## **The Trinity and the Jews** (*Reconciling the Jew to Yahoshua & Yahweh*)

(When quoting scriptures, from the Rotherham Emphasized Bible New Testament, I will substitute the Hebrew words Yahoshua (yeh-ho-shoo'- ah) for Jesus, Yahweh and Elohim for God and the LORD and ruah for pneuma (spirit).)

Concerning the doctrine of the Trinity, a Jew stated, "The foundation of Christian theology includes belief that G-d exists as a Trinity, and that Jesus is the bodily incarnation of G-d and acts as a mediator between G-d and man. Hebrew Christian missionaries claim that this theology is totally compatible with Judaism. Judaism maintains that although certain beliefs may be permissible for non-Jews, they are not acceptable for Jews. The Christian theology concerning G-d is one example of a belief that is absolutely forbidden to Jews according to the Hebrew Bible, as the following biblical sources demonstrates: "Hear O Israel, The Lord our G-d, the Lord is One." (Deuteronomy 6:4)."<sup>1</sup> If, on the day of Pentecost, the Jewish apostles had taught the man-made doctrine of the Trinity to their Hebrew brothers and sisters, there would not had been about 3,000 Jewish souls immersed in the name of Yahoshua Christ!<sup>2</sup> Neither would there been, days later, an additional 5,000 Jewish souls believing the apostles Glad-Message.<sup>3</sup> Why? Because the Shema,<sup>4</sup> the Great Commandment would have been broken! This article is designed to reach the Jewish population, showing them that I agree with them that the doctrine of the Trinity is an abomination to Yahweh. (I know saying Yahweh is a no, no but get over it, this is a Jewish superstition. Yahweh loves his name!)<sup>5</sup> Our lesson should be that King Solomon should not had listened to his foreign wives; Christians should not listen to the Church Fathers and theologians and the Jews should not listen to their rabbis but all followers of Yahweh should be founded only upon the Word of Yahweh (Old & New Testament), as recorded in the Hebrew text and secondarily in the Greek text. Hebrew (including Aramaic, Daniel etc.) is the language of all the prophets.

Pagan Gentile Christians started the pagan doctrine of the Trinity, which is not part of the Word of Yahweh, but rather is absolutely contrary to it's contents. One would not judge Judaism by focusing on the end of King Solomon's life, whom Yahweh appeared to twice, when he also created pagan doctrines for the Jews, by worshipping the gods of his wives. Christians, instead of reading only the Word of Yahweh, read incorrect Bible translations and commentaries of the Church Fathers, which are full of pagan doctrines. The Jews practice this same error by reading the Talmud, Midrash and Mishnah, rather than reading

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> God as One vs. The Trinity; <u>http://jewsforjudaism.org/knowledge/articles/answers/god-as-one-vs-the-trinity/</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Acts 2:41

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Acts 4:4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 08085 שעמ shama' shaw-mah' 1) to hear, listen to, obey

 $<sup>^{5}</sup>$  And he said,—I, will cause all my goodness, to pass before thee, And will proclaim myself by the name Yahweh, before thee,—And will show favour, unto whom I may show favour, And will have compassion on whom I may have compassion. (Ex. 33:19)

So Yahweh passed before him, and proclaimed,—Yahweh, Yahweh, A El of compassion, and favour,—Slow to anger, and abundant in lovingkindness and faithfulness: (Ex. 34:6)

