

# What is The Key of Understanding?

Those who are familiar with maps realize that in the making of maps, certain symbols are used to denote prominent features. For instance; a cross designates a cemetery, a building with a cross on top designates a church, and a picture of a plane denotes an airfield/airport. These keys were developed, and are used in order for us to better read the map, and help us understand where we are in relation to that map and our current position.

Of course; not all keys are so easily understood. If you have seen the “Indiana Jones” movies or others like “National Treasure”, you realize that some keys are ‘hidden’ or lost, and must be deciphered.

This is especially true of The Scriptures. Many people read The Scriptures like they would any book, but in the process miss much understanding because they are unaware of the different ‘keys’ which unlocks knowledge; discernment; and understanding. Some of these keys are very obvious, such as the identity of the Hebrew people; the mission and purpose of The Messiah; and the judgment of the world.

But many ‘keys’ have been hidden. Some by evil men working under the influence of satan, and some ‘keys’ have actually been hidden by The Almighty, Himself.

*Prov.25:2 “It is the tifereth/honor (or majesty/esteem) of The Almighty One to conceal a matter: but the honor of melechim/kings is to search out a matter.”* (Note – all Scripture noted herein are from the RSTN\* edition with some modification for English readers)

Now one might ask; why would The Almighty One hide things from us? Or; they might reason, “We are not kings.” So I will address both responses. First: We are called to be kings and priests; Rev.1:5+6. Since we are called to be kings and priests

then the verse in Proverbs must apply to us. Second: Why would The Almighty One hide knowledge from us? One reason is to fulfill His Will and His word. We see an example of this in YeshaYahu/Isaiah.

*YeshaYahu/Isaiah 6:10 "Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes; and hear with their ears; and understand with their heart; and shall repent and be healed."*

Why would The Almighty One want the people to be in ignorance? It is because at that time the Jewish people had been practicing idolatry for many generations. The Northern tribes had already degenerated into paganism and had given up all semblance of Torah keeping, and are therefore destined to go into exile where they will eventually lose their very identity.

This was necessary in order to accomplish several things: One was the promise of multiplicity given to Abraham; his son and grandson. Also; to hide them among the nations, thus protecting them from genocide by those influenced by satan. And; to be a blessing to all nations. Therefore; by preventing wholesale repentance, all these things could progress as prophesied.

This message in YeshaYahu/Isaiah is repeated by our Savior in Matt.13:15. I highly suggest reading this in its entire context.

In Luke 11 verse 52 we see that even the Torah teachers of Messiah's day failed to recognize one most important key to understanding. Sadly; the same can be said for most Torah "teachers" today. *Luke 11:52, "Woe to you teachers of Torah! For you have taken away (hidden) the Key of da'at/understanding: you entered not yourselves, and them that were entering you hindered."*

Since the requirement to be a Torah teacher meant that one must have studied The Torah, what was it that these "teachers" knew but did not exercise, nor would allow others to exercise?

The answer is found in the book of Acts.

*Acts 4:12, "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is no other Name under the heavens given among men, whereby we must be saved."* The key to understanding is to understand the True Name of our Savior!

Almost every English bible has removed the True Names of The Father and our Savior. Lord and G-d are not His Name. Even the Jews have refused to speak The Name. Although The Name is preserved in the Hebrew TaNaK; the Hebrew name for The Scriptures which make up what is commonly; and erroneously called The Old Testament or Covenant. In The TaNaK they use special notes to indicate that the Name is not to be spoken. Instead of calling The Father by His Name as written in The Scriptures, they replace The Name with G-d or HaShem. HaShem in Hebrew simply means The Name. Just consider how absurd that is; to call someone The Name! Instead of using The Name which He told Moshe/Moses to use and which is found almost 7000 times in The Scriptures, the Jews call The Almighty One the Name or G-d. One would do well to look up Lord and G-d in a dictionary, where they would find that these are not names but are actually titles; although there was an idol called G-d in ancient times. But if we turn to the book of Shemoth/Exodus we can find His Name as it was given to Moshe and Yashra-El.

*Shemoth/Ex. 3:15, "And Elohim (which means The Almighty Ones) said moreover to Moshe; 'This shall you say to the*

*Children of Yashra-El, **HWHY** ((YaHuWaH/YaHuaH) Elohim of you ahvot/fathers, The Elohim of Avraham; The Elohim of Yitzchak/Isaac; and The Elohim of Yaakob/Jacob has sent me to you: This is My Name le-olam-va-ed/ forever; and this is My memorial Name to all generations."*

Note that the Name that He gave them is for all generations. Not just the Hebrew people and not just in ancient times **but** for all generations! Also note that He says it is His Name **forever**!

Now let us look at that Name **HWHY**. This is the Babylonian Hebrew or Hebrew as it evolved when the Jews went into Babylonian captivity. But Hebrew was originally a pictographic language, much like hieroglyphics. Each letter represented a word. Hebrew reads from right to left so the first letter **>Y<** is a yod; which means 'hand'. The second letter **>H<** is hey, and actually means 'behold'. The third letter **>W<** is a waw; although in Modern Hebrew they pronounce it as a vav, and it means 'stake or nail'. And of course the last letter is another **>h<** hey! So if you put these words all together you have a wonderfully descriptive sentence; "Hand behold; nail behold". This is why the study of The Hebrew language is so rewarding. Also it is important to understand the pronunciation of these letters so that The True Name of The Father is known and pronounced.

