



THE APOSTLE PETER AND THE GRACE REVOLUTION

PART ONE

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Galatians 2:6-8 NLT

“And the leaders of the church had nothing to add to what I was preaching. (By the way, their reputation as great leaders made no difference to me, for God has no favourites.) Instead, they saw that God had given me the responsibility of preaching the gospel to the Gentiles, just as he had given Peter the responsibility of preaching to the Jews. For the same God who worked through Peter as the apostle to the Jews also worked through me as the apostle to the Gentiles.”



The Dietary Law

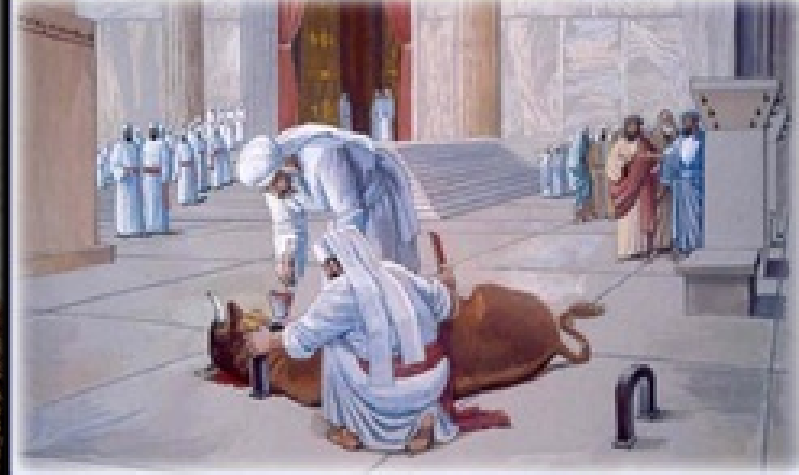
According to the Scriptures

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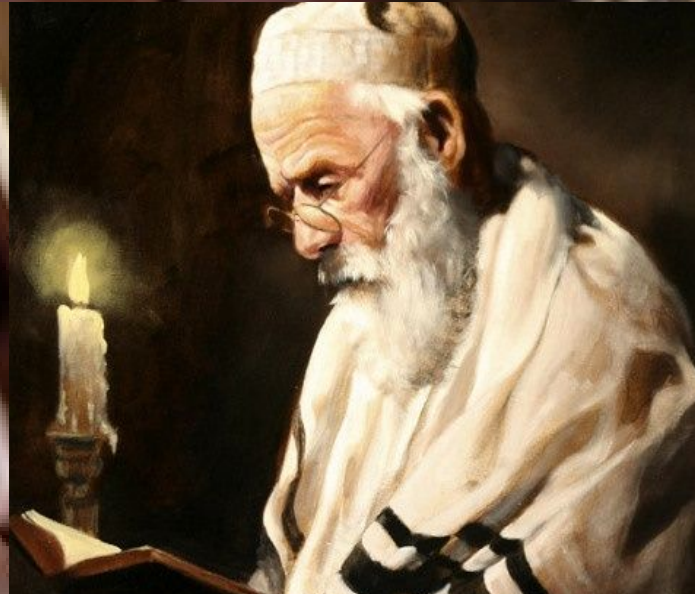
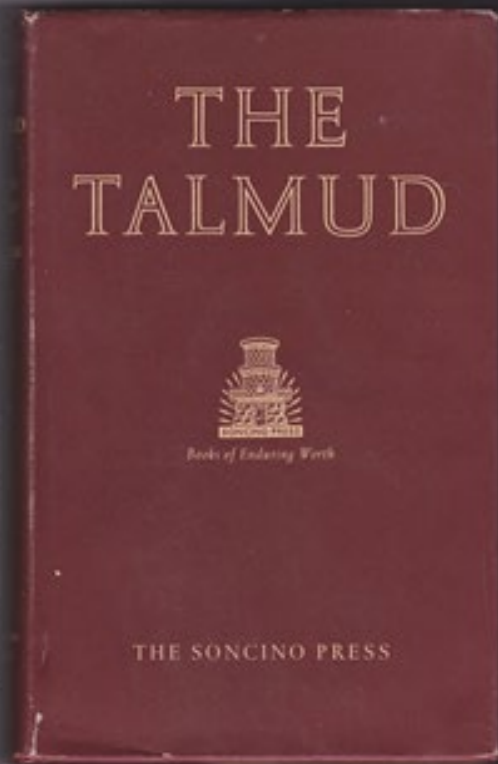
The Israel of God



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Matthew 15:3, 6b NIV

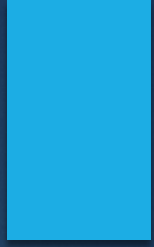
“Jesus replied, “And why do you break the command of God for the sake of your tradition?”

“Thus you nullify the word of God for the sake of your tradition.”



