

It is a fearful thing to fall in the hands of the living ELOHIM! By Walter Tschoepe



This statement is found in Hebrews 10:31. Remember, the ELOHIM it is talking about has the last word. He is in control. He is the one that calls the shots and He lays down the rules for the whole universe. He is without equal.

When we talk about Elohim, we need to know which Elohim we mean, as there are many false Elohim people believe in and call upon. We need to clarify, because Muslims call on a Elohim, Buddhists call on a Elohim, every pagan religion calls on a Elohim; Christianity and Judaism call on a Elohim. For this reason, I must clarify by saying when I talk about Elohim in this presentation.

It is important that we know when using certain words what they mean. **“A prophecy for the end-time is given in Isaiah 65:11 wherein our Mighty One warns of the apostasy of His people, “But you are those who forsake YHVH ... who prepare a table for Gad, and who furnish a drink offering for Meni.”** All commentators agree that Gad is a pagan deity, and so is Meni. Gad is usually interpreted as the well-known Syrian or Canaanite deity of **“Good Luck”** or **“Fortune,”** and Meni the deity of **“Destiny.”** *(From the book come out of her my people by C.J. Koster)*

We ask the question: How and when did this title or name become adopted into our modern languages? Encyclopedia Britannica, 11th edition, says, **“ELOHIM – the common Teutonic word for a personal object of religious worship ... applied to all those superhuman beings of the heathen mythologies. The word**

‘Elohim’ on the conversion of the Teutonic races to Christianity was adopted as the name of the one Supreme Being....”

Let’s look at some more answers. Webster’s Twentieth Century Dictionary, Unabridged, 1st edition, says **“The word is common to Teutonic tongues ... It was applied to heathen deities and later, when the Teutonic peoples were converted to Christianity, the word was elevated to the Christian sense.”**

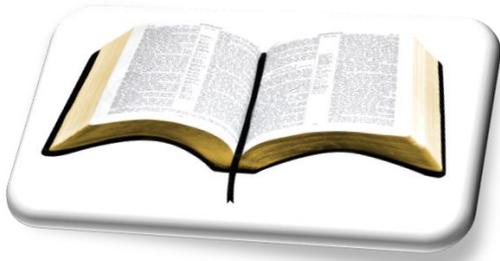
James Hastings, Encyclopedia of Religion and Ethics, vol. 6, p. 302 reads, **“After the conversion of the Teutons to Christianity the word came to be applied also to the Christian Deity ... Its etymology and the original meaning are obscure and have been much debated.”** *(From the book Come out of her my people by C.J. Koster)*

For this reason, I try to stay away (as much as possible) from using the word “Elohim” and use instead the Hebrew word **“Elohim”**.

“The basic meaning behind the name Elohim is one of strength or power of effect. Elohim is the infinite, all-powerful ONE who shows by His works that He is the creator, sustainer, and supreme judge of the world. “Bring to an end the violence of the wicked and make the righteous secure — you, the righteous [Elohim] who probes minds and hearts” (Psalms 7:9). (<https://www.gotquestions.org/meaning-of-Elohim.html>)

I am referring to the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, whose name according to Exodus 3:15 is known by the four Hebrew letters YHVH (יהוה) (Yod, Hay, Vav, Hay). Some people pronounce the four Hebrew letters as Yahuwah, some as YeHoVaH and others as YaHUaH. People argue among themselves what the correct pronunciation of this four-letter Hebrew word is. One thing is certain that His name is NOT lord, that is a title being used for any no-Elohim. Christians claim that for this reason when referring to YHVH, they write **“LORD”** in capital letters.

Oxford Dictionary of World Mythology states that the literal meaning of Lord is Ba'al meaning **“master”** or **“lord”**, which is being used for various Elohim.



Scripture is very clear that there is **ONLY ONE Elohim**, the Creator and life-giver. Moses told the Children of Israel in Deuteronomy 4:35,39 — **“Unto thee it was shown, that thou mightest know that YHVH he is Elohim; there is none else beside him. 39 know therefore this day, and consider it in thine heart, that YHVH he is Elohim in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: there is none else.”**

In John 17:3 we have the words of Yahusha saying **“And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true Elohim, and Yahusha Ha Mashiach, whom thou hast sent.”** There is no other, we need to establish that fact in our minds. This verse is speaking about the Father and the Son.

