

AS YHWH LIVES!

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Mattityahu 5: 33 Again, you have heard that it has been said by them of old time, You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Master YHWH your oaths:

- 34 But I say to you, Swear not falsely at all; neither by the shamayim; for it is YHWH's kesay:
- 35 Nor by the earth; for it is His footstool: neither by Yahrushalayim; for it is the city of the Awesome Melech.
- 36 Neither shall you swear by your head, because you cannot not make one hair white, or black.
- 37 But let your communication be, Ken, ken; Lo, lo: for whatever is more than this comes from deception.

The correct rendering is **falsely**. No swearing falsely with, or without YHWH's Name. The leading Jews thought that by not mentioning YHWH's Name they could get away with swearing falsely, or taking false oaths, or using other things to make binding oaths. All false swearing and all swearing on anything other than YHWH's Name, is a false oath, of swearing. The word falsely is found in Shem Tov Matthew!

Mattityahu 23:16 Woe to you, blind guides, who say, Whoever shall swear by the Beit HaMikdash, it is nothing; but whoever shall swear by the gold of the Beit HaMikdash, he is a debtor!

- 17 You blind fools: for what is greater, the gold, or the Beit HaMikdash that sets apart the gold?
- 18 And, Whosoever shall swear by the altar, it is nothing; but whoever swears by the gift that is upon it, he is guilty.
- 19 You blind fools: for which is greater, the gift, or the altar that sets apart the gift?
- 20 Whoever therefore shall swear by the altar, swears by it, and by all things on it.
- 21 And whoever shall swear by the Beit HaMikdash, swears by it, and by Him that dwells in it.
- 22 And he that shall swear by the shamayim swears by the kesay of YHWH, and by Him that sits on it.

Yahshua shows that even avoiding using YHWH's Name in oaths still binds the Yisraelite to the Torah principle of being truthful!

Yaakov 5:12-But above all things, my Yisraelite brothers, swear not, neither by the shamayim, neither by the olam, neither by any other oath: but let your yes be yes; and your no be no; lest you fall into condemnation

In other words, do not swear by anything manmade BUT only by the Torah commandment! Condemnation comes to those who swear by anything other than YHWH and by any Name other than YHWH, or upon those not swearing at all, because as we are about to discover the TORAH COMMANDS YISRAELITES TO VOW OATHS!! RELIGION MAY NOT BUT YAHSHUA DOES!

From the apocryphal book of ben Sirach 23:11 A man who often swears heaps up obligations; the scourge will never be far from his house. If he swears in error, he incurs guilt; if he neglects his obligation, his sin is doubly great. If he swears without reason he cannot be found just, and all his house will suffer affliction.

We as Nazarene Yisraelites must unlearn our fear of swearing and begin to swear only according to Torah, lest we neglect one of our Torah based obligations! On the other hand, swearing should not be a habit, but only, invoked when necessary to establish innocence, or trustworthiness in character! Sirach 23:10 tells us "Just as a slave that is constantly under scrutiny will not be without welts, So one who swears continually by the Holy Name will not remain free from sin." Discretion must be used!

What vow are we to use with discretion, to truthfully bind ourselves to YHWH? And what formula must we use to establish important matters? The phrase "AS YHWH LIVES!" We see that in such diverse places as:

Deuteronomy 6:13, Exodus 22:10-11, Leviticus 19:12, Deuteronomy 10:20, Hebrews 6:16, Rahav joined Yisrael by swearing to YHWH Joshua 2:12, Jeremiah 12:16, Ruth 3:13, 1 Samuel 14:39, Samuel 14:45, 1 Samuel 19:6, 1 Samuel 20:3 B, 2 Samuel 4:9, Jeremiah 23:7, Jeremiah 23:8, Jeremiah 16:14-15, Hosea 4:15, Joshua 23:7, Psalm 63:11, Isaiah 48:1, Amos 8:14.

<u>Close</u> Lets follow the heavenly example in Gilyahna. 10:6 And swore by Him that lives [YHWH lives] le-olam-va-ed, who created the shamayim, and the things that are in it, and the olam, and the things that are in it, and the sea, and the things that are in it, that time should no longer exist: