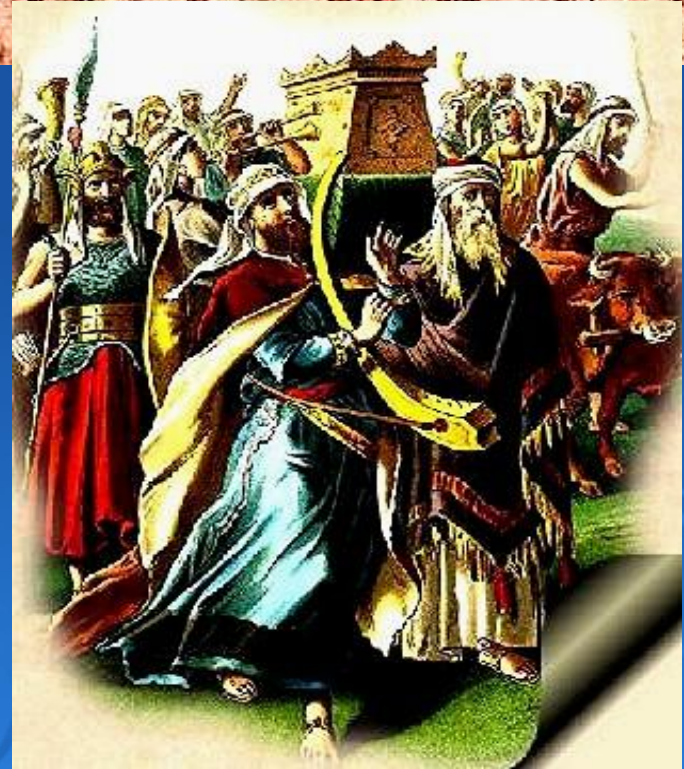
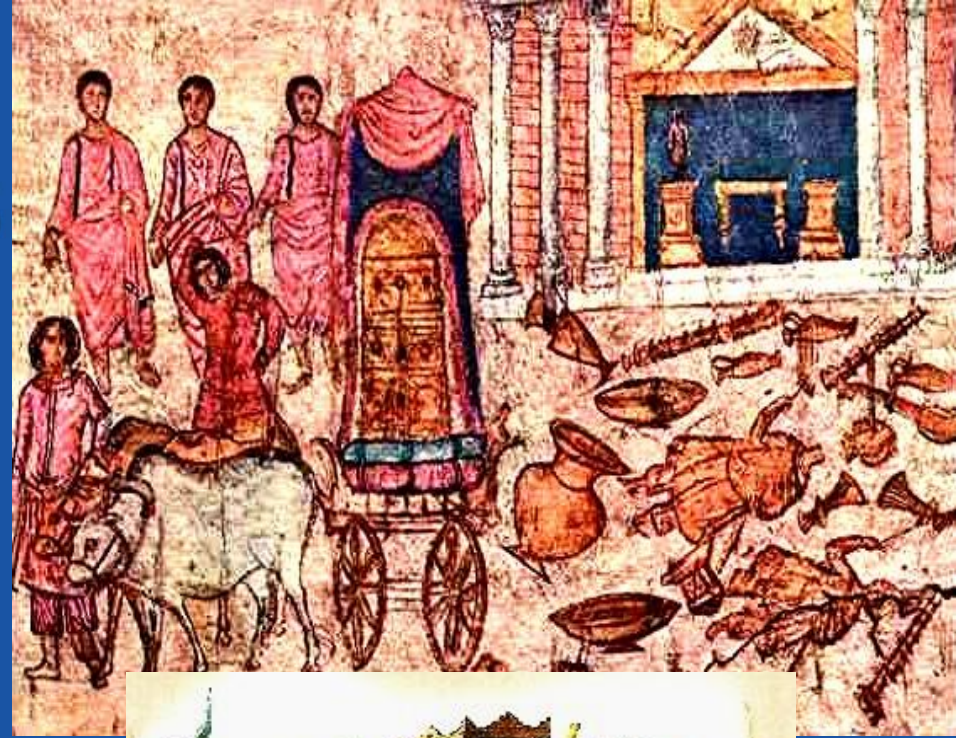


THE PHILISTINES ARE SUBDUED

- Philistines foiled Israel for 3 centuries
- YHWH's pattern is to have Israel do the opposite of the pagan gentile world
- Bible gives little detail on battles and victories
- The 2nd battle of 2nd Sam.5 is a sea-change
- *Ba'al P'ratzim* = the lord of breaking through

2ND SAMUEL 6: THE ARK RETURNS

- Philistines idols captured and burnt up
- 70 years had passed since the Ark rested in the Holy of Holies
- 30,000 political representatives of Israel went to get the Ark
- ***Bachar*** = clan leaders, prominent men



