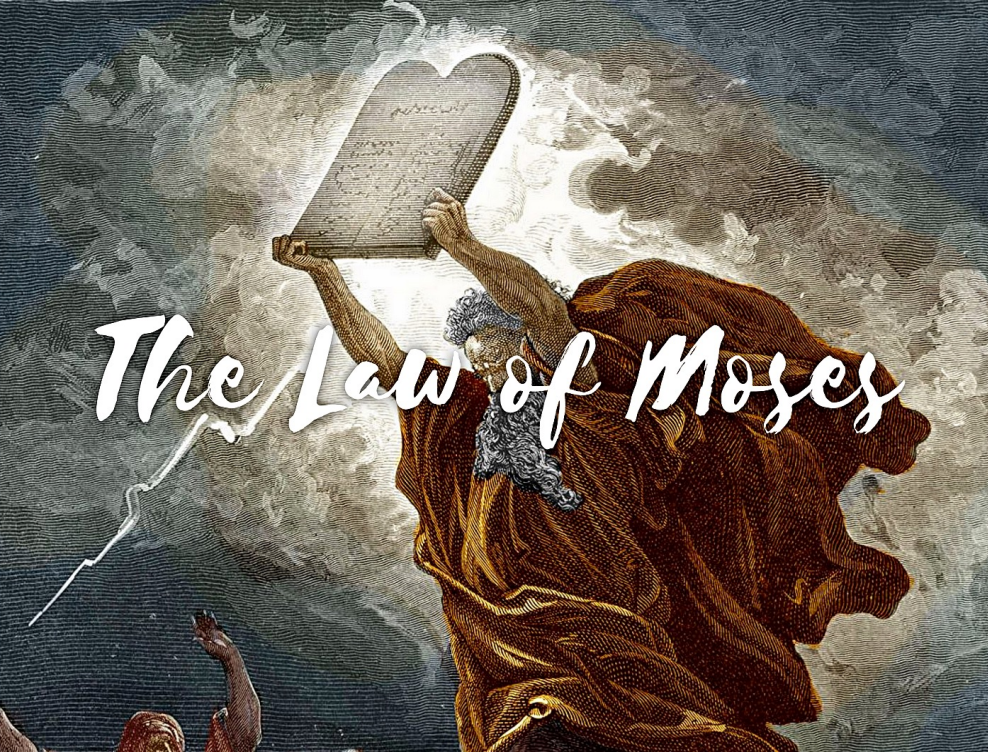


**HAS THE CHURCH
BEEN
DECEIVED?**

"But they
wouldn't listen..."

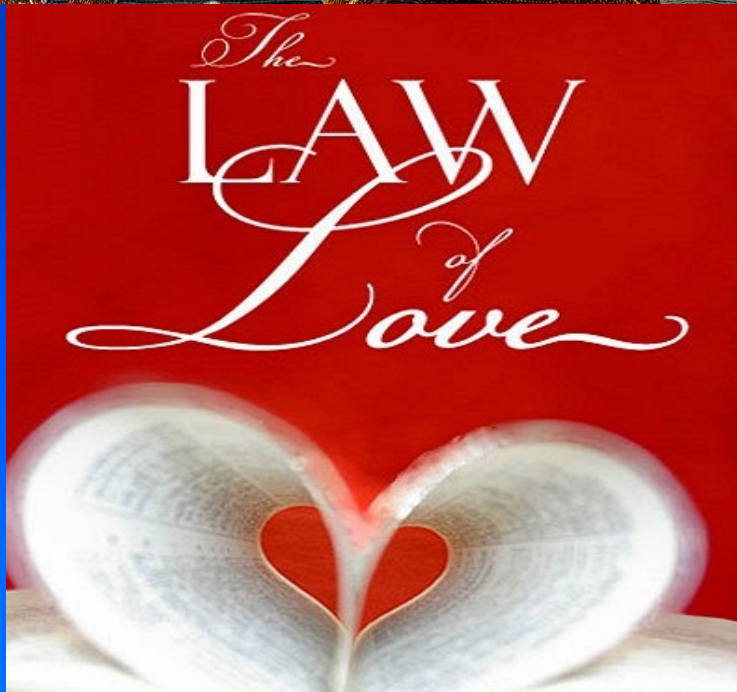


- Zechariah 7:11 – 12
- The passage says His people wouldn't listen to the Torah and the Prophets... God's Word
- Constantinian Church says none of this is for Christians to obey
- Constantinian Church re-structured Yeshua from His Hebrew mold into a Greek framework



