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Friends of the Jesus Revelation through the writing servant and writing prophet Jakob Lorber feel connected to all people of the world as creatures and children of one and the same Father. This Heavenly Father embodied Himself in Jesus Christ about 2.000 years ago and did not manifest Himself as Savior and Teacher until age 30, for three years. The spirit friends of the Divine Revelation recognize in this eternal declaration a new and great Word of God and aim to achieve a joyful mutual exchange.

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We live in an 'oppressive time', and - if we are not careful - we can become 'slaves' to ourselves. Fortunately, simultaneously among humanity, the seeds are already being sown in secret for the realization of a better time with a conscious attunement to the spiritual light world within ourselves.

Elke from Nordhorn sent us the following interesting article [also published in the "Grafschafter Nachrichten" [October 2021], which we would like to include here:

"I am writing this letter because I am concerned about what is happening in our society, especially during the pandemic."

"Given of our German history, I would like to consider the following aspects of the current social development and my personal experience."

"The flight of my family from the dictatorship of the German Democratic Republic (GDR) meant for me, at the age of 7, the loss of my beloved homeland. However, as I grew older, I was very grateful to my father for having brought me out of that regime into the free, democratic part of Germany."

"This precious gift now seems to me to be in great danger. I observe with concern, how purposefully, skillfully and even aggressively, those in power in the German Democratic Republic today and the media, deal with the opinion of dissenters from the current trend; how, by manipulative statements which partly turn out to be untenable in retrospect, and by orders without alternatives, pressure is built up and a mood is created which divides society permanently and considerably disturbs social harmony."

"Who actually realizes, especially in this time of a worldwide pandemic, how much burdensome thought, research, and responsibility it takes for people to follow their convictions and swim against the current opinion proclaimed by the government as the only viable one? Does no one realize the level of sacrifice and renunciation that must be made individually for this civil courage, when it can be so easy and advantageous to follow the arbitrarily set instructions of politics without all these problems?"

"In our endangered democracy, I wish for a return to a society in which one can express a reasoned, well-considered opinion again, without having to fear moral exclusion or insulting condemnation and negative consequences."

"I would like to see people dealing with the opinions of others without prejudice, or at least respecting them."

"I would like to look up again with confidence to all those whose task and goal should be the reconciliation of people and who, in whatever area of society and politics, act as they promised at the beginning of their career with the oath to basically 'avert harm' for all."

Elke Koch

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Peter Keune from Berlin [Germany] 16 okt. 17:26

Dear Gerard,

I have also been receiving your bulletin for a long time, for which I want to thank you. I read each topic with interest. I think it would be a good idea if the contributions were also mentioned by the author and not kept in anonymity. After all, everyone can express their opinions.

I represent the Swedenborg Center in Berlin with many. The publications are based on Swedenborg and Lorber. My magazine "Das Programm" also has a regular column with the name: "Glance in the time", is now already in its 27th year. The many and still timeless contributions would certainly also be interesting for you, however all in German.

I am sending you the table of contents for information as an attachment and four books have been published so far. These are all available digitally in PDF format. Maybe you could use some of that.

With good wishes for your valuable work, I am your Peter Keune from Berlin.

Answer:

Dear Peter,

We would like to draw the attention of all readers to the fact that you and your wife [and relatives] have been actively involved in lectures about Lorber and Swedenborg for more than 25 years. I myself still have several pre-recorded tapes that you recorded at the national lectures. [from the 'old days!'] I personally recommend your works to everyone, from the bottom of my heart.

I try to cite the sources as often as possible, and I also write a lot myself, but don't mention that and this can raise questions about a certain anonymity, but I often put a letter G. after the article. Thanks for this advice. I can draw the readership's attention to your work, which has now been published in four thick volumes. The list of contents leads me immediately to your captivating sources, based on Swedenborg, Jakob Lorber, and world conditions.

We will of course pass on your address here.

Sincerely, Gerard

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Here is an example [from a German-language four-volume book] - very instructive and ideal as a fantastic reference work!

The catalog for this four-part book can be requested digitally free of charge from Peter and Saskia Keune [or via this bulletin].

Example for the first part [**excerpt from volume 1**]

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The Conflict Between Ishmael and Israel.