THE ARK AT BA'AL JUDAH

- Philistines no longer a problem
- Ark in the hands of Avinadav's family
- Avinadav family were Levites, perhaps priests
- Located on hilltop
- 1 Sam 6:21 – 7:1
- Ba'al Judah = Ba'alah & Kiryat Ye'arim
- 8 miles NW of Yerushalayim



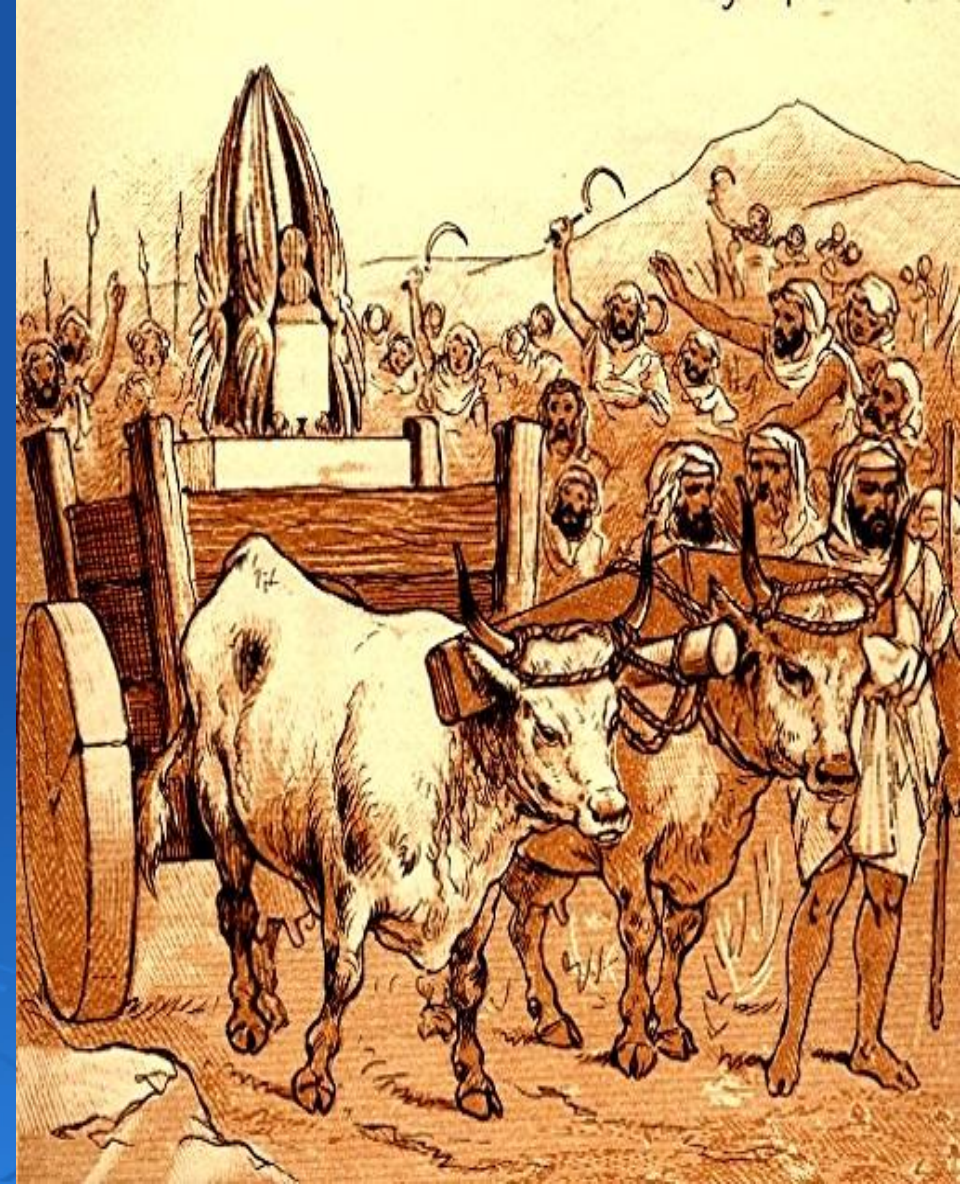


Vs. 2 : THE NAME OF GOD

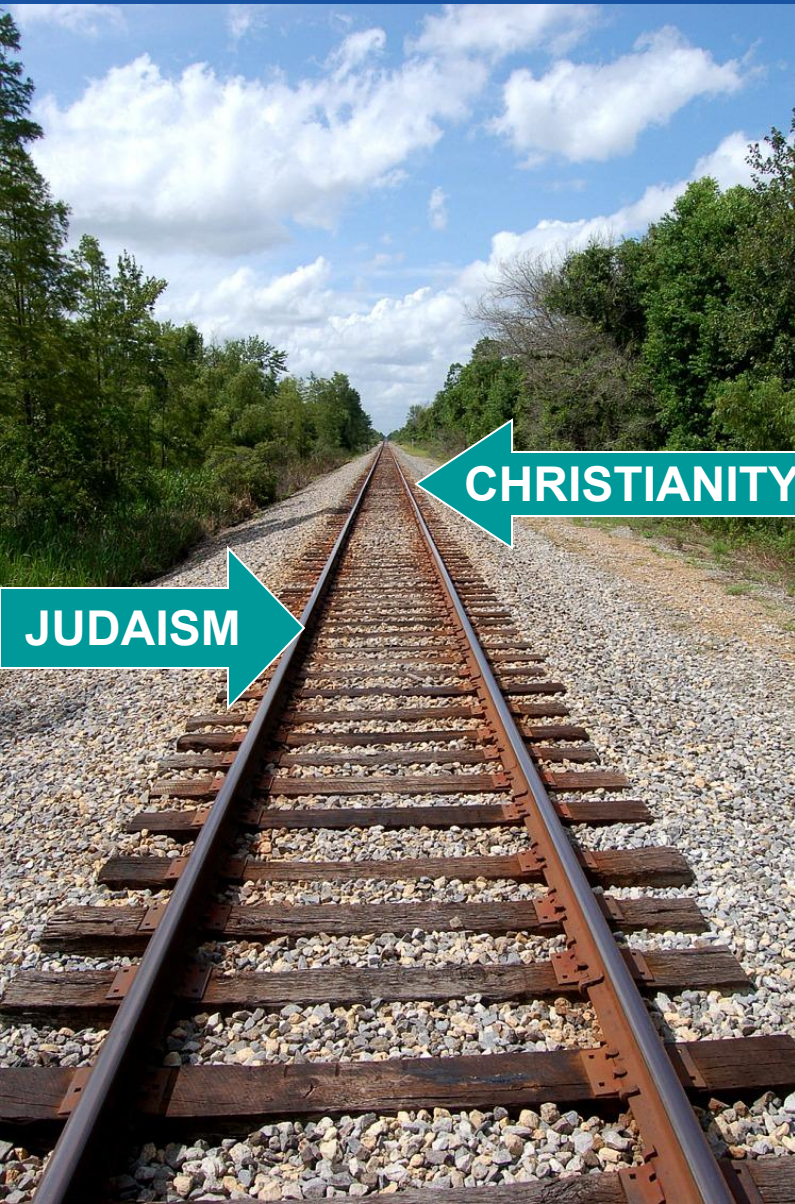
- Meaning is probably WHICH god is represented by the Ark
- God's formal name is YHWH
- Used 6000 times in the Hebrew Bible
- Replaced with Adonai, HaShem, Lord, God
- Probably should read:
“.....called by the name:
- ***YHWH of hosts who is enthroned upon the Cherubim....”***
- Lord of Hosts = ***YHWH Tzv'aot***

ARK PLACED IN AN OXCART

- New oxcart, accompanied by Uzah and Achyo, sons of Avinadav
- Oxen stumble, cart lurches, Uzah reaches to steady the Ark and dies
- At least 3 wrongs committed by David
- #1: Ark should NOT have been carried in an oxcart
- Num. 4:15
- Num. 7:8 - 9



CHRISTIANITY AND JUDAISM HAVE DEVELOPED ON PARALLEL TRACKS



- The Levites in charge of the Ark did NOT KNOW how to treat it!
- They assumed they should handle the Ark in the same way they received it
- Social customs, philosophies, and human doctrines quickly superceded God's Word
- Most modern Believers are unaware of how far away we have drifted from pure worship