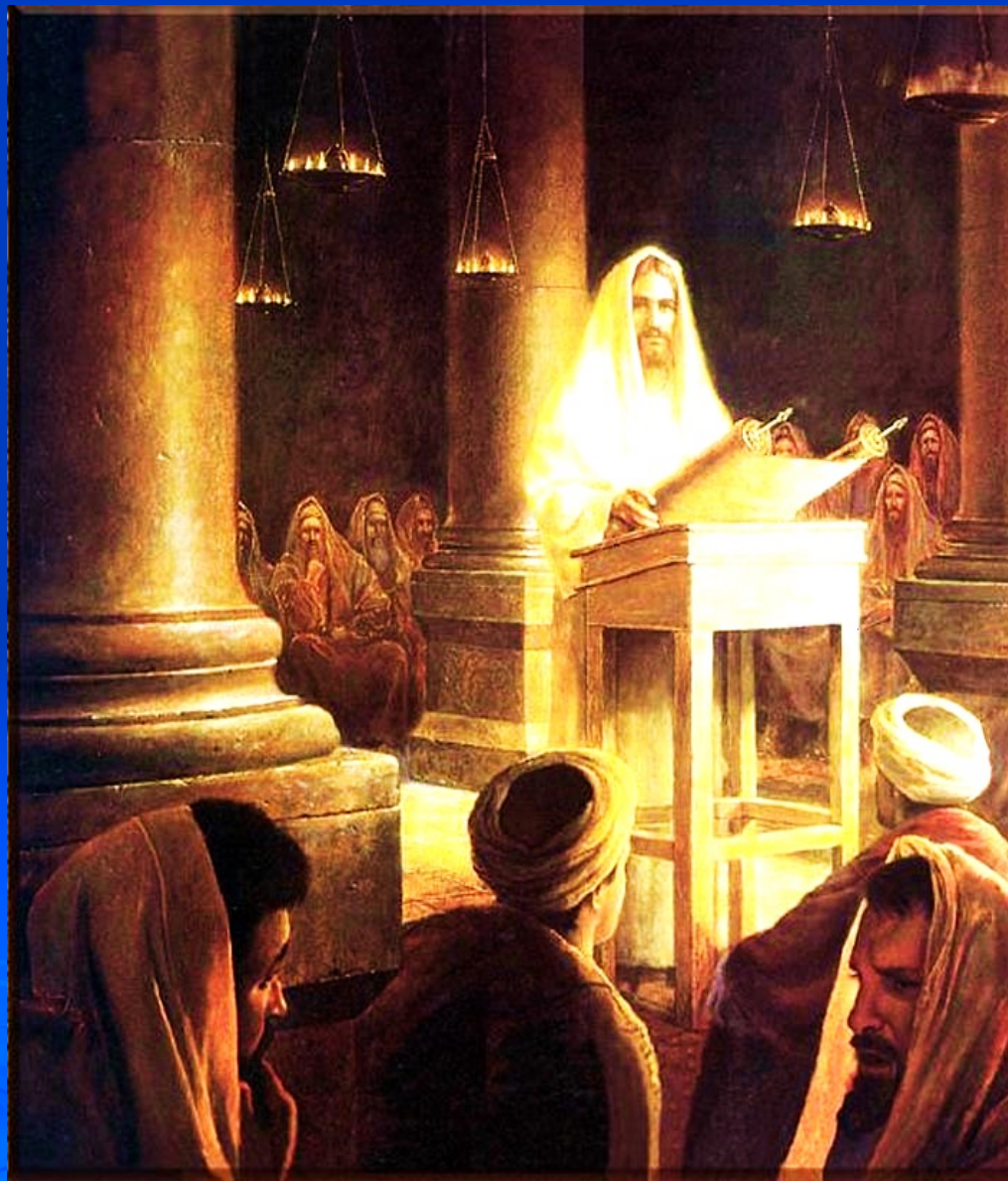
A NEW GOD AND A NEW LAW

- One Hebrew Covenant separated out and turned over to Constantinian gentiles
- Those who challenge Church doctrines with biblical faith are deemed heretics (the Pilgrims)
- Things seem to go well for a while, then calamity arrives and God's people are unprepared



**"I won't listen
when they call..."**

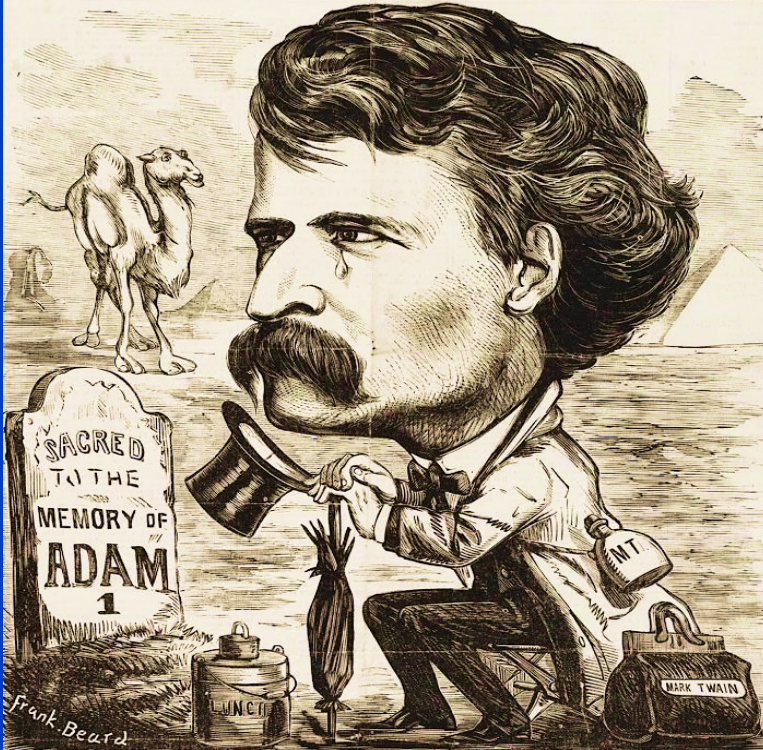
- The Church is not the church Christ created
- Yeshua did not come to reform the Synagogue or the Priesthood; He came to present the truth
- A faith group that denounces the Torah and the Prophets is wrong-minded and probably not salvageable
- Zech. 7:13 – 14
- A forensic autopsy of what Judah had done, its consequences and what NOT to do in the future



