

THE WORD



- “The Word” is a complex Hebrew concept
- ***Dabar*** = The Word A proper noun
- The Word is an event or action of God being caused by, and is of itself, a living manifestation of God
- We can think of it conceptually in a similar way to the Holy Spirit
- “The Word” is not words and writings
- In Hebrew, writings are ***kathab, miktah, cepher***, etc.
- In Greek, writings are ***grapha, gramma, biblos***, etc.

GOD IS. . . WISDOM

THE FATHER

THE SON

THE WORD

THE HOLY SPIRIT

THE SHEKINAH

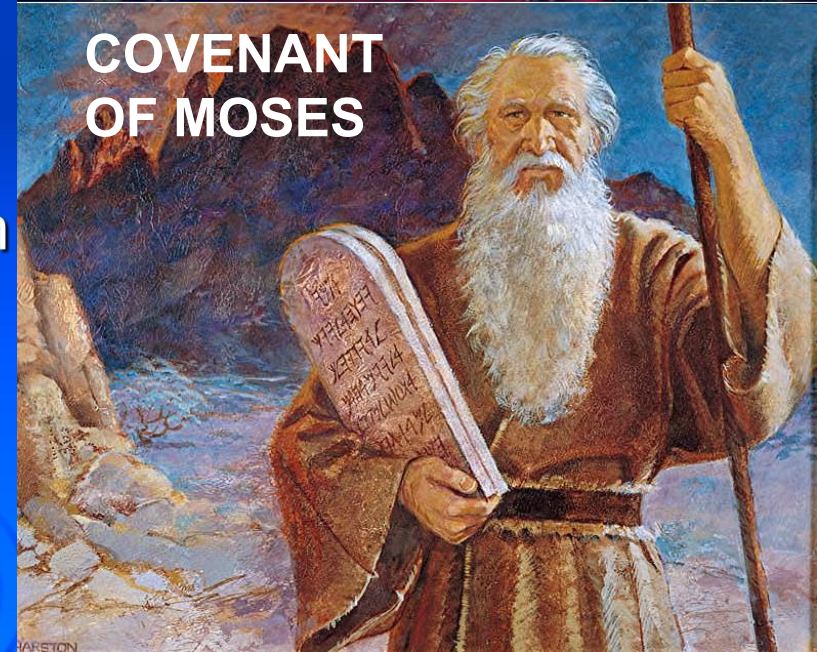
THE FIRE-CLOUD

THE ANGEL OF THE LORD

- “Wisdom” is also seen as a living divine entity
- The most adopted Trinity Doctrine describes God as a tri-unity. So all manifestations of God can ONLY be one of The Father, The Son, or The Holy Spirit
- These manifestations surpass every argument of reason and science because God’s nature cannot be weighed or measured

COVENANTS

- An unnamed Scribe participated in the writing of Hosea
- **Zonah** = prostitute
- **Zonah** usually meant as a metaphor and not literally in the OT
- God made a covenant with Abraham that created the Hebrews
- The Covenant of Moses was made with the 12 tribes of Israel
- Marriage was used as an illustration of a covenant relationship with God
- Marriage involves faithfulness and fidelity
- Prostitution is the opposite



HOSEA MARRIES GOMER



- Hosea 1:2
- NOT “Go marry a whore”; rather “marry a wife of whoredoms”
- Gomer is NOT a whore
- Yehoveh has denounced prostitution in the Law of Moses
- This is meant to represent Israel’s behavior
- Having the spirit of prostitution is the point

AN ORDINARY WOMAN



- “Children of whoredom” = representative of regular Israelite children
- ONLY the 10 Northern tribes are the issue
- Hosea 1:3
- Not a promiscuous woman
- A typical Hebrew betrothal and marriage would have occurred
- Gomer’s name not symbolic of anything
- *Divlayim*, father, also has no symbolic meaning

Call him
Yizre'el



- Hosea 1:4
- The son's name is part of God's message to Israel
- The name means "El (God) sows" a good omen
- However, the name was meant to remember murder
- 1 Kings 21 King Achav and Jezebel kill Naboth
- Jehu killed Achav's son and his family ending the dynasty
- Prophet Elishah instigated Jehu's bloody overthrow

Lo-Ruchamah

- Israel will lose nation status in Yizre'el Valley
- Hosea 1:5 “break the bow” means to lose militarily
- Assyria will be the invading army
- Hosea 1:6 a daughter is born
- Love is vitally important to daughters
- Biblical names represent qualities and attributes



ISRAEL DOOMED



- If we cross a line in the sand, God takes action
- ALL in the North would be affected
- God's wrath wouldn't happen; He will step aside and let evil occur
- Why tell Israel about their doom if there is nothing they can do?
- 1) Repent 2) Prepare
- Do we each exhibit biblically defined Godliness?

- Improbable catastrophes can arrive in an instant
- It's not about “What if’s”
- Begin with living without debt
- Acquire emergency items intentionally
- Create a plan
- Preparedness is NOT a lack of faith; it is believing God!
- We must also prepare on a spiritual level



JUDAH TO BE PROTECTED

- Hosea 1:7
- Israel can flee to the South
- But... it takes faith to believe the warning!
- God will show Judah *rucham* (pity), Israel *lo-rucham* (no pity)
- God has always intervened in politics and the military
- 130 years after Israel is gone, Judah will be attacked and exiled so all Israel will be gone...but it has returned!

The Two Kingdoms