On a Swedenborg site, we read the following quote and with that, we initiate the conflict between Ishmael and Israel:

"Abraham (or Abram, as he is called at the beginning of his story) is one of the most important characters in the story of the Scriptures. He was the ancestor of all the children of Israel, through his son Isaac, and of the Arabs, through his son Ishmael. His life can be usefully seen as being divided into three periods. The first period includes the unknown early years from his birth in Ur and his later move to Haran with his father Terah."

The second part begins with Abram's call from Jehovah to go to Canaan. It includes the adventures he had there, and continues up to the events of the 17th chapter of Genesis, where he is said to be 99 years old, rich and powerful - but sonless by his wife Sarai."

Again, the Lord appears to him, promises that his seed will become a great nation, institutes the rite of circumcision, and changes his name to Abraham, adding the "ah" sound of Jehovah."

In the third and final period of his life, he sees the birth of Isaac, the death of Sarah (whose name has also been changed), and the finding of a wife for Isaac from Abraham's family in Mesopotamia. Abraham would be 175 years old when he dies, as stated in the 25th chapter of Genesis."

"But what we're interested in here is the deep representation of Abraham, as he prophesies or foretells most of Jesus' life after being born to Mary centuries after the man Abraham lived on the earth."

[source: <https://newchristianbiblestudy.org/nl/exposition/translation/abraham-nl/>]

Also on the other side, that is, those who have lived and died on earth and have left their bodies on the earth, but who took their souls and spirits with them to the spiritual kingdom of God, where actual life continues forever, there was a certain Bruno, who, although he had lived a bad life on earth, but showed much humility and repentance before the Lord, yet received His grace. There were many conversations that also stirred up interesting material among the 'new arrivals'.

This concerns the status of Rome and the Catholic Church. Bruno says to some people there: *"Nevertheless, the Lord must have some reason for allowing her [Rome] to exist. It is quite true that the divine word of Christ is much more esteemed even among the Jews and Mohammedans than among the Papists, who make of Christ whatever they please, and twist His holiest word as it comes in handy to them in their despotic and greedy position."* [Heaven and Hell, part 1, chap. 115:5]

In Genesareth on the Sea of Galilee, the Lord is talking to the centurion of that little town, and He says: *"Let there be many Jews who possess God's word and His commandments, yet their hearts are still full of lies and deceit, full of strife, wrath, adultery, and fornication of every kind are a great shame."*

*“Therefore, thus saith Jesus, it shall also come to pass, as Daniel testifies, that the kingdom promised to David shall be taken from the Jews and given to the Gentiles, and **the descendants of the son of Hagar shall rule over the descendants of Isaac**, although at this time all salvation for the whole world comes from the tribe of Judah.” [GGJ2-107:10]*

On the hill of the hamlet of Emmaus [property of Nicodemus] and near Jerusalem, the Lord dwelt with His disciples, and the story tells of four temple servants who are eager to meet the Lord. Jesus said to them: *“You see more or less now that I am the promised Messiah, and that there will be no other after Me; but you do not yet see that the Messiah is none other than the same Jehovah who gave the laws to Moses on Mount Sinai, and therefore could rightly say of Himself on the last feast day in the Temple, “Before Abraham was I!” for which you wanted to stone Me. So that you may see, experience, and then also firmly believe, I will show you a special sign. So all of you pay close attention to what is going to happen!”*

“ Since I am also the Lord of the spirit world, I want now that My Abraham will appear, and to you, he will testify of Me. When he will be here then you also can speak to him.” [GGJ7:162:2 ff]

*“Hereupon, a light cloud came down on the hill, and out of the cloud stepped Abraham, bowed deeply before Me and said: “How much and how long have I been looking forward to the day of Your appearance and my joy surpasses now all limits because I have seen Your day on Earth. **But no matter how much I am joyful over You, o Lord Jehovah Zebaoth, I have little reason to rejoice about my descendants. Truly, the descendants of Hagar are in their actions much better than the descendants of Sarah.***

“ O Lord, Your love for this wicked generation and Your patience with it surpasses all limits of Your infinite creations. When I formerly asked You to still spare the 10 cities with Sodom and Gomorrah because of the few righteous ones, Your answer sounded bitter. You were willing to spare them if there could be found only 10, and finally only 2 or 3 completely righteous persons. Since also those were not there, except Lot, You did not spare the 10 cities, saved only Lot, and everything else was destroyed by fire.”