Hebrews 10:32-36 AMP

“But remember the earlier days, when, after being [spiritually] enlightened, you [patiently] endured a great conflict of sufferings, sometimes by being made a spectacle, publicly exposed to insults and distress, and sometimes by becoming companions with those who were so treated. For you showed sympathy and deep concern for those who were imprisoned, and you joyfully accepted the [unjust] seizure of your belongings and the confiscation of your property,



conscious of the fact that you have a better possession and a lasting one [prepared for you in heaven]. Do not, therefore, fling away your [fearless] confidence, for it has a glorious and great reward. For you have need of patient endurance [to bear up under difficult circumstances without compromising], so that when you have carried out the will of God, you may receive and enjoy to the full what is promised.”



John 16:2-3 NIV

“They will put you out of the synagogue; in fact, the time is coming when anyone who kills you will think they are offering a service to God. They will do such things because they have not known the Father or me.”

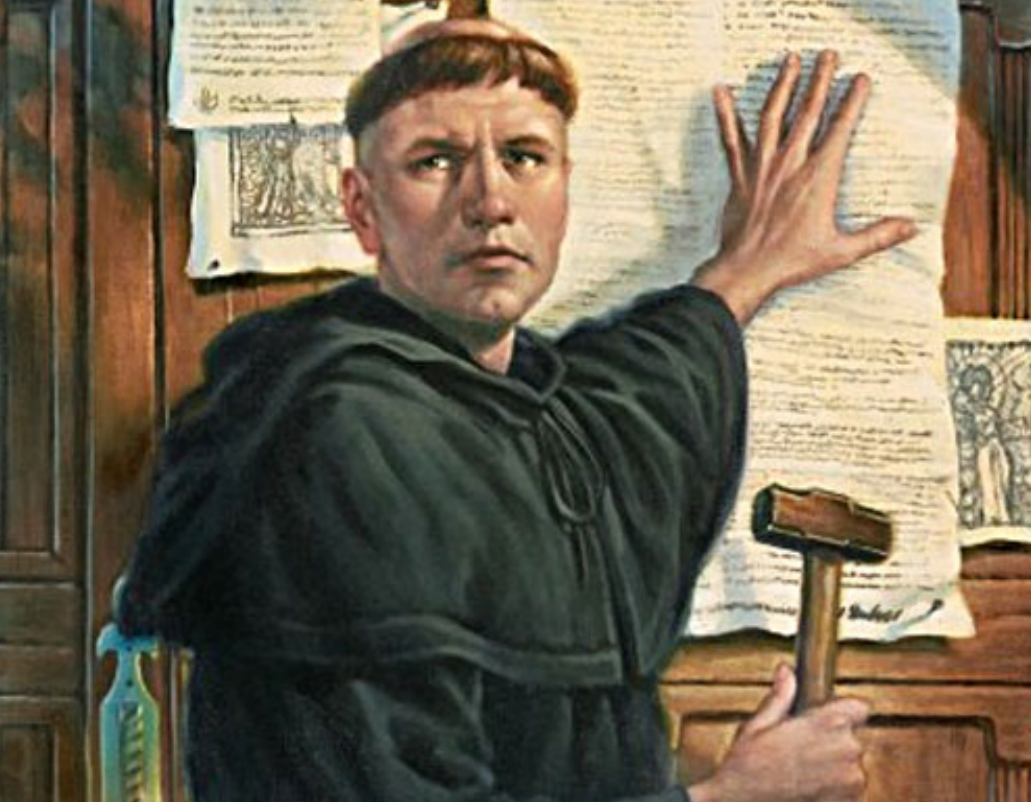
Matthew 10:34-36 AMP

“Do not think that I have come to bring peace on the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword [of division between belief and unbelief].