In that; we have one great help. The Hebrew people known as the Jews are actually called Yahudim. Yahudim is a plural form of Yahudah/Judah and in Hebrew this is Yod-Hey-Waw-Dalet-

Hey**>hdwhy<**. Notice that the very same letters used in The Father's Name are found in Yahudah, with the addition of the dalet or 'd'. The dalet in Hebrew is thus; **>d<**. So we see that The Name; which most Jews will tell you is not pronounceable, is in fact easily known and easy to pronounce. The reason The Jews will not pronounce The Father's Name is because their Talmud; a book which contains man's rules not Elohim's, declares that only

the High Priest is allowed to speak that Name, and then only when officiating on Yom Kippur in the presence of The Ark of The Covenant. Of course; this is not found in The Scriptures. In fact; throughout The Scriptures, we are told that we need to call upon The Name of YaHuaH.

Now that we know The Name of The Father, we are ready to discover The True Name of His Son; our Savior, The Messiah! In Jn. 5:43 we read that The Messiah came in His Father's Name. His Father's Name is; YaHuaH. YaH is a poetic form of The Father's Name used in many places throughout Scriptures. Shua is Hebrew for >salvation<. By placing The Fathers poetic Name before shua, we form the compound; YaH shua, which can also be written as YaHushua. This latter form is actually found in The Scriptures. If you will look at a Strong's or Young's Concordance, under the heading Joshua you will find it spelled two different

ways in the Hebrew >[vwhy< or >[wvwhy<. You will also notice that Joshua can be spelled Jehoshua. It is important to remember that prior to the 15<sup>th</sup> century there was no such letter as 'j' in any language, and we can clearly see that what is written as Judah in modern language is actually Yahudah in Scriptural Hebrew. So we now have The One Name under heaven by which we might be saved! YaHushua!! The King of kings! YaHushua literally means YaH's salvation. This is very important because the name Jes-s **has no meaning**. It is not found anywhere in the Hebrew language and even in any other language it has no meaning. This is a very important key to understanding. The primary reason this key is so important is that The True Names were hidden so that people would not call upon that True Name. Which should lead us to question: Why were The True Names hidden, and by whom? It is very interesting and very telling that the name of satan was never hidden or covered up. Can you now connect the dots? Another important question we must ask ourselves is: Who is responsible for promoting the name of Jes-s?

A study of that will lead one to understand who the “harlot” of Revelation is! And once the “harlot” is recognized, it is not hard to see who her “daughters” are, for they have inherited many of her ‘ways’. But that is another topic altogether!

Many people have been deceived concerning the True message of The Scriptures, and many who have read The Scriptures are still ‘spiritual babes” because they have been led to believe that the message of The Scriptures is about The Messenger. While YaHushua is a very important part of that message, we really need to focus on the message He brought. That message is “The Restoration of The Kingdom of YaHuaH”. This was the last question which His talmidim/disciples asked Him before He ascended to Heaven, see Acts 1:6. Since Restoration was their focal point, perhaps we should ask ourselves: To what will things be restored? If you have not studied The Covenant YaHuaH made with Yashra-El at Mt. Senai, or the promises made to Abraham and His Sons, you may not realize the fullness of that restoration. At Mt. Senai He made a marriage contract with Yashra-El. As soon as He had finished speaking it in the peoples’ ears, they said “All that YaHuaH has spoken, we will do” They accepted that marriage contract, yet before Moshe brought them those Commands on stone, they had broken their promise. They had actually built an idol and were worshipping it **in His Name**. He ended up divorcing the Northern tribes due to their spiritual adultery, read Ezek. 23 concerning this!

That marriage relationship is part of The Restoration! But that too, is another study topic for another time.

So in conclusion; it is extremely important that we learn and use The Names of our Eohim.

It is equally important that we not mix the Set-Apart/Kadoesh Names of YaHuaH, or our Savior; YaHushua, with their (false

gods) names. By doing such; are we not profaning the Set-Apart Names?

Spiritual growth is like 'living waters'. As long as it continues moving forward, it remains 'living', but when it stops moving it stagnates and eventually dries up. YaH forbid that we should allow the Ruach of Elohim to dry up within us!

The wonderful thing about our calling is that as long as we submit to the teaching of The Ruach/Spirit of YaH, we can continue to receive additional knowledge and discernment, but if we fail to act upon that which She (the Ruach is a female gender word) teaches and/or shows us, we risk "grieving" the Ruach, and may well jeopardize any further learning experiences.

So the major 'key' to understanding Scriptures and all that they encompass is to **obey the lead of The Ruach in our lives!!!** We need to humble ourselves before The Almighty One of Yashra-El. We need to study to show ourselves 'approved'. Learn to not lean on man's teachings, but submit to the rulership of The Ruach in our personal and communal lives!

May YaHuaH bless each and every one who reads this with His Ruach of understanding. And may we all become echad/united in YaHushua.

Baruch haba BeShem MarYaH/Blessed is He who comes in the Name of Master YaHuaH!!!