*“ When I now look at **these descendants of mine**, then even with the threefold number of the former citizens of the 10 cities, there is hardly one righteous, and You, o Lord, are sparing even this generation of harlots and adulterers. For Your limitless love and great patience, those miserable people are persecuting You, and are even animated by the evil imaginary thought to kill You.”*

“ O Lord, give up Your too great patience. O Lord, I waited a long time for Isaac. Only Your power begot him in the body of Sarah. When he already became a fine boy, You desired – to test my faith and obedience – that I should sacrifice him to You. I submitted to Your will, but You Yourself stopped me from completely carrying out the instructed work, provided me with a Billy goat that I had to offer instead of Isaac and You gave Isaac back to me. Oh, that was very good for my heart.”



Abraham's Faith in God

"But it would have been better if I had sacrificed Isaac instead of the goat so that no generation would have come out of him that already at the foot of the Sinai in Your holy presence started to worship a golden calf, and now has become worse than the darkest gentiles and other children of the world who were begotten by the serpent by the great harlotry of Babel. O Lord, do stretch out Your right hand once and destroy Your enemies!"

"These words were spoken by the spirit of Abraham with a very serious and emphasizing voice. But I said to him: "You know that from now on I do not judge the people anymore by My zeal but only by themselves, for the sake of the few righteous who have not yet bent their knees before the mammon of this world. That is why we are letting the world that is dumb and blind by its own will, go now its own way and execute the judgment that it has caused itself, leading to its own destruction [GGJ7,162:2-11]"

*"Many things have been written down about Jesus' deeds and those of the Essenes, which were mostly kept in Egypt in the big libraries, but later - as known - it was **destroyed by the blind Mohammedans**. And so it happened that the people in this time know almost nothing anymore about the great miracles that happened during that time, to which however also the old whore of Babylon did very clearly contribute. How that will simply be known by every thinking researcher."*

*"However, also in the East there are great annotations, and a few of them will be revealed at the right time. In those are still many things that are not in the four Gospels that are known in the present time. And **a chronological order cannot be found in them, neither in those 4, but that is not important, for the main thing is and always remains the pure teaching of life**. Whoever will accept that and will believe in Me, will also be guided by the Spirit into all the rest. [GGJ8-217:26.26]"*

A future prediction about EDOM

Esau was the father of the Edomites, who are described in the Bible as a later great and powerful nation. They had built the city of Patra in the mountains and were hostile to the Israelites.

What does the prophet Obadiah write? "Then the house of Jacob shall be a fire, the house of Joseph a flame, the house of Esau shall become stubble; they shall burn them and devour them, that there shall be no escape for the house of Esau. Yes, the Lord has spoken. [Obadiah 1:18, Jeremiah 49] and there shall be no survivor for the house of Esau

The Lord calls the region of Edom a wicked region. [Mal.1;2,4]. ISLAM did not originate from the people of Esau, this is emphasized here so that no misunderstanding can arise.

In Isaiah 34, the Lord pronounces judgment upon the descendants of EDON or EDOM. The NO describes: "An innkeeper, with whom Jesus was staying, talked to Him about the descendants of EZAU. The conversation took place on a hill where Abraham and later Esau [Edom or Edom] had once stood. That's where the boundaries were set. Jesus foretold the innkeeper [in our world year 4059; we now live in 6071 AD. Adam and that is now in 2022] that in a distant future, all the eastern lands will become an unblessed desert. The innkeeper asked Jesus when this time would come.

Jesus said: *"Year, day, and hour I cannot tell you, for it depends on the human way and way of doing."*

Then follows a special prophecy of Jesus: *"But if they break away from their world kings [politicians, rulers who oppress the people instead of rule wisely] and will bask under My rule, as in the time of Moses and the given judges, **it won't take much longer than some 2,000 Earth years!**"* [Jesus said this about 2,000 years ago!]

Furthermore, Isaiah speaks of an Eastern region that will never again be inhabited by humans, only by animals.

About Europe [the old country], the Lord says in the Great Gospel of John, that there are still hard nuts to crack there. For just as He would spare the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah for the sake of ten good men, so there was none but Lot and his wife, and so He had to destroy these cities because of the committed sodomy.