only the Tanakh<sup>6</sup> and then the correctly translated New Testament. Christianity and the Trinity are not one and the same although it does permeate the Roman Catholic and Protestant Church. Many famous individuals, who have bowed to Yahweh, have refused to bow to this man-made idol, such as Isaac Newton, John Locke, Michael Servetus, Presidents John and John Quincy Adams, V P Wierwille, to name only a few. The apostles of Yahoshua were all Hebrews. They did not teach God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost but rather, "Ye men of Israel! hear these words:—Yahoshua the Nazarene, a man pointed out of Yahweh unto you by mighty works and wonders and signs, which Yahweh did through him in your midst, just as ye yourselves know, The same, by the marked out counsel and foreknowledge of Yahweh given up, through the hands of lawless men, suspending, ye slew, Whom, Yahweh, raised up, loosing the pangs of death, inasmuch as it was, not possible, for him to continue held fast by it. For, David, saith concerning him—I foresaw Yahweh before me continually, because he is, on my right hand, that I may not be shaken...The same Yahoshua, hath Yahweh raised up, whereof, all we, are witnesses! By the right hand of Yahweh, therefore, having been exalted, also, the promise of the holy ruah, having received from the Father. He hath poured out this which, yourselves, do see and hear...Assuredly, then, let all the house of Israel know: that, both Lord and Messiah, hath Yahweh made him, even the same Yahoshua whom, ye, crucified" (Acts 2:22-36)! Also it is written, "That Yahweh hath fulfilled, the same, for our children, by raising up Yahoshua: as also, in the second psalm, it is written—My son, art, thou: I, this day, have begotten thee" (Acts 13:33).

Matteo Gribaldi, a follower of Yahweh, a famous lawyer from Italy, who spoke against the doctrine of the Trinity, as did Michael Servetus, who was burned at the stake by John Calvin for writing the Errors of the Trinity, wrote in the 1500's, "Which Jews have they won over to Christ, during the last thousand years or more? The apostles, however, converted many thousands of Jews in one day by their straightforward preaching of one God the Father and his only begotten son, Christ Jesus crucified. The number of believers, from among the Gentiles as well as the Jews, daily multiplied and increased wondrously! However, they were not then preaching about three gods or hypostases, nor about two sons. What Jew could ever have believed in such triplication of divinities — or, in truth, this Cerberus — or could believe in it now? For the Jews realize that they ought to worship, in the simplest way, only one eternal, invisible God, the creator of all things. Thus they rightfully throw this multiplicity of gods in our faces and scoff at it. For then the Jews heard from the apostles about only one God, the Father, and only one Son of God, Jesus Christ, who died for the redemption of Israel and was resurrected and glorified. They easily understood this faith, and would also understand it now and be converted, if today's theologians proclaimed that faith and religion as the apostles did, most simply and purely, in the early days. Nor do I doubt that all the heresies and contentions among Christians would cease if they had a correct understanding of Christ, the Son of God."<sup>7</sup> Matteo

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> the three Jewish divisions of the Old Testament, comprising the Law or Torah, the Prophets or *Neviim*, and the Hagiographa or *Ketuvim*, taken as a whole.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> "Declaratio, Michael Servetus's Revelation of Jesus Christ the Son of God." by Matteo Gribaldi pg. 95-109

affirmed the Shema, Deuteronomy 6:4-5, by saying, "Hear, O Israel: Yahweh, is our Elohim,—Yahweh is one. Thou hast therefore love Yahweh thy Elohim,—with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might."

Excerpts from Jews on the subject of the Trinity and my reply:

1.) "The controversies between the Christians and the Jews concerning the Trinity centered for the most part about the problem of whether the writers of the Old Testament bore witness to it [Trinity] or not, the Jews naturally rejecting every proof brought forward by their opponents." This is correct because the Old Testament does not bear witness to this doctrine.

2.) "Yahweh's absolute Oneness: The commandment to believe in Yahweh's absolute Oneness was given specifically to the children of Israel (the Jewish people). The concept expressed in this verse (Deuteronomy 6:4) not only refutes the plurality of Gods, but also asserts that Yahweh is the only true existence." This statement is true.

3.) "He was not descended from the House of David. According to Jewish law, tribal identification comes from the father's side." Yahoshua, according to the Gospel of Matthew, was of the seed of David, through his mother Miriam (Mary), whose father, Joseph, was the seed of David; "And Jacob begat Joseph, the father [aner]<sup>8</sup> of Miriam [Mary], of whom was born Yahoshua,—who is called Christ" (Mt. 1:16). It is also interesting that David came through two women, that have be duly noted in Matthew 1:3,5, Tamar and Ruth. Also, if Yahoshua was Yahweh, as the doctrine of the Trinity teaches, he could not be the seed of David. Yahoshua could not exist, except in the mind of Yahweh, before David, him being David's seed, meaning Yahoshua's existence began when he was conceived in Miriam's (Mary) womb. He did not, 'Preexist,' as is falsely taught.

