

YAHWEH, THE GOD OF ISRAEL, IS WITH US!

**Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins ...
(Isaiah 58:1)**

Animal Sacrifices

Study Carefully & Study Prayerfully

Hebrews 7:27

**Who needeth not daily, as those priests, to offer up sacrifice,
first for his own sins, and then for the people's:
for this he did **Once**,
when he offered up himself.**

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Unauthorized Altars / Sacrifices

Notwithstanding the above rule about altars and sacrifices King Jeroboam of Israel erected an altar in Bethel and appointed priests who had absolutely no link with Aaron or even the tribe of Levi.

1 Kings 12: 31: And he (Jeroboam) made an house of high places, and made priests of the lowest of the people, which were not of the sons of Levi.

32: And Jeroboam ordained a feast in the eighth month, on the fifteenth day of the month, like unto the feast that is in Judah, and he offered upon the altar. So did he in Bethel, sacrificing unto the calves that he had made: and he placed in Bethel the priests of the high places which he had made.

*33: So he offered upon the altar which he had made in Bethel **the fifteenth day of the eighth month, even in the month which he had devised of his own heart; and ordained a feast unto the children of Israel: and he offered upon the altar, and burnt incense.***

Jeroboam's sin was deadly. His efforts to detract believers from going to the Temple in Jerusalem brought down the wrath of the Almighty on Israel. Few - if any - kings of Israel have angered the Almighty as much as **Jeroboam**. In the course of time king **Ahaz** of Judah also sinned against God. Read about king Ahaz in 2 Kings 16.

2 Kings 16: *1: In the seventeenth year of Pekah the son of Remaliah **Ahaz** the son of Jotham king of Judah began to reign.*

2: Twenty years old was Ahaz when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem, and did not that which was right in the sight of the LORD his God, like David his father.

3: But he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, yea, and made his son to pass through the fire, according to the abominations of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel.

4: And he sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree.

verse 10: *And king Ahaz went to Damascus to meet Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and saw an altar that was at Damascus: and king Ahaz sent to Urijah the priest the fashion of the altar, and the pattern of it, according to all the workmanship thereof.*

11: And Urijah the priest built an altar according to all that king Ahaz had sent from Damascus: so Urijah the priest made it against king Ahaz came from Damascus.

12: And when the king was come from Damascus, the king saw the altar: and the king approached to the altar, and offered thereon.

The altar's of **Jeroboam and Ahaz** were an abomination to the Almighty. If you study the books of Kings and Chronicles you will see how God dealt with those two kings and their altars; not to mention the bogus priests who dared to treat His commandments with disdain. Astonishing as this may sound, a similar illegal **duplication** of altars and sacrifices is taking place in the name of Christ in parts of Africa. Deluded church leaders and self-appointed primates and priests who have absolutely no link with Aaron, are to this day offering animal sacrifices in **angel gardens, leafy groves**, beside **river beds** and often at the **dead of night**. There they splash the blood of bulls, rams, goats and pigeons on terrified souls who pay large sums of money in exchange for a few prayers! In doing so these leaders not only violate God's law about **sacrificial altars** but they pour contempt on the Messiah's sacrifice and blood. What do the Scriptures say about those who trample under foot the **blood of the eternal covenant**?

They say this:

Hebrews 10: 26: *For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,*
27: *But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.*
28: *He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses:*
29: *Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?*

Woe to these religious charlatans! Woe also to the deluded souls who blindly involve themselves in their illegal rituals! Woe even to the complacent congregations where this form of deception is silently condoned. For though Christ is professed, these unauthorized sacrifices insult the blood of Christ.

Is Yahweh pleased with this religious charade? I tell you He is not pleased. In fact He is very angry; not just because His commandments are so brazenly broken and His reproofs repeatedly ignored; but because these religious leaders twist His law for **private gain**. Yes, they are growing rich at the expense of the poor. They are spiritual swindlers. I have seen them with my own eyes: self-appointed primates, priests and so-called Christian leaders who are in fact nothing more than **wolves in sheep's clothing**. Little do they realize what is in store for them! They are in fact filling up the cup of **Yahweh's wrath**; which, unless they repent, they will have to drink to the last drop. Woe to them if they do not repent!



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