2,000 years ago, the Lord made a statement again, about the old great continent of Europe for the future, in which we now live: Jesus: *"I say to you: before one-tenth of the people of this big old part of the world will be in the full blessing of My teaching, the worst part of Europe will be more blessed in My teaching than the smallest and best part of this old part of the world because a lot of fire will still be needed before the great number of people of this part of the world will feel the influence of the brays of My sun of life which will warm them up to eternal life."* [GGJ10-158:10] – [Europe has about 515 million inhabitants today and when around 50 million people [so 1/10

part] live according to the great teachings of Jesus, then Europe will be very blessed...']

Before the religion of Judaism, it started with Abraham, the progenitor of Israel. The subject of "forefathers" can be read in detail in the three large volumes of the "Household of God", received by Jakob Lorber, and available at any bookstore.

A "primitive nation" arose out of Abraham and someday in the future [probably in the near millennium of peace, shortly after 2030] the really old people of God will rise again.

In many religions, conflicts can be traced back to the fraternal dispute. It all started with Kajin and Abel. Cain killed his brother Abel out of jealousy because his sacrifice did not ascend to heaven, but Abel's did. The oldest kills the youngest. Ishmael and Isaac, Abraham's two sons, often argued. Abraham's two grandsons, Jacob and Esau, also got into a heated argument when Jacob tried to coax the first blessing from their blind father Isaac, which was intended for Esau. They lived about four thousand years ago.

Ishmael may rightly be called the progenitor of the Arab world population. It was not until much later that Islam arose among them. Ishmael was also circumcised and received the Lord's full blessings.

Unfortunately, the current religion they claim is one to be feared of. It is one religion of many attacks, their pagan religion is fanatical and they seek appreciation. But not much is left of what God taught them.

The Lord promised Abraham that there would be twelve sons of his generation, one great seed. He also promised Ishmael this. Twelve chiefs or tribes will emerge from them.

The firstborn of Ishmael was Nebajot, he is called the father of the Nabataeans. These were traders and **Petra** was their trading center. In the past, this city belonged to **Esau**. According to Flavius, the Nabataeans spoke an Arabic dialect. But they upheld idolatry, as in Esau's footsteps. Unfortunately, these "goddesses" are mentioned in the Koran. (Quran) Could this be the beginning of a piece of Islamic history?

Today the Arabs have expanded with their own culture, science [math], art [architecture], and heating. We owe them a lot, as many raw materials were developed by them.

Ishmael's mother was Hagar, probably the Egyptian daughter of Pharaoh. She was actually a princess. We know the story of Abraham that he fled to Egypt because of a famine in his country and associated with King Pharaoh, who gave him his daughter and also his son according to Jewish tradition!



Hagar became Abraham's concubine. Sarai was his real and first wife. Her name means 'princess', 'mistress'. She had to exchange her life at her father's royal court for the 'handmaid', some called 'slave'. She must also have been a beautiful woman, but Sarai, who was later called Sarah, was also a beautiful woman. This Hagar kept speaking her mind. However, a conflict arose between these two women. Sarah despised her in her heart and sent her off into the desert. Ishmael would not later be allowed to share in the inheritance of Abraham. We read it in Genesis 12 and 16.



Then an angel of the Lord intervenes and says to Hagar, **"Return to your mistress and submit to her authority!"**

"The Lord will make your seed very many so that it cannot be numbered because of the multitude. You are now pregnant, and you will soon bear a son, and you shall call his name Ishmael because the Lord has heard your affliction." [Gen.16:9,11]

Ishmael would become a wild ass of a man. His hand shall be against all and the hand of all against him; and he shall dwell over against all his brethren [the land of Israel] – Gen.16:12

Islam came from Ishmael! To Abraham, the Lord said, "Only the seed of Isaac shall be called your offspring, but...I will also make the son of this 'slave' Hagar a nation because he is your seed. [Gen.21:12,13]

Sarah did not want her son Ishmael to grow up next to Isaac because he was not the child of the promise and she commanded mother and son to disappear for good. [Gen.21:10] In this case Abraham had to obey his wife and he, Abraham sent them into the wilderness with food and drink.



The food and water ran out. Hagar became distraught. Her son nearly died of thirst and he wept deep inside and cried out to God. And the Lord heard his lamentation and cried unto the mother, Arise, take up thy son, for I will make him a great nation.

And when Hagar's eyes were opened, she saw near her a spring of water, a well of water, and gave her son to drink. So they survived in the wilderness, and the Lord was with him, and he became great and an excellent archer. He dwelt in the wilderness of PARAN, and his mother took him a wife from Egypt. [Gen.21:17,21]

The desert of Paran is the lower part of Palestine or the Land of Israel, which lies directly above northern Egypt. East of this desert would be an area where MECCA was built.