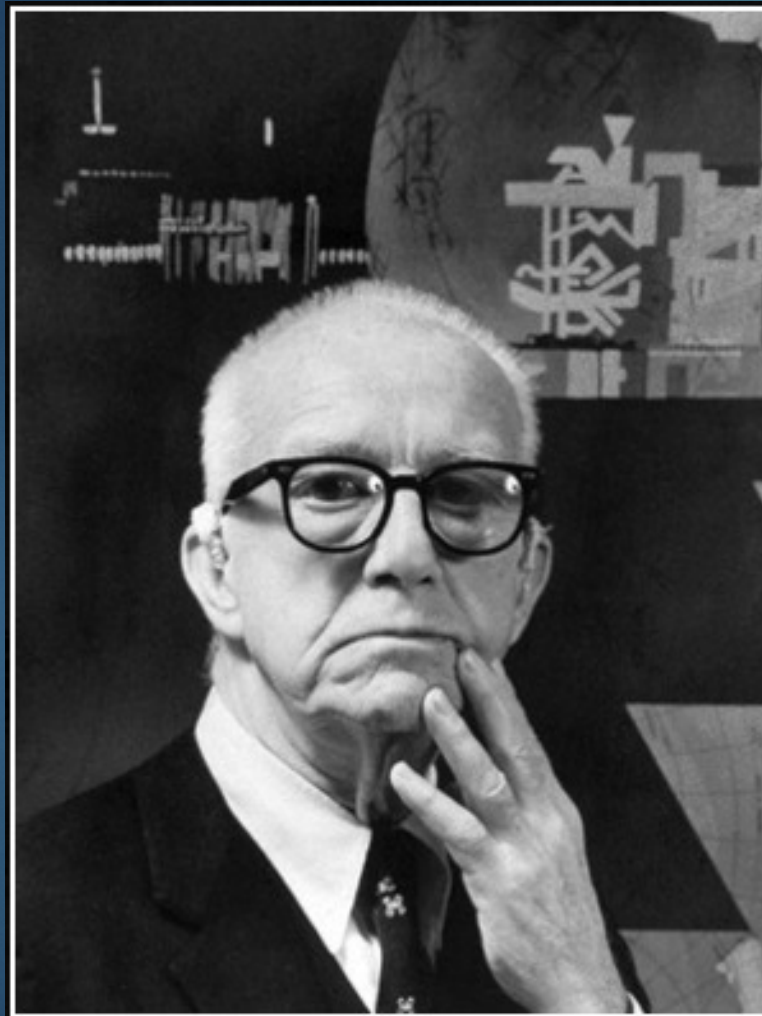
For I have come to SET A MAN AGAINST HIS FATHER, AND A DAUGHTER AGAINST HER MOTHER, AND A DAUGHTER-IN-LAW AGAINST HER MOTHER-IN-LAW; and A MAN ' S ENEMIES WILL BE THE MEMBERS OF HIS [own] HOUSEHOLD [when one believes and another does not].”

A revolution could be:

- A political upheaval in a government or nation state characterized by great change.
- The removal and replacement of a government, especially by sudden violent action.
- Rotation: the turning of an object around an axis.
- A sudden, vast change in a situation, a discipline, or the way of thinking and behaving.







You never change things by fighting
the existing reality. To change
something, build a new model that
makes the existing model obsolete.

— *R. Buckminster Fuller* —

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Hebrews 8:13 NLT

“When God speaks of a “new” covenant, it means he has made the first one obsolete. It is now out of date and will soon disappear.”



Acts 1:8 NIV

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”



Matthew 28:18-20 NIV

“Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all Nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.””

Nations:

Greek: *Ethnos*

Hebrew: *Goy-im*

= Gentile, foreigner, non-Jewish, heathen



In Acts 13:26 NKJV

“Men and brethren, sons of the family of Abraham, and those among you who fear God, to you the word of this salvation has been sent.”

Acts 10:1-8 NIV

“At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion in what was known as the Italian Regiment. He and all his family were devout and God-fearing; he gave generously to those in need and prayed to God regularly. One day at about three in the afternoon he had a vision. He distinctly saw an angel of God, who came to him and said, “Cornelius!”. Cornelius stared at him in fear. “What is it, Lord?” he asked.



The angel answered, "Your prayers and gifts to the poor have come up as a memorial offering before God. Now send men to Joppa to bring back a man named Simon who is called Peter. He is staying with Simon the tanner, whose house is by the sea." When the angel who spoke to him had gone, Cornelius called two of his servants and a devout soldier who was one of his attendants. He told them everything that had happened and sent them to Joppa."



Acts 10:9-14 NIV

“About noon the following day as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the roof to pray. He became hungry and wanted something to eat, and while the meal was being prepared, he fell into a trance.



He saw heaven opened and something like a large sheet being let down to earth by its four corners. It contained all kinds of four-footed animals, as well as reptiles and birds. Then a voice told him, "Get up, Peter. Kill and eat." "Surely not, Lord!" Peter replied. "I have never eaten anything impure or unclean.""



Acts 10:15-16 NIV

“The voice spoke to him a second time, “Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.” This happened three times, and immediately the sheet was taken back to heaven.”





After Jesus' resurrection and His third appearance to His disciples - on this occasion, the Lord graciously restored Peter. Jesus had prepared breakfast on the beach, where Peter and some of the other disciples decided they would go fishing. Perhaps Peter did this to clear his head and return to what he knew - his comfort zone. It was something he was good at - the one thing he could control in his life - but that was not his destiny. He was not called to be a fisher of fish, rather he was called to be a fisher of men.



John 21:15-17 NIV

“When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?” “Yes, Lord,” he said, “you know that I love you.” Jesus said, “Feed my lambs.” Again Jesus said, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” He answered, “Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.” Jesus said, “Take care of my sheep.””



The third time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, “Do you love me?” He said, “Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you.” Jesus said, “Feed my sheep.”