According to Matthew 28:18 the Father transferred **“all power and authority ... in heaven and earth”** to **His Son Yahusha Ha Mashiach.**

In Mathew 11:27 the Messiah stated, **“All things have been handed over to me by my Father ...”** (ESV)

John 3:35 **“The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand.”** (KJV) (יהושע Yashua or Yahusha –spelled with 5 Hebrew letters yod, hay, vav, shin, ayin)

Philippians 2:5-11 **“For, let this mind be in you which was also in Messiah 6 יהושע(Yahusha) who, being in the form of Elohim, did not regard equality with Elohim a matter to be grasped, 7**

but emptied Himself, taking the form of a servant, and came to be in the likeness of men. 8 And having been found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient unto death, death even of a stake. 9 Elohim, therefore, has highly exalted Him and given Him the Name which is above every name, 10 that at the Name of יהושע (Yahusha) every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, 11 and every tongue should confess that יהושע (Yahusha) Messiah is Master, to the esteem of Elohim the Father.” (The Scriptures)



According to John 1:29 and 1:36 Yahusha is the Lamb of Elohim who takes away the sins of the world, the one who gave His life for everyone that accepts Him as the Savior for the forgiveness of their past sins and repents and from henceforth decides to walk in His commandments, statutes and judgments.



What many people forget is that Yahusha is also the lion of the tribe of Judah (Genesis 48:8-9) That means He is the Judge, He is the Aleph and the Tav, the beginning and the end, the first and the last according to Revelation 1:8. Even though Yahusha is the lamb that was slain for us, the time is coming, when He will be a roaring lion to those who have rejected Him as their redeemer.

The final judgment will come for those that have rejected the salvation offered to them.

There was a time, about 1600 years after creation, when the Bible tells us in Genesis 6:6 “And יהוה (YHVH) was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart.” (The Scriptures)

Why was He sorry? Because man had so corrupted himself that there was only one remedy left, complete annihilation of all living things.

When it states that YHVH was “**grieved**” in His heart, the Hebrew means difficulty in breathing, He was very disappointed, sad and deeply stirred because of the rebellion and wickedness of man.

Though YHVH once “saw” His perfect creation and called it “very good,” now He is grieved by what He “saw,” for though man was once sinless, **he became utterly immoral.**

What Elohim therefore saw was that the wickedness of man had permeated every inch of society. There were simply no boundaries for man’s evil behavior.



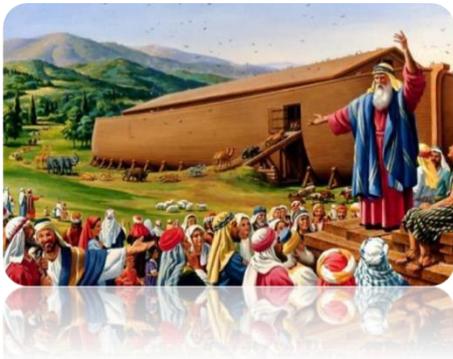
Then it states in the next verse “**And יהוה (YHVH) said, ‘I am going to wipe off man whom I have created from the face of the ground, both man and beast, creeping creature and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them.’”**

There came a point of time that the only remedy was complete destruction and a need for a new beginning! This is when we let Satan take control of our thoughts and actions!

YHVH said to Adam and Eve in the garden, “**In the day that you eat of the fruit, you’ll die.**” They both ate, and Adam still lived 930 years. What amazing patience with sinners? Elohim said, “**I’m going to destroy the world in a flood.**” **But** before the destruction came, He warned the world through Noah and called

people to repentance for 120 years. Peter in 1 Peter 3:20 describes this as **the patience of Elohim.**

Even the psalmist at his highest moments of reflective worship questions why YHVH doesn't act against those who violate Him. Again, in 2Peter 3:9 it states: **“YHVH is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.”** KJV



Only Noah found grace, because he was found **righteous** in his generation according to Genesis 8:1

Again Genesis 6:9 **“Noah was a just man [and] perfect in his generations, [and] Noah walked with Elohim.”**

What does it mean to walk with Elohim?

Walking with Elohim is a picture the Bible uses to describe the life of His children. Galatians 5:16 says, **“Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.”** Colossians 2:6 tells us, **“As you therefore have received Messiah Yahusha, so walk in Him.”** And in Micah 6:8 we read, **“He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does YHVH require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your Elohim?”** KJV

That is a decision, a commitment, one must make!

We find an interesting verse in Amos 3 which gives us an important aspect of walking with Elohim: **“Can two walk together, unless they are agreed?”**

To walk with Elohim means being one unit and having the same desires and goal. We are putting our strength toward the same end; we are moving in harmony with Him; we are staying close to Him. It is the same concept as abiding.