When Abraham's first wife dies [that is Sarah] he produces more offspring. He married a woman named Keturah. [Gen.25:1,2] Tradition has it that this was his first concubine Hagar with a name change. *[In the name Keturah we find the word 'Hakar': corrupted.]* This concubine, it is written in the Bible, gave birth to Abraham's 6 sons, including MIDIAN. The latter was a son of Jethro, the chief priest of the Midianites, where Moses once took refuge on his flight, and his daughter Zipporah then became his wife.

Before Abraham gave up his ghost, he gave everything to his son Isaac. He gave gifts to his concubine's son. He sent them to the East. [Gen.25:5,6]. **When Abraham died, his two only sons were present at his funeral.** Ishmael had great respect for his father Abraham.

Do Muslims believe in a triune God?

Muslims are religious people. They see Jesus as a prophet and they worship him that way. They see the trinity of Allah [God] as idolatry, polytheism and according to them, that is worthy of the death penalty.

According to the Quran, the trinity of Allah does not exist at all. But Christian doctrine sees the trinity of God as His three highest attributes. **That is true and pure and not dogma.**

As an example, a single explanation about the three and the unit. The first letter of ours, and also the Hebrew alphabet is the letter A. In Hebrew that is the ALePh. This first character already has three letters in itself, which some other letters also have, but it is precisely this first letter that starts with three number characters. Every Hebrew letter has – just as we know this with the unique Roman letter-number values, such as C = 100, L = 50, M = 1000, X = 10 and V = 5. Hebrew is a heavenly language.

For example, the A stands for 1, the L for the 30, and the Ph for the 80, added 111. We immediately see that 1 has the full value of 111. With this, you can prove that the unity consists of a trinity, yet is intimately connected with it as a unit.

1 is also 111 [on a different level scale divided into 1+10+100]. In the latter, we only see a shift to the 'higher' levels. But here one means the fullness in other characteristics. They are all connected. Not only the three letters but also the emphasis on the trinity. This one consists of three levels, which typifies the unit. It remains a complete unit in itself. This cannot even be denied mathematically. God the Lord is one spirit [Person], but He can never be threefold as one person. When we speak of a trinity, this concerns the three properties of THAT One.

The Muslims do not use the Bible, the only book in the world, which is and remains the oldest book in the world. The Bible of the Muslims is the Quran, a small book with only 86,000 words, while the Bible has 800,000 words. It is true, that a large part of the Qur'an is borrowed from the Bible, along with some other apocryphal stories. The most important information in the Qur'an has been taken in distillate form from the first five books of the Old Testament [the Pentateuch].

Jesus is presented by the Quran as only the son of Mary; this Jesus would indeed be a special man, like Ahmed or Mohammed [both are the same], but the unique birth of Jesus from one parent would be no indication of his divinity.

Unfortunately, the Quran denies the crucifixion of Jesus. He would never have died. In the Quran, Jesus is seen as an important messenger, a kind of Messiah. There are various religious 'dissenters' towards Muslims. The Jews still believe in the coming of Jesus as He personally preached and healed the sick from about AD 4181-4185. Adam, almost 3 years. *[The years indicated are the Jewish years from the creation of Adam. If we translate it to our time division, that would be in the period from 4056 to 4060, and we now live 2022 years further, that is 6082 after Adam]*

The Jews still believe in the coming of a material "kingdom of God" on earth after "the sons of light" would defeat the "sons of darkness." "Dead Sea Scrolls" have been found in the Qumran caves, albeit fragments from books, which vaguely describe this.

Jakob Lorber describes the thoughts of the Jews that God's Anointed One will expand His dominion over the world in a more spiritual sense and color another dominion with the blood of those who are against God. The Jews saw and still see the future Messiah as one who would become a secular king and who would not only restore Israel but even extend his rule over the entire world.

Islam "preaches" that we should not only defeat our enemies but also hate and physically kill them. The fragments found from the Dead Sea Scrolls contrast with what Jesus commanded us: "We must love our enemies!" [Matt. 5:3-44]

Isaiah 11:1-5 gives us a clear view regarding another Dead Sea scroll found: "Let the branch of David appear in the last days!" He will put a scepter in his hand and He will rule over all the Gentiles. Even Magog [and his army] and all the nations will have his sword under his sword.