GOD'S PEOPLE SCATTERED

- The Covenants come with conditions
- Nations had no reason to show kindness to the exiles
- When Israel leaves the land, the land declines
- Mark Twain:

“...of all the lands there are for dismal scenery, I think Palestine must be the prince... desolate and unlovely...”

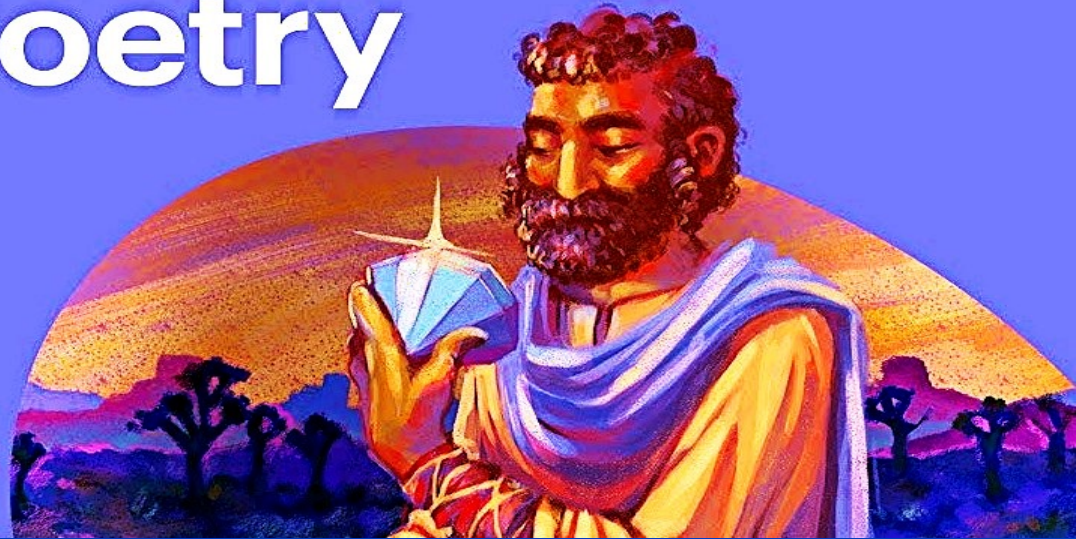


ZECHARIAH CHAPTER 8




- Israel's future
- Jerome: *"They are the promises of God which I unfold."*
- A "Promise" is not a special instrument of God
- Covenants contain God's promises
- The issue always boils down to obedience
- God gives the covenant blessings only when His people obey

The Art of Biblical Poetry



- The first oracle is Hebrew poetry
- Do not apply too much precision to the words; it is the meaning and emotion we are to apprehend
- *Qanah* = zeal, zealous, jealous
- *Chemah* = fury or heat
- This is about God's intense love for Zion and His protective instinct to annihilate nations/people who harm Zion or His people



The Glory of God departs

- Ezekiel 8:17 – 9:7
- then... Ezekiel 10:4
- then... Ezekiel 11:23
- The Glory is a particular manifestation of God

THE CITY OF TRUTH

- Zech. 7:9 “Administer true justice...”
- Isaiah 1:21 “Once she was filled with justice...”
- Only with the return of The Glory can true justice be restored
- Ezekiel 48:35 “...on the name of the city will be Yehoveh Shamah (Yehoveh is there)”
- The ideal Jerusalem is embodied in the idea of Zion

- A new dynamic for Jerusalem
- Zechariah 8:4 – 5
- Merism = beginning, end, and everything in between
- Old and young, it's all about labor
- With spiritual peace comes material blessing
- Matthew 6:33 *“...seek first his Kingdom... all these things be given to you as well...”*





THE END TIMES

STATE OF THE WORLD

- Zechariah 8:6 The 4th oracle
- Israel will be amazed because they have never experienced such conditions in their history
- In the future, what God says will transpire seems impossible
- Zechariah 8:7 The 5th oracle
- Describes the people of Israel coming back home

FROM THE EAST AND THE WEST



- East and West is another merism
- It means everywhere
- Ezekiel 37:21 – 22
- Zechariah 8:8
- God caused Israel to be scattered and He will cause them to return
- Judah has already come home
- The 10 Tribes have started to join them