James 4:4 **“Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with Elohim? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of Elohim.”**
KJV

Noah did not walk with the world, **he walked with YHVH**. He was a man who stood alone in a Elohimless culture. He was ridiculed for building the ark, especially since it had not rained before. Yet, he was faithful to do what Elohim asked of him. By faith, he stood alone in obedience to YHVH and refused to listen to the world. **So must we!**

Of those that did not walk with Elohim, it says in Genesis 7:23: **“And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark.”** KJV

THIS IS JUSTICE! There will be justice at the end of the world, for **“He has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”**
Act 17:31 (English Standard Version)

When the door of the arc was shut by YHVH, the time of mercy had passed, and judgment was executed, there was no return, no second chance.

As it was in the days of Noah, so will it be again!



**The door will be shut again,
This time forever!**

**Currently the door of mercy is still
open for those you decide to enter!**

I am thinking of Moses' request in Genesis 33:18 when he said " I beseech thee, show me thy glory!"

Then Exodus 34:6-7 states **"And YHVH passed by before him, and proclaimed, YHVH, YHVH Elohim, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth, 7 keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth generation."**

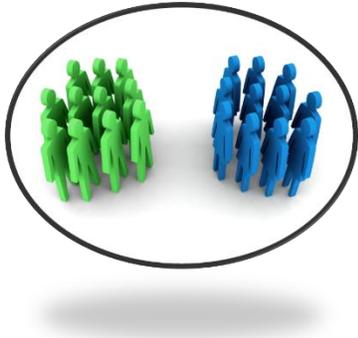
Moses was overwhelmed with the glory and mercy of Elohim and he bowed down to worship YHVH. Why not worship YHVH today? Because He is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy. Psalms 103:8 (KJV)

There is salvation and redemption on one side and destruction on the other side! The choice on which side we will be is yours and mine!

The purpose of this life is to decide where we want to spend eternity! Do not procrastinate to make that decision!

In Genesis 19 we read the story of Sodom and Gomorrah. The inhabitants of those two cities were **so wicked** that Yahusha himself came to check things out and to inform Abraham of His plan. Since there were not even 10 righteous persons found among a population of 120,000 people, we are told in Genesis 19:24 that YHVH rained Sulphur and fire out of the heavens to destroy them all. Only Lot and his two youngest daughters barely escaped as the

angels had to take them by their hand to pull them out, **and that was probably only because of Abraham's intercession.**



Again, we see two camps, one saved and one lost! Which side to you want to be on? Even though we read in Psalms 100:5 that YHVH is good and that his mercy is everlasting, **there are limits to His mercy and patience** as we have seen in just these two examples.

We live in a very twisted world today, a world where everything is reversed. Dark has substituted for light. Evil has substituted for good. Bitterness has substituted for sweetness, to borrow the words of the prophet Isaiah. It's a twisted world where sins have become rights, iniquities have become virtues. Evil is considered personal freedom. We could talk a lot about the twisting of our morals in this culture. We could talk about the various aspects of morality that have been perverted and inverted, twisted.

We live at the very end of civilization; time is running out according to Scripture. There will be a final judgment according to 2Corinthians 5:10 where it states, **“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Messiah; that everyone may receive the things [done] in [his] body, according to that he hath done, whether [it be] good or bad.”** KJV

Revelation 20:15 states it this way **“And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.”** KJV **It is extremely important that our names be written in this book of life in order not to be cast into the Lake of Fire!**

Therefore, it is a good idea to find out what it will take for our names to be written in the book of life! For this reason I encourage people

to search the Scriptures for themselves, to find the answer! Don't leave that to anyone else. Don't trust a church or denomination!



The Lake of Fire will be real And there will be no escape!

This means permanent, eternal destruction!

In Revelation 21:8 we are told who will end up in that fiery furnace “... **the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.**” KJV

Remember, the title of this presentation taken from the Easy to Read Version “**It is a terrible thing to face punishment from the living Elohim.**” Hebrews 26:31

This punishment will be only for the unElohimly, the unbelievers!

Here is what we read in Matthew 13:41-42 explaining the parable of the weeds! 41 **The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will weed out of His kingdom every cause of sin and all who practice lawlessness.** 42 **And they will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth...** (Berean Study Bible)

Do you know what it means to be thrown into a fiery furnace?



At that time, there will be serious **“weeping and gnashing of teeth!”** by those that were rebellious towards the King of kings according to Yahusha! (Matthew 8:12; 22:13; 24:51; 25:30 and Luke 13:28)

The phrase gnashing of teeth is found in several places in the Bible and is used exclusively in reference to the final judgment of sinners, where it is combined with either weeping or wailing.

The gnashing of teeth combined with weeping or wailing communicates much pain!

We have choices, no one is being forced to be rebellious against the King of kings! There is a way to escape these punishments if you act beforehand!