Ishmael and Isaac

What about the two half-brothers Ishmael and Isaac? They are both sons of Abraham, the first of the Egyptian Hagar, the concubine of Abraham, the second of Sarah, the wife of Abraham. Is the descendant of Ishmael the people of the "Evening Land," that Arabia? The root of the word 'ARABIER' is 'ARAB' which means evening or twilight land.

We return to the story of Abraham and Sarah. They were old and Sarah couldn't get pregnant and they had already given up hope. Sarah commended her husband to Hagar, that she might still have offspring. [Hagar was an Egyptian 'handmaid' of Sarah, which is why Sarah came up with the idea!]

Whoever knows the story of Abraham from the land of the Chaldeans also knows that he came from the place UR [light]. Another detail in this story is the fact that Abram only later got a letter in his name: AbraHAm. But Sarai lost a letter [the JoD] but also got the letter H in its place.

Abraham was 75 years old when he was called from his country and his cousin Lot went with them and they arrived at Shechem. He stayed there for a short while and traveled on to Bethel, but because of a famine, he decided to live temporarily in Egypt.

The story arises that Sarah and Abraham at the court of Pharaoh pretended to be brother and sister, which caused calamities. [Gen12:12-20] When they went back again [after 10 years] they took with them Pharaoh's beautiful-looking daughter Hagar, and his son Eliezer, who afterward sought a suitable wife for Isaac, who

became Rebecca, who bore Esau and Jacob. . Hagar had to give up her royal dignity by serving as a "handmaid" to Abraham and Sarah.

Abraham was now 86 years old. For when there was no more hunger in Canaan, they went back and dwelt near Hebron.

In ABRAham we recognize ARAB of Arabia [Ereb = evening] and Ur was the city of light. That in itself is a remarkable fact. Because not Sarah, but Hagar gave birth to Ishmael and after some time friction arose between the two. As described earlier, HA-Gar literally means 'the stranger'.

Out of the later two nations of Abraham, we see two namesakes: **Ishmael** and **Israel**; they both have one letter difference. Linked together we see a hidden coherence for all future times, **MaRa**: bitterness, because that is the Hebrew name for 'Mara'. The two nations never got along with each-other

Later we see an identical story about Esau [the first-born] and Jacob [the second-born] fighting each other over birthrights. Only in later times would that have consequences between the Israelis [Jacob's descendants] and the Edomites [Esau's descendants]. **At the time of Jesus, we were still dealing with a descendant of Esau: Herod.**

Sarah, Abraham's wife finally gave birth to a child, for an angel of the Lord had foretold this to her, but she could not believe it and laughed to herself at this, so his birth name was also made known to her, perhaps adapted to Sarah's faith. so that he should be called: 'Jitzaak' in our language is 'Izaak' which means 'to laugh'.

As a teenager, Ishmael became jealous of his stepbrother, and Hagar, the maidservant, mocked her mistress in such a way that she complained to her husband and begged them to be sent away. After all, a chasm had already arisen, as will also become apparent later between these two peoples.

Isaac was a surprise to Abraham. Isaac fathered Esau before Jacob, so the latter was the second. Jacob somehow caught sight of his older brother Esau's birthright, for Jacob traded a plate of delicious hot red lentil soup for Esau's birthright.

When their father Isaac died, the blessing was pronounced. Rebecca, the mother of both sons, helped Jacob to dress like Esau himself. The dying and BLIND Isaac asked to bless the firstborn first.



In Ishmael is hidden ISHLAM, 'Ish' = man, the human and 'Lama' means teacher. Both nations are closely related, each has taken a different path and culture. In the Bible, we read that the descendants of Ishmael, until Jesus' arrival on earth [2,000 years ago], are led by the spiritual world.

About 'militarism' the evangelist Luke writes: [Military men asked John the Baptist how they continued to conduct themselves in their military service:] Then John says: *'Do no harm to anyone, do not be guilty of extortion, and be content with your wages. ' [salary]. Johannes did not say that they should leave the military service.* [Luke 3:14]

"If we want or need to punish the other, we should be meek." In the 'Youth of Jesus', we read how Cyrenius dealt with 'criminals' in the right way, albeit at the direction of the Child Jesus. The evil is not military life itself, but its misuse, and that is forbidden. The Church does not forbid the military, only the executive evils. Unfortunately, Islam concentrates its religion with violence and weapons. *[Note, there are also a lot of good Islam organizations!]* And teach the suicide squads that they will come to paradise.