WRONG #2: AN IMPROPER ATTITUDE



- 2 Sam 6:5 “...Israel celebrated in the presence of Adonai..”
- *Sachaq* = laugh, jest, be frivolous, party
- 2 Sam 6:12 “...and joyously brought the Ark....”
- *Simchah* = reverent joy, inner joy

REVERENCE EXCHANGED FOR FAMILIARITY

- Modern strategy is to make God more likeable and approachable
- David, Levites, and Elders made the same error
- Pursuit of happiness in place of attention to God's holiness
- They thought that the strictness of the Law was a thing of the past



WRONG # 3: UZZAH TOUCHES THE ARK



- Ark NEVER to be touched by human hands
- Holiness and uncleanness can be transmitted by touch
- People to people, object to object, and people to object
- Torah gives us several examples of this principle

UNAUTHORIZED HOLINESS



- Korah and the fire pans
- Num 16: 35
- Num 17:1
- Only 2 remedies for objects or people who have acquired unauthorized holiness:
 - 1) consecration
 - 2) destruction

UZAH'S DEATH TAKES PLACE AT *GOREN NAKHON*

- Uzah touching the Ark instead of letting it fall was NOT the lesser of 2 evils
- Separate Torah Laws for man to man relationships, versus man to God relationships
- *Nakhon* is not a person's name
- *Goren nakhon* is a description not a name
- *Peretz Uzah* = bursting out against Uzah