While you still breathe, seriously consider choosing Life in order to escape the lake of fire and to rather live on the New Earth for eternity, because:

**Eternal Life as well as the new Earth and Heaven are for REAL!
Yahusha is pleading with you, to choose LIFE!**

Back in Deuteronomy 30:19 Yahusha was pleading with His people, saying, **“I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, [that] I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live.”** KJV

Yes, it was Yahusha speaking to the people of Israel. He was the Elohim, the great I AM of the Old Testament! DO YOU WANT THE PROOF?

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with Elohim, and the Word WAS Elohim.” John 1:1 (The Scriptures)

“All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made. 4 In him was life; and the life was the light of men.” John 1:3 and 4 (KJV)

YAHUSHA WAS THE CREATOR!

He had existed **long before** His birthplace in Bethlehem, because He openly told the Pharisees in John 8:59 **“Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham came to be, I AM.”** (The Scriptures)

In Revelation 1:8 Yahusha said of Himself, **“I am the ‘Aleph’ and the ‘Taw’, Beginning and End,” says “ יהוה (YHVH) who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”** (The Scriptures)

The Apostle Paul refers to that Rock in the Old Testament as Messiah because he wrote that all Israel **“were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food (manna), and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Messiah” (1st Cor 10:2-4),** and Yahusha had already said He was the bread that came down from heaven, so there is no reason to disbelieve that Yahusha is the Elohim of the Old Testament.



The Elohim (ELOHIM) is the same in both the Old Testament and the New Testament; it's just that He was dealing with Israel, and later, Judah (the Jews), in a way **that seems harsh to us**, but to Elohim it was a way of bringing them to repentance and coming back to Him.

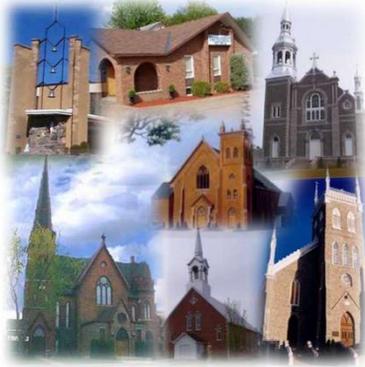
YHVH is just in all He does, and we cannot question what our Creator is doing and try to give Him counsel or advice. No matter what YHVH did in the Old or New Testament, the Potter has every right over the clay vessels, and He has never once asked our advice on how to run the universe. That's a good thing, because we'd mess it up.

The angel that Moses met at the burning bush was Yahusha (Ex 3:5)
The **"I Am"** in whom Abraham rejoiced was Yahusha (John 8:56–58).
The YHVH who motivated Moses was Yahusha (Hebrews 11:26).
The Redeemer who brought them out of Egypt was Yahusha (Jude 5).
The Rock in the wilderness was Yahusha (1 Corinthians 10:4).
The King of Isaiah's temple vision was Yahusha (John 12:40–41).

Accept the true Hebrew Messiah Yahusha Ha Mashiach as your Savior, **I don't mean the Greek man-made Jesus**. Repent of your sins and out of a thankful heart and love to Him keep His commandments, statutes and judgments! It is not difficult. **There is NO other way! He is "the Way, the Truth and the Life!"**

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:12 (KJV)

That name is Yahusha! Yahusha is still calling today!



Yahusha is not calling you to join a man-made religion, an institution, a church or a denomination. He is inviting you to give your life, your heart and thoughts to HIM alone. Go into your closet at home and submit to HIM!

And be baptized by immersion in the name of Yahusha!

In order to be a member of any denomination in regular and good standing, you would not be able to follow a “thus saith YHVH” because you must submit to their established creeds or doctrines, even though they are not biblical.

Because the second commandment states **“thou shalt have no other Elohim before me!”** (Exodus 20:3) KJV

Following the traditions, teachings and doctrines of man would be worshipping other Elohim!

Here are the words of YHVH to ancient Israel found in Jeremiah 7:22-23, **”I (YHVH) said nothing to your fathers, and gave them no orders, on the day when I took them out of Egypt, about burned offerings or offerings of beasts: 23 But this was the order I gave them, saying, Give ear to my voice, and I will be your Elohim, and you will be my people: go in all the way ordered by me, so that all may be well for you.”** (Bible in Basic English)

Or the encouraging words of Joshua in chapter 22:5 to the Rubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh when they returned home from helping their brothers conquering the land: **“... take diligent heed to do the commandment and the Torah (instructions), which Moses the servant of YHVH charged you, to love YHVH your Elohim, and to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and to cleave unto him, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul.”** (KJV)

The same advice is given to this generation! NOTHING HAS CHANGED! He said in Malachi 3:6 “I am YHVH, I change NOT!”

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