Unfortunately, Islam stirs up the passions of the people. Jesus recommended self-denial to us. No prophecy has been fulfilled in Islam. Jesus never pointed out to mankind any other way than that of the cross. The proclamation of the truth brings salvation and freedom. We must always testify to the truth, as Paul indicates in Cor.2:2, to take up the example of Jesus' cross. [2 Tim.4:2]

Jakob Lorber says, that the prophet Isaiah provides us with a picture of the future times. In "the last days" a little shoot, a new branch will come forth from the cut stump of Jesse. [David's father - Isa.11:1-5]

Ishmael dies at the age of 137 years and his descendants settle among all their relatives east of Egypt towards Ashur, Iraq, and Iran. [Gen.25:18]

Judges 7:12 refers to the people of the East. **MIDIAN and Amelek were as numerous as locusts in the valley of the East, as were their innumerable camels, as the grains of sand on the seashore.** [Ezek.25:4]

The descendants of Ishmael will possess the cities of their enemies [Gen.22:17]. The relationship between the Arab tribes and the current Jews is usually not relaxed. [Judg.8:24, Psalm 83:6,7].

The wise men from the East were descendants of the Arabs. It concerns the foretold star of Bethlehem. [Num.24:17] Abraham was a special man and in Jas.2:23 he is even called 'the friend of God'.

The twelve princes of Ishmael are the twelve sons of Ishmael. [Gen.25:13-18, Isa.60:7, Cant.1:5, Isa.1:11,16, Isa.42:11] Abraham passed away! Ishmael and Isaac buried their father together. [Gen.25:17]

The later descendants of Jacob [=Israel], the son of Isaac always think they have all rights to their lands. But for the record, the Lord says it all belongs to Him. [Lev.25:23, Ezek.47:21-23] The Bible says that the way of the Ishmaelites was made from Egypt to Assyria = Assyria. [Is.19:23]

When Ishmael was 10 years old, ABRAM got another letter, a new name: AbraHam. **A change of name means a change of person.**

When Abraham is 100 years old and Sarah 90 years old, [Gen.17:17,18] they could no longer believe in a posterity. Ishmael would dwell before all his brethren. [Gen.16:10-12, 17:17,18] But he would not participate in the covenant with Isaac.

A year after the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah, Isaac is born. When Ishmael was 17 years old, Sarah told her husband that her maidservant's son should not share the inheritance with her son Isaac. Proverbs 30:21 says, "A maidservant displaces her mistress."

Ishmael was born "of the flesh" [human conception], **but Isaac of the Spirit.** [Gal.4:23]

Esau traded his birthright for a bowl of red lentil soup when he returned tired from a hunt. His posterity is still fighting for birthright. **The Bible calls Isaac the only born son of Abraham. [Heb.11:17]**

The sacrifice that Abraham was to give to the Lord was right on Mount **MORIA**, the mountain of bitterness? Does that also have to do with the annual festival of sacrifice, which is nowadays called '**RAMA-DAM**' in Islam, to purify their blood and soul for a couple of weeks?

Ishmael was circumcised at the age of 13. From then on he is included in the covenant. [Heb. ECHoD = 1-8-4 =13, one; 13:00 is also one hour!]. He is connected with the unity: the circumcision. Abraham is circumcised and is 99 years old. He was 86 when his first son was born. A year later his half-brother Izaak was born and he was 100 years old at the time. Sara was ten years younger then. [Gen.21:5]

Islam and the Bible

Islam emerged between the 6th and 7th centuries AD. ch. If we want to parse the word 'Islam' literally, it says ISh = man and Lama = spiritual teacher. Islam stands for man, who is afflicted with the spiritual, the divine. Hebrew and Arabic are closely

related. Actually Islam is what is Ishmael in the Bible. Islam says that the Bible is falsified, and they say that for their own benefit.

Tradition has it that Isaac resembles his father Abraham like two drops of water. When Ishmael is 16 years old, Sarah sees that he is behaving strangely. He mocks his half-brother Isaac, who later has a son [Jacob = Israel] from which the nation of Israel arises. Both Jacob and Ishmael have 12 sons. By mocking Isaac they are sent away, a year later. An angel promises him at the water source: "You will be king of 12 princes!" We see a parallel here.