4.) "Christianity believes that God [Yahweh] came down to earth in human form, as Jesus." The New Testament does not teach this doctrine.

5.) "In Jewish law, worship of a three-part god is considered idolatry; one of the three cardinal sins for which a person should rather give up his life than transgress. The idea of the trinity is absolutely incompatible with Judaism." I agree, the idea of the trinity is idolatry!

Yahoshua, the Son of Yahweh, is the Messiah. The false doctrines that many Christians produce should not be an excuse for disobeying Yahweh. The false doctrines of the Jewish King Jeroboam (two calves), even though he was anointed by Yahweh, was no excuse for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 435 ἀνήρ aner an'-ayr any male

the followers of Yahweh to depart from Yahweh because of Jeroboam's false representation of the Torah. Every Jew is responsible for reading the Old & New Testament. Yahweh will hold everyone, who has access to these books, accountable to obey his recorded word. It is written, "Yahoshua saith unto him—I, am the way, and the truth, and the life: No one, cometh unto the Father, but through me" (Jn. 14:6); "Who, is the False One; -save he that denieth that, Yahoshua, is the Messiah? The same, is the Antichrist,—he that denieth the Father and the Son. Whosoever denieth the Son, neither hath he, the Father: He that confesseth the Son, hath, the Father also" (1 Jn. 2:22-23).

Yahoshua, the Messiah, the son of David, the tsemach,<sup>9</sup> will be ruling the New Earth for 1,000 years, thereafter, the defilement of death will be removed from the earth (Rev. 20:14), which prepares the way for Yahweh to come to reign age-abidingly upon his New Earth, which has no need of the sun, because he is the light thereof (Rev. 20-22). If you will not bow down unto the Messiah, then you will have no part in the New Earth but will be destroyed. The excuse, that you did not bow to Yahoshua as your Messiah because the Christians taught the abominable doctrine of the Trinity or what your rabbi taught you or what was written in the Talmud, etc. etc. will not justify your rebellion against Yahweh. Yahweh proclaimed in 1 Chronicles 28:9 "Thou, therefore, Solomon my son, Know thou the Elohim of thy father, and serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing soul, for, all hearts, doth Yahweh search, and, every devised purpose, doth he understand,-If thou seek him, He will be found of thee, but, if thou forsake him, He will cast thee off for ever." Seek Yahweh by putting away all outside literature and read the New Testament in Rotherham's Emphasized Bible. The One Adon [Lord] (1 Cor. 8:6), the Messiah Yahoshua and the One Elohim, Adonai Yahweh Elohim of Hosts will reveal themselves to you,<sup>10</sup> thereby dwelling in you, filling you with the promise of Joel, ruah ha godesh (holy spirit), enabling you, your sons and your daughters to prophesy, dream dreams and see visions, if you will bow your knees to Christ Yahoshua, your Passover Lamb, making him your Master!<sup>11</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> tsemach 1) sprout, growth, branch Jer 23:5 Lo! days are coming, Declareth Yahweh, when I will raise up to David, A righteous Bud [tsemach], And he shall reign as, king, and prosper, And shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> In that day, shall ye get to know, That, I, am in my Father, and, ye, in me, and, I, in you. He that hath my commandments and keepeth them, he, it is that loveth me; and, he that loveth me, shall be loved by my Father, and, I, will love him, and will manifest, myself, unto him. (Jn. 14:21-22)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> For, the love of the Christ, constraineth us; Having judged this,—that, one, in behalf of all, died, hence, they all, died; and, in behalf of all, died he,—in order that, they who live, no longer for themselves, should live, but for him who, in their behalf, died and rose again. (2 Cor. 5:14-15)