At 17 years old, we also see other events associated with it in the Bible. Ishmael is sent away when he is 17 years old. In the 17th century after Adam, a deluge comes and a world is sent away. Joseph of Jacob is sold at the age of 17. The caravan traders who later took Joseph out of the pit were the three sons of Hagar. Moses, when he is 17 years old, must flee from Egypt from Pharaoh.

When Isaac is 37 years old, the Lord says to Abraham: 'You must 'sacrifice' your son. I will take it from you. Then Ishmael is 50 years old. Between these two sons will forever remain a difference of 13 years. Abraham left with Isaac on a pack mule. Donkey in Hebrew = CHaMoR = $8-40-200 = 248$, that is the number of our bones, because according to the old anatomy man has 248 bones.

When Sarah dies, Abraham takes a second wife named Kethoerah. [= crown. [Gen.25:1]. She is said to be the same as Hagar.

Arabia, the land of Ishmael is not only the world of the oil sheiks but also a confrontational land of conflicts and wars.

The Age of Religion is nearing its end all over the world. There is coming a new era of a much better true Religion. For the time being, people want to enjoy themselves, to have fun, but the people do no longer believe in the afterlife.

When Abraham returns from Egypt to his land, Pharaoh gives him two servants [Hagar and Eliezer] in addition to the many gifts. Then he goes back to Canaan, which means 'merchant': $[20-50-70-50=190]$ and Egypt has half more in value: $380 = \text{Mitzraim} = 1:2$. Abraham defeats **318 people with the help of Eliezer**. [Eliezer was one of the servants Abraham took from Egypt – Eliezer = $1-30-10-70-7-200 = 318$].

This Eliezer sought a wife for Isaac, who became Rebecca. For when Eliezer went to fetch a wife for Isaac, he made this condition: **"If she should give drink not only to the man that came to the well of water but also to his animals!"**

Bron means in Hebrew: 'Beer' = $2-1-200$ and that is the same Hebrew word for BARA, which means to create. Shara means 'lord'. Isaac = **$10-90-8-100 = 208$** . Same word for 'cedar' = $1-200-7 = 208$. When Ishmael turns 50, his insights come!

Hagar [5-3-200 = 208], the stranger, is sent away by Sarah into the desert, where there is no water. [GaR = 3-200 = to dwell, to be strange, to be stranger]. She puts the child far away from her so that a bow and arrow can be shot. This explains the later professional passion of Ishmael: a trained archer.

Abram [243] and Hagar [208] added together are 451. The added value of Ishmael is 451:

J	=	010
SH	=	300
M	=	040
E	=	070
I	=	010
L	=	030 = 451

Abram [243] and Isaac [Yitzhok = 10-90-8-100 = 208] also have the same value as Ishmael [451] = 243+208= **451. What a special connection!!!**

At the time of binding [AQIDaH = עֲקִידָה of Isaac, to be sacrificed and thus also to die, then according to Jewish tradition Abraham's wife dies.

Finally:

Balaam belongs to **Midian** [The Midianites]. The latter would be the son of Keturah, Abraham's wife. [Gen.25:1,2]. So **Midian and Ishmael are brothers**. It cannot be a coincidence that the Midianites and the Ishmaelites played a part together in the sale of Joseph in Gen.37:23-36.

Ishmael was recalcitrant until 50 years, but then he suddenly changed for the better. He comes back from the desert after 33 years, to his roots. At that time Abraham was 137 years old, Isaac 37 years, and Ishmael 50 years.

When Abraham was 78 years old, Reie, the son of Peleg, died. If Abram is 10 years, in Egypt [in 2033 A.D. Adam] Pharaoh gives him Hagar as his daughter. In these 10 years Hagar had learned a lot from the Sara and Abram family. She became his concubine because of the conception of Abraham. Abram was then 85 years old.

Later, Ismeal got a wife from Egypt. This one mocked the marriage. When Abraham visited her, he was not welcome and Abram left a message for his son, who understood from it to marry another woman named FATIMAH according to Jewish tradition.

When Isaac married Rebekah he was 40 years old, and in that year Abraham [after his wife Sarah died] also took a wife [Keturah] for himself. [Gen.25:1]

During this period the important story of **JOB** takes place, for one of the four sons of Keturah was Bilihael and he was one of the three friends of Job. [Job 2:11]

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